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New T.F. mayor looks ahead

Lance Clow thinks 'frugality' as he assesses the challenges during his term

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Much of Twin Falls' next two years might center on issues that were important during the last two.

At least that's how the city's manager and new mayor see it.

Mayor Lance Clow said he sees

himself mostly as just another member of the team, because under the city manager form of government Twin Falls spouses, a mayor has very little real power.

Even so, he said he'd like to set a tone of frugality.

"I like the view that more is not necessarily better. But better is better," he said. "That could go across

any department. Maybe instead of buying something new, we should repair and improve something old."

Clow and city manager Tom Courtney both identified traffic, water quality and improvement of the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center as issues the city could face over the next two years. Those are all holdover issues -

but the new ones might not yet be clear, they said.

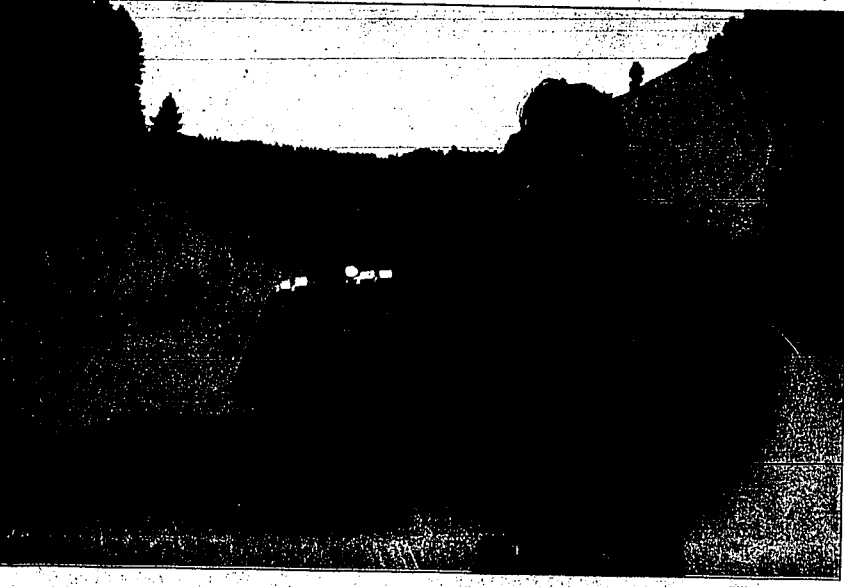
"We are just starting our strategic planning process for the next two years," Courtney said. "I think it's a bit premature to guess what the city will take during the next two years, because everything will hinge



Mayor Lance Clow

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MOUNTAIN GROOMERS



Kerry O'Brion made snow for years before becoming grooming manager for Sun Valley Company's Bald Mountain in Ketchum.

Crew keeps Baldy manicured

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - This is no job for people in a hurry, who have a fear of high and steep places, and don't like night work in the freezing cold.

Yet, there's no shortage of takers for what obviously is one of the country's rarer occupations.

These are the men - and one

woman - who drive "snow cat" grooming machines that prepare the slopes of Bald Mountain during the night for thousands of skiers who race down the 78 world-class slopes of the 9,150-foot ski mountain during the day.

Immediately apparent is the contradiction: While advanced skiers can hit speeds of more than 30 mph down Baldy's runs, snow cats crawl along at a snail's pace

speed of 6 mph or less.

The Sun Valley Co.'s 10-machine grooming fleet is manufactured by the Bombardier company of Grandby, Quebec, Canada - which offers another irony: In addition to the slow snow cat, Bombardier also manufactures the near-sonic corporate and airline Challenger jet.

At \$200,000 apiece, the Bombardier machines are a far

cry from the early grooming techniques on Bald Mountain, according to Kerry O'Brien, manager of Sun Valley's grooming operations.

When the ski resort opened in the mid-1930s, the mountain was groomed by skiers packing snow with their skis while walking downhill sideways.

Over time, the process was

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A man and his cat

S.V. veteran has been at it for 20 years

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - Before the snow begins to fall in the Wood River Valley, 46-year-old Jim Wiewand can be found at the wheel of a huge truck and trailer hauling 30 tons of debris for Brooks Excavation.

But come winter and ski season, Wiewand is behind a different wheel - a six-ton tracked Bombardier "snow cat" grooming machine that creeps

and crawls up and down the slopes of Bald Mountain, smoothing and sifting and dilling the snow.

He does this eight hours a night, covering slopes like a snail at about 6 mph or less.

As tedious and boring as the routine sounds, Wiewand says grooming the steep slopes "is a challenge" that keeps him alert.

Wiewand also says, "The sunsets are truly amazing," from his perch some-

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Jim Wiewand stands in front of his snow cat below River Run in Ketchum. Wiewand spends his winter nights grooming the slopes of Bald Mountain, driving 6 mph, eight hours a night.

Mountain of evidence helps U.S. gain history, work against next attack

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - From Afghanistan to Europe to the U.S. Midwest, suspected terrorists, often beating a hasty retreat from their homes, camps and caves, have left behind a mountain of suspicious items that U.S. investigators are combing for clues.

Information in some discovered documents has led to arrests, thwarted attacks and a "peeling back of the onion" of al-Qaida," says one intelligence expert.

At a makeshift laboratory

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in Kabul, there were smelly liquids and charred papers covered with chemical formulas; in Minnesota, a computer disk about crop dusting.

In caves outside Kandahar, Arabic-language exams were found that quiz terrorists-in-training on the best way to shoot down a plane or kill a man.

The paper trail alone is like a confetti shower in a Manhattan parade. But there have also been videos, artifacts and digital records most foul.

What they all amount to is still being sorted out. Some may not qualify as much more than terrorist curios.

But officials believe documents and a videotape found in Afghanistan and passed to authorities in Singapore foiled a planned terrorist attack and resulted in the breakup of an

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U.S. soldiers look Jan. 3 for Taliban or al-Qaida members or evidence in a tunnel near Kandahar.

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Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday: High/Low 49/27, Precip 0.00

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Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday: High/Low 49/27, Precip 0.00

Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho
Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are in degrees Fahrenheit and humidity is in percent.

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

Forecast for Twin Falls: Today (34°), Tonight (16°), Monday (32°/20°), Tuesday (30°/14°), Wednesday (30°/14°), Thursday (30°/20°)

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Clouds and times of sunshine today with a cold wind; a few spots might have a snow shower.

Boise: Partly to mostly sunny and seasonally cold today. High 38. Partly to mostly cloudy and cold tonight with areas of fog possible late.

Northern Nevada: Sunshine and occasional clouds today. Highs from the 30s across the north to the 40s in the south.

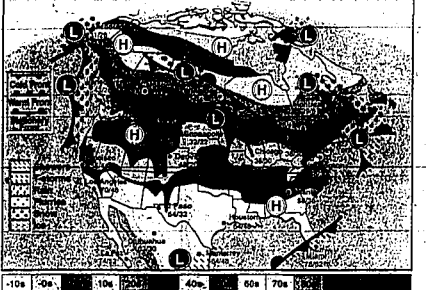
Northern Utah: Partly cloudy fog early; a mixture of clouds and sunshine today. Highs from the 20s in the mountains to the 40s in the southeast.

Northern Arizona: Clouds and breaks of sunshine today with a brisk wind; a couple of spots in the mountains might have a snow shower.

NATIONAL EXTREMES: Yesterday (for the 48 contiguous states) High 84° in India, CA Low -10° in Frasco, CO

NATIONAL WEATHER

Showed are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are high for the day.



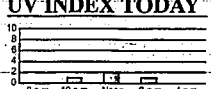
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Sunset tonight: 5:27 p.m.

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Groomer

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where on the 9,150-foot Bald Mountain.

on the AM/FM radio or occasionally chats on the radio with other drivers.

Snow

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"modernized" — a skier pulled a roller. Then came tracked vehicles with heated cabs for the drivers.

Slopes are steep. Some ski runs, such as Upper Gray Hawk and Upper Hemingway, have grades of 60 percent, or about 34 degrees.

On the front is a large bladescoop that adds snow to thin areas, while a tiller on the rear with hundreds of teeth grubs snow to a fine texture for the next day's army of skiers.

Sometimes complicating the work, O'Brien says, some of Baldy's 544 snowmaking guns are spewing out artificial snow in a veritable storm through which snow cats drive while grooming the mountain.

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Such discoveries have exposed similar cells in other countries, officials said, without giving details.

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Bush faints at White House, quickly recovers

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush fainted briefly in the White House residence Sunday after choking on a pretzel while watching a National Football League playoff game on television, White House physician Dr. Richard Tubbs said.

The doctor, an Air Force colonel, said Bush quickly recovered and is doing well. "I do not find any reason that this would happen again," said Tubbs. "He fainted due to a temporary

decrease in heart rate brought on by swallowing a pretzel."

Tubbs said Bush suffered an abrasion on his left cheek the size of a half-dollar and a bruise on his lower lip, apparently from falling onto the floor from a couch.

Bush was alone in the room watching TV while his wife, first lady Laura Bush, was in a nearby room on the telephone.

Tubbs said Bush believes he was out only for a few seconds because when he awoke, his two

dogs were sitting in the same position they were when he lost consciousness.

The fainting spell occurred at approximately 3:35 p.m. MST and Bush contacted a nurse on duty at the White House five minutes later. Tubbs was paged eight minutes later and rushed to the White House to examine the president.

Tubbs said Bush, under his own power, took an elevator from the second floor of the residence to

the first floor doctor's office where he underwent a thorough examination that included use of a heart monitor.

His blood pressure and pulse were normal, Tubbs said.

Bush has a lower-than-normal pulse rate, which doctors attribute to his rigorous workout regime. But Tubbs said that low heart rate made him more prone to fainting when the pretzel stimulated a nerve when it got caught in his throat.



This clay model of a planned statue is drawn from the famous photograph of three white firefighters taken at Ground Zero. In the statue, the firefighters are comprised of a white man, black man and Hispanic man.

Firefighters statue sparks race flap

NEW YORK — Some firefighters and Sept. 11 survivors are upset about a planned memorial statue that would bend history by depicting firefighters of different races raising an American flag over Ground Zero.

Instead of depicting the three white firemen snatched-in-a-famous photo of the scene, the 19-foot-tall bronze statue will show one white, one black and one Hispanic firefighter.

It's "an insult to those three guys to put imaginary faces on that statue," said Tony Marden, of Leader 165 in Queens. "It's not a racial thing. That shouldn't even be an issue."

The Fire Department defended the proposed statue design, saying it accurately represents the 343 department members killed in the attacks.

"Ultimately, a decision was made to honor no one in particu-

lar but everyone who made the supreme sacrifice," said Frank Gribbon, a spokesman for the FDNY.

The imbroglio could be just the first of many disputes large and small over how best to honor the heroes of Sept. 11 and remember the dead.

Of the city's 11,495 firefighters, 2.7 percent are black and 3.2 percent Hispanic. Twelve of the firefighters who died were black; the number of Hispanic victims was not immediately available.

The statue, which will be placed in front of fire headquarters at the MetroTech Center in Brooklyn, was commissioned by Developer Forest City Ratner, which owns the site.

The three firefighters in the photo declined to comment. Their attorney, Bill Kelly, said the men are "disappointed because it's become something that is political as opposed to historical."

Workers' health becomes problem

NEW YORK (AP) — Immigrant day laborers have performed thousands of hours of work removing debris from downtown office and apartment buildings since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, many without proper protective gear and most without health insurance.

Starting today, the workers can get free physical exams and be tested for health problems at a mobile health clinic parked near City Hall.

Day laborers tend to have less training than union workers and are paid a fraction of the union

rate. Many of the several hundred who have worked at the site are illegal immigrants.

Meanwhile, many firefighters who raced to save victims of the attack now are facing their own health problems because of the contaminated air at the disaster site.

Some have asthma. Others have troubles ranging from a persistent cough to diminished lung capacity that can interfere with their physically demanding jobs. A few hundred are on medical leave or working light duty because of respiratory illness.

Pre-approved, smaller attacks now become key area of concern

The Washington Post

Just four months ago, Osama bin Laden and his al-Qaida network had the organization and resources to carry out the most deadly terrorist attack ever against the United States, killing more than 3,000 people in a brazen airline hijacking plot that took nearly two years to devise at locations around the globe.

Four months later, sustained bombing by U.S. forces in Afghanistan has reduced al-Qaida's training camps to rubble, the group's leaders are dead or on the run and hundreds of fighters linked to al-Qaida and its allied Taliban militia have been rounded up by U.S. forces. Governments and banks worldwide are working in concert to cut off the group's financial resources.

The result is a severely hobbled organization that no longer has the capability to plan or launch a new operation on the scale of the Sept. 11 attacks in New York and Washington, senior U.S. officials and leading terrorism experts say.

Yet authorities in the United States and Europe remain deeply worried about the possibility of more terrorist attacks of smaller scope.

Even more alarming is the possibility that bin Laden and his close-

est associates might have pre-approved another act of terrorism on the magnitude of the Sept. 11 hijackings, Bush administration officials said. At least a half dozen alleged terrorist plots connected to al-Qaida have been unmasked since Sept. 11, including plans to blow up the U.S. embassy in Paris and to attack U.S. interests in Singapore.

Only two of al-Qaida's top 10 leaders have been confirmed dead by U.S. intelligence officials.

On Dec. 22, British native Richard Reid tried to ignite his explosives-filled sneakers on a jetliner bound from Paris to Miami. Reid, a petty criminal and recent convert to militant Islam, raises the unerving possibility that freelance terrorists might be plotting attacks with minimal support or direction from organized networks, officials said. Although the FBI and CIA suspect Reid might have ties to al-Qaida, including a possible visit to an Afghan training camp, they have yet to find evidence to prove it, officials said in interviews.

Most experts agree Reid almost certainly had help obtaining the sophisticated plastic explosives found hidden in the soles of his sneakers and instruction in how to execute such a plot.

"The important point is that

there are a significant number of people who subscribe to the same views as al-Qaida, and may choose to act on those views," said Eric Davis, a terrorism expert at Rutgers University.

The law enforcement official and other experts inside and outside government acknowledge that most of the al-Qaida members captured so far are low-level functionaries.

The Sept. 11 suicide hijackings, along with previous attacks on the USS Cole in Yemen and on U.S. embassies in East Africa, were clearly inspired and funded by a small group closely allied with bin Laden. Yet terrorism experts say al-Qaida, which means "The Base" in Arabic, is a network of cells that owe loyalty to a charismatic leader, rather than a conventional hierarchy.

"It is directed from the bottom up as much as the top down," says Magnus Ranstorp, deputy director of the center for study of terrorism at St. Andrew's University in Scotland. "The typical pattern before Sept. 11 was of local al-Qaida cells initiating reconnaissance of potential targets, planning and then going back to the al-Qaida leadership for approval and possible funding. The foot soldiers are self-initiating and self-sustaining."

Video shows assassination practice

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Al-Qaida militants practiced carrying out a mass assassination of world leaders, according to a video obtained in Afghanistan and broadcast Sunday on Australian television.

The Australian Broadcasting Corp. aired parts of video tapes recorded at an al-Qaida training

camp in Afghanistan, which showed what the network said were Arab, Pakistani and African fighters rehearsing hostage-takings and assassinations.

