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If not for dad ...



Kim Howard holds her breath while watching her daughter's softball game. A divorce from her children's father leaves Howard scrambling between simultaneous baseball and softball games on most nights.

Going it alone

Life without husband, father has made things tougher, woman says

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — By all appearances, Kim Howard and her children are doing well. They live in a nice, clean house in a good neighborhood. She has a job that pays well, and the children are active in sports. But it's a success that has come only after great hardship, and the course of the next few years could still hold plenty of pitfalls for them.

Howard's house is one without a husband and father, and that has made things more difficult, she said.

Still, if things are a little rough now, they were nearly impossible several years ago.

That's because Howard said shortly after she got divorced, she became involved in methamphetamine.

"I just felt like there wasn't enough of me to go around," she said.

Using led to addiction, and that



Howard, pictured with children Kaylee, left, Justin and Kris, right, says the family might have some problems but they are grateful to have weathered the storms so far.

led to selling, she said. It seemed like a dark fate was sealed for her and her three children, twins Kris and Kaylee and younger son Justin.

"About four years ago, I got caught. Thank goodness," she said. Howard said she spent about four months in a rehabilitation

program connected to the Idaho Women's Prison in Pocatello. Her children bunked with relatives. She said the experience got her back on the right path and she hasn't used since. There came a time of tough adjustments. "When I showed back up, things got difficult for the kids. There were rules again. They had to start doing chores, and we didn't have much money." And while Howard might have dodged a bullet, Kaylee — now 14 — started to spin out of control. Earlier this year, Kaylee started running with a bad crowd and got caught shoplifting. Howard said she thinks part of the trouble was that her daughter was bitter about not having a father. That might be true, Kaylee said. "Yeah, it could be. Who knows? There was a lot of stuff going on then," she said.

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Justice experts tout value of fathers

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — What an apparently shrinking majority of people still enjoy — an intact household that includes a father — could be all that's keeping the Magic Valley's juvenile justice system from getting even busier that it already is, some experts say.

"I can't say it's a majority — but I'll bet it's a high percentage — of the kids here don't have an intact family where the father's address is the same as the child and the mother's," said Chris Talkington, the director of the Snake River Juvenile Detention and Youth Center. "I think there is a psychological need to have both male and female raising the child."

Before he took over at the detention center, Talkington for years ran the Idaho Youth Ranch. He said his experience indicates that many of the children in trouble are lacking fathers at home.

Experience seems to confirm the time-honored notion that fathers can best keep adolescent boys in line by putting in their healthy feet of mud — or at least of Dad's wrath, Talkington said. There's also growing psychological and sociological evidence that a father's presence is also of profound importance to adolescent and pre-teen girls, Talkington and others said.

That's because a girl bereft of a safe, strong male role model during her formative years is likely to try filling that void, he said. And all too often the filler comes in the form of an older boyfriend who isn't the type most parents would want to invite over for dinner.

Many of the girls who end up in the juvenile justice system got there by tagging along with seedy boyfriends, Talkington said.

"The impact of not having a father seems to be greater on girls," he said. "Typically, the mother is the nurturer, and the father in the family provides the boundaries and structure. He's the one who says, 'You will be in at this hour. You will not hang out with these people.'"

While there's plenty of anecdotal evidence that children in two-parent families are far less likely to end up in trouble, Talkington said he has seen almost no precise studies on the subject. But he said he'd like to start tracking

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Jury finds Enron accounting firm guilty

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — A jury on Saturday convicted Arthur Andersen of obstruction of justice, dealing the battered accounting firm a potentially fatal blow and giving a first victory to prosecutors investigating the sudden collapse of energy-trader Enron.

The conviction could put Andersen, which has already lost more than a third of its public clients, out of business, though an Andersen lawyer promised a legal fight to keep the company

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alive. Government lawyers hailed the verdict as a major step toward unraveling the Enron scandal.

In interviews after the verdict, jurors said they based their decision on evidence that an Andersen in-house lawyer sought to doctor a memo about the Enron case.

Four jurors downplayed the government's claims that

Andersen's destruction of tons of paper and thousands of computer files was an attempt to thwart federal regulators investigating Enron.

"All this business about telling people to shred documents was largely superficial and largely circumstantial," jury foreman Oscar Criner said.

Prosecutor Andrew Weissman said the case boiled down to a simple principle: "When you expect the police, you don't destroy evidence."

The verdict, reached after 72 hours of deliberations over 10

days, is expected to bolster the federal investigation into what led to Enron's collapse late last year.

"It sends a strong message that we are going to get to the bottom of the Enron debacle and those people responsible will be prosecuted," said Leslie Caldwell, head of the criminal division of the Justice Department's San Francisco office and leader of its national Enron Task Force.

She said authorities were "still looking at all aspects of the case."

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Bishops leave Dallas promising to give parishioners bigger role, restore trust

The Associated Press

DALLAS — American bishops left their landmark meeting for home Saturday with a clerical sex abuse policy that gives rank-and-file Roman Catholics an unprecedented role in policing the church.

The plan has its critics, including those who had called for the automatic ouster of abusive priests and wanted lay people to have an even greater say in church decisions.

But as the bishops wrapped up their tumultuous summit with private prayers,

they could point to a 3,500-word document that creates a national board to monitor their compliance with the policy, plus advisory panels dominated by lay people in each diocese to assess abuse claims.

The policy, approved overwhelmingly Friday, was forced by the worst moral scandal in the history of the U.S. church. Scores of victims have come forward with accusations of abuse at the hands of priests and striking indifference from church leaders. At least 250 priests have

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Bishop Blase J. Cupich of Blismark, N.D., leads the singing at the bishops' prayer service Saturday in Dallas.

BASE jumper dies in fall

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — A BASE jumper whose parachute failed to open Saturday died after leaping from the Perrine Bridge.

Police weren't releasing the name of the man until his family was notified, said Cpl. Brent Hilliard with the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office.

The man, about 25 years old, was from out of state, Hilliard said.

The accident happened around 5:45 p.m., while dozens of people in Centennial Park below the bridge were attending the annual jazz in the Canyon festival.

A fellow BASE jumper pulled the man out of the water, and another person began CPR, Hilliard said. An ambulance took the man to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, where he died from his injuries around 6:30 p.m., Hilliard said.

The accident is still under investigation, Hilliard said.

The man was part of a group

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Analysts: Enron case could be difficult

Los Angeles Times

NEW YORK — The guilty verdict in the Arthur Andersen case Saturday puts momentum and morale back on the federal government's side in its Enron Corp. prosecution, though a tough effort still lies ahead, legal experts said.

Although the Andersen victory was far from the slam dunk that some had forecast when the obstruction-of-justice indictment was handed up, the win gives prosecutors important leverage in recruiting potential witnesses against Enron, experts said.

"Despite this being more hard-fought than expected and that it took longer, I think it also came out better than expected for the government," said Stephen L. Mcagher, a former federal prosecutor now representing white-collar criminal defendants at the San Francisco law firm Phillips & Cohen.

The government is now expected to devote its attention to the prosecution of Enron, once the dominant energy trading company that had captured the frenzy of investors in the deregulation of the electricity and natural business. But last year, the company melted down after it disclosed that some of its past profits were an illusion. An internal report later disclosed that senior executives had made millions of dollars in deals with partnerships that did business with the company.

Former top executives Kenneth Lay, Jeffrey Skilling and Andrew Fastow are under investigation by the Justice Department to determine whether they misled investors or committed financial fraud in the Enron debacle.

Testimony by David B. Duncan, the government's star witness and leader of Andersen's Enron audit team, may make it more difficult to prove charges of securities fraud, filing false financial statements or insider trading of company stock against former Enron officials, experts said.

Duncan testified that he believed some of Enron's most controversial practices — including the use of limited partnerships to boost Enron's profit and shift debt off its books — were legal and appropriate.

With that opinion in their pockets, defense lawyers could rebut charges that the official financial statements they filed with the government contained false information of a "material" nature — generally defined as having an impact of 5 percent or more on the company's net worth, according to Christopher J. Bebel of the Houston law firm of Shepherd, Smith & Bebel.

President pushes housing for Hispanics, others

CRAWFORD, Texas (AP) — President Bush pitched a plan to make it easier for black people and Hispanics to become homeowners through government incentives and grants to help on down payments.

In his weekly radio address Saturday, the president said he wants to remove obstacles "that prevent minorities from owning a piece of the American dream."

Bush noted that while three-quarters of white Americans own their own homes, fewer than half of all black and Hispanic Americans are homeowners.

"We must begin to close this homeownership gap by dismantling the barriers that prevent minorities from owning a piece of the American dream," said Bush, spending Father's Day weekend at his own home on his Texas ranch.

SALVAGE JOB



Tim and Celeste Boyer grab belongings from the first floor of their rental home Saturday in Roseau, Minn., as flood waters recede.

Flood victims begin to pick up the pieces

ROSEAU, Minn. (AP) — Several anxious residents returned to their waterlogged homes Saturday to assess damage and clean up from record flooding, ignoring city officials' concern that it wasn't safe.

Homes may have been structurally damaged and people could be sickened by wading through the dirty water, Mayor Jeff Pelowski said.

Resident Peter Grafstrom

spent Saturday pumping water from the basement of his riverfront home and power-washing his garage.

Grafstrom, who remodels homes, wanted to clean his house so he would be ready to help other residents in the coming weeks.

"I needed to get my own stuff taken care of so I can be ready to work," he said.

Nearly every building in

Roseau was damaged by the overflowing Roseau River. The city of 3,000 people about 10 miles south of the Canadian border was the hardest hit by record flooding across northwestern Minnesota.

"People need good information before they can go to work on their homes," Pelowski said. "It's all about public safety."

Residents would likely be able to return Monday, he said.

A flood recovery team of federal and state government agencies met throughout the afternoon to discuss the cleanup effort. A town meeting is scheduled Sunday to give residents information on their findings and how to get fed' aid for recovery.

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Blast probe shifts from suicide act

The Washington Post

KARACHI, Pakistan — Pakistani police are investigating the possibility that a massive blast outside the U.S. Consulate here was triggered not by a suicide bomber but by remote-control detonation of explosives hidden in a car whose passengers had no idea the explosives were there.

The theory, according to Pakistani and U.S. officials, is based largely on preliminary evidence that a Toyota Corolla owned by a local driving school carried not only several female passengers but also the estimated 40 pounds of explosives detonated outside the bunker-like consulate Friday morning, killing 11 Pakistanis in the street.

FBI investigators, including forensic specialists, are assembling evidence with Karachi police, who are short on laboratory facilities and technical expertise. Officials believe that the vehicle that carried the explosives and which was blown into small pieces — recovered as far as a quarter-mile away — was the driving school's Toyota.

"If the theory holds that it was the car, you have a female driver and four female pupils in the car," said a U.S. official who spoke on condition of anonymity. "Things are still not clear, but I think the evidence is increasingly in the direction that it was not a suicide bombing."

The theory assumes a level of planning and technical sophistication not previously seen in attacks in Pakistan.

It also discounts the zeal for martyrdom that has been a hallmark of al-Qaida, which has been increasingly active in Pakistan.

Investigators note that the car, marked Khanum Driving School, traveled frequently on Abdullh Haroon Road, a main thoroughfare in front of the consulate. Instructors from the school tended to steer students along known, regular routes, often in the far left lane.

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NATION

Loose controls make Central Asia a radioactive marketplace

The Associated Press

A passenger toted a 20-pound stash of radioactive thorium powder onto a bus in his luggage. Another smuggler, unwisely, stuck a highly radioactive capsule in his trousers pocket as he boarded a flight. Chechen rebels were the apparent customers for stolen radium in a third case.

The new nations of Central Asia have become a traffickers' marketplace for radioactive materials. It was the place Jose Padilla headed to, Pakistani investigators say, when the al-Qaida suspect sought the stuff of a "dirty bomb."

Confronting the threat is a big job, but the U.S. government has begun sending detection equipment to border posts in the vast region and training customs officers in intercepting nuclear contraband.

Pakistani officials said Padilla, now in U.S. custody, traveled to a Central Asian country in April hoping to buy radioactive materials. The American convert to Islam had conferred with senior members of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network about detonating a radiation weapon, or "dirty bomb," in the United States, U.S. authorities say.

Such a device would not be a nuclear bomb, with its devastating nuclear explosion, but instead would set off conventional explosives to scatter harmful radioactive material, contaminating and panicking people and forcing

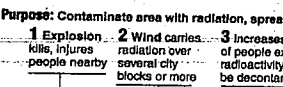
Crude radiation bomb

A "dirty" radiation bomb is far easier to build than a true nuclear atomic bomb. A comparison:

Radiation dispersion bomb ("dirty bomb")

Stolen radioactive material

- Examples: Cesium from medical gauge
- Cobalt from food irradiation plant



Purpose: Contaminate area with radiation, spread fear

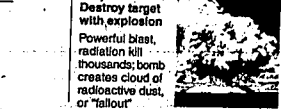


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Fission bomb (atomic bomb)

Uses expensive, sophisticated parts

- 1 Ultra-precise circuit triggers blast
- 2 Shaped explosive compresses core
- 3 Plutonium or uranium-235 explodes in nuclear chain reaction



Source: Journal of the Federation of American Scientists, "The Making of the Atomic Bomb" by Richard Rhodes, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, KMT Photo Service. Graphic: P. S. 2002 KMT

abandonment of parts of cities. The Pakistani officials would not say whether Padilla was successful in obtaining radioactive substances, nor would they identify the country he was said to have visited. In Washington, U.S. officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the United States had no such information and questioned whether the reported mission took place.

Since the breakup of the Soviet Union in 1991, the newly independent Central Asian states — Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan — have dealt with a legacy of abandoned nuclear materials and of facilities left poorly staffed after Russian specialists went home. The only nuclear weapons in the region, in Kazakhstan, were withdrawn to Russia in the early

1990s. In 1994, a half-ton of highly enriched uranium — raw material of nuclear bombs — was spirited out of Kazakhstan in a U.S. operation. But material for possible "dirty bombs" remains scattered and often poorly controlled in the region — the cesium, strontium, cobalt and other radioactive substances used in medicine and industry, the low-grade uranium

and radioactive waste of nuclear power plants.

"Protecting against radioactive sources is much harder than securing nuclear materials," said Dmitry Kovchegin, a nuclear proliferation specialist at Moscow's Center for Policy Studies in Russia. "It's not so hard to create a dirty bomb, and it's not so hard to find the material. It's used everywhere."

Some cases from the marketplace where Padilla allegedly shopped, based on local media reports:

• In March, a radiation check of a bus crossing into Russia from Kazakhstan found a Russian passenger had packed at least 10 kilograms (22 pounds) of thorium-232 powder into his luggage. Its radiation was "hundreds of times" normal background levels, authorities said. Its origin and destination were not reported.

• In Kyrgyzstan, airport guards grew suspicious of a man who looked ill as he boarded a flight to the United Arab Emirates. The Uzbek was found to have pocketed a smuggled capsule of what he was told was plutonium. Local media said it emitted fatal doses of radiation at close range. No subsequent reports emerged about the 1999 case.

• In July 2000, two brothers from Kazakhstan were arrested after allegedly smuggling radium-226 into Russia to sell to Chechens. Chechen separatists in the mid-1990s had threatened to detonate "dirty bombs" in

Moscow, but never did.

• In Tajikistan, six residents were convicted in April 2000 in the theft from a uranium processing plant of 1.5 kilograms (3 pounds) of uranium mixed with highly radioactive cesium-137. It was not reported how enriched, suitable for nuclear weapons — the uranium was.

All of those substances theoretically could be used for a radiation dispersal bomb. Reports indicate that Pakistan and Afghanistan, until eight months ago a hub for international terrorism, were the destination in some nuclear trafficking cases in recent years. Those monitoring the situation have no way to judge how many other such operations succeeded in smuggling radioactive substances.

The U.S. Customs Service last year conducted a three-week course in Texas for 80 border officers from the five Central Asian republics, focusing on radioactive contraband. The Americans also have dispatched detection equipment to the Russian-Kazakh border and Uzbekistan.

Last month, Washington and Moscow announced formation of a joint-task force to study securing radioactive sources in Russia. This "shows how serious this issue is and that we're ready to solve it," said the Russian atomic energy minister, Alexander Rumyantsev. No similar comprehensive approach has been organized yet for Central Asia.

Judge orders investigation of three in shoe bomb case

PARIS (AP) — Three suspects arrested during a roundup of people with possible links to alleged shoe bomber Richard C. Reid were placed under investigation Saturday by a French anti-terrorism judge, judicial officials said.

The suspects, one from Pakistan and two from France, were under investigation — one step short of being charged — for "criminal association with a terrorist enterprise," the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Judge Jean-Louis Bruguiere has been looking into Reid's stay in Paris, searching for contacts he made there before he boarded a Paris-Miami flight in December with explosives stuffed in his shoes.

Days earlier, Bruguiere had ordered the arrests of six people suspected of having met with Reid. Three were released, while three were placed under investigation.

Saudi Arabia confirms plot suspects are Saudi

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — A Saudi diplomat has reportedly confirmed for the first time that three men detained in Morocco for allegedly planning attacks on U.S. and British warships are natives of the kingdom. Al-Eqtisadiah, a Saudi daily, on Saturday quoted Abdul Aziz al-Khaja as saying a Saudi investigative team has arrived in Morocco to follow ongoing

investigations into the three Saudis.

The three were allegedly planning to carry out attacks similar to the one against the USS Cole in October 2000. In that strike, two suicide bombers rammed a small boat packed with explosives into the destroyer as it anchored in a Yemeni port, killing 17 U.S. sailors. Al-Qaida has been linked to that attack.

Reid, a 28-year-old Briton, has been in U.S. custody since Dec. 22. After allegedly trying to set off the explosives in his sneakers, he was brought under control by flight crew and passengers and the jet was diverted to Boston. He has pleaded innocent to nine charges, one of which was thrown out by a U.S. judge on Tuesday. He still faces charges of attempted murder and attempted destruction of an aircraft.



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New Afghan president faces factional fighting

Knight Ridder News Service

KABUL, Afghanistan — Renewed fighting in northern Afghanistan has targeted international aid workers and will test Hamid Karzai's vow to crack down on rival warlords when he assumes the presidency of a transitional government later this month.

A United Nations spokesman said Saturday that factional fighting over the past week included an attack on a clinic, armed assaults, beatings, shootings at cars delivering bread and the gang rape of a female aid worker.

"The alarming level of violence is affecting the personal security of local residents and the ability of aid workers to assist them," said U.N. spokesman Manoel De Almeida E Silva, reading from a statement by Lakhtar Brahimi, special representative of the U.N. secretary general for Afghanistan. "Many aid workers are considering reducing or discontinuing their work."

The violence is occurring

around the city of Mazare-Sharif. De-Almeida E Silva said, adding that Brahimi has met with rival generals Abdul Dostum and Atta Mohammad and asked them to stop the fighting. Forces loyal to Dostum and Mohammad have often clashed near the northern city of Mazare-Sharif.

If aid agencies pull out, "it would be a great shock to the people there," said World Food Program spokesman Alejandro Chicheri. "They have very few things to eat. If aid agencies aren't able to help them during this period, it will pose a big risk to health-care and nutrition."

Karzai has vowed to reduce warlord violence by raising a national army but has not elaborated on how he would confront factional fighting before an army is in place.

Karzai "doesn't have enough carrots and sticks to lead people away from regionalism," said Tom Goutierre, dean of International Studies and Programs at the University of Nebraska, Omaha. "There needs to be some sense that the national government can pro-

vide. Without that, the continued slow delivery of services will inhibit the weaning off of people from violence prone employment — terrorism, banditry or military units."

On Saturday, Karzai asked the loya jirga to establish a commission of its members for him to consult when he becomes president.

The idea was seen as a first step toward moving beyond the Tajik-dominated northern alliance, which holds most of the key posts in the current administration. That situation has angered the

Pashuns of the south and the Uzbeks and Hazaras from the north and west who say the loya jirga must correct the imbalance.

The loya jirga has until Sunday to pick a cabinet. Delegates spent most of Saturday discussing problems in their provinces such as a lack of education, health care and jobs. Speeches dragged on well into the evening raising questions about whether the loya jirga would have to work past its Sunday night deadline or just allow Karzai to select his own cabinet.



Delegates attend the grand council in Kabul, Afghanistan, Saturday. Afghans lined up behind microphones for yet another day Saturday to air gripes, grievances and ideas about their nation's future.

Does the loya jirga represent democracy?

By Ted Anthony
Associated Press writer

KABUL, Afghanistan — They're grappling for microphones and raising voices. They're tossing out robust opinions and casting ballots to chart their future. They're making demands — and expecting results. "We are," declares one Afghan, "finally having our say."

What has taken place during the past week in a big tent erected on a university's soccer field is a scene unlike anything in Afghanistan for generations — something that genuinely looks, sounds and smells like democracy emerging. But is it?

Long absent from politics during Afghanistan's epoch of war, democracy is making its tentative return not only in the fits and starts of the loya jirga grand council but as a frame of mind. In recent days, it has become a word tossed around Kabul both as ideal and as birthright.

The trouble is, Afghanistan also has another, competing mantra in these jumbled post-conflict days: unity. It, too, is a pivotal ideal for a nation whose conflicts have been aggravated by divisiveness and ancient hatreds, both political and ethnic.

So when unity, which is difficult without consensus, collides with democracy, which is supposed to be messy and fragmented and contentious — at least while debate is under way — the results can be confusing.

"It's a difficult balance for this country," acknowledges Ashraf Ghani, senior adviser to newly selected president, Hamid Karzai.

But despite calls for unity, he says, there is hardly a danger that people will just go along with the crowd. "These delegates do not just take a suggested agenda and simply accept it," he says.

There are more than 1,600 of them, and they're anything but reticent. They have been queuing up by the dozens at speakers' microphones for days, turning the loya jirga into something of a national eruption of raw political

expression, the underpinning of any democracy.

One man from the east spent 10 minutes castigating delegates for their partisan applause. Arguments raged over the use of the word "Islamic" in the new government's name. A delegate from northern Faryab province wanted key ministries to be elected, not appointed. A woman from Kabul spoke for 10 minutes — five longer than allotted — before her microphone was muted. She kept talking anyway.

"We heard a lot from our leaders in the past few years. Now they should hear from us," thundered Sher Mohammed Bador, a delegate from Kabul.

Then there was Ali Alizoder of Chazni in central Afghanistan. Launching into a five-minute tirade on warlords and wealth Friday, he summarized the democratic premise: "I have some suggestions," he declared, smiling.

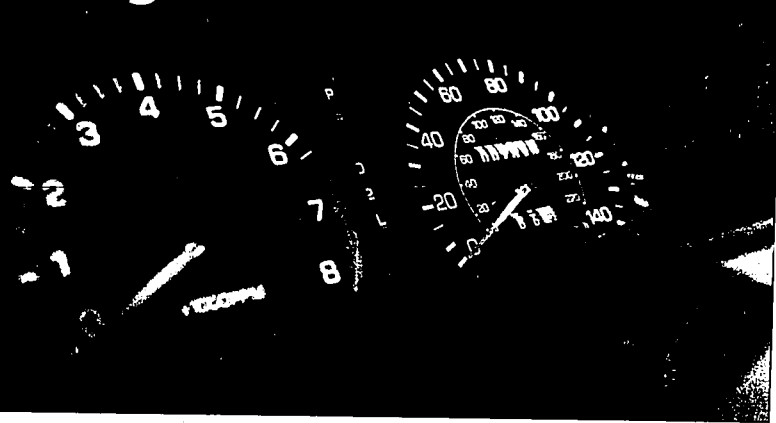
Maintaining order and moving the agenda forward has been a challenge for the loya jirga chairman, Ismail Qasim Yar, himself no slouch when it comes to stringing words together. He's had to bark from the chair repeatedly: "Your time is finished. Please sit down!"

"People really fought to get here. But when they arrived, they found a lot of decisions had been made in advance. So when they do get a chance to speak, they're really taking hold of it," says Alexander Thier, Kabul representative for the International Crisis Group, a non-governmental organization based in Belgium.

Not that the loya jirga is democracy unfettered. The complaints of intimidation and harassment that plagued the delegates' selection process have continued into the council itself, and some delegates say they feel threatened to speak their minds about controversial issues. There have been reports of scuffles on the floor — but, to the relief of all, no gunfire.

"I'm sure the (loya jirga) commission had to give in to all sorts of pressures. But I'm pleasantly surprised by the amount of suc-

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Spam gets museum in Minnesota

AUSTIN, Minn. (AP) — Depending on who's eating it, Spam is either a slice of post-war Americana or a slice of who knows what.

Whatever it is, the canned convenience food now has its own museum.

"All (you've) got to say is Spam and you've got a discussion," said Nancy Barker of Menasha, Wis., emerging from the Spam Museum Friday with a handful of memorabilia. "Of course, there's also quite a lot of jokes."

For 66 years this southern Minnesota town of 22,000 has been known affectionately, or derisively, as Spamtown. "It's a part of our past and it's probably part of our future," said Barker, 65, who has her own recipe for Spam pancakes. "People are almost cult followers."

The museum has been open since September, but Spam maker Hormel Foods delayed a celebration until Saturday because of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The rescheduled grand opening is steeped in Americana, with famous TV moms like Marlon Ross and Barbara Billingsley, sports figures and a World War II memorial dedication.

Inside the museum — admission is free — those followers will have plenty to absorb. A 430-foot conveyor belt rattles around the ceiling, carrying about 850 cans of Spam.

Visitors can take a Spam exam or can their own Spam (not the real stuff). There's also a radio station — Kspam — and a video screen that shows classic Monty Python skits slamming Spam.

The museum also has exhibits on the Hormel family, explains what goes into Spam (pork shoul-



Classic TV 'moms' Marlon Ross, Barbara Billingsley and Debra Jo Rupp are in Austin, Minn., to participate in SPAM Museum festivities Saturday and today. The moms are pictured with their favorite SPAM recipes.

der, ham, spices and preservatives) and describes the product's special relationship with American troops in World War II. The war generated huge sales for Hormel, which provided 15 million cans of Spam each week to the military. From 1939 to 1942, the company's overall sales doubled to almost \$120 million. On Sunday, Brokaw, the NBC News anchor, will dedicate a spe-

cial memorial to honor World War II veterans. Gordon Handrich, a World War II veteran from Appleton, Wis., who was at the museum on Friday, remembered eating Spam. He liked it, but he remembered some soldiers who swore they'd never eat it again once the war ended. A Spam-o-meter at the museum tallies the cans of Spam pro-

duced. Hormel expects to turn out its 6 billionth sometime between June 29 and July 3. The museum, which is free, has drawn 39,000 visitors since it opened, and the number is expected to double this weekend. Laura Shields saw a freeway sign for the Spam museum and said she had to stop and drag her vacationing family in for a look. "It's incredibly cool," she said.

AFI: 'Casablanca' leads love story list

LOS ANGELES (AP) — They'll always have Paris. Now Rick and Ilsa have the top spot on the list of best American screen romances.

"Casablanca," starring Humphrey Bogart as saloonkeeper Rick Blaine and Ingrid Bergman as his lost love Ilsa Lund, came in at No. 1 on the American Film Institute's top 100 U.S. love stories announced Tuesday on the CBS special "AFI's 100 Years ... 100 Passions."

The rest of the top 10, in order: "Gone With the Wind," "West Side Story," "Roman Holiday," "An Affair to Remember," "The Way We Were," "Doctor Zhivago," "It's a Wonderful Life," "Love Story" and "City Lights."

"I think the films that haunt you the most over time are love stories," said Sydney Pollack, director of "The Way We Were" and the No. 13 film, "Out of Africa." "Many, many films haunt you, but you get haunted in a way that's hard to shake off when you're watching star-crossed lovers who you really care about and who get under your skin, like Bogart and Bergman. That's a story that's just irremissible."

Cary Grant led actors with six films on the list. Besides "An Affair to Remember," they were "The Philadelphia Story" at No. 44, "To Catch a Thief" at No. 46, "Bringing Up Baby" at No. 51, "The Awful Truth" at No. 77 and "Notorious" at No. 86.

Katharine Hepburn, Grant's costar in "The Philadelphia Story" and "Bringing Up Baby," was the most represented actress, also appearing in six films. Her other entries were "The African Queen" at No. 14, "On Golden Pond" at No. 22, "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" at No. 58 and "Woman of the Year" at No. 74.

Besides "Casablanca" and "The African Queen," Bogart starred in three other films on the list: "Dark Victory" (No. 32), "Sabrina" (No. 54) and "To Have and Have Not" (No. 60). Bogart's "Sabrina" co-star Audrey Hepburn also was in five films, including "Roman Holiday," "My Fair Lady" (No. 12), "Two for the Road" (No. 57) and "Breakfast at Tiffany's" (No. 61).

The oldest film was "Way Down East" from 1920 at No. 71. The newest was "Shakespeare in Love"

from 1998 at No. 50. The film institute began issuing annual lists on different movie themes four years ago. The love story list was chosen by about 1,800 directors, actors, studio executives, critics and others in Hollywood who voted from a field of 400 nominated films.

Finalists ranged from the giddy comedy of "When Harry Met Sally ..." (No. 25) and "It Happened One Night" (No. 38) to the tragic affairs of "Wuthering Heights" (No. 15) and "Titanic" (No. 37).

What makes for a great love story? At the end of the day, it's what happens between a man and a woman on the screen, said "When Harry Met Sally ..." director Rob Reiner, who placed two other films on the list, "The American President" (No. 75) and "The Princess Bride" (No. 88). "It's a very different approach to that in all three cases with my films."

"The Princess Bride" is a fanciful, love-considers-all fairy tale, while "When Harry Met Sally ..." was a personal story based on Reiner's experiences when he was "thrown back into the dating pool after being married for 10 years and making a mess of the whole thing," he said.

"American President" is a modern Cinderella tale about "what would happen if you ever really dated the president," Reiner said. "It was before Monica Lewinsky, when people didn't date the president so quickly."

Reiner's three entries have happy endings, but a surprising number on the list do not. The lovers clearly wind up together in only two of the top 10 films, while a third, Charles Chaplin's "City Lights," has an ambiguous ending. "Ironically, in these 100 movies, they don't necessarily walk out hand and hand into the sunset," said Jan Pecker Firtenberg, the institute's director.

In "Vertigo" (No. 18), James Stewart watches Kim Novak fall to her death — twice. "King Kong" (No. 24), ends with a giant dead ape. "Bonnie and Clyde" (No. 65) ends with a bullet-riddled couple. "The English Patient" (No. 56) finishes with a dead brain victim. "Harold and Maude" (No. 69) closes with a young man on his own after his elderly lover's suicide.

Fast food pops up at nation's top hospitals - surprising some

DETROIT (AP) — Fast food and health care seem an unlikely pair, though a new study shows that fast-food franchises are selling their wares in some of the most health-conscious of places — hospitals.

More than a third of the nation's 16 top hospitals boast onsite regional or national fast food franchises, according to a University of Michigan Health

System and Ann Arbor VA Medical Center survey.

Michigan Health System research fellow Peter Cram said the high-calorie havens might send mixed messages to hospital patients, visitors and employees.

"On one hand we say obesity is linked to fast food and at the same time we make it easy to get in health institutions," Cram said.

He said 18 percent of adult Americans are considered to be obese.

Cram and his colleagues performed a telephone survey of the 16 top hospitals listed in the U.S. News & World Report's 2001 ranking of "America's Best Hospitals."

The six hospitals on the list that have at least one fast food restaurant include Barnes-Jewish

Hospital, St. Louis; The Cleveland Clinic; Duke University Medical Center, Durham, N.C.; Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore; UCLA Medical Center; and University of Michigan Medical Center, Ann Arbor, Mich.

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Above, developer Leo Brusco walks down into early 19th century graves that were excavated on a tract of land that he plans to develop into 23 multimillion dollar homes in Fort Washington, Md., Friday.



Left, Brusco carries bones from an early 19th century grave that were excavated on a tract of land that he plans to develop.

Developer digs up graves for homes

FORT WASHINGTON, Md. (AP) — A developer dug up five 19th century graves to make way for luxury homes despite efforts by local residents to preserve the burial site.

As about 15 people stood in the rain Friday outside the Potomac River building site, occasionally hurling insults, Leo Brusco and an archaeologist used a backhoe and shovels to uncover the tombs of a farmer and his young children, all of whom died in the 1820s.

Brusco, who won a court case Thursday allowing him to act on his plan, will rebury the remains of Dennis Magruder Lyles and his children in a nearby church cemetery next to the graves of their relatives. But residents say the builder is defiling history to profit from the property.

"These are a part of the history of this community," said Dawn Davis as she watched the workers pass out small white boxes holding remains. "He has destroyed not only the history of these people, but the integrity of our area."

"Brusco didn't say anything to the crowd. In a statement issued later through his attorney, he said the graves will be well cared for at their new location."

After 174 years, these remains will now be reunited with other members of the Lyles and Magruder families," the statement read.

Earlier this week, Brusco contended the residents were using the historic argument as an

excuse to oppose development in the area. He said he moved the graves because it would be harder to sell homes with a burial ground there.

"Would you want to have five graves in your backyard?" he said to The Associated Press Tuesday.

Brusco, head of Clinton-based Land & Commercial Inc., plans to build 23 luxury homes on the 23.6-acre plot he owns south of the Beltway. He said some homes in the new development, which will likely be called "Florida on the Potomac," may sell for more than \$1 million.

The Lyles family graves sat on a corner of the property by a roadside fence. The slaveholding family ran a fishery on the Potomac and farmed 500 acres, including the disputed property. Dennis Lyles died in 1828 at age 35, while his four children all died in 1826.

Their tombs, covered by raised stones lying horizontally, have sat on the land ever since. Local residents say there are also slave graves and American Indian graves nearby, but there is little hard evidence to support those claims other than a few Indian artifacts.

Hannah Cox, whose family has lived next to the site for decades, said she had a hard time watching the graves go.

"It's so sad," she said, looking at the newly removed grave-stones of the Lyles children lying in the grass. "Just look at those little stones."

Novel focuses on female competition

Knight Ridder News Service

Why is it bridesmaid dresses are always so ugly?

Because "the bride doesn't want competition," says author Lauran Zigman.

Competition between women is at the center of "Her," Zigman's novel about a woman who meets her fiancé's ex, a woman who embodies the sum of all female fears, according to The Los Angeles Times.

Zigman, a former publicist, recently sold the rights to Julia Robert's Shoeleace Productions.

Women never stop comparing themselves to one another, she said, and movies and magazines feed the urge.

"The polls like the sex surveys, 'Who's having sex and how much?'" Zigman said.

Add to that a long history of dating and exes, and you have the existential question of the 21st century: "How do I rate?"

"What did they do that was different, what was it like? By the time you're getting married, it's a full-blown neurosis," said Zigman, who is blissfully out of the game.

Students tag Pat Buchanan as Deep Throat

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — As the 30th anniversary of Watergate nears, student investigators at the University of Illinois have concluded that Deep Throat, the White House source who helped journalists unravel the greatest political scandal in American history, was most likely conservative commentator Pat Buchanan.

Since 1999, journalism professor William Gaines and his students have set about unmasking the elusive informant. Building on the work of their predecessors — and examining information ranging from thousands of pages of FBI records to interviews with members of the Nixon administration — this year's class unanimously fingered Buchanan, a White House speechwriter during the Watergate era.

Gaines, a Pulitzer Prize-winning former reporter, cautioned that the class had not proved Deep Throat's identity but made a logical inference based on its research. Working from an original list of 72 suspects, the students finally narrowed it to seven, then voted.

In addition to Buchanan, other likely candidates are speechwriter David Geagen, now a prominent journalist; White House attorney Jonathan Rose; head speechwriter Raymond

Price; Stephen Bull, administrative assistant to President Richard Nixon; Fred Fielding, assistant to White House counsel John Dean; and Gerald Warren, deputy press secretary.

Buchanan may strike some as a surprising choice, because he was known as a Republican loyalist. But Tom Rybarczyk, one of the U. of I. students, notes that at the

time, Buchanan was miffed at Nixon for having recognized communist China.

Gaines said he long assumed that he and his students would uncover a bit of data that would remove Buchanan from their list of suspects. "But there was no way we could get him off the list," he said.

Hugh Sloan, treasurer of

Nixon's re-election committee when the scandal broke, told one of the students that he, too, thought Buchanan was Deep Throat.

The identity of the government official who slipped information to Carl Bernstein and Bob Woodward of the Washington Post has intrigued professional and amateur historians for three decades.

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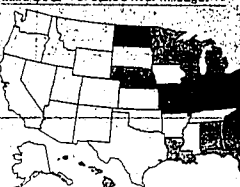
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Reagan home

gets historic status

DIXON, Ill. (AP) — Ronald Reagan's boyhood home was designated a national historic site Friday, while the street he walked along as a child was dedicated to the former president. Hennepin Avenue, where Reagan's family lived, was renamed Reagan Way. The school and church he attended and the library he frequented were also located on the street.

U.S. Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert, whose district includes Dixon, presented a copy of the bill President Bush signed in February declaring the home a historic site. "I think Ronald Reagan, even when he went to Washington, D.C., brought some of the great Midwestern values he developed at this house and on this street," Hastert said.

Reagan, 91, last visited the area in October 1990. No members of his family joined the crowd of about 200 at Friday's ceremony.

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EPA data shows rise in polluted fish

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — More American waters than ever before bore warnings against eating their contaminated fish last year, according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

It's not that there's more pollution, most scientists agree. Rather, states are doing a better job of checking for contaminated fish and warning the public.

Because pollutants build up in their bodies, the most likely fish to be affected are big, long-lived ones, especially fish that eat other fish. Among them are bass, grouper, red snapper, pike, swordfish, tuna and king mackerel.

According to data the EPA will announce this week, the number of miles of rivers with health advisories about fish consumption rose 33 percent from 2000 to 2001. Overall, one out of every seven miles of U.S. rivers last year bore a warning against eating their fish.

The total acreage of U.S. lakes with similar warnings rose 7.6 percent from 2000 to 2001. More than a quarter of all lake waters merited warnings.

All of the Great Lakes and their connecting waters and nearly three-quarters of America's coastal waters had warnings about eating their fish, the EPA found.

The agency intends to publicize the figures this week as the U.S. fishing season kicks in.

Of the five toxins that officials monitor, the biggest and fastest growing problem is mercury. It comes mostly from emissions of coal-fired power plants that settle into waters.

Mercury hinders brain development in fetuses and young children, so women of childbearing age and young children are cautioned especially to curb their consumption of seafood likely to contain mercury.

The proportion of U.S. rivers and lakes covered by mercury-in-fish warnings more than quadrupled between 1993 and 2001, the EPA report said. "It's certainly still safe to fish on most of our lakes and rivers," said Forbes Darby, spokesman for the American Sportsfishing Association, a trade group in Alexandria, Va. "We've made huge progress in the quality of our waterways in the past decade."

The figures reflect that "states are clearly increasing their monitoring efforts, casting a wider net, collecting more information with more sites among the waters, getting out more information to the public," said Benjamin Grumbles, the EPA deputy assistant administrator for water issues.

However, the message isn't getting out to everybody. States are largely responsible for monitoring their fish. They differ greatly in how they test, what their toxic thresholds are, and how they warn the public, said Jane Houlihan, vice president for research of the Environmental Working Group, a Washington environmental organization that studies mercury in fish issues.

The EPA is trying to convince states to adopt stricter thresholds and beef up public warning systems, Grumbles said. "We don't have reason to believe that the (actual contamination) levels are getting worse," he added in a telephone interview Friday.

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Criminologists say Philadelphia rapist didn't always fit patterns

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PHILADELPHIA — When Center City rapist Troy Graves slipped into women's apartments late at night, he sometimes just watched them sleep, standing over them for 15 to 20 minutes, and then left without waking them.

And when he did attack women, he often engaged in bizarre behavior — once leaving a knocked victim in bed while he casually rearranged her refrigerator poem magnets into 21 lines of sexually suggestive messages.

At one point, Graves apparently believed that he could win the heart of one of his Philadelphia victims after his attack. He planned to take out a personal advertisement asking to meet her for a date.

Information from Colorado law enforcement officials and lawyers involved in the Philadelphia case paint this image of a wildly conflicted predator, who murdered a University of Pennsylvania graduate student Shannon Scheiber and sexually assaulted 12 other women in two cities. Graves, 30, was sentenced in Philadelphia in May to life in prison with no parole.

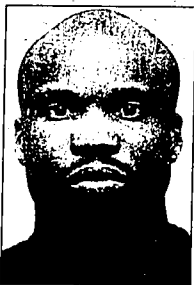
Criminologists say Graves in many ways fits the common profile of a serial rapist. He started as a Peeping Tom, long before he began the physical attacks. He was a thrill-seeker, and when the thrill of voyeurism grew old, he steadily progressed to more aggressive behavior. He even toyed with police, providing them with aids, daring them to catch him — another thrill-seeking play used by many serial criminals.

But in other ways he didn't fit patterns, and many of his actions seemed simply bizarre.

His attorneys, Paul Conway and Dan Stevenson, said in interviews that Graves told police that he had entered the apartments of the three Philadelphia women while they were asleep, silently watching, never touching them, and then slipping out of their homes.

There was a similar pattern in Fort Collins, Colo., where Graves told police he repeatedly entered women's apartments, sometimes attacking, sometimes not. "There was always this internal struggle, whether to do it or not to do it," said Conway.

He said Graves seemed to be



Troy Graves Started as a peeping Tom

pulling in different directions by "the good angel and the bad angel" each time he broke into an apartment.

"Sometimes he won out over himself. Some times he didn't," Conway said. "He always waited 15 to 20 minutes looking over the person. This internal struggle was going on."

Both Conway, the chief of the Public Defender's Homicide Squad, and Stevenson, of the Defender's Death Penalty Unit, said Graves was one of the most complex clients they had ever defended.

On the one hand, many of his acquaintances and even law-enforcement personnel were struck by his respectful, cooperative demeanor. "On the other hand, he does such horrible things at night," said Conway.

"He is the most fascinating guy I've talked to from the criminal justice system," Conway said. "He's not insane. In my view, he's not a multiple-personality case."

"The closest thing it comes to is an irresistible impulse. But in many cases, he was able to overcome the impulse. Where it comes from, he doesn't know."

Stevenson said Graves clearly escalated in aggressiveness. "At first, he sought thrills by climbing onto the roofs of Center City apartment buildings late at night, prompting the two defense lawyers to give him the nickname of Spiderman."

Stevenson said Center City was an ideal site for Graves because it blended into a suburb of men who regularly walk the

streets at night, some of whom are also voyeurists.

He said Graves said he became so familiar with the Rittenhouse Square street scene that he could recognize other night creepers and peepers from the area.

Graves reportedly confessed to authorities that police had stopped him on the street for questioning between five and 10 times in Philadelphia during the years he was attacking women here. He was let go each time because police had no reason to hold him for any criminal activity. Only two of those stops appeared in police records.

When Graves began his physical attacks, his actions became even stranger.

On June 20, 1997, he attacked a 28-year-old artist in her apartment near 21st and Pine Streets. Slipping through the security bars that were supposed to block an open window, he watched the artist for 15 to 20 minutes before he climbed on top of her.

He fondled her, but never raped her, mainly because she engaged him in a long conversation while he was on top of her.

"Once she connected with him as a person, he couldn't continue. She had some way of connecting with him. Apparently she was very smart," said Conway.

The police report on the incident says that the method the woman used to prevent the rape was to tell Graves that she might have AIDS.

"I asked him so many questions, mainly to keep him focused mentally, not physically. I told him I could have AIDS and he could die from this," the police report quotes the victim as saying.

Graves left the artist but didn't forget her. Conway said Graves considered putting a personal ad in the City Paper, a local alternative weekly, asking her for a date. He never sent the ad.

There were more attacks.

On August 5, 2001, he sexually assaulted his fifth Colorado State University student. After completing the assault and tying the woman's hands and feet, Graves went to her kitchen to rearrange the refrigerator magnets. He left 21 lines of phrases, including "need an easy date," "want hot," and "I enjoy him."

One of the last words he placed on the refrigerator was "insane."

Firefighters extinguished two chemical fires inside the office after a shooting.

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy Bill Spear said the two stabbing victims were in critical condition. Police said they didn't know the conditions of the burned workers.



Victoria Gottl, the daughter of mob boss John Gottl, leaves the Papavero Funeral Home in the Queens borough of New York Saturday after a funeral service.

Family gives mobster final farewell

NEW YORK (AP) — A decade after John Gottl bid farewell to his family and goodfollies to spend the rest of his life behind bars, the "Dapper Don" was mourned in a non-church, private service Saturday and taken to a cemetery that also holds other top mobsters.

The service at a funeral home in Queens followed a two-day wake that featured larger-than-life floral arrangements for the man who schemed and murdered his way to the top of the Gambino crime family, then was sentenced to life in prison for murder and racketeering.

Gottl died June 10 of cancer at a federal prison hospital.

After the service, a procession of more than 100 cars led by Gottl's hearse drove past his family home and his mob crew's headquarters, the Bergen Hunt and Fish Club. Mourners included Gottl's wife and daughter, both named Victoria.

When Gottl took over the Gambino mob, it was the most powerful of the city's five Mafia families. As recently as this month, 17 alleged members and associates of the gang were indicted on 68 counts including racketeering, extortion, gambling, money laundering and witness tampering.

Still, some 300 people were gathered at the Roman Catholic St. John's Cemetery when the marcade arrived, and many said they had admired the notorious mobster — nicknamed the "Teflon Don" for his longtime ability to avoid conviction and the "Dapper Don" for his expensive suits.

"He was a lot worse out there," spectator David Fitzgerald said outside the cemetery. "I've always enjoyed the man. He was a great character. He stood up against everyone and everything."

"He was sincere. He was genuine. He was remarkable," Gottl lawyer Bruce Cutler said outside the funeral home.

Gottl's brothers, Peter and

Gene, and his son, John, did not attend the send-off. All three were in jail when Gottl died Monday.

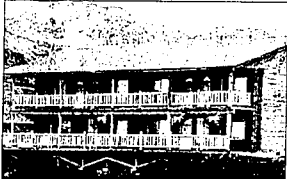
The funeral service was not a Mass of Christian Burial, as the family had hoped. Roman Catholic Bishop Thomas Daily, head of the Diocese of Brooklyn, ruled that Gottl was not entitled to a funeral Mass.

At issue was a church precept called "scandal" — the idea that the wrong message would be sent to the church faithful by granting a funeral Mass to someone who lived outside church teachings.

The denial is not a judgment on the deceased's lifestyle, since the church believes only God can make that determination.

