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# Tora Bora pounding continues

The Associated Press

**WAR ON TERROR**  
TORA BORA, Afghanistan — American bombers pounded the hills and caves of Tora Bora on Sunday, trying to soften al-Qaida defenses for a ground assault by Afghan tribesmen. Pakistani forces moved to seal off escape routes on their side of the border. In the south, rival tribal leaders worked out differences over the administration of Kandahar, the

## Tribal leaders avert violence in Kandahar

Taliban's former stronghold, with the former governor returning to his old office. The agreement reduces fears of factional fighting now that the Taliban are gone. The bombing around this village beneath the spectacular, snow-covered White Mountains in eastern Afghanistan is aimed at rooting out Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida fighters believed held up around cave hide-outs near the Pakistan border. A commander of the anti-

Taliban forces in Tora Bora said he was certain bin Laden himself was among them, and Vice President Cheney said Sunday that intelligence reports indicate bin Laden is in the area. Others speculate the elusive terror suspect may be hiding north of Kandahar. "They were eager to send young men on suicide missions, but they appear to be holding up in caves," Cheney said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

B-52 bombers made repeated passes over the Tora Bora area throughout the day, and huge plumes of smoke rose from the barren hills and ridges. Hundreds of anti-Taliban fighters watched from several miles away as dust filled mountain valleys. Their commander, Mohammed Zaman, said bin Laden will not disclose the al-Qaida fighters. He said the ground assault will be difficult, as the Arabs have had years to build up their defenses and restock their caves with weapons and food. He said bin

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# WHERE'S OSAMA?

## U.S., Afghan leaders ask \$25M question

The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — Where is Osama bin Laden? That's the \$25 million question today in Afghanistan.

That question has the new prime minister recruiting southern villagers to search for foreigners. It has U.S. Marines setting up roadblocks around Kandahar. It has U.S. jets pummeling the cave complexes in the east, and tribal fighters waiting to move in.

But the bottom line, for now, is that nobody seems to know where bin Laden is for sure. All sorts of rumors are abundant.

In Washington, the leading theory seems to be that bin Laden is hidden around the caves of Tora Bora in eastern Afghanistan. Vice President Cheney says that he has intelligence reports indicating that's the case.

In Kabul, the Afghan capital, few are convinced that bin Laden is really in Tora Bora. "No one knows for sure, but why would he go to the one place where everyone will look for him?" asked a Western intelligence official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The official said bin Laden's chief lieutenant, Egyptian Ayman al-Zawahiri, may have been taken to Tora Bora after he was hurt in U.S. bombing raids on an al-Qaida base at Darunta in eastern Afghanistan. But he doubts bin Laden was with him.

U.S. warplanes have been bombing intensively in the Tora Bora region, trying to soften up al-Qaida fighters holed up in the caves and allow an advance by anti-Taliban Afghan fighters. At the same time, U.S. Marines are searching main roads in the south around the city of Kandahar, another region seen as a possible bin Laden hiding place.

The United States also offered a \$25 million reward for the capture of bin Laden, the main suspect for the Sept. 11 terror attacks in the United States.

Afghanistan's interim prime minister, Hamid Karzai, appealed for the help of villagers in the area of Kandahar—which the Taliban surrendered on Friday—and neighboring Helmand province to arrest anyone who resembles an Arab warrior that could be linked to bin Laden.

But Karzai said Sunday that he still has "no idea" about bin Laden's whereabouts.

The interim government's foreign minister, Abdullah, said this week that he thought bin Laden is in the south.

The Taliban's former intelligence chief, Mohammed Khaqzar, speculates that bin Laden left

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# KEEPING CRIMINALS AT BAY



Doug Nixon recently had a break-in at his Main Avenue business, Laptopolis, in Twin Falls. The door was shot full of BB pellets and then smashed in; the thieves stole 18 laptops. Nixon has had the damage repaired and installed a security system in an attempt to thwart further problems.

# Businesses, police look to foil burglars

## Keeping the wrong sort away

Here are some tips business owners can use to make their stores or shops less attractive to burglars.

- **Install alarm systems:** They can be expensive and temperamental, but a good alarm system is the best way to help police catch a thief in the act.
- **Harden the target:** Bars over glass on windows and doors can discourage compulsive "smash and grab" break-ins.
- **Think beyond the obvious:** Locked windows and doors won't help if thieves discover they can wessel in through a vent or trapdoor on the roof.
- **Light it up:** Good lighting in and around a store will make burglars think twice.
- **Take it easy on the landscaping:** Bushes and shrubs can give burglars a place to hide or stash stolen goods.

For more advice: The Twin Falls Police Department can send an officer to your business to do a security survey and offer tips specific to your space or building. Call the department's main service desk at 735-7200 for more information or to make an appointment.

Source: TFFPD Detectives Division

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — For business owner Doug Nixon, it was a hard lesson. A burglar or burglars recently smashed the front door of his newly opened shop — Laptopolis on Main Avenue in Twin Falls — and made off with about \$7,000 worth of laptop computers. "I had been working through wholesale, and wasn't really planning around opening a store," Nixon said. "It wasn't really thinking ahead, and I was naive." Since the burglary, he's installed an alarm system, something he now thinks every business should have. "I think people will find that it's much less expensive than they would have expected," he said.

He also said he considers himself lucky that the thieves were apparently in big hurry and weren't very professional. "I don't mind saying that I think they were stupid," he said. Downtown Twin Falls might not have a private security force or wide, well-lit streets like some of the town's other business districts. But the area is apparently no more — or less — vulnerable to burglary than any other part of town, said a detective and some business people. Burglaries tend to come in spurts and in specific areas, said Capt. Jim Massey, who commands the Twin Fall Police Department's detective division. There's generally no predictable pattern to the spurts, he said. Typically, a burglar or ring of burglars

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# A lonely Hanukkah for Kabul's two Jews

## Pair united in religion, hatred for each other

The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — To the glow of candles and the soft cadence of Hebrew blessings, the Jews of Kabul celebrated the first night of Hanukkah in a city finally free of harsh Taliban rule. But there were only two of them — and each was alone. At separate ends of a dilapidated synagogue that was once the heart of a vibrant Jewish community, its two sole remaining members, estranged by a long feud, were together only long enough to argue briefly about whether Sunday indeed marked the first night of the holiday. One grudgingly accepted the other's word. Then they parted, to go about their solitary commemorations. As the sky outside began to

darken, Ishak Levin's old hands trembled as he lighted first one crooked candle, then a second. The synagogue's main hall was dim and cold; his menorah was the plank of a dusty old table. "Praised be the Lord, king of the world, who has sanctified us with his commandments and commanded us to kindle the Hanukkah candle," Levin, a Persian Jew in his 70s, chanted in slurred Hebrew. In a small, bare room across a cracked concrete courtyard, the two candles of Zebulon Simentov, a 42-year-old Jew from Turkmenistan, glowed on the sill of a window patched with plastic sheeting. "I prayed for the end of the Taliban, so this is a joyous time," he said. He bowed his head, com-

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Ishak Levin lights a candle on the first night of Hanukkah in his room in a central Kabul, Afghanistan, synagogue Sunday. One of only two Jews left in Kabul, he is estranged from the other. The origins of their feud are murky, but both were jailed by Taliban authorities after reporting each other for alleged offenses.



NATION

# Cheney: Tape shows bin Laden's guilt

WASHINGTON (AP) — Osama bin Laden says in a videotape he was pleasantly surprised by the extent of damage from the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, U.S. officials disclosed Sunday. The tape also suggests that some hijackers did not know they were going to die.



Vice President Dick Cheney

Vice President Dick Cheney confirmed the tape's existence, and officials who spoke on condition of anonymity described the contents. It was obtained by Americans in Afghanistan, though the officials declined to say how.

Cheney said it provides clear proof the leader of the al-Qaida network was behind the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon that killed about 3,000 people.

"He does in fact display significant knowledge of what happened and there's no doubt about his responsibility for the attack on

September 11," Cheney said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

The tape shows bin Laden being interviewed or meeting with a cleric. He speaks in Arabic and discusses the terrorist attacks, according to Cheney, who said he had seen parts of the tape.

Bin Laden appeared relaxed on the tape, Air Force Gen. Richard Myers said on CBS' "Face the Nation." Myers is chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

President Bush ignored reporters' questions about the tape as returned to the White

House from Camp David early Sunday morning.

On the tape, bin Laden recalls tuning in to news shows hours before the attacks, waiting to hear reports about the destruction, a U.S. official said. Bin Laden also says that after the first plane struck, he told those who were with him that more destruction was coming.

The al-Qaida leader expressed surprise and pleasure at the amount of damage done to the World Trade Center, the official said. Another government official said bin Laden indicates on the tape he had expected the twin towers only to collapse down to the level of where the planes struck the buildings.

Bin Laden's comments show he had specific advance knowledge of the time, method and location of the attacks, the officials said.

A third official said Sunday that the tape suggests the ringleaders of the attacks did not tell all the hijackers that their mission would end in death.

U.S. officials declined to say how the United States obtained the tape, which one described as amateurish and apparently made with a handheld video camera.



Catrina: Great job at the cheerleading competition. Give me a cheer and go to the winter ball with me. Steve

## Afghan exiles want to rebuild battered country

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Some wealthy and well-educated Afghans who have lived outside their country for years say they are prepared to abandon their prosperous lives in the West and return to rebuild their country.

While they're unsure what awaits them, they say it's their duty, a calling of sorts to get their battered country back on its feet.

Fatima Gailani, the politically active daughter of a leading Afghan religious leader, says she wants to return permanently and spearhead a commission to drum up aid for illiteracy and women's rights causes.

"I need to go back," she said. "I can't explain it. It's some kind of need."

Her husband, Anwar Ahady, a professor at Providence College, dreams of being prime minister. But the head of the exiled Afghan Social Democratic Party, he said he'd be content winning a seat in a future parliament.

Ishaq Shahryar wants to build "model villages," planned communities of prefabricated homes, Internet-wired schools and medical centers, powered in part by solar energy. The 65-year-old Los Angeles businessman said he wants to form joint ventures of Western firms, such as his solar panel company, providing the materials and expertise, and Afghans supplying the labor.

"It would be a great sense of achievement," Shahryar said by telephone from Bonn, Germany, where he attended United Nations sponsored talks on forming a new government in Afghanistan. "This is a phenomenal opportunity that few people have. Here's a country that's destroyed and ground into the dirt. To go back and rebuild it, my God, what a sense of opportunity."

John Schoeberlein, director of the Forum for Central Asian Studies at Harvard University, said Afghanistan will need all the well-educated help it can get, especially those with connections to the West, in building democratic institutions from scratch.

But he warned that the elites will need to persuade freedom fighters on the ground that their expertise is needed.

"I think it's a struggle," Schoeberlein said. "They have

their work cut out for them."

There are about 100,000 Afghans living in the United States, and some 300,000 living elsewhere in the West, mostly in Great Britain, Germany, Canada and Australia.

Opinions differ as to how many will want to return. Those who took lesser jobs when they emigrated are seen as good bets to return. Others, such as doctors, lawyers or engineers, may assess what's needed before deciding to what extent to involve themselves.

Ahady and Gailani have known for some time they wanted to return to the country they fled under separate circumstances in 1978.

"Although we are well-established in the West, though we have come to love our lives, we still wanted to go back to Afghanistan, have our future in the country," the 47-year-old Gailani said. Gailani's father is Pir Syed Ahmad Gailani, a Sufi cleric and a close adviser to Mohammed Zahir Shah, Afghanistan's 37-year-old exiled king whom the West sees as a unifying figure until elections are held.

In Bonn, she was a member of an exile delegation allied with the king that negotiated the interim administration. Ahady, 51, rejected the pact, including the offer of two Cabinet positions, saying it gave too much power to the northern alliance. So, he said he'll help some other way.

Shahryar left his homeland in 1956 on a government scholarship in the United States. He graduated from the University of California-Santa Clara and is forging a career supplying solar panels for U.S. space shuttles and satellites.

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Volunteers are needed for torch celebration

TWIN FALLS - Volunteers are needed to assist with various jobs before, during and after the Olympic torch celebration in Twin Falls on Jan. 26.