The drills, using live ammunition, appeared to be aimed at potential Western targets, ABC said.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Gooding will hold hearing on ordinance

GOODING — The Gooding County Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on the draft of a new confined animal feeding operation ordinance at 7 tonight in the courtroom of the Gooding County Courthouse, 624 Main St. in Gooding.

Dairy operators had been concerned new ordinances would make it difficult for them to expand their operations. Gooding's ordinance would allow existing CAFOs to enlarge and modify their operations and to add corrals and freestalls as long as they're not increasing animal units.

They would have to report the changes to the county planning and zoning commission for approval.

New CAFOs would only be able to operate in agricultural zoning districts with the exception of aquaculture CAFOs, which would be allowed in all zones except residential zones. Siting permits would be required for new CAFOs.

A copy of the ordinance is available at the Gooding County Clerk's Office and the Planning and Zoning Office at 624 Main St. in Gooding.

The hearing is open to the public, and written and/or oral testimony will be taken. A five-minute time limit on oral testimony of supporters and opponents will be enforced.

School Board will discuss proposed center

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls School District will hold its board meeting at 7 p.m. today at the Main Street district office.

Board members will focus on several agenda items that relate to the proposed professional-technical center. Dan Olmstead and Ken Edmunds will give an update on the proposal.

There will be a resolution calling for a bond levy for the professional-technical center and a memorandum of agreement with the College of Southern Idaho to locate the center on its campus.

Additionally, the new terms for the lease renewal for the Magic Valley High School will be focused on.

CSI staff will put in extra time to answer questions

TWIN FALLS — Faculty, advisors and employees at the College of Southern Idaho will be putting in longer hours this week. They'll also be making extra efforts to assist prospective students with their programs and to get them registered for the spring semester that starts Jan. 22.

CSI faculty will go through several pre-semester orientation sessions during the week that are designed to educate and familiarize them with various CSI programs and expectations.

Students and prospective students are encouraged to visit the cafeteria on the second floor of the Taylor Building any day during the week.

Advisors will be available to explain classes, programs and degree expectations. Students are also welcome to go to the counseling office that's also located on the second floor of the Taylor Building or to the Center for New Directions located on the west side of campus.

Most offices on campus will be open until 6 p.m. today through Friday. This includes the book store, business office, counseling, financial aid, records and information office. These offices will also be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. The CSI bookstore will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

For information, call the college at 733-9576. Information can also be obtained at the CSI Web site at www.csid.edu.

Compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Average*
Upper Snake River	79%
Salmon Falls Creek	125%
Oakley Basin	137%
Pig and Little Wood	88%
Hayden	85%

Families get nutrition advice

By Ramona Seitzinger
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Many parents can afford to be smart about their family's nutrition:

- How do I choose and prepare food that is healthy?
- How can I afford what I need and want for my family?
- How can I reduce my family's health risks?

For low-resource families, however, the options are limited.

But through the Extension Nutrition Program (ENP), youth and low-resource families develop the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and behavior needed to improve their diet. Families learn to make informed choices about low-cost, nutritious foods, to better manage family finances, and to become more self-sufficient.

The youth ENP program provides up to six hours of nutrition education to help children develop healthy eating patterns and skills in preparing nutritious meals and snacks, according to Cammie Jayo and Rhea Lanting of the Twin Falls extension office.

The program offers a variety of ways to reach youth, from traditional classroom settings like one for Morningside Elementary School third-graders last week on the benefits of calcium. There are also after-school programs during the school year and youth group activities during the summer.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the number of low-resource families in Idaho is on the increase. It was estimated that there are 27,409 two-parent families that fall below the poverty guidelines. For one-parent families it was higher.

In a December 2000 Census Bureau study on the costs and benefits of the program, for every \$1 spent to deliver nutrition education in Idaho, \$10.75 is saved in future health care costs. These savings occur because people learn safe food handling and how to eat better during pregnancy; there's more education on the benefits of breastfeeding; and because of an overall improvement in their diets, resulting in a delay of chronic disease.

Jayo said there are seven nutrition advisors that cover six counties, including Lincoln, Jerome, Gooding, Twin Falls, Cassia and Minidoka.

The program is provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service through the University



Cammie Jayo, right, shows students at Morningside Elementary School a plaque illustrating the difference between bones with enough calcium and those without it. Jayo and Rhea Lanting, back, work for the University of Idaho doing educational outreach for children on proper nutrition and the value of calcium.

of Idaho.

Adult program participants use a hands-on learning process to learn how to improve the nutritional quality of the meals they serve their families. They have the opportunity to participate in a series of at least eight lessons based on the Food

Guide Pyramid and the Dietary Guidelines for Americans.

This learn-by-doing approach teaches the skills necessary to make positive behavior changes. People increase their ability to select and buy food that meets nutritional needs of their families, and they gain

new skills in food preparation, storage, safety and sanitation. They also learn to better manage food budgets, including the use of Food Stamps and WIC coupons.

For information about the ENP program, call Jayo or Lanting at 734-9590, ext. 4.

Agency considers station size

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The Urban Renewal Agency and City Council will meet in February to figure out exactly how large the future fire station should be.

The original proposal was to build a sub-station with two bays and sleeping quarters for firefighters. Since that original idea, city staff and council members have suggested building a new primary station with three bays, office space and living quarters for the firemen and making the current station at City Hall the sub-station.

City Engineer Scott Bybee suggested an architect should be "brought on board" and attend a joint session of the City Council and Urban Renewal Agency to answer questions such as the cost of building a new primary station.

The new fire station is planned for 200 South Road West of Lincoln Avenue South. It will be adjacent to the future Idaho State Police offices on 200 South Road between Lincoln Ave South and Interstate 84.

Bybee reported that the installation of the sewer pipe and water lines to the ISP site will begin in the spring.

Bybee gave urban renewal members fliers showing street light designs for the lighting project on Lincoln Avenue South. Urban renewal plans to install street lights at 300-foot intervals along Lincoln Avenue South from the middle of the 800 block to I-84.

Bybee suggested the light poles to be installed along Lincoln Avenue South be made of a heavier material than the light poles in the downtown central business district. "It doesn't take much to shear off one of those poles," Bybee told the urban renewal board Thursday. Bybee suggested the poles be made of a heavier metal and designed so the bolts that hold the poles in place "shear off in the case of an accident rather than the poles." That way, the replacement cost would be for the bolts rather than the cost of a new pole.

Urban Renewal Agency members will study the light pole design and vote on a style at the next meeting.

Mayor Charles Correll, a former member of urban renewal, said he planned to appoint Jerome City Council President Marjorie Schmidt to replace him on the board at the next city council meeting.

Schmidt will be installed onto the board at the Feb. 7 meeting.

Businessmen dispute hog operation terms

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

BURLEY — A complaint filed in district court accuses some partners in a proposed hog farm in Cassia County of helping to defeat the proposal before it ever gained governmental approval.

In July, Ron and Amy Achs filed a complaint for declaratory judgment, monetary and equitable relief against Clair Bosen, David Robison and Jeff Driscoll and companies owned by those three men. The complaint was filed in 4th District Court in Boise, but was transferred in November to 5th District Court in Burley.

The Achs claim the three defendants were their former business partners and accuse the three men of extortion, racketeering, economic duress, conspiracy to defraud and breach of fiduciary duties regarding development of a hog farm, to be operated by Big Sky Farming Group.

The lawsuit relates to a hog farm once proposed for eastern Cassia County. The county planning and zoning commission members denied Big Sky Farms a permit for the 595,000-hog farm in March 2001.

In the complaint, Ron Achs says he and the three defendants formed Big Sky Farms in August 1999, through their respective companies.

In their answer and counterclaim, Bosen, Robison and

Conference

A conference telephone call on pending lawsuits involving Big Sky Farms LLC in 5th District Court in Cassia County is slated for March 7, conducted by 5th District Judge Monte Carlson.

Driscoll says they were involved with the Achs in the development of the hog farm, but they deny they formed Big Sky Farms with the Achs. The three men claim that document, dated Dec. 17, 2001, that the Achs solicited them to participate in Big Sky Farms after the company had been formed.

The representation "was an inducement to" the three men's purchase of membership interests in Big Sky Farms, the counterclaim says. The counterclaim says the Achs knew the J.R. Simplot Co. was not a member of the entity.

The Achs claim the defendants "threatened to pull their support for Big Sky Farms obtaining the necessary permits and to actively work against the

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Highway districts weigh bridge options

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Engineers are considering techniques to repair the crippled Jackson bridge.

Officials from the Burley and Minidoka highway districts heard proposals about replacing the bridge or reinforcing the rotting pilings at a Jan. 3 meeting. Jim Porter of J-U-B Engineers and Barry Gwyn of the Idaho Transportation District addressed highway officials.

The traditional method of repairing such a bridge is to replace the pilings by cutting through the deck of the bridge

and driving new pilings, the engineers said. This method is both difficult and costly, Porter said. In addition, replacing the pilings presents the challenge of moving a heavy pile-driving vehicle onto the bridge without damaging the bridge. The other problem with replacing the pilings is the new pilings will eventually rot, Porter said.

Alternatively, the highway districts could replace the pilings with steel posts, Porter said. While this is the most permanent solution, it is also expensive. Replacing the wooden pilings with steel would cost about \$5,000 per post, he estimated.

Instead of replacing the pilings, engineers could also reinforce those already in place. One technique for reinforcement is cutting away rotten sections of the pilings and replacing those portions with steel beams. The workers would then encase the required piling with a steel casing, Porter said.

Using new technology, engineers could also wrap the pilings with water-activated fiberglass. While most fiberglass requires a hardening resin, which could pollute the river, water-activated fiberglass hardens after contact with water, Porter said. After

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CSI TODAY

Today
 - Open registration, student advising 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Taylor cafeteria.
 - CSI offices open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. all week.
 - Dell Computer Corp. job interviews 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Taylor 256/258.

Tuesday
 - Open registration, student advising 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Taylor cafeteria.
 - Dell Computer Corp. job interviews 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Taylor 256/258.
 - Traffic Court, 4:30 to 9 p.m., Shields 109.
 - "Sustained. Chord" art show (through Jan. 26), Jean B. King gallery, Herrett Center.

Wednesday
 - Open registration, student advising 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Taylor cafeteria.
 - Dell Computer Corp. job interviews 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Taylor 256/258.
 - Regional superintendents meeting, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Taylor 277.
 - Armed Services aptitude testing, 5:30 p.m., Shields 208.
 - Silver Sage Grotto monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor 276.

Thursday
 - Open registration, student advising 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Taylor cafeteria.
 - Dell Computer Corp. job interviews 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Taylor 256/258.
 - Golden Eagle basketball against Treasure Valley Community College, women play at 6 p.m., men play at 8 p.m.
 - Idaho State Rehabilitation Services town meeting for future clients, 7 p.m., Taylor 277.

Friday
 - Open registration, student advising 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Taylor cafeteria.
 - U.S. Border Patrol testing, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., Shields 112.

Narcotic Anonymous weekly meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 112.
 "The Dinosaur Chronicles," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Saturday
 - Armed Services vocational aptitude testing, 9 a.m., Shields 208.
 - "Larry Cat in Space," 2 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 - "The Dinosaur Chronicles," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 - "WSKY: Radio Station of the Stars," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Sunday
 - Magic Valley Bible Church, 9 a.m. to noon, Shields 117 and 118.

City Council will consider buying land

TWIN FALLS - The City Council tonight will consider buying two parcels of land from the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency for a cost of about \$550,000.

The council meets at 5 p.m. in the council chamber at City Hall. Buying the land would give the urban renewal agency money needed to help improve the site of the old Albertson's building on Pole Line Road, which is expected to be the site of an outlet of the Dell Computer Corp.

In other business, the council will also:

- Hear a presentation by Diane Van Engelen regarding city sponsorship of the "Scramble for Books" golf tournament.
- Hear a presentation by Frank Mascari about snow removal in the city.
- Hear David Mead's proposal for the appointment of a new alternate member of the city's tree commission.
- Consider a request for a loading zone at CSK Auto at 780 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.
- Consider the final plat of the West Hampton Village Phase 2 subdivision.
- Consider final authorization for the purchase of new computers for City Hall.

Valley in brief

- Consider the observance of Idaho Human Rights Days.
- Hear a status report on the next installation of the city's strategic plan.

Hospital board will hear update on transitions

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Hospital Board will hear an update on the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital and Cancer Center transitions tonight.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. in the Sage Room of the education center located behind the hospital.

Magic Valley Regional recently purchased the clinic, renaming it Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Downtown. The hospital also leased its cancer center to St. Luke's Mountain States' Tumor Institute of Boise.

Twin Falls County commissioners are expected to attend tonight's meeting.

Also on tonight's agenda are financial and quality control reports and an update on volunteers.

The meeting is open to the public.

- compiled from staff reports

Couple who ran clinic face fraud charges

BOISE (AP) - A couple who claimed to be able to cure paralysis have been charged for their alleged involvement in defrauding dozens of paralyzed people out of thousands of dollars.

Thomas Vigil, 48, and Beverly Vigil, 36, formerly of Meridian, operated the Alternative Medicine and BioPhysics Research clinic in Nampa until June 2000. The Vigils were indicted by a federal grand jury Thursday.

U.S. Justice Department assistant attorney Wendy Olson said the couple is charged with 28 counts of conspiracy, wire fraud

and shipping a misbranded drug in interstate commerce.

The Vigils are accused of telling people with severe spinal cord injuries that a topical medication called Neurilyn could enable them to move again and in some cases even resume walking.

According to the indictment, the Vigils charged mail-order patients \$300 to \$500 for an extremely small vial of Neurilyn, claiming that the ingredients, production process and research and patent application costs justified the high price.

But authorities said the product - which contained common skin medications and vitamin and plant extracts - cost the Vigils no more than \$15 a vial to produce and distribute.

None of the victims named in the indictment - some who paid as much as \$10,000 for clinic treatments - are from Idaho.

The indictment also accuses Thomas Vigil of telling patients and other Neurilyn providers that he was a medical doctor who worked at Harvard University Medical School.

Investigators suspect he has no medical degree or training

and took a 27-day mail-order course in biochemistry from a "diploma mill" that has since been shut down.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation began looking into the couple's activities more than a year ago. The Vigils have operated clinics at various times in Nampa, Emmett, Salt Lake City and Grand Junction, Colo., Olson said.

Warrants for their arrests are being issued. If caught and convicted on all 28 counts, Thomas and Beverly Vigil could each face a maximum of 124 years in prison.

Woman does well in chess championship

SEATTLE (AP) - When the organizers of the U.S. Chess Championship decided to make this year's event coed, there were some questions about how the women would do.

Jennifer Shahade put them to rest.

The 21-year-old New York University student had an outstanding tournament, earning a draw against the top-rated player in the country, Seattle's Yasser Seirawan, and offering solid evidence that organizers made the right decision by sitting men and women at the same board.

"It's great," said Larry Christiansen, 45, of Cambridge, Mass., who was playing a tiebreaker for the championship Sunday night. "Having segregated tournaments in this day and

age, well, it's just very hard to explain."