Daily did allow Gottl's burial in the Catholic cemetery, where a who's who of 20th century Mafiosi are buried. Some, like Carlo Gambino and Joseph Profaci, died of natural causes. Others, like Carmine Galante and Joe Colombo, were victims of their lifestyles — both shot to death. The infamous mobster Charles "Lucky" Luciano also is buried there.

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U.S. hostage survives jungle ordeal

By Jim Gomez
Associated Press writer

ZAMBOANGA, Philippines — Martin and Gracia Burnham led a frugal missionary life, spreading the Gospels among the tribes of the northern Philippines, but for their 18th wedding anniversary they splurged on a weekend at an island resort.

The idyllic getaway ended just before dawn on a Sunday morning when kidnappers kicked in the door of their white bungalow. For the couple from Wichita, Kan., a yearlong nightmare began in which they would dodge death in at least 16 gunbattles.

As weeks turned into months, they marked their birthdays and those of their three children amid constant fear. There were forced marches through Philippine tropical jungle. Some hostages were beheaded, others escaped or were ransomed. Time and again the Burnhams saw their hopes for freedom dashed.

On June 7, after firefight No. 17, Gracia was finally free, shot in the thigh and weeping over her family photos as a helicopter flew her away. Lying dead in the mud and pouring rain were three kidnappers and two hostages — a Filipino nurse named Ediborah Yap, and Martin Burnham. He was 42.

It could be called a rolling kidnapping. For months the Muslim rebels of Abu Sayyaf, a group with ties to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network, had been terrorizing the island region 550 miles south of Manila, seizing hostages, killing some, losing others, grabbing more. In all, 102 people had been held for anywhere from a few days to the Burnhams' one year and two weeks.

Criminal gangs, emboldened by Abu Sayyaf's success, began snatching other foreigners — an Italian priest, two Chinese engineers, a Briton. Some got out alive; others didn't.

Abu Sayyaf is rooted among the Muslim separatists in the southern islands, which seek to secede from the rest of the predominantly Catholic Philippines. But Abu Sayyaf has turned increasingly to banditry for profit. In 2000, its men snatched foreign tourists from a Malaysian resort, releasing them for millions of dollars in ransoms after negotiations involving Libya and Malaysia.

The Burnhams had been in the Philippines since 1986, serving

Sanford, Fla.-based New Tribes Mission. They were kidnapped on May 27 last year. Then came Sept. 11, the world changed, and a few months later America took its war on terrorism to the Philippines.

The kidnapers, dressed as soldiers, took the guards by surprise at the Dos Palmas resort just off the southwestern Philippine island of Palawan. They swiftly gathered up 20 tourists and resort staffers and, without a shot being fired, vanished across the Sulu Sea on speedboats.

Abducted with the Burnhams was Guillermo Sobero, a Peruvian-American who lived in Corona, Calif. The rest of the captives were Filipinos. There were women and two crying children among the hostages, some of whom had to sit on boxes of rockets as the boats sped to the kidnapers' island base of Basilan.

Days later, the hostages were seen on predominantly Muslim Basilan, a mountainous province of 330,000 people with dense jungle and mangrove swamps that the guerrillas knew well.

Shortly after landing their human cargo, the kidnapers clashed with troops in a chance encounter. With some of their men wounded, they dragged their captives into a hospital and church compound in the coastal town of Lamitan. The rebels damaged the church and ransacked the hospital for medicine.

Troops bombarded the compound from the ground and helicopters, and it seemed the hostage crisis might end quickly. The walls shook and rebels, hostages and patients took cover under hospital cots. A Roman Catholic priest, Rene Enriquez, had been taken at gunpoint from the nearby convent. He said Gracia Burnham asked him in a shaking voice: "Can you pray for us so that we will be saved?"

That night, the rebels fled through a back door — with some new hostages. The escape would spark an inconclusive Philippines congressional investigation into allegations that troops had been bribed to let them go.

Troops later found the decapitated bodies of two of the resort workers, apparently killed in the jungle before the hospital siege. A third managed to escape with a gouge in his neck.

Soon the body count was rising to the point where reports of headless bodies turning up on Basilan were almost commonplace. On June 12, the Philippines



Missionary Martin Burnham and his wife, Gracia, of Rose Hill, Kan., are shown in a photo from early last year, at an unidentified location.

independence day, the kidnapers beheaded Sobero, the Peruvian-American. Abu Sabaya, the kidnapers' leader who is always seen wearing sunglasses, called it an "Independence Day gift" to President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo after she ignored his demands to negotiate.

The abductors sought \$1 million for each of the Burnhams, according to local officials. The Philippine army mounted several unsuccessful rescue attempts. Martin's hand was constantly cuffed to a dog chain held by a rebel guard or tied to a tree. In every hail of gunfire, "Martin would grab Gracia by the hand as they ran for cover. He would never let go, even if his other hand was being pulled and strained by a rebel guard chained to him," said Reina Malonzo, a nurse held hostage for five months until she was freed last November.

"They were always praying," she said. The kidnapers seized the rosaries of the Christian captives and wouldn't let them pray. So Martin and others devised hand signals to start silent group prayers, said accounting clerk Joel Guillo, an escaped hostage.

Martin, once burly but now thinning, was forever plotting an escape with his wife and other captives but never got the chance, Guillo said.

"He would tell me, 'I'm ready to die because I would go to heaven,'" Guillo said. The Burnhams' ordeal was a story of love and religious faith in the midst of death, their greatest sustenance the family photos they had with them when they were kidnapped.

Gracia, 42, wept often and worried over her children, said Shella Tabunuyag, another kidnaped nurse freed in November. "Gracia always set a 'goal' of

being freed every other two months. Before I was released, she told me her final goal was to be freed on or before Dec. 25, and she would not make a wish again after that," Malonzo said.

The children, Jeff, 15, Mindy, 12, and Zach, 11, were living with their grandparents in Rose Hill, Kan. When Martin turned 42 last year, their birthday greeting to him was broadcast on local radio, Tabunuyag recalled.

"We asked if he'd heard them," she said. Martin mumbled that he had not, and grew tearful. Malonzo said that when word of the Sept. 11 attacks came over the kidnapers' radios, they erupted in yells of "Allahu Akbar!" — God is great. The Burnhams were stunned, she said, with Gracia softly asking other hostages, "How can they rejoice over that?"

Early this year, military officials said that after an offensive by thousands of soldiers on Basilan, Abu Sayyaf was down to fewer than 100 fighters.

More than 1,000 U.S. soldiers from the Special Forces, engineers and support units were deployed near Abu Sayyaf strongholds in what officials said was a counterterrorism exercise but which many believed was largely aimed at helping to free the American hostages.

Gradually, the captives were killed, escaped or were ransomed. Finally, only the Burnhams and the nurse,



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Ediborah Yap, were left. With night-vision goggles, helicopters, guns and aircraft surveillance provided by the United States, Filipino soldiers were running Abu Sayyaf out of Basilan. The men holding the Burnhams escaped by boat to nearby Zamboanga del Norte province. So a secret U.S. Philippine plan, "Operation Daybreak," was devised to pursue them near the coastal town of Sirawai.

Military officials said the group, now numbering fewer than 20 men, had lost their advantage by leaving Basilan, where they knew the terrain and had some support in the Muslim population.

In the end, it wasn't the high-tech equipment that made the difference. A villager who was supposed to deliver \$10 worth of bread and peanut butter to the kidnapers was taken into custody and talked. Then a local militiaman helped the troops track the rebels by following their muddy footprints in the jungle.

As a downpour concealed their advance on June 7, three dozen Philippine army scout rangers slowly crept down a jungle ravine toward a huddle of tents containing the Burnhams, Yap and their captors.

A soldier radioed back to base, "Bull's-eye, sir, we've found the group."

From a wheelchair, Gracia

broke into sobs while recalling her final moment in captivity to the family of Ediborah Yap. The Filipino troops exchanged automatic and M-203 grenade fire with the rebels for 20 minutes. Gracia said the bullet that hit her right thigh threw her off a ham mock and onto the grassy slope. She faintly heard Yap yelling the name of Martin, who was hit in the first volley.

It isn't clear which side fired the fatal shots, and no investigation is known to have been ordered. U.S. officials have said it doesn't matter because Martin clearly died because of the Abu Sayyaf abduction.

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Talk of provisional state doesn't please Palestinians

JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinian officials were dismissive Saturday of a new proposal to create a provisional Palestinian state, calling instead for a firm timetable to establish a permanent state on all land captured by Israel in the 1967 Mideast war.

Israeli forces, meanwhile, moved into two West Bank towns late Friday and early Saturday, checking out reports of possible militant activity in Jenin and Tulkarem and imposing curfews before leaving without making any arrests.

Tanks and armored personnel carriers entered Jenin backed by two helicopters that fired warning shots, according to Palestinian security officials. Nobody was hurt, but the officials said tank fire destroyed four small workshops. The army spokesman's office said it was unaware of any tank fire.

Israeli military incursions into Palestinian towns and cities have been frequent in recent weeks. Usually, soldiers carry out arrests and destroy buildings the army says were used as explosives laboratories.

Provisional Palestinian statehood — creating a state on the 40 percent of West Bank and the two-thirds of the Gaza Strip under Palestinian control and with limited sovereignty and uncertain borders — reportedly is under consideration by the Bush administration.

Advocates of such an idea, including Secretary of State Colin Powell, say it could help



Palestinians walk over a mound of dirt and concrete placed by Israeli authorities to block a road near the West Bank village of al-Khader Friday. Barriers have been placed throughout West Bank roads in an effort by Israel to prevent easy access to Israel by Palestinian suicide bombers. As a byproduct, thousands of Palestinians daily must overcome the travel impediments.

restart peace talks and curb attacks on Israelis by restoring hope to Palestinians for an eventual final solution.

However, the administration has appeared divided on how to proceed and it wasn't clear whether such a proposal would be made when Bush lays out his vision for the Mideast peace

process. He is expected to address the issue in the coming week.

Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres has nixed the provisional statehood idea was similar to what he and Palestinian Parliament speaker Ahmed Qureia had worked out earlier this year in an attempt to end the

violence. Their efforts, outlined in February, were met with skepticism, and to date, have gone nowhere.

Palestinian Cabinet Minister Saeb Erekat said provisional states simply do not exist in international relations and that Bush should focus on other angles.

"A state is about power, about

sovereignty," Erekat said, noting the Palestinians had declared statehood in 1988 — a symbolic move never recognized internationally. "It's time for this state to exercise its full sovereignty, its full independence. But this cannot be done until after the Israeli withdrawal to the June 4, 1967, borders."

The Palestinians seek a state in all of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, with a capital in east Jerusalem — all lands that Israel captured in the 1967 Mideast war.

According to The Boston Globe, Palestinian officials who were briefed by American officials said a provisional Palestinian state proposed by Bush would be able to conduct foreign relations, sign treaties and join the United Nations. The plan would leave unresolved the issues of borders and a capital, the Globe reported.

Nabil Abu Rdenneh, a senior aide to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, said Saturday that the Palestinians have received no official word from the Americans on the path Bush is expected to lay out.

He refused to speculate on what sort of borders or functions might be included in any provisional state, but said a timetable for true statehood is "an important Palestinian condition" for accepting any provisional plan.

"All we know is that talking about an independent Palestinian state with some land still under occupation does not mean that this is a permanent state," he said.

Also on Saturday, Israeli military officials said soldiers had found a car full of homemade explosives near the Elei Sinaï settlement in the Gaza Strip. Lt. Anatoly Karasik, deputy commander of Israeli forces in the northern Gaza Strip, said soldiers destroyed the car with tank and machine-gun fire.

Funeral held for Egyptian diplomat, peace advocate

Basheer spoke his mind about Mideast issues

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Tahseen Basheer, a spokesman for two Egyptian presidents and an advocate of Arab-Israeli peace, was buried in Alexandria on Saturday after a dawn funeral service in Cairo.

Basheer, who served as the official spokesman for late Egyptian presidents Gamal Adel Nasser

and Anwar Sadat, died Tuesday in London of heart failure. He was 77.

"He was very dedicated toward peace in the Middle East and was always courageous in presenting that point of view," political analyst Abdel Moneim Said, who knew Basheer for 30 years, said in a telephone interview.

Basheer graduated from Alexandria University and earned two master's degrees in the United States. He served as Egypt's ambassador to Canada and its representative to the

Arab League.

Basheer was best known for his desire to achieve lasting Arab-Israeli peace, even before Egypt signed its 1979 peace treaty with Israel.

"He was very sincere in bridging (the gap) between Egypt and the Arab World and the West," said Said.

Basheer was an outspoken commentator on Mideast issues, criticizing the politics of governments — including his own — and

opposition parties.

In a 1999 article for the English-language Al-Ahram Weekly, Basheer wrote: "What is required is an ending of entrenched bureaucracies and all forces that restrict the exercise of the creativity necessary to create economic and social relationships that fit our developing world."

Such comments angered the Egyptian government. Basheer's diplomatic passport

was revoked in the early 1990s, but was returned following a court order.

Basheer's first wife, Sana Hassan, was stripped of her Egyptian citizenship for living in Israel in the early 1970s, but she regained it after Sadat's 1977 visit to Jerusalem. They divorced after she left for Israel.

Basheer married longtime friend Laila Basmy shortly before his death.



Tahseen Basheer dead at age 77

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Just call him Sir Mick: Queen honors Jagger with knighthood

LONDON (AP) — Mick Jagger, the rock 'n' roll rebel and former scourge of the British establishment, said Saturday he was delighted with his latest accolade — a knighthood for his services to music.

Jagger, 58, who was the ultimate wild man of rock in the 1960s and 1970s, was one of several artists to win honors, announced Saturday.

The craggy-faced Rolling Stones singer will be officially known as Sir Michael Philip Jagger after he is formally invested with the title at a knighthood ceremony expected to take place later in the year.

"I don't think it will change me that much," said Jagger, whose band is still performing 40 years after it was formed. "I don't see any great changes in friends who have had similar things happen to them."

Elton John was knighted in 1997, and Paul McCartney was knighted in 1996 for his contribution to British music and society, including the charitable and educational causes he supports.

They were honored despite the fact that John has admitted using cocaine in the past and McCartney has acknowledged using marijuana.

The knighthood for Jagger, who has a drug conviction and a reputation as a womanizer, could reopen the debate about who is suitable for the queen's honors list, even though the award comes long after the Stones helped lead the anti-establishment movements of the 1960s and 70s.

However, few people would deny that Jagger and the Stones have been among the country's most valuable musical exports for 40 years.

The government chooses most of the honors that Queen Elizabeth II bestows twice a year. Saturday's honors were announced to coincide with her officially recognized birthday.

The queen's real birthday is April 21, but it is officially celebrated on a Saturday in June with an ornate parade, the Trooping of the Color.

Also on Saturday's list of honorees were painter Peter Blake and directors Trevor Nunn and



Rolling Stone Mick Jagger has received a knighthood.

Jonathan Miller. Playwright Harold Pinter received the prestigious companion of honor award.

Jagger, who is preparing for a U.S. fall tour with The Rolling Stones, said his 4-year-old son Gabriel was a bit confused about the knighthood.

He said Gabriel told his class that his father was going to be knighted, and when the teacher asked, "What does that mean?" Gabriel said: "Well, he goes to the castle to see the king and gets to be a knight, and, from then on, gets to wear armor all the time."

Pinter, 71, is the author of seminal dramas such as "Betrayal," "The Caretaker" and "The Birthday Party." He

was recently diagnosed with throat cancer.

Nunn, 62, artistic director of the Royal National Theater, has long been one of Britain's country's leading theater directors. He has two shows on Broadway, "Oklahoma!" and "Les Miserables."

Miller, 57, has directed countless plays and operas. In the early 1960s, he found fame on Broadway as one of the original members of the Beyond the Fringe comedy quartet.

Blake is a painter and creator of collages who is best known for the cover of "The Beatles' 1967 album, "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band," featuring the group wearing brightly colored military uniforms.

Milosevic cronies stashed millions

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Nine of Slobodan Milosevic's closest associates stashed away nearly \$6 million in secret Swiss bank accounts during the former Yugoslav president's rule, Serbia's finance minister said Saturday.

Bosizad Djelic announced the results a day after Switzerland handed over bank documents related to an investigation against several associates of the former Yugoslav president. The documents did not list any accounts held by Milosevic or his family.

The funds came from charging inflated prices and skimming the profits on drugs and other pharmaceuticals during the late 1990s, when the nation was under Western sanctions and medicines were difficult to obtain.

"Now, it is up to our investigators and courts to complete the remaining pieces of the puzzle," Djelic said. "The Swiss have done their part."



Slobodan Milosevic

—Although the Swiss refused to publicly identify the account holders, Djelic told reporters in Yugoslavia's capital, Belgrade, that the nine people belonged to Milosevic's inner circle.

Topping Djelic's list was Mirko Marjanovic, the former prime minister in Serbia, Yugoslavia's dominant republic, and currently the caretaker chairman of Milosevic's Socialist Party. His account allegedly held \$2.25 million.

Another account holder named was Tomislav Janjovic, a Milosevic-era official of the state health insurance company.

Djelic would not reveal the names of the other account holders because of the "delicate investigation," but said they were all well known figures in Serbia.

Last week, at a Socialist Party press conference, Marjanovic had denounced reports of his alleged bank account in Switzerland as a "repugnant lie."

"Well, now we know who is lying," Djelic said.

Djelic accused Janjovic and his associates of stealing from the sick. "It is revolting," he said.

Ever since Milosevic's ouster in 2000, authorities have been trying to track all the former president's assets.

The Yugoslav authorities have estimated that about \$1 billion was transferred abroad during Milosevic's rule, some of it through Cyprus.

The U.N. war crimes tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands, has ordered a separate search for the Milosevic family assets as part of its prosecution of Milosevic for his role in the Balkan wars of the 1990s.

Thais mourn at celebrity ape's funeral

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — They flocked to his extravagant wedding, avidly followed his spicy love life and on Saturday came to bid farewell to Mike, Thailand's celebrity ape.

Thai fans by the hundreds arrived to take part in Buddhist funeral rites for the gentle orangutan who died Thursday at the age of 17 of complications from water in the lungs.

He is to be buried today beneath his own statue in the Sa Kaew Zoo at Lopburi, 70 miles north of Bangkok, where he and his family were the star attraction for years.

"Mike has helped the province's economy a great deal. He attracted millions of baht (hundreds of thousands of dollars) and created lots of jobs for local residents. This is the best we can do for him to ensure his

happy life after death," said Yongyuth Kitwattanason, a local businessman who has promoted Lopburi as a haven for free-roaming monkeys.

Buddhist chants and a bathing ceremony in which holy water is poured over the hands of the deceased, are to be held in the zoo.

Mike's wife Susu and offspring Lamyai will be present at the funeral, wearing black outfits provided by the zoo staff.

The orangutan first gained fame in 1959, when a matchmaker found him a bride from Taiwan after he lost his first mate.

Mike's lavish 1996 wedding with Susu drew hundreds of guests to the zoo. The ceremony followed Thai tradition, with the couple wearing golden clothing and jasmine garlands. Four

human couples were wed alongside them. Yongyuth, the Lopburi businessman, built them a dream house.

Susu produced a son, Mongsit, but trouble was brewing. Mike was moved to separate quarters because his handlers feared he was jealous of the attention given his newborn son and might harm him.

Mike moved back in with his family a year later. By then he had taken on a second mate, Mali.

Lopburi has been dubbed Thailand's "Monkey Town," and is a haven for hundreds of monkeys who clamber around its buildings and temples.

Every year, Yongyuth offers the monkeys a feast of their favorite foods laid out on tables. The event is popular with Thai and foreign tourists.

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EDITORIAL

City leaders handled grain mill dispute fairly

Twin Falls city leaders were fair to handle Old Towne business owners' complaints about a neighboring grain mill while still not jeopardizing the plant's right to keep operating.

Some downtown businesses recently lodged complaints against the mill's chaff and dust that comes from Northwest Feed Manufacturing grain mill in Old Towne. City Council members didn't allow a man to push for immediate change at the mill. But they didn't dismiss the local businesses' complaints either.

When you're trying to maintain the historic charm of 20th century businesses, you've got to find some balance. City Council members did that by giving Old Towne neighbors a chance to resolve matters themselves.

Across the country, cities are renovating their industrial areas into profitable commercial zones. Some call it gentrification. Others call it urban renewal. But it's happening in both urban and rural cities, from Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco, to the Soho and Tribeca districts of New York City, on through to smaller cities such as Twin Falls.

For decades, the area that is now Old Towne was zoned purely for industrial and agricultural uses. But when the district was rezoned nearly eight years ago, Twin Falls officials made the district a specialty zone to accommodate retail growth and traditional industries.

The city allowed mill owners to keep their longtime operation in place, since the area is filled with other industrial facilities like stockyards and railroad switch tracks.

The Old Towne urban renewal plan has slowly grown into a profitable project. The new shops, restaurants, techniques have blended well with profitable industries next door, while attracting even more customers to the downtown area.

Our view: City Council wisely suggested a balanced approach to help Old Towne neighbors resolve grain mill dispute.

What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

But those businesses made the decision to come into Old Towne fully aware that older industries would keep operating their facilities. They shouldn't expect those industries to be shoved aside or bound to more city restrictions because of a dusty byproduct. Also, the mill has regularly passed inspections from federal and state agencies which came as a result of complaints.

City Council members kept an open ear and open mind to the mill problem - without dismissing complaints or overreacting to them. They also did the right thing to encourage disgruntled business owners to settle disputes with Northwest Feed management. A private solution is always better than public intervention.

Neighboring businesses in the downtown area should have realistic expectations of industries next door. Keeping a mix of old and new business helps Old Towne retain the area's attractive charm while still keeping the profitable and traditional uses that made the area what it is.

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M-C residents need to stop being so afraid of change

Follow Mini-Cassia residents, I am wondering who is going to be the first person to nudge the lights when we officially don't exist anymore. Are we so afraid of change or growth that we will sacrifice everything to keep our secure little corner of the world hidden from view? Think about this!

The biggest industry growth in our recent history is assisted living facilities. I don't think that buses too well for our future. We recently constructed some wonderful new schools, including the new "tech center," so we can educate our children. The children that we are exporting for the benefit of others everywhere, they are our most valuable resource.

With that said, Mini-Cassia folks, let's look at what we have in our midst and put our greatest asset to work for us. Our children are the best and most talented, and they are making a difference everywhere they go!

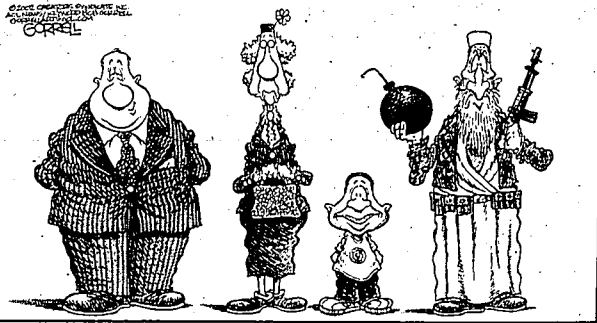
the Cave People," citizens against virtually everything. I, for one, want the sign to say, "Mini-Cassia, the brightest spot on the map."
KRIS HONDO
Burley

Kemphorne is unfair - Idaho needs new leader

This letter is in response to a couple of articles that ran in *The Times-News*.

On May 31, I was very upset that Gov. Kemphorne's top aide (Joe Brunson) gave the option of "gumming her food" to a 92-year-old woman instead of authorizing payment of her dentures. To top it all off, the next day Gov. Kemphorne directed Medicaid to go ahead and pay for her dentures.

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It's time for America to rediscover fatherhood

Kids need dads. Not "male role models." Not "masculine influences." Not "Y chromosome facilitators." Dads.

ly to be abused in a step-family, 13 times more likely in a family with a single mother living alone, 20 times more likely in a cohabiting natural family, and 33 times more likely if they live with their natural mother and a boyfriend who isn't their father.

gains made among black children. But the work necessary to repair the damage caused by the Great Society's good intentions isn't over yet. Congress must take another step to heal welfare's social wounds by funding marriage-education experiments. To do so will lead (one hopes) to a prolonged national discussion on the benefits and the need for marriage.

And, as another Father's Day arrives, it's hard to overlook their absence in many American households. One out of three children born today is illegitimate. U.S. government figures show. Less than half of all teenagers live with their fathers. In 1960, fewer than one in 10 children lived in a single-parent home. By 2000, it was about one in four.

These are just a few good reasons Congress should include marriage-education programs as it considers renewing the country's welfare laws. Six years ago,

A frank discussion would emphasize the fact that men need marriage as much as women and children do. Study after study shows that married men earn more money, live longer and are healthier than their bachelor friends. They are less likely to become alcoholics, criminals or drug addicts. And if that's not enough, married men also report having more and better sex than single guys.

Life without a father also is a good way to miss out on the American Dream.

the nation took a giant leap forward by requiring people to work or get job training for benefits. This common-sense solution to decades of dependency and hopelessness would, as President Clinton said at the time, "change welfare as we know it."

Wilson once wrote. So marriage is more than a good idea. It is, hands down, the best way to ensure that mothers, fathers and children reach their full potential and have the best opportunity to achieve happiness. And by supporting the president's marriage-education initiative, Congress can help many more children truly have a "Happy Father's Day."

The poverty rate for all children in married-couple families is 7 percent. NIH shows. By contrast, the poverty rate for all children in single-parent families is 51 percent.

He was right. Instead of just getting a check, welfare recipients had to earn one. That simple policy change made all the difference in millions of people's lives and for their children as well. According to the latest Census Bureau figures, there were 4.2 million fewer people living in poverty in 2001 than 1996. Also, 2.3 million fewer children live in poverty in 2001 than in 1996 - with the greatest

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LETTERS

in a new top dog that actually does a fair job.
MIKE ALDRICHI
Heyburn

Fisher's commentary about soccer is off the mark

I am writing in response to Marc Fisher's comments (June 11). In this commentary, Mr. Fisher stated that it is an illusion that Americans care - or might someday care - about soccer. Hello? If we did not care about soccer, why is it on television? Why are we getting a soccer game? Why is soccer the fastest growing recreational sport in Twin Falls?

ing! To someone who knows baseball, it is tremendously exciting. In soccer, like baseball, you have to know what you're watching. There is always action, even if there is no score. As for the dull, boring part, we soccer players have to "stay on our feet" and be thinking about where the ball is going. Sounds quite strategic to me.

Also, his narrow-minded opinion is that trying to stop parental violence at games and practices is a bad thing. Maybe if youth hockey had such a program, the hockey father who died due to a fight with another hockey dad would have survived. Parents are a problem in all youth sports. At least soccer is

trying to do something about it. Although we may not get a fly ball in the face, we still get pretty rough. Soccer balls are hurtling at our chest and head. Slide tackles are everywhere. We do have special safety equipment - shin guards. You cannot step onto the field without them.

Mr. Fisher, although it's not made in America, it does not mean it's bad or stupid. Give a "not-made-in-America" sport a chance. Ninety percent of the world can't be wrong!
MEG MCCARTHY
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Meg McCarthy, 13, is a Twin Falls Rapids soccer player.)

Mr. Fisher's comments, he goes on to say that soccer players and fans destroy things due to a win or loss. In football, it is a tradition for the fans to go on the field to tear down the goal posts. How is that any different?

Mr. Fisher also tried to tell readers how mundane soccer is and how slow-paced the game is. Yet he seems to think that baseball is a fast-paced game. From my understanding, the players do a lot of standing around on the field and sitting in the dugout. Where is the action? When someone like me, who knows nothing about baseball, goes to see a game and the pitcher gets a no-hitter, it is dreadfully bor-

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Grandparents deserve credit for parenting

I believe it was John Lennon who said, "Life is what happens while you're making other plans." Well, many Idaho grandparents who have been planning for their empty nest or retirement for many years suddenly find it necessary to raise their grandchildren.

While grandparents have been raising grandchildren throughout the ages, this phenomenon is receiving more attention these days because of the huge increase in it. According to census informa-

READER COMMENT

Janice Stover

tion, we've seen a 30 percent increase nationally in the number of children being raised by grandparents in just 10 years! In Idaho, the percentage of grandparents raising grandchildren grew by 78.9 percent from the 1990 to the 2000 Census. Idaho's rate of growth ranks third in the nation. And it continues to grow!

Today, more than 14,000 Idaho children are being raised by grandparents. Why do grandparents step in and do this? Out of love and a sense of responsibility. They want to offer stability and security and a good life for these children. These Idaho grandparents are the unsung heroes of our generation.

What are the causes? Anecdotally, we have learned that substance abuse is one of the most common reasons cited by grandparents who have to step in to raise their grandchildren. Additional reasons include parental death, child abuse and neglect, teen pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, unemployment, mental illness, family violence, incarceration, poverty and divorce.

Many grandparents spend down their retirement savings, have to continue working, mortgage their homes and experience financial crises in order to pay legal fees or just to afford raising the children. This family pattern that impacts all geographic regions and socio-economic levels needs to be recognized. We can't ignore it anymore, and society should honor these grandparents for the important role they are playing.

Census data also tells us that throughout the United States there are 4.5 million children under age 18 being raised by grandparents (6.3 percent of all children under age 18) - nine times more than the 500,000 being raised in the foster-care system.

Idaho grandparents raising grandchildren face legal, financial, physical and mental health (their own and their grandchildren's), educational, and housing challenges. Grandparents need more support in all these areas for the important job they are doing. And barriers need to be removed!

As a state, we need to bring this issue to the forefront to seek solutions that support our growing number of Idaho "grandfamilies." We need to look at the adequacy or inadequacy of Idaho support such as education consent, guardianship processes and subsidies and other forms of legal recognition. We need to equate supportive programs as cost-effective alternatives to placing our grandchildren in the foster-care system.

At present, the American Association of Retired Persons of Idaho, the Idaho Commission on Aging and the Idaho KinCare Coalition are working together to establish state-wide support groups for grandparents and other kin raising the children of relatives. For information on this program, call (877) 471-2777.

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Lawmakers lose their minds over estate tax issue

It is not often that one hears a United States senator confess in public that he was "truly dumbfounded." That was the phrase Connecticut Democrat Christopher Dodd applied to himself the other evening as he contemplated the fact that most of his colleagues were about to open a three-quarters of a trillion dollar hole in the nation's future finances.

I can't improve on Dodd's language. It is truly mind-boggling that majorities in both the House and Senate have voted to compound the budget problems of the nation by making permanent the abolition of what they choose to call the "death tax," more commonly known as the tax on large estates.

Last year, along with a reduction in income tax rates, Congress approved a gradual phase-out of estate taxes, wiping them out for everyone by 2010. But in order to stay within the budget ceilings, they pretended that in the following year, the taxes would revert to their 2001 level. They didn't mean it. And this year, at the first opportunity, they have sought to make the elimination of "death taxes" permanent.

By margins of 256-to-171 in the House and 54-to-44 in the Senate, majorities agreed. The only thing that kept the



DAVID S. BRODER

bill from going straight to the White House, where President Bush was eager to sign it, was the Senate's technical requirement under budget rules that it have 60 votes, not just a simple majority. So the budget busters will have to try again.

The estate tax was signed into law by Theodore Roosevelt, who was stymied by the vast fortunes being accumulated in the first decades of the industrial age. Roosevelt had the quaint notion that great inequality of wealth was unhealthy for a democratic society, and - foolish man - he even believed that young people were better off making their own way than living off the fruit of their parents' success.

Today's Republicans - and a few Democratic allies - think they know better. In a brilliantly orchestrated public relations and lobbying campaign, business groups have convinced lawmakers that it is, as sponsors put it, downright "immoral" to tax a family or business on its earn-

ings each year and tax the heirs again when the original owners die.

Current law acknowledges that point and provides such generous exemptions that fewer than 2 percent of estates pay any tax at all. The Democratic substitute, voted down in both the House and Senate, would have raised the exemption for a married couple to \$6 million, leaving only three-tenths of 1 percent of estates subject to taxation.

But that was not enough to satisfy Bush and the Republicans. They want everyone to be able to pass on every nickel of his or her fortune, subjecting those legacies to a capital gains tax only if the heirs decide to sell off part of the inheritance. That's nothing more than an inducement to keep the fortune within the family.

Some of the super-rich - the Buffetts and the Gateses, for example - stepped forward to say they thought their heirs ought to pay taxes. Most of the beneficiaries of this bonanza kept their mouths shut, more than content to let the Republicans claim they are acting on behalf of small businesses and family farms.

When I wrote about this subject a year ago, I heard from some farmers, ranchers and business owners - including

newspaper publishers - who said they live in fear of their heirs having to sell the property to pay estate taxes. But I also heard from tax planners who say almost every legitimate problem can be anticipated and solved with foresight.

What is different now from a year ago is that the supposed \$5.6 trillion surplus over the next decade, which was going to pay for these tax cuts and still allow us to protect Social Security and Medicare, is gone. Instead, we are looking at a deficit this year of around \$100 billion and the likelihood that the red ink will rise every year, with the sluggish economy and the added costs of the war on terrorism and homeland defense.

The revenue loss on the phase-out of the estate tax is estimated at almost \$100 billion in this decade, but \$740 billion in the next decade - if the abolition is made permanent.

That's the very time when the retiring baby boomers will be turning to Washington, expecting Social Security and

Medicare to get them through their remaining years. It will be cold comfort to them if the anti-estate tax forces succeed and the funds for those programs have been depleted by massive tax reductions for the

heirs of the wealthiest Americans. As the man said, you have to be dumbfounded.

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Father's Day: Be afraid, be very afraid

OK, Dad hasn't seen his Father's Day gifts yet and Sears and the Home Depot will both be open early today. So before anybody gets hurt, please, please return them.

I know you meant well, I realize he's been dropping broad hints for months, but no good can come of giving that man a power stapler.

Much less a table saw. Or a router. Or a 19-speed cordless electric drill powerful enough to drive your garage into structural jeopardy.

You can't just give a guy a power tool. He has been screened.

A resume with references in nice, also complete photos of every home improvement job on which he's ever worked and a physician's statement attesting that all his digits are "his own."



DON'T ASK ME Steve Crump

For men, you see, lie - and particularly about mechanical incompetence. They lie because they can - in our culture, mere possession of power tools is deemed to be prima facie evidence of rudimentary competence with them - and because they're constantly tempted by the big box stores that will sell them implements they can't handle and reasonably shouldn't contemplate.

Those are the reasons behind our national epidemic of leaning decks, leaking faucets and ceiling fans in which the black wire has been attached to the white wire.

And you, wives and girlfriends of America, are the great enablers of this national travesty. Without you, there would be no need of building codes and homeowners' hazard insurance.

Not to put too fine a point on it, but you're glibble. You're convinced by those big blue eyes when he tells you that handymanhood is in his soul.

Oh, yeah? Then why did he come from a broken home? Oh, his Mom and Dad got along great, but the house was a wreck.

What's wanted here is gentle but resolute redirecting of his true character - that of a techno-ninny who would be all thumbs if he had any left.

"Jeffrey, my dear, you are the love of my life, but I wouldn't trust you with a JPEG file."

"You will not paint. You will not caulk. You will not saw. You will lie, all of this day, in your hammock, where you will do no harm."

And when you think about it, isn't the essence of home improvement first to avoid home degradation?

The odds are very good, my dear, that your father or your grandfather was a handyman worthy of the name. He may have built your childhood home, or your parents' house, and he certainly kept it in good repair.

His kind is gone and will not again bestride the fens and spinneys of this green and pleasant land.

Replaced, is he, by your husband, who is a hard worker, a good provider and a fine human being utterly incapable at the cellular level of swinging a hammer without blackening his own eye and his own thumb, usually in the same stroke.

Not seduced by those TV commercials that show any old dufus performing miraculous feats of repairing. Do. Be not deceived by those voices of confidence from - and then hand's friends and kin as to his aptitude.

Bad handymen are often skilled at public relations, plus they will say anything to get their hands on variable-speed hardware.

Wives and daughters of America: Your home, your children, your earthy goods depend upon staying strong.

"Never you mind about that geyser in the basement, my love," you must purr. "You just sit yourself down and watch welding."

So we're clear on what you must do next? You must return the power tools - this morning - and then drive to the shopping center and buy him a big-screen TV to replace it.

And if you will, buy him also a home-entertainment center to further distract him from the manky art that beckon from just outside the broken screen door.

Just make sure that home entertainment center comes fully assembled.

Times-News features editor Steve Crump isn't saying what he got for Father's Day, but you can't borrow it.

Gotta mooove

Milkers fight it out in Dairy Days competition

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

WENDELL - The annual Dairy Days milking contest required milking the old-fashioned way - by hand.

Experienced on the farm, the winning milker milked 8 pounds of milk in three minutes for first place. Laura Sluder and her father, Les Carberry, teamed up with Karel Dejong to win.

"Experience counts a lot," Carberry said.

Milking requires patience and practice to get the feel for it. But Carberry said it's like riding a bike. Once you learn you don't forget.

Eight pounds of milk wasn't bad considering the circumstances, he said. The cows, typically machine milked, aren't used to being milked by hand, not to mention being handled by strangers in a strange place.

Contest moderator Lewis Eilers, executive director of the Idaho Dairy-men's Association, said the average machine-milked cow in Idaho produces 70 pounds of milk a day.

The 13th annual Dairy Days is sponsored by the Wendell Chamber of Commerce to celebrate the dairy industry. Dairies are credited with boosting the annual median income, adjusted for inflation, in Jerome and Gooding counties by more than 20 percent during the 1990s.

The heavily-promoted "Got Milk?" industry remains at the center of controversy over the impact large-scale dairies have on the environment and their neighbors. Odors and concerns about waste runoff contaminating water are among the issues.

Dairy Days - held Friday and Saturday at City Park in Wendell - is an industry outlet for positive community relations. Visitors can find free ice cream, cheese and milk. Business contributions to the event raise scholarship money for students attending Idaho colleges. A carnival, vendors and a Saturday parade are among the Dairy Days activities with typical attendance estimated at about 3,000.

In second place out of the six milking teams was the Wendell Quick Response Unit which milked in 7 pounds of milk. Tied for third were Farmers National Bank of Wendell and the University of Idaho. Both teams milked 6 pounds of milk in the three-minute time frame.

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Megan Benson, 7, concentrates on winning her goldfish in the Ping-Pong ball toss at Wendell's Dairy Days festival on Saturday. She won a fish, as did all her siblings and friends.



Sam McBevitt and her uncle, Kirk York, get spun on the Octopus ride at the carousel strip at the Wendell Dairy Days festival.

GOP moves to affirm voters' rights

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

SUN VALLEY - Voters' rights emerged as the preeminent issue at the Republican Party Convention on Saturday.

Voting members of the platform committee said the first-time-ever reappointment citizen panel has to go and also that the party's rejection of term limits needs to be reaffirmed.

The convention goes through Tuesday at the Sun Valley Resort. The platform committee has nearly completed its recommendations, but the 400 delegates won't vote on planks until Monday and Tuesday.

The platform committee was so convinced that the six-member panel which state voters approved as a constitutional amendment in 1994 was such an abject failure, that little discussion took place before unanimously approving it.

"The general consensus is that it didn't work, said Rep. Joan Wood of Rigby.



Sen. Bruce Newcomb

House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, was on the road after working with the governor on the latest state budget plan when he heard about the platform suggestion. He was surprised.

"I didn't know anything about it," he said. "But I'm not sure people would want to amend the constitution again."

Unlikely districts

Not that Newcomb disagrees with Wood's thinking.

"I think voters are feeling disenfranchised by the new districts," he said. He cited the example of his new District 27. It takes in Cassia, Power, Oneida and part of Bingham counties.

"We have agriculture and rural in common, but that is the only community of interest in this district," he said.

Longtime incumbent Sen. Ralph "Moon" Wheeler from American Falls lost in the May 29 primary to Declan Republican Denton Darrington in the new district.

Newcomb also pointed to western Twin Falls County being coupled with Owyhee County as an example of unlikely community of interest.

The panel was to draw boundaries so that the deviation in each district was no greater than 10 percent off the target population of 36,970. In addition, the populations of each district were to be grouped according to communities of interest, which includes such things as where people go to church and school, how they make their livings and where they sleep.

Both Wood and Newcomb said they thought the commission would have been better off to start at the Canadian border and the Utah border and work toward Boise in making up the districts, instead of using Ada County as the starting point.

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St. Luke's forms committee

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A dozen local people will serve as the voices of the community to help guide St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute.

St. Luke's officials Friday announced the forming of a community board of directors that includes local business professionals, a state legislator, an accountant, a foundation director, the head of the College of Southern Idaho and a few local doctors.

"I was personally excited to be involved in an organization that deals with cancer treatment," said Brent Jussel, vice president of Finance for Seastron Manufacturing, who was selected to the board. "I have a great deal of cancer in my family. I think it (the board) will assist in the continuation of and improvement of cancer treatment in the Magic Valley."

The board will help St. Luke's keep in tune with residents' needs and values. St. Luke's President and CEO E. Dahlberg said in a news release.

"The volunteer board members have a strong commitment to help care for the community, and we're pleased that they have agreed to work with us," Dahlberg said.

St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute has been operating at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center under a lease agreement since the first of the year. But Mountain States has

- ### Board members
- Tom Ashenbrenner - Owner, Rudy's - A Cook's Paradise, Twin Falls
 - Larry Copp - President and CEO, Clear Springs Foods, Buhl
 - Curtis Eaton - Vice president of planning and development, executive director, CSI Foundation, Twin Falls
 - Celia Gould - Rancher, state-leg. Islator, Buhl
 - Brent Jussel - Vice president of finance, Seastron Manufacturing, Twin Falls
 - Dr. Ben Katz - Retired pediatrician, Twin Falls
 - Bill Koch Sr. - President, K&T Steel, Twin Falls
 - Dr. Kurt Seppel - Family practice physician, Twin Falls
 - Dr. Mark McCain - Surgeon, Twin Falls
 - Gerald Meyerhooffer - President, CSI, Twin Falls
 - Judy Polow - CPA, Polow & Company, Twin Falls
 - Ed White - Operations manager, Lamb-Weston, Twin Falls

been a part of the community for more than 20 years providing oncology services to cancer patients at both Magic Valley Regional and the former Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital which Magic Valley Regional purchased late last year.

Magic Valley Regional and Mountain States share in the cancer center's profits and losses, with Magic Valley Regional taking 40 percent and Mountain States taking 60 percent.

The community board will meet every other month and will serve as a conduit between St. Luke's and the community to understand and address community expectations related to health care services.

Westa Maughan, president of the Magic Valley Regional Hospital Board, said she was pleased to find out St. Luke's was forming the community board.

"It demonstrates great commitment to being part of the community and not an outsider in the work we're doing together to provide enhanced cancer treatment services," Maughan said.

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State Democrats hold convention in Burley

The Times-News

BURLEY - Idaho Democrats will hammer out the party's platform for the November general election and take care of other party business during their three-day convention in Burley this week.

About 200 people are expected to attend the convention, which runs Thursday through Saturday at the Burley Inn, event coordinator Jill Ellsworth said.

Democratic candidates for statewide offices are expected to attend at least parts of the convention, Ellsworth said. Several of those candidates are holding fundraisers in conjunction with the convention.

The convention is open to anyone, Ellsworth said. The registration fee is \$65.

The meeting kicks off Thursday with registration running from 1 to 6 p.m. The executive committee meets from 4 to 6 p.m., and the platform committee meets from 7 to 9 p.m.

Friday morning again focuses on party business, Ellsworth said. A platform hearing runs from 8 to 11 a.m. The credentials committee meets from 8:30 to 9 a.m., followed by the rules and bylaws commit-

tee, meeting from 9 to 9:30 a.m. County officials meet from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., with the central committee meeting from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

The platform committee meets for the final time at noon, before presenting the platform when the convention officially convenes at 1:30 p.m.

Also Friday afternoon, the Idaho Democrat Women's Caucus offers training on managing volunteers from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

The platform committee returns to work at 4 p.m. Friday.

Friday concludes with a barbecue at Caldwell Park in Heyburn from 5 to 8 p.m.

On Saturday, candidate training runs from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. The convention reconvenes from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, when the platform will be adopted.

An issue panel addressing the future of Idaho's economy and providing leadership for Idaho is scheduled from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

The convention adjourns at 5 Friday evening.

The Idaho Young Democrats meet from 4 to 5 p.m., and the new executive committee meets from 5 to 6 p.m. Convention activities wrap up with the banquet from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday.

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Appeals court disagrees over traffic stop, drug bust

BOISE (AP) — The conviction of a "southwestern Idaho" man for drug possession has been overturned by the Idaho Court of Appeals in a rare departure from total agreement by the three judges.

They voted 2-1 to reverse the ruling by 3rd District Judge Stephen Drescher in the case of Michael Maddox.

On July 3, 2000, a Gem County Sheriff's deputy was on patrol in the foothills. He saw Maddox and

his driver in a Camaro-style car. They explained they were searching for a friend who was on an foot and they proceeded on to an area known as Cycle Park.

The deputy, thinking a search and rescue might be needed, followed them. He approached the car, it moved farther up a motorcycle trail. The deputy turned on his overhead lights to prevent it from becoming stuck.

Thinking Maddox was under the influence of alcohol or drugs,

he asked if he could search the car. Maddox refused, but admitted there was a gun in the vehicle and he was not supposed to be around firearms.

The officer noticed a bag and a pipe on the dashboard. Pot and methamphetamine were later determined to be in the bag. Maddox asked the court to suppress evidence from the traffic stop.

Drescher held the deputy stopped Maddox's vehicle as a "community caretaking function"

to prevent the car from getting stuck. Maddox pleaded guilty but reserved the right to appeal.

"The community caretaking function does not allow officers to seize individuals where no serious harm is threatened merely on a belief that the individual's decisions or actions are unsound," Judge Karen Lansing wrote.

"There is no evidence that the officer believed the friend on foot was missing, lost, overdue or in any sort of peril."

Albertson's may see profits decline in industry battle

BOISE (AP) — The nation's largest grocery chains, including No. 2 Albertson's Inc., are struggling as analysts warn new competitors could cut into profit margins.

Stock prices fell for both Albertson's and 20 percent for the nation's top three grocery chains last week.

And while Wall Street predictions frightened investors, they offered shoppers the prospect of lower prices as the giant chains battle to maintain or improve market share.

Albertson's stock has lost more than 10 percent of its value, and two major Wall Street firms downgraded it, suggesting that the Boise-based chain may have to start cutting prices to stay competitive.

On Wednesday, Merrill Lynch downgraded the stock from a "buy" to a "hold." On Thursday, Salomon Smith Barney lowered it from "hold" to "underperform."

The analysts said the supermarket industry is becoming more competitive because of the growth of Wal-Mart Supercenters and warehouse stores such as Costco.

