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A town in transition



Carmon Villaseñor trims roses in her front yard in Minidoka. Villaseñor and Hispanic neighbors make up the majority of residents of the small farming community north of Rupert.

Minidoka is Idaho's most Hispanic town

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

MINIDOKA - It's tempting to think of Minidoka as a town forgotten by time. But this tiny community, 13 miles east of Rupert, is the foremost example of a key trend for Idaho's future.

On a summer evening, its tree-lined streets are so quiet, the songbirds in the branches seem unnaturally amplified. Except for a couple of double-wide mobile homes, the houses are old and much-repaired.

Treble shouts and peals of laughter pierce the silence, as two boys - about 6 years old - kick a basketball down the street, trailed by a girl about the same age.

Minidoka is redolent of decades past. Yet despite its apparent tranquility, this town is in transformation.

As of the 1990 Census, no towns in Idaho were more than half Hispanic. But sometime during the 1990s, Anglos slipped into the minority in three cities - Minidoka, Wilder and Roberts.

The 2000 Census found the highest concentration of Hispanics, 77 percent, in tiny Minidoka. Of the city's 129 residents, the Census reported that 100 were Hispanic.

Minidoka County is following, to a lesser extent, the trend that has transformed its namesake town. The proportion of Hispanic people in the county reached 25.5 percent in 2000.

Meanwhile, Idaho's Hispanic population nearly doubled during the '90s, comprising 7.8 percent of the state's population in 2000.

People in Minidoka have differing viewpoints on how demographic change has altered the town's character. Councilman Ray Garcia laughed at the question.

"I've been here 39 years, and there has been no change," he said.

People have moved out of



The city's new \$600,000 water tower stands near the old tower it replaced. The residents of the town hoavily mortgaged their future to upgrade the town's water supply.



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Garcia said.

Jim Cook, a longtime City Council member, sees things differently. Minidoka was a nice little town until a few years ago, he said.

"They play their music so dang loud," Cook said.

But the town is still quieter than most, he admitted.

The streets are more often playgrounds than thoroughfares. The town is small enough that all the children know one another and play together. They freely roam from house to house. A group of girls regularly stops at the home of Mayor Maxine Homer, to beg for a drink and a few cookies.

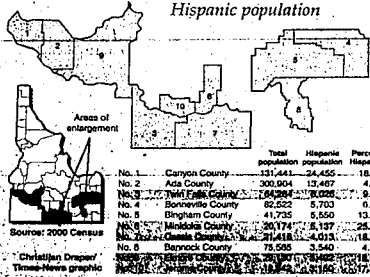
"It's peaceful - a good place to live if you want to raise a family," resident Miguel Rodriguez said. "Everybody knows everybody."

In a town this small, the lines of ethnic division fade. Even those who are separated by language can risk their children, who quickly become bilingual, to

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Where Idaho Hispanics live

Top 10 counties in Hispanic population



town, others have moved in. You can hear Spanish on the streets.

While the people have changed, the town has not.

Dairy odors divide agencies

DEQ presses regs, despite objections from Ag Department

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A certain dairy next to the highway smells like 10,000 skunks when you drive by it, but the odor is not going to kill you - or even make you sick.

That's the view of Jim Baker, a scientist for the Idaho Department of Agriculture.

It's because that particular odor - as unsettling as it is - probably doesn't have the concentration of hydrogen sulfide that could present health risks, Baker said.

But Idaho Department of Environmental Quality officials have a different view, and they're moving forward - in spite of Ag Department objections - with a plan to establish hydrogen sulfide standards for the state. The Idaho Environmental Quality Board met Tuesday and Friday in Stanley to continue working on the standards.

Hydrogen sulfide is a common gas generated by large-scale dairies, municipal waste treatment systems and a myriad of industries. It can kill, but in lower doses it can cause such symptoms as breathing problems, nausea, headaches, permanent edema and memory problems. The gas - which is associated more with strong rotten-egg sewer smells than skunks - has been of particular concern in regard to large-scale confined animal feeding operations across the country. Twenty-nine states have some standard. Delaware's is the most stringent, with low permissible rates that address health risks and

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Flames lick at Arizona town's edge

The Associated Press

SHOW LOW, Ariz. - Authorities ordered the 7,200 residents of this city to evacuate Saturday night as a mammoth wildfire raged just to the west.