Christiansen, playing with black, drew against Joel Benjamin of New York in 16 moves Sunday, the last day of the nine-day tournament. The draw gave him 6.5 points.

Nick de Firmian, a California native who now lives in Denmark, beat Alex Yermolinsky of San Francisco to compile the same score.

Christiansen and de Firmian were to play a \$15,000 game of speed-chess, with severe time restrictions placed on moves, for the title Sunday night. The loser was slated to get \$11,000.

Shahade's 5 points gave her the best finish among the 12 women in the tournament and \$9,500 in prize money. Final over-

all standings had not been determined as of early Sunday evening.

Shahade, of Philadelphia, wasn't the only woman to perform well. Lithuanian-born Camilla Baginskaite finished with 4.5 points, good for second place among the women.

The event was staged by the Seattle Chess Foundation at Seattle Center. Hoping to generate some excitement for it, Seirawan and others in the foundation dramatically changed its format.

Women and men played each other for the first time in the tournament's 157-year history. Fifty-six players were invited, instead of the usual 10 or 12 regulars for the men's championship and six or eight for the women's.

MOVIE MANIA



Actor Benicio Del Toro, recipient of the Piper-Heidsieck Tribute to Independent Vision Award, addresses the media at the 2002 Sundance Film Festival Sunday in Park City, Utah. The festival runs this week in Park City and Salt Lake City.

SERVICES

Anna 'Genny' Lango of Burley, service at 11 a.m. today at the Zion Lutheran Church, 2414 Miller Ave., Burley; burial will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery; friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

Virginia A. Erke of Twin Falls, graveside service at 1:30 p.m. today at Twin Falls Cemetery; no viewing will be held (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

John Ellis Thomason of Wendell, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls; burial will follow at Twin Falls Cemetery; friends may call from 11 a.m. until time of the service today at the funeral chapel.

Kimberly Kay Monarez of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Charles Gene Hatch of Burley, service at 2 p.m. today at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350

E. 16th St., Burley; burial will follow at the Mormon Cemetery in Albion; friends may call from 1-1:45 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Ludie Francis Dryden of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Fifth Ward LDS Chapel on Maurice Street in Twin Falls; burial will follow at the Wardell Cemetery; family and friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel and from 1 p.m. until time of the service on Tuesday at the church.

Eleanor Irene Chase of Eagle and formerly of Eden, service and a celebration of her life at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Eagle United

Methodist Church, 651 N. Eagle Road; burial will follow at Dry Creek Cemetery; visitation will be from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. today at Alden Waggoner Funeral Chapel, 5400 Fairview Ave., Boise.

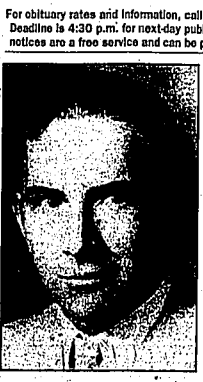
Louis C. Hranac of Kimberly, graveside service at 11 a.m. Friday at the Sunset Memorial Park Mausoleum in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

Elliott Earl Randall of Jerome, tentative funeral is planned for 11 a.m. Thursday at the Jerome LDS Stake Center on North Tiger Drive (Howe Robertson Funeral Chapel, Jerome).

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Shirley Jensen
 BUHL - Shirley Jensen, 65, of Buhl passed away at her residence in Buhl on Sunday, Jan. 13, 2002. No local services are planned.

DEATH NOTICES



BUHL

Buck Gailley Parkison
 Buck Gailley Parkison, 62, of Buhl died Friday, January 4, 2002 of natural causes.

Gailley was born January 9, 1939 in Barry County, Exeter, Missouri. He was the loving son of Vivian and Ray Parkison.

Gailley is survived by his son Kenneth Parkison of Shoshone, Idaho; his mother Vivian Morris of Buhl; sisters Nella Kolbet of Buhl, Lora (Delwyn) Schmeckpeter of Buhl, Gloria (Ellen) Rutherford of Filer; Brother J.C. (Pat) Parkison and numerous nieces and nephews.

Gailley grew up and attended school in Castleford, Idaho. He also attended Idaho State University and Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. He joined the

Army in 1961. During his military service he was assigned to the Pentagon, thereafter to special communications at the White House under President John F. Kennedy and President Lyndon B. Johnson. He returned to Idaho and returned to Castleford to farm. At the time of his death he was employed by Bilck's Trucking in Castleford and had worked there for 14 years.

Gailley was a very loving and caring father and brother. He was a kind, gentle and giving person to the people he knew and met.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 16, 2002 at the Methodist Church in Castleford with the Rev. Margie Mai. Burial will follow at West End Cemetery in Buhl. Funeral services under direction of Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Man opens 'dental care-plus' clinic

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - After following his dream of becoming a dentist Curt Easton knew he needed something else, now he is opening the first naturopathic dental practice in the state.

Easton describes his practice as "dental care-plus." He will offer services patients expect - checkups, cleanings, fillings, repairs, etc. But he will also eval-

uate overall health based on what is happening in a patient's mouth, for those who are interested.

"A lot of signs and symptoms in the mouth are indicative of the rest of the body," Easton said.

Most dentists cannot go that far. They can refer patients to doctors, but they cannot cross the boundary between dentistry and

medicine unless they are licensed in both areas.

Easton is the only licensed dentist in Idaho with a second license in naturopathic medicine, Sylvia Boyle, the Idaho State Board of Dentistry's executive director, said.

"I wanted to practice from a health-centered perspective," Easton said.

Citizens hope hotel will lure visitors

NAMPA (AP) - A group of residents want to resurrect the Dewey Palace Hotel, a city landmark that was demolished 40 years ago.

Backers of the idea said the building could serve the same function as the original, a centerpiece for community activity downtown.

"We'd like to make it as close a replica as we can," Patri Bennett-Dibone, chair of the downtown Nampa citizens committee and head of the Downtown Nampa Business Association, said.

"With its ornate design and large balconies, the three-story original was revered when it opened in 1903, built by promoter, developer, and mining magnate Col. William H. Dewey.

"Even today, Nampa residents are still in awe of the Dewey Palace," she said. "You should see their eyes when they talk about it."

Organizers said the project is still early in the planning stages and could prove to be unfeasible.

"They don't want to know why it was torn down," Wendy Miller, director of the Canyon County Historical Museum, said. "It would be wonderful if we still had it."

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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“I don't feel I was involved enough in the offense. I want to be the go-to guy on this team, but for some reason, the play calling doesn't go to me enough.”

—San Francisco wide receiver Terrell Owens after the 49ers were eliminated from the playoff Sunday

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Who holds the NFL record for interceptions in a playoff game?
...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school boys basketball
TFCA at O'Leary, 5 p.m.
Castelford at MVC, 7:30 p.m.
Shoshone at Hagerman, 7:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Declo's defense handles Wendell

WENDELL — Amy Allen scored 14 points and Jamie Chatburn added seven as the Declo girls basketball team defeated Wendell 52-20 last Saturday night.
Sophomore Bonnie Sears finished with six points and freshman Jaynie Goodbody had six to lead Wendell.
The Trojans (2-14) travel to Kimberly on Tuesday.

Declo 52, Wendell 20
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Trojans 2-14, Kimberly 14-11

Compiled from staff reports

Lambeau mystique

Favre nearly flawless as Green Bay sends 49ers packing

By Charean Williams
Knight Ridder News Service

GREEN BAY, Wis. — The San Francisco 49ers had history against them. Worse still, they had Brett Favre against them.

Favre completed 16 of 21 passes for 226 yards and a touchdown in the second half Sunday as the Green Bay Packers remained undefeated at home in their playoff history with a 25-15 victory. The Packers advance to the divisional round, where they will play at St. Louis at 3 p.m. Sunday.

“I was 100 percent sure going into this game that we would win, and I was 100 percent sure throughout the game that we would win,” Favre said. “Now, that doesn't mean that you're not worried, but I know what I'm capable of doing. I know what this team is capable of doing. I know that I can control one thing on that field, and that's the way I play. That has never changed.”

The Packers (13-4) had only 19 plays, four first downs, 76 yards and trailed 7-6 at halftime. That prompted Favre to ask offensive

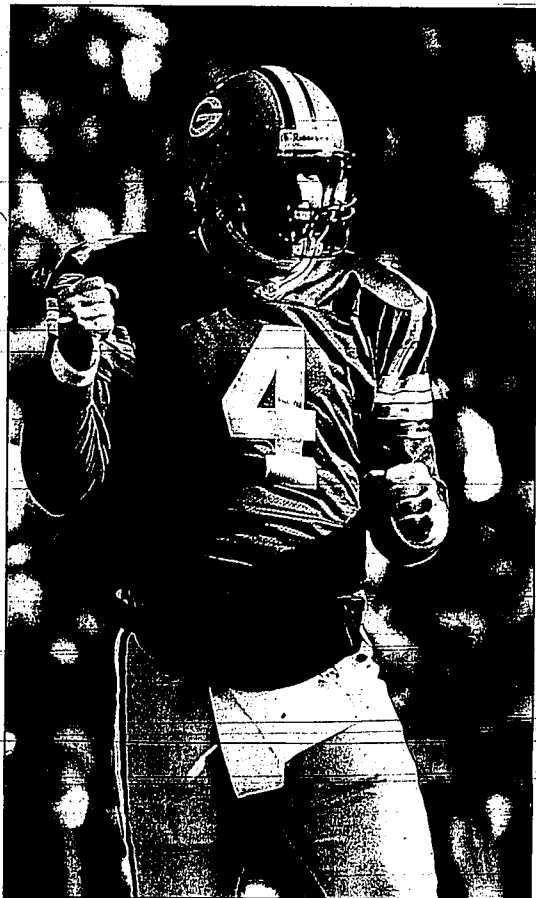
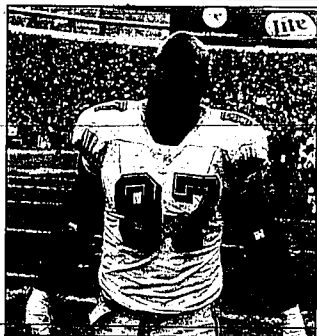
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Divisional Playoffs

Saturday
Philadelphia at Chicago, 2:30 p.m. (FOX)
Oakland at New England, 6 p.m. (CBS)

Sunday
Baltimore at Pittsburgh, 10:30 a.m. (CBS)
Green Bay at St. Louis, 2 p.m. (FOX)

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Above, Green Bay quarterback Brett Favre celebrates throwing a touchdown pass to Antonio Freeman in the first quarter of their NFC wild-card playoff game against the San Francisco 49ers Sunday. Left, 49er Bryant Young closes his eyes as he walks off the field after the Packers won 25-15.

Washington tabs Spurrier as new coach

By Chris Harry
The Orlando Sentinel

TAMPA, Fla. — Steve Spurrier will be tossing a Washington Redskins visor next season.

Spurrier, who surprisingly resigned as coach of the University of Florida on Jan. 4, has agreed to a record five-year, \$25-million deal, NFL sources told The Orlando Sentinel, to become head coach of one of the league's most tradition-rich franchises. Unavailable for comment Sunday night, the 56-year-old Spurrier is expected to be announced as the Redskins' 25th coach at a news conference perhaps as early as Tuesday.

To make way for the winningest coach in Gators history — Spurrier went 122-27-1 in 12 seasons — Redskins billionaire owner Dan Snyder fired Marty Schottenheimer Sunday night. Schottenheimer had completed just one season of a four-year, \$10 million contract. Snyder will owe his former coach all of the \$7.5 million balance remaining on the deal.

After starting the season 0-5, the Redskins rallied to an 8-8 finish, but lost three key December home games after clawing back into the playoff chase. The team's offense, however, ranked 30th among 31 teams and scored fewer points than all but three teams.

Last year, Snyder gave Schottenheimer total control of the team's football operations. Several damaging personnel blunders, though, prompted Snyder to exercise a clause in Schottenheimer's contract allowing for the coach's player-personnel and general-manager duties to be taken away.

Snyder also wanted Schottenheimer to make changes in the coaching staff to spice up the offense, but the coach balked at that request, citing a clause that gives him autonomy over his assistant coaches.



Steve Spurrier

Kelly breaks through at Sony Open for first victory

The Associated Press

HONOLULU — Given a third chance to win on the PGA Tour, Jerry Kelly wasn't about to give the Sony Open away to anyone Sunday — least of all John Cook.

Tentative throughout the final round, Kelly produced two flawless swings to set up a two-putt birdie on the final hole for a one-stroke victory over Cook, giving him his first PGA Tour victory in his 200th career start.

“I'm not going to sleep for a week,” said Kelly, who closed

with an even-par 70 on a balmy day at Waialae Country Club when no one made much of a move.

It was the third time Kelly had the lead going into the final round. One of those chances came last year at the Reno-Tahoe Open, when he made triple bogey on the 16th hole of the final round, allowing Cook to win by a stroke.

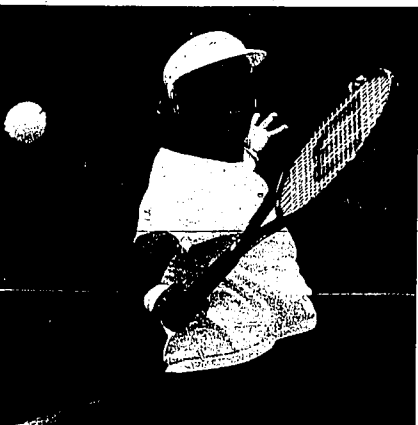
There were no such mistakes Sunday.

Kelly disposed of an early threat by David Toms, made a clutch par save on the 15th and

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Jerry Kelly smiles after just missing a birdie putt on the second green of Waialae Country Club during the final round of the Sony Open in Honolulu, Sunday. Kelly began the round as the leader and finished on top to earn his first major tour victory.



Venus Williams practices for the Australian Open Tennis Championships in Melbourne, Sunday. Sister Serena withdrew with an ankle injury.

Agassi out at Aussie

Venus leads group of lady contenders

The Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — Defending champion Andre Agassi and Serena Williams withdrew from the Australian Open with injuries Sunday, leaving the year's first Grand Slam tournament without two marquee players.

A worrisome right wrist injury ended Agassi's bid for a third straight Australian Open title.

Williams decided Sunday to pull out after turning her ankle Friday night while chasing a drop shot in a tournament in Sydney, Australian Open organizers said. The fifth-seeded Williams had said earlier the injury wouldn't stop her.



Andre Agassi

Lindsay Davenport, already sidelined, after right knee surgery Friday.

Williams, the 1995 U.S. Open champion, on runner-up to older sister Venus

there last year, was scheduled to play late Sunday night against 1994 Wimbledon champion Conchita Martinez.

Agassi was scheduled to start here Tuesday.

“I'm worried about the state of it and what it might mean” for his career, the 31-year-old Agassi said an hour before the tournament began.

“The pain was bad and fairly familiar,” he said, adding that trying to play through pain led to surgery on the wrist in 1993.

He planned to return immediately. Please see TENNIS, Page A8

Shaq-Fu could cost O'Neal

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — If his first punch had connected, Shaquille O'Neal would be facing a far harsher penalty.