Mark Husson of Merrill Lynch

said he admires Albertson's cost-cutting and restructuring efforts this past year, but doubts all the savings can be preserved.

"We now believe that Safeway and Kroger will become more promotional in the back half of 2002 and that some of Albertson's savings will have to be spent defending market share instead of boosting earnings," Husson said.

Kroger is tops in the industry. The downgrades and drop in stock price came after Safeway Inc., the nation's third largest chain, announced Wednesday its earnings would be off by about 8 percent for the quarter because of a soft economy and competition.

Albertson's Chairman Larry Johnston said his company still believes its stock will weather the slump.

"While the economy and consumer confidence certainly remain less than robust, we believe that our strong new marketing initiatives, coupled with the power of our major restructuring program, can effectively deal with this foreseeable economic and competitive scenario," he said in a statement.

DEATH NOTICES

Antonia Lioma
GOODING — Antonia Lioma, 80, of Gooding died Friday, June 14, 2002, at her home.
Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary's Gooding Chapel.

John D. Richardson
HAGERMAN — John Doyle Richardson, 74, of Hagerman died Saturday, June 15, 2002, at his home.
Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Marlene Dixon
HANSEN — Marlene Dixon, 65, of Hansen died Friday, June 14, 2002, in Denver, Colo.
A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. An obituary will appear at a later date.

Marilyn Sue Low
BOISE — Marilyn Sue Low, 58, of Boise and formerly of Wendell died Saturday, June 15, 2002, at her home.
Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Summers Funeral Homes, Ustick Chapel in Meridian.

H. Ray Hansen
POCATELLO — H. Ray Hansen, 48, of Pocatello died Friday, June 14, 2002, of injuries from an automobile accident.
Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Dewaine Jensen
TWIN FALLS — Dewaine Jensen, 79, of Twin Falls died Saturday, June 15, 2002, at his home.
Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

SERVICES

Floyd F. Hignens of Heyburn, Graveside service at 10 a.m. Monday at the Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

George Knopp of Buhl, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the LDS Church in Buhl; viewing from 2-4 p.m. today at Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 N. Ninth, Buhl.

J. W. Bill Bodenhofer of Gooding, service at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Demary's Gooding Chapel in Gooding; burial will be in the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding; friends may call from 9 a.m. until the time of the service Monday at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Vern (Lynn) Lenord Corthell of Buhl, service at 2 p.m. Monday at the LDS Church on Fair Street in Buhl; viewing will be held one hour before the service at the church (Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl).

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Released
William Fisher and Floyd Kaufman, both of Buhl, and Douglas Patrick of Hamilton, Mont.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

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James Alexander Henderson
James Alexander Henderson, 90, of Greenacres, Washington, and a former longtime Burley businessman, died Friday, June 14, 2002.
He was born November 5, 1911, in Hibernburgh, Scotland, the son of Joseph "Scotty" and Elizabeth Henderson. The family emigrated to the United States in April of 1912, settling first in Logan, Utah, and then Salt Lake City, Utah, and in 1918, they moved to Burley, with their young family. Jim attended Burley High School, where he was Student Body President. He married Dorothy Mildred of Oakley, Idaho, on December 24, 1933. He worked for J.C. Penney's, and with that company traveled to Rawlins, Wyoming, where their daughter Joyce was born. With Penney's, they moved to Miles City, Montana. From there, he joined the United States Navy and served as a radar operator during World War II, in the Pacific. He returned to the States in 1945, to Miles City, and then was transferred to Choteau, Montana, and then to moving to Colfax, Washington, in 1951.
Jim and Dorothy returned to Burley in 1962, where Jim opened his own store, Henderson's Dad and Lad. He retired and sold the store in the late 1970's. He and Dorothy enjoyed many wonderful times around the United States with family and friends. In 1992, he and Dorothy moved to Greenacres, Washington, to be near their daughter and her family.
He was an avid golfer, and loved to play every day he could. He loved the city of Burley and served on the Burley City Council.
Survivors included his wife, Dorothy of Greenacres, Washington; his daughter, Joyce (Robinson) Stott and her family, Lara, Kristine and Shannon of Spokane, Washington; one brother, Sam (Theo) Henderson of Heyburn, and many in-laws, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, and three brothers, Jack, Joe, and George Henderson.
The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, 2002, at

Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street, Burley, where friends may call on Tuesday, June 18, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Wednesday from 1 until 3:45 p.m. Interment will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery. The family suggests that memorials be directed to The American Cancer Society or to the Idaho Youth Ranch in care of Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley.

Arrangements and services are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

TWIN FALLS



Cleta Merle Ritchey
Cleta Merle Ritchey, 93, of Twin Falls, Idaho, died June 7, 2002, at Sunbridge Care Center in Twin Falls after a short illness.
She was born September 3, 1909, in Colusa, Illinois, the daughter of Martin V. and Mariah E. Anderson Ritchey. She moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, in 1910. Miss Ritchey was a graduate of Twin Falls High School of the class of 1926. She graduated from Albion State Normal School in 1931, receiving an Intermediate Life Diploma. She also graduated from Idaho State College in 1951, receiving a B.A. Degree. Miss Ritchey studied at the University of Nevada, Reno, University of Idaho, Moscow, and the Caroline Swamp Summer School, Long Beach, California.
She studied piano for several years under the late Mrs. A. Gilbert, a piano teacher in Twin Falls, Idaho.
Miss Ritchey was a retired elementary school teacher having taught in Nevada, and the Twin Falls School System. She was a member of the First Christian Church, Magic Valley Retired Teacher's Association and the Twin Falls Music Club.
Survivors include her several cousins Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin V. Ritchey, sister, Gertrude Ritchey Kulp, nephew, Harry Martin Kulp and a brother-in-law, Howard Kulp preceded her in death.
Funeral services for Cleta will be held Tuesday, June 18, 2002, at 2 p.m. at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho. Interment will follow services at the Twin Falls Cemetery, Twin Falls, Idaho.

TWIN FALLS



Kyle Anthony Wilcox
Kyle Anthony Wilcox, 19, of Twin Falls, formerly of Big Bear and Apple Valley, California, went to be with his maker on June 13, 2002, from injuries sustained in a car accident.
Kyle worked as a cook at the Aroma and Mama Ince Restaurants while attending school. He was presently employed at TOK Car Wash, while attending CSCI. He liked music and played trumpet in the Twin Falls High School Band. His pride and joy was his 1976 Pontiac, which he was restoring a little at a time. Writing poetry was one of his favorite hobbies. Helping family and friends was never a problem for him. He attended St. Ignace of Antioch Orthodox Christian Mission in Twin Falls, Idaho.
Kyle is survived by his parents, Ronald and Elaine Wilcox of Twin Falls; brothers, Kevin (Dabbie) Wilcox of Apple Valley, California, Kenyon (Army) Wilcox of Twin Falls, and Edward Wilcox of Alhambra, California; sisters, Becky (Albora) Taylor Phillips of Apple Valley, CA; two nieces, Shelby Wilcox and Samantha Manning-Wilcox, both of Twin Falls; one aunt, Amanda Miller of Rio, CA; and one uncle, Monte Sherris of Vancouver, WA. Kyle will be missed by all who knew and loved him.
Funeral services will be held Wednesday, June 19, 2002, at 2 p.m., at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday, June 18, 2002, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home from 5-7 p.m.

Teen wants to prevent relationship investigation

LEWISTON (AP) — A former teen inmate is demanding that an investigation into his relationship with a former counselor at the Idaho Juvenile Corrections Center be stopped.

Justin R. Brown, 25, and Devon Cain-Mercer, 25, were married last week in Boise, the Lewiston Morning Tribune reported.

Kootenai County Prosecutor William Douglas said there will be a criminal investigation into alleged sexual misconduct between the two.

Cain-Mercer allegedly became pregnant during a relationship with "John," who was under her supervision.

A letter from a lawyer retained by Brown was sent Thursday to Douglas and the Rathburn Police Department, which are investigating the case.

"Mr. Brown demands that the investigation of his relationship with Devon Brown stop," wrote attorney Robert Kwate.

"Mr. Brown was not in any way victimized by Devon and no laws have been broken. The only victimization of Mr. Brown has been having the details of his personal life splashed across the headlines of the newspaper."

Idaho law allows a sexual battery charge when there is more than a five-year age difference between an adult and a minor who has sex. There is an eight-year age difference between Brown and Cain-Mercer.

Through a lawyer, Cain-Mercer denied having had sex with anyone at the center.

The attorney for Cain-Mercer has been harassed by reporters and received unwelcome visits from Child Protective Services, all on top of recovering from surgery on Monday.

"Nobody seems to have any regard for the 'victim' here," Kwate said. "And that's Brown's point, he wants it stopped."

National publication ranks UI law school among the best

MOSCOW (AP) — The University of Idaho's College of Law has National Jurist Magazine's Top 10 "Best Schools for Your Money" list.

The magazine considered six factors in determining the ranking — nonresident tuition, bar exam success rates, unemployment, median grants, clinic slots and faculty-student ratio.

On a 3.0 scale, the University of Idaho was one of nine public schools to score between 2.5 and 2.7, a "great value."

Only the University of Ohio at Akron scored higher at 2.9.

"This is yet another affirmation that the University of Idaho provides a high quality legal education for minimal cost," Idaho Law School Dean Jack Miller said.

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Those fathers who have passed away,
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Most of these people do not know they can use their IRAs to purchase real estate. It can be done 2 different ways. Real estate can be owned within an IRA plan, but there are restrictions, and ultimately income and estate taxes will need to be paid.

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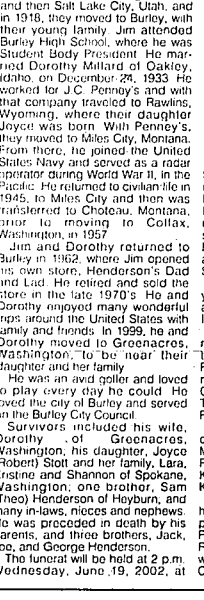
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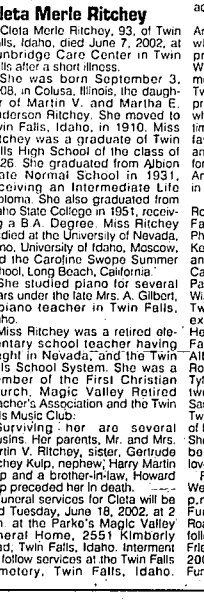
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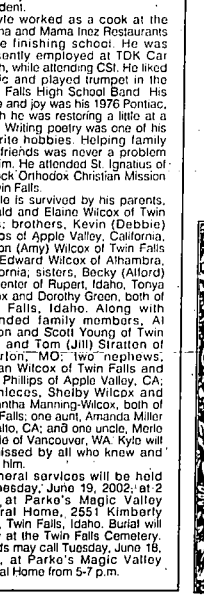
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Jim and Dorothy returned to Burley in 1962, where Jim opened his own store, Henderson's Dad and Lad. He retired and sold the store in the late 1970's. He and Dorothy enjoyed many wonderful times around the United States with family and friends. In 1992, he and Dorothy moved to Greenacres, Washington, to be near their daughter and her family.
He was an avid golfer, and loved to play every day he could. He loved the city of Burley and served on the Burley City Council.
Survivors included his wife, Dorothy of Greenacres, Washington; his daughter, Joyce (Robinson) Stott and her family, Lara, Kristine and Shannon of Spokane, Washington; one brother, Sam (Theo) Henderson of Heyburn, and many in-laws, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, and three brothers, Jack, Joe, and George Henderson.
The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, 2002, at

TWIN FALLS




Cleta Merle Ritchey
Cleta Merle Ritchey, 93, of Twin Falls, Idaho, died June 7, 2002, at Sunbridge Care Center in Twin Falls after a short illness.
She was born September 3, 1909, in Colusa, Illinois, the daughter of Martin V. and Mariah E. Anderson Ritchey. She moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, in 1910. Miss Ritchey was a graduate of Twin Falls High School of the class of 1926. She graduated from Albion State Normal School in 1931, receiving an Intermediate Life Diploma. She also graduated from Idaho State College in 1951, receiving a B.A. Degree. Miss Ritchey studied at the University of Nevada, Reno, University of Idaho, Moscow, and the Caroline Swamp Summer School, Long Beach, California.
She studied piano for several years under the late Mrs. A. Gilbert, a piano teacher in Twin Falls, Idaho.
Miss Ritchey was a retired elementary school teacher having taught in Nevada, and the Twin Falls School System. She was a member of the First Christian Church, Magic Valley Retired Teacher's Association and the Twin Falls Music Club.
Survivors include her several cousins Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin V. Ritchey, sister, Gertrude Ritchey Kulp, nephew, Harry Martin Kulp and a brother-in-law, Howard Kulp preceded her in death.
Funeral services for Cleta will be held Tuesday, June 18, 2002, at 2 p.m. at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho. Interment will follow services at the Twin Falls Cemetery, Twin Falls, Idaho.

TWIN FALLS



Kyle Anthony Wilcox
Kyle Anthony Wilcox, 19, of Twin Falls, formerly of Big Bear and Apple Valley, California, went to be with his maker on June 13, 2002, from injuries sustained in a car accident.
Kyle worked as a cook at the Aroma and Mama Ince Restaurants while attending school. He was presently employed at TOK Car Wash, while attending CSCI. He liked music and played trumpet in the Twin Falls High School Band. His pride and joy was his 1976 Pontiac, which he was restoring a little at a time. Writing poetry was one of his favorite hobbies. Helping family and friends was never a problem for him. He attended St. Ignace of Antioch Orthodox Christian Mission in Twin Falls, Idaho.
Kyle is survived by his parents, Ronald and Elaine Wilcox of Twin Falls; brothers, Kevin (Dabbie) Wilcox of Apple Valley, California, Kenyon (Army) Wilcox of Twin Falls, and Edward Wilcox of Alhambra, California; sisters, Becky (Albora) Taylor Phillips of Apple Valley, CA; two nieces, Shelby Wilcox and Samantha Manning-Wilcox, both of Twin Falls; one aunt, Amanda Miller of Rio, CA; and one uncle, Monte Sherris of Vancouver, WA. Kyle will be missed by all who knew and loved him.
Funeral services will be held Wednesday, June 19, 2002, at 2 p.m., at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday, June 18, 2002, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home from 5-7 p.m.

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Farmers make improvements as spud prices soar

IDAHO FALLS (AP)—After five years, Kent Sutton can finally replace his irrigation pipe as potato prices rise to near-record levels.

"It was rotten. For years we just kept patching and patching and patching," the Thornton farmer said.

This year is different, however. Potato prices have been good all year, and they rise to near-record levels in late May.

"It's incredible," he said. "I've never seen prices at this level."

Prices typically rise in May or June, when supplies of old-crop spuds get tight and new

crops from places such as California are not quite ready to be shipped.

The price Idaho growers were getting last Wednesday for 100 pounds of potatoes averaged \$11.58, more than double what they were earning in mid-June 2001, when they were giving millions of pounds away to food banks or dumping them.

Prices depend on supply and it is tight right now, said Bruce Huffaker of Idaho Falls, publisher of the North American Potato Market News.

To grow 100 pounds, it generally costs a

grower \$4 to \$5. For several years in the mid- to late-1990s, they were getting only a fraction of that, and many farmers were forced to sell their operations or get rid of their equipment and lease their fields and cellars.

This year, the market for fall 2001 potatoes has held steadily above break-even, dropping to \$7.26 in March and \$7.62 in May, but rebounding each time.

There are only about 500 commercial potato growers left in Idaho, but the economic effect they have is enormous.

Keith Frank, spokesman for the Potato

Growers of Idaho, said he hopes the good times have not obscured the challenges that face the farmers.

"There's a changing consumer out there," he said.

In this age of two-income families, fewer people buy 5- or 10-pound bags of fresh potatoes and peel them in preparation for dinner. Convenience and processed foods are the big sellers.

The Bench Mark Potato Co. that Sutton and his partners operate, developed ready-to-cook hash browns, which have been well received.

Teachers to review tests this summer

BOISE (AP)—A team of educators and test experts will spend part of the summer evaluating an achievement test for high school students.

The test is part of the Idaho Comprehensive Assessment Plan developed by the State Board of Education and approved by the Idaho State Legislature earlier this year.

Educators will work with the State Board of Education and the State Department of Education.

In April, all ninth graders and a sample of 10th, 11th and 12th graders took a draft version of the high school achievement test.

"The goal of these first pilots is to test the test," State Board of Education President Blake Hall said. "In the next three months, results will be examined and adjustments will be made where necessary."

State education officials are working with a testing contractor to develop and refine the test. Once completed, the high school test will be an exam that measures mastery of reading, language arts and math content knowledge.

"We want to create a tool for accountability that will be a valid check of essential reading, writing and math skills," Superintendent of Public Instruction Marilyn Howard said. "This is a complex endeavor. We want to construct a quality test that will help us measure student achievement and improve learning."

Twelve teachers will also spend time reviewing items for a second achievement test pilot that will be used next fall.

Tribe wants more input in dealing with antelope

POCATELLO (AP)—Three of nearly 50 pronghorn antelope that took up residence near the airport last winter were killed by city employees under the direction of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game and airport management.

The killings have angered citizens concerned about the safety of shooting in the area, and from the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, home to the pronghorns.

"We were afraid an airplane would hit one of the animals," said Lenard Nelson, airport manager. "We were simply protecting our passengers."

He said the Federal Aviation Administration requires the elimination of the animals to keep the airport open.

A kill permit for the removal of 10 pronghorns was issued by Fish and Game to airport management from April 29 to Aug. 15. It came about after hundreds of hours spent trying to drive the animals from the area.

"We and the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes worked pretty hard to get the herd busted up off the farmers' fields to keep the antelope off the runways," said Dexter Pitman, Fish and Game regional manager. "Antelope are extremely hard to drive and would run around us and back to the same spot they were time and time again."

"Our concern is the airport is inside the boundaries of the reservation and we feel we should have a part in the decision made to control the antelope," said Blaine Edmo, Shoshone-Bannock tribal chairman.

"From my understanding, capturing and removing the animals was too costly for us to afford. I also understand that with the capturing of antelope you generally have a high mortality on the animals you do catch and relocate," Edmo said.

Pocatello city attorney Dean Trimmer reported there still are animals living near the airport.

"The people that have been managing the animals are highly trained and have been taking all the safety precautions they can before killing the animals," he said.

Deseret News fights subpoena in Romney probe

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—The Deseret News is fighting a subpoena that Massachusetts Democrats plan to serve on a staff writer who reported former Salt Lake City Olympic organizer Mitt Romney declared himself a Utah resident.

The newspaper asked a state judge on Friday to quash a subpoena from the Massachusetts Democratic Party, which is trying to disqualify Romney from the race for Massachusetts governor. Romney is the Republican candidate.

Deseret News writer Lisa Riley Roche hasn't been served yet with a subpoena demanding her appearance at a deposition set for Monday. But a draft of the subpoena was sent Friday to the newspaper and its lawyer, prompting the paper's pre-emptive move in court.

Roche was being sought to testify about the accuracy of an April 11, 2000, story that said Romney "has declared his Deer Valley home his primary residence for tax purposes." In the story, Romney wouldn't rule out a run for political office in Utah.

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George Hill, left, and Jon Walters, both members of the Fleet Reserve association branch 29 in Bremerton, Wash., destroy U.S. flags after the fleet held a flag-burning ceremony at the association's headquarters on Flag Day Friday. The Fleet Reserve Association holds the annual ceremony to dispose of flags that have been given to the association for disposal over the past year.

Auditor's disappearance concerns Spokane police

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP)—Police have found the van of a state Department of Licensing auditor who disappeared Wednesday, the same day he was scheduled to meet with a Lincoln County trucker to collect records for an audit.

Detectives tracked down Roger Erdman's 1992 1996 plum-colored Chevrolet van late Friday night. It was parked on a road in northeast Spokane; investigators searched the area, but found no one.

On Saturday, police spokesman Dick Cottam said Erdman is believed to be in danger.

Erdman, 56, was last seen the morning of June 12, when he left his north Spokane office headed for Davenport, about 35 miles west, to meet with independent long-haul trucker Ralph H. Benson, who filed for Chapter 13 bankruptcy reorganization last month.

Police have called Benson a suspect in the disappearance of another trucker, who has never been found.

John W. Deetz of Fulton, Ill., was last heard from when he called his wife and employer in December 1988 from a truck stop in Spokane. His tractor-trailer was found in early 1991 on land Benson owned in the Los Angeles area, court documents say.

In a separate case, Benson, 62,

was convicted later that year of possessing a stolen tractor and a semi-truck at the old missile site he owns near Davenport.

Authorities have not been able to locate Benson since Erdman disappeared.

"It's unclear if Erdman ever met with Benson, Cottam said.

Erdman's wife of 20 years, Ok Chinn Erdman, and his 15-year-old daughter, Amy, told the Spokesman-Review that it's unusual for the 20-year Air Force veteran to be even five minutes late without calling them.

Erdman's supervisor, Dick Gray, described him as "very reliable." A Department of Licensing auditor for 14 years, Erdman had an appointment at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday to collect records from Benson, who was randomly selected for an audit. Erdman's job is to analyze truckers' records to make sure they are paying the right amount of fuel tax and license fees.

Benson filed for Chapter 13 bankruptcy reorganization in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Spokane on May 14.

Lincoln County Undersheriff Wade Magers said deputies went to Benson's home Wednesday night and again Thursday morning after Erdman's wife and daughter reported that he failed to come home.

Boise State University to open first training center of its kind in nation

BOISE (AP)—The Certified Crisis Worker Preparation Program at Boise State University will open its doors for the first time this August.

The center will help prepare students for the American Association of Suicidology's Certified Crisis Worker examination. Idaho has only one certified crisis worker and is seeking more.

Officials said the center is seeking donations for its Idaho Suicide Prevention and Hotline Service.

On the wish-list for the new facility that will train crisis workers is computers with CD-ROM drives, a laser printer, office furniture, movable partitions and office supplies.

The center will also help operate the crisis hot line, maintain a resource library and provide a meeting space for support groups.

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Libraries plan summer reading programs

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Young students in Minidoka County can keep their reading skills sharp even through the summer.

Elementary school libraries within the county are open to students during limited hours throughout the summer. And many of the libraries are holding summer reading programs.

At Paul Elementary School the response has been great, said Principal Colleen Johnson. More than 60 students attended the reading program on the first day.

Paul's school library is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. until noon through Aug. 1. On Tuesdays, there is an activity from 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Librarian Ralyn Miller said. On Thursdays there are no activities, but students can check books out or read.

When students read a book, they can sign the side of the "clubhouse" wall, Miller said. The theme for the reading program is "The Panther Clubhouse," and the first activity was building a clubhouse. Upcoming activities at Paul include food tasting, a rock lesson, reading with grandparents, learning about stars, doing origami and writing stories about dragons.

Even on a non-activity day, Miller said roughly 30 students came to the library. Everyone agrees on the benefits of having the libraries open.

"It just keeps the kids reading," Miller said. Reading during the summer means there is less drop-off in test scores when school begins again in the fall, Miller said.

"It will keep them up on their reading," said Jacque Nelson, librarian at Big Valley Elementary School, making it easier for students to move on in the fall when school resumes.

The goal is to keep one-third or even one-quarter of the students reading during the summer, Johnson said. Teachers won't have to spend as much time reviewing when students return in the fall.

Johnson said keeping school libraries open during the summer stemmed from discussion by elementary principals. The group took the proposal to the school board and the board approved funding. Librarians are paid for time worked during the summer.

Nelson said the focus during the summer is to keep reading and to read what you want to. During the school year, students are asked to read books that are within their level; during the summer, she is encouraging students to read anything they want to, whether it's above, below or within their level.

Nelson said story time is also a draw; students are read to, a change of pace from reading on their own.

At Big Valley Elementary, the library is open for the summer reading program on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Story times are from 9 until 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 until 11 a.m. each day. The library is also open to accommodate summer school students who are taking classes Tuesdays through Fridays at the school. The theme is "Expand Your Horizons."

Each school is holding different activities and themes in its summer reading program. Students are encouraged to participate at the school closest to them, which normally means the school they attend during the school year.

Libraries in Cassia County schools will not be open through the summer. Joyce Merrill, librarian at Dworshak Elementary School, has concerns about book loss. When the Burley



Jacque Nelson, librarian at Big Valley Elementary School, straightens books in the library. Elementary school libraries throughout Minidoka County are open during the summer.

School library hours for summer	Reading programs
Acequia School Library June 11 through Aug. 6 (except the week of July 4) 9 a.m. to noon Tuesdays 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Thursdays	Where: The DeMary Memorial Library in Rupert When: 1:20-2:30 p.m. each Monday in June Who: Children in kindergarten through sixth grade are invited to attend the last two sessions on Monday and June 24. What: Activities such as story time, crafts and games revolve around the theme "International Circle of Friends."
Memorial Elementary School Library June 11 through July 31 Noon to 3 p.m. Tuesdays 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays	Where: The Burley Public Library When: Program starts Monday; activities in July will be on Thursdays What: There are two components to the summer reading program. An activity dubbed "Follow the Yellow Book Road" begins Monday. Students set a goal with library personnel of time they will spend reading; they earn bricks for the time they read. The bricks will make a path through the library leading to a castle. Complete details are not set for July's activities. Library Director Julie Woodford said, but activities will be held July 11, 18 and 25. The theme is "Winner Circle, Imagination Station."
Big Valley Elementary School Library June 11 through July 24 8 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays through Fridays (except July 4) 8 to 11:30 a.m. July 25, 30	Public Library closed for a time after a fire last spring, Dworshak opened the school's library and lost a large number of books. With a declining budget anyway, Merrill said there would be no way to recoup book losses which occur during the summer.
Paul Elementary School Library June 11 through first week in August (except the week of July 4) 9 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and Thursdays	Times-News writer Shari Chaney can be reached at the Mini-Cassia Bureau at 677-1042, Ext. 638, or by e-mail at schaney@magicvalley.com.
Hayburn Elementary School Library June 11 through first week in August (except the week of July 4) 9 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and Thursdays	

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"In Boise you can move a street a lot easier and still keep a community of interest," Wood said.

Wood's motion strikes all of the '94 amendment except that the Senate shall have between 30 and 35 members and the House of Representatives shall have no more than two times as many members as the Senate has. She also added a paragraph that says whenever new congressional districts have to be drawn because of a new federal census, those decisions will be made by the Idaho Legislature.

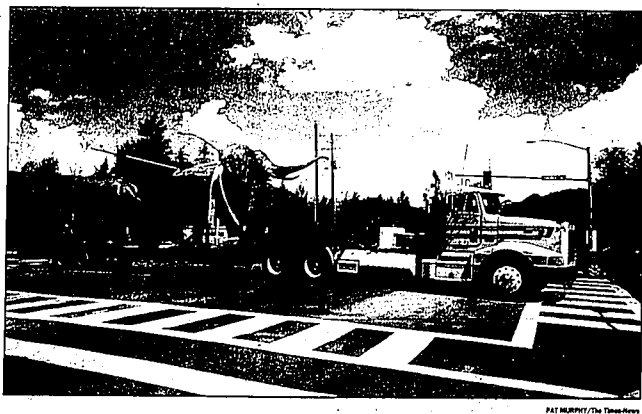
Wood said technology has changed so much since 1994 that now the Legislature could perform the job in a week or so and be much more accurate than the citizen commission.

The Legislature gave up the responsibility in 1993 when two-thirds of its members approved the citizen panel that would supposedly be non-partisan enough to get the job done without much argument. In 1994 voters overwhelmingly approved it, though only 50 percent plus one vote was required for a constitutional amendment. When the Legislature had control of it, the fights would be bloody and drawn out. The warfare was usually between parties or between urban versus rural control.

That's not to say that reappointment wasn't painful this time around. The Idaho Supreme Court forced three different maps before telling voters what map would hold for the May 28 primaries.

Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, who has been in the Legislature 22 years, had predicted in 1994 that the Times-News that the citizen panel would not be able to perform the difficult task any easier than lawmakers.

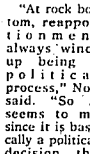
On Saturday, he said the same,



Two life-sized bronze elephants from Kotchum's Anne Reed Gallery are taken Saturday to the state Republican Party convention at the Sun Valley Resort. The 9,000-pound, 12-foot-tall male and 6,000 pound, 9.5-foot-tall female are priced at \$250,000 for the pair but were merely borrowed for the GOP meeting. Sculptor Peter Woytuk created the elephants.



Sen. Laird Noh



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that was approved to harden the Idaho Republican Party's stand on term limits. It affirms that voters can vote for whom they want.

He cited the need for experienced elected officials, especially in small cities and counties, as a main reason to oppose the "reimposition of term limits" in Idaho. The initiative, which has been financed so far

with about \$440,000 in out-of-state money, will be back before voters on the November ballot.

Some eastern Idaho delegates threw out the idea of limiting the terms of committee chairmen in the Legislature to three terms. They said they thought some entrenched chairmen had too much power.

But the motion had little support. Noh said such a maneuver would have to be handled among the lawmakers inside the Legislature.

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Conservation Corps crews repair City of Rocks trails

The Times-News

ALMO - Trails battered by heavy foot traffic in the summer and water erosion in the winter got a tune-up this week.

Two seven-person crews from the Montana Conservation Corps came to the City of Rocks National Reserve to repair the seven miles of the most popular trails, park Superintendent Wallace Keck said. From June 4-19 the Missoula, Mont.,-based crew removed sediment from behind water bars and placed new water bars along the trails. Part of a \$15,000 public land grant from the National Park Service paid for the trail work.

"With more than 50,000 people walking the trails each summer,

the paths were in need of repair, Keck said.

"These trails are granite sediments and they don't hold up well under heavy foot traffic," Keck said.

The Montana Conservation Corps is part of the AmeriCorps program. The organization contracts to build and repair trails in Montana and in Idaho because Idaho does not have its own conservation corps, said Bobby Grib, regional supervisor for the corps. The crew checked the entire trail system and did extensive repair in some areas.

The Montana Conservation Corps has repaired trails at the City of Rocks for the last five years, Grillo said. The workers will come back in July to do more trail maintenance at the park.

Spokane mayor fights 'persistent poverty'

SPOKANE (AP) - Few mayors like to highlight their city's faults, but John Powers is so worried about persistent poverty in Spokane that he will sacrifice image to find a solution.

Powers recently convened One Spokane, a seminar for civic leaders, futurists and ordinary citizens designed to raise the standard of living in the state's second-largest city.

"It's the one issue that stands above all else in its impact on the community," Powers said.

Not since the Korean War has Spokane County's median household income matched the state average. In 2000, the average annual wage was \$29,743 in Spokane County, while the state average was \$37,038 and the national average was \$35,296.

And, in Spokane County, 13.7 percent of the people lived in poverty in 2000, compared to 11.9 percent statewide.

Spokane County ranks on top of almost every indicator of poverty among the state's most populous counties, and in nearly every case, comparable statistics for the city of Spokane would be worse than for the county as a whole, officials say.

"It's a big change from Spokane's roots.

Spokane was born in a silver mining boom, and in the early 1900s was one of the richest cities in the nation. Mining, logging and agriculture spurred growth.

When resource jobs declined, the city turned to service and retail jobs.

The high-tech boom of the 1990s boosted Spokane some, but the city failed to develop a huge company like Microsoft, or the type of critical mass that would spawn tens of thousands of jobs, as occurred in Seattle.

Patrick Copeland-Malone, who lives in the impoverished West Central neighborhood, said he used to last month's One Spokane as a cynic.

But the May 28 summit, attended by 950 people, provided a model to "create a sustainable community that balanced economy with ecology with equity," he said.

"But the work isn't over. We solved nothing," he added.

Like many cities, Spokane suffers from an unequal distribution of wealth. There are lavish homes on the South Hill, and affluent neighborhoods scattered on the north side. There is high-end shopping, dining and entertainment.

But parts of the city, particularly older neighborhoods near downtown, contain some of the poorest people in the state. Raising incomes in these areas is daunting because of low wages, child care costs, substance abuse and other obstacles.

The summit produced numerous ideas.

They included a mandatory living wage for workers; ensuring child care is available 24 hours a day; banning private cars downtown to encourage pedestrian traffic; mandatory paid maternity leave; and adding 1,000 downtown apartments at diverse rents.

There were calls to build a light rail line and to expand bus service. Others thought Spokane should create a medical school. One suggestion was that the strip malls and fast food restaurants along North Division Street should be converted into something that resembled Paris' Champs Elysees.

Powers and a team of advisers are paring those ideas down into workable policy.

Business community members were alarmed by proposals demanding that employers pay more.

"We have to remain business friendly and keep and attract businesses," said JoAnn Fien, a public relations executive who is a leader of Focus 21, a private economic development group with a goal to recruit or retain family wage jobs.

Sandy Thompson-Royer moved to Spokane two years ago from Ferry County, and was immediately struck by the low wages for available jobs.

"I was seeing myself as someone with lots of skills and educated, but I was looking at jobs paying less than \$10 an hour," Thompson-Royer said.

She finally took a job - with the Peace and Justice Action League, as a social activist who pushes for living wages. That would be the easiest way to end poverty, she said at the summit.

Salt Lake papers quarrel over sealed court documents

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The Salt Lake Tribune violated a court order by using sealed documents for a story recounting the Mormon church's role in the Tribune's ownership battle, a lawyer for the church-owned Deseret News said Saturday.

David Jordan, a lawyer for the Deseret News, told The Associated Press he filed a motion asking a federal judge to cite Tribune executives with contempt for his disclosures.

Jordan alleged Tribune managers leaked sealed documents, and that those documents were used "word for word" in last Sunday's story, which recounted two efforts by the church and the Deseret News to buy the Tribune after a series of corporate takeovers left the paper vulnerable to a takeover.

The Deseret News ended up aligning itself with Denver-based newspaper chain MediaNews Group, which bought the Tribune in January 2001.

The McCarty family, the

Tribune's former majority owner, is suing to enforce a disputed court order by using sealed documents for a story recounting the Mormon church's role in the Tribune's ownership battle, a lawyer for the church-owned Deseret News said Saturday.

News executives say a joint operating agreement that governs the printing, advertising and circulation departments of both Salt Lake City dailies gives them a say in any sale of the Tribune.

Jordan said he filed the contempt motion under a secrecy order Wednesday because it cites the sealed documents supposedly used by the Tribune.

U.S. District Judge Ted Stewart set up a procedure for the three parties to file documents under seal. Jordan said Tribune managers, while filing their share of sealed documents, made selective disclosures of Deseret News documents.

"The court's order is the court's order," he said. "We lived up to it and they did not."

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Mayors vote to oppose nuclear waste shipments

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — A committee of mayors voted Saturday to oppose transporting high-level nuclear waste to a new repository unless federal officials can guarantee the safety of all cities along proposed routes.

The resolution adopted on a unanimous vote was a stoppage short of opposing the creation of a nuclear waste repository in Nevada's Yucca Mountain. Three Western mayors had urged their counterparts earlier in the day to oppose the repository, saying that shipping radioactive waste to the site would threaten the entire country.

Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman said an earthquake centered 12.5 miles from the proposed site at Yucca Mountain on Friday reinforced his concern that the site was unsafe for storing nuclear waste.

"That's our problem," Goodman told the U.S. Conference of Mayors. "The nation, however, has a problem with transportation."

Goodman, Salt Lake City Mayor Ross Anderson and Reno, Nev., Mayor Jeff Griffin said the federal government had not done enough to study the risks posed by shipping nuclear waste to the proposed site by highway or rail.

The federal plan would bury 77,000 tons of nuclear waste in tunnels inside Yucca Mountain, where it would remain radiating for more than 10,000 years. The House has already approved the plan; the Senate has to vote



The sun rises over the hills surrounding Yucca Mountain in the file photo. Federal officials insisted Friday that the site of a proposed national nuclear waste repository in the Nevada desert is safe, despite an early morning earthquake that rumbled nearby.

on it by July 26. The conference energy committee's resolution calls on Congress to prohibit moving high-level nuclear waste until cities along its route have adequate funding, training and equipment in the event of an accident. The full conference was expected to vote on the resolution Monday.

The conference, which drew about 250 mayors, includes a series of meetings on issues ranging from affordable housing to

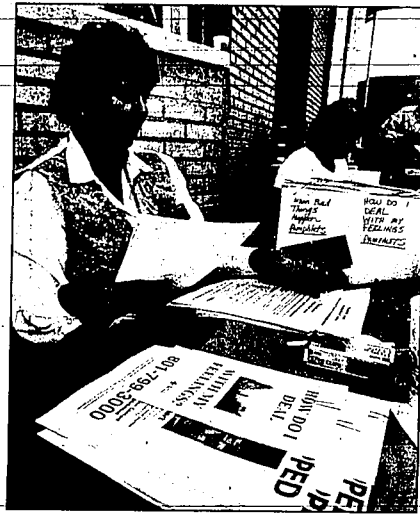
the environment. The mayors also approved a resolution urging Washington to distribute homeland security block grants directly to cities and counties. President Bush has proposed sending about \$3.5 billion in such grants to states, with three-fourths of it targeted for local governments.

"There should be no middlemen. It should go directly to the cities," said Boston Mayor Thomas Menino, a Democrat who is president of the group.

Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson told the mayors that distributing money through the states was the quickest way.

He noted that before states could receive the money, their plans for spending it had to be approved by the federal government.

"If we had to do this with all of the cities, we probably wouldn't have been able to do it," said Thompson, who was governor of Wisconsin for 14 years.



Eliene Marchand creates handout material on the Elizabeth Smart kidnapping case before closing up the command center at the Mormon ward house Saturday in Salt Lake City.

Searchers for Utah girl reorganize

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Volunteers shut down a makeshift command center Saturday and appealed to neighborhood groups to take up their own search for Elizabeth Smart, the 14-year-old Utah girl apparently taken from her home at sunset 11 days ago.

The family said a decentralized search would make it more efficient for civic-minded groups to cover their own ground without first having to appear at a central command for instructions.

"We're going from a centralized search to a community search," said David Smart, one of the girl's uncles. "We're going to be able to cover a lot more ground in a shorter time."

The command center set up at a Mormon meeting house was dismantled Saturday and a nearby park used as a helicopter pad was turned back to a soccer field. City police had no new leads but were working tips on the girl snatched from a darkened bedroom early June 5 as her younger sister looked on.

The focus turned back to Utah after a frantic police chase Friday in Texas and New Mexico, which seemed to be on the trail of a possible abduction witness, turned up the wrong man.

The man Texas authorities arrested Friday in a string of car thefts was not Bret Michael Edmunds, whom Utah authorities want for questioning in the kidnapping.

He was Bryant Dwan Carlisle, a suspected car thief from Portland, Ore., Texas Ranger Duane McCord said. "I'm heartbroken," said Randall Harris, a district attorney in New Mexico. "My heart goes out to the Smart family."

In Salt Lake City, police called off regularly daily news briefings. Sgt. Fred Louis said police will brief media only when breaking developments occur.

Eleven days into the search, a team of 90 officers and detectives had no promising new leads

into Elizabeth's disappearance, he said.

Friday's search bounced between eastern New Mexico and western Texas as authorities sought the driver of a series of stolen vehicles who was identified by two people as matching Edmunds' description.

Authorities in Littlefield, about 35 miles northwest of Lubbock, used finger prints to identify the man as Carlisle, who has no connection to the Smart case.

"We can understand how the identities may have been mixed up," McCord said. "They look very similar."

Carlisle was arrested at a department store on suspicion of auto theft and shoplifting. He bought shoes and a shirt, but authorities believed he also took shorts and a pair of boxers without paying. His muddy clothing and a wallet were found in a dressing room.

Authorities have said Edmunds, 26, could be a witness and is not considered a suspect in the Smart case. The transient, living out of his Saturn sedan, had been seen near the Smart neighborhood, where a milkman was able to partly recite his license plates, Louis said.

Those plates, stolen from another car, were found ditched Thursday along a road in the city, a suburb north of the city. The Saturn has not been found.

The girl was taken from her bedroom June 5. Her 9-year-old sister, Mary Katherine, described the kidnaper as a 5-foot-8 man. Edmunds is 6-foot-2 and 235 pounds.

"He doesn't exactly fit the description that Elizabeth's sister gave," Cynthia Smart-Owens, one of Elizabeth's aunts, said Saturday. Edmunds was being sought for outstanding warrants on charges of fraud and assault on a police officer. He had served 60 days and was put on probation in 2000 for stealing and forging checks.

Wolf tagged in Central Idaho turns up in Wyoming

CODY, Wyo. (AP) — A wolf from west-central Idaho that was lost to biologists for two years has reappeared as the apparent alpha male of a pack west of Meeteetse.

Federal officials started trapping and collaring the new pack in the Greybull River area last weekend. They were surprised to discover that one wolf, a 4-year-old male, already had a collar.

Records showed the wolf was collared in September 1998 when it was a puppy and a member of the Thunder Mountain pack near McCall, about 100 miles north of Boise.

While wolves often cover wide areas, it is unusual for one to range quite so far, particularly through Idaho's open areas and across Wyoming's rugged terrain.

"It's happened from McCall to Idaho but not really from Idaho to Wyoming," said Mike Jimenez, wolf biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "By airplane, this is about a 304-mile dispersal distance."

He speculated that the wolf traveled through the Area, Idaho, area and possibly Craters of the Moon National Monument on its way to Wyoming.

Jimenez said getting young wolves to disperse throughout these little islands of central Idaho, Yellowstone National Park and Montana — is important to their recovery.

Though the three areas are separate for planning purposes, biologists say keeping populations linked helps prevent inbreeding. "The fear was about creating these little islands of genetic bottlenecking," Jimenez said.

Also, if disease or disaster strikes one or two areas, the region's entire population is not threatened.

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Fine wines in funky places: Wineries sprout in cities

SEATTLE (AP) — A new crop of urban winemakers is proving you don't need to live in the country to make great wine. Heck, you don't even need a back yard.

These winemakers get their grapes from the rolling hills of Eastern Washington, but they do the crushing, fermenting, bottling and everything else in the big city.

Gordy Rawson crushes grapes on the dead-end street outside his Seattle home, accompanied by the dull roar of traffic on nearby Interstate 5. Oak barrels fill his basement, home of Chatter Creek Winery.

Bill Owen and Rob Sullivan of Owen Sullivan Winery inhabit a dimly lit, olive-colored warehouse in a semi-industrial Third Avenue office park, just south of Seattle.

And to find Ben Smith's Cadence Winery, drive south of Safeway Field and look for a wine barrel on the cracked sidewalk nestled between a brake-and-clutch shop and a bread factory.

"Washington state is really, for many people, the land of opportunity in the world of wine," said the Washington Wine Commission's Steve Burns.

Making wine at home is a cen-

uries-old tradition. In Europe, home winemakers are called "garagistes." A few California garagistes have attained cult status with their wines sometimes selling for more than \$1,000 a bottle.

The work of garagistes in Washington — the nation's No. 2 wine producer after California — is winning attention and praise, although at more affordable prices.

These winemakers' backgrounds vary as widely as their wines. But they share a dream of making great wine, and a common determination to make it happen wherever they live.

Smith, who owns Cadence winery with his wife, Gaye McNutt, was always a beer kind of guy. But when a friend of his invited him to help with the harvest for a day at a Washington vineyard, he was fascinated — and soon hooked.

The Bozong mechanical engineer's homemade wines started winning local prizes. When wine shop owners told Smith his wine was good enough to sell commercially, he put together a 50-page business plan and said goodbye to 7375 and 7575.



Owen-Sullivan co-owner Rob Sullivan and his wife, Penny, make wine in their urban Tukwila, Wash., location.

"I've always liked to see tangible results for my work," said Smith, 39, gesturing to the French oak wine barrels lined up behind him. "Wine is a pretty special thing."

He's not the only one who thinks so. His wines are sold at fancy restaurants such as New York's Gramercy Tavern, and Wine and Spirits magazine named

Cadence "the new name to watch" in its June 2002 issue. His wines sell for around \$30 a bottle.

Owen's journey into winemaking was less accidental. He worked as a waiter, a wine steward, a wholesaler and a wine buyer for QFC and Fred Meyer.

"I was plotting this all along," he said. He teamed up with Sullivan, 61, who handles the

business end. They needed about \$500,000 over five years to start the winery, Owen said. Their wines sell for \$25 to \$35.

Owen, 54, happily shows visitors around the 4,500-square-foot warehouse, stopping occasionally to swirl, sniff and sip some of the wine being aged in French oak barrels. (His motto: "Older women, younger wines.")

"Unlike other jobs where you don't want to work all the time, winemaking is more fun," he explained.

Urban winemakers must learn how to do everything, from financing equipment to driving forklifts and chasing wayward barrels.

"Every day it's a new thing," Chatter Creek winemaker Rawson said. "I'm a mechanic, a lab guy, a pump jockey, human resources, accounts payable, accounts receivable...."

Rawson, 45, started out making champagne, but had to revise his plan quickly when he realized customers didn't love it as much as he did. Now he makes several reds along with sparkling wines, and they sell for \$14 to \$20.

Small wineries enjoy a group

effort. One recent day, Rawson was using Smith's labeler, while Smith was "borrowing" Owen-Sullivan's bottling machine. For grape crushing, bottling and other big jobs, they rely on friends who are thrilled to volunteer — especially since everyone leaves with some wine. "I call it my Tom Sawyer list," Rawson said.

It's tough not being involved in growing the grapes — which is, winemakers agree, the most important part of the process. But they say they trust their vineyard managers.

Smith relies on handshake agreements with his vineyard suppliers — a practice that drives his wife, a Microsoft attorney, crazy.

Making wine in Seattle has benefits, though. The biggest is being in the middle of your customer's base. Recently a restaurant called and told Rawson a table of 20 businessmen loved his wine so much they just drank the last bottle; how fast could Rawson get them some more?

Rawson loaded a case of Chatter Creek in his car and delivered it to the restaurant before the businessmen's glasses had even run dry.

Fugitive may have fled U.S.

COLFAX, Wash. (AP) — A man who fled after being charged with vehicular homicide and vehicular assault stemming from a crash may have had enough money to leave the country, an investigator says.

Frederick David Russell, 23, left Pullman with \$10,000 to \$15,000, Sgt. Pat Kelley of the Whitman County Sheriff's Office told the Lewiston Morning Tribune in an article published Wednesday.

Russell's father and his lawyer questioned Kelley's assertion.

Originally, investigators believed Russell had only \$1,300 stolen from his father and a baseball card collection when he fled, contending he had been threatened.

Russell, a WSU student when the crash occurred, is charged with three counts of vehicular homicide and three of vehicular assault. An arrest warrant was issued when he failed to appear Oct. 26 for a pretrial hearing in Whitman County Superior Court.