The torch will be relayed through Twin Falls by 42 local people and end at the College of Southern Idaho parking lot at an "Olympic Village" for a celebration and lunch.

A city cauldron, provided by the Salt Lake Olympic Committee, will be lit with the Olympic flame during the lunch celebration. Many additional activities are being planned around this event. The flame and Olympic support staff and stage will be in Twin Falls from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to assist with event site management, site and stage setup and breakdown, lunch, marshaling and crowd control, relay route volunteers, decorations along the relay route and at the "Olympic Village," and many other duties.

Each volunteer will receive an official relay volunteer safety vest and an official Salt Lake 2002 Olympic Torch Relay volunteer pin. All volunteers must go through a brief orientation and training before Jan. 26.

Anyone interested in being involved in the Twin Falls Torch Relay and celebration should call Donna Stalley at 733-1462, send e-mail to dstalley@velocity.net or mail to 3127 Highlawn Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

### Addiction treatment expert will give seminars

TWIN FALLS - A San Francisco doctor who specializes in the effects and treatment of methamphetamine addiction will give a series of seminars today, Tuesday and Wednesday in Twin Falls.

All the presentations given by Dr. Alex Stalcup will be in room 277 of the Taylor Building on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

From 6 to 8 p.m. today, Stalcup will make an open session for the general public, giving a 4 p.m. overview of the methamphetamine problem and some possible solutions.

On Tuesday, there will be a day-long session for probation officers, public and private counselors and clinicians. This session is by invitation only.

Another session by invitation only will be held from 8:30 a.m. until Noon Wednesday for elected officials, medical experts, the judiciary, school officials and other professionals.

### DEQ holds public meeting about groundwater

TWIN FALLS - The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality will host a public meeting on groundwater from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday at the South Mountain District Health Department, 1020 Washington St. N., north entrance.

DEQ Director Steve Allred will speak on "Groundwater - Who's Responsible and What's Next." A question and answer period will follow. Groundwater is the water under the earth's surface that supplies 95 percent of water used by Idaho households and drinking water for most Idaho cities, including Twin Falls.

For more information on the meeting, call regional administrator Doug Howard at the DEQ Twin Falls office, 736-2190.

### Elko BLM takes fire crew applications

ELKO, Nev. - The Elko Field Office of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management will begin taking applications this week for seasonal fire crew positions for the 2002 fire season.

Available seasonal fire crew positions include engine crews in Elko, Carlin and Wells, Nev., as well as positions on the Ruby Mountain Hotshot crew and the Elko Helitack helicopter crew. Applicants must be 18 years old, a U.S. citizen and able to pass a drug, health and physical fitness test.

Applications will be accepted starting today, with first consideration to those received before Jan. 20, 2002. Applications must be submitted via the Internet using the BLM Quickhire automated application process. To access the Quickhire Web site, go to [www.nc.blm.gov/jobs](http://www.nc.blm.gov/jobs).

For more information concerning these positions, call the Elko BLM job line at (775) 753-0301 or the Elko BLM Field Office at (775) 753-0200.

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## Council to ponder pool committee

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls city swimming pool might be well served by a commission similar to the city's park and recreation commission, according to those who plan to float the idea before the City Council today.

The council will meet at 5 p.m. in the council chamber at City Hall.

The idea of a swimming pool commission came up during a recent meeting

between city officials and residents concerned about the pool, according to a letter to the council from city parks and recreation director Dennis Bowyer.

Bowyer and Gretchen Scott will make the case for a pool commission before the council.

The commission could act as an advisory board to the city staff and council, according to Bowyer's letter.

The commission could work on such issues as adjusting pool fees, improving the pool and brainstorming for new pro-

grams and activities.

The council will also hear from people concerned about the council's recent decision to raise the speed limit from 25 to 30 mph along a section of Filer Avenue East.

The residents, who have drawn up a petition opposing the speed limit change, want it to stay at 25 mph, according to a note from city staff to the council. People are worried because the street in question is a dense residential area that leads to a dead end, so drivers should be encouraged to keep their speed down.

The council will also hear from Bill Allred of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality about a proposed water quality management plan for Twin Falls. The proposed plan is based on the 1996 federal Clean Water Act. Allred had been scheduled to give the presentation to the council on Dec. 3, but was not able to attend that meeting.

Times-News reporter Mark Heinz can be reached at 733-3238 or by e-mail at [mheinz@magicvalley.com](mailto:mheinz@magicvalley.com).

## CANINE CUT-UPS



Mary Austin Crofts of Halley flips a dog biscuit through the target in an Olympic Dog Log Toss competition at Sunday's Winter Carnival. The event was supposed to simulate flicking dog poop off the ski trail.

JANE BOSSICK/The Times-News

## SV holds first annual Dogs Winter Carnival

By Karen Bossick  
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - Woody stands barely a foot high in his little black-snow boots. And he doesn't know the difference between a parallel turn and a snowplow turn.

But the long-haired white and tan Cavalier King Charles Spaniel is about to become a ski dog.

Mom and Dad saw that at Sunday at the first-ever Dogs Winter Carnival, where they loaded up on plenty of tips for getting Woody started skiing, stopping just short of outfitting the little guy in his own pair of skis and poles.

"We've never done it before so we thought we'd come and check it out," said Ketchum resident

**Ski trail etiquette**

- Keep your dog on a leash at trailheads while you're putting on your skis or snowshoes. They're excited and raring to go. But trailheads are generally close to highways and it's too easy for them to run into the path of a car.
- Teach your dog to poop and pee off the trail. If they do poop on the trail, flick it mess off the trail with your ski pole.

Better yet, carry the Pet Pickup bags available at trailheads and carry the waste out. To use, wrap your hand around the outside bottom of the bag to pick up the poop. Once it's inside the bag, seal the top and dispose of the bag in a waste receptacle.

(Note: If your trailhead does not have these Pet Pickup bags, take along a couple plastic grocery bags and tie a knot in the top after you're done.)

Karl Bischoff, otherwise known as "Woody's Dad." Bischoff and Woody's Mom, Leslie Phinney, got all the answers they needed at the carnival, which was sponsored by the Blaine County Recreation District on the ski trail across from Sawtooth National

Recreation Area headquarters. The event, which featured a cornucopia of free doggie biscuits, gift certificates from restaurants and other door prizes, was designed to encourage skiers to use good etiquette and common sense when skiing with dogs. Veterinarian Karsten Fosvold

said he doesn't know of any dog that doesn't enjoy romping in the snow. Any dog can tag along on ski and snowshoe outings, no matter how tiny or how little hair they have, he added.

That said, there are some precautions owners should take with their pets during winter, whether walking with them or skiing with them.

• Check their ears, especially if they go deep snow diving. Ear infections caused by moisture getting in ears is common. If it smells, it's infected.

• Do not let ice crystals form in their eyes from diving into snowbanks. These crystals can irritate the eyes, just as dust particles do. Dab them with a wet cotton ball if the eyes are mildly red. See your veterinarian if

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## Slick roads keep cops, auto body shops hopping

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT - Auto body shops are raking in the bucks.

Winter weather and road conditions are keeping people like Juan Hernandez, Billy Ray Adams and several others busy on the auto body crew at Goode Motors Auto Group.

And it is not just Goode Motors, but Gaylon's Auto Body, Larry Chris Auto Body and several others throughout Mini-Cassia. When roads get slick we have quite a few," said Mike Williams, body shop and service manager at Goode. "We're working on large quantities."

This week the shop is repairing a number of automobiles from accidents in which the car could not be driven, Williams said.

"Everybody wants them done in time for Christmas," he said. After Christmas, vehicles that are dented but can still be driven start to come in. Often, people don't bring in dented vehicles

until after the roads are clear because they are afraid another accident could occur, Williams said. A large backlog of accidents will keep auto body mechanics busy for a long time, he said.

Clint Kidd, owner of Gaylon's Auto Body, told the same story. "Every time we get weather like this we get a lot of work," he said. "We have a lot right now." The shop at Gaylon's is full he said.

The secretary at Larry Chris laughed when asked about the number of wrecked cars they were working on. Usually the first snow brings in a large number and backlogs the shop, said Kay Richins, secretary at Larry Chris.

Repairing these fender benders does not come cheap, Williams said. "Just a minor fender bender can cost between \$300 and \$500," he said. "Parts are expensive. Just a taillight can easily cost \$200 to repair."

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## Officials: Permit could be revoked

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE - Flies of tires at Idaho Tire Recovery north of Shoshone continue to plague Lincoln County.

Lincoln County commissioners said about two months ago that they would prefer to see Idaho Tire Recovery greatly reduce the number of tires there.

County officials still hope that happens, but they say the permit

for Tom Floyd, owner of ITR, could be revoked.

Floyd has been asked to be present at a Dec. 13 hearing, where officials concerning the facility will be discussed, said Carol Bourdeau, Lincoln County's planning and zoning administrator. Floyd's permit could be revoked if he does not show up for the hearing, she said.

Revolving Floyd's permit is a last-resort option. Lincoln County officials have said the hearing is to allow it to float out all possible solutions for dealing with the situation.

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality's recent issuance of a consent order is one remedy, but county officials have said they would like to look at other ideas to supplement that consent order.

In the consent order, Floyd has agreed to provide the DEQ with the number of tires on the site.

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## Department to help county with problem

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE - The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality has stepped in to assist Lincoln County with what officials say is a potential pollution problem.

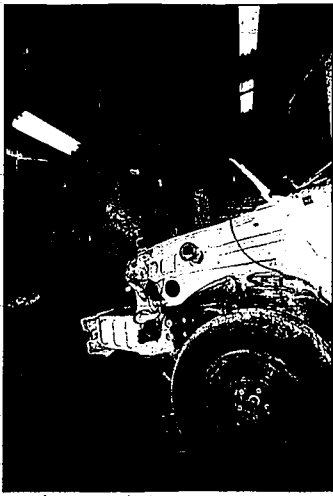
Tom Floyd, owner of Idaho Tire Recovery, has signed a consent order issued by the DEQ, said Bill Allred, the agency's remediation manager. A consent order is an agreement between two parties that the DEQ uses as an enforcement tool, Allred said. In a consent order, a set of conditions must be met.

In this consent order, Floyd has agreed to provide the DEQ with the number of tires on the property and remove 25,000 tires per month, Allred said.

Floyd is required to give the DEQ monthly reports showing his progress. The reports can be copies of invoices or waybills, which show that tires have been removed as agreed.

Floyd told Allred he would be taking truck tires to Ashcroft Cement Works in Oregon, Allred said. Passenger car tires will go to a cement plant in Inkom, where they are used in

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LORRAINE CAVENER/The Times-News

# SERVICES

**Mildred 'Millie'** Mary Florence Homan of Twin Falls, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. today at Good Hope Chapel; burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park (Reynolds Funeral Chapel).

**Walter Raligan Messley** of Twin Falls, m.orial service at 1 p.m. today at the Buhl Christian Church; inurnment at West End Cemetery will take place following the service; the family will greet friends from noon until the time of the service today at the church (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

**Herb Wiscaver** of Jerome, service at 1 p.m. today at Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel, 625 East Third St., Jerome; friends may call one hour before the service; burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls.

**Robert L. Ownbey**, of Twin Falls, graveside service at 1-p.m. today at Twin Falls Cemetery (White Mortuary).

**Robert 'Bob' Schoessler** of Gooding, service at 2 p.m. today at the Gooding United Methodist Church; burial will be at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding (Demary's Gooding Chapel).

**Josephine Ruffing** of Kimberly, Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at

the Immaculate Conception Church; burial will follow at the West End Cemetery; viewing will be held from 1-4 p.m. today at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

**Margie O. Kerley Hoover** of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; family will accept guests from 6-8 p.m. today and one hour before the service on Tuesday at the funeral home; burial will be at Sunset Memorial Park.

**Betty Reese Fouts** of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; family will accept guests from 6-8 p.m. today and one hour before the service on Tuesday at the funeral home; burial will be at Sunset Memorial Park.

a.m. Wednesday at Amazing Grace Fellowship, 1061 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

**Ronald C. Dunn** of Lincoln City, Ore., and formerly of Burley, graveside service at 3 p.m. Wednesday at Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley; friends may call from 1:30-2:45 p.m. before the service at Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St., Burley.