The call came as the Reddo fire, which had burned more than 150,000 acres of forest since Tuesday, breached what authorities considered a critical point about eight miles west of Show Low.

The fire was moving slowly to the east and there wasn't an immediate threat to the city, fire spokesman Jim Paxson said. Authorities hadn't decided whether to evacuate neighboring Pinedale-Lakeside.

Meanwhile, a second, smaller fire crossed a fire line and entered Heber-Overgaard, an already evacuated community of 2,700 about 25 miles to the west, Paxson said. Officials didn't know whether any structures had burned in that community.

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Two years in office, Mexican president struggles to show progress



The Washington Post

MEXICO CITY - Nearly two years after his historic election, President Vicente Fox is presiding over a paralyzed and bickering administration that has failed to deliver on a cascade of promises to make Mexico richer, safer, better educated and less corrupt.

The charismatic Fox ended the 71-year rule of the Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, on July 2, 2000, with a promise to overhaul a

Reform agenda stalls amid rocky relations with lawmakers, bitter election campaign

corrupt government that had lost the people's faith. But as Fox has proved unable to advance his goals, the euphoria of his election has dissipated. In its place is increasing concern that history may remember Fox as the man who ended the PRI's reign but accomplished little as president.

"Fox is not captain of the ship. We

are just floating," said historian Lorenzo Meyer. "I worry that the rest of his term is going to be characterized by just surviving."

Fox has scored victories: He's made government spending more transparent and allowed international human rights observers into Mexico for the first time. He appoint-

ed a prosecutor to review disappearances of anti-government activists in the 1970s and '80s; in the past week he gave the public access to the government's secret files on those cases. Several long-sought drug kingpins have been arrested during his tenure, and previously strained relations with U.S. law enforcement agencies have improved markedly.

But almost 19 months since he took office, his reform agenda is

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Report: Fertilizer bomb hit U.S. Consulate

The Washington Post

KARACHI, Pakistan — Investigators now believe the June 14 explosion outside the U.S. consulate here was caused by a huge fertilizer bomb loaded aboard a pickup driven by a suicide bomber, according to Pakistani and U.S. officials close to the investigation.

FBI experts estimate the bomb weighed 500 pounds. It was so powerful that it reduced the pickup to pieces so small and scattered that they were initially taken for shards of another vehicle, a Toyota Corolla owned by a driving school.

Investigators now believe that car, which carried five Pakistani

women, was merely near the explosion, not the cause of it. All five women died, along with seven other Pakistani passers-by and the driver of the pickup.

The previous theory that a bomb was hidden in the Corolla without the occupants' knowledge, confounded investigators because it entailed the deliberate killing of unwitting Muslim women and a remote-control detonator. Investigators see the consulate bombing as the latest in a string of suicide attacks Islamic militants have launched against Western targets in Pakistan, with the apparent assistance of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida terrorist network.

The breakthrough came after

close examination of the bomb crater on Abdullah Haroon Road outside the consulate. The crater yielded engine parts that duplicated those recovered from the Corolla elsewhere.

"The explosion was so huge that it literally blasted the bomb-laden Suzuki pickup van into thousands of metal pieces," a senior Pakistani intelligence official said Saturday.

The pickup also appeared on a videotape from a consulate security camera, according to a source close to the investigation. The camera was turned away from the site of the explosion, but it recorded the traffic approaching the site in the seconds before the blast, sources said.

Pakistani police and FBI specialists hovered over the scene in a helicopter to assess the range of the blast, which sent bits of cars onto roofs at least a quarter-mile away. Pakistani security officials called the bombing the largest ever in Pakistan, and the first involving a fertilizer bomb. The officials noted that the car bomb that killed 14 people outside a Karachi hotel last month involved a commercial explosive, DNT.

"The most scary part of the current probe is the discovery that the terrorists here are now trained in making bombs from stuff like fertilizers, available in the open market," the Pakistani intelligence official said.