If caught and convicted, Russell could face a maximum penalty of life in prison plus a \$50,000 fine on each count.

Kelley said the money was part of the \$32,000 to \$36,000 that Russell's mother and stepfather, who live in Chico, Calif., said they had sent to help in Fred Russell's defense. "We know for sure not all of that made it to the attorney," Kelley said.

If "extremely probable" that Russell is no longer in the United States, Kelley said.

"With that amount he could go longer in a Third World country or overseas," Kelley said.

Russell's passport is missing, and investigators are looking for it.

Kelley has said Russell had talked about going to Puerto Rico, or Mexico, and had connections in British Columbia.

Linda Russell and Dale Wilms, Fred Russell's mother and stepfather, told Kelley they were still being billed for more than \$25,000 by Moscow attorney Mark Mouser. That bill led Linda Russell and Wilms to believe the attorney did not receive all the money they sent.

Fred Russell's father, Greg Russell, said he forwarded checks from the ex-wife to the attorney.

"I've accounted for every penny she sent me that I'm aware of," Russell said. "As far as I'm concerned, I can't even imagine where it got those numbers."

He said he did not receive as much money as his ex-wife told Kelley she sent. Between the two of them, he said, they paid about \$27,000 in legal bills. "There are hundreds of thousands of outstanding dollars," he said. "If Fred had a bunch of money, I don't know where he got it."

Russell's attorney also questioned the missing money story.

"This whole theory that Fred took extra money just has no validity. There would be canceled checks out there that would be traceable," Mouser said.

He said the only money missing is that which Fred Russell is accused of taking from his father. Russell was believed to have left with only \$1,300, he allegedly took from his father's credit account, along with some valuable baseball cards.

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Above, prosthetist Randy Hamm, of Pocatello, sits near shoes, crutches and prosthetic devices donated for his mission trip to Peru this fall. Hamm and medical personnel had planned on going to Peru this spring but postponed the trip until October due to the threat of terrorist activities. Left, this unidentified Peruvian girl, shown in an undated file photo, lost both arms after falling into a pig pen when she was 2 years old. Hamm hopes to fit the girl with a prosthesis on her left arm when he returns to Peru.



Terrorism scares postpone Peru mission

POCATELLO (AP) — During both of his previous medical missions to Huancayo, Peru, Randy Hamm had to turn away a little girl who lost portions of her arms after falling into a pig pen. Hamm, a local orthotist prosthetist, hoped he would finally get his chance to help the child during a return trip last month. But due to the potential for terrorist activity, the girl's wait will be prolonged again.

The trip, which had already been pushed back once because of the Sept. 11 attacks, is being rescheduled, perhaps for September or October of this year.

During his trips to Huancayo in 2000 and 2001, Hamm said he didn't have the necessary equipment to make an artificial limb for the little girl.

Hamm said the girl's story has touched the heart's of Pocatello residents who have been working to raise money.

The Centennial Rotary Club has made a large donation to

help her, and students from Highland and Century high schools have organized fundraisers.

In April, Hamm received word from the U.S. Department of State that the trip was canceled due to concerns about the terrorist group Sendero Luminoso, which means "Shining Path."

"I'm extremely disappointed," Hamm said. "There have been people who have walked a couple of days to get to the clinic when they found out we were going to be there."

Ben Ziff, a press officer for the U.S. Embassy in Peru, said a travel warning was issued because May 17 is an important anniversary for the Sendero Luminoso, whose members often plan attacks for significant dates.

"In the 1980s when they were particularly active in Peru, they'd detonate bombs. They'd also assassinate people in the villages in the interior of Peru," Ziff said. "They're not the

threat they once were, but they're still something to look out for."

Chad Fugate, a nurse anesthetist for Anesthesia Associates who helped organize the trip, said Huancayo was among the group's major hubs during its heyday.

"The government wouldn't even go in there," Fugate said. Fugate said he and the other volunteers would be prime targets because they would be the only "gringos" in the area, and their trip would be accompanied by a great deal of publicity.

"Part of the problem with this whole thing is it could have been a generic announcement that could have been made any May since 1995," Fugate said.

But Fugate also said medical personnel who plan on going will have more time to raise funds to help the girl and others like her.

"The people of Huancayo love us," he said. "They think we're their mission. They treat us like kings."

The local volunteers have formed a prosthetics outreach of a larger group, called Operation Condor, based in Wheaton, Ill.

Operation Condor treats the poor in Peru, who often have no medical services available for all forms of ailments.

Hamm said the goal of his group and of Operation Condor is to train Peruvians in medicine so the clinic in Huancayo can remain open all year long.

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Appeals court dismisses bid to ban helicopter tours

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal appeals court Friday dismissed an attempt by two environmental groups to bar helicopter tours over federal lands outside Wyoming's Grand Teton National Park.

Judge Judith W. Rogers, writing for a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, said the court decided against the groups' May 2001 petition for an emergency order to stop the flights because the issues were too abstract.

Natural Resources Defense Council and The Wilderness Society had alleged that irreparable harm would be done to the park's natural quiet and wildlife. But Rogers wrote that "the issues are not fit for judicial review because, in the end, they lack suf-

ficient concreteness and they would require the court to conduct a purely hypothetical inquiry."

The groups had wanted the court to review the Federal Aviation Administration's decision that the 2000 National Parks Air Tour Management Act didn't bar Vortex Aviation Services LLC from offering sightseeing tours out of the Jackson Hole Airport.

"It seems to me that the court is supporting the FAA's position," said Gary Kniffman, the manager in Jackson, Wyo., for Vortex, which also has offices in West Yellowstone, Mont., and El Cajon, Calif. "If there's any effect, I believe it would be a good effect because the court found no merit in the allegations."

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THE SCARLET WITCH

Car chase ends in arrest of two men

BOISE (AP) — Two Caldwell men accused of shooting at Canyon County sheriff's deputies during a car chase are behind bars.

Jeronimo Avila, 24, and Alfredo Quezada, 23, have been charged with aggravated assault on a police officer, eluding arrest and being in possession of stolen property.

All are felonies and several other charges are possible, Sheriff George Nourse said Friday. A third man got on foot after the car was stopped.

According to sheriff's reports, Avila was driving Thursday night and Quezada was leaning out the window and shooting at the deputies during the chase, which began after the car was pulled over for having a burned-out headlight.

It ended when Avila's car collided with a vehicle that was driving the wrong way down a Caldwell street.

Horses spook, injure eight park visitors

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Eight park visitors were injured when they were thrown from their horses. One woman remained hospitalized Friday, a Yellowstone National Park official said. Seven others suffered minor injuries and were treated and released.

The visitors were returning from a cookout Wednesday night in the northeastern section of the park. Officials said a horse at the back of the group charged through the pack. At least eight riders fell or were thrown from their mounts, park officials said.

A park ranger immediately called for assistance. All eight visitors were taken to Lake Hospital inside the park for treatment, and one woman was taken by helicopter to a hospital in Idaho Falls. She suffered broken ribs and other injuries, but is listed in stable condition, officials said.

Park officials did not release the names of the visitors.

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WEST

'Hampered' wildfires become catastrophes

Without freedom to burn, forests are even more fire-prone

Knight Ridder News Service

DENVER - Long before there were roads crisscrossing the landscape, or people setting up homesteads in the cool shade of the mountains, there were fires - grand, glorious blazes that burned undisturbed through the forests until the last flickers died out on their own.

They attracted little attention. No firefighters or aircraft hauling hundreds of gallons of water rushed to the scene. The wildfires were considered part of a necessary cycle of nature, a purifying event that kept the forests healthy and strong.

These days, as the treacherous wildfire known as the Hayman continues to rage south of the city, threatening hundreds of homes and tearing through nearly 100,000 acres of forest, forest managers, environmentalists and scientists are confronting a different reality - the wildfire urban interface, the place where man meets the wild.

Now, there are lives and property at stake. A way of life to protect and preserve. And it is that tenuous balance that is shaping the debate over how to best manage the mountain forests of the West, many historically dependent on fire, in the face of the region's increasing suburbanization and what is expected to be a terrible fire season.

The fact that Colorado is experiencing a wildfire is not what is dramatic, said Penny Luehring, watershed improvement program manager for the U.S. Forest Service. What is dramatic is the size of the fire and the unpredictability of the fire, and how close it is to established communities.

"And the question becomes, what are we doing and what should we be doing to help these communities while at the same time also protecting these natural ecosystems," Luehring said. "It's a story playing itself out all over the West, I'm afraid."

Scientists, environmentalists and land managers all seem to agree that fire in and of itself is a natural and healthy event in forests. Though it will kill off trees and even some wildlife, fire helps to thin out smaller trees that clog up forests and open up the canopy of tree crowns to let in sunlight that will, in turn, promote new plant growth.

But that is where the agreement ends, particularly as many people leave behind clogged cities - and increasingly, densely built-up suburbs - to build homes on the edges of national and state forests.

And Colorado, the third fastest growing state in the country, has been on the forefront of that migration, sports some counties that have exploded in growth since 1990. For example, Douglas County just south of Denver, where the current fire has reaped much of its destruction inside Pike National Forest, was the fastest growing in the nation. It burgeoned by a phenomenal 191 percent in size between 1990 and 2000 to just about 200,000 residents, U.S. Census figures show.

Because of these demographic shifts, federal and state land management agencies that oversee much of the forests through



Fire Information officer Marilyn Fagerstrom shows a campfire ring Saturday in the Hayman Gulch area of the Pike National Forest that authorities believe was the beginning of the largest forest fire in Colorado's history.

out the West have adopted a policy of intervention when fires erupt, experts said. That, in turn, has stunted normal fire cycles and created denser forests with a build-up of natural fuels, rendering them even more fire-prone.

So when fires do break out, whether because of natural causes or human ones, there is the likelihood that they will burn faster and more furiously. Couple that with this year's severe drought conditions throughout much of the West, some forestry experts argue, and you have forests that are virtual tinderboxes.

"We have to have fires in these forests for them to survive as forests, and there were fires in forests even before people started monkeying around with them," said Niel Lawrence, forestry project director for the Natural Resources Defense Council.

"The problem today with forests is our previous efforts to keep fires away from them," he said. "And the real question now has become, are they burning in a way that is sustainable for a forest, or are they so out of whack that they are destructive. I don't know that we have the answer to that yet."

Fast fire-prevention efforts also have included setting prescribed fires and thinning forests. The latter has become a sore point of debate, engaging everyone from land managers to environmentalists to politicians, who not only disagree over whether it is helpful, but also over how much of it is needed and where.

Many environmental groups support thinning in wildlife urban interface zones. What troubles them is when thinning occurs deep inside the forests. Thinning there, they argue, brings down older, more fire-resistant trees that have adapted to fire cycles over the years. Thinning also brings roads. Roads bring people. And people bring the potential for human-caused fires.

"That is something no one really likes to talk about, but it is a reality," said Suzanne Jones of the Denver chapter of The Wilderness Society.

Dave Bunnell is of a different mind. A national fire use program manager for the U.S. Forest Service, he too believes that wildfires are inevitable. But he also believes there is a responsibility

to be proactive in "fireproofing" areas where those blazes occur, particularly when they abut communities. He supports thinning, both in the area of the urban wildlife interface, as well as in the backwoods.

Doing so, Bunnell believes, helps forests while also mitigating the impact of their wildfires on people. "I would argue that man is part of the ecosystem," he said. "And the focus should be natural resource management and how it relates to communities. It's very simple. We either do something, or we are going to get hurt."

The question of what to do, Bunnell concedes, "is not rocket science, it's harder than that."

But a good forest management

strategy, he said, is not unlike a good football game - "You need a good offense and a good defense." The offense will come from land management agencies who can treat forests with prescribed fires and thinning. And the defense will come from homeowners, who can choose to fireproof their homes, both through the building materials they use and the thinning measures they take in the 200 feet around their properties.

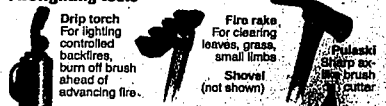
The problem comes in convincing people to do that, others argue. It requires better planning, as well as the realization that when you build in the forest, you will have to live with fire.

"I think the public would like to have safe forests," said Bill

Weapons against a wildfire

Firefighters working to contain a forest or brush fire often have only the basic gear, but here's what a fully-equipped firefighter carries:

Firefighting tools



Protection and survival



Shroud: Protects head, neck
Emergency shelter: Small flame-resistant tent; used if firefighter is trapped by fire, must take cover
Boots: Thick soles, steel toes
Helmet: Goggles
Respirator
Fire-resistant clothing
May also carry: Radio, GPS location finder

Heavy labor

To qualify for "arduous" fireline work, a Forest Service firefighter must be able to carry, without running or jogging:
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Baker, who teaches fire ecology at the University of Wyoming. "They would like to have the forests fire-free." "But that is an image of a tame forest that will never be the

case," he said. "I can't see a way to take a forest and make it a safe place to live." The Hayman Fire, if nothing else, has worked to raise that awareness.

Fire crews make some headway on huge blaze

LAKE GEORGE, Colo. (AP) - Firefighters dug trenches and searched through burned-out areas for hot spots Sunday along the southern edge of a 102,000-acre forest fire southwest of Denver.

Cool, calm weather early in the day had helped the fire crews, but there was a possibility of thunderstorms with gusty wind.

Bulldozers headed down a road into the fire area north of Lake George as some 30 residents were allowed in briefly to check on their homes.

Quentin Good, 29, said he jumped up and down after seeing his log cabin and neighboring gem mine still intact. "It is still there, though many of the properties near us have had much fire damage. The firefighters are really doing a good job," said Good, who sees smoky quartz and crystals at the Dreamtime Mine.

Some 5,300 people remain out of their homes because of the fire, which has blackened nearly

160 square miles since it started June 8 in the Pike National Forest, apparently originating with a campfire. It had burned to within 40 miles of the Denver city limits.

About 1,800 firefighters helped by slurry bombers and helicopters were working on the fire Saturday.

The fire was 30 percent contained by firebreaks on Saturday. Its northern edge, which had earlier threatened the outlying edges of Denver's southwest suburbs, remained less active, but officials were worried that strong wind could make the fire grow.

"We don't have a perimeter secure yet on the (northern) flank. Until we have a line that we can hold for a couple of days, nothing is secure," fire information officer Mike Smith said.

On the southern edge, fire crews put out remaining flames from an earlier backfire set to prevent the fire from spreading into Lake George, a small recreation community.

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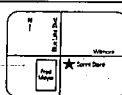


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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“ Trying to put a new dress on an old hooker is not the way I want to go dancing.”

—Baltimore Ravens owner Art Modell on the NFL owners' concern about using the old L.A. Coliseum for an expansion franchise

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Which Laker great was the first commissioner of the old American Basketball Association?

Answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 16

American Legion baseball
Father's Day Classic Tournament, at Chico, Calif.
Twin Falls AA vs. team to be determined, at TBA
Pocatello Tournament, at Halliwell Field
Wood River vs. Rifle, Colo., 12:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Bruin boosters will meet Monday

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls High School booster club will hold a planning meeting Monday at 7 p.m. at the home of Darren and Debbie Hill at 329-B Falls Avenue East, to prepare for the upcoming school year. All Bruin supporters are encouraged to attend. Call 734-0791 for more information.

'Voice of the Bengals' Jim Fox dies at 63

POCATELLO — Jim Fox, a longtime broadcaster for Idaho State University athletics, died Friday while vacationing in Mexico. He was 63. Fox collapsed on his way back to his hotel after a morning walk, the university said in a prepared statement. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Fox was affiliated with Idaho State for the past 20 years, beginning with the football program in 1978. He worked in both radio and television media.

"He was the voice of the Bengals, and I don't know if that could be replaced," Idaho State men's basketball coach Doug Oliver said of his close personal friend. Fox is survived by his wife and two grown children.

Shoshone holds junior rodeo today

SHOSHONE — A jackpot junior rodeo for children 14 and under will be held today at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds arena. Registration, which costs \$5 per event, begins at 2 p.m. with the rodeo kicking off at 3 p.m.

Events include barrel racing, goat tying, pole bending and breakaway roping. For more information, call Carol Short at 536-6278 or Mildred Frith at 536-2591.

Roller hockey league will begin Monday

TWIN FALLS — Registration is being taken for both advanced and beginners roller hockey leagues, which begin on Monday and play every Monday and Wednesday.

Cost is \$20 within Twin Falls and \$22 out of city limits. Play is held at the Boys and Girls Club and goes from 6:45-8 p.m. for beginners and from 8:15 p.m. for advanced players. Sign up at the parks and recreation department at 136 Maxwell Ave. Call 736-2265 for more information.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

George Mikan.

CSI repeats as national rodeo champions

The Times-News

CASPER, Wyo. — The College of Southern Idaho repeated as national champs while cowboy Cody DeMers' bid for a repeat as national intercollegiate saddle bronc and bareback champion fell short Saturday in the final round of the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyo.

CSI cruised to the team title with 602.5 points to 532.5 from Walla Walla

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Community College. Oklahoma state took third with 460 points with Chadron (Nebr.) State College and Hill College of Texas rounding out the top five.

Results for the all-around competition, which DeMers led after Friday's round, were unavailable by prestime Saturday night.

According to results posted on the CNFR website, DeMers took second in the bareback event with 289.5 points, 11 points behind champion Colby J. Olsen of Northwest College.

Eagles teammate Stetzen Stoddard tied for fourth in that event with 286 points with Tyson Thompson of Western Texas College. Andy Martinez of Central Wyoming College took third with 288.5 points.

DeMers tumbled to 11th with 209 points

in the saddle bronc competition, won by Cody Blazin of Missouri Valley College with 285.5 points, who edged Cody McMillan of Northeast Texas Community College by half a point for the title. Jesse Segura took third with 277.5 points.

Texas A&M won the women's team competition with 420 points followed by UNLV with 375; Ricks College with 325; Oklahoma State with 315; and the University of Montana in fifth with 285 points.

102nd U.S. Open Championship

Poised to prevail

Tiger holds off surprise challenge

The Associated Press

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. — The U.S. Open came to life Saturday when two of Tiger Woods' biggest rivals suddenly closed in on his lead.

That's when the alarm went off. Jolted awake by thunderous cheers for birdie putts by Sergio Garcia and Phil Mickelson, Woods responded with his best golf of the day — along with his only two birdies — for an even-par 70 and a four-stroke lead after three rounds.

After struggling with his swing on the easiest day for scoring at Bethpage Black Woods was poised to become the first player since Jack Nicklaus in 1972 to claim the first two legs of the Grand Slam.

He won the Masters in April by building an early lead and watching everyone else get out of the way. That might not be the case in a final round that is suddenly dripping with drama.

Woods was at Sunder 205 and will be paired in the final group Sunday with Garcia, a rivalry that has been brewing for the last three years and intensified the last day.

Garcia ignored heckles about his waggles and girlfriend Martina Hingis and turned in his best score at a U.S. Open, a 3-under 67 that included a near-ace on No. 14 and a 20-foot birdie on the 16th.

Mickelson, who claims to be

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U.S. Open Leader Board Third Round

Tiger Woods	67-68-70-205	-5
Sergio Garcia	68-70-67-202	-2
Phil Mickelson	70-73-67-210	E
Jeff Maggert	69-73-68-210	E
Robert Alenby	74-70-67-211	+1
Billy Mayfair	69-74-68-211	+1
Podraig Harrington	70-68-73-211	+1
Nick Faldo	70-76-66-212	+2
Justin Leonard	73-71-68-212	+2



Tiger Woods hits from the fairway to the 16th green during the third round of the U.S. Open Golf Championship at the Black Course of Bethpage State Park in Farmingdale, N.Y., Saturday.

Lynch mobs Late Models for win

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Don't ever count out Nick Lynch.

The 20-year-old driver from Burley conquered the latest Cactus Petes Intermountain Late Models main event Saturday.

And that was after starting in 17th place and spinning off the track 19 laps into the race in front of an estimated 1,650 fans on United Drivers of Idaho race night Saturday at Magic Valley Speedway.

"That was the longest 50-lap race I've ever had," said Lynch, just before chugging from a full mix of cow jules.

In other races, Melvin Radmall, of American Fork, Utah, ran virtually wire-to-wire to win the Randy Hanson American Race Trucks main event. Ken Vanderham took second and Jason Newhouse outdressed Ryan Stuppleman for third place. Dan Peterson finished fourth.

In the NAPA Auto Parts Pony Stock main, defending class champion Alan Larson continued his quest to dethrone his title by claiming the checkered flag.



Burley's Nick Lynch (No. 29) passes Quinton Whitman from Meridian to take the lead in the first B heat race of the Intermountain late models competition at Magic Valley Speedway on Saturday night in Twin Falls.

Larson had to hold off current points leader Scott Sidwell, who rode the bumper of the No. 14 most of the race, for the victory.

John Uric outlasted Jim Shirley and Justino Macedo to claim the Dairy Queen Thunder Stocks main event at The Times-News' press time.

Intermountain Late Models

Maybe it was the embarrassment from spinning out on lap 19.

Or perhaps it was the Father's Day gift he had promised for today.

Whatever the reason, Lynch showed why he is one of the hot shot rookies on both the NASCAR Featherlite Southwest Series and Winston West Series circuits, winning the Late Models main event.

Undaunted from his spinout in turn 3, Lynch resumed his pursuit for the lead by quickly making up time.

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Estes, Piazza pay back Clemens with home runs

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Shawn Estes and Mike Piazza hit Roger Clemens all right — with longballs instead of beanballs.

In the weeks leading up to Clemens' first appearance at Shea Stadium since drilling Piazza in the helmet, the big question was whether the Mets would retaliate when the pitcher finally came to bat Saturday.

Instead, the Mets did their most damage when Clemens was on the mound.

Estes, who was still in San Francisco when Clemens beaned Piazza nearly two years ago, hit a two-run homer in the fifth inning and Piazza connected for a solo shot in the sixth as Mets beat the Yankees 8-0.

Estes was evasive before his start about how he would approach Clemens.

With the fans standing in anticipation of the showdown, Estes made his intent clear on the first pitch: an 87 mph fastball that was about a foot behind

66 gives Faldo new hope

The Associated Press

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. — Nick Faldo was so happy to be invited to the U.S. Open that he came to Bethpage Black wearing an "I Love New York" cap.

After finding a game Saturday he thought might have been long gone, he was biding on ecstasy.

In the U.S. Open only because of a special exemption, Faldo shot a 66 — more than just got him on a leaderboard without shooting distance of Tiger Woods.

It also rekindled hopes that, even at age 41, he can still play when it counts.

"This was as good as my hey day," Faldo said. "It was as good as 10 years ago, or as good as the 67 at Augusta that year."

That 67, of course, came six years ago, when Faldo came from six shots behind in the final round of the Masters to beat a stumbling Greg Norman and win his third green jacket and sixth major championship.

Since then, though, he's struggled. And if it wasn't for the U.S. Golf Association deciding last month to give him a special invitation to Bethpage Black, his major championship playing streak would have ended at 60.

"I've had my negatives for the last couple of years. I was really down on my game," Faldo said. "I slowly built it back up, but not as quickly as I wanted."

Faldo, who has been wearing the New York cap all week, shot a solid first-round 70, but faded to a 76 on Friday in the rain and cold.

But he knew warming up on the range Saturday that he was striking the ball well and could come out firing at the pines on the softened course.

"I came here with all to gain and nothing to lose," Faldo said. "It's already been a good week."

Faldo, whose streak of playing in major championships began with the 1987 British Open and is the longest among active players, has had only one top-10 finish in the majors the past five years.

Even that one was a bit lamer, coming in the 2000 U.S. Open.

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Braves' Glavine refuses to back down — C4



Roger Clemens

Clemens. "I missed my spot. I didn't execute my pitch," Estes deadpanned. "You can draw your own conclusions."

Piazza would barely get a glove on the pitch that wasn't close to its intended target — whether that was Clemens or the strike zone.

"It was intentional," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "If that was what they felt they needed to do, then so be it."

Clemens, who eventually struck out, steps out of the batter's box, smirked and

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SCORES AND STATS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

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Jerome High holds boys basketball camp

JEROME — The Tiger boys basketball camps will be held in grades through Friday at the Jerome High School gym. Boys in grades 4-6 will go from 8:30 a.m. to noon daily, while grades 7-9 will go from 1-4:30 p.m. Daily camp coach Houston Finn will be joined by Utah's Westminster College assistant Will Harbison in running the camps, which will focus on offensive skills. Plenary games will be played and awards handed out. The cost is \$37 per person. For more information, call to register, call Finn at (208) 324-3031.

Rupert 3-on-3 touney holds registration

RUPERT — The Idaho Dairyman are holding their fifth annual "Got Milk?" 3-on-3 basketball tournament July 4-5 at Mimco High School. Registration is due by June 25. Tournament brackets will be by age groups and registration forms can be picked up at Donnelly's or Racquetre's Health Club in Burley and Rupert City Recreation, Doc's Pizza or The Book Store. Mail in registration of \$10 a player is due by June 25 or a late fee of \$5 will be charged. For more information, call Connie Martin at (208) 438-8780 or mail team forms to Martin at 120 N. 625 W., P.O. 10, 83437.

Castelford holds boys basketball camp

CASTLEFORD — A basketball camp for boys who will be in grades 8-10 in the fall will be held June 26 at Castelford High School. The cost is \$15 per player and the camp will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. that day. Instructors include former College of Southern Idaho men's coach Steve Irons and Willie Harbison. Camp fees include lunch and a basketball. To register, call Andy Wiseman at 537-6511.

Ketchum will hold bicycle race June 30

KETCHUM — Licensed and unlicensed bicyclists are being recruited for the Ketchum Critterium on Sunday, June 30. The day-long bike race event will feature races in 12 different categories with races lasting between 15 minutes and an hour. The races, around city streets, will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude shortly after 7 p.m. Bicyclists are encouraged to share the spotlight with a party. For more information, call Greg Stock at 726-0707 or visit the Web site at www.ketchumcritterium.com.

Burley Regatta golf scramble needs teams

BURLEY — Registration is being accepted for this year's Burley Regatta Golf Scramble at the Burley Golf Course on Thursday, June 27. Format is four-man teams with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Cost is \$35 per player with sponsorships at \$40 hole, \$125 for a team or \$150 for a team and hole. Call the golf course for forms or call (208) 679-4793. Checks must be made payable to the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce.

Jerome CC will hold ladies best ball

JEROME — A two-person ladies best ball tournament will be held at Jerome Country Club on Wednesday, June 26. Cost is \$50 per player with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Lunch is included in the fee. Send paid entries to John Peterson at the Jerome Country Club, P.O. Box 484, Jerome, ID 83338. Golf carts are extra. For more information, call 324-5281.

Golfer makes double eagle at Muni

TWIN FALLS — Johnny Garth holed a double eagle — a score of 2 on a par 5 hole — on the 438th yard hole at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course Wednesday during men's twilight league play. Garth made the shot with an 8-iron from about 155 yards out, he said. It was his first-ever double eagle. It was witnessed by Dwight Sandmark.

MV Inter-City golfers post results, play today

BURLEY — The third and fourth matches of the Magic Valley Ladies Inter-City Golf Association saw Blue Lakes Country Club increase its points lead on the season. After the fourth match on June 4, Blue Lakes leads with 33 points, followed by Canyon Springs Golf Course at 41 and Jerome Country Club with 49.5. Clear Lake Country Club is in fourth with 36, Rupert Country Club has 34 points for fifth. Twin Falls Municipal is sixth at 31.5. Burley Golf Course has 30.5 points and Gouling Golf Course trails with 25.5. Jennifer Hedberg of Twin Falls was the June 4 medalist, shooting a 76. Marcia Rankin of Blue Lakes finished second with an 80, Wilma Shinnick of Rupert shot 82 and Gayle Kemp and Arlene Herich tied at 84. First low net was Kay Feldman of Jerome with a 66. On May 28, Kathy Hanchett of Jerome and Rosemary Reed of Gouling tied for medalist honors with 87s. Robbie Robertson of Blue Lakes and Oleta Roberts of Clear Lake tied for second with an 88. Lowell Rankin with a 90 and 92s from Shockey and Sergene Jensen, both of Rupert. Judy Cutler of Burley was the low net leader with a 64. The next match is today at Jerome Country Club. Compiled from staff and wire reports.

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SPORTS

Cubs clip cross-town rivals

CHICAGO (AP) - Sammy Sosa drove in two runs on a broken-bat double in a five-run sixth inning, leading the Chicago Cubs over the White Sox.

It was the Cubs' second straight win over the South Siders, and gave them city bragging rights for two weeks, when the teams meet again at Comiskey Park.

Jon Lieber (5-4) scattered three runs and seven hits over six innings for his second win in a row after going seven starts without a victory.

Mark Buehrle (9-5) gave up six runs - four earned - and seven hits in 5 1/3 innings.

Mets 8, Yankees 0 NEW YORK - Shawn Estes, Mike Piazza and the New York Mets got the best kind of revenge against Roger Clemens.

Estes and Piazza homered in successive innings as the Mets paid back the Rocket with long balls instead of beanballs, beating the Yankees 8-0 Saturday.

Estes (3-5) made only one mistake - if it was a mistake - by throwing a ball about a foot behind Clemens in the pitcher's first at-bat, when many Mets fans were hoping the Rocket would get hit.

Clemens (8-3) drew the ire of the Mets when he benched Piazza nearly two years ago and threw a broken bat in his direction during the World Series three months later.

Estes struck out 11 in seven scoreless innings. He also hit his third career homer and the first ever by a pitcher off Clemens.

Giants 6, Athletics 2 SAN FRANCISCO - Reggie Sanders hit a grand slam and a solo homer as San Francisco ended Oakland's eight-game winning streak.

Sanders' second career slam highlighted the eighth inning in 12 games for the Giants, who roughed up Oakland's A's rookie Aaron Harang (2-2) with a two-out rally in the fourth inning.

Through Oakland set a franchise record by playing its 12th straight game without an error, the A's became the last team to lose an interleague game this season after winning their first seven.

1-57-37, the A's have baseball's best interleague record, but the Giants have a 15-13 edge in their rivalry. Chad Zerbe (2-0) got the victory. Barry Bonds went 1-for-2 with two walks.

Cardinals 5, Royals 3 ST. LOUIS - Jason Simontacchi kept his improbable rookie run going, pitching into the seventh inning and driving in a run for his fifth straight victory.

Simontacchi (5-0) has a 2.45 ERA in seven starts for St. Louis.

Expos 9, Blue Jays 3 MONTREAL - Zach Day



Chicago White Sox catcher Mark Johnson waits for the ball as the Cubs' Cory Patterson slides into home for the second run on Sammy Sosa's double in the sixth inning Saturday at Wrigley Field in Chicago. The Cubs won 7-3.

Louis. The 28-year-old right-hander, who didn't reach Triple-A until last year, gave up two runs and six hits in 6 1/3 innings.

Simontacchi also went 2-for-3 at the plate. The Cardinals have taken four of five this year from their cross-town rivals, who beat them in the 1985-170 World Series.

Astros 4, Rangers 0 HOUSTON - Wade Miller pitched three-hit ball for seven innings, and Craig Biggio homered as Houston evened the Lone Star Series at one game apiece.

Miller (2-2), the Astros' opening day starter, improved to 2-0 in four starts since coming off the disabled list. He struck out seven and walked one in his strongest outing of the season. Ismael Valdes (4-6) went four innings and gave up four runs on seven hits.

Braves 4, Red Sox 2 ATLANTA - Greg Maddux won his fifth straight decision as Atlanta beat former teammate John Burkett and the Boston Red Sox.

Rafael Furcal had three hits for the Braves, who won for the 10th time in 11 games.

Maddux (7-2) pitched six scoreless innings before running into trouble in the seventh. He gave up four straight hits and two runs to start the inning before leaving with a strained left calf.

Chris Hammond relieved with two on and got out of the inning with no further damage, and John Smoltz worked the ninth for his 21st save.

Phillies 4, Orioles 3, 10 innings PHILADELPHIA - Scott

pitched three hitless innings of relief to win in his major league debut, and Fernando Tatis homered and drove in five runs for Montreal.

Day (1-0), who celebrated his 24th birthday, came in for the fourth after the Blue Jays built a 3-0 lead. Day, recalled from Triple-A Ottawa on Friday, struck out one and walked none.

Twins 5, Brewers 2 MILWAUKEE - Eric Milton allowed five hits in eight innings, and singled home a run, leading Minnesota over Milwaukee.

Milton (8-5) retired the first nine batters before Eric Young beat out a hunt to start the fourth after the Twins took a 4-0 lead. Young was quickly erased on a double play and Milton cruised to the victory, striking out eight and walking none.

Marlins 3, Devil Rays 0 MIAMI - Luis Castillo extended his hitting streak to 30 games, and A.J. Burnett pitched a three-hitter to help Florida beat Tampa Bay.

The fleet Castillo was 0-for-2 before reaching on an infield single leading off the sixth. He hit a high-hopper to shortstop Chris Gomez, who bounced a hurried throw to first that was late.

It's the 39th time a player has hit in 30 consecutive games. Castillo is the first to do it since Vladimir Guerrero had a 31-game streak for Montreal in 1999.

Burnett (7-5) set a career high with 11 strikeouts, and retired the last 12 he faced.

National League Reds 4, Pirates 3 CINCINNATI - Adam Dunn hit a three-run homer in the seventh inning as the Cincinnati Reds again played home run derby between the raindrops and rallied to beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 4-3 Saturday night.

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Rolen hit a two-out RBI single in the 10th inning to lead Philadelphia over Baltimore.

Jay Gibbons hit a game-tying, three-run homer in the eighth inning off Phillies reliever Dan Plesac.

With two outs in the 10th, Pat Burrell singled off Buddy Groom (2-2) and went to third on a single by Doug Glavino. Rolan, who hit a homer earlier to snuff an 0-for-16 slump, followed with a liner to right-center, scoring Burrell.

Rockies 7, Indians 4 DENVER - Larry Walker hit a two-run homer to cap a four-run seventh inning and drove in three runs to lead Colorado over Cleveland.

Colorado won for just third time in 12 games overall and the second time in seven interleague games this season. The Rockies had lost 15 of 17 against AL teams since last season.

Mark Little put the Rockies up 4-3 in the seventh with a triple off Chad Paronto (0-2) that landed just inside the right-field foul line. Juan Uribe singled on the next pitch to put Colorado up by two, and Walker followed with a two-run shot to center.

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The ace that time forgot: Braves' Glavine just keeps rolling:

By Paul Newberry The Associated Press

ATLANTA - Tom Glavine has a few flecks of gray under his cap, a few more wrinkles around the eyes. Otherwise, he doesn't look much different than the guy who pitched the Atlanta Braves to their first World Series in 1991.

"Really, he's not all that gray," Chipper Jones said, glancing toward the locker of his 36-year-old teammate. "He must be putting some stuff in his hair."

Indeed, Glavine appears to have just been pulled from a time capsule, unaffected by the passage of the last decade or so. He's still doing what he's always done: baffling hitters with less-than-overpowering stuff, a sinker here, a changeup there.

"Actually, that's too simplistic," Glavine said. "I'm not the same pitcher I was 10 years ago. I'm not the same pitcher I was last year. But I think it's a credit that I've been able to make those changes without people noticing."

Glavine, who already has two Cy Young awards in his trophy case, is better than ever. He got 10 wins at the earliest point in his 16-year career and stands 11-2 with a major-league leading 1.53-ERA heading into his start Sunday against the Boston Red Sox.

When the left-hander walks into the Hall of Fame, they should put this mantra on his plaque: He never gave in to the hitter.

"Those kind of guys are the most frustrating to face," Jones said. "As a hitter, you're taught to work ahead in the count so you can look for your pitch. But Glavine never throws your pitch. He's going to throw what he wants, when he wants, where he wants."

That philosophy - Glavine would rather walk a guy with the bases loaded than throw a pitch he might hit for a grand slam - has carried him to five 20-win seasons and a career record of 235-134.

"When he's in the count and changing speeds, he's got you at his mercy," Jones said. "It sounds crazy to say that a guy who throws 86, 87 miles an hour can do that to major league hitters. But that's the fact of the matter: it's that he's perfected the art of pitching."



Atlanta's Tom Glavine works in the first inning against the New York Mets in Atlanta June 6.

preferably in Atlanta. He's also started pondering his legacy - and that likely stop in Cooperstown. "I'd be lying if I said I haven't thought about it," Glavine said. "If I can do anything to improve my chances, that's even better."

In his last start, Glavine allowed just two hits in seven scoreless innings for an 11-0 victory over Minnesota, lowering his road ERA to an astounding 0.71.

The Twins, coincidentally, beat Glavine's Braves in the classic 1991 World Series. No one from Minnesota's championship team is still around, but Glavine just keeps rolling along - a major reason Atlanta is on track for its 11th straight division title.

"He's so good," marveled Twins first baseman Matthew LeCroy, "the catcher never has to move his glove for a pitch."

says - would transform him into just another pitcher. Instead, he transformed himself.

"He's pitching now," said Greg Maddux, a teammate and fellow Cy Young winner. "He's using all of his pitches on both sides of the plate and he's mixing his pitches up better. You can't guess with him anymore."

For years, hitters complained that Glavine never threw many strikes, leaving his changeup a few inches off the outside corner but counting on the umpire to give him the call.

He needed a little time to adjust when the strike zone was squeezed.

The turning point came almost a year ago, in a June 18 game against Florida. Glavine was handed a 5-0 lead but couldn't hold it.

"The next night, he was joined on the bench by John Smoltz, yet another of the Braves' Cy Young winners.

"Smoltz came over and laid some things on the line for me," Glavine recalled. "He said I had given in to the strike zone or just accepted the fact that things weren't going the way I wanted them to. He said he didn't see the same fire he was used to seeing from me."

"Sometimes, we all need a kick in the butt, and when it comes from a guy like Smoltz, who is a dear friend and someone I respect a lot, it had a lot of meaning."

So, Glavine changed, although the adjustments were so slight hardly anyone noticed.

"After talking to people and kind of realizing that, hey, every once in a while you move the ball around and change the umpire's angle, change the hitter's angle, that pitch might look a little more like a strike than the first time, to both the umpire and the hitter. And it's worked."

Glavine's control actually improved as he began to use both sides of the plate.

"Over the last year, I have learned a lot about myself and how to get people out," he said. "My Plan A is still the same - sinkers and changeups away - but now I've got a Plan B to go to."

What is Plan B? "Plan B is kind of whatever," Glavine said. "If I have to pitch inside more, I pitch inside more. If I have to use more breaking balls, I do that."

Glavine doesn't have as much room for error as someone such as Curt Schilling (the only pitcher in the majors with more wins than Glavine) or Roger Clemens. Those guys can get away mistakes simply because of their repertoire is so overpowering.

On this point, though, Glavine won't give in either. "Matching people's stuff for stuff for stuff? I'm not going to do that," he said. "I'm not going to put up some of the eye-popping numbers that some of the other guys put up."

"But when it comes down to winning games, I've always felt like, screw you, some way, I can hold my own with anybody."

2002 FIFA World Cup

U.S. hopes for support against Mexico

Americans are 10-28-8 all time against North American rivals

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - Claudio Reyna expects one big difference Monday when the United States plays Mexico for a spot in the World Cup quarterfinals. "It's the first time we're not going to be playing in a pro-Mexican crowd... be it in the United States or Mexico," the U.S. captain said Saturday. Mexico, cheered on by both Mexicans and Mexican-Americans, used to treat the U.S. team the same way matadors handle bulls, but not anymore. "The Americans have played the Mexicans, traditionally the strongest team in the North and Central American and Caribbean, more than any other opponent, going 10-28-8 - but they've never met in the World Cup. The United States was 0-21-3 against the Mexicans from 1937-80, but since 1991 the Americans have gone 8-5-5, including 4-3-4 in games outside Mexico City. Respect came grudgingly following U.S. wins at the 1991 CONCACAF Gold Cup and the 1995 Copa America - the South American championship that both were invited to as guests. "A long time ago, they used to be pretty arrogant," U.S. goalkeeper Brad

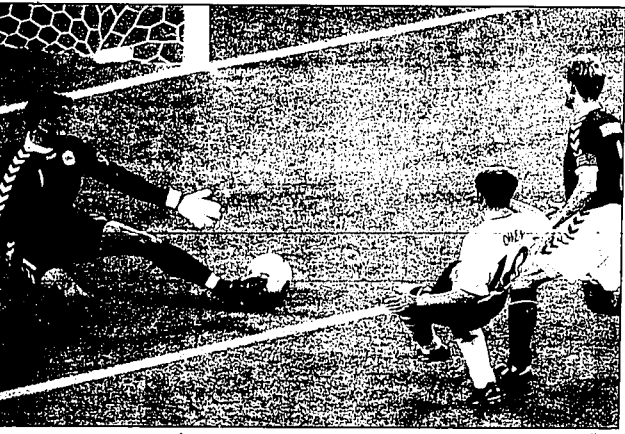
Friedel said. "Recently, they have had more respect." He remembers the first time he played in Mexico City, during an Olympic qualifier in 1992. Despite the hostile crowd, the Americans won 2-1. "They were burning U.S. flags all over the place," Friedel said. "After we beat them, they applauded us. The Mexican team had to stand in the middle of the field, and they pelted them." "Futbol" is a passion in Mexico, a source of pride as fans salute each completed pass with chants of "Ole! Ole!" The United States may have more economic power, but the Mexicans had more soccer power, reaching the World Cup quarterfinals in 1970 and 1986 - both times as the host. "It is about a 110,000 or 115,000 seats, and it is about 110,000 or 115,000 fans supporting Mexico," U.S. coach Bruce Arena. "You usually play on a warm day, really in an environment that is polluted. You are at altitude, so you are playing in the mid-80s at 7,200 feet and the air is polluted and 110,000 people are not supporting your team. It is not easy." Because of the large Mexican-American population in California,

Arizona and Texas, the Mexicans often have the backing of the crowd wherever they play the U.S. team. "Regardless of whether we play in Azteca or the United States, it seems like we're playing away," Arena said. Last year, the United States scheduled its home World Cup qualifier against the Mexicans as a February night game in Columbus, Ohio. The Mexican press called it "La Guerra Fria" ("The Cold War"). It was 29 degrees, and Josh Wolff and Clint Mathis had breakthrough games in a 2-0 U.S. win. In the second round for the first time since they were the host in 1994, the Americans will have to change their defense against the Mexicans. Central defender Jeff Agoos, who played a role in four of the six goals the Americans have allowed, is out for the remainder of the World Cup after straining his right calf in Friday's 3-1 loss to Poland. Left back Frankie Hejduk is suspended after getting two yellow cards during the first round. Carlos Llamosa, Pablo Mastroeni and Gregg Berhalter are the candidates to replace Agoos, and David Regis is the leading contender to replace Hejduk. Arena was quite the joker Saturday. It was easy to chuckle because Friday's loss didn't knock out the United States due to South Korea's 1-0 upset of Portugal. "I spent the morning shopping for the Korean team and coaching staff," Arena said.

England, Germany advance to final eight

Summary of World Cup matches from June 15 to 18, including results for England, Germany, Sweden, Spain, Japan, South Korea, and others.

England, Germany advance to World Cup quarterfinals



England's Michael Owen, center, scores a goal past Denmark goalkeeper Thomas Sorensen during their second round match Saturday in Niigata, Japan. England won 3-0.

England makes first trip in 12 years; It's old hat for German team

NIIGATA, Japan (AP) - Sven-Goran Eriksson is working his magic again. The embattled England advanced to the quarterfinals of the World Cup with an impressive 3-0 victory over Denmark on Saturday, the team that ended the reign of defending champion France in the first round. In addition to beating Germany 5-1 in qualifying last September and ending Argentina's psychological hold over the team with a 2-0 victory in the first round, Eriksson's team has overcome a number of injuries. England's next opponent could be four-time champion Brazil. "The Brazilians, a favorite to win the championship, take on Belgium on Monday; the quarterfinal is at Shizuoka on June 21.

Asked about the prospect to playing Brazil, Eriksson said: "I think Brazil, how they are playing at this moment, they are one of the favorites. Many favorites already went out... so Brazil is maybe one." Eriksson shattered Denmark's confidence early, taking advantage of an error by Danish goalkeeper Thomas Sorensen. In the fifth minute, David Beckham sent in a twisting corner kick from the left that Rio Ferdinand headed for the goal. The ball bounced off the turf and into the arms of Sorensen, who bobbed the easy save and juggled the ball across the line. "It was Ferdinand's first goal for England. "I think it's very important when you're in this stage, the knockout

stage, to score the first goal," Eriksson said. "We were lucky we scored; it was a good corner." England made it 2-0 in the 22nd as Michael Owen scored his first goal of the tournament. Trevor Sinclair and Nicky Butt combined on a quick 1-2 passing combination, with the ball going to Owen, who left-footed it past a diving Sorensen. With heavy rain falling, Emile Heskey made it 3-0 in the 44th, scoring on a low, skidding shot from 18 yards.



A German soccer fan is escorted off the field by South Korean police as the German team celebrates its 1-0 second round victory over Paraguay Saturday in Seogwipo, South Korea.

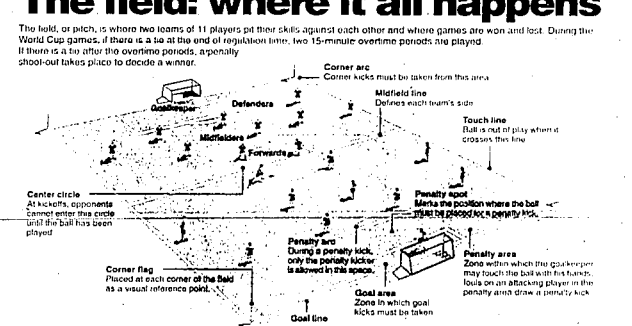
Struggling U.S. defender will miss rest of Cup

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - Jeff Agoos' difficult World Cup is over, ended by a calf injury. The 34-year-old defender, injured in Friday night's 3-1 loss to Poland, will be sidelined for 4-6 weeks because of a strain in part of his calf muscle, the U.S. Soccer Federation said Saturday. Agoos began the tournament with 130 international appearances, the most among players who had never appeared in the World Cup. He scored an own goal in the opening 3-2 win over Portugal when he tried to clear the ball, but put it past goalkeeper Brad

Friedel. Then, against South Korea, he was called for a foul in the penalty area - Friedel saved the kick - and was beaten to a header on the Red Devils' goal in a 1-1 tie. In Friday night's defeat, he missed a header trying to clear a corner kick, leading to Poland's goal in the third minute, and was beaten to a pass that led to a score that put Poland ahead 2-0 in the fifth minute. Agoos came out of the game in the 35th minute after sustaining the injury. Agoos, whose 133 appearances for the United States trails only Cobi Jones (157), is the second

American defender to get hurt. Steve Cherundino injured his right knee during practice last weekend and probably is sidelined through the end of the tournament. Carlos Llamosa, Gregg Berhalter and Pablo Mastroeni appear to be the options to replace Agoos in Monday's game against Mexico. With left back Frankie Hejduk suspended after getting his second yellow card, David Regis becomes the favorite to take over that spot. In 1994, Agoos was among the final cuts from the U.S. World Cup team and burned his uniform.