**Ray Anker Anderson** of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. Dec. 29 at First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls (White Mortuary of Twin Falls).

# ON THE AGENDA

**Today**

Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse.  
 Buhl City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers.  
 Camas County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.  
 Camas County School Board, 7 p.m., high school.  
 Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.  
 Eden City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.  
 Elmore County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.  
 Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.  
 Hailey City Council, 6 p.m., Hailey Town Center.  
 Hanson City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.  
 Hollister City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.  
 Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., council chambers.  
 Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.  
 Ketchum, Planning and Zoning Commission, 5:30 p.m., City Hall.  
 Lincoln County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.  
 Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Board, noon, Oak Room, West Coast Twin Falls Hotel.  
 Malta City Council, 5 p.m., Raft River Electric Co-op conference room.  
 Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.  
 Richfield City Council, 7 p.m., city office, 180 W. Lincoln.  
 Richfield School Board, 7:30 p.m., high school.  
 Shoshone School Board, 7:30 p.m., district office.  
 Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., City Hall.

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.  
 Twin Falls School Board, 7 p.m., administration office, 201 Main Ave. W.  
 Valley School Board (Eden-Hazelton), 7 p.m., superintendent's office.

**Tuesday**

Blaine County School Board, 7:30 p.m., a school in the district.  
 Dietrich School Board, 7:30 p.m., school's business room.  
 Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.  
 Gooding School Board, 7 p.m., district administration office.  
 Hagerman School Board, 7 p.m., elementary school.  
 Kimberly City Council, 7 p.m., community center.  
 Sun Valley Planning and Zoning Commission, 9 a.m., City Hall.  
 Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall.  
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Board, 5 p.m., library board room.  
 Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.  
 Wendell School Board, 7 p.m., high school.

**Thursday**

Bellevue City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.  
 Cassia County School Board, 7 p.m., central office, 237 19th St., Burley.  
 Hagerman Chamber of Commerce, noon, Hagerman Senior Center.  
 Jackpot Advisory Board, 6 p.m., Jackpot Recreation Center.  
 Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce, noon, Rupert Elks Lodge.  
 Minidoka City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.  
 Murtaugh Highway District, 7 p.m., district office.  
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.  
 Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., 246 Third Ave. E.

# DEATH NOTICES

**Nancy J. Carraher**  
 TWIN FALLS - Nancy J. Carraher, 47, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Dec. 8, 2001, at her home.  
 Funeral arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary.

**Hazel L. Mays**  
 GOODING - Hazel L. Mays, 77, of Gooding, died Sunday, Dec. 9, 2001, at Gooding County Memorial Hospital.  
 Services are pending under the direction of Demaray's Gooding Chapel.


**Ron D. Harding**  
 MOUNTAIN HOME - Ron D. Harding, 83, of Mountain Home, died Sunday, Dec. 9, 2001, in Boise. Services are pending under the direction of Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

**Mary E. Gill**  
 WENDELL - Mary E. Gill, 94, of Wendell, died Sunday, Dec. 9, 2001, at Shoshone Rehabilitation and Living Center.  
 Services are pending under the direction of Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

**Jim Smith**, of Louisville, Kentucky, and ten grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren and one step-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a sister Betty.  
 Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, December 12, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. at White Mortuary Chapel, Pastor Brent Huether will officiate. Private graveside services will be held Thursday, December 13, 2001 at 1:00 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls.

**HAGERMAN**

**Francis William 'Bill' Campbell, Jr.**



Francis William Campbell Jr., "Bill" to family and friends, 73, passed away Saturday, Dec. 8, 2001 at Gooding County Memorial Hospital.  
 Bill was born in Phoenix, AZ, Nov. 4, 1928. He was raised on the family ranch in northern Arizona, the Ashfork and Seligman area, working on the ranch and attending school in Phoenix in the winter. He attended Glendale schools until his senior year in high school, then he graduated from Ashfork High School in 1946. He then graduated from Northern Arizona College, in Flagstaff with a degree in business administration in 1950. He enlisted in the army, serving during the Korean War. Following discharge, he returned to Arizona and operated the family's cattle feed lot in Chino Valley, Ariz.  
 He married Evelyn Beverly of Prescott, Ariz., in Las Vegas, Nev. in 1960. They moved from Chino Valley to a ranch near Seligman, Ariz. the following year. In 1968 they moved to Desert View Ranch north of Wendell, Idaho to assist his father. He and his father were very active in breeding of Charolais cattle and were instrumental in introducing the breed into the western U.S. and Canada. He traveled extensively in the U.S. and Japan in the 60s and 70s, toured Canada and Pacific Rim countries in 1972 in connection with the Charolais Cattle Association.  
 He was a past member of Arizona Cattlemen's Association, Idaho Cattlemen's Association, and the Wendell Chamber Idaho Grassman of the year in 1971. He enjoyed supporting Little League Baseball, 4-H groups, and was a past member of the Northside Gem and Hobby Club, and the American Legion Post of Wendell, ID.  
 In 1978 he and his family moved to farm west of Wendell, in the Hagerman area, continuing ranching and farming until partial retirement in 1983. He and his wife spent several winters in Lake Bassett, Ariz. and enjoyed camping and fishing with grandchildren in the summers in Idaho. He especially enjoyed rock hounding and fashioning jewelry, fishing and Pfling at Magic Reservoir and Little Camas Reservoir.  
 He is survived by his wife Evelyn, sons Hugh Campbell, who manages the farm in Hagerman, Ian Campbell and wife Mary Ann, grandchildren Jeffrey, Tiana and

Memorial contributions may be made in Bill's name to Gooding County Memorial Hospital Scholarship Fund, or the Wendell American Legion Post Scholarship Fund or a charity of choice.  
**As soon as the rush is over, I'm going to have a nervous breakdown worked for it; I owe it to myself, And nobody is going to deprive me of it.**

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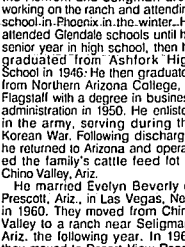
**Ruby Colleen Lowe**



Ruby Colleen Lowe, 69, of Boise, formerly of Twin Falls died Thursday, December 6, 2001 at William Park Assisted Living in Boise.  
 Colleen was born on May 28, 1932 in Twin Falls, Idaho to pioneer ranchers Alvaro and Opal (Buller) Dunn of the Times Creek area. Colleen attended elementary school at Three Creek and House Creek and graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1950. She was a 1955 graduate of the University of Oregon School of Nursing. She worked as a nurse in Portland and Seattle before returning to Twin Falls in the mid 1960s.  
 In the late 1950s she was married to Farrell Bell. Two sons were born to this marriage: Terry and Ritchie. The couple later divorced. She then married Leon Lowe and continued working and living in Twin Falls. Colleen was a very caring person, which fit the nursing profession very well. From her childhood on the ranch, she had a special fondness for animals, especially for horses, and her cat, Angel.  
 She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.  
 She is survived by her son Ritchie Lowe of Boise, Idaho; her mother Opal (Dunn) Brown of Twin Falls, Idaho; two granddaughters, Kira Gomez and Stephanie Lowe; a grandson Trevor Lowe; a brother and sister-in-law Jack and Wanda Dunn of Boise, Idaho; and also by several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leon Lowe, in 1994; her son, Terry, her father, Alvaro, and her sister, Betty Walton.  
 Funeral services will be held Wednesday December 12, 2001 at 11:00 a.m. at White Mortuary Chapel with Bishop Brent Hyatt conducting. Graveside services will follow at Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls.

**TWIN FALLS**

**Virginia L. Corey**



Virginia L. Corey, 71, of Twin Falls died Saturday, Dec. 8, 2001 at her home in Twin Falls. She was born on May 26, 1930 in Buhl, Idaho to William and Beulah (Harmon) Smith. She was raised on a farm in Filer and lived her entire life in the Magic Valley. For many years she worked as a waitress at Norm's Cafe on Main Street in Twin Falls.  
 In Elko, Nevada in January of 1973, she was married to Francis Corey. He preceded her in death on March 13, 1997 in Twin Falls. She loved the outdoors - especially camping and fishing. She was an accomplished seamstress. She loved to collect dolls and had a huge collection of several different kinds.  
 She attended Calvary Chapel in Buhl, and enjoyed the sewing club at Twin Falls Sewing Center, Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center. Her main love was her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She is survived by three sons Don (Diana) Anderson of Filer, Idaho; Steve (Tammy) Anderson of Twin Falls, Idaho; Roger (Carla) Anderson of Twin Falls, Idaho; and a daughter Vickie (Gary) Baker of Twin Falls, Idaho. She is also survived by her brother,

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Congressmen introduce bill to help ranchers

BOISE, Idaho (AP) - Idaho Representatives Mike Simpson and C.L. Butch Otter have introduced legislation that would make it easier for ranchers to access Conservation Reserve Program land during weather related emergencies.  
 "We are offering this bill as a way to expedite the approval of CRP uses that improve the way these emergency provisions work in states like Idaho," Simpson said.  
 "Earlier this year, Idaho ranchers needed a quick response from the USDA on drought related hay and grazing. Regrettably, that quick response was not forthcoming and only after intense conversations with the USDA was it finally approved."  
 If approved the legislation would streamline the approval process by allowing Idaho's State Farm Agency Committee

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 Advertisement - December 8  
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Household - Tools - Antiques  
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South Lourd Mini-Storage - 8 units  
 Advertisement - December 8 & 9 - (USA) 811/2/7  
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Asian Market - Gifts - Shell Tools  
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 Advertisement - December 13  
**ALL AMERICAN AUCTION**  
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**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15 - 11:00AM**

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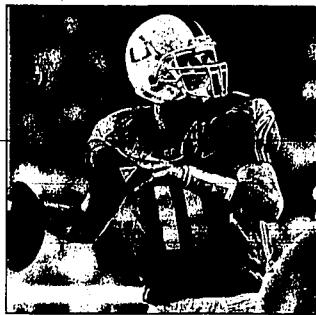
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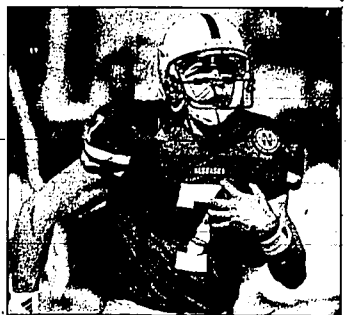
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Colorado athletic director Dick Tharp after learning the Buffaloes could not be playing for a national championship.



Miami quarterback Ken Dorsey will lead the top-ranked Hurricanes against Nebraska for the national title.

# Controversy or travesty?



Nebraska quarterback and Heisman Trophy winner Eric Crouch will lead the Huskers against Miami in the Rose Bowl.

## BCS leaves few happy outside Nebraska

By Mike Huguenin  
The Orlando Sentinel

The Bowl Championship Series was supposed to help end all questions about college football's best team. But thanks to LSU, there are more questions than ever this season.

much less its league title. In the final BCS standings, the Huskers (11-1) finished second, 95 points ahead of Colorado (10-2). That's the same Colorado that crushed Nebraska 62-36 on Nov. 23 en route to winning the Big 12 title.

media polls, was fourth in the BCS standings, 1.44 points behind Nebraska. The BCS' eight computers did it in the Ducks: Oregon was ranked sixth or lower by four computers.

## Colorado settles for Fiesta bid

By John Branch  
The Gazette

DENVER — Colorado athletic director Dick Tharp foreshadowed the results moments before the official announcement arrived at a national television audience. Knowing that the Bowl Championship Series' final ranking placed Nebraska in college football's national championship game instead of Colorado, Tharp told a packed ballroom in a downtown hotel that the BCS is "idiotic."

With that, Tharp told the anxious crowd that the 102 Buffaloes had finished with 7.28 points in the rankings. Nebraska had 7.32 computer sends Nebraska to the Rose Bowl to play Miami, and the Buffs to the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Ariz., to play Oregon.

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- High school boys basketball**  
ISDB at Camas County, 6 p.m.  
TFCFA at Hanson, 6 p.m.  
MVC at Bliss, 6 p.m.  
Castelford at Dietrich, 6 p.m.  
Gooding at Hagerman, 7:30 p.m.
- High school girls basketball**  
ISDB at Camas County, 6 p.m.  
Ketchum at TFCFA, 5:30 p.m.  
MVC at Bliss, 6 p.m.  
Shoshone at Richfield, 6 p.m.  
Castelford at Dietrich, 6 p.m.