After years and years of being on the receiving end of the Hack-a-Shaq defense, O'Neal finally snapped Saturday night when he was fouled hard by Brad Miller and Charles Oakley of the Chicago Bulls.

O'Neal immediately went after Miller and threw two roundhouse punches while Miller had his back turned. The first punch was the most ferocious, and fortunately it missed. The second one connected before O'Neal and Miller fell to the floor and a full-scale melee broke out.

“He lands one of those, and I feel sorry for the guy he connects with,” Bulls rookie Tyson Chandler said.

O'Neal will likely have quite a while to regain his composure and ponder the error of his ways. The NBA was reviewing the fight Sunday, and a multi-game suspension seemed likely.

A year ago, Marcus Camby of the New York Knicks was suspended five games for throwing a sucker punch at Danny Ferry of San Antonio.

Throwing a punch of any kind carries an automatic one-game suspension.



Shaquille O'Neal

SALT LAKE 2002
Countdown to the Salt Lake Olympics
25 days until Opening Ceremony

12 days until the torch arrives in Twin Falls

The Torch Tour: The torch will begin the day in Phoenix, pass through Yuma, Ariz., and head for Jacumba, Chula Vista and Coronado, Calif., before ending the day in San Diego.

March to the Medals: Jen Davidson has filed a grievance with the U.S. Bobsled and Skeleton Federation against former partner Juan Racine, demanding a race-off and claiming Racine's choice of another brakewoman was unfair. A week before December's Olympic trials, Racine surprised Davidson when she booted her out of her sled and chose Gao Johnson to be her brakewoman.

Yernon Ferry of Houston, four, against, San Diego in 1979.

SPORTS

Stretching Gonzaga downs San Diego

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Dan Dickau had 10 of his 23 points on the final nine minutes and Gonzaga (15-2, 2-0 West Coast Conference) won their 12th straight, defeating San Diego 75-62.

No. 2 Duke 76, N.C. State 57

RALEIGH, N.C. — Mike Dunleavy scored 15 straight points in a 23-run to close the first half and the Blue Devils (14-1, 3-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) beat N.C. State for the 11th straight time.

Dunleavy had 22 points, seven rebounds, three assists and three steals in the opening 20 minutes.

No. 4 Maryland 92, Georgia Tech 87

ATLANTA — Juan Dixon scored 26 points to lead No. 4 Maryland to a 92-87 victory over Georgia Tech on Sunday.

College Basketball Top 25

to a 92-87 victory over Georgia Tech on Sunday. The Terrapins (13-2, 3-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) built a 16-point lead less than 10 minutes into the game but struggled to hold off the Yellow Jackets (7-10, 0-4).

Georgia Tech got as close as 68-67 on Halston Lunn's basket with 8:02 remaining and shaved the margin to two points on seven occasions in the final 4.5 minutes.

Indiana 77, No. 13 Iowa 66

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Jared Jeffries scored 26 points for the Hoosiers (11-5, 4-0 Big Ten), who are off to their best conference start since 1991.

Luke Recker finished with 12, while Reggie Evans, averaging 18.3 points, had 11 assists and seven for the Hawkeyes (13-5, 2-2).



Gonzaga's Cory Violette, left, looks for a shot during the second half against San Diego's Tom Lipford in Spokane, Wash., Sunday. Gonzaga, ranked No. 18, defeated San Diego 75-62.

French skier wins salom

SAALBACH-HINTERGLEMM, Austria (AP) — Laure Pequegnot of France skied a near-perfect World Cup slalom on Sunday and move into first place in the season standings. Two Americans just missed medals.

Pequegnot finished in a combined time of 1 minute, 27.22 seconds to beat Sonja Nef of Switzerland.

It was the third consecutive medal finish in a slalom for Pequegnot. She took a second and third in two races in Maribor, and also won the season opener at Copper Mountain.

Nef closed 1:28.80 for the top legs. Third place went to Yvonne Van der Werf, 67 seconds off the pace.

Americans Kristina Koznick and Sarah Schleper came in fourth and fifth.

Zubrilova tops biathlon World Cup

OBERHOF, Germany — Olena Zubrilova of Ukraine won a 12.5-kilometer biathlon World Cup event Sunday for her first victory of the season.

The former world champion did not miss once, completing the mass start competition in 40 minutes, 26.1 seconds to edge France's Liv Grete Poire to by 0.8 seconds.

Sweden's Magdalena Forsberg finished third, 1.29 seconds behind.

Austrian ski jumpers offset a spectacular Hannawald

WILLINGEN, Germany — Austria overcame two more spectacular leaps by German star Sven Hannawald on Sunday to win a team event in World Cup ski jumping.

Austria ended a six-year title drought in the team competition, earning 1,141.3 points from

four jumpers. Finland was second at 1,141.3 while Germany was third at 1,112.0.

Hannawald, who recently swept the Four Hills event, leaped 148.5 and 141.5 meters to lead all competitors during the team event, which doesn't produce an individual winner.

Sorsa, Alzina pace snowboard events

ALPE D'HUEZ, France — Finnish snowboarder Heikki Sorsa won a World Cup halfpipe event Sunday and Frenchwoman Cecile Alzina captured the women's event.

Sorsa won for the first time this season, earning a best score of 44.4 points out of a possible 50. Sorsa's Halfpipe Linn was second and Finland's Risto Matilla was third.

Alzina scored a winning 44.6 points in her second run. Canada's Maelle Ricker took the silver and France's Doriane Vidal won the bronze.

Russia, Italy take cross-country sprints

NOVE MESTO, Czech Republic — Fabio Maj led Italy's second team to victory Sunday in an 8.5-kilometer World Cup event in freestyle cross-country.

Julia Tchevalova's Russian team dominated the 9-kilometer women's sprint.

Maj, who also won the men's 10K freestyle Saturday, beat countryman Giorgio Di Centa in the final meters to win by 0.9 seconds. Finland finished third, a second off the pace.

Russia and Italy set the pace in the women's sprint. Tchevalova, who won Saturday's 5K freestyle, beat Sabina Valbusa by 6.3 seconds in the last leg. Riikka Sirvio's Finnish team was third, 23.1 seconds back.

Post Falls triathlete proves age is just a number

POST FALLS (AP) — Irene Halverson is 63 years old, but in the world of competitive triathlons, she is just a rookie.

Halverson has only competed in two triathlons but has already qualified for a trip to Cancun, Mexico, to vie for the Olympic Distance World Triathlon Championship.

Halverson said she was inspired to do triathlons just to see if she could.

"Can I actually go out there and do the things that young people do?" she asked herself.

She found out she could. "I'm in better shape than my kids are," Halverson said.

An avid cyclist, Halverson started training and entered last year's Coeur d'Alene Triathlon, finishing third in her age group.

Halverson then competed in the National Triathlon, also held in Coeur d'Alene. She finished fourth in her age group and qualified for the World Triathlon Championship coming up in November.

"I feel proud to say I'm fourth in the nation," Halverson said.

"It's a great feeling."

The Olympic Distance triathlon includes a 1.5 kilometer swim, a 40K bike ride and a 10K run.

"It's a lot of training," Halverson said. "Anybody can do a triathlon, but you have to train." Halverson trains five to six times a week. She doesn't bike, run and swim each time, but whatever she does, Halverson said she goes all out and pushes herself to go fast.

John, her husband of 25 years, and coach helps. When Halverson is training, he helps her improve

her technique, teaching her how to shift on her bike and reminding her to never slow down.

While competing in Nationals, Halverson said she got tired after biking uphill and thought about coasting down. Then she heard her husband's voice in the back of her head, telling her to keep going.

Halverson's goal is to finish a triathlon in less than three hours. "You don't always have to be No. 1," she said. "It's 'can you finish the triathlon?' The most important thing is finishing."

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OTHER VIEWS

Don't allow Taliban leaders to go free

The Los Angeles Times

Where is Osama bin Laden? Where is Mullah Mohammed Omar? And now where are the justice minister and half a dozen other leading officials of the toppled Taliban government? This last group actually surrendered to a newly installed governor of Afghanistan's Kandahar province, but despite U.S. demands to interview them the officials were allowed to walk away. Enough is enough. The United States needs to lean on the central and provincial governments to lean hard — and get the justice minister and his colleagues back for questioning and perhaps for arrest.

Afghanistan remains chaotic, with warlords controlling some areas, international peacekeepers only in the capital, U.S. and other troops scattered around the country. It is not surprising that the interim government of Prime Minister Hamid Karzai in Kabul is unable to have all its orders carried out. But it must not be lax in dealing with the issue of the missing officials.

The United States already has custody of nearly 400 pro-Taliban soldiers, who apparently are providing information that, along with recovered computer disks and printed materials, has helped prevent planned terrorist attacks on Americans. The intelligence "take" from someone as high-ranking as the justice minister could be considerable.

Some Afghan officials have said they will not arrest every Taliban member. Fine. There's no need for FBI interrogators in Afghanistan to talk to the janitor in the Taliban Foreign Ministry building. But Taliban Cabinet ministers run a government that was entwined with Bin Laden's Al Qaeda like ivy on an oak. The regime made Bin Laden's terror possible, including the Sept. 11 attacks.

Letting high-ranking Taliban members escape would make it possible for the extremist regime that oppressed the nation for five years to regroup. By some accounts, the Taliban defense minister and another Cabinet minister were among the seven turned loose after they surrendered.

The Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Richard B. Myers, said this week that top Taliban leaders were of "great interest" to the United States, which expected them to be able to point again to Kandahar Gov. Gul Agha Shirzai, Karzai and the underlings. It is true that Afghan fighters have for centuries "turned their hats," adopting head-gear the color or shape of their enemy's when they surrendered. With a new hat, the right ethnic ties and perhaps a bribe, they could return to their homes. This time around, however, the stakes are too high to let the top rank of the vanquished foe go free.

Also of great concern is the possibility that Iran is giving refuge to some Al Qaeda members from neighboring Afghanistan. Iran is largely still controlled by Shiite rather than Sunni branch of Islam. Tehran bitterly opposed the Taliban regime, and a Foreign Ministry spokesman denied that Iran is providing refuge to Al Qaeda fighters. President Bush said Thursday Iran must bar "Al Qaeda murderers" and must surrender any who have crossed the border.

Afghan soldiers and U.S. forces need to keep searching for Bin Laden and Omar, the Taliban head. The hunt for top lieutenants of Omar also needs to be vigorously pursued. Interrogating prisoners is a first step to bringing criminals to justice and gaining information that can help disrupt terrorist attacks. Afghans, after enduring decades of war, should recognize that as much as Americans,

This editorial, reprinted from the Los Angeles Times, says the U.S. should prevent the escape of high-ranking Taliban members in Afghanistan.



Democrats' fiscal conservatism may cost them

MARK WEISBROT

The 2002 election campaign has begun, and all too predictably: It's the economy, and it's going to be stupid. On one side are Republicans who pretend that changing the tax code to slash even more money on rich people and corporations is the best way to stimulate the economy. On the other side are Democrats who maintain that the tax cuts already passed have made the government powerless in the face of the recession.

"The tax cut has taken away our flexibility and left us with only two choices, both of them bad," said Tom Daschle, Senate majority leader and Democratic presidential hopeful, in the opening speech of campaign 2002. "We can short-change critical needs—such as homeland defense, or we can raid the Social Security surplus and even run deficits to pay for those critical needs."

Well, I'm all for repealing the \$500 billion tax cut that went to the richest 1 percent of Americans—households with an average income of more than \$1 million. They don't need to buy another Lexus for their kids.

But let's not exaggerate the state of our government's finances. The federal deficit for this year is running well under 1 percent of our national income. Anyone who worries about this level of borrowing should never consider taking out a mortgage loan to buy a home.

As for "raiding the Social Security surplus," any accountant can tell Daschle that this is a purely fictional concept. Social Security's finances are not affected one way or the other if its surplus revenues are used to pay for unemployment compensation—for example, or to pay

down the national debt.

We do not have a budget problem. We have a recession problem. The private sector has lost over a million jobs in just the last three months. In a recession, tax revenues also fall, while government spending typically increases. This is normal and helps stabilize the economy.

The federal government ran a budget deficit amounting to 4.7 percent of our economy (or GDP) coming out of the last recession. In 1983, at the end of a more serious downturn, the deficit was 6 percent of GDP. This year's projected deficit is at less than 1 percent of GDP, is really very small.

But the Democrats' pollsters insist that the way to take Congress in 2002 is to play on the public's fear of debt, and portray themselves as the party of fiscal responsibility. This was not a very clever strategy a year or two ago, but it's even dumber during a recession.

Daschle carries this theme further still, arguing that the "dividing budget surplus" over the next decade is keeping long-term interest rates higher than they would otherwise be. This "leads to less investment, less consumption, more job loss, and bigger deficits," he says, and the tax cut "probably made the recession worse."

This is not a believable story, on economic grounds. Businesses have cut back on investment because they had over-invested during the 1990s' bubble, and consumers are holding record levels of debt. It is very unlikely that any effect of budget policy on interest rates is having a

significant influence. Why not tell the truth? We're losing jobs at the fastest rate in 20 years, and the House Republicans in October passed an "economic stimulus" bill that contained very little to boost the economy. Instead they loaded it with more tax breaks for the rich, and tens of billions of dollars in refunds for America's largest corporations. To take advantage of Sept. 11 and the recession with this kind of callousness and greed was bound to cost them politically.

The Republicans realized this after Democrats began running attack ads. In the last hours of Congress' 2001 session, they watered down the October "stimulus" bill.

The Democrats would be wise to continue this line of attack, and go after the tax cuts on the grounds of fairness.

For nearly three decades we have lived through one of the most massive, unequalizing redistributions of income in American history. The majority of the labor force has literally been excluded from the gains produced through economic growth.

Now that the economy has ground to a halt, the public's tolerance for increasing inequality may finally reach its limits. Why not ask them: do you want to go without health insurance or prescription drugs so the rich can get even richer?

It's a simpler appeal, and a lot more honest and believable than the shifty fiscal conservatism that the Democratic leadership has chosen to embrace.

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LETTERS

Term limits have their uses
Last year, the state had a surplus. Then the Legislature met and we had none. By the time they adjourned, we had a deficit. Then they wonder why we want term limits.
We would also like to know why the voters are called the enemy.
DRE KEICHER
Burley

great idea would have turned into such a petty, verbal sparring match? Imagine if all of this spirited energy had been used constructively!
Cool your jets and let's build a new shelter. And most importantly — spray and neuter your pets.
SUZANNE (CRONER) JUST
Twin Falls

Jerome wastewater plant stinks
Regarding new Mayor Correll's assessment of the city of Jerome, I have to speak out.
The wastewater plant stinks now and forever. I guess. No lasting solution has been made. Every once in a while, they throw some chemicals into it but it still stinks. The water draining from it into the canals cannot be safe since it bubbles and stinks. It looks like it had soap in it.
Good luck to him in making any changes and keeping businesses here.
JENIA WILLIAMS
Jerome

Welfare of the animals matters
Pets and puppy behavior!
To those of you in the Magic Valley who keep bickering back and forth about the Twin Falls Animal Shelter and the new building project:
Instead of criticizing one another, why not ask yourself how you can help the situation? The only thing that matters is the welfare of so many unwanted pets that need to find a loving home — a number that keeps growing as our community continues to grow.
Who would have thought that such a

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Teen-age suicide pilot represents thousands of kids

MARK W. MERRILL

When I arrived at work on Monday, I saw firsthand what can happen when a child feels as if his life is more than he can bear. I work in the downtown Tampa office building hit by the Cessna airplane flown by 15-year-old Charles Bishop.