2002 FIFA WORLD CUP The field: where it all happens



A collection of articles and diagrams related to soccer. Includes 'The world famous ball' describing the Adidas 2002 World Cup ball, 'Scoring goals' explaining corner kicks and free kicks, 'Cards no one wishes to receive' detailing foul play, and 'Red card offenses' listing various infractions. It also includes a diagram of a soccer ball's construction.

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SPORTS

Dydek delivers again for Starzz

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Margo Dydek had her third straight double-double as the Utah Starzz held off the Seattle Storm 61-54 Saturday night.

The 7-foot-2 Dydek dominated the inside against the smaller Storm (4-4) with 14 points, 14 rebounds and four blocks.

"Once she gets to the block, with the way she is playing, I mean, who can guard her?" Starzz coach Cami Harvey said.

Starzz guard Jennifer Azzi kept rookie Sue Bird in check for the first half, holding her to two points. But Bird sparked a second-half rally, finishing with 19 points.

Behind full-court pressure and a faster tempo, Seattle pulled to within four points with 6:00 remaining. The run was highlighted by Bird's 3-of-5 shooting from 3-point range.

The Starzz (5-3) held off the Storm with the help of Cami Harvey, who scored 14 of her 16 points in the second half to lead Utah. Ferdinand also had four assists and seven rebounds.

"I thought I was a little passive in the first half," Ferdinand said. "It's just a matter of me knowing I need to be more aggressive out there."

The Storm shot 28.7 percent. "I'm disappointed we didn't hit our wide open looks," Seattle coach Lin Dunn said. "I'd like to give the Starzz credit for it, but when you blow a wide open layup or a wide open shot you can't give anybody credit for great defense."

Sol 69, Miracle 65

ORLANDO, Fla. — Sheri Sam and Betty Lennox combined for 32 points as the Miami Sol outlasted the Orlando Miracle 69-65 Saturday night.

The win was the second straight for Miami after starting the season with five straight losses. Orlando lost the second straight game.

Shannon Johnson had a chance to tie the game for the Miracle (3-3) when she went to the line for three free throws with 10.8 seconds to play and Orlando trailing 67-64.

Johnson missed the first two free throws before making the last one. She finished the game with 15 points, three rebounds and three assists.

Sam had 17 points, Lennox had 15 and Pollyanna Johns-Kimbrough added 13 points for the Sol (2-5). Katie Douglas had 10 points for Orlando.

Lennox was playing in her first game for the Sol after being acquired in a trade with Minnesota June 11. The 5-8 guard made four free throws and grabbed a rebound in the final 45 seconds of the game.

After falling behind 52-40 with 9:38 to play, Orlando went on a 13-4 run to pull within three, 56-53, with 4:11 to play. Miami outscored the Miracle 8-2 at the start of the second half to take a 37-29 lead with 17:31 to play.

Rockers 79, Fever 68

INDIANAPOLIS — A 1-2 offensive punch and an overall defensive effort by the Cleveland Rockers against Indiana rookie Tamika Catchings paid off Saturday night.

Merlania Jones had career-highs of 27 points and 11 field goals as the Rockers defeated the Fever 79-68.

Penny Taylor added 20 points as Cleveland (2-4) recorded its first road victory of the season and snapped a three-game losing streak. Chasity Melvin was the only other Cleveland player in double figures with 10 points.

Tamika Catchings led Indiana (4-4) with 23 points, but scored only six in the second half when the league's third-leading scorer hit just 1-of-7 shots from the field.

Cleveland, which trailed most of the first half and 33-32 at the break, took the lead for good at 41-39 on a short jumper by Ann Wauters.

A seven-point run gave Cleveland a 60-49 lead with 8:35 remaining. Melvin started the run by hitting two free throws with 11:10 to play. Taylor then made one of two free throws. Melvin hit a layup and Tracy Henderson's short jumper ended the run.

Comets 51, Lynx 50

HOUSTON — Houston kept alive its

perfect record against Minnesota on Saturday night, using a 17-2 first-half run to beat the Lynx 51-50.

The Comets trailed through most of the first half and had to survive a last second missed layup by the Lynx's Lynn Pride.

The Lynx (4-4) scored the game's first 10 points before the Comets finally got a basket from Tina Thompson, who converted a pass on a fastbreak from Sheryl Swoopes at the 4:53 mark.

Swoopes went down with a hyperextended left knee with a little over 14 minutes to play after missing a pullup jumper.

"It's sore, but it's OK," said Swoopes, who had surgery on the knee last year. "It probably scared me more than anything. I guess it's a thing where the more times it happens, and as long as it's not serious, the better I handle it."

Minnesota extended its lead to 23-10 on back-to-back 3-pointers by Svetlana Abramova and Krist Harrower. Houston (6-3) finally got its offense going behind Kelley Gibson's 3-point shooting and the 17-2 run to take its first lead of the game at 27-25. Katie Smith's 3-pointer put Minnesota back ahead 28-27 at the half.

The Lynx used an 8-0 run to regain the lead 50-48 on a steal and basket by Kamika Williams. Swoopes' 10-footer from the right side with 2:08 to play proved to be the winning basket, giving Houston a 51-50 lead.

Fire 67, Shock 60

PORTLAND, Ore. — DeMya Walker had 11 points and a career-high 10 rebounds as Portland sent Detroit to its WNBA-record ninth straight loss to open the season, 67-60 Saturday night.

Alicia Burrus scored 14 points and had six rebounds for the Fire (3-5), who won for the third time in four games after dropping the first four of the season. Ukari Figgs added 13 points.

Wendy Palmer led the Shock (0-9) with 14 points. Astou Ndiaye-Diatta added 13 points and Svin Cash had 12 rebounds.



Seattle Storm guard Sonja Henning leaves Utah Starzz forward Kato Starbird behind as she brings the ball up during the first half Saturday in Salt Lake City.

Stanford, Texas advance in College World Series

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Jeremy Guthrie pitched a complete game and Sam Fuld homered to help Notre Dame to a 4-3 victory over Stanford on Saturday in the opening round of the College World Series.

The Cardinal (46-16), who lost in the last two CWS championship games, extended their winning streak to 10 game and won their fifth straight opening-round game.

Guthrie (13-1) allowed three runs on 10 hits, striking out five and walking one in his sixth complete game of the season.

Notre Dame starter Grant Johnson (9-5) kept the Irish in contention despite hitting three batters. He limited Stanford to four runs on four hits over 1-3 innings.

Stanford is making its fourth straight CWS appearance and 14th overall. Stanford lost last opening-round game in 1995, to Cal State Fullerton, which went on to win the title. Notre Dame (49-17) is in its first CWS since 1957.

Guthrie wasn't overpowering, but he was dominant through the first six innings with a 4-0 lead. He struck out four while allowing just one runner to get as far as second base before Javier Sanchez broke up the shutout bid with a three-run homer in the seventh.

Texas 2, Rice 1

OMAHA, Neb. — Justin Simmons pitched 7 1-3 shutout innings to lead Texas past Rice 2-1 on Saturday in the first round of the College World Series.

Despite warm, humid conditions with little or no wind in a usually hitter-friendly ballpark, the game



Stanford's Chris O'Riordan throws out Notre Dame's Kris Billmeyer at second base in the fifth inning of their College World Series game in Omaha, Neb., Saturday.

was a pitcher's duel rarely seen in the CWS. It was the lowest scoring game since Louisiana State beat Florida 2-1 in 1995.

Simmons (15-1) allowed one run on five hits, struck out three and walked two. Rice starter Steven Hecce (13-3) was almost as sharp, allowing two runs on eight hits while striking out eight in 7 2-3 innings. Huston Street picked up his 11th save with 1-3 scoreless relief innings.

The Longhorns (54-15), who beat Rice (52-13), twice during

the regular season, won the opener of their 29th CWS and will play Stanford on Monday. The Cardinal beat Notre Dame 4-3 in Saturday's early game.

The Fighting Irish and Owls, ranked No. 1 in the major polls, will also play Monday in an elimination game.

Jeff Ontiveros' RBI single in the third for Texas was the game's only run until the eighth, when Dustin Majewski doubled to drive in Tim Moss and put the Longhorns up 2-0.

Rice's Eric Arnold broke up the shutout bid in the eighth with a towering homer over the 30-foot batter's screen in center, where it's 408 feet to the wall.

The Owls nearly tied it later in the eighth after two Texas errors. With runners at first and second and two outs, Paul Janish hit a slow grounder to third that Omar Quintanilla booted.

Vincent Sinesi rounded third and broke for home, but Quintanilla got to the ball quickly and threw out Sinesi at the plate.

Hewitt, Henman will meet in Queen's Club final again

LONDON (AP) — Top-seeded Lleyton Hewitt and No. 2 Tim Henman will meet in the final of the Queen's Club grass-court championship for the second straight year after overcoming stubborn opposition Saturday.

Hewitt advanced with a 7-6 (5), 6-3 victory over Sjong Schalken, and Henman edged Raemon Sluiter 6-7 (5), 6-4, 6-2.

Hewitt, the defending champion, is the first player since John McEnroe to reach the Queen's final for three consecutive years. McEnroe reached five straight finals between 1979 and 1983, winning the first three.

Dokic will face Myskina in DFS Classic final

BIRMINGHAM, England — Top-seeded Jelena Dokic beat American Lisa Raymond 6-1, 7-5 Saturday to advance to the final of the DFS Classic grass-court tournament.

Dokic will face Russia's Anastasia Myskina, who advanced to the final with a 6-3, 7-5 victory over Australia's Nicole Pietrangeli.

Mikaellan, Poutchek advance to Tashkent Open final

TASHKENT, Uzbekistan — Top-seeded Marie-Gaehane Mikaelian of Switzerland beat third-seeded Tathiana Garbin of Italy 6-2, 6-1 Saturday to win the Tashkent Open.

Mikaellan, ranked No. 53, had five aces in the first set and lost just one game in the second to advance to the final against Tathiana Poutchek of Belarus, a 7-6 (3), 7-6 (5) winner over Roberta

Vinci of Italy. Poutchek, ranked No. 67, broke Vinci in the seventh game of the first set, but was immediately broken back. The 23-year-old Belarusian lost four break points in the next game.

Smashnova will face defending champion

VIENNA, Austria — Anna Smashnova beat local favorite Patricia Wartusch 6-3, 6-2 Saturday to reach the final of the \$170,000 WTA Wien Energie Grand Prix.

The 25-year-old Israeli rallied from an 0-3 deficit in the first set and won 12 of the match's final 14 games. Smashnova, ranked No. 23, has won two tournament titles this season and will face defending champion Iroda Tulyaganova from Uzbekistan in the final.

Tulyaganova beat surprise semifinalist Petra Mandula from Hungary 6-0, 6-3.

Kiefer charges back to upset Federer

HALLE, Germany — Nicolas Kiefer charged back in the third set Saturday to beat Roger Federer and advance to the final of the Gerry Weber Open.

Kiefer, who also beat Pete Sampras at this Wimbledon warmup, rallied to knock off Federer 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Kiefer will face Yevgeny Kafelnikov, who reached his first final of the year by ousting Kenneth Carlsen, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Kiefer, ranked fourth two years ago before a slide dropped him to 66th, struggled to just a 4-16 record this year coming into the grass court event.

Weather puts brakes on Kroger 300; Race will resume today

SPARTA, Ky. — Heavy rain forced the suspension of the Kroger 300 Busch Series race Saturday night, with Greg Biffle leading after 86 of 200 laps.

The race was delayed to resume Sunday at 11 a.m. EDT.

The event was scheduled at 9:10 p.m. EDT as a 20-minute downpour and lightning descended on Kentucky Speedway, sending most of the track-record crowd of 17,299 fans scurrying for shelter.

Audi takes early lead in quest for third straight Le Mans title

LE MANS, France — Audi appeared on course for a third consecutive title at the 24 Hours of Le Mans with an all-British MG team providing only a slight challenge Saturday.

Audi's teams, seeking their third consecutive victory, appeared to be battling among themselves for another. A victory

would mark only the fifth time that a team had won three straight titles.

The German automaker's teams held the first three positions nearly seven hours into the race, after former Formula One driver Johnny Herbert powered Audi Sport North America ahead of the pack.

The defending champion Audi Sport Team Joest of Tom Kristensen, Frank Biela and Emanuele Pirro was a close second. Fellow Audi driver Marco Werner was in third, about a lap behind.

Da Matta wins second straight pole; Brack second

PORTLAND, Ore. — After Cristiano da Matta went the first 64 races of his CART career without a pole, he'll start Sunday from the top spot for the second time in eight days.

Da Matta, who won last week's

Monterey Grand Prix from the pole, turned the fastest lap in qualifying Saturday for the G.I. Joe's 200. His Toyota-powered Lola circled — the Portland International Raceway road course in 58.679 seconds, at 120.8 mph.

Kenny Brack will start second, followed by his Ganassi teammate Bruno Junqueira. Alex Tagliani vastly improved his position during the session, going from 10th-fastest to seventh and finally fourth.

De Ferran edges teammate to take pole at Pikes Peak

FOUNTAIN, Colo. — Gil de Ferran edged Penske teammate Helio Castroneves to capture the pole position Saturday for the Radisson 225 Indy Racing League event.

De Ferran, one of only four drivers to win consecutive CART championships,

earned a qualifying lap of 177.998 mph to turn his second pole of the season. Castroneves, winner of the last two Indy 500s and the IRL's season points leader, was second at 177.950 mph, followed by Felipe Giaffone at 177.938.

Alongside Giaffone in the second row is Sam Hornish Jr., the defending IRL points champion who qualified at 177.182 mph.

Scott Sharp and Billy Boat gained the third row at 176.910 and 176.029, respectively. Defending Pikes Peak champion Buddy Lazier, who has endured a lackluster season, will start on the inside of their sixth row, qualifying at 174.468.

Bernstein earns third top qualifying spot of season

HEBRON, Ohio (AP) — Kenny Bernstein earned his third No. 1 Top Fuel qualifying position of the season and the

64th of his career Saturday at the NHRA's Pontiac Excitement Nationals.

Bernstein's dragster 4.866 seconds-at-323.81 mph to lead all competitors into eliminations at National Trail Raceway.

Whit Bazemore, Jim Yates, and Matt Hines also were top qualifiers for Sunday's final eliminations.

Bazemore scored his 20th career top spot in Funny Car qualifying, establishing a track record for time and speed while powered his car through a run of 4.988 at 320.366.

Yates notched his fourth straight No. 1 Pro Stock qualifying position and fifth of the year. He went down the lane in a track-record time of 6.862 at 199.58.

Hines topped Pro Stock Motorcycle qualifying for the 41st time in his career, when he set both ends of the track record with a pass of 7.177 at 190.59.



Annikka Sorenstam of Sweden watches her drive during the final round of the Evian Masters golf tournament in Evian, eastern France, Saturday.

Sorenstam sweeps to Evian Masters title

EVIAN-LES-BAINS, France (AP) — Annika Sorenstam shot a 3-under 69 Saturday to win her second Evian Masters championship and sixth title of the season.

Sorenstam finished with a four-round total of 19 under 269, four strokes ahead of Sweden's Maria Hjorth and South Korea's Mi Hyun Kim, who shared second place at 273.

Sorenstam had four birdies and one bogey in the final round and won \$315,000 for her fifth LPGA Tour victory of the season.

Sorenstam, the 2000 Evian Masters winner, has earned \$1,354,054 in 11 starts this year. She also won her season-opening event in Australia.

Sorenstam also collected 80 Solheim Cup points to clinch a berth on the 12-woman European squad, which will defend the trophy against the United States team at Interlaken, Minneapolis, September 20-22.

American Laura Diaz shot a 65 and South Korea's Se Ri Pak, who was coming off a victory at the LPGA Championship, had a 69 to share fourth place at 14-under 274.

Sigel leads BellSouth Senior Classic

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Jay Sigel shot a 2-under 70 Saturday to take a one-stroke lead over Fuzzy Zoeller and Gil Morgan after the second round of the BellSouth Senior Classic.

Sigel, who opened with a 64, had three birdies and two bogeys as he struggled with distance control on the greens. The two-time U.S. Amateur champion took a 10-under 134 total into the final round on the Springhouse Golf Club course.

The 58-year-old Sigel won the Farmers Charity Classic last month in Ada, Mich., for his seventh career title.

Zoeller, coming off a victory last week in the Senior PGA

Open

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one of the few players who can stand up to Woods, made seven birdies in a calamitous round that nonetheless added to 67 and left him at even-par 210. He is still in the hunt for his first major championship.

"I grinded my butt off today," said Woods, who didn't make a birdie until the 15th hole. "I didn't hit the ball really well, but I hung around."

He's right where everyone expected, and that doesn't make the task for Garcia and Mickelson easy.

Woods is 23-2 in when he has at least a share of the lead going into the final round, and he's never lost a 54-hole lead in a major championship.

Throw in a New York gallery that has become more boisterous each day, and it could be quite a finish.

What could make it even juicier are the sassy comments from Garcia on Friday, when he com-

plained that Woods was getting all the breaks and received preferential treatment.

Garcia thought there was too much water on the greens and in the fairway for the second round to continue.

"If Tiger Woods would have been out there, it would have breaks and makes putts."

Whether there is any more drama on this Bethpage State Park course also depends on Woods.

"Tiger rarely moves back to the field, so there's a lot of pressure to try to make birdies," Mickelson said.

Mickelson made his share, but only after a wretched start — bogeys on three of his first five holes. He also finished badly, hitting his drive on the 18th hole into thin-high grass, chipping up to the fairway and winding up with bogey.

That cost him a spot in the last

Faldo

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where he finished 18 strokes behind Woods.

But on Saturday, he was right in the thick of the leader board, only 2-over-par through 54 holes of the longest and one of the toughest U.S. Open courses ever.

Not knowing if he would get a special invitation, Faldo had planned to go to Florida to practice and work out in preparation for the British Open next month

at Muirfield, the same course where he won two of his major titles.

Instead, he hopes he found his game on one of the most improbable stages — the middle of a U.S. Open. A good round Sunday might not win it, but should secure a spot in next year's Open.

Faldo hasn't won since the 1997 Nissan Open, but has actually played fairly well on the

European Tour this year with three top 10s. And he was under par at the Masters this year, finishing 14th.

It's all enough to make him excited again about his immediate future next month at Muirfield.

"If the wind blows the right way for me, you never know," Faldo said.

"You never know what might be in store."



U.S. Open Scores

Saturday's Scores
At Bethpage State Park, Black Course

Farmingdale, N.Y.
Par: 55.6 million
Yardage: 7,214; Par: 70
Third Round

Tiger Woods	67-68-70-205
Sergio Garcia	68-74-67-209
Paul Mickelson	70-73-67-210
Jeff Maggert	69-73-68-210
Robert Allenby	74-70-67-211
Billy Mayfair	69-74-68-211
Padraig Harrington	70-68-73-211
Nick Faldo	70-76-66-212
Justin Leonard	73-73-69-212
Tom Byrum	72-72-70-214
Scott McCamron	72-72-70-214
Davis Love III	71-71-72-214
Mark O'Meara	76-70-69-215
Charles Howell III	71-74-70-215
Dwight Hirt	69-76-70-215
K.J. Choi	69-73-73-215
Nick Price	72-75-69-216
Craig Stadler	74-72-70-216
Jay Haas	73-73-70-216
Scott Hoch	74-75-70-216
Shigeki Matsuyama	76-73-73-216
Vijay Singh	75-75-67-217
Jesper Parnevik	72-76-69-217
Ernie Els	73-74-70-217
Frank Lickliter II	74-76-68-218
Steve Stricker	72-77-69-218
Bernhard Langer	72-76-70-218
Luke Donald	76-72-70-218
Thomas Levett	71-77-70-218
David Toms	74-74-70-218
Hidemichi Tanaka	73-73-72-218
Jeff Suman	73-73-72-218
Niclas Fasth	72-74-74-218
Rocco Mediate	72-72-74-218
Kevin Sutherland	74-75-70-219
Corey Pavin	74-75-70-219
Jason Canon	75-72-72-219
Tom Lehman	71-76-72-219
Robert Karlsson	71-76-72-219
Paul Lawrie	73-73-73-219
Steve Flesch	72-72-75-219
Jimmy Carter	77-73-70-220
Chris DiMarco	74-74-72-220
Damen Clark	74-74-72-220
Peter Lonard	73-74-73-220
Brad Lardon	73-73-74-220
Shingo Katayama	74-72-74-220
Franklin Langham	70-76-74-220
Juan Van De Velde	71-75-74-220
Kenny Perry	74-71-221
Donnie Hammond	73-77-221
Ian Leggatt	72-77-221
John Magness	79-69-73-221
Tim Herron	75-74-73-222
Brad Faxon	75-74-73-222
Greg Norman	75-73-73-222
Craig Bowden	71-77-74-222
Harrison Frazar	74-73-75-222
Bob Tway	72-78-73-223
Thomas Bjorn	71-79-73-223
Jose Maria Olazababal	71-77-75-223
Ian Maitland	72-73-78-223
Kent Jones	76-74-74-224
Spike McRoy	75-75-74-224
Stuart Appleby	77-73-75-225
Andy Miller	76-74-75-225
Joey Mihalik Singh	75-75-75-225
Tom Gillis	74-75-78-225
Argal Cabrera	73-73-79-225
Paul Stankowski	72-77-77-226
John Daly	74-76-81-231
a-Kevin Warrick (a-amateur)	73-76-84-233

Garcia hears it all after comments

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. (AP) — Sergio Garcia had some big things on his mind Saturday morning. First he had to find a way to apologize to Tiger Woods, then figure out a way to beat him.

Garcia took care of the apology with a note he left in Woods' locker before teeing off in the third round of the U.S. Open. The rest is still a work in progress.

Braving a rowdy crowd that yelled both encouragement and insults along almost every fairway and green, Garcia somehow managed to shoot a



Sergio Garcia putts for a birdie on the first green during the third round of the U.S. Open Championship at the Black Course of Bethpage State Park in Farmingdale, N.Y., Saturday.

U.S. Open notebook

3-under 67 Saturday and moved within four shots of

Woods. It was good enough to get him in the final round with Woods, turning what had been a mundane U.S. Open into a must-see Sunday spectacular.

Maybe so. But there was much more than that going on Saturday afternoon, when Garcia was peppered with shouts of "Whiner" and "Waggle Boy" as he tried to shake off the misery of a second round gone bad and get back into contention.

The day before, he made the mistake — after a long, frustrating day — of suggesting that Woods got all the breaks and preferential treatment. He tried to make amends with Woods by leaving a note of apology in his locker, a gesture Woods said he appreciated.

The fans, though, weren't going to let him off so easily. Even girlfriend Martina Hingis was in play. Though they had teased him before by counting the incessant waggles Garcia takes before hitting the ball, now there would be no mercy.

"No rain today, what's your excuse," someone yelled from the first tee.

"Waaaaahhhhh," shouted others, imitating crying babies.

Through it all, Garcia played his best golf of the week, making five birdies and nearly getting an ace on the 14th hole to put himself into contention in a major with Woods for the first time since he was a 19-year-old at the 1999 PGA Championship.

He was wagging more than ever, 29 to be precise on one shot. But when he finally hit the ball, it usually went where he wanted.

The hazing began early and grew as the afternoon wore on

and the beer flowed among the fans at Bethpage Black. By the time Garcia reached the finishing holes, fans seemed divided on whether to cheer or jeer.

Both had something in common. They were equally loud.

Playing partner Jeff Maggert heard it all as he tried to keep his focus on a 69 that left him only a shot back of Garcia.

"Walking down the fairway they were saying some crazy things," Maggert said. "It wasn't too bad until the end when the beer started flowing. It was getting pretty rowdy the last four holes."

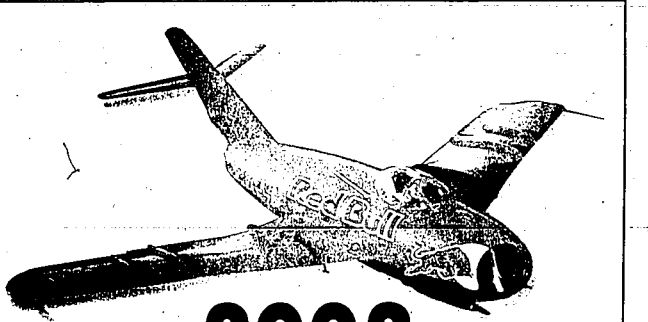
Garcia mostly kept his head down, although he couldn't resist

doing a little bob-and-weave with his shoulders as his shot on the 14th hole almost went in.

Still, he heard it all, and it didn't end until the 18th green when a spectator yelled "3-putt" after the Spaniard's first putt went wide.

A few minutes later, a group of about 10 armed police officers escorted Garcia up the walkway past the spectators to the relative solitude of the clubhouse.

If it was tough trying to contend and deal with rowdy fans in the third round, it figures to only get worse on Sunday when the same fans will be back to see him paired with Woods and the Open title on the line.



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Chris McCarron is shown after a race April 6 in Arcadia, Calif.

Hall of Fame jockey Chris McCarron announces retirement

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Hall of fame jockey Chris McCarron announced Saturday he will retire after a 28-year career in which he racked up more than 7,000 wins.

The 47-year-old McCarron made the announcement at Hollywood Park, where in April of 2001 he became only the seventh rider in history to notch 7,000 wins.

"The time has come for me to

hang up my tack and focus my attention in a different direction," McCarron said, adding that he's looking forward to spending time with his family and promoting horse racing.

Through Friday, McCarron had 7,136 wins, the sixth highest total in history.

His mounts have earned more than \$264 million, more than any other rider.

McCarron, whose last race

will be June 23, said he considered retirement after the Kentucky Derby last month. He was set to return to Southern California to ride in a race at Hollywood Park, but instead decided to stay with his wife in Kentucky.

He watched the Hollywood Park race in his hotel room.

"As the horses hit the wire, something happened to me that never happened before,"

McCarron said. "I'm a little ashamed to admit this, but I didn't have any guilty feelings about not being there."

"I could feel the flame being extinguished that day," he said.

McCarron's long list of victories include two wins each at the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness Stakes and the Belmont Stakes.

He has recorded numerous high-profile upsets during his

career, including one at the 1997 Belmont Stakes, where he guided Touch Gold to victory, spoiling Silver Charm's bid for the Triple Crown.

In 1996, he rode Alphabet Soup to victory at the Breeders Cup Classic, ruining Cigar's grand farewell.

McCarron burst onto the racing scene in 1974, when he set a single-season record of 546 wins. The record stood for 15 years.



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Idaho Celebrates National Dairy Month

Summer is just around the corner and what better way to start the warmer months off than to pay tribute to Idaho's hardworking dairy farmers and their families.

Celebrating the dairy industry and its many benefits is a tradition that dates back nearly sixty years.

It all started in 1937 when a grocer organization got together and decided it was time to pay homage to the nation's growing dairy industry. Many felt that it was time to recognize the industry's positive impact on the nation's economy as well as commemorate milk product's vast nutritional value.

That move proved so popular that it spawned the first National Milk Month. A couple of years later, the celebration became official and June was declared National Dairy Month - a nationwide salute to America's dairy farmers and to promote the production, processing and use of dairy foods.

Since the late 1930s many of Idaho's communities have personalized the celebration, making it the theme for community fairs. Wendell, for example, has a tradition of honoring the area's dairy farmers with Magic Valley Dairy Days.

According to Jack Green, one of Magic Valley Dairy Day's original organizers, the day-long event began as a tool to attract a little attention to Wendell by enticing tourists to come and spend the day in the rural setting. The festivities included a carnival-like atmosphere with a parade, game and food booths and a Queen's contest. The majority of the money generated started the Magic Valley Dairy Day's Scholarship Fund.

Twelve years later, Magic Valley Dairy Days has grown into a two-day event with an annual milking contest and lots of free milk, cheese and ice cream along with carnival booths and rides. But along with the fun and games, this tribute to Idaho's dairy industry has generated over \$82,500 worth of scholarships that have been awarded to students who wanted to further their education at an Idaho two-or-four-year college, vocational-technical or trade school.

Another gesture to bring attention to National Dairy Month was the collaboration between the Milk Producers of Idaho and the United Dairymen of Idaho on the \$2 bill economic impact

circulates throughout the state's economy.

According to recent industry data, the dairy industry is one of the fastest-growing segments of Idaho's economy, a segment that supports many direct and indirect jobs in all communities.

To help employees celebrate National Dairy Month, participating dairy operators slipped something extra into their employee's paycheck envelopes, adding 10-\$2 bills. Now vendors and consumers alike can track how far those dairy dollars go and remember just where they came from.

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Idaho greenhouses see one percent sales drop

TWIN FALLS - Idaho nurseries and greenhouses sold an estimated \$55.3 million of plants and plant materials in 2001 - a 1 percent drop in sales from last year's total of \$55.7 million.

In the fourth nursery and greenhouse survey conducted by the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service for the Idaho Nursery Growers Association, producers were asked to report their total gross sales of Idaho-grown plants and plant materials, including Christmas trees.

Sales were reported for various categories of plants and plant materials. Field-grown plant sales in 2001 accounted for 65 percent of the total gross sales at \$36 million, compared with \$36.1 million in 2000. Greenhouse-grown plant sales accounted for 33 percent of the total at \$18.3 million, compared with \$18.4 million a year earlier. Christmas tree sales accounted for 2 percent of the total at \$1.1 million, compared with \$1.2 million in 2000.

Gem state's 2002 winter wheat forecast decreases

TWIN FALLS - Idaho's 2002 winter wheat production is forecast at 51.8 million bushels, down 3 percent from last month's forecast and slightly less than last year's crop. If it holds true, that would be the least winter wheat produced in Idaho since 1991.

The Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service report is based on June 1 conditions. The yield is forecast to be 75 bushels per acre, a decrease of two bushels from last month, but two bushels more than last year's yield. Acres to be harvested, at 690,000, represent a 20,000-acre decrease from 2001.

Idaho hops strung for harvest in 2002 totaled 3,385 acres, 2 percent below last year's harvested area of 3,469 acres, the statistics service said.

Mini-Cassia chamber meets Thursday morning

BURLEY - The Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce will hold its monthly Toast and Topics meeting from 7:30 to 9 a.m. Thursday at Community Cafe.

Officer Dan Bristol of the Heyburn Police Department will speak on domestic violence, a topic brought back by request, a chamber press release said.

Kraft Foods Inc. reports quarterly dividends

RUPERT - Kraft Foods Inc. - which has a cheese plant in Rupert - declared a regular quarterly dividend of 13 cents per common share of Class A and Class B stock, payable July 8 to stockholders of record as of June 28.

Kraft Foods markets food brands including Kraft cheese, Maxwell House and Jacobs coffees, Nabisco cookies and crackers, Philadelphia cream cheese, Oscar Mayer meats, Post cereals and Milka chocolates, in more than 145 countries. For information, visit Web site www.kraft.com.

CSI offers career-planning workshop in T.F., Burley

TWIN FALLS - The Center for New Directions at the College of Southern Idaho is offering a Career Planning workshop in Twin Falls and Burley.

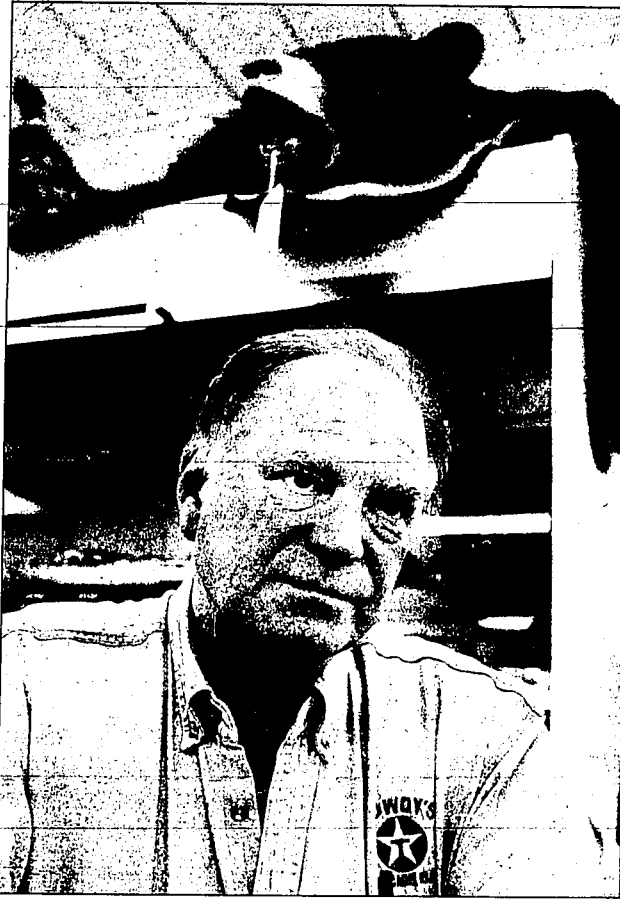
The workshop will benefit those who are beginning an education, trying to identify interests or developing new skills. A staff member will help participants discover their workplace talents, explore careers in demand and investigate their options.

Classes will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. June 24 and 27 at the CSI Outreach Center in Burley and from 2 to 4 p.m. June 24 and 27 at the CSI campus in Twin Falls. Admission is free, and career tests are included.

To register or for information, call 733-9554 or (800) 680-0274, Ext. 2680.

Compiled from staff reports

CASCADE CONVERSION



After years of struggling to stay a timber town, Cascade is reluctantly embracing a new self image: a tourist and recreation destination. Terry Eiguren, owner of Howdy's, is one businessman making the transition.

Former mill town makes transition to tourist mecca

The Associated Press

CASCADE - It was a shock, even though people had been expecting it. This timber town's heart, the Boise Cascade sawmill where generations of Cascade residents had earned an honest wage, stopped beating early last summer.

Since that day, nearly a year ago, Valley County has been coming to grips with that new reality.

After years of struggling to stay a timber town, Cascade reluctantly is embracing a new self image: a tourist and recreation destination.

"It's a given that Valley County has become the playground for Ada County," said Lee Heinrich, the county clerk.

Southern Idaho's Mini-Cassia might face similar questions of redevelopment as the J.R. Simplot Co. potato-processing plant in Heyburn starts shutting down this year, putting hundreds out of work in that small city.

No one in Cascade wants the town's quaint blue-collar nature, speckled with cafes and log-cabin motels that cater to hunters, anglers and snowmobilers, to change.

The prospect of creating an exclusive enclave like McCall or Sun Valley goes against Cascade's easy-going grain. Some residents worry it could also cre-



Lorie Mauk talks about her husband being laid off when Boise Cascade closed its mill in Cascade. He managed to find a new job but took a significant pay cut.

ate an economically polarized community of haves and have-nots. But people need jobs.

Valley County residents say they have no choice but to put up with the changes that have forced them to forgo their timber traditions in favor of the West's new mantra: tourism and recreation.

"I don't want to see the community grow," said Heinrich, who has been in office since 1991. "But you either progress or regress. To make things better, you just need more people."

Valley County already has gone a long way down the outdoor playground path. Two-thirds of the county's housing units are owned by people whose primary residence is outside the county. Most of those second homes are in the McCall area, where people Heinrich calls Idaho's "rich and famous"

have built "million-dollar cabins" along the shores of Payette Lake.

Adding momentum to the county's metamorphosis was last month's state land lease offer to WestRock, a \$1-billion four-season resort developers hope to build on the shores of Lake Cascade, just a short drive from Cascade and McCall.

Hailed and criticized as potentially another Sun Valley, the self-contained resort's potential effect on development in Valley County is still unclear.

"I don't think I've seen another issue that's split people here like WestRock," Heinrich said.

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Buhl plant shows off new leaders

By Mary Lou Potts
Times-News correspondent

BUHL - Trucks are bringing sugar snap peas from Hermiston, Ore., and Seneca Foods Corp. in Buhl is full swing with its season canning and freezing peas.

Russ Grubb, Seneca plant manager, and Dave Heimkes, agriculture manager, recently introduced themselves to Buhl Chamber of Commerce members and talked about the plant and its production plans.

Grubb and Heimkes are both new to the area, coming here when Seneca made a managerial change due to a retirement. Grubb has about 30 years' experience with Del Monte, Stokley and Agri-Pac.

"I spent several years in Mexico City with Del Monte," Grubb said. Heimkes transferred from a Seneca branch in Minnesota.

"The world market is changing rapidly. The U.S. is closing plants and a lot of used equipment is available, and most of it is going overseas to expand the facilities there," Grubb told Buhl business people.

Seneca has 17 plants across the United States with \$650 million to \$700 million in sales.

"We are one of the three big players in this field. About 40 percent of production is exported; that equals to about 8 million cases of product," Grubb said.

"Seneca has just finished with 1.3 million pounds of frozen asparagus, and now sugar snap peas are in. We have about 17 million pounds of peas to get out, and we expect about 31.5 million pounds of corn, which includes corn on the cob packaging," he said.

The company earlier this year reduced production in Buhl.

Grubb said some of the reasons are Seneca is down to 4,000 acres of corn, inventory levels have to be adjusted, supermarkets are consolidating, and consumers are eating more fresh foods that can be imported to the United States year round, especially from Chile.

"We have to cross train some

employees, but there is still 15 full-time employees," Grubb said. The Buhl plant has added equipment - a cooker for corn, air-operated knives to cut corn off the cobs, and blowers - Heimkes said.

In a few days, he said, "we will harvest our own peas from 3,000 acres in Nampa, although some got nipped in a frost. We went to 14,000 acres of corn from 18,000 acres last year."

Grubb also said the facilities have been updated with new locks and additional fencing.

"Visitors and vendors will have to check in at the gate to enter the premises," he said.

Grubb said Japan, Korea and Taiwan are Seneca's main overseas customers.

Local businessman Cally Parrott inquired about current payroll at Seneca. Dick Huberty, of Seneca's personnel department, said it is about \$6 million.

"How does Seneca's Buhl plant figure in the coast-to-coast economy?" asked Rick Hill, a chamber official.

Grubb replied that it is an advantage to be so close to the coast because shipping and exporting to Canada is easier.

Another chamber member asked whether Seneca can keep using the Green Giant name, a brand name for the plant's former owner.

Grubb replied that Seneca has a 20-year alliance with Pillsbury to use the Green Giant brand name.

In addition, Grubb said, "we are still doing Western Family, Safeway and some private label brands."

The next Buhl chamber luncheon will be Monday, with speaker Ole Turner, Buhl's postmaster. Turner will discuss the effects of electronic mail on the postal service and talk about stamp-post increases. The lunch meeting at noon is held at Grandstands Sports Grill on Main and Broadway.

Times-News correspondent Mary Lou Potts can be reached in Buhl at 543-8854.

Stocks suffer fourth straight losing week

By Amy Baldwin
The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Caution dominated the stock market Friday following a bombing outside a U.S. government office in Pakistan. Stocks ended the session narrowly mixed, but failed to save the market from its fourth straight losing week.

Investors were wary of holding onto stocks for fear of more attacks over the weekend. A spate of bad news about the health of business - revenue warnings from Lucent and Sprint PCS, downgrades of telecommunications stocks and a decline in consumer sentiment - also held the market back.

"There are so many reasons for investors to be worried. They were worried there would be more terror attacks, and there has been one. They have been worried about the economy and earnings, and there is very good reason," said Hugh Johnson, chief investment officer at First Albany Corp.

The Dow ended a heavily traded session down 28.59, or 0.3 percent, at 9,474.21. But the loss was modest compared with an early drop of 241.81 and triple-digit declines on Tuesday and Thursday.

The broader market was mixed. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 2.29, or 0.2 percent, to 1,007.27.

But the Nasdaq composite index rose 7.88, or 0.5 percent, to 1,504.74, recovering from an early loss of \$1.42.

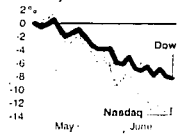
The market indexes also suffered their fourth consecutive down week. The Dow fell 115.46, or 1.2 percent, the S&P lost 20.26, or 0.9 percent, and the Nasdaq sank 30.74, or 2.0 percent.

"You can't blame investors for being very, very demoralized. ... The stock market is going down

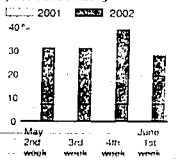
Automatic trading

Traders say that with lower investors in the market, end-of-the-day bursts of volatility are driven by a rise in program trading - computer programs that buy or sell tens or even hundreds of thousands of shares at a time.

Percent change in daily closings since May 14



Program trading, average weekly percent of total trading



SOURCES: New York Stock Exchange, AP Yahoo.com, Commodity Systems Inc., Dow Jones

and their net eggs are shrinking. There are plenty of reasons to sell - first, to stop the bleed ing," Johnson said.

Much of Wall Street's weakness Friday was attributable to worries triggered by an attack on the U.S. Consulate in Karachi, Pakistan, where a suicide attacker drove a bomb-laden car into a guard post. The attack killed 11 people and injured many more, including one U.S. Marine guard and five Pakistani employees of the United States.

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YOUR BUSINESS

CAREER MOVES

TWIN FALLS - Nomi Darling recently joined the Fred Meyer jewelry department as a sales associate.



Nomi Darling
She can be reached at 730-5355.

BURLEY - D.L. Evans Bank promoted Tina Myers to human resource officer for the D.L. Evans corporate office, 397 N. Overland Ave.



Tina Myers
She is involved with the American Cancer Society and may be seen. She lives in the Twin Falls area with her husband and daughter.

RUPERT - Melanie Irigoyen graduated May 23 from the Western Agricultural Banking School's two-year program at Washington State University in Pullman.

WABS focuses on agricultural credit problems and credit analysis and is considered the premier banker-driven agricultural credit school in the nation, said a press release from the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at Oregon State University. The school was established in 1975; it serves the western region of the United States and Canada to educate agricultural credit officers and provide advanced courses in the theory and practice of providing agricultural credit and related services.

JEROME - Meg Harper joined the opening roles team for the newly renovated Davenport Hotel in Spokane, Wash., as manager of sales. Her focus will be associations and government group sales within the state and region.



Harper has more than 10 years of experience in sales. Previously, she was convention sales manager for West Coast Hospitality Corp., representative for the 89-property hotel chain, and sales executive for the Meydenbauer Center in Bellevue, Wash. She also held positions as sales manager and concierge for the Rūpath Hotel Spokane.

She grew up in Jerome, where her parents, Ed and Flo Harper, live. She graduated with honors from Jerome High School and obtained a bachelor's degree in organizational community from the University of Idaho.

TWIN FALLS - Randy E. Hansen, chief financial officer for Family Health Services, received a 2002 Award of Distinguished Service from the Idaho Primary Care Association. The award was presented at the Spring Northwest Regional Primary Care Association Conference held May 21 in Boise.

The award was for Hansen's leadership and collaboration in working with Idaho's Prospective Payment System. The work resulted in the provision of separate payments for the Medicaid Healthy Connections program for federally qualified health centers and rural health centers throughout the state.

Hansen has been with Family Health Services for 1 1/2 years. Family Health Services has clinics in Buhl, Burley, Jerome and Twin Falls serving primary healthcare needs regardless of ability to pay.

BOISE - Intermountain Gas Co. announced promotions in the content and central Idaho service area.

Lance Elroy was promoted to district manager in Pocatello. He graduated from Albertson College of Idaho and joined Intermountain in April 1992 as a college intern. In June 1992, he became a marketing representative in Pocatello and was named district manager in Hailey in August 1997.



Lance Elroy

Randy Morgan is the new district manager in Hailey. He joined Intermountain Gas in February 1997 as a customer contact representative at the Boise call center and moved to the Boise marketing area in April 2000 as an engineering/marketing technician. He graduated from Eastern Oregon State College.

Rick Moore was promoted to central division manager in Twin Falls. He joined the company in 1977 as an Idaho Falls marketing representative. In 1988, he was promoted to a district manager in Pocatello regional office. Moore has a degree in Idaho State University with a degree in business marketing.



Rick Moore

BURLEY - Lynette Whitesides, formerly of Burley, was awarded a President's Star Performance Award from her employer.

She was invited to have lunch with the president and CEO of Pacific Bell and Nevada Bell, Ray Wilkins, at the Bankers Club in San Francisco. Each quarter, Wilkins presents an award to a person who demonstrates a high level of achievement and exceed the company's expectations. About 60 people received this award out of 64,000 employees in the company. Whitesides lives in Irvine, Calif., and is senior account manager for Business Services Co., where she has been employed for three years. She is the daughter of Gerald and Darlene Whitehead and a graduate of Burley High School.



Lynette Whitesides

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BUHL - The Buhl Chamber of Commerce's Extra Mile Award recipient for May was Amy Kinyon, a waitress at Grandstands Sports Grill at Main and Broadway.



Amy Kinyon

Kinyon serves the Buhl service club who meet weekly and monthly at the restaurant. Most of the weekly meetings are lunch gatherings and average about 20 to 30 members with only an hour to eat and conduct business. Mayor Barbara Gitzen awarded Kinyon a plaque, flowers, gift certificates, coffee cups, a fish T-shirt, a box of candy bars, and a flower pot - all from local business and the chamber of commerce.

BURLEY - Dana Bradley, a third-grade teacher at Dworshak Elementary School in Burley, was honored as Employee of the Month for April by the Cassia School District. She was chosen because of her caring attitude toward her students.



Dana Bradley

As team leader for the third grade at Dworshak, Bradley is working to incorporate standards and benchmarks into the curriculum. Bradley serves on several committees both for the school and the district. When not working with the students, she had this year, she volunteered to help in other classrooms, the office or the library.

Born in Twin Falls, Bradley graduated from high school in Seattle. She attended college in Seattle but earned her bachelor's degree from Idaho State University after she moved to Cassia in 1979. She is working on a master's degree in administration.

Bradley worked in banking for several years before deciding to become a teacher. She came to the Cassia district in January 1994. She taught Chapter I at Mountain View Elementary School for one year before moving to Dworshak, where she taught first grade for one year. She has taught third grade since then.

In the community, Bradley is a facilitator for Teen Project, Parent Project and Loving Solutions. She and her husband, John, an attorney, have two children.