## IN BRIEF

### Twin Falls baseball, softball selling fruit

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls High School baseball and softball teams are selling oranges and grapefruits as a fundraiser for their programs.

### Georgia Southern's coach heading to Navy

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Paul Johnson, who has led Georgia Southern to two straight Division I-AA championships and has the Eagles in the running for a third, was hired as Navy's football coach Sunday.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# Broncos lose Griese; win game

The Associated Press

DENVER — With their starting quarterback sidelined by injury, the Denver Broncos rode the Gus Bus to a crucial win. Gus Frerotte, replacing Brian Griese early in the second half, drove the Broncos to two third-quarter scores, and Denver prevailed 20-7 over the Seattle Seahawks on Sunday night.

### More NFL — A8

Griese took a blow to the head on the first play in the second half when linebacker Levon Kirkland landed on him at the end of a 9-yard scramble. Three plays later, Frerotte fumbled the ball away on a sack at the Denver 24. The Seahawks (6-6) couldn't capitalize, however, as Rian Lindell missed a 41-yard field goal.



Seattle wide receiver Darrell Jackson, left, is tackled by Denver safety Eric Brown, right, after a 32-yard pass reception in the second quarter of their game Sunday. The Broncos won 20-7.

## SWAC season opens with usual surprises

By Kevin Hall  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Expect the unexpected. Living up to its tradition, the always unpredictable Scenic West Athletic Conference opened the 2001-02 basketball season with yet another week of upsets, blowouts, shockers and setbacks.

# Pistons leap over slumping Rockets

The Associated Press

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Jon Barry had 15 points, and Ben Wallace added 10 points and a season-high 18 rebounds to lead Detroit over slumping Houston 105-77.

### NBA

skid since a 10-game slide to start the 1982-83 season. Both teams were short-handed, with Detroit missing All-Star Jerry Stackhouse (groin) while Houston (7-15) was without leading scorer Steve Francis (foot).



Detroit's Michael Curry, left, and Houston's Cuttino Mobley, right, chase after a loose ball during the first half of their game Sunday.

The Golden Eagle men are on the league's longest winning streak at five games, beating opponents during the streak by an average of 29.8 points while averaging 58.8 points in the process. But will CSI catch the attention of voters in this week's National Junior College Athletic Association poll? Tuesday will tell when the latest poll is released.

**SALT LAKE 2002.**

Countdown to the Salt Lake Olympics

**60** days until Opening Ceremony

**The Torch Tour:** The torch arrived in Alabama by jet from Miami on Sunday morning and moved on to Blox, Miss., before heading into New Orleans, Baton Rouge and Beaumont, Texas.

**March to the Medals:** Ole Einar Bjoerdalen of Norway and Magdalena Forsberg of Sweden won pursuit races Sunday in the biathlon World Cup. Bjoerdalen and Forsberg also won other individual events on Friday.

# Notre Dame hires Georgia Tech coach O'Leary

The Associated Press

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — George O'Leary long dreamed about two jobs: New York Yankees manager and Notre Dame football coach.

the national championships," said O'Leary, who is leaving Georgia Tech after seven seasons. "I think this program is basically inches away from where it needs to be."

Georgia Tech had a "Notre Dame clause," which allowed him to go to the Irish without a buyout. That part was removed last year when he signed a six-year, rollover deal worth nearly \$1.1 million annually.

football program. "My job is twofold — to graduate our athletes and to win a lot of football games," the gruff, no-nonsense coach said.

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American Football Conference

Sunday's NFL leaders

National Football Conference

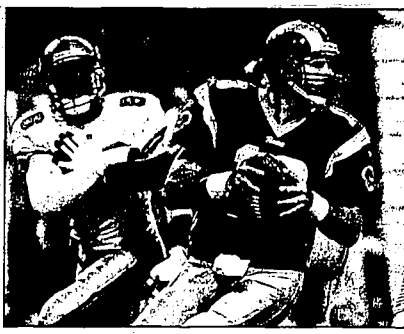
Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PF, PA, Home, Away, AFC, NFC, Div. for AFC teams (Miami, New England, NY Jets, Indianapolis, Buffalo) and NFC teams (Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Cleveland, Tennessee, Cincinnati, Jacksonville).

Passing: Aaron Brooks, Saints - 20 for 30 for 279 yards and one touchdown. Steve McNair, Titans - 25 for 33 for 302 yards and two touchdowns. Todd Bouman, Vikings - 21 for 31 for 348 yards and four touchdowns. Rushing: Ahman Green, Packers - 125 yards and a touchdown. Priest Holmes, Chiefs - 168 yards rushing, 103 yards receiving and two touchdowns. Receiving: Keyshawn Johnson, Bucs - 10 receptions for 101 yards and one touchdown. David Boston, Cardinals - six passes for 132 yards. Joe Horn, Saints - seven passes for 138 yards and a touchdown.

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PF, PA, Home, Away, NFC, AFC, Div. for NFC teams (Philadelphia, Washington, Arizona, N.Y. Giants, Dallas) and AFC teams (Chicago, Green Bay, Tampa Bay, Minnesota, Detroit, St. Louis, New York Jets, San Francisco, Atlanta, Carolina).

Rams race by 49ers for conference edge

ST. LOUIS (AP) - Marshall Faulk scored two touchdowns and Kurt Warner threw for two as the St. Louis Rams won a matchup of NFC West leaders Sunday, defeating the San Francisco 49ers 27-14.



St. Louis quarterback Kurt Warner sets to pass as San Francisco's Andre Carter applies pressure in the first quarter of their game Sunday.

Packers 17, Bears 7

GREEN BAY, Wis. - Ahman Green ran for 125 yards and a touchdown, and Brett Favre put career victory No. 100 as Green Bay took over the top spot in the NFC Central.

Jaguars 14, Bengals 10

CINCINNATI - Mark Brunell threw two touchdown passes, including an 11-yarder to Keenan McCordell early in the fourth quarter, to lift Jacksonville.

Bucs 15, Lions 12

TAMPA, Fla. - Keyshawn Johnson caught a 13-yard touchdown pass with 45 seconds remaining, his first scoring reception of the season, and Tampa Bay kept Detroit on track for a winless season.

Saints 28, Falcons 10

ATLANTA - Deuce McAllister tossed a touchdown pass from his halfback position, then broke free for a 54-yard scoring run in the third quarter, lifting New Orleans over Atlanta.

Eagles 24, Chargers 14

PHILADELPHIA - Donovan McNabb passed for 221 yards and two touchdowns, and Brian Dawkins returned a fumble 49 yards for a TD for Philadelphia against San Diego.

Patriots 27, Browns 16

FOXBORO, Mass. - Antowain Smith ran for two touchdowns and New England (8-5) forced four turnovers against Cleveland.

Cowboys 20, Giants 13

IRVING, Texas - Quincy Carter rallied Dallas from a 10-point deficit, throwing for a career-best 194 yards and running for a crucial first down.

Vikings 42, Titans 24

MINNEAPOLIS - Todd Bouman, making his first NFL start, passed for 348 yards and four touchdowns, leading Minnesota (5-7) past Tennessee (5-7).

Redskins 20, Cardinals 10

TEMPE, Ariz. - Tony Banks threw for 210 yards and a touchdown, and Stephen Davis rushed for 110 yards in Washington's sixth victory in seven games.

Steelers 18, Jets 7

PITTSBURGH - Pittsburgh improved to 10-2 for the first time since its Super Bowl days in the 1970s, overcoming another erratic game by kicker Kris Brown and Jerome Bettis' absence.

The run for the roses: Bowl Championship Series standings

Table showing weekly standings for the Bowl Championship Series, listing teams and their records in various bowls (Rose, Fiesta, Sugar, Orange, Cotton, etc.).

NFL SUMMARIES

Summary table for NFL games, including scores, key statistics, and game notes for various matchups.

BCS

Continued from A7. Oregon Coach Mike Bellotti called the BCS standings a "travesty." "I liken the BCS to a bad disease, like cancer," he said.

computer ratings, they would have been off to the Rose Bowl instead of the Huskers.

Colorado will play Oregon in the Jan. 1 Fiesta Bowl, and you can expect bowl organizers to point out that the winner of their game could at least share the national title.



No. 3 Maryland rolls past Detroit 79-54

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — Lanny Barker scored 17 points...

College basketball

"These are the kind of games she lives for," UConn coach Geno Auriemma said of Taurasi...

No. 24 Michigan St. 92, Nichols St. 38

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Marcus Taylor had 18 points for the Spartans (5-3)...

Women's Top 25

No. 1 Connecticut 74, No. 8 Louisiana Tech 50

HARTFORD, Conn. — Diana Taurasi matched her career high with 24 points...

Continued from A7. defender Jerome Williams and put the ball in...

The Lady Techsters (2-3) have won their last three games...

The Huskies led by as many as 33 points down the stretch...

No. 4 Vanderbilt 84, Temple 74

PHILADELPHIA — Chantelle Anderson went 9-of-10 on field-goal attempts...

Anderson, who also had a game-high eight rebounds, triggered a 7-0 run midway through the second half...

Zuzi Klimesova had 18 points, and Jillian Danker 14 for the Commodores.

Natalia Isaac led Temple (2-4) with 23 points.

Florida International 75, No. 12 Colorado State 72

MIAAMI — Gergana Slavcheva's 20 points led Florida International to the upset against the previously unbeaten Rams.

Colorado State's Elizabeth English missed two potentially tying shots in the final four seconds.

Slavcheva tied her season-best with 11 rebounds, while Cornisha Cotton added 19 points for Florida International (6-2).

Ashley Augspurger led Colorado State (6-1) with 26 points, and English added 20.

No. 16 Michigan 71, Washington 70

SEATTLE — Michigan's LeeAnn Bies scored a career-high 27 points and hit two free throws with 10.7 seconds left in the Pac-10/Big Ten Challenge.

It was Michigan coach Sue Guevra's 100th victory.

Jeffery Smith scored 14 points, and Aiyana Ingram 13 for Michigan (7-1). Bies had 11 rebounds for her-fourth-straight double-double.

Loree Payne tied a school record with seven 3-pointers and scored 23 points for Washington (5-4). Andrea Lalum had 19 points and 10 rebounds, while Kellie O'Neill added 10 points for the Huskies.

Peja Stojakovic scored 23 points, Doug Christie barely missed his first double-double of the season with 18 points and nine rebounds, and Hedo Turkoglu added 15 points for the Kings.

Clippers 89, Hornets 78

LOS ANGELES — Elton Brand had 22 points and 19 rebounds, and Jeff McInnis had three free throws in the final 38 seconds as Los Angeles beat Charlotte.

Brand made 10 of 12 shots, helping the Clippers beat the Hornets for the first time in eight attempts.

Kings 95, Heat 88

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Chris Webber scored 38 points and had six rebounds in his first game for Sacramento this season as the Kings beat Miami to send the Heat to their 13th loss in 14 games.

Webber, who missed the first 20 games of the season with a sprained right ankle, was activated

from the injured list and helped lead the Kings to their third straight win and sixth in seven games.

Baseball quietly starts winter meetings

BOSTON — After plastering poverty in front of Congress last week, baseball teams gathered Sunday to spend some more money on free agents at the winter meetings.

Barry Bonds, Jason Giambi, Chan Ho Park and Juan Gonzalez headed the list of available players. While this year's class isn't expected to produce the free-agent frenzy of last year's gathering in Dallas, the late ending of the World Series shortened baseball's business season, which should make for a hectic four days before general managers go home Thursday.

The New York Yankees and Mets didn't even wait for the meetings to get into a dealing mood, with the Yankees sending outfielder David Justice across town on Friday for third baseman Robin Ventura.

And Oakland acquired closer Billy Koch from Toronto for a pair of minor leaguers.

But all was quiet Sunday. "Nobody's looking to make a trade right now," Mets general manager Steve Phillips said. "People want to talk to everybody to know what's out there."

Kings pound Blackhawks

CHICAGO — Andreas Lilja scored his first NHL goal and added an assist in the Los Angeles Kings' 5-2 victory Sunday night over the Chicago Blackhawks.