Anthrax probe concludes material was relatively new

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists have concluded that anthrax sent through the mail last year was less than two years old, leading investigators to believe that whoever sent the germs could make more, according to a published report.

"It's modern," a government official told The New York Times in a story to be published today. "It was grown, and therefore it can be grown again and again."

The age of the anthrax that killed five people and sickened more than a dozen last fall gives credence to the theory that the person who put anthrax-laced letters in the mail is connected to a microbiology laboratory and may have used new equipment, government officials who spoke on condition of anonymity told the newspaper.

Establishing the age casts doubt on a theory that the mailer obtained an old laboratory sample of anthrax from a strain identified in 1981, the Times reported.

The FBI used radiocarbon dating to determine the anthrax was fresh. The method measures how much radioactive carbon a living thing loses since it died, or in the case of anthrax spores, since they became inactive.

The FBI has said the suspected mailer is likely a male loner, with scientific knowledge, a grudge against society and a familiarity with the Trenton, N.J., area, where the letters were post-marked. Officials remain uncertain if he is a U.S. citizen.

Officials say they have a list of about 50 suspects, the newspaper reported.

Quintessential advice columnist Landers dies

CHICAGO (AP) — Ann Landers, the columnist whose snappy, plainspoken and timely advice helped millions of readers deal with everything from birth to death, died Saturday. She was 83.

The death of Landers, whose real name was Esther Lederer, was announced by the Chicago Tribune, publisher of her column. She died less than two weeks before her July 4 birthday.

The cause of her death was not immediately known.

Her column first appeared in Oct. 16, 1955, in the Chicago Sun-Times. In 1993, she was the world's most widely syndicated columnist, appearing in more than 1,200 newspapers worldwide with 90 million read-



Ann Landers

ers daily. Her twin sister, Pauline, followed her into the profession as a writer of the Dear Abby column.

The feisty, outspoken Landers was a housewife when she won the Sun-Times contest to become the second Ann Landers after the woman who created the column.

At the end of her career, she was a with-it great-grandmother whose name often appeared on lists of the country's most influential women.

"Eppie Lederer was a great columnist and a wonderful person, said John W. Madigan, chairman and CEO of Tribune Co. "She helped people with her advice, and made important contributions to society through the causes she supported."

Psychology Today once gave her credit for likely having more influence on the way people work out their problems than any other person of her era.

She attributed her skill to sheer instinct. "I relate to these people like they are most often sitting in the same room. I feel their pain," she once said.

Her advice was always blunt, often sympathetic and sometimes sarcastic. But her answers, even to some of the silliest questions,

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frozen by hostile relations with Congress and lack of coordination and unity in his Cabinet. He's made little progress on pledges to modernize key parts of the economy, an outdated tax code that allows widespread cheating, energy problems that are leading to California-style power outages and antiquated labor laws that hinder business investment.

Fearing the initial momentum of his celebrated victory, Fox now faces at least another year of stalemate because of the increasingly bitter political climate ahead of congressional elections next summer. Many analysts here say Fox's agenda will remain bogged down in partisan feuding, including potentially damaging allegations by his opponents that Fox's campaign accepted illegal foreign contributions.

Rodolfo Elizondo, Fox's chief spokesman, said: "President Fox is very aware that the circumstances aren't allowing him to advance as quickly as everyone wanted. But he knows it's a marathon, not a sprint."

Even so, such of Fox's strongest allies, particularly business leaders, say some arguments are beginning to sound like excuses and that Fox's government is stuck.

longest-running political machine. The new face of Mexican democracy called on Washington to grant more visas for Mexicans, establish more guest-worker programs and legalize many of the 3 million to 4 million undocumented Mexicans in the United States.

None of that happened, and now Fox is being ridiculed at home for betting so heavily on Washington. Critics say he hasn't fought hard enough on immigration because he's star-struck by his friendship with Bush.

"He's a great seller of ideas, but you don't see him fighting for them," said Rafael Fernandez de Castro, an international relations specialist who helped design Fox's immigration proposals. "I don't see devotion in Mr. Fox."