Robert Ploss

TWIN FALLS - Robert Ploss recently completed a factory authorized repair technician course in Chicago and was certified as a factory authorized repair technician.

Ploss is the service and maintenance technician for Idaho Home Health & Hospice.

Resource CD may help businesses

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The U.S. Labor Department's Occupational Safety and Health Administration, in its Boise office, and the Idaho Consultation Program at Boise State University have published a Small Business Resource CD.

The compact disc is interactive with the Internet and includes standards, directives and publications available from BSU and the OSHA Web sites. The CD also contains programs to assist employers on compliance with OSHA standards such as hazard communication, respiratory protection, personal protective equipment assessment, energy control (lockout/tagout), hearing conservation, fall protection, crane inspection, crane and hoist safety, blood-borne pathogen hazards, trenching and excavation safety, and an accident prevention program for the construction industry. A Workplace Safety and Health Management Plan is included to help employers develop effective safety and health programs.

For a free copy of the Small Business Resource CD, call the Boise OSHA office at 1-800-482-1370.

Brochure offers tips to prevent insurance fraud

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Insurance fraud is not just a big city crime. It's happening in Idaho - and everyone pays the price in the form of higher insurance premiums, state officials say.

A new brochure from the Idaho Department of Insurance's investigations unit and the National Insurance Crime Bureau, an insurance industry-sponsored organization that fights fraud and vehicle theft, explains how to avoid becoming a victim of insurance fraud and what to do to combat it. The NICB estimates that insurance fraud costs Americans more than \$30 billion each year.

A few ways to help prevent insurance fraud:

- Be sure there is plenty of distance between your vehicle and the one in front of it to avoid being caught in a "sudden stop" scam.
- Call the police to the accident scene and obtain a police report with the officer's name.
- Carry a disposable camera to document any accident damage and the number of passengers in other vehicles.

"The department, the NICB and the nation's property-casualty insurers are in business to put insurance fraud out of business," said Brian Olson, investigations supervisor for the Idaho Department of Insurance.

If you suspect insurance fraud, call the NICB's toll-free hot line 1-800-TEL-NICB or contact the Idaho Department of Insurance's investigations unit at 334-4250. For free copies of the brochure "Think Again!" contact the NICB at 1-800-447-6282, Ext. 4800.

Visit the NICB online at www.nicb.org.

MILESTONES

Boise company publishes Hagerman Horse book

HAGERMAN - Black Canyon Communications, in cooperation with the Hagerman Fossil Council and Boise State University, announced the publication of "Secrets of the Magic Valley and Hagerman's Remarkable Horse."

Edited by BSU history professor Todd Shallat, the illustrated, 64-page book tells the story of Idaho's Magic Valley, where the complex harnessing of water transformed a desert into an important agricultural region. Here, for trappers encountered Snake River American Indians, Oregon Trail emigrants suffered deprivation and death, miners rushed for placer gold, and scientists found the ancestor of modern horses in a world-class fossil site at a future national monument site, the publisher said.

The text by Idaho historians and scientists is enhanced with hundreds of historic and contemporary photographs as well as drawings, maps and paintings. Suggested retail price is \$35. The book is available at bookstores and online at www.blackcanyoncommunications.com.

Black Canyon Communications LLC, a new publishing company based in Boise, offers other books about the human connection with the land in Idaho and the American West, including "Equus Evolves: The Story of the Hagerman Horse" and "Trolley: Boise Valley's Electric Road."

New regional magazine hits bookstore shelves

BOISE - Black Canyon Communications announced the publication of a new regional magazine, Black Canyon Quarterly.

People in Idaho and the Intermountain West are as diverse a bunch as the landscape they live in and vitally interested in the place, said a press release from Black Canyon Communications. Black Canyon Quarterly is a full-color journal of essays, articles, history, fiction, poetry, profiles, interviews, photo essays and art that focuses on the interaction of people and place.

The Summer 2002 issue debuts with William Studenaker on new-fashioned landscape perspectives, Todd Shallat's Western myth-busting, Cor Conley profiling a Depression-era family on the Salmon River, Ron

McFarland's legend with a twist and a jaded man about town, Lance Olsen's interview with Idaho author Joy Passanante and Stephanie Cox's review of her new novel, Anthony Miranda on local kids leaving for an old war, and William Johnson's poetry weaving nature and relationships. A watercolor portfolio of trees by Karen Woods, illustrations by Julie Erb and James Frost's photo essay on the vanishing roadside architecture along U.S. Highway 30 through Magic Valley completes the magazine's visual component.

Black Canyon Quarterly is \$7 per issue or \$22 per year by subscription. It is available at bookstores and online at www.blackcanyoncommunications.com.

RE/MAX International quarterly results look good

TWIN FALLS - Real estate sales professionals affiliated with RE/MAX International helped more than 1,200 families in Idaho buy or sell homes during the first quarter, the company said.

Dollar volume was \$149 million, up 12 percent from the same period in 2001. Volume per associate was up 24 percent. As of March 31, there were 225 RE/MAX associates in the state, working out of 13 full-service offices.

Travel agency hires director for business travel unit

SALT LAKE CITY - With the merger of Murdock Travel Management with Morris Murdock Travel, Morris Murdock has hired Kathleen Roberts as director of sales for its new business travel unit.

"When Morris Travel operated its business travel segment, Kathleen led the travel unit sales team for many years," said Mark Slack, Morris Murdock president and chief executive. "After making the decision to pursue business travel again, Kathleen was our first choice to lead the new team."

Roberts, who worked for Morris Travel for 15 years before the company sold its business travel unit, will head up the sales and customer service team for the newly merged Morris Murdock Business Travel.

With \$85 million in 2001 sales, Morris Murdock Travel operates 17 offices in Utah, Idaho and Montana, including offices in Magic Valley. Morris Murdock Travel also owns Morris Meetings and Incentives and Xplore Vacations.

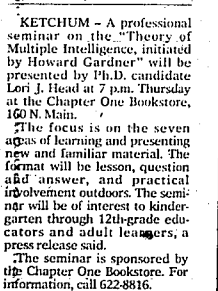
Bookstore sponsors professional seminar

The Times-News

KETCHUM - A professional seminar on the "Theory of Multiple Intelligence, initiated by Howard Gardner" will be presented by Ph.D. candidate Lori J. Head at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Chapter One Bookstore, 160 N. Main.

The focus is on the seven areas of learning and presenting new and familiar material. The format will be lesson, question and answer, and an activity in the afternoon outdoors. The seminar will be of interest to kindergarten through 12th-grade educators and adult learners, a press release said.

The seminar is sponsored by the Chapter One Bookstore. For information, call 622-8816.



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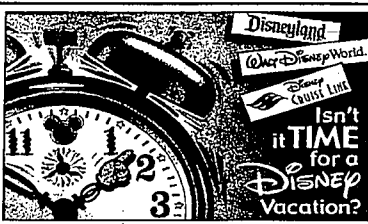
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All estates, regardless of size, should have a will

By Betty Lin-Fisher
Knight Ridder News Service

AKRON, Ohio - I've been thinking a lot about death lately. But it's not a morbid thought; I've been working on wills for my husband and myself.

Of course, thinking about your own death is no cup of tea, but putting your affairs in order is an important thing everyone should do.

"Wills are one of those things people procrastinate about. Who wants to think about dying and how their assets and children, if they have any, will live without them?"

To be honest, my husband and I never thought about it until we had a child. It's important to us to know that she'll be properly cared for, should something happen to either of us.

Everyone should have a will, regardless of whether you're single or married, or whether you have a lot of money or not much at all, said Summit County (Ohio) Probate Judge Bill Spicer.

You need someone there speaking for you once you're dead. That's why a will is so convenient," he said.

If a person dies without a will, the estate will be distributed according to state law.

So if you want some say in how your money and belongings are distributed after you die, it pays to have a will, said Patricia Hill, managing attorney for Community Legal Aid Services.

Spicer said there are two parts of an estate - writing the will and general estate planning and executing the will after a person's death. A computer program can't tell you how to execute a will, like a lawyer can, he said.

"It's relatively simple to write up a will. What it does is take a lot of effort to distribute the estate," he said.

Both Spicer and Hill suggest going to an attorney to prepare your will instead of using do-it-yourself computer software programs.

"I'm sure these programs probably can do a simple will," Spicer said. But a subtle mistake on the will could cause a lot of problems, he said.

"One thing that adds the most cost is having it go to court where somebody has to interpret that," he said. "I spend a lot of time interpreting wills and trusts and it's not clear what the decedent wanted."

A will can be as simple as the person wants it to be. State law requires that at least two wit-

Finding the right will software program can be tricky

By Betty Lin-Fisher
Knight Ridder News Service

AKRON, Ohio - A few months ago, after months of procrastinating, I purchased a computer program to do my own will.

We decided to try putting together our will on the computer instead of going to an attorney since our estate, if we were to pass away, would be modest. Our main reason for wanting a will was to make sure a guardian is named for our daughter and to make sure finances for her would be handled.

After browsing through the selection on the store shelf, I went with Kiplinger's Willpower, in part because I knew and trusted the Kiplinger name.

But after muddling through the program, my husband and I were too nervous to get our wills notarized and witnessed by two people. The end result was a document we couldn't understand when we read it, even though we had followed all of the instructions.

So recently, I purchased a copy of all of the will software programs I could find at local stores. I bought four computer programs and one paper kit.

I've only reviewed three of the computer programs, since one, Deluxe Wills & Trusts (\$9.99, Cosmi Corporation), didn't work. After a few days of trying to load it onto the computer to no avail, talking to company representatives and trying to download "patch" programs from the company, I gave up. Company representatives told me there is a glitch in all of the programs currently on the shelves that is easy to fix. Believe me, it's not, so I wouldn't recommend that program.

After going through the programs, I took my completed wills to Patricia Hill, managing attorney for Community Legal Aid Services.

She went through the wills to evaluate whether they were legal and whether they followed the

general wishes of my husband and me.

After this exercise, I would recommend showing an attorney your final product, if you're unsure. You can get a 30-minute consultation for \$30 with a member of the local Bar Association.

It gave me more peace of mind. Plus, as you'll read, I had gone with one product where I thought everything was fine, but it turns out I was confused. I wouldn't have known that without an attorney's advice.

Here are our results:

■ KIPLINGER'S WILLPOWER Price: \$29.97

The details: This is the program I spoke of above. It claims to be "the easiest way to prepare your will" but I wholeheartedly disagree. The help topics were not very helpful.

The legalside made my eyes glaze over. (It also made the attorney's eyes glaze over, which is a hint to its seriousness.) It also made me worried about saying something wrong and making it legally binding. The instructions said I could remove a sentence if I'm uncomfortable with it, but I wasn't comfortable doing that either.

It took me 48 minutes to complete my will, which was 15 pages long. It took another four minutes to duplicate a will for my husband by going through the program again and changing the names.

Attorney's comments: It's much too complicated of a will for a simple estate and more work than it's worth. What money you saved in doing your own will would probably be spent with an attorney and accountant figuring it out.

It's perfectly legal, but you don't have a clue as to what you did. Any will is no good if you don't know what you did.

My decision: Not recommended.

■ NOLO WILLMAKER 8 Price: \$39.95

The details: This was an easy-to-follow program with step-by-step

whether it was legally signed.

Hill said there's a misconception that attorneys charge a few hundred dollars to put together a will. Many will do it for \$50, she said. If you do use a software program, Hill suggests having an attorney look it over. Members of the local bar association will give a 30-minute consultation for \$30.

instructions along the way. It is also the only program with a large user's manual included. All of the other ones have help menus or manuals that you have to read on the computer, which can be hard to navigate.

There were parts of the program that would suggest when I should and shouldn't name my spouse instead of other people. While it didn't affect the legality of the outcome of my will and it was still legal, Hill said it was apparent I got confused (though I didn't know it at the time).

Looking back, I think the reason I was confused was because this program used some different terminology than the others that I had grown accustomed to, thereby throwing me a curve.

The program took me 52 minutes to complete the seven-page will. My husband's will was a snap because there's a feature to copy a similar will for a spouse.

Attorney's comments: It was clear to me you were confused on this one. If one parent dies, the other parent is automatically named the guardian, so you don't need to name the parent in the will. However, you do have to name the spouse, or someone else if you want, as executor of your will.

The will still followed your wishes and was legal, however, I wouldn't recommend it since you didn't know what you were signing.

My decision: I won't use this one, but maybe you'll have better luck.

■ QUICKEN WILLWRITER 2001 Price: \$29.99

The details: This is an easy-to-follow program. There are companion instructions included on the disk, designed to be used "hand-in-hand," but I wasn't able to print out the 468 pages. It was still able to complete the will using an executor, guardian of minor children, but doesn't set up for any type of trust.

Attorney's comments: This is really as basic as you can get. It doesn't ask much. It allows for you to appoint an executor, guardian of minor children, but doesn't set up for any type of trust.

My decision: Not recommended.

Spicer offers a few words of advice regarding wills:

- If you think you're going to have problems with someone you're giving your estate to, talk in over with the people involved. Explain your wishes. "The more planning you put into it, the less problems there are," he said.
- If you've got items you

and how it should be distributed.

There were also shortcuts included to help cut down on repetitive typing, like menus I had already used, but the shortcuts seemed slow at times.

I completed my 11-page will within 30 minutes, much quicker than the other programs. I couldn't tell whether it was because it was quicker to do, or because it was becoming more efficient at getting through the programs. Duplicating a will for my husband was also easy on this one.

Attorney's comments: Of all of the wills I seemed to me this one was a little more clear perhaps than some of the others and it wasn't that complicated. It's a little longer than you might need for a simple estate, but it's fine.

My decision: Recommended.

■ E-Z LEGAL FORMS: Do-It-Yourself Last Will & Testament Kit Price: \$14.99

The details: This was not a computer program, but a paper kit with a manual. The one-sheet will has blank spaces to fill in the blank. While a computer program is also essentially filling in the blank, at least you get a print out with that. With this program, I felt very uncomfortable with the simplicity and writing in parts in ballpoint pen. I even messed up on one part, so I had to either scratch it out with a pen or use correction fluid, which seemed strange for a legal document.

The instruction manual gave some examples of how to write specific bequests, but I still felt uncomfortable with it.

This took me only about 15 minutes to complete. The kit only comes with papers for one will, so I wasn't able to do one for my husband.

Attorney's comments: This is really as basic as you can get. It doesn't ask much. It allows for you to appoint an executor, guardian of minor children, but doesn't set up for any type of trust.

My decision: Not recommended.

specifically want someone to have, write it down.

If you're naming a guardian for a minor child, talk to that person to make sure he or she wants to serve. "Quite often, we get situations where they don't want to serve," Spicer said. The probate court would then appoint another guardian.

Both Spicer and Hill warn against people who sell living-trust kits.

While living trusts are legal and used often, not everyone needs one.

A living trust is created while a person is still living and is a way to transfer legal ownership of assets. They have become popular as a way to avoid probate court. However, living trusts aren't for everybody, said Spicer and Hill.

For instance, living trusts cost more to set up than a will, and estate tax provisions are the same for both. Transfers to trust also may affect Medicaid eligibility.

A living trust may be advantageous for a small business owner or an older couple with sizable assets who no longer want to handle assets themselves, Hill said.

"For very modest estates, the amount of money they spend on administrative fees becomes any advantage a living trust would have over a will," she said.

If you think you might want to put together a living trust, consult an attorney. Some of the will software programs also help create living trusts, though I didn't review them.

There are often promotions by people who are not attorneys offering to set up a living trust for \$2,000 to \$3,000.

The promotions prey on people by telling them not to let the government take the money that should go to their loved ones.

Kathy Keller, spokeswoman for AARP Ohio. These promotions are often troublesome because they are just expensive kits with documents, the AARP warns.

In 1998, the AARP filed a lawsuit against one of the companies that sold living trusts because it had said AARP endorsed its product, which it hadn't.

Often, people who pay a few thousand dollars for these living trusts could go with a simple will, Spicer said.

Hill said there's also a misconception that probate court is an awful place you should avoid.

"For most of us with very modest estates, we're not going to get killed in probate court," she said. In the end, Hill and Spicer both think an attorney is the best way to go - for either a will or a living trust.

"This is what you've saved and what you've worked hard for and you've accumulated. You don't want to screw it up by trying to save a few bucks," Hill said.

Workers prefer abuse to incompetence

The Associated Press

Although no one likes working for an abusive boss, many workers are actually more troubled by one who's incompetent, according to an Ohio State University study.

Sociology professor Randy Hodson analyzed more than 100 studies of contemporary workplaces to discover how employees found or failed to find a sense of meaning and fulfillment in their work.

He found that abuse by managers or mismanagement was connected to negative employee reactions such as absenteeism and withholding effort on the job. But mismanagement seemed to be a source of greater frustration for workers.

"Nobody likes abuse, but employees can find ways to work around abusive managers," Hodson said. "But employees don't want to be involved with chaotic, mismanaged workplaces where nothing gets done well and people feel like they can't be effective."

Cascade

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One thing is certain: If WestRock clears its remaining legal challenges, its existence will bring more people through Cascade on Idaho 55 and those people will have money.

Until recently, Cascade has not ventured very far into this new era of tourism.

The city lobbied for the state park facilities that now grace the shores of Lake Cascade and welcomed local businesses such as RV parks, lodges and fly shops.

But many of the city's post-Boise Cascade economic development projects would foster ties to the timber industry, a plan civic and business leaders say is important for their community identity and the health of the hillside forests ringing the city.

Cascade hosted a 1998 protest against the Clinton administration's "roadless initiative," one of a number of government policies the timber industry blames for its own decline in the West. Until the mill closed in 2001, the city seemed to be focusing more on fending off the timber industry's coming demise than embracing other possibilities.

Michael Mauk, a former forklift driver at the mill, and his wife, Lorie, have watched as many of their friends left town after the mill's closure. About one-third of the mill's families have left Cascade in the past year.

Some, like David and Cori Anderson, were able to land jobs at other Boise Cascade mills. Some gave up on the industry's



Ron Lundquist stands near the closed Boise Cascade Corp. sawmill in May in Cascade. Once a forklift driver, now he is going to school so that he can run the Ashley Inn, which is scheduled to be built in Cascade.

uncertainty all together. Still others have just drifted away. The Mauks' neighbors turned their home over to the bank, saying that finding a way to keep up with the mortgage would be futile.

Today, Lorie Mauk works two jobs in an effort to make up for the \$20,000 pay cut her husband, a fourth-generation Valley County resident, took when he lost his mill job and became a county deputy sheriff. But credit

card bills and two children quickly consume their paychecks.

"Basically what you're doing is getting rid of the middle class," said Lorie Mauk of the mill's closure and the town's newfound reliance on motels, restaurants and resorts.

Since last month, she's been running David and Cori Anderson's little greenhouse, which is for sale as David Anderson seeks into a new job at the Boise Cascade paper mill in Kennewick, Wash.

Lorie Mauk, too, holds a grudge against government policies she says forced the timber industry's demise. But she and others reserve some of their ill feelings for Boise Cascade, which many residents say didn't give local residents enough opportunity to find buyers for the mill. Last month, Boise Cascade announced the mill will be dismantled.

When it became clear his job at the mill was in jeopardy, former Boise Cascade forklift driver Ron Lundquist accepted an invitation from his friends, Ashley and Katrin Thompson, to manage the

hotel they hoped to build in Cascade.

For the past year, Lundquist has been taking hotel and restaurant management courses through the state Labor Department's Job Service in the hope that a state economic development grant allowing the hotel's construction would come through.

Earlier this year, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne presented Cascade with a \$100,000 check to build the sewer infrastructure needed for the project. Now, when Lundquist is not in the classroom, he's helping the Thompsons lay the groundwork for the Ashley Inn, which could be complete by Christmas.

Yet, when the conversation turns to the mill's demise, his preference for the town's past is clear.

"Losing me more sawmill like Cascade will further erode the strength of the fabric of the whole nation," Lundquist said.

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NEW BUSINESSES

The Times-News

BOISE - Following is the list of businesses filing with May with the Idaho secretary of state's office - including both new ones and existing ones that had been filed with counties and had to be re-filed with the state.

Businesses at risk - listed by name, agent, address and nature of business.

120 Second Avenue Building Association Inc., Matthew Engel, 220 Northwood Way, Ketchum, ID 83340.

A & E Roofing, Tommy G. Fite, P.O. Box 935, Hailey, ID 83333, services.

A and R Roofing, Jarrett Roach, P.O. Box 304, Buhl, ID 83316, services.

A Superior Finish, William P. Grimburn, P.O. Box 2361, Ketchum, ID 83340, services.

A Elizabeth, Burr-Jones, Attorneys at Law P.C., Elizabeth Burr-Jones, 1426 Oakley Ave., Burley, ID 83318.

A-1 Design Services, Jason Miller, 710 N. 160 E., Rupert, ID 83450, services.

Albion Valley Express, Brandon Pomeroy, 324 S. Main St., Albion, ID 83311, services, transportation.

Anyday Auto Transport Inc., David C. Grimes, 17 W. 300 S., Jerome, ID 83338.

Asian Food Market, Yip Tse, 1043 Blue Lakes N., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail.

Auto Tech-Wendell Inc., Dan Dager, 110 D Ave. W., Wendell, ID 83455.

Avalon Construction, Dennis Lunsdown, P.O. Box 2972, Ketchum, ID 83340, construction.

B & E Real Estate Management Co., Earl C. Williamson, 541 Briardiff Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

B. Todd Matney LLC, B. Todd Matney, 1041 Sunrise Drive, Hailey, ID 83333.

HA & M Enterprises, Mickey D. Mummet, P.O. Box 1302, Hailey, ID 83333, retail trade.

Bausman Inc., Mitchell H. Bausman, 1938 Hampton Way, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Beauty Control, Carol Cunningham, 1098 Parkway Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301, services, retail trade.

Bea Charming, Yvonne J. Hanson, 102 Shepparth Lane, Hailey, ID 83333, retail.

Birchwoods and Supplies, Jeff O. Birch, 102 E. 500 S., Burley, ID 83318, retail trade and services.

Blase LLC, August R. "Gus" Blase, 413 S. Valverde Drive, Rupert, ID 83350.

The Brike Apartments, Boyd L. Baggett, 338 E. 200 S., Burley, ID 83318, finance, insurance and real estate.

Budget Air, Pete Ross Bishop, 246 Condoval Ave., Twin Falls, ID 83301, wholesale trade and services.

Buy Right Autos, Troy A. Beal, 300 W. Main, Jerome, ID 83338, retail, wholesale and services.

BZ Plumbing Inc., Brent Bulber, 300 N. 104 E., Jerome, ID 83338.

C & H Consulting Services, Zachary Hirsch, 820 Campus Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301, sales and retail trade.

The C.A.R. Center, Susan Kay Mann, P.O. Box 372, Hailey, ID 83333, services.

C. V. Haycock LLC, Can Dale Haycock, 300 E. Idaho Highway 81, Burley, ID 83318, retail.

Chris Quilting LLC, Chris G. Campbell, 1060 Lakewood Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Class A Construction, Aaron Brown, P.O. Box 5937, Twin Falls, ID 83303, construction.

Clean Water Systems LLC, Daniel DeLeon, 271 N. College Road W., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Con's Performance Chips, C.V. Haycock LLC, 300 E. Idaho Highway 81, Burley, ID 83318, retail trade.

Construction Painting Services LLC, James P. Sveck, 120 E. Ave., Ketchum, ID 83340.

Cortese Investments, Michael Cortese, P.O. Box 1766, Ketchum, ID 83450, finance, insurance and real estate.

Creekside Center, Nancy S. Moore, 3140 Snowbank Drive, Hailey, ID 83333, services.

Cutting Edge Carpentry, Lisa J. Loynd, P.O. Box 6964, Ketchum, ID 83340, construction.

D & K Lawn Services, David Taylor, 212 Fifth Ave. E., Jerome, ID 83338, services.

D&H Repair & Used Cars, Don Howell, 600 Overland Ave., Burley, ID 83318, retail trade and services.

D.W. Classics, Dean Wisley, 1285 Falls Ave. W., Twin Falls, ID 83301, wholesale trade.

David Joy and Debra L. Brown Family Limited Partnership, David Joy Brown, 1853 E. 1500 S., Gooding, ID 83330.

DeWitt Diesel LLC, Mark DeWitt, 511 Sunnyside Drive, Jerome, ID 83338.

Done On Time Services,

Dorothy C. McIntire, P.O. Box 2256, Hailey, ID 83333, services.

Double J Excavating, Jed Kloor, 375 N. 4900 E., Murtaugh, ID 83344, construction.

Duggan Enterprises LLC, Casey L. Duggan, 844 20th Ave. E., Jerome, ID 83338.

Durfee Trucking Inc., Guy Durfee, 122 E. Idaho Highway 81 Bypass, DeLo, ID 83323.

Earlyline Sales, Eric Guentler, 853 Locust St. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.

East Line Co., Wesley Leroy Reichert, 582 Murley Road, Richfield, ID 83349, retail trade, services and construction.

Evening Creek LLC, Mark Vegwert, 400 Sun Valley Road, Suite 207, Ketchum, ID 83340.

Everybody's Home Care Services, Craig Kristoff, P.O. Box 2800, Ketchum, ID 83340, services.

Expectations, Gina Spencer, 1222 Overland, Burley, ID 83318, retail trade.

Expedition America Inc., Terry C. Halbert, 4518 Meadow Lane, Buhl, ID 83316.

Freeston Specialty Lumber, Bob Jo Freeston, Route 1, P.O. Box 1035A, Fairfield, ID 83327, retail trade.

Garribaldi's Restaurant of Nampa Inc., Jose Perez, 603 Ridge Center, Kelly, ID 83334.

Gateway Shopping Center, Denmar LLC, Dennis Cleed, P.O. Box 268, Rupert, ID 83350, finance, insurance and real estate.

Geist & Schwanefeldt LLC, Jeff Geist, 100 N. Lincoln St., Jerome, ID 83338.

Godfellow's Fencing & Decorative Curbing, Gene Goodfellow, 310 Elm, Twin Falls, ID 83301, services and construction.

Gradual Art, David Keiski, HC 64, P.O. Box 9123, Ketchum, ID 8334, wholesale and retail trade.

Granite Sciences Inc., James Eichenrath, 3278 E. 3210 N., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Greenwood & Brady PLLC, Richard Greenwood, 218 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Haukins Corner LLC, J. Francis Florence, 139 Rivervista Place, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

High County Outfitters LLC, George T. Peter Jr., 951 E. Base Line Road, Fairfield, ID 83327.

Holmes & Narison Resources, Crane Chiropractic, Troy Crane, 251 E. 300 S., Burley, ID 83318, services.

Hollinger Properties, Gary L. Hollinger, 1800 Elba, Burley, ID 83318, real estate.

Home Health Professionals Inc., Debra L. Gates, 147 Main Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Homefront Development Corp., Lyle Santos, 83 Cedarpark Circle, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

I-84 Xpress LLC, Ryan Glodowski, 2400 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

Idaho Ross Center, David Alan Hines, 824 E. 3500 N., Filer, ID 83328, retail trade, services, agriculture and construction.

Interior Space Solutions, Glynis A. Palazuelos, P.O. Box 4783, Ketchum, ID 83340, services and construction.

J&J Siding & Roofing, Jerry L. Pfeiffer, 1405 A St., Rupert, ID 83350, construction.

J. Green's Nursery & Gifts, J. Green, 400 N. Main St., Burley, P.O. Box 568, Kimberly, ID 83341, retail trade.

J. Green's Inc., Karen Anderson, 3675 N. 3540 E., Kimberly, ID 83401.

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Lucky Day, Larry Johnson, 818 S. Oneida, No. 5, Rupert, ID 83350, retail trade.

M.M.L. Kelly DeMarco Richiù,

242 South View Road, Jerome, ID 83338, service.

Magic Valley Lawn Care, Ron Ruggles, 271 Dubois, Twin Falls, ID 83301, services.

Meyers Brick & Driveway, Craig Meyers, P.O. Box 1725, Sun Valley, ID 83353, services and construction.

MHG1 LLC, Howard Goldman, 305 Broadway, Ketchum, ID 83340.

MHG2 LLC, Howard Goldman, 305 Broadway, Ketchum, ID 83340.

Micronopy Hummock Farm LLC, Ben E. Darrow, 11 Cliffside Drive, Ketchum, ID 83340.

Middle Fork LLC, Matt Leidecker, 211 River Run Drive, Ketchum, ID 83340.

Morgan Farms Ltd., Brandie J. Mollenbrink, 403 Orchard Drive W., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Mountain West Contractors, Yeaman Inc., 615 21st St., Burley, ID 83318, construction.

Nevada Tower, John Campbell, P.O. Box 3290, Hailey, ID 83333, services and construction.

New Beginnings-Hair & Skin Retreat, Julie Atkinson, 622 Center St., Kimberly, retail trade and services.

Nice-N-Easy Payday & Title Loans, Jerry L. Freese, 2279 Pole Line Road E., Twin Falls, ID 83301, finance, insurance and real estate.

North American Distributors, Amy Harper, 2129 Alta Vista Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301, wholesale trade.

Northland Property Services LLC, Judith Ann Netembof, P.O. Box 4353, Hailey, ID 83333.

Obscure Video and DVD, Kevin P. Coon, 420 Third Ave. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.

Oldman Heating Services LLC, Brian Bennett, 4041 Woodside, No. 1, Hailey, ID 83333.

P Q Partnership, Todd Quast, 1751 Overland Ave., Burley, ID 83318, services.

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RRR Works, Connie Baum, 498 Jefferson St., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.

Rush Tag B., Todd Matney, P.O. Box 550, Ketchum, ID 83340, services.

Rush Tag LLC, Kathleen T. Nosworthy, 1041 Sunrise Drive, Hailey, ID 83333.

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S & K Custom Paint, Scott Jones, 433 Eighth Ave. E., Gooding, ID 83330.

Sacramento Partners LLC, Mark Vegwert, 400 Sun Valley Road, Suite 207, Ketchum, ID 83340.

Santos Inc., Lyle Santos, 400 N. 25 E., Rupert, ID 83350.

Senior Casars Inc., Mark E. Makin, 697 Fillmore St., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Sherrard & Wall Construction LLC, William Sherrard, 130 Southern Comfort Road, Ketchum, ID 83340.

The Showroom Inc., Roger D. Bolton, 2263 Wright Ave., Suite 4, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Silverlake Photo Accessories, Paula Gadsby, 233 Mountain View Road E., Jerome, ID 83338, retail trade.

S J Ingalls LLC, James C. Ingalls, 1640 Pomerelle Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Ski Country Management, Ski Country Inc., Toni Lash, P.O. Box 2248, Ketchum, ID 83340, finance,

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Southern Idaho Angler, Jack Hogdahl, 2148 Candlewood Ave., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade and services.

Spokane Partners LLC, Mark Vegwert, 400 Sun Valley Road, Suite 207, Ketchum, ID 83340.

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Sun Valley Alterations, Terri Kenley, P.O. Box 7028, Ketchum, ID 83340, services.

Sun Valley Broker's Alliance - Mountain Living Real Estate, Marcia Hines, P.O. Box 6049, Ketchum, ID 83340, finance, insurance and real estate.

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Two United States, Debra Denny, 780 Falls, No. 116, Twin Falls, ID 83301, services.

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Bill Hershberger and Ron Hardy are looking forward to working together on aquaculture research even though their facilities are across the nation from each other.

Aquaculture research extends beyond Idaho

TWIN FALLS - Aquaculture research done here in the Magic Valley is taking its place on the national stage.

"Cooperation is the name of the game in research," said Ron Hardy, director of the University of Idaho's Fish Culture Experiment Station in Hagerman.

The key to making cooperation work is by identifying other laboratories or research programs that have strengths in areas one's own lab program doesn't, and then making a deal.

"You exploit each other, in a good way," he added.

The Fish Culture Experiment Station has been particularly successful lining up cooperative projects in the last year. One of those just-inked agreements is with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Fish Technology Center in Bozeman, Mont. The Bozeman facility has a great feed production center but lacks a decent wet lab. Hagerman has a great wet lab, but to build a comparable feed mill could run \$1 million.

Another new cooperative agreement, which Hardy believes will become the most significant, is with the new National Center for Cool and Cold Water Aquaculture in Lewiston, Va.

"It links significant expertise in ARS (the federal Agriculture Research Service) in aquaculture with our facility," Hardy said.

Bill Hershberger, director of the new national center, was in Hagerman concurs that the agreement has potential benefits for not just both research facilities but the industry as a whole.

The Lewiston facility, administered by the USDA-ARS, will look primarily at genetics, while the Hagerman facility will focus on nutrition.

"Genetics provides the potential for growth," Hershberger said, "nutrition provides the fuel."

Farmbeat
Highlights of this week's Ag Weekly, The Times-News' weekly report on agriculture.

hot and cold are causing havoc for crop growers, but ironically, the widely fluctuating temperatures may yield a better water year than was earlier predicted.

Jackson Lake Reservoir, which was at 61 percent of capacity on June 4, had reached 71 percent of capacity on June 12.

That better-than-expected runoff is good news for projects like the Twin Falls Canal Company that rely on natural flow for much of the irrigation water supply. TPCC is still relying on natural flows to supply full water share of 58 of an inch of water and used a minimal amount of storage water.

More-than-expected water in Jackson Lake is giving North Side Canal Company managers more confidence that they will be able to supply shareholders with a 60 percent allocation - 388 of an inch - throughout the entire season without a shutoff period.

In southern Twin Falls County, Salmon River Canal Company shareholders have been allocated 0.1 acre-feet per share of water, about twice what they received in 2001. Irrigators who rely on Magic Reservoir are also seeing an improvement in the water outlook.

Farm bill initiative hopes to jump-start wheat market

ARBON - A provision in the 2002 farm bill has the potential to inject new life into a struggling class of wheat.

The Hard White Initiative provides \$20 million to encourage growers to plant more hard white wheat. The incentive payments would be made in 2003, 2004 and 2005.

"We're losing a lot of market share," said Hans Hayden, a wheat grower from eastern Idaho. "Twenty years ago we had 100 percent of the Korean market, now we've got 50 percent. We lost that to Australian hard white wheat. This program is a nice attempt to try and regain that market share."

Hayden, who serves as chairman of the Idaho Wheat Commission, was in Denver, Colo., last week for a meeting with nine other state wheat commissions to draft proposed rules and regulations. The U.S. Department of Agriculture will consider those proposals when it writes the final rules.

Monitoring shows increase of muddy water

TWIN FALLS - Early-season, water-quality monitoring indicates water quality efforts are taking a toll.

The situation is worrisome to Brian Olmstead, field supervisor for the Twin Falls Canal Company. He thinks the cool spring has left farmers feeling behind, and in their hurry to get caught up they are not taking the time to check the bottom ends of fields or their tail ditches.

The water-quality effort is driven by the pollution-loading plan for the Mid-Snake River that calls for less than 52 mg/L of silt to be dumped into the Snake River. The plan has a 2004 compliance deadline.

Although many of the return drains on the eastern half of the Twin Falls tract are near that standard, the western half of the tract and tributaries to the Snake are carrying more mud this season.

Although the load numbers look bad early in the season, Olmstead is hopeful that irrigators can't wait years ago we had a nice attempt to try and regain that market share.

Magie Valley water outlook improves slightly

TWIN FALLS - Temperatures bouncing back and forth between

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eBay struggles to keep die-hard users

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Twelve eBay users from around the country have been invited to company headquarters to give the Internet auction site's executives pieces of their minds. Customer service is lousy. The search engine is weak. Pop-up ads are deplorable.

"The eBay manager writing down their gripes quickly fills a large sheet of paper, then two, then three, eventually taping so many onto a wall that new ones go on the floor."

Michael Benson, a baseball card collector from St. Louis, adds his complaint: "eBay is going with the big sellers over the little sellers." Murmurs of assent can be heard around the table. "You've got to get back to mom and pop sellers," nods Judy Tomlin of Mecosta, Mich.

That complaint is not new, but it is becoming increasingly common among longtime eBay users. Many say eBay, committed to growth, is giving big companies an unfair advantage by prominently featuring their brand-name wares, creating tough competition for the millions of regular folk who made eBay huge.

"It's so infuriating to see the stock continually rise and know that it's happening because the little guy is taking it in the line," said collectibles seller Tricia Spencer of Riverside, Calif., who was not among the 12 users invited to headquarters. "It's like a kingdom where the serfs have done all the work and the king eats the ale and hearty while the serfs starve."

eBay executives say the charge is unfounded. But they acknowledge that after eBay's astonishing rise in recent years, it is more difficult than ever to stay connected to its treasured "community" — the hobbyists and small businesses that trade everything from AstroTurf to shavers, and dote on "feedback points" that reflect their online reputations.

"Our communication, frankly, to the community is broken," Bill Cobb, eBay's director of marketing, told the group of 12 at eBay's most recent "Voice of the Customer" session. "We have to figure out a better way."

eBay hopes relations get a big boost from its first "community celebration" called eBay Live, June 21-23 in Anaheim. More than 3,000 users are expected to mingle with company managers, trade advice on how to buy and sell things in market cost-effective ways, hear a speech by CEO Meg Whitman and attend an awards ceremony.

Founded in 1995, eBay is by far the world's top Internet auction site, with over 50 million registered users and sites in 27 countries.

It long ago shed its roots as an online flea market. With big companies such as Dell and IBM now undercutting goods on eBay, the site is more like a giant mall with a flea market and a used-car dealership in the parking lot.

To attract even more corporate sellers, eBay said it plans to launch a service to facilitate auctions for companies with discontinued or



Tricia Spencer sits on a bench in Riverside, Calif., Wednesday. She has spent the last three years selling collectibles on eBay such as antique dolls, World War I military helmets, European walking canes and children's umbrellas.

out-of-season merchandise. Executives say such deals are essential for eBay's long-term financial growth, which will come largely by expanding its slim market share in major consumer categories. More brand-name products will bring new buyers, which ultimately helps big and small sellers, they say.

They also point out that eBay charges all sellers the same fee — between 30 cents and \$3.30 to list most items, depending on their value, and a 1.5 percent to 5.25 percent commission on successful sales. And they say 96 percent of the \$13 billion in merchandise that will be sold on eBay this year is from small and medium-sized businesses.

Even so, many sellers say they are feeling pinched by increased competition — while the listing and commission fees they pay to eBay have only gone up.

Prices of collectibles on eBay dropped 11 percent in May from last year and 25 percent from 2000, according to AuctionBytes.com, which tracks Internet trading. Perhaps more

telling, collectibles' average "sell-through rate" — the percentage of listed items that sold — was 55 percent last month, down from 72 percent in 2000.

"The traffic to my auctions has slowed to almost half since the influx of discounters and wholesalers into the categories," said Michelle Martin of Los Angeles, who sells women's clothing on eBay.

Brian Burke, eBay's senior manager of community development, argues that such developments are a natural part of eBay's marketplace system.

"We haven't eliminated competition by putting it online," he said. "We've probably actually enhanced competition."

Promoting that benign image hasn't proven easy. Adding to the perception that eBay is unresponsive: On its online message boards, many community questions are answered not by real eBay staff but by fellow members or with canned, automatically generated replies.

"If you ever have a question regarding costs or your invoice,

try to find some help from a real person," said Doug Dugan, who sells cycling clothes on eBay from Portland, Ore. "It's very difficult."

eBay has tried to help users for years by offering "eBay University," a traveling series of seminars with buying and selling tips. The "Voice of the Customer" sessions began in 1999 and are staged every two months.

The meetings give eBay a chance to hear complaints, solicit opinions on new services under development and explain the rationale for contentious policies. The users are asked to keep in touch through regular conference calls after they return home.

After taking part in the most recent session, Lance Shoeman of Canon City, Colo., said he was impressed by eBay's receptiveness but thinks it needs to work harder at community relations rather than merely "allowing a handful of people to bend their ear every now and then."

"They're listening," he said, "but not properly communicating that fact to their members."

Giving yourself credit by keeping score

By Eileen Ambrose
The Baltimore Sun

Miss credit payments frequently and it may cost you more than interest charges and late fees.

It can hurt your scores. Using credit reports, companies have designed many types of ratings that try to predict a consumer's behavior. Mortgage lenders and credit-card companies are among those that use scores to help decide interest rates or other terms they may offer you.

There are scores to predict if you'll pay your debts. Scores that assess the likelihood of bankruptcy. Scores that indicate if you'll generate fees and interest for credit-card companies. Even scores on the chances you'll pay off your balance and jump to another credit card.

Consumers are learning there is an insurance score, which forecasts the chances one will file an auto or homeowner's claim. Insurance scores have become a hot issue, after many motorists and homeowners complained that scoring caused their premiums to skyrocket, although they had never filed a claim.

Though insurers defend the use of credit information as an accurate predictor of the future, some states have limited the use of insurance scoring.

The score that most likely affects consumers is the credit score. Not only do lenders look at it to decide whether to approve an auto loan, mortgage or credit card, but landlords may view it to decide whether you'll be a tenant or not, experts said.

"Some consumers don't even know they have a score," yet in the past five years it's become the dominant measure by which they are judged, said Chris Larsen, chief executive of E-Loan Inc., an online lender. "It's really become a generalized risk meter of consumers, almost a tattooed thing on a consumer's forehead."

For years, credit scores were kept secret from consumers. After pressure from legislators and others, companies now provide consumers their scores.

Fair, Isaac and Co., which created the most widely used credit score, FICO, has joined with credit bureau Equifax to sell a credit report and score online for \$12.95 at www.myfico.com.

Experian (888-397-3742 or www.experian.com) sells its credit report and its score for \$12.95. And TransUnion offers its score for free if you order a credit report, usually for \$9 (visit transunion.com or 800-888-4213).

E-Loan offers a free credit score at www.loan.com, although you may get promotions for the company's services later.

Consumer advocates say the scores remain too much of a mystery and should be free. Still, because of the score's importance, people should get their score to see how they are

Tips on kicking your credit up a notch

Here are some suggestions by experts on how to boost your credit score:

- Check your credit reports from the three major credit bureaus: TransUnion, Experian and Equifax — and make sure the information is correct. This information shapes your score. A U.S. Public Interest Research Group study found that about a third of reports have errors serious enough to lead someone to be denied credit or charged a higher interest rate, said PIRG's Ed Mirzwinski.
- Pay bills on time because even being a few days late periodically can hurt your score.
- Reduce your debt.
- Don't open too many credit-card accounts that will lower your score, even if you don't use all the cards, because you have the potential of racking up as much debt as the cards' credit limits allow.
- Be careful of consolidating debt and closing credit accounts, because you can raise your level of debt in relation to available credit. Say you owe \$3,000 on two cards with a total credit limit of \$7,000. Close one of those cards without reducing your debt, and you'll end up owing \$3,000 on one card with a \$3,500 credit limit, making you nearly maxed out.
- Avoid frequent applications for credit, which can trigger many inquiries by lenders into your credit report. Lots of inquiries can hurt your score because it may be a sign you're having money problems and trouble getting credit. Sometimes, lots of inquiries over a short period won't hurt because it's assumed that for mortgages and auto loans people shop around for the best loan deal.

viewed by a creditor, consumer advocates said.

The FICO score ranges from 300 to 850. The higher the number, the better credit risk you are expected to be.

Half of consumers score 720 or higher, said Chris Watts, consumer affairs manager for Fair, Isaac in California. Generally, mortgage lenders will take a harder look at applicants scoring below 620, he said.

"Some suggest using a high score to your advantage. 'If you have a good credit history and a good score, you can negotiate a loan' and get a better rate," said Michael J. Mazzola, president of CreditExpert Inc., a Towson, Md., company that developed the credit score offered by E-Loan. Getting say, a half-point trimmed off the interest rate of a mortgage can save tens of thousands of dollars with a 30-year loan, he said.

But if your score is less than stellar, you can improve it. "Credit scores change constantly," Mazzola said.

Rural wireless plan rides on weather balloons

CHANDLER, Ariz. (AP) — Jerry Knobloch's company isn't the first to come up with an off-the-wall idea promising to bring seamless wireless service to rural America.

Some have proposed filling the coverage gaps by launching communication equipment on solar powered gliders, rockets or blimps tethered to the ground.

But Space Data Corp.'s executives say their plan to launch disposable network repeaters on weather balloons is feasible, has already undergone some successful testing and is more economical than using satellite service.

Beginning with two-way text messaging and a plan to add voice transmissions by 2004, Space Data wants to create America's first floating wireless network 20 miles above the ground by having its low-cost receivers and transmitters hitch a ride on National Weather Service balloons, said Knobloch, Space Data's chairman and chief executive.

For the last 60 years, the weather service has launched 70 balloons across the country twice a day to collect temperature, humidity and wind data.

The balloons rise to 100,000 feet and stay there for about 24 hours. Because the balloons are launched every 12 hours, there would always be at least one Space Data package for each launch site operating in the stratosphere, assuring uninterrupted service for rural areas in the nation's 48 states, Knobloch said.

Space Data, which is based in this Phoenix suburb, has raised \$13.5 million from private investors since 1999

and has been negotiating with the weather service since January 2001, Knobloch said.

Space Data is offering the weather service a trade where the company would be allowed to use the balloons while weather officials could make use of GPS equipment Space Data is including with its network repeaters, Knobloch said. The GPS equipment would give the weather service an updated way to gather wind data.

"The goal is that no money actually changes hands," Knobloch said. He said the service's response has been positive.

Weather service spokesman John Leslie confirmed discussions with Space Data have taken place, but said they have not progressed to the level of negotiations.

If the government doesn't approve Space Data's proposal, the company will continue with its plan by launching its own balloons, Knobloch said. Space Data's service, known as the SkySite Network, would benefit roaming customers, telemetry customers and U.S. residents in rural areas where wireline and wireless companies don't currently reach, he said.

It would sell SkySite's service to existing wireless carriers who currently have gaps in their coverage. "We'd be the carrier's carrier," Knobloch said.

Twenty percent of the nation's population, or about 56 million people, live in rural areas currently without digital wireless service. The coverage gap exists because it's too expensive to build towers in sparsely populated areas and satellite service

is pricey and reaches only a niche market, he said.

"This is really a poor man's satellite up here at 100,000 feet," Knobloch said.

As he explains how the SkySite works, he admits the idea sounds a little far-fetched at first blush. Each of the company's repeaters aboard the weather balloons would provide service to an area 160 miles in diameter. The result would be overlapping coverage from each balloon that would provide ubiquitous wireless service throughout the country, he said.

Ground towers typically cover six to 12 miles in diameter, making it economically feasible only to build towers in areas with densest population, Knobloch said.

Space Data's plan also is less expensive than building ground towers, he said.