Lilja, who left the Los Angeles players to have goals as the Kings snapped a three-game winless streak. It was only the second loss to home this season for the Blackhawks.

Craig Johnson and Lilja took advantage of power play killing to score in the second. Mikko Eloranta and Adam Denmarsh had first-period goals for the Kings. Bryan Smolinski scored into an empty net in the final minute.

Johnson scored a power-play goal at 10:32 of the second to make it 3-1. Jarrod Anderson converted a 40-foot pass to Johnson, who sped ahead of defenseman Chris McAlpine and lifted a wrist shot over Jocelyn Thibault.

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Continued from A7. The 20th-ranked Bruins won at both Snow (0-2, 5-4) and Dixie State (1-1, 9-2), while the Lady Vikings picked up convincing 82-66 victory Saturday at Southern Idaho (1-1, 9-4) after dispatching TVCC (0-2, 3-7) on Friday.

CEU (1-0, 5-5) downed travel partner and winless CNCC (0-1, 0-11) for third place after Week 1 with Dixie, UVSC, North Idaho (1-1, 8-2) and CSI all mirrored in the middle. League play picks back up again Jan. 4-5.

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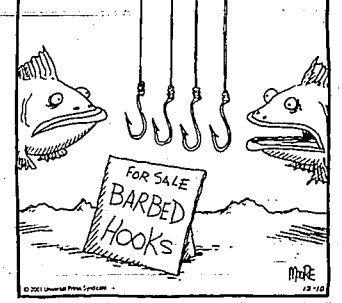
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SCORES AND STATS

IN THE BLEACHERS

By Steve Moore



"I haven't sold any yet, but I've had few nibbles."

ON THE AIR TELEVISION

Table listing TV sports events including NFL, NHL, and college basketball.

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Table listing radio events including rodeo and country music.

SKIING

Table listing skiing events including World Cup and local races.

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Table listing various sports scores including basketball, football, and hockey.

## OTHER VIEWS

### House approval a good sign for trade proposal

The Washington Post

The fight could not have been closer, and some wavering votes were no doubt bought with unseemly promises of pork for members' districts. But House passage Thursday of trade promotion authority by a vote of 215 to 214 was nonetheless a major achievement. The Clinton administration twice tried to get approval for what used to be called "fast track." On one occasion, it lost by a 63-vote margin; on the other the measure was pulled because it seemed sure to be defeated. But the Bush administration has delivered victory. The House Republican leadership, which embraced a Democratic idea for unemployment insurance at the last moment, deserves credit as well. So do three brave pro-trade Democrats who crossed party lines to craft the bill: Reps. Cal Dooley of California, William Jefferson of Louisiana and John Tanner of Tennessee.

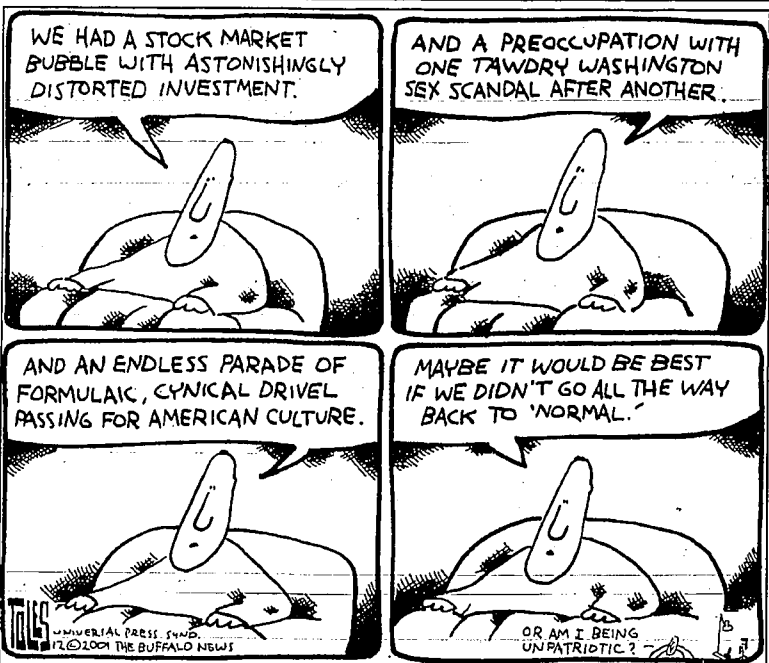
The action now moves to the Senate Finance Committee. Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., the committee chairman, has said he would mark up the House bill as

early as next week. He must now deliver on that promise. Republican members - notably Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas - must resist derailing the measure out of concern that sovereignty might be compromised, which is something they have threatened. Meanwhile Sen. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., the majority leader, has said he will not schedule a floor vote before the recess. Though the chamber

is certainly busy, Daschle should reconsider.

This editorial, reprinted from *The Washington Post*, says Congress has made the right initial steps toward helping economy with fast track trade authority.

Trade often suffers from a weary cynicism: Even its supporters assume that negotiating freer trade will take interminable years and that its benefits will not be tangible. But there is now a chance to prove that cynicism wrong. The world has just agreed upon a new round of multilateral talks - an achievement that, like Thursday's House vote, defied both expectations and recent precedent. In Robert Zoellick, the country has a trade representative ready to seize the opening and push ahead. The Senate needs to remember that billions of dollars of economic growth are at stake, both for the United States and for the world's poorest countries.



## Reagan and George W. share character

RENA PEDERSON

Peggy Noonan, a professional presidential watcher, has a new book out about President Ronald Reagan that ends up shedding new light on President George W. Bush.

The book is called "When Character Was King," and the ace speechwriter's premise is that Ronald Reagan's greatest asset was his Midwestern, Ford-Algerwin-one-for-the-Gipper character. And she's on to something there.

While other presidents may have had more schooling or more money or more political muscle, Mr. Reagan's good-guy instincts won him the enduring affections of everyday Americans. In recent rankings, they rate him just behind titans like George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

Historians may quarrel with that, but they may miss the point that Americans liked Ronald Reagan as a person, as well as his efforts to rein in federal growth and wind down the Cold War. It is largely Ronnie Reagan the guy that Ms. Noonan writes about, and she does a far better job of capturing his character than Edmund Morris did in his wispy "Dutch" a few years ago.

As she writes, "I am still searching for an anecdote about Reagan that truly reflects badly on him. When I talk to or read the works of people in politics, entertainment or journalism who didn't admire or agree with him, they will, if they're going to tell you Reagan was lazy, or naive, or a bore. But they never say he was low or kind or dishonest or untrustworthy. I think his character is the least criticized of any great political leader of the century."

Her access as a former speechwriter helped her find telling gems. She revisited many of her former colleagues to ask if they had detected early signs of the Alzheimer's disease that has debilitated the aging president.

"People here in Manhattan - a lot of people here don't like him - say, 'Just tell me the truth, was he losing it before

he left?' Well, I was there, I worked with him on his farewell address, and he was there. He wasn't losing it. Not from what I thought. So I went to people who were around him all the time and said please tell me honestly. And they all say no, he was there, but being so hard of hearing caused some confusion. They say he started to get sick in the early '90s, and it was probably after a fall from his horse that knocked him unconscious. The physical blow accelerated a process that had just begun."

She also interviewed the newly elected President George Bush about his memories of Mr. Reagan from his father's administration and came away with the impression that the 43rd president is a lot like the 33rd president, Harry Truman.

She wrote, "Truman had followed a charismatic leader, had seemed too plain and uninteresting to fill a president's shoes and was, his first years in office, at least, a bland public speaker, an uninspiring man. But this plain, uninteresting, colorless man had managed to do pretty much everything right. He rallied his war-weary nation to rebuild Europe, to support the Marshall Plan, to stop Soviet communism in Greece, to wage a war to stop it in Korea. He was a leader. He just didn't seem at the time, early on, to be one. I think in Bush we have a Truman."

Yet many of her quotes about Mr. Reagan call to mind the Texas president: "It is not true, as has often been said, that Reagan wasn't curious. He just wasn't curious about what you'd expect a man like him to be curious about."

She credits Mr. Bush with having grown quickly into the presidency. "Normally it takes a president two years to get his feet straight, get used to his

shoes," adding he has done so under some of the most difficult circumstances imaginable.

"One of Bush's gifts is to quickly read a person and a situation and absorb the data around him on many different levels and synthesize it. Like his dad, his tone doesn't always keep up with his brain. One of the reasons he sits quietly and thinks a lot is that he is absorbing everything on five different levels. It all goes into his gut and becomes an intuitive thing. ... His religious faith is in part giving shape to his presidency even as it has given shape to him."

One of the most intriguing anecdotes in her book is about President Bush's first meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin. The Russian leader told him that he had taken to wearing a cross that his mother had given him and one day had put it down in a house he was visiting. And the house, he said, had burned down. He wanted to tell a worker to go find the cross. Just then, a worker walked over to him and put out his hand and opened it up. And the cross was there.

Mr. Putin told Mr. Bush, "It was as if something meant for me to have the cross." President Bush interpreted that to mean that the Russian was saying, "There was a higher power."

It was the beginning of Mr. Bush's sense that he and the Russian leader could establish a personal connection. Was the former KGB leader playing the spiritually sensitive American like a violin? Looking at the rapport the two subsequently demonstrated at Mr. Bush's ranch in Crawford, Ms. Noonan observed, it doesn't seem so.

Like President Reagan, who took a chance on doing business with Mikhail Gorbachev, Mr. Bush's natural instincts and character may turn out to be his strongest assets.

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## LETTERS

### Pitch in for recycling effort

I was glad to read Carol Sperry's ideas on recycling. I have one, too.

Here in Twin Falls, it is hard to believe but our country is at war. In a war, people make sacrifices and efforts. The largest group of Americans who are asking, "What can I do to help?" is our children, and they are involved in some wonderful projects.

I was a kid in World War II, and I did my part. Back then, kids walked to school, most adult men smoked and there were no litter laws. Walking to school and back, I picked up cigarette wrappers and saved the aluminum foil, which I amassed and turned in for a little spending money. My mother turned in bacon grease (for ammo), newspapers, tin cans and glass bottles. All kids and mothers did this. It wasn't called "recycling" then, it was the "war effort."

As old habits died hard, I still recycle (and compost) everything I can. I am in the "one can" program, and this week, I won't have even one bag for the landfill. On my walks around town this past year, I collected 12 pounds of aluminum, which brought 30 cents a pound at the recycle center, down from last year's rate when 20 pounds at 45 cents a pound treated me to a fine bottle of wine. Last year, only clear glass was accepted; but no glass is accepted this year, nor is tin.

So the recycling market is low. However, I still urge all kids and mothers to get with the war effort and save newspapers for the Boy Scouts to recycle and aluminum for the Scouts centers. It's a start, and it will make a tremendous difference. We won World War II, didn't we?

MARY INMAN  
Twin Falls

### Large dairies have positive impact

In a letter printed in the Dec. 5 edition of *The Times-News*, Merle Stoddard verbally attacked the large dairies of Magic Valley. I defend her right to say what she said, but do not agree.

I have lived in Twin Falls for 25 years. I recall the days before the large dairies came to our valley. Our economy was

weak. As an area, our progress could be called flat. Many farmers and other businesses did not have a strong market for their products and services and our tax revenue was much less.

The coming of large dairies brought expanded market progress. Many jobs are added. The cash flow from the dairies has been tremendous. The tax revenue grew. Many varied businesses are much better off because the dairies are here.

Ms. Stoddard complains of the smell and manure that injures our health. How does this happen? Take a look at a well-ordered dairy. Farmers are doing a great job controlling waste products from the cows.

A little smell, common to any farm, is a small price to pay for the improvement to the economic well-being of nearly all people in Magic Valley. What kind of economy would it be without the dairies? I recommend instead of attacking large dairies, you not complement them for their hard work and appreciate the many benefits they bring to our local economy.

DANNY C. KARREN  
Twin Falls

### Road names leave us stuck in Park

I couldn't agree more with Steve Crump's tongue-in-cheek recommendation to name our confusingly numbered streets and avenues.