Fox distinguished himself as a tough political fighter in his campaign against the PRI, but many analysts now say he isn't governing with the same tenacity. "One of the biggest worries is that he doesn't seem to be learning on the job," Fernandez de Castro said.

Despite his problems, Fox's approval ratings remain relatively strong, climbing from 47 percent in March to 57 percent in June, according to the most recent poll by the Reforma newspaper. Some analysts consider it a temporary bump up, resulting from Fox's

handling of a recent spat with Cuba's Fidel Castro.

Luis Rubio, an economic and political analyst, said Mexicans understand the difficulty of Fox's task. "I know very few people who say they would rather go back to where we were before," he said.

Two years isn't enough time to wipe out poverty, illiteracy and a legacy of official corruption, Fox's supporters say. After his near-mythical slaying of the PRI dragon, they explain, people had unrealistically high expectations. Now they say they're disappointed by a PRI-dominated Congress determined to see Fox fail.

"No government in the world can give its people full satisfaction in just two years," said Tarcisio Navarrete, a member of Congress from Fox's National Action Party, or PAN. "We have to keep the faith and not let our disappointment turn into total frustration. I am confident that at the end of Fox's six-year term we will see many concrete results."

But Senate President Enrique Jackson, a leading member of the PRI, said the country is not moving forward. "People want less poverty, better education, less crime, more employment and income, and we haven't seen those things," he said.

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For second time in its history, immigrants populate Minidoka

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

MINIDOKA — This place was a railroad town when Ray Lindauer was a boy — a bustling settlement of European immigrants.

Though Lindauer retired to Burley eight years ago, he was present through most of Minidoka's 98-year history. Born in Minidoka in 1923, he has watched his hometown change twice, first into a sleepy farming town and then into a Mexican American barrio.

Minidoka is a city of immigrants today, as it was when it was founded in 1904. The *Rupert Pioneer* noted in 1905 that the town's first settlers were not speculating capitalists but farmers and laborers.

Lindauer's father was a German who had moved to Odessa, Russia, to farm. When the Russians turned the Germans off the land, he found he could not return to his homeland. So, like many of his countrymen, he came to America.

Unable to defend his Minidoka homestead against rabbits and grasshoppers, Daniel Lindauer took a railroad job. There was a station in Minidoka and a roundhouse with room for three steam engines.

The town had a depot on the rail line running from Chicago to Portland, Ore., the only station in the Mini-Cassia area. There were three hotels, a school,



Ray Lindauer stands near the site of the roundhouse his father worked at for more than three decades. The building was torn down long ago. Lindauer did his railroading in Rupert but lived in Minidoka for seven decades.

house, a butcher shop, a firehouse, a nondenominational church, restaurants, a newspaper and a lumberyard.

The chug of the steam engines was Minidoka's beating heart. Other towns developed depots, but Minidoka had the roundhouse. The trains provided jobs, brought passengers and their money into town, and even carried high school students to their classes.

"Most of us had a railroad pass. Our families worked for the railroad and we'd ride the railroad," Lindauer said.

The railroad people called the

short-distance trains the "dinkies." A dinky consisted of a little engine with a baggage car behind. It would pass by in the morning, in time to carry the students to school, and bring them home at 4:30 p.m.

Another former Minidoka resident, Kathleen Hawkins of Rupert, remembers standing on the depot lawn, waving to soldiers who hung from the windows of the Yellow Rose on their way to Japan, Normandy and Belgium. The train had a new streamlined diesel engine.

"It was quite a thriving place because of the railroad,"

Hawkins said.

Lindauer left on the train to become a soldier himself. He served for three years in the Pacific. Then he returned to Idaho and got a job as a railroad clerk. But he didn't like "that pencil pushing," and he returned to Minidoka to help his father work a newly purchased farm.

They farmed without irrigation for one year. Then, in 1946, one of the farmers in the area drilled a deep well and hit water. Soon everyone wanted a well, and drilling rigs came from as far away as Kansas to meet the demand, Lindauer said.