Since the crash, witnesses and reporters have made comparisons to 9/11; concern has been raised over Bishop's ability to fly into restricted air space over MacDill Air Force Base and the ease with which he stole the airplane in the first place.

lunch by himself. One student told a newspaper reporter that it was like Charles "didn't even exist."

But no matter how he appeared on the outside, when he climbed into that plane he was an emotional time bomb waiting to explode.

So where was the affection and affirmation that could have steered him on a different course? Who was in the control tower of this child's life?
We already know that his dad wasn't there to give him the love and guidance he needed. And even if his mom did the best she could, at some point the communication between them must have broken down.

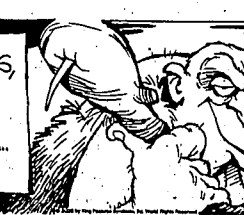
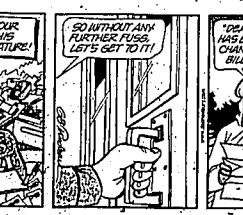
because I receive letters almost every day from parents across the country that realize they have let their children slip away, and desperately want to know how to reconnect. But there are too many other parents who don't even notice that their kids are sinking deeper and deeper into despair.

I bet that most of those children will never hijack a plane and throttle it into a building, but we shouldn't assume that a similar tragedy couldn't happen in our family. If we are not giving our children the emotional support they need, it can. A child needs to know that there is at least one person who listens to them, who keeps tabs on them and offer a helping hand when the pressures of adolescence get to be too much.

Charles Bishop died ignoring the pleas and instructions of Coast Guard personnel and tower operators who tried to guide him to safety. How sad that he couldn't find that guidance earlier in his life, someone to turn to for direction. Someone who could give him the sense of peace you are being loved and cared for by someone who loves you.

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Mallard-Fillmore



By Garry Trudeau



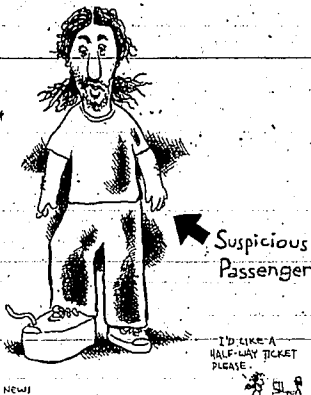
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OPINION

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Memo to Paris Airline Security



Suspicious Passenger

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Profiling has a proper place in security

Profiling is under attack again after a Secret Service officer was removed from a flight on Christmas day. With the possible exception of Afghan leader Hamid Karzai, American Airlines could not have picked a worse person for an incident. The officer was an Arab American on his way to join the security detail to protect President Bush. The Secret Service officer immediately became the vehicle for a full-court press by Arab American advocacy groups and civil libertarians, who have had some legitimate grievances with the security crackdown following the Sept. 11 attacks. But with more than 40 million people traveling each month by air, profiling might not only be necessary but inevitable in the fight against terrorism.

JONATHAN TURLEY

bers and Taliban fighters are Afghan or Arab men. All 22 people on the FBI's most wanted terrorist list are Muslims and virtually all are Arab. This might have something to do with the fact that the cause for the hatred spawning this terrorism is centered in the Middle East and steeped in Islamic fanaticism. The reluctance to use a profile at airports for terrorism seems designed to satisfy modern sensibilities at the cost of actual security. Terrorism at airports is different from other crimes in that it is sudden and terminal. Society can sustain some missed opportunities in the "war on drugs," but a missed opportunity in the war on terrorism is measured in body counts.

American is being stopped, stereotypes rather than statistics are controlling selection. The greatest injuries, however, are not found in the stop itself. We should focus our attention on the conduct of security staff after a stop is made.

Nothing runs against the American grain so much as a profile. This week, U.S. Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta likened profiling at airports to the internment of Japanese Americans in World War II because of their ethnicity.

We need to gain a degree of perspective if we are to resolve the issue of profiling. We are not talking about internments or arrests but stops at airports. While it is important to keep our history of racism in mind, we can be so blinded by our commitment to avoid our past abuses that we refuse to see the obvious dangers before us.

We would be better served as a nation if we stopped debating the clear value of some profiling and instead discuss the conditions and monitoring needed to ensure that it is not abused.

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A profile is merely a device used to identify potential criminal actors based on statistical and case analysis. These profiles might include nationality, physical description and other factors found to be common for a crime. Where courts have long given great weight to the "hunches" or instincts of experienced officers in making some stops, a profile merely compiles the experience of hundreds of officers into a diagnostic tool. When it comes to terrorism, the common denominators among past cases is strikingly consistent and predictable. This doesn't mean all profiling is legitimate. It would be outrageous to use religion as a profile category despite the uniformity of the religion of these terrorists. Moreover, nationality or ethnicity should be only a factor and not the sole factor. If every Arab

In this incident, the accounts from the pilot and the agent could not be more different. To read the pilot's account, he was faced with a "hostile" armed individual with suspiciously incomplete and unreadable paperwork. To read the agent's account, he found himself confronted by a pilot who could not overcome the mental block of an armed Arab American on his airplane.

One of these accounts is likely to be borne out in a lawsuit announced last week by the agent's lawyers. But this incident actually might say little about profiling. We give authority to pilots to use their instinct and judgment as the final line of defense against terrorism. This pilot might have acted improperly or arbitrarily in reviewing the facts but he was correct in questioning the agent and demanding confirmation of his status.

There is well-based opposition to profiling. There has been abuse for years and profiling is prohibited in many states. Profiling has been used to isolate groups including young African American males for legally permissible pat-downs based on reasonable suspicion by police.

The suggested use of profiling in airports, however, is different. Where profiling of African Americans was based on a generalized suspicion of criminal intent, the profiling of some categories of Arab travelers is tied to a single defined crime and an established nexus between certain groups and the current threat. The suggestion that the questioning of Arab travelers is based on mere ethnic prejudice is absurd.

All 19 of the September hijackers were young Arab men. The vast majority of al Qaida mem-

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Penelope isn't having Dave's baby

Before all these rumors and innuendos get out of hand, I want to set the record straight regarding me and Penelope Cruz.

In case you have not heard, Penelope and I recently were both on the "Today" show on exactly the same day. As I am sure you are aware, Penelope is a top female star who has been romantically linked to Tom Cruise. Prior to that, she was romantically linked to Matt Damon and Nicolas Cage. Penelope is just one of those female celebrities who are natural linkers. Whenever she gets into a confined space with a male celebrity, boom, they become linked, and nothing can separate them, until another male celebrity comes within range.

So as you can imagine, the "Today" show created a potentially torrid situation when it booked both me and Penelope to appear on the show only minutes apart. She was there to promote her latest movie by being glamorous and charming. I was there to promote my latest book by making flattery noises with my hands. You could have cut the sexual tension with a meat cleaver.

But let me make this very clear: Penelope and I did not experience any kind of linkage. For one thing, we are both very happy in our current relationships. For another thing, we did not, technically, meet. Yes, there was a brief, tension-charged moment when I glimpsed a dark object that I have reason to believe was the back of Penelope's head. I can't say for sure, because Penelope was surrounded by an entourage the size of my high-school graduating class. But that is all that happened. So I am confident that the international news media to stop spreading these vicious rumors, which can only cause pain to me, and Penelope, and Tom, and my respective entourage. We have all suffered enough.

But what I've cleared that up, you probably want to hear about the other celebrities I met that morning, and what they were like in person. Probably the biggest name was the late George Harrison of the Beatles, whose sister, Louise, was on the show. I rode with her for an hour, in person, and although we did not speak, she seemed very nice.

I personally shook hands with Al Roker, the jovial and portly NBC weatherperson. I would imagine that, at one time or another in his career, he has personally shaken hands with many top celebrities including Brad Pitt, the Backstreet Boys, Briney Spears, Donald Rumsfeld and "J. Lo," although none of them were there on this particular morning. Nevertheless, in person, Al was every bit as jovial and portly as you would hope.

One little celebrity "tidbit" that I can pass along - and I know this is true, because she looked me right in the eye and told me so herself - is that Claudia Kaneb, the wardrobe person at the "Today" show, who personally removed the dandruff flakes from my sport jacket, has also, in her career, worked on sport jackets belonging to Mr. Gerald R. Rivera. I asked Claudia what they were like, in person, and she told me that they were - in this direct quote - "very nice jackets."

I was interviewed by Bob Costas, who was filling in for Matt Lauer. While we were off-camera, Bob brought up a column I wrote about baseball several months ago in which I mentioned the connection with the song "Who Let the Dogs Out," by the Bahna Men. Bob stressed to me that he has nothing to do with that song. So let me state for the record: *Bob Costas is now now, nor has he ever been, one of the Bahna Men.*

After I got off the air, I called my wife to ask her how I did on national television. My wife did not want to talk about that, but she wanted to talk about was whether I thought Penelope Cruz is as beautiful as everybody else seems to think she is. I assured her that, from what I could tell, Penelope, in person, is a wondrous dog. I try to be nice, but I am not a total idiot.

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HUMOR
Dave Barry

Walk on a winter's day



A three-mile afternoon walk is routine for Virginia Undhjem, 69, who also walks at the Magic Valley Mall mornings during the winter.

Cold weather is no excuse for not exercising

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The road to fitness for Virginia Undhjem winds its way among the tidy ice-limned streets of her northeast Twin Falls neighborhood. "I'm out there every day that it's safe to walk," said Undhjem, a 69-year-old retired physical fitness teacher. "I'm not going out there when it's real sick or real cold, but I'm out there most days during the winter."

And that's just part of the story. "I walk outside in the afternoon," Undhjem said. "In the mornings, I'm out at the (Magic Valley) mall, walking another three miles, or sometimes I go out and walk at the (College of Southern Idaho)."

"I wouldn't want to stop walking in the winter," she said. "I wouldn't be as healthy."

Fitness walking - which according to the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports is the most widely practiced form of exercise in America by a wide margin -

- **Magic Valley Mall** - The shopping mecca welcomes fitness walkers starting at 8 every morning. There's a half-mile route mapped out inside the mall; if you choose to walk the perimeter of the property, it's an even mile.
- **Rock Creek Park Trail** - This mile-long asphalt track that starts in Rock Creek Park and heads north along the east side of the creek is bare and dry through most of winter because snow and ice tend to melt faster on pavement. But the Twin Falls Parks and Waterways Department locks the gates at 4 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and doesn't open them until 8:30 the following morning. Access on weekends is usually greater, but it depends on the condition of the grade down into the park; call 739-9491 for more information.

- **Snake River Canyon Rim Trail** - Bare and dry for most of the winter, but beware the wind: It's formidable along the south rim.
- **College of Southern Idaho Fitness Trail** - This two-mile network of bark and cinder-covered trails on the north and east ends of the CSI campus in Twin Falls is lit tough ehape at the moment. Snow that has fallen over the past six weeks has remained in shaded areas, been tramped down by trail users and transformed into rough ice. In low-lying areas, the snow has partly melted and tumbled into ice sheets. The lightly-used stretch of trail along North College Road is in the best condition; the heavily-shaded section that runs along the eastern perimeter of the campus is treacherous going.
- **Wood River Trail** - This 20-mile

- asphalt ribbon, much lit over old railroad right-of-way through the heart of the Wood River Valley, is mostly snow and ice-covered now, although there are bare patches of asphalt. Keep in mind that walkers must share this trail with skiers this time of year.
- **Old Towne Parkway** - The longest of Twin Falls' trails, this one - located in Rock Creek Canyon upstream of Rock Creek Park - cuts a 1.4-mile swath through the heart of the city. Most stretches are bare and dry, although there's still snow and ice on shaded patches and some of the steep areas are slippery. Access is from the north end of the Old Towne Bridge, from the Victory Bridge and from the end of Morrison Street, which is located across Addison Avenue from the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

doesn't wane during the high, dry, windy winters of south-central Idaho - not for those who are serious about staying in shape.

"You gain so much weight when you sit around and do nothing," said Ed Schab, 74, a

security guard at the mall. "I moved over here from Rupert, where there's ice and snow on the streets during the winter and no other place to walk. It's great to have some place to go."

Most workdays, Schab hoofs it work and then walks a couple of

miles around the inside the mall before he punches the clock.

"I get quite a bit of exercise on the job," he said. "But it's not the same thing as walking for fitness. I need that too."

Fitness walking, the most affordable form of exercise, doesn't

require a track; just an ice-free surface.

Undhjem sometimes walks inside the CSI gym, where she also lifts weights and takes part in a fitness class for seniors.

"I do at least two miles a day, five days a week," said Karen Sweet, 47. "I walk in the mall, but when it gets up around 50, I go back to the CSI Fitness Trail."

Sweet's tactic: A walking buddy.

"We motivate each other," she said. "It's a lot easier when you don't have just yourself to motivate."

Depending on the weather, Schab varies his routine from the half-mile course inside the mall, to the three-quarter miles around the mall buildings themselves to the mile-long walk around the perimeter of the property.

"Or sometimes I'll go out on the canyon rim trails," he said.

The secret to preventing walking from becoming drudgery is to vary your routine enough to keep from getting bored.

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Where to walk

Cold drug can combat diseases

The drug Picovir, which shows promise in fighting the common cold, can also combat serious diseases - caused by an enterovirus, another member of the picornavirus family, such as myocarditis, an often fatal inflammation of the heart, chronic meningitis, polio, and neonatal infections.

And for a number of these patients, Picovir, which has been dispensed on a compassionate basis to more than 400 people, has been, quite literally, a life saver.

Normally, many people suffering from chronic viral meningitis, for example, a once-incurable brain infection, slowly degenerate. "Picovir reverses that course," said Mark McKinlay, vice president of research and development for ViroPharma, the company that makes the drug. "There's been some pretty amazing recoveries."

Aspirin and stroke

A new study adds to the evidence that taking aspirin can reduce the effects of having a

Health notes

stroke. The study, done over six years at several institutions, looked at nearly 3,300 stroke patients, about 40 percent of whom had taken aspirin in the week before their strokes. It found that those taking aspirin on average had milder strokes than those who hadn't taken aspirin.

The differences were relatively small but statistically significant. One limitation to the study, which appears in the December issue of the journal *Stroke*, is that it doesn't look at how much aspirin the various patients had taken. Also, it isn't clear just how aspirin may lessen the effects of a stroke, although its anti-clotting properties may play a role.

Diabetes breakthrough?

Two new studies show that it may be possible to halt the progress of diabetes by giving people injections of a protein-based drug, scientists report.

The new findings offer hope that doctors may yet have a way to block development of Type 1, or insulin-dependent, diabetes before it becomes a chronic and serious disorder.