But wait. Before we do, take a drive around the far northwest corner of Twin Falls. The residential area just south of North College and west of Washington. Careful, you may not find your way back out. What road were we just on? Park Terrace? No, Parkway. Wait, I think it was Park View. Oh, all right, it was Park Meadows, but was it Park Meadows Circle or Park Meadows Drive? How the heck do we get back to Parkway? Was it Parkway Drive or Parkway Circle? Park Avenue? No, that's in a whole different part of town.

Aw, the heck with it, let's just go home. That is, if we can figure out how to get out of the Park maze.

BOG MAUGHAN  
Twin Falls

### Reader questions center's benefits

You've got to hand it to Craig Neilsen. He's one cagey fellow. He's figured out a way to get a convention center built right next to his proposed motel without having to build it himself or run it once it gets built. Since everyone knows these centers rarely pay for themselves, he'd have his cake and get to eat it, too. Once built, conventioners will use it, and while they're at it, book a room at his motel for one to five days. They'll also probably shop and eat in Neilsenville without ever venturing further into Twin Falls. Why should they? As far as they

know, there is no Twin Falls. Just a collection of corporate boxes sitting on a canyon rim.

This ploy mightn't have seemed so obvious had Craig chosen someone other than his chief adviser and point man for Neilsenville, Ken Edmunds, to spearhead the effort to build this thing. I know he's a Lakes Chamber of Commerce board member, but he works for Craig. Had he gotten, say, Steve Soran or Ron Thompson to broach this issue, he might've convinced some of us, at least, that he was the one being asked to donate the land and contribute 1 million

bucks toward the project. And that he would graciously agree to help out with such a worthy endeavor. It might've taken us a bit to realize he would be the main beneficiary to his own benevolence. Maybe even until we began to see hoards of cars parked outside his motel.

Mind you, I have nothing against Craig Neilsen or Ken Edmunds. I don't have anything against a convention center, either. I just think if he wants one next to his motel he ought to build it and run it himself.

DAVE WOODHEAD  
Twin Falls

## LETTER

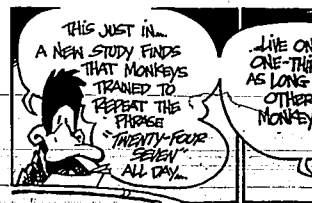
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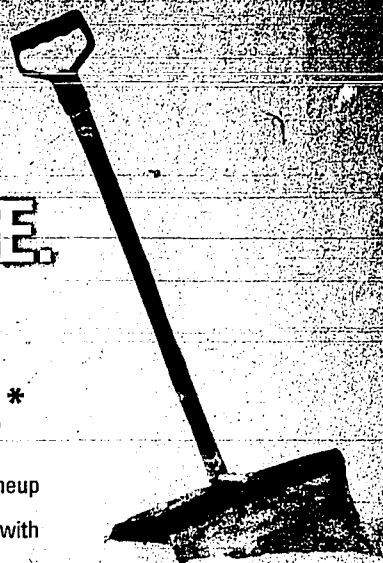
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### By Bruce Tinsley



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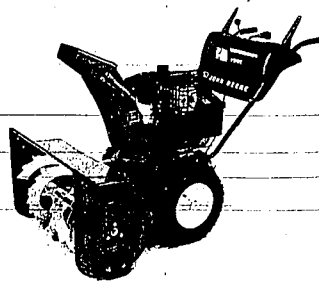
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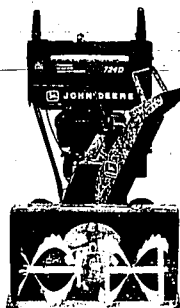
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## Like yard bags under the tree

This is the time of year when we think back to the very first Christmas, when the Three Wise Men - Gaspar, Balthasar and Herb - went to see the baby Jesus, and, according to the Book of Matthew, "presented unto Him gifts; gold, frankincense, and myrrh."

These are simple words, but if we analyze them carefully, we discover an important, yet often-overlooked, theological fact: There is no mention of wrapping paper.

If there had been wrapping paper, Matthew would have said so. "And lo, the gifts were inside 600 square cubits of paper."

"And the paper was festooned with pictures of Frosty the Snowman. And Joseph was going to throw it away, but Mary saideth unto him, she saideth, 'Hush! Hush! This is nice paper! Save it for next year!'"

"And Joseph did rolleth his eye-balls."

"And the baby Jesus was more interested in the paper than, for example, the frankincense."

But these words do not appear in the Bible, which means that the very first Christmas gifts were not wrapped.

This is because the people giving those gifts had two important characteristics:

1. They were wise.
2. They were men.

Men are not big gift-wrappers. Men do not understand the point of putting paper on a gift just so somebody else can tear it off. This is not just my opinion: This is a scientific fact based on a statistical survey of two million I know. One is my son Rob, who said the only time he ever wraps a gift is, quote, "if it's such a poor gift that I don't want to be there when the person opens it."

The other is my friend Gene Weingarten, who told me he does wrap gifts, but as a matter of principle never takes more than 15 seconds per gift.

"No one ever had to wonder which presents daddy wrapped at Christmas," Gene said. "They were the ones that looked like enormous spittals."

I also wrap gifts, but because of some defect in my motor skills, I can never completely wrap them. I can take a gift the size of a deck of cards and put it the exact center of a piece of wrapping paper the size of a regulation volleyball court, but when I am done folding and taping, you can still see a sector of the gift peeking out. If I had been an ancient Egyptian in the field of mummies, the lower half of the Pharaoh's body would be covered only by Scotch tape.

On the other hand, if you give my wife a 12-inch square of wrapping paper, she can wrap a C-130 cargo plane. My wife, like many women, actually likes wrapping things.

My point is that gift-wrapping is these kids - like my son Rob and babies - that come more naturally to women than to men. That is why today I am presenting:

Gift-wrapping tips for men

• Whenever possible, buy gifts that are already wrapped. If, when the recipient opens the gift, neither one of you recognizes it, you can claim that it's myrrh.

• The editors of Woman's Day magazine recently ran an item on how to make your own wrapping paper by printing a design on it with an apple sliced in half horizontally and dipped in a mixture of food coloring and liquid starch. They must be smoking crack.

• If you're giving a hard-to-wrap gift, skip the wrapping paper. Just put it inside a bag and stick one of those little adhesive bows on it. This creates a festive visual effect that is sure to delight the lucky recipient on Christmas morning.

**YOUR WIFE: Why is there a hefty trash bag under the tree?**

**YOU: It's a gift. It's a hat! A bowl!**

**YOUR WIFE: (peering into the trash bag): It's a leaf blower.**

**YOU: Gaspowered! Five horsepower!**

**YOUR WIFE: I want a divorce.**

**YOU: I also got you some myrrh.**

In conclusion, remember that the important thing is not what you give, or how you wrap it. The important thing, during this very special time of year, is that you save the receipt.

Dave Barry is the humor columnist of the Miami Herald.

# Deciphering your health plan

## What policies don't say is as important as what's in them

The Washington Post

Despite the deluge of information that reaches people shopping for health insurance policies, certain things remain difficult to learn. Maddeningly, they are often the things you want to know most.

Almost 15 years of experience representing policyholders in their fights against insurance companies has taught Washington lawyer Rhonda D. Olin what individuals want and need to know from their health plans. We asked her to examine some of the biggest secrets in health care, the facts you wish you had - that you ought to have - about any policies you're being asked to buy. Here is her report:

### 'Usual, customary and reasonable'

Let's start with the basics: how much a plan will pay for services and procedures. There's no way such information should be secret. But it is. When you read a health-plan brochure, do you ever see a list of the sums that the plan will pay for office visits, tests, immunizations or surgical procedures? If you're reading the same plans that everyone else is, the answer likely is no.

You will see page after page of descriptions about what the plans will and will not cover, how to appeal denials and what rules apply to coverage disputes. But actual payment information? Dollar amounts? Forget it.

What you'll see instead are vague promises that the plans will pay rates that are "usual and customary" - a term of art that comes with variations like "usual, customary and reasonable (UCR)" or "allowable benefits." But these promises can easily turn into problems for you.

The main problem arises the minute you see a doctor outside the plan's network. You'll quickly discover that "usual and customary" does not mean that the plan will reimburse you an amount that is "usual and customary" for doctors to charge - even though though it sounds like it does. Instead, you'll find that the plan reimbursement usually does not match the bill - and the difference, which can be substantial, is the responsibility of you know who.

Health plans are inordinately



Hollie Silver, who lost her husband in the Sept. 11 World Trade Center attacks, sorts through insurance records and financial paperwork as her 3-year-old daughter, Rachel, looks on.

secretive about how these "usual and customary" rates are calculated. You may have tried, once or twice, to get a health plan to

explain how it decided that the usual and customary charge for a \$70 immunization was \$40, or the UCR for a \$106 office visit was

\$85. If so, you probably received a stock answer: either "that information is confidential" or "it's too complicated to explain."

The real answer, though, is more that "usual and customary" is a misnomer. Instead of reflecting what really is usual and customary, these rates essentially reflect what the plans believe - if only as a theoretical matter - that physicians and other should charge.

You may be thinking that you can avoid this problem by sticking with the doctors who participate in the network. That way, all you have to worry about is the co-pay - the \$10 or \$20 that you'll have to pay at the time the service is provided.

But staying in network won't make the problem disappear. A service fee has a way of becoming your problem when it's so low that it drives the good doctors off your plan. Unfortunately, many service fees do just that.

Things would be simpler if health plans would spell out, during open season, exactly what rates they plan to pay - at least to reimburse members for out-of-network services. But plans have a lot of reasons not to do so. For one thing, if they did, prospective members could comparison-shop with a level of knowledge that cannot currently be achieved. For another, people who join the plan would be able to recognize - and presumably, correct - payments that were wrong. Right now, they can't do so, since they don't even know what rates the plans say are "usual and customary" in the first place.

With effort, you can make some cracks in this information firewall. As a prospective member, you can demand a plan give you a few sample fees; sometimes, one will grudgingly agree. You may be able to compile sample fees from friends who already subscribe to a plan you're considering. Or you may be able to get good intelligence from your physician. Taken together, such information may give you a generalized sense of how well - or poorly - a plan pays. And, if you gather comparable information for a few plans, you will be able to compare them.

This approach offers a solution to a problem that shouldn't exist. Because when you stop to think about it, everyone should know exactly what the different plans pay. Especially when it comes time to decide among them.

### Turnover rate among doctors

Another mystery about health plans is how often their participating physicians come and go.

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## Have a safe season with these tips

Each year, hospital emergency rooms treat about 8,100 people for injuries such as falls, cuts and shocks related to Christmas trees, holiday lights and other decorations, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Christmas trees are involved in more than 400 fires annually, resulting in 30 deaths, 90 injuries and an average of more than \$17 million in property loss and damage.

Here are suggestions for ways to reduce the risk of tree-related disasters:

To help prevent kids and critters from knocking trees over, try using fishing line to tether big trees to walls or ceilings.

Choose the freshest tree available, saw at least an inch off the trunk and put it in water immediately.

Note that large trees can absorb up to a gallon of water per day, so keep watering them. Keeping moisture content high makes it much harder for trees to catch on fire, experts say.

### Health notes

Never place candles or other flaming devices on or near the tree.

### Testing menopause

For years simple home tests have been available to give a woman a pretty good idea whether she's pregnant or ovulating - and therefore particularly prone to conceive.

Now that huge numbers of baby-boomer women are exiting their child-bearing years, there's a new home test designed to signal whether a woman is on the cusp of menopause.

Last week, Physicians Laboratories began selling the Revival Menopause Home Test. The menopause test has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Apparently the first such test to come to market, it is designed to gauge ovarian activity by measuring the level of FSH, or folli-

cle-stimulating hormone. It does so with a small sample of urine. The Revival Menopause Home Test costs \$60 and can be ordered by calling (800) 500-2055 or on the Web at <http://www.menopausehometest.com/>

### Healing from alcohol

Scientists have long known that chronic alcohol abuse leads to serious brain damage.

It disrupts blood flow and creates lesions in a small, inner part of the brain called the cerebellum, the part that processes balance, gait and motor control. Alcohol also damages the brain's frontal lobe, where decision-making and memory reside.

But a study published last month in the scientific journal *Alcoholism: Clinical & Experimental Research* offers hope that at least some brain damage can be reversed, especially in the frontal lobe, if chronic heavy drinkers abstain long enough.