The company's total operating cost would hover around \$35 million per year, with about half of that going toward the equipment launched on the balloons, Knobloch said. It would send up \$300 worth of equipment, per balloon, on 50,000 balloons per year.

By comparison, it costs a ground-based provider about \$60 million a year simply to lease enough towers to cover just 10 percent of the United States, he said.

Since the chances of finding a balloon once it falls back to earth is remote, the company isn't counting on getting any equipment back once a balloon is launched. Jonathan Atkin, an analyst for RBC Capital Markets, said the key to

Space Data's success will be in its ability to handle ongoing operating costs while making money and providing adequate returns to wireless carriers.

He also said the company will have to convince carriers that the weather balloons are reliable enough to keep Space Data's network repeaters in the air for consistent coverage.

"While the wireless companies want to do is provide good service to their customers," Atkin said. "If they can leverage Space Data's service to fill in gaps in their own coverage — unless you opt out — this shouldn't come into consideration."

Meanwhile, Space Data is pushing ahead. In November, it won 1.4 MHz of nationwide spectrum, which is the company's designated frequency, in a Federal Communications Commission auction.

Space Data is also clear with the Federal Aviation Administration. Under existing FAA rules, balloons can be launched without restrictions in domestic airspace as long as the balloon and its contents weigh less than 6 pounds — a requirement the SkySite package meets, Knobloch said.

The company also has applied for patents to protect its idea in the United States and about 20 other countries, he said.

Rural cell phone service could still be a few years off, however. Two-way text service should roll out nationwide by the end of next year, with voice transmissions added in 2004 as long as the company secures funding, he said.



Space Data Corp., whose chairman and chief executive, Jerry Knobloch, left, and David Wu, president and chief operating officer, are seen here, wants to create America's first floating wireless network 20 miles above the ground by having its low-cost receivers and transmitters hitch a ride on National Weather Service balloons.

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Maine ski resort plans corporate move West

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — American Skiing Co., the troubled ski resort operator based in Maine, is moving its corporate headquarters to Utah, far from its New England roots, a newspaper reported.

The company would neither confirm nor deny the report published Friday in the Rocky Mountain News in Denver. But it was becoming increasingly clear that control of the company was shifting westward.

B.J. Fair, chief executive officer, did not immediately return a call to his Park City, Utah, office seeking comment.

The message for Fair's phone number at the company's New York headquarters, meanwhile, instructed callers to call him in Park City. "Please make note of this change for future reference," the message said.

Eric Preusse, a company spokesman, confirmed that Fair and Chief Financial Officer Mark Miller have purchased homes in Utah. But Preusse said there was no announcement on moving the headquarters.

"Regardless of what announcement would or would not be made, the company is an important part of the Maine business community and we'll retain a significant portion of our offices in Maine," Preusse said Friday.

He declined to say how many people would be moving to Park City in Newbury, where the company got its start in the 1970s under Les Otten. Otten resigned as chairman and CEO in March 2001 as financial troubles mounted.

Otten remained on the company's board. He said Friday that he could not comment. American Skiing has invested heavily in its Park City resort since buying it in 1997. The company is one of the country's premier resorts, along with Steamboat in Colorado and Killington in Vermont.

Wino virtuoso directs Costco's big wine world

Knights Ridder News Service

The strains of a Chopin piano prelude, the E minor, float from behind the front door of the house in Seattle's University District, and your hand doesn't quite make it to the doorknob because you want to listen. It isn't a recording; somebody is playing, quite creditably, too.

But this is no professional musician; the man at the keyboard is just enjoying a moment of relaxation. In his working life, David Andrew plays on a much grander scale. It's not too much to say he helps orchestrate the wine tastes of people throughout the United States.

As wine director for Costco Wholesale stores worldwide, Andrew sets the overall mission of the Issaquah-based chain's wine departments, advising and educating buyers for 350 warehouses in 33 states and seven countries. In nearly four years in the job, he has presided over Costco's meteoric rise to a dominant position as a wine retailer, with annual sales tripling to \$600 million in that time.

Costco's wine sales aren't in cheap boxes sold by the palletful, either. The company you may know better as the headquarters for bulk dog food and toilet paper has become one of the country's biggest sellers of exquisite premium wines, including some of the most sought-after and expensive vintages in the world.

It is the country's biggest retailer of Dom Perignon champagne, and the biggest purchaser of Bordeaux wines. Costco, Andrew says, "isn't where you buy the cheap stuff; it's where you buy the good stuff cheap."

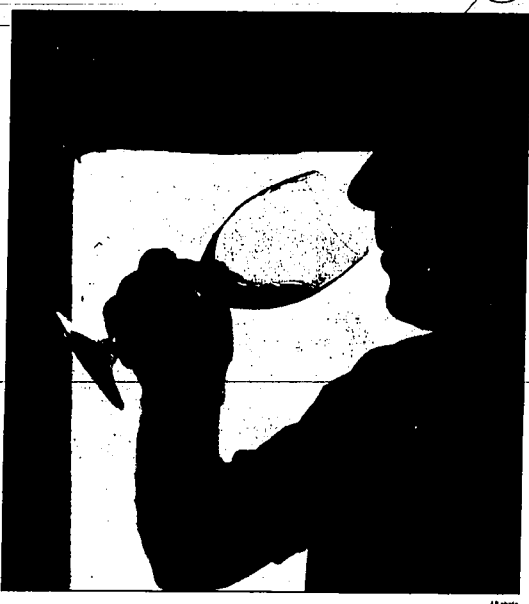
Born in Scotland and a resident of Seattle for the past six years, Andrew, 39, makes regular trips to wine regions in the U.S. and internationally. He acknowledges being "bombarded on a daily basis" by vintners.

"They think that if they can get to me, their wine will get into Costco. I see everyone. But if I don't like their wine, I tell them — and the buyers, too."

The eight Costco regional buyers have complete autonomy in tailoring their wine buying to their regional markets. They are free to disregard Andrew's advice (and do frequently, he says). The results can vary store by store.

In Washington, Andrew says, "We really support the Washington wine industry." His close relationships with the Costco buyers are cemented in lengthy annual educational excursions, such as last month's trip to Tuscany, Italy, where the buyers met the best and most interesting of the growers.

"It's great for a buyer who is coming to



Costco Wholesale has become one of the country's biggest sellers of exquisite premium wines, including some of the most sought-after and expensive vintages in the world.

the wine trade relatively new to see exactly why Brunello is different from Chianti," Andrew said. "I take them up with everybody I want them to see. Now they've eaten with these growers and asked them questions. The buyers are personally involved and they're knowledgeable about what they're buying."

With all this experience to draw on, is there a magnificent cellar lurking in Andrew's house, which he shares with his partner, a lawyer at Microsoft? He laughs. "People ask me that all the time — and they're always very disappointed. We

think wine is for drinking and don't really have a big cellar. All the good stuff I keep off-site in a wine-storage place..."

"People love to share wine. It is very social and convivial; that's what wine is all about. I don't see the point of buying wine just to have it; it's for drinking."

He is remarkably unstuffy about a subject that can send wine writers into orgies of burgundy-intellectual prose. He is lenient about which wine goes with what food.

He is unimpressed by the rating systems offered by several authorities, most notably by Wine Spectator, where Andrew

says he has "a good relationship and many friends." While ratings serve a purpose, people should "trust their own tastes" more, he says.

One problem with American wine drinkers, Andrew suggests, is they don't appreciate the virtues of cheap but excellent wine.

"All the time, I'll hear 'I need to spend at least \$20 on a bottle of wine for a certain occasion. But we have a Cabardes wine, from the south of France near Carcassonne, with all the interest of southern French wine, all the international taste and the south-Rhone spice. It's just delicious, and it's \$5.99."

That Cabardes wine, Salitis, impressed Andrew enough that he "gave it a go, and the stock sold very quickly — and now we take a huge chunk of their production."

But Andrew forecasts that they're ordering the producer's sauvignon blanc, which is only going to Washington state and which should arrive in mid-July.

Andrew started learning about wine in London but then worked a variety of jobs, including modeling and doing TV commercials in Europe. (Anything we might have seen on this side of the Atlantic? "Well," he confesses, "for a time, I was the Gillette Man.")

"But I wanted to be in the wine trade, as I had been in London. You miss it. I fell in love with wine at an early age and, while I was studying English literature and history of art at Glasgow University, I took a year off to work at Chateau Margaux in Bordeaux to work the harvest there. I then moved to London to work in the wine trade."

In London, he studied at the Wine and Spirit Education Trust, receiving their certificate, higher certificate and two-year diploma in all aspects of wine and the wine business. Years later, he was drawn back to the ultimate challenge for the wine connoisseur: the Master of Wine program.

He describes it as a "very British" program with a demanding set of three levels of exams — and a pass rate he says is just 7 percent. Candidates are rigorously tested on tasting (including not just identifying wines but describing how each is made), winemaking theory and practical aspects of viticulture.

There are just 17 Masters of Wine in the United States, Andrew said, and he's not ready to join them yet. He has passed the wine-tasting part, leaving two levels yet to conquer. "I'm still confident," he says, "that I will pass." The "personal challenge. This is a recognition that standards are important, and a personal goal to achieve."

Safeway struggles to fend off competition

Retailer warns that quarterly earnings will fall short

Knights Ridder News Service

For the first time in more than a decade, Safeway warned that quarterly earnings will fall short of expectations as the Pleasanton, Calif., grocer struggles to fend off competition and consolidate its buying operations. The news could mean lower prices for customers.

Albertson's Inc. chairman says he is unimpressed with the warnings of rival Safeway. Chairman Larry Johnston remained committed to his forecast for double-digit percentage increase in earnings on continuing operations during the second quarter.

Johnston said earlier this month that the worst was past in the corporate restructuring undertaken to finally handle the multibillion-dollar 1999 acquisition of American Stores. It left the Boise-based company with an \$81 million first-quarter loss.

But Johnston said the nation's second largest food and drug

retailer should make 53 cents a share during the second quarter and meet Wall Street expectations for per-share earnings of \$2.31 for the year.

For the second quarter that ends Saturday, Safeway expects to earn between 71 cents and 73 cents per share before one-time charges; Wall Street analysts polled by Thomson Financial First Call were expecting 77 cents per share. For the year, the company expects to earn between \$2.86 and \$2.90 per share, down from the \$3.15 analysts were expecting.

The company also expects that during the quarter identical-store sales — a key industry measure because they include sales at new stores — will decline to exclude new, closed and replacement locations — will decrease for the first time in more than nine years.

The company officials held an unplanned conference call Wednesday morning to review the announcement with analysts.

"This is my 10th year at Safeway coming up in October," said Steve Burd, the company's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "If I do call like this once in a lifetime, that's more than I want to do."

Burd blamed the expected shortfall on soft sales and a more expensive-than-planned restructuring of the company's buying and merchandising operations. He said the weak economy is sending tight-fisted consumers to discount stores that may be out of their way just to save money.

The company's efforts to combine its buying and merchandising divisions that are spread across the country into one group near its Pleasanton headquarters has caused late deliveries and spot outages.

To get sales back on track, Burd said the company will take the money it saves from cutting costs and use it to reduce prices.

The strategy underscores how the shift toward discount shopping is changing the way traditional grocers do business. Safeway will soon face increasing competition in California from Wal-Mart, which announced last month that it will add 40 supermarkets that sell groceries in the next four to six years. In an apparent attempt to fend off discounters, Safeway is experimenting with online and in-store discount goods tests that sell name-brand merchandise for between 25 percent and 70 percent off.

Citibank agrees to block online credit card gambling

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Citibank, the nation's largest credit card issuer, has agreed to block online gambling transactions using its credit cards, the state attorney general said Friday.

The agreement announced by the bank and Attorney General Eliot Spitzer is expected to significantly reduce illegal, underage and potentially addictive Internet gambling, Spitzer said. It applies to all Internet gambling transactions, not just those in New York, and goes into effect in 60 days.

"Americans now waste \$4 billion a year on this pernicious form of gambling," Spitzer said. "With this agreement, we will cut off an enormous line of credit that was a jackpot for illegal offshore casinos."

Other companies, including Bank of America, MBNA and Chase Manhattan Bank, also have agreed to block the gambling transactions, Spitzer said. Citibank controls about 12 percent of the nation's credit card market.

Citibank also agreed to pay \$400,000 to nonprofit groups that counsel and help families hurt by gambling addiction.

"Citibank agreed to take these

steps to help alleviate concerns raised by the attorney general about the impact that gambling on credit may have on New York consumers," said Citibank spokeswoman Maria Mendler. She added that Internet gambling is associated with higher rates of credit card fraud and delinquency.

Spitzer said. "Gambling could still be done through accounts funded by players, similar to Off-track Betting systems, a spokesman for Spitzer said."

This is Spitzer's latest agreement with a major financial institution. In May, Merrill Lynch & Co. agreed to widespread structural reforms and a \$100 million penalty to end Spitzer's investigation of conflicts of interests by its stock analysts. Spitzer said the analysts advised investors to buy stocks they privately called risky in order to lend the firms as investment banking clients.

Lawmakers in Washington have been trying to ban Internet gambling since 1996. The task gets more difficult each year as the industry grows and major companies — and even states — take steps to get in on the action.

Restaurant chain Applebee's aims to polish the core of its business

By Jennifer Mann

Knights Ridder News Service

For each of the past nine years, Applebee's International Inc. and its franchisees have opened more than 100 new restaurants.

The Overland Park, Kan.-based company, which has a restaurant in Twin Falls, will continue to open new units at that pace — about one every three days — but also will put its biggest emphasis ever on polishing the core of its business, the 1,400 Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar restaurants already open.

That task involves improving the food, giving diners a good value for their money, rolling out a new "to go" effort, and using its media muscle to reach customers new and old through marketing and advertising.

Other initiatives on Applebee's plate are increasing the number of company-owned restaurants, seeking out a new type of restaurant and implementing another in a series of stock buybacks all with an eye toward increasing its stock price.

To prepare for those moves, the company has fashioned a tightly focused management team, including hiring a new research and development executive and a new head of marketing and advertising.

Also, the company recently promoted its chief financial officer, George Shadid, to chief operating officer, freeing more time for company chairman and chief executive officer, Lloyd Hill, to focus on larger initiatives.

After spending a year of soul-searching assisted by an outside consultant, Hill and Shadid said executives had never been more clear about the company's future.

"We were in a period... where everyone had his view of what our future as a company could be," Shadid said. "Should it be this way? Should we do this? Should we try that? And now it's, 'Hey, the fundamentals of the business are going great.' Now we know we're going out the right highway."

ives went on the road to New York and Boston, putting on a three-hour presentation in each

A big part of [the company's] effort centers on the company's new to-go program, the first phase of which will be rolled out over the next three months.

city for the investment community. The goal was to answer three basic questions: How much bigger can Applebee's get? How will it continue to drive earnings per share? And what about a new type of restaurant?

Wall Street was excited in the mid-1990s when Applebee's paid \$66 million for the 13-unit Rio Bravo Cantina chain to complement its Applebee's restaurants. But the Mexican-themed restaurants never took off the way they were expected to.

Four years later, the company cut its losses and sold the chain, then with 66 units, for \$59 million. Despite the disappointing results of the Rio Bravo effort,

Applebee's is once again looking to add a second theme.

Hill said not to expect any sort

of announcement for a year or two, but he said there already were "filters" in place in looking for new ideas.

The next big question posed by Wall Street was how many Applebee's restaurants the U.S. market could support.

Since the early 1990s, the answer has changed about every two years. Ten years ago, when the company had 250 restaurants, it thought somewhere around 600 to 1,000 restaurants could do well. Two years later, when the company hit the 1,000-store mark, it raised the number to 1,200 to 1,400. And so it went.

Now management again has raised the number it thinks is viable, from 1,800 to at least

2,300 Applebee's restaurants. Applebee's has 286 units in markets with more than 1.75 million households, 175 million households, 443 in ones with 275,000 to 750,000, and 225 in markets with fewer than 275,000 households. The balance of the company's restaurants are franchisee-owned units outside the United States.

Included in those household breakdowns are the company's scaled-down STAR units — for Small Town Applebee's Restaurant — opening in counties that have populations of fewer than 50,000 and that aren't part of a major metropolitan area.

The company says it still sees opportunities in all market segments and, at its current pace of openings, would reach its 2,300-restaurant estimate in eight or nine years.

New restaurants have driven Applebee's increased sales and profits in years past. Now the company is adding an emphasis on getting more sales and profits

out of each location. A big part of that effort centers on the company's new to-go program. The first phase of which will be rolled out over the next three months.

Takeout already makes up 4 percent of the company's annual sales — \$172 million, or 2.9 percent of 2001's systemwide sales of \$2.93 billion.

Before rushing into such a program, Applebee's executives spent time assessing the success and failures of others, picking and choosing what they thought were the best of each.

"Based on looking at others — first do no harm," Hill said. "What we learned is, you better be careful!"

Much thought went into developing packaging specifically for carryout — packaging that would allow for easy grabbing of things cold, and sauces and drinks from spilling. Eventually, in phase two of its takeout program, the company wants to have curbside delivery and designated spots in the parking lot.

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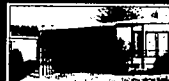
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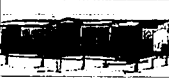
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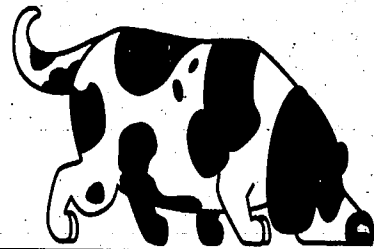
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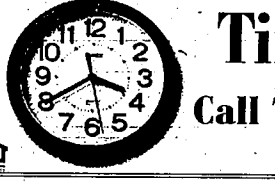
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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

Dear Mr. Wolff:
At duplicate, after two passes, LH opens a weak two hearts and partner doubles for takeout. With neither side vulnerable, after RH passes, what do you suggest I bid with ♠ 9-8-7-6-4, ♥ 9, ♠ J-8-5, ♣ A-Q-9-3?

Mildred Grand, Greenview, S.C.

ANSWER: This is a tough one, with no middle ground. Two spades is a gross underbid, and three spades is a slight overbid. Let's look at the positives. You have five spades, a suit your partner is interested in. You have a singleton in an opponent's long suit, and you have an A-Q combination in your second-longest suit. My vote goes to three spades, overbid or not. If partner has a minimum double, he should pass.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
At teams, our side vulnerable, RH opens a weak two-spade bid after two passes. Holding ♠ J-7, ♥ Q-6, ♣ Q-J-9, ♠ K-Q-J-8-6-3, am I good enough to overcall three clubs?

Bridging Fund, Hurdon, Texas

ANSWER: RH's weak two-bid does not add ace and kings to your hand. You have a good suit, but you have neither adequate high cards nor playing strength. I would not consider bidding with this collection. You will not fool the opponents; you can only mislead partner.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
I open one heart, our side vulnerable with no partscorers. Partner responds one no-trump, and I rebid two hearts with ♠ K-5, ♥ A-Q-10-7-4-3, ♦ K-7-2, ♣ 3-2. If he raises to three hearts, should I accept the invitation?

Hanging Short, Harrisburg, Pa.

ANSWER: The game will be a thin stretch, and partner will need help for you in specific areas to

make it. Stretching for a vulnerable game is usually a worthwhile cause; however, in this instance, a pass might be best. Making game is not in a good position in spite of the six-card suit. Furthermore, the value of a vulnerable partscore might be an important factor in the bidding of the next deal.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
In "Standard American" bidding, what are the requirements for a jump shift by responder? If partner opens one heart, does this hand justify a jump shift to three diamonds? Neither side is vulnerable, and I hold ♠ K-Q-10-8-7, ♠ A-K-Q-10-8-6, ♣ K-9.

Great Hill, Bristol, Va.

ANSWER: Typically, responder promises enough strength to put the partnership at or near the slam zone opposite a normal opening bid. This usually translates into 10 HCP or more, or its equivalent. A jump shift to three diamonds is completely justified. Responder promises either a self-sufficient suit of his own (a place to play) or has a known fit for partner's suit. The purpose is to alert partner to slam possibilities immediately, beginning the investigation as soon as possible.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
Partner opens one spade and rebids three spades after I respond one no-trump. With the opponents silent throughout, should I bid again with ♠ Q-5, ♥ J-8-4-3, ♦ K-9-5, ♣ J-7-4-2?

Meager Whites, Olympia, Wash.

ANSWER: While this is not a great collection, it is within the range you promised with your initial response. Promote the value of your spade queen and offer partner an optimistic lift to game.

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Outgoing SWF, 28, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, smoker, seeks WM, 30-38, smoker, who likes to travel. **3275527**

SINGLE MOM
SWM, 20, enjoys outdoors, movies, music, dancing, travel, seeks SWF, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

LOOKING FOR ADVENTURE
SWF, 20, enjoys movies, camping, hiking, dancing, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

LET'S HAVE FUN
Outgoing SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

COULD IT BE YOU?
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

WANTS TO ENJOY LIFE
Outgoing SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR
Outgoing SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

LOST MY SLIPPER
SWF, 40, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

LET'S MEET
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

SEeks OUTGROWING
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

FULL OF LIFE
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

ADBIT SHY
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

SHARE INTERESTS
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

MANY INTERESTS
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

ADVENTURE OF LIFE
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COMPARISON WANTED
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

COMPANION WANTED
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LIFE CAN BE FUN
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

GREAT OUTDOORS
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

ARE YOU STILL SEARCHING?
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

KNIGHT IN SHINING ARMOR
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DIRECT LADY
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Men Seeking Women

LET'S TALK
Outgoing SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

TOGETHER
SWF, 18, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

WAITING FOR YOU
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ENJOY THE OUTDOORS?
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LET'S TEAM UP
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HAPPY HOLIDAYS
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

ARE WE COMPATIBLE?
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

LEND ME YOUR EYES
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

MUSICIAN
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

HONEST MAN
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

LOOKING FOR A DATE
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

ALL I WANT
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

THE LONG RUN
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

CALL ME
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

GOOD STUFF
SWF, 25, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys music, dancing, travel, seeks WM, 25-35, smoker, who likes to travel, possible LTR. **3270550**

ARE YOU THE ONE?
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LONGLY MORE
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TRIBE
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MEDICAL - RN/PT - JACOHO accredited rural hospital in Ely, NV

MISCELLANEOUS - Warehouse/Production - Forklift Operator

PLUMBERS - Shave's Plumbing is now accepting applications for all apprentices and journeyman plumbers

PRODUCTION - Now taking applications for Production Personnel

RESTAURANT - Travelers Oasis has immediate openings for waitress personnel

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PROFESSIONAL - RESUMES PLUS - Professional, effective, motivating resumes

SALES - Account career-driven, goal-oriented, looking for competitive compensation

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SALES - Industrial - Full-time career opportunity in our area

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RESTAURANT - Kitchen help needed. Day night. \$8 W. Addison

SALES - Health Food - Have knowledge of natural vitamins, herbs & foods

SALES - Cosmetology managers to launch new Skin Care line

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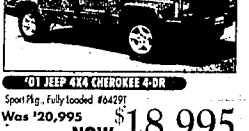
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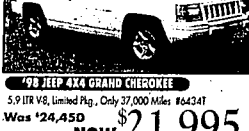
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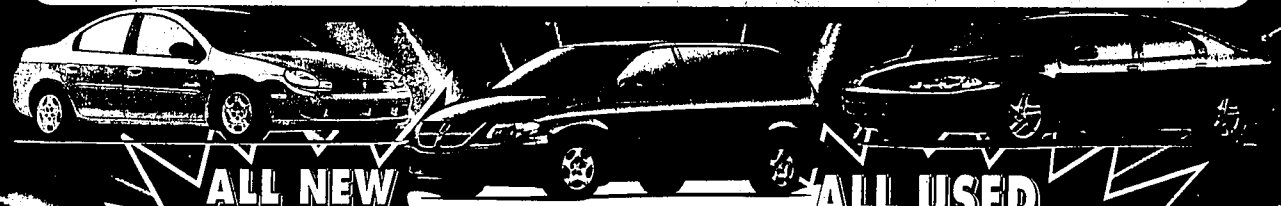
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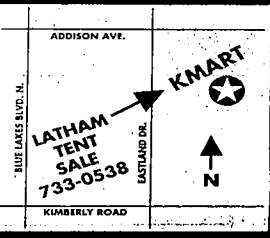
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Dad is never quite what he seems

What is it about men and clothes? Once, when I cleaned out the closets, I noticed that my husband had only two good short-sleeve shirts for summer. I also remembered that he had worn a knit shirt to church the Sunday before.

"You have one more short-sleeve dress shirt than your son does," I said to him, referring to our teenage jock who generally refuses to wear anything that doesn't have a number on the back.

My dress-unconscious spouse said he hadn't noticed. Just like the summer before, when I had to buy him some good shirts to wear on a trip.

"Do you need some new shorts for your trip?" I had asked him.

"Oh, no," he insisted. "I have plenty."

I haven't lived with this man practically all of my life for nothing, so I checked his dresser drawers myself. He had a pair of paint-stained cutoffs and two pairs of old Bermuda shorts with torn pockets hanging out.

I got rid of the mess and replaced it with several pairs of great-looking Calvin Klein shorts that I found on sale. He wore them every week, but I don't think he ever really noticed.

I know there are men out there who are interested in their clothing, but I've never managed to include any of them in my life.

I grew up with a father who was so bad about matching his pants to his sweaters that, for years, my mother and I thought he was color-blind. And my Uncle Bud asked for shirts and ties every Christmas, but they had to be white shirts and solid navy ties because he said he didn't know how to combine anything else.

According to the book "Real Kids Don't Say Please," kids prefer to wear certain items long past their lifespans, because a Real Kid is loyal to the clothes he likes - like underwear with holes, shredded jeans and worn-out sneakers.

Many of the real kids' dads are like that, too.

So, on Father's Day, we need to pay homage to the real dads among us, the ones who tend and dress their children in spite of their distaste for ornaments and their wardrobe-challenged ways.

We've come a long way from the '60s, when my own father - good dad though he was - wandered around in the house in a robe, pretending he was looking for the bathroom during my ballet recitals. Today, according to a survey from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, four out of five fathers are present at the delivery of their children, up from one out of four in 1974.

A number of them are even "househusbands," or primary caregivers for their offspring. In fact, one newspaper story reported that the count at more than a half-million stay-at-home dads, and growing.

And the fathers' nurturing efforts are becoming recognized as extremely significant. Not long ago, a University of Michigan study found that the more nurturing and less restrictive the father is, the better the child's performance on IQ tests.

A Missouri columnist wrote about his personal experiences at home with the kids while Mom attended a seminar. On the first day, he handed out Big Macs to both the children and the dogs. By the second day, he was telling the kids they could have candy for dinner if they would be good.

Eventually, he ended up feeding them peanut butter cups, because he figured peanut butter was nutritious.

That dad was finding his own way in a new era.

But some things never change. Years ago, I saved an article about kids' attitudes toward their fathers. Here's what it said:

Age 4: My daddy can do anything.

Age 14: My father is hopelessly old-fashioned.

Age 55: I'd give anything if Dad were here so I could ask his advice.

Happy Father's Day, Pop.

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By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A babysitter ought to be able to burp a baby. But it struck Camille Barigar, mother of a 5-year-old and a 1-year-old, that most of the kids she met at a recent babysitter training class had no idea how it was done.

"How would they know that, if there was no baby in their houses?" she said. "When you're hiring a sitter, you just can't assume anything."

Some are the days when a parent could pay the kid across the street 50 cents an hour to look after Bobby and Suzi. In an era of ever-more-visible crimes against children, you gotta know biography and bone fides.

Karen Keady, a registered nurse and childbirth educator at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, makes that point often to parents she meets and to kids she trains in a babysitter preparation class sponsored by the hospital.

"People didn't used to give a second thought to hiring a sitter," she said. "Even though this 12-year-old kid is being entrusted with your most prized possession."

Babysitting is more than matching chips and watches. MTV, she says, and it's a subject that the parents of youngsters who babysit should take seriously as well.

"Who are these people that my child is going to babysit for?" she said. "What happens in case of an emergency? How will my child get home?"

The first rule of babysitting - and of hiring babysitters - is familiarity, Keady says.

"You babysit for people you know," she said. "And you hire a babysitter you know."

No kid and they're mostly 11-13 - gets as far as Keady's class until he or she has taken a cardiopulmonary resuscitation course first.

"It's absolutely essential," Keady said. "If an emergency happens, you need someone who knows how to handle it. Right now. There's not always time to call someone and ask questions."

Babysitters in training with Keady learn how to deal with choking and drowning, burns and falls. They're also taught to think a step or two ahead of potential problems.

"One of the very best things about this class is that the kids who don't go home with a check that they can take to every babysitting job," Barigar said. "It covers everything."

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Students at the Magic Valley Regional Education Center baby-sitting class participate in a baby-dressing contest. The students learned about many safety issues such as what to do if a fire starts or if the child gets sick.

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Babysitting 101

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls offers periodic babysitter training classes designed for young adolescents. They cover basic behavior, nutrition, first-aid practice, prevention of injury and burns, handling a crisis and understanding the responsibility of child care. CPR certification is a prerequisite. Cost of the class is \$20. For information, call 733-2007.

Tips for babysitters

- Know your employer before you take the job. Check references if this will be the first time working for this person.
- Before accepting the job, get specific instructions about the number and ages of children, bed times, foods, medicines, and other information about personal habits and what is expected of you. When you accept

- a job, arrive early to confirm all of this information and get any additional instructions.
- Learning first aid procedures before you take on babysitting jobs will help prepare you for emergencies and may save a life.
- Do not allow strangers into the house unless your employer specifically informs you to let them in.
- Do not tell a caller that you are the babysitter alone with the children. Take a message and tell them that the employer will return the call momentarily.
- Do not go outside to investigate suspicious noises or activities. Turn on outside lights and call the police. Be sure that all doors and windows are locked.
- Babysitter checklist:
 - Name, address and phone number

- of employer.
- Directions to job location.
- Transportation arranged for you to get to job and return home.
- Location and phone number where employer can be reached in case of emergency.
- Alternate person to contact for emergency if employer cannot be reached.
- Special instructions from employer.
- Locations and instructions on use for safety equipment such as fire extinguishers, first aid supplies.
- Walk through house with employer to ensure all doors and windows are locked.
- Outside lights on.
- Emergency numbers and note taking materials by the telephone.
- Source: Fresno, Calif., Police Department

"In this day and age, the question arises whether a girl who's been babysitting should accept a ride home from an adult male, or from one of the parents who've been drinking." Never make assumptions about your safety, Keady tells students. If an adult comes to the door and tells the sitter that he's Johnny's uncle, that's never a reason to open the door. Parents of sitters should be

involved, she says. "You should never let your child get into a situation where they're not safe or don't know what to do, and you should never allow a situation where they can't contact you if they need you."

Trained and job-smart, graduates of Keady's classes find themselves in demand as sitters - and the going rate for those skills isn't 50 cents an hour anymore.

"Some kids tell me they're getting \$4 or \$5 an hour now - \$25 for an evening isn't unusual," she said. "Certainly enough to put a dent in their school clothes costs."

Or any video games wish list.

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Painful facts: Signs of sexual abuse Etc...

According to information distributed by the Sexual Assault Crisis and Education Center, there is no single indicator of sexual abuse. However, a combination of indicators without an obvious cause might signal this possibility. Also, it's important to know that even if none of the signs listed below is present, the possibility of child sexual abuse exists.

- If sexual abuse is even mildly suspected by individuals closely involved or working with children, they should immediately report it by calling the Department of Children and Families Careline; (800) 842-2288.
- Physical indicators - Apparent discomfort caused by genital lacerations; trauma to the mouth or unusually shaped bruises around the mouth; unusual odor; pregnancy; venereal diseases; chronic vaginal/bladder infections; sore throat, upset stomach or

- Signs in children infant to age 5 - Sudden weight loss or gain; appetite change; sleep disturbances/nightmares; speech problems; frequent crying; short attention span; precocious sex play or excessive masturbation; frequent bathing; headaches; rejection of physical affection; drawing of sexual imagery; excessive clinging, fear or anxiety; regression in toilet training or in other behavior; lying, stealing or other behavior changes; unwillingness to be with a particular individual or visit a particular place.
- Signs in children 6 to 11 - In addition to many of the

- above symptoms, the following may occur, change in school grades; sudden fear of darkness; depression; lack of enjoyment of leisure activities; behavioral problems (ie. fighting); sexual knowledge beyond peers; overcleanliness; lack of communication; eating disorders; drug/alcohol use; self-injury; cruelty to or excessive concern for animals; blocked feelings or memories.
- Signs in adolescents 12 to 18 - Many of the above indicators also point to sexual abuse in this age group, as do the following: Changes in personality; missing or dropping out of school; loss of self-esteem; self-injury and/or suicide attempts; promiscuity/prostitution; fear of adults; running away from home; criminal acts; drug/alcohol abuse; compulsive behaviors.
- Source: Stamford, Conn., Advocate

Helping Hands Freedom Trails will hold campout

July 26-28
STANLEY - Helping Hands Freedom Trails' annual campout will be at the Tin Cup Campground at Pettit Lake. Helping Hands Freedom Trails program is for special-needs individuals, their families and caregivers. It provides an opportunity to experience the outdoors and wilderness activities, ride horses, travel in horse-drawn wagons, swim, fish, camp and more. Saturday evening will feature dancing, a talent show, a special rodeo, a visit by Smokey Bear, Skipper the clown, mountain men and more. Cost for the weekend is \$20 per person or \$45 per family of four, with \$15 for each additional family member. Groups are \$20 per person or \$10 per day per person. Scholarships are available for the event.

To do for families

Donations are also accepted for the camp and are tax-deductible. Items needed include horses and related equipment, food, water, paper goods, sanitation facilities, entertainment, volunteers and more. For more information on the camp, scholarships or to donate, call Dave Cooper at 487-8010, Patricia E. Hunter at 679-8061, Jeanne Miller at 324-3022 or Bonnie Stacy at 324-5603.

Every week, To Do for Families lists family oriented events in south-central Idaho. To get an item listed in the calendar, send it to Features Department, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83303. Deadline is noon on Wednesdays.

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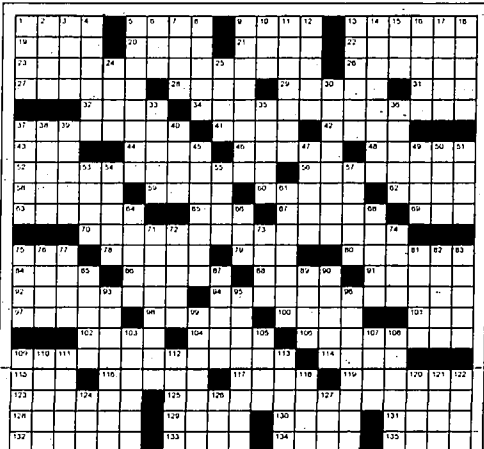
FAMILY LIFE

JUNE HONOREE

By Arlan and Linda Bushman, Chicago, Illinois

THE Sunday Crossword

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- Urban cruisers
 - Composer Jerome
 - Opium
 - Dives up
 - Condielate
 - Director Kazan
 - Ancient Middle East city
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 - Dad's favorite lounge
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 - Dad's favorite amusement center
 - Wood-eating pests
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SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center
616 Eastland Drive
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors. The cost is \$4 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.
Monday: Sweet and sour pork, fried rice, fruit salad, cinnamon rolls
Tuesday: Cheeseburger pie, potato, broccoli, carrot salad, rolls, cobbler
Wednesday: Fried chicken, potatoes, gravy, corn, cole salad, rolls, fruit, cookie
Thursday: Quiche, red beans, peas with onion salad, muffins, fruit dessert
Friday: Taco salad
Activities
Library, Pool Room, and Bargain Center with cards, games, color television, puzzles and movies. Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Monday: Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Tuesday: Music by Cliff Hoak
Foot clinic; make appointment
Tuesday
Blood pressure check from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Wednesday
Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Thursday
Fidderation meeting at 1 p.m.
Friday
Pincholt at 1 p.m.
Saturday
Super Bingo at 1 p.m.

West End Senior Citizens Inc.
1010 Main St., Buhl.
Noon meals served Monday through Friday. Buffet meal at 1 p.m. on Sunday.
Evening meals served at 5:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday. Lunch prices are \$3 and evening meals will be \$2. Sunday dinners are \$3.50. Meals can be delivered Monday through Friday. Call 543-4577 for more information. Free bus service to and from meals is available Monday evening, Tuesday at noon and Thursday noon and evening. Please call 543-4577 by 10 a.m. to arrange a ride.
Coffee and cinnamon rolls each morning at the center, everyone is welcome.
Sunday: Ham dinner
Monday: Sweet and sour chicken
Tuesday: Pork roast dinner
Wednesday: Chicken strips
Thursday: Roast beef dinner
Friday: Hot roast beef
Activities
Thrift shop open every day. Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Roseland Band plays from 8-11 p.m. the second Saturday of each month. Admission is \$3.
Monday
Exercise from 7-8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
Smorgy at 5:30 p.m.
Cards at 6 p.m.
Tuesday
Exercises from 7-8 a.m.
Quilting from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Treasure Tuesday
Bingo at 11:45 a.m.
Bingo from 1-4 p.m.
Wednesday
Exercises from 7-8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
Hearing aid clinic from 9:11-30 p.m.
Thursday
Exercises from 7-8 p.m.
Quilting from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Foot clinic from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; \$5
Bingo from 1-3 p.m.
Smorgy at 5:30 p.m.
Cards at 6 p.m.
Friday
Exercises from 7-8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Filer Senior Haven
222 Main St., Filer
Dinners served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday. Suggested donation is \$2.50 for seniors. Home delivered meals available each meal time.
Tuesday: Salisbury steak
Thursday: Sliced turkey, gravy

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.
310 Main N., Kimberly
Monday: Ham and eggs, hash browns, pancakes, applesauce, coffee, milk
Tuesday: Spaghetti, green beans, tossed salad, garlic bread, peaches, cookie, coffee, milk
Friday: Meat loaf, potatoes, gravy, peas, tossed salad, bread, butter, cake, ice cream, coffee, milk
Activities
The thrift store is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1-4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.
Tuesday
Bingo at 7 p.m.
Wednesday
Dormies at 1 p.m.
Thursday
Crafts at 1 p.m.
Friday
Bingo at 11:55 a.m.
Pincholt at 1 p.m.

Camas County Senior Center
Tuesday: Fish, macaroni and cheese, carrots, peas, fruit, cookies
Wednesday: Ham and beans, cole slaw, corn, bread, fruit,

dessert
Friday: Hot roast beef sandwiches, mashed potatoes, green salad, blueberry cobbler
Activities
Tuesday
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Wednesday
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Thursday
Art class from 1-3 p.m.
Friday
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Sings-long from 12:30-2 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizens Inc.
308 Senior Ave.
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors.
Monday: Spaghetti, green beans, Jell-O salad, garlic bread, lemon cake
Tuesday: Pizza, apple juice, tossed salad, custard
Wednesday: Ham and bean soup, carrots, crackers, mixed fruit, cinnamon roll
Thursday: Pit ham, mashed sweet potatoes, corn, cottage cheese, pineapple, roll, cobbler
Activities
Monday
Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday
Fidderation meeting at 1 p.m.
Wednesday
Pincholt at 12:30 p.m.
Hand and foot at 6 p.m.
Thursday
Pool at 9 a.m.
Bridge at 6:30 p.m.
Friday
Fun night at 6 p.m.
Saturday
Pool at 9:30 a.m.
Fiddlers at 12:30 p.m.
Sunday
Pincholt at 7 p.m.
RSVP luncheon at 11:30 a.m.
Bingo at 6:30 p.m.

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.
Monday: Chili, beans, cinnamon rolls, tossed salad, fruit
Tuesday: Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, green beans, fruit salad, peanut butter bars
Wednesday: Sweet and sour chicken, scalloped potatoes, spinach, Jell-O with fruit, bread pudding
Thursday: Barbecue ribslets, macaroni and cheese, California blend vegetables, cole slaw, corn, fruit, pie
Friday: Malibu chicken, potatoes, gravy, winter mix vegetables, pasta salad, chocolate cream pie, juice
Activities
Monday
Aerobics at 11 a.m.
Tuesday
Hearing counselors from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Pincholt at 1 p.m.
Snack bar at 6 p.m.
Early bird bingo at 6:45 p.m.
Bingo at 7 p.m.
Wednesday
Aerobics at 11 a.m.
Pincholt at 7 p.m.
Friday
Aerobics at 11 a.m.
Pincholt at 1 p.m.

Richfield Senior Center
Monday: Spaghetti, green salad, garlic sticks, rice custard, orange juice, milk, coffee
Thursday: Egg salad sandwich, vegetable soup, peach pie, orange juice, milk, coffee

Shoshone Senior Center
218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone
SHEBA: Chicken pot pie, vegetable green salad, biscuits, tapioca pudding, orange juice, milk, coffee
Wednesday: Cheeseburgers, fries, lettuce, peach pie, orange juice, milk, coffee
Friday: Spaghetti, zucchini, green salad, garlic sticks, custard cake, orange juice, milk, coffee
Activities
Monday
Exercise from 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Coffee at 9:30 a.m.
Quilting from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tuesday
Lunch at noon
Pincholt at 1 p.m.
Wednesday
Lunch at noon
Rotary Club
Pincholt at 1 p.m.
Snack bar at 6 p.m.
Early bird at 6 p.m.
Bingo at 7 p.m.
Thursday
Exercise from 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Coffee at 9:30 a.m.
Richfield lunch
Friday
Pincholt at 1 p.m.
Toenail clinic at 10 a.m.
Diabetic support group meeting at 10 a.m.

Silver and Gold Senior Citizens
203 Wilson, Edna
Open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to noon Friday. Suggested donation for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Mondays are cookie and bread bake days and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days. Home delivered meals are delivered Monday through Friday.

Hagerman Valley Senior/Community Center
140 E. Lake, Hagerman
Open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Lunch is served at noon on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Suggested donation for seniors is \$3, under-seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2. Coffee, tea, juice and bread served with all meals.
Monday: Grilled sausage sandwich with cheddar
Wednesday: Aloha chicken, rice, salad, roll, dessert
Friday: Seafood chowder, sandwich, salad, dessert
Thrift store open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Blaine County Senior Center
721 Third Ave. S., Halley
Meals are served at noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Milk, juice, coffee and tea are served with all meals.
Tuesday: Country pork casserole, mashed sweet potatoes, steamed mixed squash, peppers, applesauce, orange pound cake
Wednesday: Baked lemon chicken, red potatoes, Jell-O citrus salad, rolls, frozen cherry yogurt
Friday: Turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, congealed cranberry apple salad, carrot cake, ice cream
Activities
Tuesday
Walk at 9 a.m.
Low vision support group meeting at 12:30 p.m.
Wednesday
Massage at 9:30 a.m.
Choir at 11 a.m.
Summer safety at 12:30 p.m.
Thursday
Exercise at 9 a.m.
Friday
Old Time Fiddlers

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center
702 11th St., Rupert
Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals.
Monday: Tossed salad, grilled cheese sandwich, cream of chicken soup, fruit, bread, pie, juice, beverages
Tuesday: Cole slaw, finger steaks, fries, corn, rolls, brownies, juice, beverage
Wednesday: Birthday/anniversary dinner
Thursday: Cottage cheese, taco salad, fruit bowl, cheese cake, Texas toast, beverage, juice
Friday: Smorgasbord
Center gift shop is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Quilting and pool table daily during center hours. Crafts every day. Volunteers are needed to do grocery shopping for shut-ins. Call Ridelays at 436-1200
Activities
Monday
Exercise from 10-11 a.m.
Songfest from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Bridge
Tuesday
Quilting from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Bingo from 1-2 p.m.
Wednesday
Pincholt from 1-4 p.m.
Thursday
Exercise from 10-11 a.m.
SHEBA Medicare supplemental insurance assistance from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call George Schwinderman at 436-9107.
Friday
Pincholt from 1-4 p.m.
Bingo at 7 p.m.

Golden Heritage Senior Center
2421 Overland, Burley
All dinners are served at noon.
Monday: Turkey a la king, noodles, biscuits, corn, green salad, apricot salad
Tuesday: Barbecue on a bun, fries, mixed vegetables, green salad, peaches, spice cake
Wednesday: Swiss steak, parsley potatoes, honey carrots, roll, peas, gingerbread squares
Thursday: Chicken fajitas, fried rice, refried beans, Mexican corn, strawberries, shortcake
Friday: Meat loaf, grilled onions, potatoes, corn, assorted salad, roll, apricot crisp
Activities
Pool at 10 a.m.
Exercise at 11 a.m.
Pincholt at 1 p.m.
Tuesday
Pool at 10 a.m.
Bingo at 7 p.m.
Wednesday
Pool at 10 a.m.
Exercise at 11 a.m.
Pincholt at 1 p.m.
Thursday
Pool at 10 a.m.
Exercise at 11 a.m.
Bingo at 11 a.m.
Pincholt at 1 p.m.

Powers of attorney can help avert expensive proceedings

Q. My parents never believed in lawyers, so neither could be convinced to even consider signing wills, much less durable powers of attorney for finance or health. After my mother died early this year at 86, my father's legs became more visibly fragile, and I believe he is not able to take care of himself at home or make his own decisions. He was falling, not eating, and his memory was very poor, but he continued to refuse assistance. When I checked into my options with a lawyer, I was told that I could bring court proceedings to be appointed as his guardian and conservator or the social services could possibly take custody of him. No real choice, but if I go to court, why do I have to bring two actions rather than just one?

A. Our law is patterned under the "common law" of England where guardians were appointed to care for those who could not care for themselves due to irreversible birth-related disabilities, while conservators were selected to handle decisions for those who, although mentally ill, might one day be able to care for themselves. In both situations, the individual's affairs are taken by the Crown, which then took on the responsibility for caring for them. In the case of guardianships, the Crown kept the assets, while in conservatorships, the assets could be returned if and when the individual became able to manage for himself.

Today, this dual system continues, but the law recognizes other



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categories of individuals who need assistance including adults who, because of diminished capacity, are unable to care for themselves and are unlikely to improve; physically disabled individuals who, despite having mental capacity, are unable to physically take care of themselves and their assets; and minors who, although healthy, are unable to handle assets owned by them until they are emancipated.

A guardian is generally a person or in some instances, an agency - appointed by a court in a special proceeding to make life-related decisions for an incapacitated individual about health care, living conditions, and the like, but generally has no authority to manage finances. On the other hand, a conservator can be person or entity - like a bank trust department - who is appointed by a court to manage an incapacitated person's assets. Oftentimes, these court actions are brought simultaneously, and the same person is appointed in both capacities. In a few states, the guardian

handles both health care and financial duties.