In a recent report in the journal *Lancet*, immunologist Dana Elias, at the Weizmann Institute of Science in Israel, announced that giving injections of a protein called p27 seems to shield the insulin-making beta cells in mice - and in people - from further destruction.

This is important, because it is the gradual disappearance of beta cells that leads to the symptoms of insulin-dependent diabetes.

Lack of insulin is what seriously disrupts sugar metabolism in patients with Type 1 diabetes. Unless treated with insulin injections, the disease becomes life-threatening. In contrast, the great majority of diabetes cases - Type 2 diabetes - are not caused by loss of beta cells but instead seem to involve insulin resistance.

- compiled from wire service reports

Notions make sewing easier

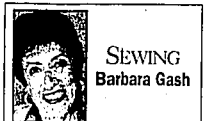
Sewing and needlework can be even easier in this new year. Prym Dritz, a manufacturer of sewing notions, has several new products, all priced under \$10 and available at local sewing-fabric shops.

Pray Adhesive provides a temporary bond on fabric and paper, is odorless and environmentally friendly. Quilters will find it useful for arranging blocks or basting layers; home sewers can secure patterns on fabric while cutting. It also holds trims and appliques in place for hand or machine work.

Buttons, snaps and hooks often jump away from under your fingers when you're sewing them on. Easy Hold Clamp has little adjustable prongs that hold these fasteners in place while they stitch.

There's a tape to guide marking multiple buttonholes on a garment. It comes on a roll 1-inch-wide and 3-yards-long. Space-Tape won't gum up your needle when you stitch directly through it.

Stretch Along Top Stitching Guides are see-through plastic to give you greater accuracy when you're doing decorative top stitching, pocket or garment edges, cen-



SEWING
Barbara Gash

tered or lapped zippers and simply measuring and marking. Rows of teeth provide stability when the guide is placed along an edge, and round finger holes allow you to hold it steady.

A clever Wrap 'N Stay retractable tape measure is designed to let you take your own body measurements.

The company has created a new collection of sewing notions for making small stuffed animals and doll clothes. Tiny dress forms are for 11.5-inch fashion dolls and 18-inch dolls, and there's even a miniature padded ironing board.

For more information, call 800-845-4948, 8-5 weekdays, or go to <http://www.dritz.com/>.

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Posture can decide standing in life

Chicago Tribune

Utter the word "posture." Then watch most people instinctively yank their shoulders back. They puff out their chests, lock the knees and go as ramrod straight as possible. And they probably think about a parent or teacher who once admonished them about slouching.

Lawrence Wayne doesn't do any such things. He winces. And most certainly doesn't repeat the word.

Talking to someone about posture can be insulting," said Wayne, personal trainer and owner of the Fitness Companion workout studio in Chicago. "Most people know they would benefit from improved posture."

What's more, posture is probably the most misunderstood word of fitness. We think of posture as something we don't do right. It

doesn't occur to most of us that posture could change our bodies and our lives.

"Posture is empowering," said Jim Lal-Tabak, a yoga teacher in the Chicago area. "I have one student, a woman, who regularly ran 30 floors of stairs in her building. But she was always hunched over, sort of closed." She started taking classes and two years later seems like she grew 3 inches. She got a new hairstyle. Her life is different."

Best of all, we can improve our posture at any life stage. It's never too late.

"Even patients with mild osteoporosis (a bone-degenerative condition that can lead to deformity) can make dramatic improvements with series of posture exercises," said Dr. Pauline Camacho, director of Loyola University's Osteoporosis and Metabolic Bone Disease Center.

Two exercises she recommends are the wall arch and midback posture correction. For the wall arch, face a wall with your feet 6 inches from the wall and 6 inches apart. Stretch your arms up to touch the wall while taking a deep breath. Concentrate on flattening your stomach, then exhale as the arms come down.

For the midback posture correction, sit on a chair with your chin in but not up. Keep the stomach tight, chest forward and feet together flat on the floor. Place your arms in a "W" position with the shoulders relaxed, not hunched and the elbows bent. Bring the elbows back, gently pinching the shoulder blades together. Hold for a slow count of 1-2-3, then relax for a slow count of 1-2-3.

Start with three repetitions of both exercises per day, Camacho said, then you can gradually work

your way to two sets of 10 each day. She recommends visiting the National Osteoporosis Foundation at <http://www.nof.org/> for more information and exercises.

Wayne said the best posture exercises to help anyone's alignment focus on the middle or central muscles.

Wayne isn't asking for much time. He routinely suggests shoulder rotations to his clients. It is a three-step exercise that takes seconds. First, feel for the bony protrusions at the top of your shoulders; raise them up slightly. Second, gently bring the shoulder blades together. Third, drop the back slowly and maybe a half-inch to inch total.

"You want smooth, gentle movement," said Wayne. "No yanking, pulling or jerking your shoulders back."

Mammograms' worth gets put to the test

The Seattle Times

SEATTLE — Get one. And keep getting them.

That's the advice from cancer experts to women regarding mammograms — despite a recently widely publicized Danish study that concluded the tests don't prevent deaths from breast cancer.

While the study has some women confused about mammography's value, several Seattle experts voiced no doubts. "We know that mammography saves lives," said Dr. Constance Lehman, director of breast imaging for the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, an umbrella organization for the Fred Hutchinson

Cancer Research Center, University of Washington Medical Center and Children's Hospital & Regional Medical Center.

All who were interviewed said they found little merit in the Danish study and put more stock in research that supports the tests and will continue to recommend annual mammograms beginning at age 40 or 50 (opinion varies).

"(The study) flies in the face of everything we know about the importance of the stage of cancer at diagnosis" and about mammography's ability to detect breast cancer early, said Dr. Patricia Dawson, breast surgeon with Swedish/Providence

Medical Center.

Some doctors said patients have been questioning mammograms' worth in light of the study, published in the Oct. 20 issue of *The Lancet*, a British medical journal. One woman showed up for an appointment made earlier but asked whether there was any point in getting mammograms in the future, a radiologist said.

"Women were confused before and now they've been thrown into not knowing what to do," said Lehman. "This particular debate can have a terrible downside," said Dr. Ben Anderson, a breast surgeon, clinical director of the UW's breast-care program and a supporter of mammography screening.

If the study turns some women away from mammograms, they could miss a chance for early detection and treatment of cancer, Anderson said.

Yet he cautioned women not to assume that the test guarantees protection from breast-cancer death.

"Mammography is not a perfect screening tool. But it's not a bad tool," he said.

An estimated 192,200 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in 2001, and about 40,200 diagnosed earlier will die of it, making this the second-leading cause of cancer deaths, after lung cancer, among women. About one in eight to nine women will get breast cancer.

Bunk!

Here are some hoaxes scientists have debunked:

- Heroin overdose from discarded needle.**
The truth: Intact rumors that a Texas child died of an overdose after being struck by a needle found in a playground were investigated and found to be a hoax. "A needlesstick injury such as that mentioned in the story would not lead to a large enough injection to cause a drug overdose," says the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- Hantavirus on soda cans.**
The truth: An e-mail claiming a stockroom clerk became infected with potentially deadly hantavirus from exposure to dried rodent droppings contaminated with the virus is false, says the CDC. "This is a variation on an old hoax involving rat droppings on soda cans of various brands," said CDC spokeswoman K.D. Hoskins.
- Deodorants and breast cancer.**
The truth: Despite online warnings, deodorants and antiperspirants do not cause breast cancer, says the CDC. "Scientists at the National Cancer Institute are not aware of any research to support a link between the use of (of these products) and the subsequent development of breast cancer." The misinformation's original source is not known.
- HIV spread through the air.**
The truth: No, says the CDC. HIV can't be transmitted through the air, despite a story on the tabloid *Weekly World News* Web site claiming the CDC had discovered a mutated version of HIV that could be transmitted that way.
- "Klingerman virus."**
The truth: There is no such thing, despite an e-mail message claiming people have been infected with it after opening gift packages delivered in the mail. The packages supposedly were marked: "A gift for you from the Klingerman Foundation." The e-mail is a hoax, says the CDC.
- Tampons and asbestos.**
The truth: Unfounded internet rumors suggest U.S. Tampon manufacturers add asbestos to their products to promote excessive menstrual bleeding in order to sell more tampons. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration says it has no evidence of asbestos in tampons.
- HIV and unused sanitary pads.**
The truth: Rumors that HIV can be transmitted through contact with unused sanitary pads are false, says the CDC.

— Source: The Seattle Times.

Women have more choices in rebuilding breast

Knight Ridder News Service

When Betty Rollin first saw her mastectomy scar, she likened it to a bomb site.

"Where a breast had been was a flat, lumpy surface like the ground," Rollin recalled in her book about breast cancer, "First, You Cry." Across the surface, a long, red, puffy welt meandered crazily from the center of my chest ... to the other side, under the arm, and around toward the back ... On the un-bombed half, grotesque by contrast, lay a right breast, pretty and whole."

A quarter-century later, Bonnie Grant had a dramatic, different experience after her mastectomy. Like a growing number of women who lose a breast to cancer, she opted to immediately replace it using tissue from another part of her body. She came out of the operating room last year with a shapely twin of her unaffected breast — minus the areola and nipple that would be added later.

"I've never mourned the loss of my breast because when I woke up, I had a new one," said Grant, 45, a special-events planner for the City of Philadelphia. "It was

a rough surgery, but well worth it."

The ongoing evolution of breast reconstruction is one of the bright spots in the bleak history of breast cancer, a disease that annually afflicts 190,000 women and kills 40,000.

Today, women can have the most effective cancer treatment for while enjoying themselves to disfigurement. About 80,000 women had reconstructive surgery with implants or their own tissue last year, a 166 percent increase since 1992, according to surveys by the American Society of Plastic Surgeons.

To be sure, this trend reflects the fact that breasts are symbols of sexiness and beauty. But the emotional and aesthetic reasons for replacing a breast go far beyond vanity.

In "A Woman's Decision: Breast Care, Treatment and Reconstruction," by Karen Berger and John Bostwick, a patient explains: "It is comparable to replacing a limb, so wearing an artificial leg, losing an eye and wanting a glass eye. Your breast is part of you. It doesn't define who you are sexually, but you want it back. You want to be whole."

Health hoaxes don't contain much truth

The Seattle Times

Flesh-eating bananas! Hantavirus on soda cans! HIV spread through the air! Scary tales all — but not true.

They're among the zillions of hoaxes that proliferate on the Internet, a forum that has taken rumormongering to new heights.

They're also among the phony health scares exposed on a debunking Web site of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Health hoaxes, along with other urban legends and tall tales, zip around cyberspace like flies around fresh meat. If you have access to a computer and e-mail, chances are a few have flown your way.

Knowing how to sort fact from fiction could be good for your health.

Hoaxes often capitalize on widespread fears. After the Sept. 11 attacks, terror-linked

rumors ran rampant on the Internet. Some e-mails falsely claimed to have anthrax information from the CDC, but the agency says it has not conducted a mass e-mail campaign to consumers.

"Fraudsters often follow the headlines, tailoring their offers (such as for anthrax-fighting Cipro) to prey on consumers' fears and vulnerabilities," says the CDC.

Most unfounded online health scares are of two types, the agency says: "misinformation spread by sincere, but misguided, individuals," or "deliberately concocted lies and distortions spread by those who seek to profit by scaring consumers into buying their products."

Sometimes a third type crops up: "Warnings so far off the mark (and with no obvious profit motive) that they can't be classified as anything other than malicious hoaxes."

Massage, exercise offer respite from fibromyalgia

Knight Ridder News Services

Shedding a tear at the movies may not seem so strange, but imagine wailing down crying while watching a heart-wrenching video. That's what happened to Dolores Longo when she saw a tape that described the chronic pain she'd been living with most of her life.

Finally she had found the answer to her suffering.

"It took me 30 years to find out I have fibromyalgia. I tried just about everything," says Longo, a Miami business consultant. "Suddenly, I just cried and cried."

Fibromyalgia is a condition whose known cause and without a cure. It's called the invisible disability, the irritable everything, supermoon syndrome and even whining woman's disease.

Dr. Trumane Ropos calls it the bane of the rheumatologist's existence, of every physician's existence.

"There's no anatomic abnormality, no concrete physical cause," says Ropos, a rheumatologist at Cleveland Clinic in Weston, Fla. Yet patients present a wide range of symptoms, including chronic, sometimes excruciating pain.

Longo's pain began when she was 18: First, her knees ached so much while on an errand for her first employer she thought she wouldn't be able to go on. After about a week, the pain migrated to her hands, then her wrists.

For more information

Several organizations work with fibromyalgia patients and can provide information and support. Here are some:

- **National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases**, <http://www.nhl.gov/diagnos/> or 1-877-22-NIHAMS
- **National FM Partnership**, <http://www.fmpartnership.org/>
- **Upledger Institute**, <http://www.upledger.com/>

— Source: Miami Herald

Doctors gave her arthritis medication, but it didn't do any good.

The pain persisted for about 10 years before moving into her back and neck, sometimes incapacitating her to the point she couldn't walk at all. Soon it was ankles, elbows, shoulders — "just about everywhere."

And still no remedy.

"It was awful because a lot of people around me thought it was all in my head, and I ended up believing that. How could I be hurting in a different place every day? I couldn't make plans, couldn't volunteer in school because how would I know if I'd be able to walk that day?" says Longo, now 50.

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Have a safe and fun skiing adventure with these tips

The Dallas Morning News

Western ski resorts saw a ton of snow in the weeks after Thanksgiving, and the season is under way. Many resorts are offering great deals, and airfares are ridiculously cheap. So you don't have any excuse to skip the slopes this year or to put off trying the sport for the first time.

Here are some fitness tips and tricks to help you have a safe and fun ski adventure:

- **Get in shape.** Whether you're a beginner or an old pro, preconditioning is important. If you don't prepare, it could mean a serious injury.

- **For beginners.** Don't let all this talk of getting hurt put you off. Beginning skiers aren't in the highest-risk category for injury, so relax. Almost all resorts have instruction both group and private for new skiers. And trepidation is your best friend: It means you're more careful and more likely to be prepared.
- **If you're a beginner,** says Hadley, "you have to take a lesson. And not from a boyfriend or a girlfriend. A lot of people have given up skiing because of that. They fall all the way down the hill the first time and they don't have any fun."


- **For intermediates.** Intermediate skiers are the problem children, because they sometimes
- **bit off more than they can chew.** "Intermediates have troubles," says Black. "In skiing you don't get better unless you push the envelope and try different things. That's fine for intermediate skiers. But pushing too hard can get you into trouble."
- **The problems people have usually relate to control, and that relates to speed.** They may be trying to achieve a level they were at two or three years ago and they can't do it. The No. 1 problem on the mountain results in failure to maintain control."
- **Even if you've had some experience on skis, go slow and take a couple of easy runs.** It'll help you warm up for bigger challenges. And don't think you're too experienced to take lessons. Many intermediates skiers benefit from continuing education.

Bob Black, director of mountain operations for Utah's Snowbird resort, has seen his share of injured skiers during his years on patrol.

"Before you get out on the slopes, be sure you're in shape," he advises. "There are some muscle groups used in skiing that people don't use during normal activity."