Minidoka ups and downs

Year	Population	Year	Population
1820	250	1970	131
1820	18	1980	101
1840	174	1980	87
1960	115	2000	129

With water available, people started plowing up the sagebrush around Minidoka. The dust became unbearable.

"It got so bad one year that we were afraid we were going to ruin all our automobiles, so we just moved out to the old dry farm and stayed there, out in the heat."

"Dad would get that thick," Lindauer said, holding his hands half a foot apart. "It was like water."

While agriculture was expanding, fewer trains were stopping. By 1952, diesel engines had replaced most of the steam engines, and the trains no longer needed to stop for water and coal.

"As the years went by, Minidoka started getting smaller," Lindauer said. "At first the farmers kept it going pretty good. They still had a restaurant, and they had your post office and a couple of bars, barber shop — no meat market, but they did have a pretty nice grocery store there."

"But as time went by, more people came (to Rupert) to do their shopping, and that place lost out, and finally the store had to close up, and the restaurants quit and the bars locked up."

In the summer, Minidoka's population swelled with laborers. Most were men from Mexico, traveling to Minidoka to work on the new farms. They stayed in a labor camp, a barracks without

plumbing at the southwest corner of town. Some stayed until the potato harvest was over. Some stayed for the bee harvest; they went to work in Texas.

As farm technology improved, the need for workers slackened. The seasonal migration stopped. Some of the farm workers stayed in Idaho and got their citizenship, Lindauer said.

"They'd associate with you if you could understand them," Lindauer said. "A lot of them couldn't understand American lingo."

But the children could understand one another. Lindauer's boys played with the children of the Spanish-speaking family that moved in across the street. The Hispanic children learned English, and the Lindauer boys picked up some Spanish.

"It was a good place to grow up," he said. "It was cheap to raise kids there, and they just kind of had the run of the place. You didn't have to worry about someone stealing your kids or something like that. Everyone felt safe."

Children could do as they liked: ride bikes, play kick the can or drive jolopies through the desert.

"No license, no nothing. You didn't need it there," he said.

Lindauer, now 79, sold his land to Roy Maldonado in 1996 and moved to Burley, where he and his wife would be closer to a hospital in case of an emergency. He had never expected to stay in the little town so long.

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Minidoka

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translate, Rodriguez said. The children stay out of trouble because they know, no matter where they go, someone who knows their parents will be watching.

The town has no police force, and county deputies rarely pass through. The residents have few complaints to report, said Minidoka County Sheriff Paul Friess.

Along with low rent, the town's isolation makes it desirable to immigrants who are not yet comfortable with the laws and customs of America, Cook said. That does not make the town less safe, he said.

"They pretty well police themselves," said Ken Homer, the mayor's husband.

Small-town politics

People who don't speak English are sometimes ostracized in U.S. communities, but that's impossible in Minidoka. When the city held a bond election for a new water system in 1999, only a handful of people expressed interest. Worried, the council sent an explanatory letter to every resident, in both English and Spanish.

On election day, every registered voter cast a ballot. The proposal passed 2-1.

City Council meetings take place in two languages. Mayor Homer often asks Councilman Garcia to translate her comments to the mostly Hispanic audience, and vice versa. The likes council chamber echoes with concurrent debates in English and Spanish.

Homer takes a practical attitude toward meeting the Hispanic population on their own terms and in their own language.

"We're outnumbered," she said. "But we think the world of them."

Nowadays, all the children in Minidoka are Hispanic. The remaining non-Hispanic people are empty nesters. If present trends continue, Minidoka could be wholly Hispanic by the next Census.

Though few Hispanic people have taken political roles in Idaho,



Far left, peals of laughter from children playing in the streets are a common sound in Minidoka, where the whole village really does raise the children.

Above, Joyce Koford has been the postmaster in the town's tiny post office for 14 years. She has seen a drastic decrease in uses as businesses close in the town and people drive elsewhere for supplies.

At left, a single grave is all that remains of a defunct church in the town.

Below, the town's agricultural roots show as a farmer zooms through the town near sunset on the way to his fields.

it is almost inevitable that they will someday lead the city of Minidoka. Garcia and Carmen Rodriguez have served on the council for several years. Homer is ready to step down after 22 years as mayor.