The standard for appointment of conservators and guardians in most states is whether the individual is physically or mentally incapacitated to the extent that he cannot make or communicate responsible decisions regarding finances and/or health care. Unlike the medical community that chooses to use "incompetence," the legal community uses "incapacity." The protected person is sometimes referred to as a "ward."

In bringing these proceedings, a guardian ad litem is appointed for the alleged incapacitated person and the court appoints examiners, one of whom is a physician, to corroborate incapacity. Unless exigent circumstances are presented to the Court, these proceedings require that notice be given to all interested persons before a guardian or conservator can be appointed.

The inordinate cost of guardianship and conservatorship proceedings can be avoided by individuals who sign durable powers of attorney for health care and finances while they have the capacity to do so. Fear of attorneys should be weighed against the trauma of becoming a ward.

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Social Security Statement drops five digits

Knights Riddor News Service

Q. I got my Social Security Statement in the mail and noticed that part of my Social Security number is missing. Is this a mistake?

A. No, it's our way of protecting you from identity theft. We've stripped the first five digits of your number from the

Social Security Q&A

Your number is still nine digits - but if it falls into the wrong hands, they'll only have four of them!

This column was prepared by the Social Security Administration. For fast answers to specific Social Security questions, contact Social Security, toll-free at 800-772-1213.

Statement so that if it is ever lost or stolen, no one else will be able to use it. Armed with your Social Security number and birth date, a criminal can steal your identity, open bank accounts and get credit cards.

ENGAGEMENTS

HOADLEY-KAPELERIS



Ashley Long and Travis Coleman

LONG-COLEMAN

JEROME - Chris and Becky Long of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashley Long, to Travis Coleman, son of Lynn and Tonya Coleman of Rigby and Ron and Penny Heyrend of Leadore.

Long is a graduate of Jerome High School. She is attending Idaho State University, where she is majoring in nursing.

Coleman is a graduate of Leadore High School and is currently employed at Automated Dairy Systems in Jerome.

The wedding is planned for 7 p.m. June 29 at the White House in Twin Falls. A reception will follow the ceremony from 8:30 p.m. at the same location.

HARRELL-GREENWALT



John Kapeleris and Susie Hoadley reception will be held from 7:30 p.m. June 28 at the home of Warren and Annie Terry of Twin Falls.

TWIN FALLS - Kyle and Lori Hoadley of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Susie Ann Hoadley, to John George Kapeleris, son of George and Noreen Larres of Fresno, Calif.

Hoadley is a graduate of Brigham Young University-Hawaii in Laie, Hawaii.

Kapeleris is also a graduate of BYU-Hawaii in Laie.

The couple will reside in Washington, D.C., while completing their graduate studies.

The wedding is planned for June 26 in Logan, Utah. A

TRIBUTE - Robert and Dianne Tribble of Heyburn announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Harrell, to Joshua Greenwalt, son of J. L. and Janie Greenwalt of Rupert.

The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday at Grace Community Church in Rupert. A reception to honor the couple will follow the ceremony at the home of Max and Jeannette Stamm, 232 E. 17th St., Rupert.



Joshua Greenwalt and Sarah Harrell

HARDER-BAXTER



Jarrod Baxter and Lindsay Harder

POCATELLO - Jim and Twila Harder of Pocatello announce the engagement of their daughter, Lindsay Ann Harder, to Jarrod Michael Baxter, son of Mike and Linda Baxter of Pocatello.

Harder is a graduate of Buhl High School and is attending Idaho State University. She is employed at the Bon Marche in Pocatello.

Baxter is a graduate of Butte County High School. He is employed at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

The wedding is planned for Saturday at the WestCoast out-

door gazebo in Pocatello. A reception will follow the ceremony at the same location.

HADERLIE-NEIBAUER



Rachel Haderlie and Mitchell Neibauer

PAUL - Lloyd and Sharyl Haderlie of American Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Rachel Haderlie, to Mitchell Neibauer, son of Daryl and Susan Neibauer of Paul.

Haderlie is a 1997 graduate of American Falls High School and a 2001 graduate of the Department of Dental Hygiene at Idaho State University. She is employed by Dr. Mark McKell in Provo, Utah.

Neibauer is a 1995 graduate of Dietrich High School and a 2001 graduate of Utah State University in ag business. He is currently working on his master's degree in economics at Utah State University and will graduate in December. He served an

LDS mission to Perth, Australia. The wedding is planned for 12:45 p.m. Thursday in the Logan LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7-9 p.m. Saturday at the Neibauer residence in Paul.



Thane Stallings and Annie Knight

KNIGHT-STALLINGS

TWIN FALLS - Bruce and Tanya Knight of Port Angeles, Wash., announce the engagement of their daughter, Annie Marie Knight, to James Thane Stallings, son of J. Dan and Susan Stallings of Twin Falls.

Knight graduated from Port Angeles High School and Peninsula College. She will graduate from Brigham Young University-Utah in December with a bachelor of science degree in nursing.

Stallings graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1995. He served an LDS mission in the Italy Catania mission. He graduated in April from BYU-Utah with a bachelor of arts degree in marketing communications.

The wedding is planned for Friday in the Seattle LDS Temple and a reception will take place in Port Angeles. An open house will be held June 29 at the Eastland LDS building. The couple will reside in Provo, Utah.

TUCKER-LEAMER



Matt Leamer and Jessica Tucker

JACKPOT - Gerald and Nancy Tucker of Jackpot announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica A. Tucker, to Matt W. Leamer of Federal Way, Wash.

Tucker is a 1996 graduate of Jackpot High School and will graduate in December from Central Washington College with a business degree. She is employed at Boeing in Seattle, Wash.

Leamer is a graduate of Decatur High School. He will graduate in December from Central Washington College with a double major in education.

The wedding is planned for June 29 in Las Vegas. The couple will be in Jackpot on June 24.

MILLER-JACKMAN



Jillian Miller and Dylan Jackman

GOODING - Gary and Teresa Miller of Gooding announce the engagement of their daughter, Jillian Mae Miller, to Dylan Lowell Jackman, son of George and Sandra Jackman of Pinon Hills, Calif.

Miller is a 2000 graduate of Gooding High School. She has attended Idaho State University for the past two years, studying elementary education, and plans to further her education at California State University, San Bernardino.

Jackman is a 1997 graduate of Hesperia Christian High School in Hesperia, Calif. He is currently employed as a tile and granite contractor for Jackman Tile.

The wedding is planned for Saturday at the Boise LDS Temple. A reception will be held

in their honor from 7:30-9 p.m. Saturday at the Gooding LDS Church. An open house will be held June 29 in Pinon Hills.

The couple will reside in Pinon Hills.

ANNIVERSARIES

THE STUTZMANS



Arden and Lella Stutzman

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Arden Stutzman celebrated their 50th anniversary June 1.

Stutzman and Lella Collins were married June 1, 1952, at the Jerome First Presbyterian Church.

He joined the U.S. Navy six months later, and they spent the next three years at California bases and a year at Pearl Harbor. They returned to Idaho, where he worked at Jerome Implement and later at the Gooding branch store. She was a secretary until she became involved with the

deaf in Gooding and also interpreted for deaf students at the College of Southern Idaho.

THE PARRS



Robert and Dorothy Parr

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Parr of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house June 24 for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 7-9 p.m. at the First Assembly of God Church, 143 Locust St. N., Twin Falls.

Parr and Dorothy L. Lightfoot were married June 24, 1952, at the Assembly of God Church in Payette.

They have lived in Twin Falls all their married life. He works at the Twin Falls School District, where he has been for the last 13 years. She is a housewife.

They have been active in the First Assembly of God Church, where he is a deacon and they

are on the Care Team and other church activities. The event is hosted by their children, Robert (JoAnn) Parr of Puyallup, Wash., Sheri (Leon) Mills and Shulzee (John) Thompson, all of Twin Falls, and nine grandchildren.

THE KENDALLS



Clyde and Verna Kendall

RUPERT - Clyde and Verna Kendall will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary today.

The couple was married June 16, 1952, in Baker, Ore.

They resided on a farm north of Willow Creek in Oregon until 1956, when they drew a homestead in Rupert. They hauled potatoes for A&P, in addition to farming and raising seven children. She was a 4-H leader for many years. He is a veteran of World War II, and trained chariot and race horses for many years. They were members of the Minidoka County Fair board for years.

Their children are Chuck Kendall and Nancy Orthman of Paul, Jerry Kendall of Oakley,

Gayle and Jerry Gorrell of Glens Ferry, Star and Connie Kendall of Fallon, Nev., Rod and Julie Kendall of Rupert, Pally and Paul Carney of Paul, and Shelly and Mark Reeves of Rupert. They have 17 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

WEDDINGS

BEORCHIA-STUART



Courtney and Nathan Seomons

JEROME - Emily Beorchia and Bryan Stuart were married June 1 in a garden wedding ceremony in Jerome. Officiating was the Rev. J. Quinton Kimbrow of the Jerome United Methodist Church.

The bride is the daughter of Janet Beorchia of Jerome and Orlando Beorchia of Wendell.

Parents of the bride/groom are Karen Stuart of Jerome and N. James Stuart of Utah.

Rachael Stuart, sister of the groom and friend of the bride, served as the bride's maid of honor.

Richard Stuart, brother of the groom, served as best man.

Special guests included grandparents of the bride, James and Ada May Exeter, and grandparents of the groom, Alvin and Geanette Taylor of Jerome.

Families of the bride and groom served at an outdoor reception and picnic-style buffet following the ceremony. Rachel Stuart sang, "When You Say Nothing At All," and was accompanied by the bride's uncle, Doug Exeter, who played the guitar. Brenda Rossell served as hon-



Bryan and Emily Stuart

orary guest book attendant. Honorary gift attendants were nieces and nephews of the bride and groom, Eric, Bryce, Machita and Skylar Stuart, Ashley Casey, Kara Rossell and Jonathan Wood.

The bride is a 2002 graduate of Jerome High School.

The bridegroom is a 1999 graduate of Jerome High School. He is attending Salt Lake City Community College technical school in Utah for sheet metal apprenticeship. He is employed at A&T Sheet Metal in Bountiful, Utah.

The newlyweds will reside in Salt Lake City.

THE WHEELERS



Jim and Virginia Wheeler

CASTLEFORD - Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wheeler of Castleford will be honored at a celebration June 23 for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Family and friends are invited to attend church services at 10:45 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Buhl, followed by a potluck at noon, cake and punch at 1 p.m. with a short program at 2 p.m.

Wheeler and Virginia Casebeer were married June 22, 1952, at the First Baptist Church in Buhl.

They have lived in the Castleford area all of their married life and farmed until their retirement in 1984.

The event is hosted by their daughters, Nancy Mesaros of Twin Falls, Jane Mesaros of Castleford and their granddaughters, Jamie Williamson of Yuma, Ariz., Nycci Mesaros and Carly Haley of Twin Falls and Holly Haley of Castleford.

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The community honored longtime QRU volunteer Kathleen Murphy. With her are son Brian, daughter Markle, husband Jerry, son-in-law Andrew and grandson Morgan.



MARY LOU POTTS/The Times-News

Longtime QRU- volunteer receives community thanks

By Mary Lou Potts
Times-News correspondent

BUHL - For 20 years, Kathleen Murphy has been helping save people. The community of Buhl wanted to say, "thank you." Murphy's friends and family also wanted to surprise her with a party honoring her 20 years as a volunteer emergency medical technician with the Buhl Quick Response Unit - and they did just that last month. Murphy arrived at the Grandstands Sports Grill, believing she was going to a meeting. Instead, the banquet room was filled with friends, fellow teachers, medical worker colleagues and family.

Kurz told stories about calls he made with Murphy in the early hours, and how calm and "in sync" she always was.

Magic Valley paramedics Stephanie Hillus and Dennis Hills presented Murphy with a plaque.

"Murphy always had a sense of calmness and humor," Hillus said. "The community is fortunate to have a volunteer like Murphy," said Tim Lauda, a former Buhl team member.

Murphy, a seventh-grade science teacher at Buhl Middle School, also received a plaque and plant from teachers Janice Brinkman and Lynn Popplewell.

Mayor Barbara Gletzen presented Murphy with roses, and Buhl Fire Chief Mark Grimes presented her with a plaque, a 20-year-old graduation picture and a few tales of how Murphy

managed to get out of writing reports.

"A volunteer logs about 1,175 on duty hours a year, not counting training time," Grimes said. "Murphy's totals 39,500 hours plus, just on shifts in a 20-year span."

Murphy said she could not do the volunteer job without the support of her family, who have been behind her all the way.

"I started this job when my kids were little and you can see they are grown up and I'm still on the squad," she said.

Sue Savers, a co-volunteer, said Murphy likes the stars and volcanoes, so the Buhl QRU Relief Association presented her with an emerald green necklace made from Mount St. Helens ash.

"Murphy is one person that you want to sweat, cry and laugh with. She kept everyone on the team together in many circumstances," Savers added.

WENDELL PEACEBUILDERS



Photo courtesy of WENDELL ELEMENTARY

PeaceBuilders at Wendell Elementary for the week of April 29 to May 3 are: from left, back row: Jalma Eudava, Mariela Benitez, Alicia Bonowitz, Kalle Fisher and Martha Madara; second row: Kelsey Kaleigh, Taylor Mendoza, Lucas Villagomez, Natasha Dudley, Amanda Triggler and Devon Harvey; front row: Ethan Todd, Diana Romo and Heather Owens. Not pictured are Kendal Mowery, Caitlyn Johnson and Adriana Martinez.

Buhl Middle School announces honor roll

BUHL - Buhl Middle School announced its honor roll.

Highest honor, 4.0 grade point average:

Stephanie Ahim, Ashley Bartschi, Nicole Frey, Leslie Hunter, Emily O'Connor, Bradley Twiss, William Chivers, Aaron Harvey, Karrick Kelly, Emily Pearson, Andrea Storey, Eva Stutzman, Jamie Van Patten, Jenni Vanhouzer, Bethany Eureski, James Osterkamp, Anthony Owens and Cassie Tipton.

High honors, 3.5-3.99 GPA:

Trista Allen, Cori Flint, Carley Hampton, Jordan Hicks, Colton Jaynes, Tucker McCreery, Zachary Montgomery, Patrick Osterkamp, Gaige Owen, Nicole Thom, Michael Tomkins, Sonia Ayala, Nicholas Baughman, Jake Busby, Kyle Clements, Amanda Combe, Shala Fields, Cheryl Geiger, Amber Gilford, Kimberly Hancock, Brittany Harp, Misty Henson, Tyler Hutchinson, Tianna

Jacobson, April Jaynes, Austin Laing, Andrew Lauda, Tanner Leckenby, Janna Lively, Summer Lyday, Sara Mason, Miranda McFarland, Lacey McGuire, Madeline Meiers, Erica Sorzano, Zakary Welch, Traiza Wuensch, Amanda Cox, Jessica Heaton, Angela Hutchinson, Brady Irish, Alex Johnston, Rachel Linderman, Ashley McClain, Angela Oglsoe, Abbe Reynolds and Jarom Wray.

Honors, 3.0-3.49 GPA:

Alicia Abshire, Jesus Arizmeni, Tiffany Bailey, Mitch Carter, Brook Combe (Leavitt), Christopher Cooper, Dustin Davidson, Alex Finney, Chelsea Forrest, Whitney Grove, Justin Heaton, Zachary Higbarger, Courtney Holladay, Brian Hosman, Charles Lawrence, Anna Medina, Shane Moore, Jackie Moreno, Shawn Nutting, Brock O'Donnell, Vincent Orr, Robert Ruffing, Sandra Sanchez, Ashley Wilson, Matthew Adams, Ashton

Brown, Troy Cox, Guadalupe Cuevas, Drew Garbardi, Yovani Gonzalez, Thomas Henson, Francisco Hernandez, Lisa Hernandez, Tesla Horzinger, K.C. Hulse, Derek Human, Anthony Hurley, Cassi Hutchinson, Miranda Juker, Larissa King, Nisha Leavell, Jessica Lopez, Justin Maple, Yelene Nadochayeva, Lutticia Nevarez, Annuliz Perez, William Slem, Morgan Steele, Samuel Turner, Alex Wagner, Eric Weaver, Trista Whited, Jessica Adams, Trevin Belveal, Elizabeth Bettecourt, Veronica Bettecourt, Mitchell Bourner, Shayla Cantrell, Elijah Chippman (Beicher), Daniel Hiller, Maricela Jimenez, J Kippes, Kasi Klimes, Paden Mabey, Adam May, Breann Mink, Brent Montgomery, Lisa Nevarez, Cassie O'Donnell, Morgan Peterson, Kaitlan Puente, Heather Scovel, Roxanne Siruack, Judd Spencer, Jeremy Thomas, Anthony Tomkins, Courtney Watson and Matthew Wiggs.

ON THE SCENE

Mark Phillips, an emergency medical technician in Rupert, shows some of Anika Morfin's second-graders the inside of an ambulance. Phillips is Morfin's class at Memorial Elementary.



Photo courtesy of ANIKA MORFIN

FFA ends year with honors, new officers

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls FFA ended its year by honoring members and welcoming new officers.

The year end banquet was held April 15 with guest speaker John Pitz, manager of the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds. Pitz encouraged all the members to continue their education and interest in the livestock and farming industries. He also called the FFA a great

program and said that if anyone was interested in fair management, the knowledge derived through FFA will be a positive asset for that individual, Chapter Reporter Teresa Jones said.

Mike and Tomi Brown were presented an honorary FFA degree plaque, acknowledging their generosity towards FFA.

The Star Greenhand recipient was Randy Barnhardt. Star

Chapter and ag business awards were presented to Jessica Kimball and Dani Thaeet, respectively.

The chapter officers for the coming year were installed. They are:

President Dani Thaeet, Vice President Whitney Hurley, Secretary Tara Loughmiller, Treasurer Cody Cantrell, Reporter Teresa Jones and Sentinel Jessica Kimball.

STORK REPORT

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Konnar Leslie Amero, son of Crisa Kim Byce of Twin Falls, was born Monday, May 27, 2002.

Shannon Kaylee Lee Chiles, daughter of Alicia Anne Ray of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, June 4, 2002.

Jayden Lee Taylor, son of Holly Lorene and Lee Brian Taylor of Buhl, was born Wednesday, June 5, 2002.

Bundy William Volkens, son of Angela Kay and Clay William Volkens of Jerome, was born Wednesday, June 5, 2002.

Angela Ann Sarah Woodman, daughter of Christy Anna and Robert Jeff Woodman of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, June 6, 2002.

Eder Alexic Cruz, son of Guadalupe and Eulogio Cruz of Wendell, was born Friday, June 7, 2002.

Nicole Marie Nieto, daughter of Cecilia Rodriguez and Jesus Nieto of Buhl, was born Friday, June 7, 2002.

Ashton Ray Vandenbosch, son of Tammy Lynn and Marvin Jan Vandenbosch Jr. of Jerome, was born Friday, June 7, 2002.

Gillian Marie Woodward, daughter of Kenneth and Stephanie Woodward of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, June 8, 2002.

Scott Keith Tupper, son of Lisa Ann and Scott Keith Tupper of Twin Falls, was born Sunday, May 28, 2002.

Ryan Louise Pendleton, daughter of Estelle Louise and Kaitlan Puente, Heather Scovel, Edna, was born Monday, June 10, 2002.

St. Benedicts Family Medical Center
Brendon Jack Hiatt, son of Don and Brenda Hiatt of Jerome, was born Tuesday, May 28, 2002.

Stetson Lane Jones, son of Shawn and Pam Jones of Jerome, was born Tuesday, May 28, 2002.

David Lee Carpenter, son of Tracy and Wayne Carpenter of Gooding, was born Wednesday, May 29, 2002.

To announce a birth

Send a copy of the birth certificate to:
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The Times-News
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Twin Falls, ID 83303
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Deadline: noon Tuesday for Sunday papers; and noon Friday for Tuesday's paper.

More information?
Call Melissa at 735-3278

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Parkinson's Support Group hears from therapists

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the KMYT community room in Twin Falls.

The presentation entitled, "Why and Whereof Caregiving" will feature therapists Betty Clark and Malreen Butler.

Please wear name tags. For more information about the group, call Don Arrington at 733-8868 or Kay Clark at 324-5013.

CSI offers zero-credit art classes this summer

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho is offering the next installment of zero-credit art classes in late June and July.

Drawing will show how knowledge of drawing can greatly facilitate all other aspects of education by increases in creativity, curiosity, and analytical/critical thinking. Topics covered will be composition, perspective, design, value and originality. Mediums used will be pencil, pen and ink, colored pencil, and pastels. Class size is limited. The class takes place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, June 29 to July 27 in room 112 of the CSI Art Complex. Cost is \$70.

Beginning Oil Painting students will study and practice composition, perspective, value, reflective light, content, balance and texture, originality, emotional impact, and individuality and style. They will learn line, shape, mass and knife-painting. The class includes an insight to representational, abstract and nonob-

jective art. The class takes place from 7-10 p.m. Thursdays, June 27 to July 25 in room 112 of the CSI Art Complex. Cost is \$70.

Intermediate/Advanced Oil Painting students who have some knowledge of working with oil paints will learn the trade secrets of how to turn a good painting into a masterpiece. Projects will include painting on location, working with still life and painting wildlife and a live model. The class takes place from 7-10 p.m. Mondays, July 8-29 in room 112 of the CSI Art Complex. Cost is \$70.

Instructor Jan Cicie has been teaching art for over 25 years. She has won numerous awards for her artwork, including the Idaho State Ducks Unlimited Sponsor Artist of the Year in 2000-01.

For more information or to reg-

ister, call 733-9554, Ext. 2290.

District III 4-H Leaders Association hosts forum

BURLEY - District III 4-H Leaders Association is hosting the 2003 State 4-H Leaders Forum. The theme will be "2003-4-H, Youth and Me."

The association needs a logo. Entries must be sent no later than July 1. The winner will receive a gift basket.

Entries should be sent to: Maria Lowder, 1013 W. 16th St., Burley, ID 83318-2189. For more information, call 878-9461.

Wood River Bridge reports latest happenings

HAILEY - Wood River Bridge announced its latest results. Monday evening winners at

the senior center in Hailey were first, Reid Lau and Joy Morey; second, Warren Nesbit and Joan Ray; and third, Marilyn Nesbit and Dee Swartz.

Wednesday evening winners at the Harker Center in Elkhorn were north/south, first, Fran Maughan and Jeanne Welch; second, Anne Zauner and Sue Binz; and third, Marilyn Nesbit and Dee Swartz.

Eastwest winners were first, Warren Nesbit and Peter Gray; second, Gillian Mursell and Frank Menendez; and third, Joan Anawalt and Mary Louise McConigal.

The games are held at the senior center in Hailey at 6:45 p.m. Mondays with lessons at 2:45 p.m. Tuesdays at the Harker Center; 6:45 p.m. Wednesday at the Harker Center; and after 2:45 p.m. Thursday at the Harker

Center. People with or without a partner are welcome.

BJ Duplicate Bridge announces results

RUPERT - The B J Duplicate Bridge Club had 11 tables of play June 11. Winners were, north/south, first, Billie Park and Tracey Uslo; second, Frances and John Anglin; third, Virginia Martin and Francis Higgins; and fourth, Pat Stephenson and Rosemary Hill. East west winners were, first, Chuck and Shirley Hunter; second, Joe Blackford and Lonnie; third, Marlene Temple and Gwen Stoker; and fourth, Marion Snow and Lila Buman.

Play continues at 1 p.m. each Tuesday at the Rupert Elks. The public is invited.

Save thousands on a wedding with these tips

Knight Ridder News Service

The national average cost of a wedding, with 175 guests and a sit-down dinner, is \$20,000. Staff writer Crystal Dempsey breaks the national average into 10 categories and then interviewed brides, a wedding planner and a consumer advocate. Item by item, here's her plan to save more than \$5,500.

Catering/reception (average cost \$8,400)
Save \$4,000
 Cutting the guest list drastically reduces costs, advises Kelly Carson, an events planner with Carolina Weddings & Events.

"Look at your list and think about who you really want to be there," Carson says. "You don't really need to invite Mrs. Smith, your first-grade teacher, if you haven't seen her in 20 years."

A sit-down dinner with full bar is \$25 or more per person. A buffet costs \$15 a person. Brunch or lunch is about \$10. Buy alcoholic beverages at a discount store or warehouse club. Return unopened bottles. For even bigger savings, don't serve alcohol.

Reception: Popular upscale locations tend to cost the most. Instead, consider church or temple halls, historic sites or civic facilities such as parks or a clubhouse. Be creative: Have your bash at a ballpark, the trolley barn or a corporate rooftop garden. Decorate with a single color scheme. Another big money-saver, but highly unlikely to find a place that allows you to bring in your own caterer. Most sites have a list of preferred vendors.

Rings (average cost \$4,000)
Save \$3,000
 Engagement ring: A family piece is the least expensive. Offer to have it reset if she doesn't like the style. Look in pawn shops and consignment or antique stores. Go synthetic: Moissanite, a diamond look-alike, is made by Charles & Colvard in Morristown, N.C. A 1.5 carat Moissanite in a classic 14-karat white gold setting is \$750. A comparable diamond is around \$6,000. For a list of Moissanite retailers, visit www.moissanite.com or toll-free (800) 210-4367.

Money-saving hints

- **Decide what's most important to you** — the dress? the photos? the reception? — and put your money into that aspect. Be thrifty about everything else.
- **Start planning as soon as possible.** That will give you time to shop around. The later you wait, the more you'll be paying.
- **When asking about prices, don't mention the word "wedding"** until you absolutely have to. Say you're having a family gathering.

- **State your budget up front** and stick to your guns. If the service provider is out of your range, ask if they can recommend someone.
- **Put deposits on a credit card.** Do not use a debit card. Credit cards are protected under federal consumer protection law. Debit cards aren't. If a business accepts cash only deposits, be wary.
- **Always ask the vendor for the full list of options and prices.** — Source: The Charlotte Observer

Wedding band: Buy 14-karat gold — it's less expensive and more durable than higher-karat gold. Again, consider heirloom pieces or try retailers listed above.

Attire (average cost \$1,400)
Save \$700

Gown: The average cost is \$800 to \$1,000. (One Charlotte, N.C., bride spent \$25,000 on her dress last year.) Shop at consignment or vintage stores, use catalogs or go online. Rent or borrow. Ask a store if there's a discount if you and your bridesmaids buy your outfits there. If it's a simple style without beading and other detail work, have it made. Alan Fields, co-author of "Bridal Bargains," says watch out for hidden costs such as fees for alterations, rush orders, pressing and delivery.

Accessories: Buy shoes (\$60 at some bridal stores) at a discount shoe store. Payless' Dyebliss line is \$35 and includes the dying class. Skip the headpiece (costs \$150), stockings (\$20) and gloves (\$20). Don't scrimp on the bra or shape wear.

Invitations/programs (average cost \$390)
Save \$200

Order through a catalog or online. You can often find the same invitation styles sold through retail stationers shops at half the retail price, says Fields in "Bridal Bargains."

Fields' "Weddings" issue recommends using a process called thermography instead of engraving. You'll save 40 percent.

Have a computer and a good printer? Make your own invita-

Flowers (average cost \$900)
Save \$450

Availability of in-season flowers makes them more affordable. Try the less-is-more approach: Carry a bouquet of calla lilies or tulips tied with a ribbon. Wildflowers are usually less expensive. Get married in a garden or park when flowers, trees and shrubs are in bloom. Or schedule your wedding near a holiday when the church will already be decorated.

Check with the facility to see if there's another ceremony before or after yours. Ask the couple if they'd be willing to share flowers.

At the reception, keep decorations simple. Instead of flowers, use foliage, candles, fruits, nuts or vegetables. Rachel Miceli, a recent bride and The Charlotte Observer's entertainment editor, used a glass vase, a white pillar candle, three votives (all from Garden Ridge) and rose petals (from Costco) for table centerpieces. Cost? About \$10 each.

Cake (average cost \$325)
Save \$200

The fancier the cake, the more you'll pay. The average is \$3 a slice. Don't get a cake that serves everyone. About 20 percent of the crowd won't eat. Buy a smaller or version of the cake you love but can't afford. After the photos, have it rolled into the kitchen "to be sliced." Your guests don't have to know that they're getting shoe-

cake that costs about 50 cents a slice. Beware: With sheet cake or regular wedding cakes, reception sites may charge a cutting fee. Sometimes it's as much as \$2 a slice. Negotiate.

Photography/videography (average cost \$2,500)
Save \$500

This is the one category where you shouldn't be frugal. As one bride says, "Flowers fade, cake gets eaten, and invitations get thrown away" but photos and videos last.

Family and friends may volunteer for the task, but unless they're professionals, quality could be iffy.

Music (average cost \$650)
Save \$100

Ja'Nee Harris of Charlotte, N.C., recommends using a solo musician (guitarist, violinist, harpist, pianist) for the ceremonial music. A DJ for two hours at the reception is at least 40 percent less than a string quartet or a band.

Limo/ceremony site/official (average cost \$390)
Save \$190

Skip the limo or the horse-drawn carriage. Don't haggle over the site or official's fee.

Source:

• **Bridal Bargains: Secrets to Throwing a Fantastic Wedding on a Realistic Budget** by Denise and Alan Fields (\$14.95, Windsor Peak Press). The Fields are considered the Ralph Naders of the wedding industry. They've been on "Oprah," "Today" and "Dateline NBC."

• **"The Anti-Bride Guide: Tying the Knot Outside of the Box"** by Carolyn Gerin and Stephanie Rosenbaum (\$19.95, Chronicle Books).

• **InStyle Weddings, Spring 2002 special issue.** Andie MacLewell is on the cover.

• **Wedding planner:** Kelly Carson, Carolina Weddings & Events.

• **Brides:** Ja'Nee Harris and Rachel Miceli.

FAMILY LIFE

Let child keep his security towel



PARENTING
John Rosemond

Q. About two years ago, my 3-year-old son developed a fondness for kitchen towels, similar to some children's attachment to security blankets. At first, he only took a towel to bed with him, which we allowed. Now he walks around with a towel all day when we are at home; in public he is fine without one. I'm sure I could break this habit easily except at bedtime. I still don't see a problem with this habit. It's doing no physical harm, such as damaging his teeth, but my mother is nagging me to put an end to this.

A. I'm with you, kiddo. Your son's attachment to kitchen towels (a psychologist might call it a "towel fixation" or "towel-carrying behavior") is not weird, abnormal, strange, bizarre, kinky, pathological or even that odd-the-ordinary. It's nothing more than child behavior which is a 3-year-old's inalienable right.

Indeed, kitchen towels are "security objects" for your son, but make no mistake, a young child's affinity for a certain security object does not mean the child is insecure. Everyone, in fact, has a security object. If you look hard enough, you'll find yours. Perhaps your mom's security object is her purse. In any case, she feels lost without it.

A better term might be "comfort thing." A simple substitution of one term for another and what this is no longer a psychological issue. Kitchen towels are nothing more than a source of comfort for your son. What is the problem with a 3-year-old wanting to be comfortable? He's not doing anything wrong with his towel, purposefully annoying people with it (your mother's annoyance aside), or using it in some potentially dangerous fashion. In fact, I wouldn't even have a problem with allowing him to take a towel into public places (albeit I'd begin drawing the line on that in a year or so).

Having said all that, I need to mention that all "comfort things" are not equal.

Pacifiers, for instance, are associated with language delays and serious speech articulation problems. Current thinking on pacifiers is that they should not be used past 6 months.

A comfort thing that interferes with proper social skills (e.g., a thumb stuck constantly in the mouth should be probably "weaned away" from a child beginning around age 3. So, for example, a 3-year-old who is still thumb-sucking should be told that he can suck it only in his room. Good luck trying to prohibit it this afternoon.)

Drinking from bottles past early toddlerhood is associated with various dental problems, so bottles need to be dispensed with shortly after a child learns to walk.

But unless someone incurs evidence that kitchen towels are associated with some developmental problem, I say let 'em carry towels! (I need mention, however, that if a child likes to "munch" his towel, it should be washed regularly.)

It's hard, I know, to hold up to one's common sense in the face of prevailing psychological mythology, but you're doing fine, and I'm rooting for you.

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Single seniors break the fast of loneliness

Knight Ridder News Service

BENSALEM, Pa. — The smell of warm maple syrup sticks to the air, coffee cups clung, and over scrambled eggs and pancakes, 76-year-old Ella Marmon is talking about playing hard to get.

It's 8:30 on a Saturday morning at Michael's Restaurant in Bensalem, Pa., and Marmon has love on her mind. Love's name is Tom. And they met at this very restaurant, in the back dining room, around the same time two years ago.

"He called me the day after we met and asked me out," she said proudly. "I said, 'No. Call me back on Thursday.'"

Sure enough, the retired machinist with the white mustache reached up Marmon's number that Thursday, and she has been a couple ever since. "I was tired of being with women all the time," she said without a hint of a smile.

For Marmon and other ladies and gentlemen her age who want to find love a second and third time around, Just Singles is their social nexus. It's a group that comes together every Saturday in search of good food and long-term companionship.

What started as an informal gathering of 10 people in their 50s a quarter-century ago has evolved into a circle of lives in twilight — people who were widowed or divorced late in life and came to the group looking for some companionship, or maybe, like Marmon, looking to get another chance in love.

They meet for breakfast, sipping coffee, sharing their lives, trying to find someone to take them to the movies, or hold their hands. On one recent Saturday, the men and women circled around the back room of the restaurant, rectangular tables bunched together to say hello to a certain someone sitting across the room. And they often take their matchmaking on the road, going to dances and plays and parties.

Although seniors groups are all over the country, Tom Ottwell of AARP said Just Singles and its matchmaking success are unusual.

monies. There have been more than 40 marriages, group members estimate, and dozens and dozens of love connections.

Other than Ella and Tom, there are Bobbie and Harry, MaryAnna and Andy, Jim and Jean, Sue and Ray, and Rosalie and David, who happen to be two founders of the club.

Rosalie Hankins, who said she was in her 70s, wanted to start the club to get golfing partners. "I never thought I'd need him," she said, pointing to David Bradstock with a twinkle of flirtation in her sapphire eyes.

One afternoon, during one of Just Singles' first meetings, she said, she was craving a golf outing. So, clubs in hand, she and a friend made plans for a tee time.

"Can I come?" Rosalie recalled David asking. He watched her as she told the story, and smiled sheepishly.

She pinched his cheek. "He is so sweet, isn't he? Sweeter as a puppy," she said.

After her husband left her in 1975, Dorothy Benner asked for a man sitting across the breakfast table.

"My name is Henry," he told Benner the first time they exchanged glances over a blueberry muffin and coffee. He was a gentleman in every way, she said. Never had a bad thing to say about anyone. Never cursed. They spent their weekends together. And every holiday. Her granddaughter called him "Pop Pop."

For nine years and three months, until the fall of 1992, Benner had someone. Then, Henry suffered a heart attack and died.

"Every woman should have a man like that," she said.

And you can bet they try, making eyes at they swirl their gray hair. Wearing magenta lipstick. Flirting.

"The men are very popular," said Lillian Harshaw, one of the women outstaring the men. "Every time a man walks in, no matter what he looks like, no matter how young or bald or fat, he's instantly attracted to me."

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FAMILY LIFE

Protect your pet from heartworm

With the arrival of summer comes family and more outdoor time with family pets. This time of year is fun for all family members, pet included, but it brings us into the realm of the dreaded mosquito. White mosquitoes are mostly a nuisance, bringing itching and scratching to humans (although West Nile Virus is now a concern in some parts of the country); they pose a serious health threat to dogs and cats.

All pets are at risk from a silent killer which is spread through mosquito bites — heartworm. Heartworm is a potentially life-threatening disease that infects a dog's and cat's heart and lungs. More alarming is the fact that heartworm disease has been found in 51 states. It takes only ONE mosquito bite from an infected mosquito to infect a dog and cat with heartworm disease.

Unfortunately, although heartworm is a serious condition, many pet owners don't take it seriously. In fact, a 2001 Gallup survey found that only 55 percent of dog-owning households were on some form of heartworm preventive, down from a high of 66 percent in 1998.

Pet parents have much to be worried about. According to a recent survey by the American Heartworm Society, at least 250,000 dogs and cats tested positive for heartworm infection



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nationwide. This survey, the first of its kind since the 1950s, indicates that at least one in 250 dogs may be at risk for heartworm infection. This may not seem high at first, but unless the infected pet is YOUR dog or cat.

"The importance of this survey should not be overlooked," said Dr. Doug Carithers, senior director, Veterinarian Professional Services in Morral, which was the sponsor of the survey. "This survey demonstrates that heartworm disease continues to be a problem that pet owners need to seriously consider. Once their dog or cat has been infected with heartworms, the only option available to pet owners is medical or surgical treatment."

Many pet owners fail to realize that heartworm disease is easier and significantly cheaper to prevent than treat. Dogs and cats may not show signs of illness until the disease has already ravaged their heart and lungs, leaving pet owners with few options. Symptoms, which include fatigue, weight loss and a chronic cough, often don't appear until the parasite heartworms, have

colonized the heart and lungs, causing damage to these organs and, ultimately, leading to death.

While it can take 15 to 19 heartworms before dogs show any sign of illness, as little as one heartworm can be fatal to cats. The safer option for pet owners is prevention.

For example, where I live in northern Idaho, the incidence of heartworm disease is very low. But, I have new neighbors who just moved from Florida and their pets may be carriers of heartworm disease. As we have loads of mosquitoes this year, my pets could be just one bite away from heartworm disease. But because they're on a preventive medication, our family has the peace of mind knowing our pets are protected.

It is important to know that before starting a preventive program, dogs and cats should first be tested for pre-existing heartworm infection, otherwise the preventative medicine could harm them. There are a number of effective heartworm preventives that pet owners can obtain from their veterinarians.

For example, the product I use on my own pets, Heartgard Plus, not only protects against heartworms, it also controls intestinal parasites, like roundworms and hookworms. While some preventives may be cumbersome to administer and painful, Heartgard Plus comes in a real

beef-chewable that dogs wolf down and wolf with delight.

Heartworm disease can be found in every state, the southeast is experiencing the highest number of cases. In 2001, the top 10 states reporting the highest number of heartworm infections were Texas, Florida, Louisiana, North Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, South Carolina, Alabama and Indiana.

Because heartworm prevention is important to a dog's and cat's well being, pet owners are encouraged to build a relationship with their veterinarians through regular visits.

Pet owners wishing to learn more about preventing heartworm prevention, protecting pets from their summertime threats, such as fleas and ticks, and the importance of scheduling regular visits with the veterinarian can visit <http://www.healthypet.com> or call 1-866-ASK-VETS.

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Credit cards burn holes in students' budgets

DEAR ABBY: As a senior in college, I have learned many things, but I have one important lesson to share with anyone who is just beginning a college career.

In my freshman year, I was bombarded with credit card applications promising great rates and free merchandise for signing up. I couldn't resist accepting, but promised myself I would use credit cards only for emergencies.

Well, here I am about to graduate and I now owe several thousand dollars on my cards. I calculated that if I pay only the minimum each month, it will take me 12 years to pay off what I owe. The sad fact is that I have nothing to show for this debt. Much of it was for meals with friends, going out to clubs and living beyond my means.

Some tips I wish I had been given to me before signing up for those cards:

- (1) Live within your means. College can be about having fun, but you do not want to go into debt. Be creative and expand your horizons.
- (2) If you cannot pay cash for a meal at a restaurant, do not eat there. Eat at the school cafeteria or make a sandwich.
- (3) The new CD or DVD you want will still be around when you can afford it. Listen to the radio or rent a movie instead of buying it on credit.
- (4) Rather than going to a club or movie with a group of friends, find inexpensive activities (like playing cards or board games) and spend your evening enjoying them. You'll be amazed at what you can save.
- (5) If your college offers a class on managing credit and credit cards — take it! If you have already resolved never to rely on credit, it will only reinforce that decision.

I hope you deem this letter important enough to print, Abby. Credit card debt is a huge problem for many college students. I should know.

—COLLEGE SENIOR WHO LEARNED THE HARD WAY
DEAR COLLEGE SENIOR: Thank you for your timely warning for freshmen entering college this fall. And now I have one for you: You have learned an expen-



DEAR ABBY
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sive lesson. Credit counseling may help you consolidate your debts and ensure that you don't destroy your credit history before you have even established one. Check your phone directory for a list of credit counseling services or visit www.ncc.org to locate one that's a member of the National Foundation for Consumer Credit (NFCC).

Good luck, grad!

DEAR READERS: Today is Father's Day-I offer good wishes not only to fathers everywhere, but also to those caring individuals who ensure that their time-morning youngsters whose fathers are absent or deceased.

Many readers have asked me for a prayer in memory of a father who is no longer living. The following is from my Helene Union Prayer Book. It is one that is recited on Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. It is also available in my "Memories" booklet.

In Memory of a Father
"Thy memory, my dear father, fills my soul at this solemn hour. It renews in me thoughts of the love and friendliness which thou didst bestow upon me. The thought of these inspires me to a life of virtue, and when my pilgrimage on earth is ended and I shall arrive at the throne of mercy, may I be worthy of thee in the sight of God and man. May our merciful Father reward thee for the faithfulness and kindness thou has ever shown me, may he grant thee eternal peace. Amen."

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and her daughter, Jeanne.

Find ways to enjoy work and make it fun

"Work is much more fun than fun."

—Noel Coward

I did just hear a few groans? I know that, sometimes, no matter what we do, work can grind us down. With that said, I agree with Noel. Work can easily be "more fun than fun." How? We can either do what we love, or we can learn to love what we do. Then, work rewards us. It rewards us with a sense of contribution and satisfaction. It rewards us with a feeling of being in our right place. It rewards us with compensation to provide the necessities and necessities of life.

"Do what you love and you'll never have to work a day in your life."

—Jim Fox

Isn't that true? I have heard people who love being and doing what they are saying: "Can you believe they pay me to do this?" For them, going to work is a joy. They look forward to it. They easily arise, and are eager to get to work.

"I've never suffered from that affliction," a seminar attendee once said to me while I spoke on this subject. That spontaneous outburst got the biggest laugh of



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the day. Obviously, many people identify with that person. This man only went to work to get paid. His only reward was his weekly check. To him, life began when work stopped.

These folks enjoy their work mission as an opportunity. They miss the chance to have joy and satisfaction during more than one-third of their total life, and most of their waking experience. I asked the man if he'd considered changing jobs. "Nothing else pays this well." Had he considered taking less money for doing what he enjoyed? He started into distant space, shaking his head negatively, looking puzzled. Finally, he said he couldn't imagine why he'd do that. He must disagree with Charles Schwab's thoughts on the subject — "The man who does not work for love, but only for money, is not likely to make money, or find much fun in life."

If you are in a job that you don't enjoy or find fulfilling, what are your options? The eas-

est option is to redefine your work so you do enjoy it. Often, we don't have a full perspective of the importance of our work. We think it is insignificant. We believe "everyone else" has a better, more fulfilling job.

Ask yourself, "What would happen if what I do didn't get done?" Usually, the answer is a contradictory sounding, "a lot and nothing." There are few jobs that aren't necessary links in the chain of value provided to a customer, like roundworms and hookworms. While some preventives may be cumbersome to administer and painful, Heartgard Plus comes in a real

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Twilight is in the eye of the beholder

A couple years ago, a lawyer contacted me with an attorney question. His client had collided with a farm vehicle operating with no lights after sunset, and he wanted to know how dark it was at the time of the accident. I told him that there are three definitions of twilight, depending on the observer.

Civil twilight is the period after sunset when the sun's center is less than 6 degrees below the horizon. Large objects can be seen, but little detail. At sea, the horizon clearly distinguishes ocean from sky. Bright planets and stars begin to appear.

Nautical twilight ends when the sun is 12 degrees below the horizon. After that, the horizon can no longer be discerned, but sky glow still obscures faint stars. Astronomical twilight ends when the sun is 18 degrees below the horizon.

Here's a riddle: When is the sun due north in Idaho? The answer is "at night." After the end of astronomical twilight is when the real observing begins.

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Sky calendar

(through Saturday)
• Planets:
One hour before sunrise:
No planets visible.
One hour after sunset:
Venus: WNW, very low
• Moon:
First quarter Monday, 6:29 p.m.
Other data: Summer solstice:
Friday, 7:24 a.m.

If you'd like to try to see it for yourself, this is the week. The summer solstice is Friday, but the moon will be up most of the night by week's end, so your best chance comes in the next couple of nights, after 1:30 a.m. (which is essentially midnight, due to Daylight Saving Time.) You'll need a very dark site with no lights to the north, and at least half an hour for your eyes to adapt to the dark. The farther north you are, the better. With luck, you too will see Idaho's midnight sun.

Next week: Does the moon rotate?

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Leo: Look behind scenes

IF JUNE 16TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY — you are introspective and possess extraordinary perception. Your mother was a live wire — far from passive. As Pisces, Virgo individuals play active roles in activities, could these letters in names: G, P, Y. During July, you make domestic adjustments that include change of residence, marital status. September will be your most romantic and profitable month of the year.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Task you started two months ago will be finished tonight. Relationship is stormy, exciting and romantic. Libra, another Aries play outstanding roles.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Attention is directed toward family and marital status. In single, you will encounter future mate. You discover "direction of your life." Cancer native in picture.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Forces scattered; finish one thing at a time. Emphasis on humor, intellectual curiosity. Keep resolutions concerning exercise, diet and nutrition. Sagittarius plays role.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You overcome obstacle; cash flow resumes as result. Last-minute scenes; pleasant surprise awaits you. Don't fear the unknown. Taurus, Scorpio play pertinent roles.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Accent on communication, reading and writing. Circumstances

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take dramatic turn in your favor. Events transpire to bring you closer to goal. Gemini will play fascinating role.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You could hear sound of music dancing in your own tune. You are given permission to sing in or out of shower. Visit individual temporarily confined to home, hospital. Aries represented.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Wishes come true in surprising manner. Elements of timing, luck and intuition. All the tracks: Choose number 7 post position in seventh race. Pisces will come secret ally.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Power play Rare opportunity exists for you to go into business for yourself. Promotion due; superior acknowledges your value. Capricorn, Cancer natives figure prominently.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): What seemed long ago and far away will be practically at your doorstep. Advertise, promote and publicize. Spiritual wins surface; you gain admirers as result. Libra represented.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Make fresh start, exercise independence through travel. Wear colors that include yellow and gold. Make personal appearances, evade confidence. Leo will play prominent role.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Lie low, play waiting game. Do not equate delay with defeat. Focus on proposals that include partnership. You will be asked to settle financial dispute. Cancer native involved.



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