— compiled from wire service reports

## Pack knitting needles in baggage

Q. Can I take my bamboo knitting needles and plastic scissors on board an airplane, or will they be taken away as I go through security?

A. Even though they seem harmless, official travel advice is to pack them in your checked luggage.

Q. Since Donna Salyers has a retail business now, is it still possible for home-sewers to buy faux fur from her company?

A. Faux fur is in right now, and that source is still available. The latest catalog from Salyers' Fabulous Furs company offers 18 different faux furs for fabric and sewing. Prices range from \$39 to \$99 per yard. A set of swatches is \$15, applicable to a purchase, or you can get a scrap box (about 2 pounds) for \$15 to use for small items or a pattern. To order, call 800-848-4650, anytime, or go <http://www.fabulousfurs.com/>

Q. What's the difference between waterproof and water-repellent fabrics? I want to make a warm rain jacket with nylon or polyester on the outside.



SEWING  
Barbara Gash

A. A waterproof shell will keep the rain out, but its tight weave or coating will cause you to perspire if you're very active. A water-repellent outer layer has a looser weave. It gives wind protection, but breathes, and is a better choice for runners, cross-country skiers, etc. These synthetic fibers come in many weights and textures, and sometimes have to be mal-ordered.

A good reference is "Sewing Outdoor Gear" by Rochelle Harper (Taunton, \$24.95). You can also call 800-926-8776, anytime, or visit <http://www.taunton.com/>

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HEALTH & FASHION

Save Miracle Whip for salad

DEAR PAULA: I read all I can on skin care and I was most surprised to read a while ago on a beauty board a "discovery" made by one of the users there. It was about using Miracle Whip as a facial mask. Yes, you read correctly. The instructions were to smear a couple of Miracle Whip on your face, leave it on for 20 minutes while walking around to diffuse the smell, and then rub it off. Allegedly, Miracle Whip is supposed to be a great exfoliator and when you rub it off the dead skin rolls off in little balls. I admit that I'm intrigued by this. I'm quite skeptical too. Apart from what you say about putting food on the skin (particularly for those struggling with breakouts) Miracle Whip is mostly oil and eggs. That can't be good for oily skin, right? Or does the vinegar play a role here?



COSMETICS Q&A Paula Begoun

skin. As you mention, the main ingredients in Miracle Whip are soybean oil and water, the rest follows with vinegar, sugar, egg yolks, starch, food starch, salt, spice, and paprika. None of that can have any positive effect on skin in the least.

Vinegar can be an irritant (ever get vinegar on a cut while cooking?), sugar and egg yolks can increase the bacteria content in skin, and paprika is also a skin irritant. The oil can be helpful for dry skin but the rest of the ingredients can negate that benefit.

SKINCARE: EMAIL DEAR SKEPTICAL: This has to be an Internet hoax, right? There are so many reasons why this doesn't make sense for any skin type, but especially not for oily

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can cause capillaries to rupture, making them evident on the surface, and causes irritation, which is damaging.

Perhaps the author of this silliness intended to recommend fat-free Miracle Whip! Even so, the soybean oil would be gone but the sugar, starch, and vinegar would cause the same problems for skin as I mentioned above only without the oil issue.

Paula Begoun is the author of "Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me (5th edition)" (Beginning Press, \$34.95). Write to her at 13075 Gatesway Drive, Suite 160, Seattle, Wash. 98168 or check out her Web site: www.cosmeticscop.com

Health

Continued from B1 Turnover among physicians can reveal a great deal about the character and value of a health plan. In addition, the turnover rate is an important statistic for anyone concerned about continuity in health care. After all, most people would like to have the same doctors on Dec. 31 that they started with the previous January. But, just like the UCR, the turnover rate of a health plan can be hard to find.

Although health plans presumably know their own turnover rates, they do not provide any information about it, to the brochures they give to prospective members. They don't answer questions about turnover rates over the telephone, either. The only information they can be relied upon to provide is a disclaimer that they cannot control which physicians participate, and that members should not choose a plan based upon its physicians. Which, as the plans well know, everybody does.

For many plans, the reason for such nondisclosure may be that their turnover rates are nothing to boast about. According to one health care specialist, it's not good when turnover rates exceed 10 percent - the national average, according to the National Committee on Quality Assurance (NCQA), a health insurance information center. But at times, they do.

Hidden costs Health plans cost you in lots of different ways. Premiums and deductibles are the most obvious of these. Others are harder to find. The problem is that you won't know what a health plan

really costs unless you take the time to find out whether there are costs that are hidden.

Co-payments are a prime example. For straight HMO care, co-payments have been creeping up in recent years, from \$5 a few years ago to as much as \$20 today. The numbers are even higher for out-of-network services. There, the typical co-payment is in the range of 20 percent of a physician's charge. And of course this obligation will be in addition to paying the difference between the doctor's bill and the amount the plan deems "usual and customary."

Another example is a plan's "maximums." Many plans set lifetime maximums, above which you will not be entitled to receive additional coverage. These maximums can spell disaster when a covered person suffers a catastrophic illness. A common lifetime maximum is \$1 million to \$2 million, which means that your health plan will not pay more than that sum for your health care for your entire life. Plans also set maximums for individual kinds of expenditures, such as hospice care, or domestic care, substance-abuse case, infertility treatments and so on.

These maximums can be so stringent that they barely make a dent in the cost of the procedure. For example, one plan in the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (FEHBP) recently limited an orthodontia benefit to \$1,000 - which is about one-fifth of what orthodontia typically costs. If you had bought this plan in the belief that you had orthodontia coverage and you failed to discover - or appreciate - this maximum, you could have faced an unwelcome surprise.

It's not that these maximums can't be found. They're in there - somewhere - in any policy that you consider. The trick lies in finding them, and in appreciating what you will need to include them in any comparison of the value of different plans.

Hidden exclusions

Maximums don't hide alone. When you read before you buy (you were going to do that, weren't you?), watch out also for hidden exclusions. Don't expect to find them neatly labeled, under a heading like, say,

"Exclusions." Instead, hunt for them all over; you'll never guess where they may hide. One favorite place for hiding exclusions is the "definitions" section.

Plans often define a term by stating that it does not include a particular type of problem. Definitions like these serve as exclusions, in that they eliminate coverage on the front end. Here's how it worked in one plan:

That plan promised, in the benefits section, to cover "dental care required as a result of an accidental injury." There were no limitations that seemed to apply in the exclusions section. But in the definitions section, under "Accidental Injury," appeared this language: "Injury to the teeth while eating is not considered an accidental injury." Which meant, of course, that such injury was ... excluded.

Similarly, exclusions can lurk in sections titled "limitations" and "conditions." You can even find them in sections without headings, like the general introductory statements that sometimes don't look like they're important enough to read.

Who's calling the shots?

Maybe it's better not to know this one. Health plans are bureaucracies. Many of them operate in exactly the way that you fear. For example, for many plans, the first level of decision-making on claims is made by people with little or no medical training. In fact, a college degree is not necessarily part of the job requirements. On the theory that some plans are better than others, it might be nice to know the qualifications of those making decisions on your claims. Like - if a college degree is not required, is a high school diploma a must?

But don't waste your time trying to extract information like this from any health plans. Unless you have some type of court order, you'll probably never get it.

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Medicine cabinets need check-ups

The Stamford Advocate

Joe Epstein takes an inventory and checks the items in his medicine cabinet twice a year. He does the same for his kids when he visits their homes.

As a licensed pharmacist and co-owner of a Stamford, Conn., pharmacy, Epstein knows what a lot of people don't: that expiration dates need to be periodically checked and that even such basic drugs as aspirin need to be stored in arid/air environment.

Statistics on the American Pharmaceutical Association Web site provided by a 1997 issue of Prevention magazine show that in 1996, 84 percent of Americans used an over-the-counter pain medication; 76 percent used an over-the-counter cold or cough remedy and that 46 percent (or nearly 83.5 million) of all adults use prescription medications.

What percentage of consumers check expiration dates or know how medications should be stored isn't known, but many pharmacists bet it isn't enough. "I don't think (people) are that diligent," says Patricia Gunning-Unger, clinical coordinator of pharmacy services at Stamford Hospital. "Moisture breaks down a lot of ingredients in medications."

Although most people are accustomed to running to the bathroom when they are sick, they should be heading toward another area of their home to find the appropriate remedy.

Behind the bathroom mirror or in the sink's vanity are probably the worst places to store medicinal products because the moisture from a hot shower or sink begins to affect potency long before the labeled expiration date.

"It's not so much that they are dangerous, but they lose their effectiveness," says John Pavia, a pharmacist in Old Greenwich, Conn., noting that an ideal storage spot is cool, dry and, ideally, dark. A linen closet provides a good locale.

"You wouldn't take a container of milk and leave it on the counter, you'd put it in the refrig-

Household medication inventory

The following is a list of medicines and supplies that the American Pharmaceutical Association says all households should keep in stock:

- Pain/fever: Aspirin (Not recommended for those younger than 18 unless ordered by a doctor because of its link with Reye's Syndrome), Ibuprofen, Acetaminophen
Cough/cold/allergies: Antihistamine - for sneezing, runny nose, itching and allergic reactions; Decongestant - for a stuffy nose; Antitussive - to relieve a dry cough; Expectorant - to loosen a cough
Swelling/inflammation: Aspirin (see warning above), Ibuprofen, Ketoprofen, Naproxen Sodium
Wound cleansing: Wash with a mild antibacterial soap or clean with hydrogen peroxide.
Minor cuts and scrapes: Apply antibacterial ointment (some products end in "-sporin") and cover with a bandage.
Sunburn prevention: Use sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher.
Treatment of minor sunburn: Use anesthetic medication (some brands in "-caine") or apply aloe preparations.

Bee sting (if not allergic)

Mix together water and either baking soda or meat tenderizer to apply on sting and apply calamine or hydrocortisone cream.

Dry skin

Apply protective skin cream or lotion (when weather or activities cause dry skin).

Medical supplies

To take temperature: A thermometer should be based on age, where temperature is being taken (orally is long tip, anally is round short tip) and expense (glass thermometer vs. digital).

To measure liquid medications

Use either a special medicine spoon (not a kitchen spoon), cup, dropper or oral syringe. Your pharmacist can provide you with the appropriate measuring device if it doesn't come with the medication.

For minor cuts and scrapes

Keep on hand different sizes of adhesive bandages, sterile gauze bandages and adhesive tape. Keep on hand scissors to cut bandages and tape.

Keep on hand tweezers (clean with alcohol before using) to remove splinters. Keep on hand elastic bandages for sprains.

Other miscellaneous supplies

Rubbing alcohol, antibacterial soap, ice bag, humidifier (cold vapor or ultrasonic), heating pad, cotton balls and swabs.

erator," says Bob Bekko, director of pharmacy at Norwalk (Conn.) Hospital. "In a bathroom, you're robbing yourself of the stability of the medication." Every year, in a Medicine Cabinet Safety Campaign spon-

sored by McNeil Consumer Healthcare in collaboration with the American Pharmaceutical Association, consumers are advised to review, remove and restock their medicine cabinets one a year.

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# Center offers CPR class

Infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 9:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Sage Room of the Education Center at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 650 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

Topics will include child safety, choking and prevention of injury. New parents, grandparents and children are encouraged to attend.

The class is free. Preregistration is not required. For more information, call 737-2900.

## "Baby and Me"

Sr. Benedic'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 free classes are for parents of children from 18 months to 3-year-old toddlers years. Topics will include story telling, speech development, infant massage, safety in the home and pediatric dentistry. For more information, call Anita Barrels at 324-1122, Ext. 3361.

## Learning childbirth

Cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 7-9:30 p.m. Thursday in the Sage Room of the

## To do for you

Education Center at MVRMC in Twin Falls.

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

Cost is \$15. Preregistration is not required. For more information, call 737-2900.

## Alzheimer's group

Blaine County Senior Center will hold an Alzheimer's Support Group meeting at 2 p.m. Thursday at the senior center, 721 Third Ave. S., Hailey.

For more information, call Brenda Shoppee at 788-3468.

## Teaching CPR

CPR class will be offered from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday in the doctors' meeting room at MVRMC in Twin Falls.

The class will include emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking for adults and infants. The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice.