The council could be an incubator for Hispanic politicians, Garcia said. But council service in a city of 129 is a weak springboard to higher office, he said.

Real estate

Cheap housing attracted many of Minidoka's residents in the 1990s. With the town shrinking, many homeowners were trying to sell empty houses. Now almost all the houses are full.

The median monthly rent in 2000 was \$308, and the median value of a house was \$33,100, the Census found. The cost of housing has to be low to match the median household income of \$21,250 — well below Idaho's statewide median of \$37,572.

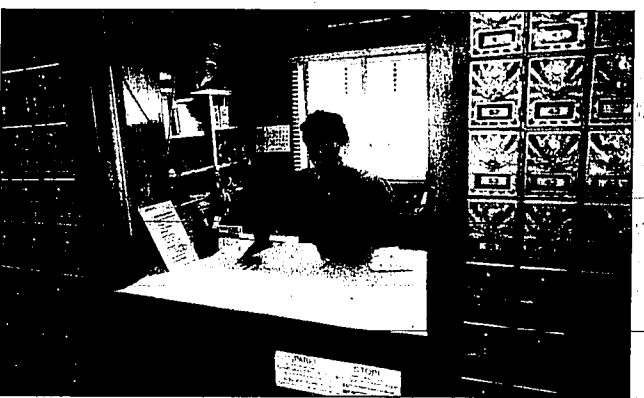
"If they want to go into town or to the country, sometimes the

prices are way too expensive," said Bliss Martinez, who was born in Mexico and now owns one of the newer houses in Minidoka.

While there are few empty houses, commerce has abandoned Minidoka. Gone are the church, the school and the hotels. The town store closed its doors four years ago.

When the city installed its new water system, it laid pipes to several empty lots in the hope that more people would build houses in the town. The mayor would like to see someone reopen the store, too. Townspeople need a place to buy bread and milk without driving the 13 miles to Rupert, she said.

People sometimes rent the room next to the post office to hold parties. It is the same room used for City Council meetings and the town's annual Christmas party. Everyone gathers for a pollock dinner. Santa makes an appearance, and the city buys turkeys, but tamales and enchiladas are featured fare.



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Making the drive

The residents sleep, eat and sometimes celebrate in Minidoka, but they work, shop, worship and go to school elsewhere.

Many of Minidoka's men work on nearby farms, or like Martinez, at the Land View Fertilizer Plant just outside the city limits. Most of the women commute to Rupert, Burley or Heyburn, to work in one of the fresh-pack potato plants, Martinez said.

Carmen Rodriguez works as a nurse at Hilland Estates in Burley. Ray Garcia commutes to Twin Falls every day. He left the town for several years but came back to Minidoka because he likes the low rent, and because he wanted to stay close to his mother in case she should need help.

The children ride the bus to Acequia-Elementary School and then to Minico High School, in Rupert. The long ride sometimes makes it hard for the students to participate in after-school activities.

On Sundays, part of the town drives to St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert. The other part drives to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Acequia. The two groups don't divide exactly along ethnic lines, though most of the Hispanics are Catholic.

Trips in and out of town make cars a necessity for every household. The Census found that Minidoka had a vehicle for every housing unit in 2000. Most have two or more cars parked nearby.



Civic pride

"Everywhere in Minidoka are signs of thrift: Homes, though painted and repaired, show their age. New wood replaces rotted trim. A scattering of green shrubs dots an otherwise black roof."

Though few Minidoka residents can afford fancy landscaping, most take obvious pride in their homes and yards. There is no graffiti.

"We do our best to keep up our houses the best we can," Martinez said.

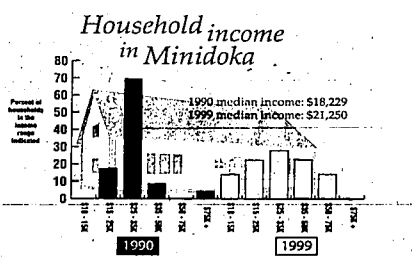
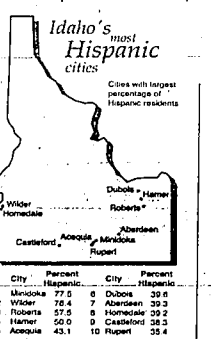
In general, the residents pay their bills and take care of their yards, Mayor Homer said. The town is poor but obviously proud. Minidoka has almost as much acreage in parks as in houses, and the parks are well-kept, with freshly painted tables and well-

tended grass.