Many experts recommend aerobic exercises that work the quadriceps, glutes and lower back, such as bicycling or climbing with the Stairmaster. These activities not only strengthen muscles used on the slopes, but also prepare your body for reduced oxygen in alpine areas.

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Special smoke detectors protect hearing-impaired

DEAR ABBY: Your Dec. 21 column featured a letter from a reader who is concerned because an elderly friend is unable to hear the audible signal from his smoke alarm. Your reader is right to be concerned. Smoke alarms provide the early warning of fire that makes it possible to escape. Every household needs working smoke alarms on each level of the home, and all members of the household must be able to react quickly to the alarm.

For people with hearing impairments, special smoke detection devices with louder alarms or strobe lights are available.



DEAR ABBY
Algal Van Buren

element of home fire protection. Everyone should have the life-saving protection afforded by this important technology. Thank you for helping your readers with hearing impairments learn how they can be better protected.

—GEORGE D. MILLER, PRESIDENT AND CEO, NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

DEAR GEORGE: And thank YOU for continuing to be a valuable resource for my readers and me. My readers will be pleased to know that detailed fact sheets on smoke alarms and other fire protection devices can be downloaded by visiting the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) online at www.nfpa.org.

Not only are smoke alarms with strobe lights as well as audible alarms available, there's even one that can be placed beneath one's pillow or between the mattress and box spring that vibrates when smoke is detected.

A magazine called *Hearing Loss*, published by Self Help for Hard of Hearing People, 7910 Woodmont Ave., Suite 1200, Bethesda, MD 20814-3015, also keeps subscribers abreast of other safety products such as assisted-living devices, doorbells, special telephones, etc.

Every household needs at least one working fire alarm. The inability to hear one is no longer a reason for not having that kind of essential protection.

DEAR ABBY: My boss, "Adam," is 43. I am 50. We are both divorced. We have become very close during the three years we have worked together. I have two adult children. He has none. Adam and I spend a great deal of time together — at work and socially — but always on a platonic

basis. The problem is, I have fallen in love with him. I realize that an on-the-job romance — especially between a boss and a subordinate — would be a big mistake. However, I know he cares a great deal for me, although he does not share my romantic feelings.

Abby, I am having a hard time hiding my emotions when he dates other women. It impacts my work performance. I feel it would be best for me to look for another job. He told me that if I were a true friend I would want him to be happy and to marry someone who could be the mother of his children. I do want Adam to be happy, and I love my job, but I have deep feelings for him. He thinks it is selfish of me to want to leave. Do you?

IT'S TOO GOOD TO BE IN LOVE BY MYSELF

DEAR IT'S TOUGH: I do not think your desire to leave is selfish. Quite the contrary. It is selfish of him to try to make you feel guilty for wanting to leave. You'd have to be a masochist to stay.

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In addition to common-audible signal smoke alarms, many manufacturers now market a wide variety of signaling devices that — when combined — meet the needs of all people. Residents interested in purchasing these devices should contact their local fire department for information on manufacturers and local distributors.

Smoke alarms are an essential

Typical vocabulary is 50,000 words

Q. My husband wants me to buy a fantastic bed. It's beautiful. But it's round. Where do I put the pillow?

A. Under your head.

Wives who work on payrolls, please note: "Wherever, in the history of civilization, woman has ceased to be an economic asset in marriage, marriage has decayed; and sometimes civilization has decayed with it." So wrote the historian Will Durant.

SEEKING SUPERIOR CHEESE



Hugh Popenoe, professor with the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, serves a snack to a herd of water buffalo at his farm near Gainsville Friday. Popenoe is one of four UF experts advising the owner of a Vermont dairy that will produce gourmet-quality mozzarella cheese using water buffalo milk, the ingredient traditionally favored by Italian cheese makers.

Libra gets honor, funding, and maybe love of life

IF JANUARY 14TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you possess intellectual curiosity and have natural talent for writing. You enjoy flirting, have had joy and "hurt" as result — Gemini, Virgo and Sagittarius persons play important roles in your life, could have these letters in names: E, N, W. During February social life ascends and interest in politics will be intensified. July will be your most romantic, profitable month of the year.

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Have you as yet enlarged your vocabulary to 50,000 words? No? Wait. In your lifetime you will, if typical.

Judges in the ancient Olympics penalized contestants instantly for infractions of the old rules. They carried not whistles but whips.

Most people who fly even though scared won't admit that fear until they step off the airplane.

Tunnels under the campus of Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn., connect buildings, including the Dining Services and Library. Not everybody knew about the tunnels a few decades back, but certain students knew clearly. One morning when the librarians opened up, they found all the library tables properly set for breakfast, and it's said they kept going back outside to look at the sign on their door.

When a cow dies in Liechtenstein, the principality's newspapers run the animal's obituary.

The tongue of a grown blue whale weighs more than most elephants.

The first full-length novel in history was "The Tale of Genji" written by a Japanese woman named Murasaki Shikibu. Between A.D. 978 and 1026, as the western world measures time. This was before powers of religions crowded Japanese women out of the literary life.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Within 24 hours popularity will be on the rise. Tonight your powers of perception will be strong; this can be a very romantic evening! Cancer native plays role.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Highlight diversity, versatility and intellectual curiosity. Your records are being checked; you could be promoted as result. You will be surprised by the number of allies.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't become a prisoner of your environment. Rewrite and rebuild. Transform apparent setback into roving victory. Taurus, Scorpio persons will be on your side.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): New information becomes available concerning financial status of partner or mate. Be romantic but analytical. Be sure you are not giving love to one who takes advantage.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Attention revolves around where you live, marital status. You receive surprise luxury gift; it will help brighten surroundings. Show gratitude without being obsequious.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Romance deserves another chance; the "breakup" was most-

ly a matter of self-deception. Young person reveals plans for future. Display enthusiasm, also encouragement.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Within 24 hours you could encounter "love of your life." Focus on power, authority, intensity and passion. You will receive an honor and additional funding. What a day!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Look beyond the immediate. Travel to foreign land is distinct possibility. Relative offers to care for property, pets. Don't take people for granted. Libra involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Exercise independence, creativity and original thinking. Be creatively selfish; elevate self-esteem. Financial burden lifted. You will happy with yourself!

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Being in charge has its downside

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Trace Adkins can tell you that there's a downside to getting your own way. If a project flops, it's all yours.

"On my third album ... I exercised pretty much complete creative control over what I did," he said regarding "I did exactly what I wanted to do, cut what I wanted to cut and it sold the least copies of anything I've ever done."

So when it came time to record his new album, "Chrome," Adkins told the record label, "Hey, help me."

There was, however, one song he wanted on the disc: "I'm Tryin'," a song about the aftermath of divorce, the challenge of working life and the need to keep

going after setbacks.

Adkins says the song, which is in the Top 10 on *Billboard* magazine's country singles chart, has its critics and defenders.

"When we do it on the road the people that really zero in on the lyric, they get it and we get that good response from them," he said. "But for the others, that are there just to see me dance... They don't really respond that well to it."

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It is not unusual to have one form of entity full title to land and another form of organization be the operating entity that marshals labor and equipment to deliver the agricultural product. Family goals and financial circumstances differ from one operation to the other, so no one-size-fits-all approach exists. A thoughtful assessment of factors should lead to simpler, stronger, and more stable operations.

For more information, consider attending a one-night class offered through the CSI Community Education Center entitled *Forms of Legal Organization for Idaho Ranch, Farm & Dairy owners*. Time: 6:00-8:00 p.m. Place: CSI campus — Shields Bldg. — room 203; Cost: \$25. Register by phone: 733-9554 ext. 288.

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Judge blocks EPA transfer of watchdog

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - A federal judge has temporarily barred the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency from transferring the office of its internal watchdog.

U.S. District Judge Richard Roberts' Friday order prevents the agency from moving the office, of the national ombudsman, who is charged with investigating citizen complaints about environmental cleanups.

National ombudsman Robert Martin believes the move ordered last fall by Administrator Christine Todd Whitman would effectively dissolve his office.

"He struck a blow for the little man," Hugh Kaufman, an EPA employee and once chief investigator for the ombudsman, said of the judge's decision. "It was clear he read all the facts, and he was swayed by the facts."

The order will stall the transfer until late February, so lawmakers can determine the impact.

Martin and Kaufman have criticized federal cleanups across the country and recently detailed EPA errors at the Bunker Hill Superfund site. They believe Whitman ordered the transfer after the duo exposed her husband's financial ties to a Colorado cleanup.

The files on two dozen investigations into Superfund cleanups across the nation were to be transferred to the agency's office of the inspector general.

Idaho Sens. Michael Crapo and Larry Craig have expressed concern the move would affect investigations into the cleanup of mining waste in the Silver Valley.

In September, the General Accounting Office found the agency's independence from federal authorities.



The defunct cyanide heap-leach Zortman Gold mine in the Little Rocky Mountains adjacent to the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation in Montana is shown Sept. 21, 1999. State and federal authorities chose a cleanup plan Tuesday for two defunct gold mines, including Zortman, but say it will cost \$33.5 million more than what the state got from the bankrupt mining company to pay for reclamation.

Cleaning up mines may cost \$33.5M

HELENA, Mont. (AP) - State and federal authorities say it will cost taxpayers \$33.5 million to fully clean up two defunct gold mines abandoned by a mining company in northeastern Montana.

Pegasus Gold Corp., operator of the Zortman and Landusky gold mines near the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation, forfeited \$30 million in reclamation bonds when it went bankrupt, but officials say that won't come close to what is needed.

If Congress doesn't come up with the additional money, officials have drawn up a less-expensive backup plan, but say it comes with a greater risk of water pollution from the mines. A BLM official said state and federal regulators and the Fort Belknap tribes are pushing hard to find the additional money.

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality and the federal Bureau of Land Management released their preferred alternative Tuesday for cleaning up the twin gold mines south of Malta. The mines operated for nearly 20 years, producing \$300 million in gold, before Pegasus went bankrupt in 1998.

In choosing the cleanup options, "we put cost second, and I'm very pleased with the results," said Scott Haight, mineral policy specialist with the BLM in Malta.

Still, he said, the less-desirable options had to be included in the final version of the environmental impact statement. The agencies will wait at least 30 days, during which Haight said they will continue to negotiate with the tribes on a final decision.

The debate over how best to reclaim the polluted mine properties has been long and con-

tentious. The open-pit gold mines lie adjacent to the Fort Belknap reservation in the Little Rocky Mountains.

The preferred reclamation plan would cost \$52.1 million, along with an additional \$11 million for long-term water treatment at the sites. The latest EIS is the result of attempts by the BLM and DEQ to bolster the original Zortman and Landusky reclamation plans, which the tribes and environmental groups first criticized when they were outlined in 1996.

Those groups still are not fully satisfied with the latest plan.

"It is difficult to endorse any of these alternatives because none of them will achieve reclamation to the letter of the law," said Bonnie Gestring of the Mineral Policy Center, a conservation group based in Washington, D.C. "The impacts of this mine are so severe, if any of these plans are implemented, you'll have acid mine drainage forever."

Haight disagrees, saying the preferred options will properly restore the land and protect against further contamination.

An attorney with the Indian Law Resource Center, which represents the Fort Belknap tribes in state and federal lawsuits over the mines, said he hopes Congress and other entities come up with the money necessary to pay for the preferred cleanup option.

"The whole reason for doing this was that the old options were completely inadequate," Andy Huff said. "Sliding back to those options would not be acceptable to the tribes."

The Assiniboine and Gros Ventre Tribes on the reservation also have long argued that the mines destroyed important cultural and spiritual sites.

Group says money will be used for more conservation

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - The Nature Conservancy has sold 246 acres donated to it near Hayden Lake to fund conservation projects in northern Idaho.

The conservancy was given the land last fall and raised \$300,000 when it sold the property to a real estate agent and a timber company.

K.J. Hackworthy, the conservancy's Panhandle program manager, said conservation easements protect 13 acres along Hayden Creek and 40 acres on Hudlow Mountain.

"We've protected the parts of the property that have the highest conservation value," Hackworthy said.

James Schuler of Hawaii and Tom Burgess of New Zealand donated the land to the organization. They bought it in 1978.

"Since living on the mountain for 10 years, I developed a strong desire to preserve this special acreage with its beautiful combination of Hayden Creek and Hudlow Mountain," Burgess said in a statement

released by the Nature Conservancy.

Hackworthy said Burgess and Schuler knew that the group planned to sell the land.

Crown Pacific purchased 160 acres with 53 acres covered by conservation easement.

"We share a common goal to protect the fish, wildlife and aesthetics in the management of this property," said Chuck Ruddy of Crown Pacific.

Bob and Ellen Schmand purchased the remaining acres. The land is restricted to "very little" development, Hackworthy said.

The property along Hayden Lake contains forests and creek bottom. Hayden Creek, which flows through the land, is used for spawning by cutthroat trout.

Hackworthy said the land is not part of the group's priority area.

The conservancy has named the Kootenai River Basin as a conservation priority because of its extensive wetlands, and habitat for caribou, bald eagles, bull trout andurgeon.

Environmentalists sue to protect rare southern California fish

LOS ANGELES (AP) - A federal lawsuit filed on behalf of a tiny endangered fish could lead to more building restrictions on one of Los Angeles County's fastest growing areas.

The Center for Biological Diversity sued the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on Friday to compel it to designate critical habitat for the unarmored threespine stickleback.

Setting critical habitat would create new regulatory hurdles for contentious projects in the Santa Clarita Valley, about 30 miles north of Los Angeles, that require federal approval. Among such projects is the 22,000-home Newhall Ranch development and a proposed 460-acre sand and gravel pit.

The stickleback is an inch-long, greenish-gray fish whose non-endangered cousins are sometimes used as bait.

The unarmored threespine

stickleback, which lives only in Southern California, is distinct from other subspecies in part because it lacks heavy scales.

In the early 20th century, biologists found the subspecies in abundance in many area rivers, but urban sprawl from Los Angeles had wiped it out of most of its former range by the early 1950s.

The fish is still found in parts of three rivers and creeks in Santa Barbara and northern Los Angeles counties, but development is now threatening those populations as well.

The fish also is being preyed upon by a nonnative species, the African clawed frog.

The stickleback has been listed as endangered for more than 30 years. Fish and Wildlife officials first proposed critical habitat for it in 1980, but never finalized the designation.

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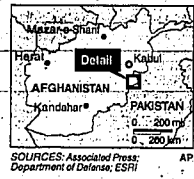
U.S. bombs suspected al-Qaida hide-outs daily

ZAWAR, Afghanistan (AP)—The scream of a plane, an earth-shattering whistle and suddenly an explosion.

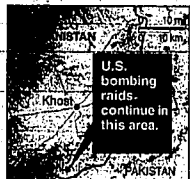
A U.S. air-to-ground missile slammed into an al-Qaida training camp in eastern Afghanistan on Sunday, throwing up dirt and rocks where underground caverns where supporters of Osama bin Laden are believed to be hiding.

Although the war has wound down elsewhere in Afghanistan, it is very much active in the mountainous region around the village of Zavar near the border with Pakistan. U.S. warplanes flew eight sorties over the area early Sunday, several of them followed by powerful booms.