Cost is \$25. Preregistration is

required, call 737-2007.

## Childbirth prep

A childbirth preparation course will be offered for mothers who plan on having a vaginal birth after a previous cesarean delivery.

To schedule an appointment with a childbirth educator, call Karen at 737-2901.

## Breast screening

A breast-screening education program will be offered through Women's Health and Imaging Services, 224 Martin St., Twin Falls.

Breast examinations will be done by a clinical 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.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Health & Fashion. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 133 Third St. W.

# Massage finds fans in pets

**Knight Rider News Services**

AKRON, Ohio — People smile when they hear what Lisa Gould does for a living. Doubtters practically grow on trees. All of that changes after she sinks her slender fingers into the musculature of their animals and bathes them in gentle reassurances.

"Come," she beckons. Suki, an exquisite Alaskan malamute with a sore right shoulder. Gould places her hands on her chest — over her heart — and waits for Suki to "get ready" for a massage.

Suki fixes one blue eye and one brown eye on her relatively new friend, recalling the pleasure of their last visit. They share long minutes gazing into each other's eyes. Then Gould, on her knees, buries the tips of her fingers in the fur around Suki's neck. The dog collapses in a relaxed heap.

"Animal massage is nothing new," Gould says. The ancient Egyptians, Phoenicians and Greeks massaged their horses, and the earliest books on veterinary medicine included chapters on its use. Equine massage is in wide use today; its effects on smaller, companion animals are being widely explored.

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"Alternate therapies such as massage are a great idea. Anything to help the animal," says Brian Forsgren, president of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Association. "But it's important to make sure they are used in conjunction with medical therapy."

Ruth First, a spokesperson for the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, says the agency likes massage's stress-busting qualities.

Other benefits include increased circulation, which promotes rapid healing; enhanced muscle

tone and range of motion; improved flow of synovial fluid in the joints and circulation of the lymphatic system, which hastens the elimination of waste and toxins. Massage helps animals recover after surgery and promotes athletic performance and endurance of healthy animals.

Gould is a canine and equine massage therapist, one of 4,000 U.S. and foreign graduates of Equissage, a leading trainer, since 1991. The Akron, Ohio, resident is certified by the International Association of Equine Sports Massage Therapists, and only recently hung up her shingle, in April, as Running Spirit Equine and Canine Massage Therapy.

"This is my dream," she says, "to do something I love so much and at the same time feel like I'm giving back. I worked in an office for 10 years and was never as happy as I am now. I never felt like I belonged and switched jobs because they weren't satisfying."

"Then I started soul-searching and praying and wrote in my journal: 'What is it that I love?' She began putting the pieces together, discovering the school in Virginia along the way. "It was a spiritual place," she says. "It seemed really me. It was the best experience of my life."

# Medical community takes look at alternative treatments

Los Angeles Times

Doctors had hoped to operate on the cancer in Rho Weir's lungs that January morning almost two years ago. But when Weir, a 63-year-old underwriter for a title company, awoke, he was told the tumors were in the lining of his lungs and couldn't be removed.

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But there was something else Weir could do — and did. He stepped outside the circle of conventional cancer therapy for a moment and sought an alternative medicine not only from his doctors but also from other sources.

Medicine in Washington, D.C. Last summer, Gordon offered a program to train health care professionals to become a "cancer guide," defined as a professional who helps patients deal with all aspects of cancer care: physical, psychological, emotional and spiritual. Expecting mostly nurses and therapists, Gordon was surprised when two dozen doctors showed up for the class.

"Oncologists are recognizing that this is not an either-or phenomenon or a cultural war. It's

about: How do we create the most effective care for our patients?" says Gordon, author of the book "Comprehensive Cancer Care: Integrating Alternative, Complementary, and Conventional Therapies," and

own office of complementary and alternative medicine and increased its budget from \$36.6 million in 1999 to \$47 million this year.

Although many doctors still disapprove of the use of any scientifically untested therapy, signs of oncology's acceptance of nontraditional forms of medicine are apparent. The federal government's cancer unit, the National Cancer Institute, established its

### Why the change?

- Doctors need to determine which alternative therapies are useful and should be incorporated into standard practice.
- Some alternative therapies are potentially harmful.
- Government agencies are funding research into certain alternative medicine therapies.
- Segments of the alternative medicine business, such as herbal products and other dietary supplements, are largely unregulated by the government.
- Alternative medical practitioners are aggressively marketing their services to patients.
- There are no cures for some types of cancer.
- Frustrated with a difficult-to-navigate health care system, Americans are becoming more adept at choosing and managing their own care.
- Media coverage has increased public awareness of alternative medicine.

— Sources: Dr. Maurie Markman, Dr. David S. Rosenthal, American Society of Clinical Oncology annual meeting and Journal of Clinical Oncology.

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# Parties trade charges over stimulus bill

WASHINGTON — Vice President Dick Cheney on Sunday called Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle an "obstructionist" to an economic stimulus package. Sen. Harry Reid, the No. 2 Senate Democrat, responded that Democrats simply want a good deal.

Negotiations on the legislation broke down Friday with each side accusing the other of trying to sabotage the talks for political advantage. Little changed during the weekend.

"The quicker we get started, the fewer people are going to lose their jobs and the faster we're going to be able to create the kind of economic growth and prosperity that will guarantee jobs for all Americans," Cheney said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

But Tom Daschle, unfortunately, has decided in this case to be more of an obstructionist."

## Astronauts unload space station supplies

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Astronauts aboard the linked space shuttle Endeavour and international space station unloaded supplies Sunday for the three men who will remain in orbit until May.

The most noteworthy payloads, though, are staying on the shuttle: thousands of U.S. flags in tribute to those killed on Sept. 11.

Six thousand of the small flags will be distributed after Endeavour's flight to victim's relatives and some of the survivors of the tragedy. The larger flags will be returned to Pennsylvania, the Pentagon and New York, where one of them was flying at the World Trade Center when the hijacked airliner slammed into the towers.

That flag is ripped and still smells of smoke. Shuttle commander Dominic Gorie said before the mission that he was reluctant to unpack it in space for fear it would trigger smoke alarms.

## News in brief

### Concerns of inequality in charity distribution arise

NEW YORK — Some relatives of the civilian victims of the Sept. 11 attacks fear that the nation's admiration for firefighters, police and other uniformed-rescue workers has created a hierarchy in the distribution of charity.

"They also fear their voices have not been heard nearly as clearly as the uniformed victims' families on issues ranging from the recovery of remains to the establishment of a memorial at the site of the World Trade Center.

Even the memories of the civilian victims, some say, have not been treated with the same level of respect by the media and politicians.

"They had to help each other and be their own heroes and have courage and bravery," said Mary Ellen Salamone, whose husband, John, worked for the bond firm Cantor Fitzgerald and was trapped on a floor above where one hijacked plane hit. "We never got to know that, because those stories died with the people who died in the attacks."

### Rebels free backpacker kidnapped last month

BOGOTA, Colombia — Leftist guerrillas have freed an American backpacker kidnapped in Colombia last month, officials said Sunday.

Fighters from the National Liberation Army, or ELN, released the hostage — identified as Glenn Hereggestard of California — on Friday, said army spokesman Capt. Luis Hernandez. Hernandez said the ELN, the nation's second-largest rebel army, abducted the 29-year-old backpacker on Nov. 4 from a rural highway outside the town of San Luis in Antioquia province. He was released in the neighboring village of San Francisco, 117 miles northwest of the capital, Bogota.

A U.S. Embassy official in Bogota confirmed that an American abducted by the ELN had been released, but said he could not identify the hostage.

### Planned Parenthood stops sending anonymous letters

HARTFORD, Conn. — For two years, Planned Parenthood Federation sent out fundraising letters in envelopes designed to mimic threatening mailings that had been received by women's clinics around the country.

The envelopes, appearing to have handwritten addresses and sent without return addresses,

were part of a campaign to educate people about the escalating number of mail threats — anthrax, bombs or other violence — directed at Planned Parenthood and other clinics.


Amid nationwide worry about suspicious mail, Planned Parenthood stopped the campaign, and 200,000 letters scheduled to be mailed in November never went out.

"It's too close now," said Eileen Russ Heltzer, assistant director for direct response for Planned Parenthood Federation in New York. "We stopped immediately after anthrax letters were found."

— compiled from wire reports


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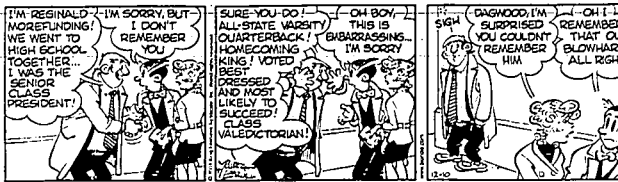
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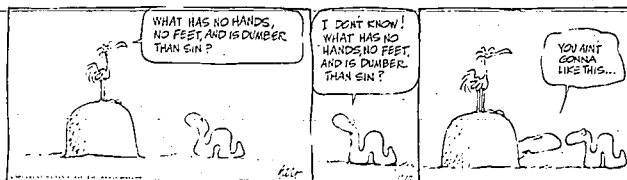
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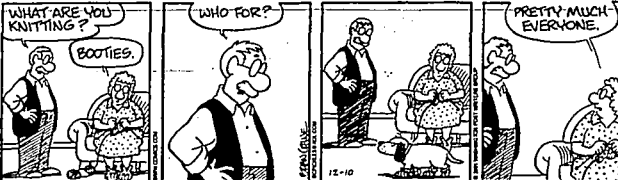


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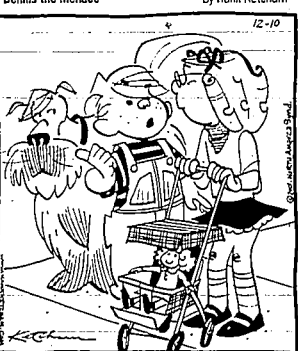


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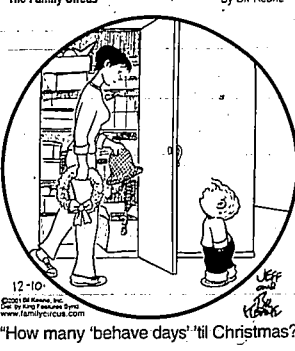


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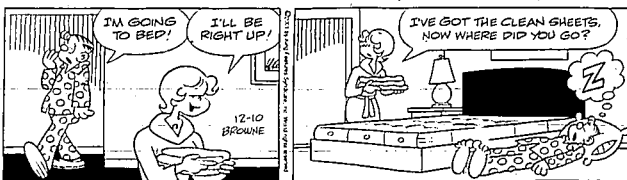


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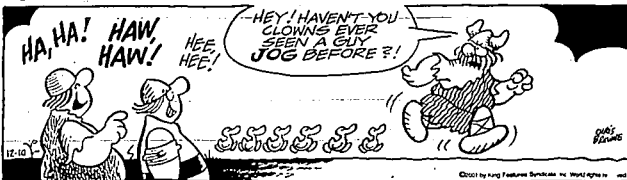
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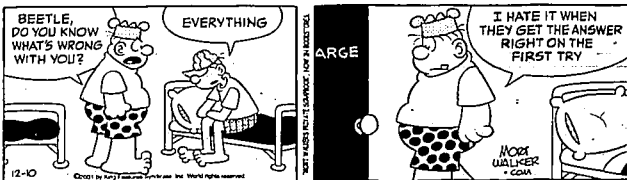


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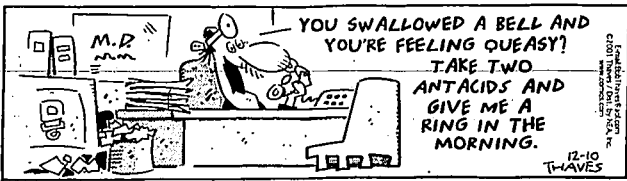
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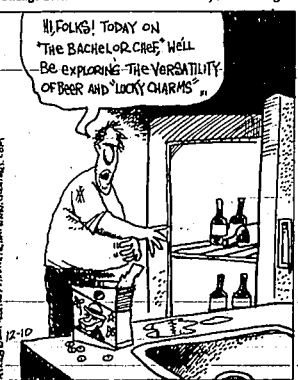
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