The city's asphalt streets are crumbling to gravel, and the tennis courts are going to seed, because the town can't afford to keep them up, Homer said. But at the south end of town stands the new water tank, for which residents will pay years of doubled or tripled water bills.

The freshly painted tank is a monument to Minidoka's faith in itself. The struggle to maintain a safe, quiet place to live and raise children endures in a town where everything and nothing has changed.

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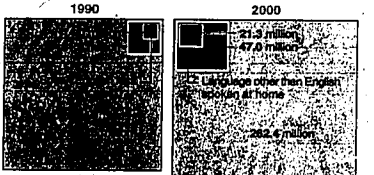
Language barrier hampers health-care

The Associated Press

Census 2000

Foreign speakers increase

More people spoke a language other than English at home in 2000 than in 1990. More people also spoke English less than "very well."



SOURCE: Census Bureau

Others who don't speak English relate similarly disheartening tales of failing to receive medical help. It's a tough problem hospitals and doctors are trying to solve as immigrants with limited English increasingly flow into their hospitals and offices.

"I felt really desperate and also frustrated at my inability to communicate in English and explain my own problem," said Mauda, a Mexican immigrant. "I feel like we're not being listened to, not being paid attention to. We're not considered important."

Doctors say they want to help patients, but object to interpreters costs that can range from \$30 to \$400, according to the American Medical Association.

Others, like the Arlington, Va.-based advance care group ProEnglish, say requiring doctors to provide interpreters is "a good example of multicultural ideology gone berserk," Newcomers

stand instructions for taking prescribed medications, the survey found.

"The health care delivery system has been a little slow to appreciate the growing diversity of our nation," said Mark Rukavina, the project's executive director. "Over and over again, community systems are being strained by the changing demographics."

Without an interpreter to tell her what was going on, one Hmong woman thought she was being kidnapped when she was driven 100 miles from a clinic in Fresno, Calif., to one in Modesto.

Xe Chue told her sister Pring Thao, "they kept driving, driving

away. As they went further away, she got more afraid." Thao said, "She thought they were going to take her to some bad places and just do whatever they wanted to her."

When she arrived, Chue motioned to two security guards she wanted to phone her family, but they ignored her, Thao said. "You're supposed to trust doctors and nurses with your life," Thao said.

Federal civil rights law requires hospitals and doctors receiving federal funds to provide services that can be understood by non-English speakers. In general, doctors cannot turn away patients simply because they don't speak English.

An executive order signed by President Clinton emphasized that programs provided in English that are not accessible to those who speak limited English are discriminatory.

This fall, the Department of Health and Human Services' Office for Civil Rights plans to issue guidelines for serving such patients.

But four doctors and ProEnglish have filed a lawsuit seeking to block the executive order. "There is such a compelling reason for maintaining a common language," said ProEnglish's executive director K.C. McAlpin. "This is going to lead to disaster in this country - balkanization, linguistic segregation."

Americans seem to pay more attention to reading

By Hillel Itallo
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK - President Bush is reportedly studying Aristotle. Book clubs proliferate in the media. A self-published, 1,200-page science text sells and sells.

Are Americans reading more, or do they just want you to think they are?

"I'd be happy if it were either," says Richard Russo, author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning "Empire Falls," a novel selected by USA Today's book club. "If I people aspire to read and see something missing in their lives and conclude reading might be part of it, that would be good."

Sales have been flat in recent years, but praise of books both good and great is on the rise. Since TV host Oprah Winfrey announced she was cutting back on her picks, at least four new-club-have-been-formed, with literary novels such as "Empire Falls" among the beneficiaries.

The "Today" show opened its book club Thursday, asking a famous author to recommend the work of a first-time fiction writer.