It was the 10th straight day of air assaults in the region, the site of a labyrinth of caves that



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the town of Khost, 20 miles to the southeast.

Deep within the treeless mountain, underground passages continue to shelter Islamic militants — mostly Pakistanis but also Chechens and some of bin Laden's Arab warriors, he said.

Reinforced at the mouth with thick wooden beams, the tunnels

were constructed in the 1980s as hide-outs from the Soviets. They went through the bowels of the mountain, emerging on the other side, within sight of the border.

A tour of the area Sunday attested to the damage wrought by U.S. bombing.

To one side of the caves, a mud and stone building that used to house a madrassa, or religious school, had been partially destroyed, apparently by a missile. Pieces of bomb littered the ground outside, while inside a machine gun barrel lay abandoned on the floor.

At least eight other buildings nearby had been leveled by rockets or bombs. Perched on surrounding mountain ridges, other structures that looked like lookout posts showed heavy damage. Huge craters disfigured

Islamic militants go into hiding

The Washington Post

KARACHI, Pakistan — With their existence suddenly threatened by Pakistan's promised crackdown on terrorism, Islamic militants here are going into hiding, altering their identities and organizing their movements into underground cells, according to group leaders and government officials.

For years, militant organizations fighting to drive India from the divided Himalayan territory of Kashmir have operated in plain sight. But since the Pakistani government has moved to rein them in over the past three weeks, several groups have relocated their bases to secret locations throughout Pakistan, where they plan to continue recruiting new members and raising money, leaders said. They have also moved some public outreach offices to Pakistan's slice of Kashmir, where they expect the government to tolerate their existence as long as they keep a low profile.

Heading toward Khost with a rickety truck carrying two children from a neighboring village and all he owned — four baby goats, a wheelbarrow, food and hastily packed sacks — Noor Ali said his village, less than two miles from the al-Qaida camp was pummeled by bombs two days earlier. There were 35 homes. Most were destroyed, including his.

Fifteen people died, he said. Others were injured. He didn't know the number.

"No one is left but the dead," Ali said.

"We will fight," Abdullah Sayyaf, a spokesman for the militant group Lashkari-Taiba, told reporters Sunday. "If the Indians have the guts, let them stop us in Kashmir."

Pakistani police have detained an estimated 300 militant and religious radicals in the past two days, many of them in this port city. The roundup was planned in conjunction with a speech given Saturday by Pakistan's president, Gen. Pervez Musharraf, who declared a state of emergency against extremist groups and would closely monitor other militants.

The crackdown amounts to a rapid reversal in the government's stance toward such organizations. Until recently, they were allowed to raise money and recruit, and "in the open." They kept storefront offices, advertised in newspapers and aggressively raised money in mosques and on the streets.

Marines beat back military base attack

By Karl Vick
The Washington Post

KANDAHAR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, Afghanistan — The first enemy attack on the U.S. military base here came at a very delicate moment: Automatic gunfire flashed from Kalashnikovs in the darkness beyond the runway just as a cargo jet lifted off carrying 20 bound al-Qaida captives toward an island prison two oceans away.

"The C-17 took off and (the attackers) popped a couple flares" that lit up the area from the sky, said Lance Cpl. Joshua Spence, who returned fire from one of the low towns of fox-holes here: "AK-47s make a distinct sound. When a bullet goes over your head, it makes a crack."

Marines concentrated their fire on a hill around 8:30 local time Thursday night, handily beating back what officers here viewed as an apparent probe of the camp perimeter by eight to 12 people. The Marines suffered no casualties and afterward found no immediate evidence that they had hit any of the attackers. A military spokesman in the United States said that none of the enemy fire had been directed at the plane.



A U.S. Marine stands guard outside the detainee facility at the Kandahar International Airport in Kandahar, Afghanistan. In this photo from last year.

Since the December rout of the Taliban and Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network, U.S. military forces in Afghanistan have been the occasional targets of sniper fire and roadside ambushes. But the Thursday night strike here was the first known organized attack of its scale against a U.S. facility.

Afghanistan has a history of hit-and-run guerrilla attacks that wear down foreign armies. Since U.S. ground forces entered the country, they have been determined to avoid a repeat. The Marines' heavy return fire was intended to discourage any more attempts against the base.

The brief attack — the U.S. forces in the foxholes estimated they took fire for 15 to 20 minutes — froze operations at the airfield for almost four hours. Marine spokesmen said the base resumed normal nighttime operations shortly after midnight, and 30

planes and 21 helicopters landed or took off before dawn.

Officers said the attack's timing — on the heels of the prisoner flight — appeared to be accidental. "We made the movement of the detainees a closely held secret," said Lt. James Jarvis, a spokesman for the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit. Jarvis said the commanders learned only Thursday morning that any detainees would be moved later that day. "We do not believe these two things are related," he said.

Officers said the attackers opened fire from three positions off the runway. The Marines responded by firing illumination flares of their own, then opening up with fire from M-16 rifles, 7.62-mm machine guns, Mark-19 grenade launchers and a few bursts from a .50-caliber machine gun.

Two Marine armored vehicles headed out. With two Cobra helicopter gunships overhead to guide them, nine light-armored vehicles, grooved toward the mud hut where muzzle flashes had appeared most persistently. One fired a cannon, blew the roof structure, and the attackers melted back into the night.

The closest they got was about 300 yards from Marine positions," said Capt. Daniel Greenwood, operations officer for Battalion Landing Team 3/6, who directed the response.

Two rocket-propelled grenades were found inside the hut, but no bodies, at least not by preliminary patrol. The attackers also fired from two other positions along the runway and used a nearby canal for cover.

"We spotted at least four or five over there," said McWeaney, gesturing toward the hillcock. "And another four over there," he added, indicating the plan to the right. The foxhole, or "fighting hole," he shares with Lance Cpl. Nick Nash overlooks a landscape littered with land mines, apparently empty huts and broken ground.

The attack helped solve some of the area's mysteries: Patrols investigating the scene returned with information that helped improve fire control.

"We've been living in Colimar, a coastal city about 10 miles east of Havana since arriving in Cuba as an orphan at age 6.

Born on July 11, 1897 in Llanzarote, in the Canary Islands, Fuentes was traveling to Cuba when his father, the ship's cook, died on board. The young orphan was taken in by other Canary Island immigrants who cared for him until he reached adolescence.

Manly men come in sick and malnourished. Some are grateful just for the care, even if it's for a condition the doctors here can't do much for such as arthritis. Others, more medical-savvy, ask for extras like multivitamins, Ritchie said. The answer is no.

The Marines treat the detainees under Geneva Convention rules for prisoners of war. In fact, though, their status is undetermined. It will be up to investigators in Guantanamo to determine whether each man is a terror suspect or just an Afghan who fought for the Taliban government.

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Taliban suspects live with leg irons, razor wire in Afghanistan

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan (AP) — They shuffle off the plane in leg irons, handcuffed with plastic cords, heads hooded by empty sandbags. U.S. Marines bark at each fumbling man to keep his hands on the shoulders of the man hobbling in front of him.

For long minutes, the Marines lead the chained detainees in aimless circles — disorienting them in case any might one day try to find his way out solo.

The prisoners may be Taliban, or al-Qaida — or neither — but all are suspects in international terrorism, high-risk detainees who are watched night and day by Marines with M-16s on the other side of a high roll of concertina wire.

Prisoners in Cuba

Guarded by U.S. troops and attack dogs, a second group of suspected Osama bin Laden supporters departed Sunday for a U.S. prison camp in Cuba.

The 30 prisoners, shackled and with their faces covered, shuffed in the darkness onto a C-17 transport plane for the flight to the Guantanamo Bay Naval Station in Cuba.

The 30 detainees flown to Cuba will join 20 others who arrived from Kandahar on Friday. Hundreds are to be eventually flown to Guantanamo Bay.

alliance guards to rid prisoners of grenades and other arms they smuggled in.

The Marines use surgical scissors to cut the clothes off all new arrivals, most of whom these days are coming in from Pakistan, where authorities are tracking down Taliban and al-Qaida members who died across the border.

The detainees are issued simple uniforms: They can keep their caps, beards and Qurans, the Islamic holy book. Prayer beads are taken away. Bands with identifying numbers are clamped on their right wrists.

The first FBI team to be deployed in a combat zone takes their photos, fingerprints and a DNA sample from hair, FBI unit chief Brent Mosher said. The FBI workers also take biographical information, although there are doubts about the accuracy of the data prisoners give, Mosher said.

Jarvis said information from the prisoners may eventually help anti-terrorism efforts in the

United States or other countries.

"We've gotten lots of information from these folks, some of it actionable and some of it helps us understand the organization of the Taliban and the al-Qaida network."

Doctors at an infirmary inside the mud-walled prison compound inspect the new arrivals and provide any needed treatment, said Navy Cmdr. Jim Ritchie. Surgeons open old, infected bullet wounds and clean them. Orthopedists tend to old fractures that healed untreated.

For the Marines based at the shrapnel-strewn Kandahar airport, keeping the 391 prisoners behind the wire is a priority until U.S. military planes fly them off to a more permanent jail at the U.S. Navy base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

The Marines make a watchword of avoiding the mistakes of Mazar-e-Sharif in northern Afghanistan, where an uprising by Taliban prisoners there on a search for weapons. It's thought that for the Marines, the prime mistake at Mazar-e-Sharif was the failure by the northern

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Colombians brace for wider war; rebels prepare to exit safe haven

SAN VICENTE DEL CAGUAN, Colombia (AP) — Stoking fears that Colombia's war will enter its bloodiest phase, leftist rebels declared the peace process over Sunday and prepared to abandon the safe haven that has served as headquarters for three years of negotiations.

Moments before the announcement by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, a military warplane circled over the site of the failed peace talks in the hamlet of Los Pozos. Troops massed in military bases across this South American country, and even reservists were called to duty, prepared to retake the guerrilla sanctuary, an area roughly twice the size of New Jersey.

The government ceded the zone to the rebels, known by their Spanish acronym FARC, as a condition to start the peace talks and the rebels had pledged to give it back if the talks ended.

President Andres Pastrana, meanwhile, met with armed forces commander Gen. Fernando Tapias at the presidential palace in the capital, Bogota. There was no statement from the government or the military following the closed-door discussion.

Three years of talks have only yielded squabbling, and at midnight Saturday Pastrana's patience appeared to have worn out. He ordered the insurgents to come up with a viable peace offer or leave by Monday night.

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COMICS

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

HERE COMES THE SCHOOL BUS NOW!

YES, SIR... I HAVE TWO PIECES OF CARRY-ON AND FIVE OTHER PIECES HERE WHICH I'LL BE CHECKING THROUGH...

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

LEAVING FOR YOUR MONEY MOON TOMORROW, HUH? YEAH, DEANNA WANTED A DAY TO GET ORGANIZED.

WE'RE HEADING FOR MONTHS OF FIGHT THEN ON TO SUBURB CITY... THEN DOWN TO VERMONT FOR SOME SKIING.

WE COULD HAVE FLOWN SOMEWHERE BUT DENNY GIVES YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO STOP ALONG THE WAY.

COOL!

GOOD CALL!

STOPPING MAKES CHECKING FOR A WHOLE LOT EASIER.

Dilbert By Scott Adams

I'LL BE YOUR SERVER TONIGHT... UH-OH, YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL.

WOULD YOUR GRAND-FATHER MIND IF I ASKED YOU OUT?

HE'S MY HUSBAND.

MOVING RIGHT ALONG, WOULD YOU LIKE TO HEAR ABOUT OUR SPECIALS?

Blonde By Dean Young & Stan Drake

DON'T YOU GET TIRED OF STANDING ON YOUR FEET ALL DAY?

I TRY TO DO IT COMFORTABLY.

FOR EXAMPLE, I WEAR COMFORTABLE SHOES.

AND I'M NOT WEARING ANY PANTS.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

HOW OLD ARE YOU, WILEY?

BEATS ME, KID. I HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING.

CHOP

AAAAHHHH

YOU ARE 4.

Pickles By Brian Crane

OH, SHOOT!

WE MIGHT AS WELL LEAVE.

WHY? WHAT'S WRONG?

WHEN HE TURNS HIS CAT AROUND LIKE THAT IT MEANS HE'S GETTING READY TO DO SOME CHANNEL SURFING.

Garfield By Jim Davis

GARFIELD, I DON'T THINK YOU COULD GET ANY FATTER.

THAT WASN'T A CHALLENGE!

I'LL NEED CUPCAKES.

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

The Family Circus By Bill Keane

OH, BOY, MR. WILSON, YOU SHOULD'VE STAYED LOOKIN' LIKE YOU DID IN THIS PICTURE."

Rose Is Rose

MMM-MWAH!

THE MMM-MWAH: NOT QUITE A KISS, BUT MORE THAN A HIGH FIVE.

"I'm teaching my eye how to wink. Is it workin'?"

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

HAD WE THINK WE SHOULD UPGRADE TO THE PREMIUM CABLE PACKAGE DURING THE LIMITED-TIME FREE-INSTALLATION OFFER?

AREN'T 60 CHANNELS ENOUGH?

WE NEED THE FULL COMPLEMENT OF CHANNELS SO WE CAN ENRICH OUR VIEWING EXPERIENCE!

I'M STARTING TO THINK YOU'VE BEEN WATCHING TOO MUCH ALREADY!

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

DON'T LOOK AT THAT DISGUSTING CREATURE!

IT'S OKAY, LADY... I'VE SEEN WELY KIDS BEFORE.

Zita By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

MMM-MWAH!

THE MMM-MWAH: NOT QUITE A KISS, BUT MORE THAN A HIGH FIVE.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

THIS IS A NICE NEIGHBORHOOD BAR...

DO YOU COME HERE OFTEN?

OH, EVERY NOW AND THEN...

Luann By Greg Evans

MAN, TOUGH PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS TO BE A FIREFIGHTER?

SO? I'M IN SHAPE.

YEAH, RIGHT. LET'S SEE HOW MANY SIT-UPS YOU CAN DO.

HIT THE DECK.

GLADLY.

OK, GO!

BRAD? GO!

WHY AREN'T YOU?

I'M WORKIN' ON IT!

SOMEONE TUGGED UP THE ROSETTA!

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

AH... A BOX FROM HOME...

YOU'LL NEED HELP EATING THAT!

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO EAT FIRST? MY HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS OR MY LAUNDRY?

Strange Brew By John Deering

Non Sequitur By Wiley

THIS IS SUPPOSED TO PUT ME TO SLEEP?!

OH, DEAR, LOOK AT THE TIME! I'D BET YOU'VE BEEN ASKIN'...

I THINK IT'S TIME TO OPEN THE THING.

YOU MEAN THE OLD ONE?

NAME THE OTHER ONE.

OK, GOTTA GO OPEN THE THING... I KNOW.

A-YAH!

GO WHAT'S THE SECRET TO HAVING A LONG MARRIAGE, FLO?

COMMUNICATION, DEAN...

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

I BELIEVE IN FACING REALITY, BUT ONLY BECAUSE I DON'T LIKE TURNING MY BACK ON IT.

The Bom Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

HELLO!

YOU ARE THE WEAKEST LINK... GOODBYE!

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

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