John Grisham, creator of such blockbusters as "The Firm" and "The Client" emerged from a door-sized book cover and selected Stephen Carter's best-selling legal thriller, "The Emperor of Ocean Park."

Carter's publisher, Alfred A. Knopf, has reprinted an additional 250,000 copies, but even Grisham seemed to question how many could get through it. He warned that the book is long and "at times a bit complicated."

"I tell people all the time I'm a famous writer in a country where people don't read," Grisham told interviewer Katie Couric. "It's not a book culture. It's a movie culture. It's a TV culture. It's a sports culture."

Carter's novel is 657 pages,



Richard Russo, winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, holds a copy of the novel for which he won, from 'Empire Falls', on the front porch of his home in Camden, Maine, on April 8.

barely half the size of another best seller, Stephen Wolfram's "A New Kind of Science."

Thanks to word of mouth and media attention, Wolfram's self-published book quickly sold out a first printing of 50,000 and has spent weeks in the top 10 of Amazon.com.

Wolfram's premise is both accessible and appealing: simple rules, not complex equations, are the key to profound scientific mysteries. But with a recent survey saying only 22 percent of Americans can even define a molecule, "A New Kind of Science" may follow Stephen Hawking's "A Brief History of Time" as a book easier to read than to understand.

"Wolfram's gotten a lot of press and there are people who

think, 'Wow, that's amazing! I'd like to learn more about it.' But confronted with a 1,200-page tome, they never got into it," says Sharon Dunwoody, a professor of journalism at the University of Wisconsin-Madison who specializes in public knowledge of science.

Reading occupies an uncertain place in American culture, which has simultaneously celebrated and suspected the thinker. The United States was conceived by Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and other intellectuals, but the true folk heroes tend to be generals, cowboys and gangsters.

At the same time, millions have subscribed to the Book-of-the-Month Club and joined reading

groups. The desire to at least appear well-read has led CliffNotes and other publishers to expand summaries of great literature from the student market to adults.

"I get the feeling there are so many book clubs and people have less and less time. They need a little help," says Justin Kestler, executive editor of SparkNotes, which has published guides to "The Kitchen God's Wife," "Beloved" and other novels.

The most surprising convert to the ranks of the highbrow is Bush, who has evolved from calling the Greeks "Grecians" to reading the Greeks himself. An official recently told reporters that Bush's influences included Aristotle's "Nicomachean Ethics" along with Alexis de Tocqueville, Adam Smith and Cicero.

Yet, don't care much for intellectuals: The erudite Adlai Stevenson was a two-time loser to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower for the presidency. But a man's man with brains is something else.

John Kennedy's rise to the presidency was aided by two factors: one of physical heroism surviving a Japanese torpedo attack during World War II; and one achievement in letters - his Pulitzer Prize-winning "Profiles in Courage."

"I'm not sure bookish people make good presidents, but they like to appear that way," says Richard Reeves, a syndicated columnist and presidential biographer.

"I once asked Gerald Ford what books he read and he told me he was too busy. He presented that as being a real man: Real men don't read books. But after I published that (in New York magazine) he was seen carrying books around and they started putting out a list of books he was reading."

Study: Ford credit changes Hispanics higher rates

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON - A new study of more than six million car loans made by Ford Motor Credit Company between 1997 and 2001 finds that Hispanic buyers - regardless of their credit history - paid significantly higher interest rates than non-Hispanics. The difference averaged \$266 more per loan.

The study, the largest of several recent surveys of car loan data for racial or ethnic patterns, attributed the additional costs to extra finance charges tacked on by dealers. The research was paid for by attorneys who are suing Ford Motor Credit of Dearborn, Mich., for alleged discrimination against Hispanic car buyers.

The company, a Ford Motor Co. subsidiary, denied the allegations. It will file a response to the study next week, said spokesman Dan Jarvis. He said the study was seriously flawed and highly subjective.

"They paid a statistician to come up with findings to support their allegations," Jarvis said. "We never see the age, gender or race of the customers who are looking for the loans... We would never discriminate based on age, race or ethnicity. It's not the way we do business here at Ford."

Ford, like most auto lenders, allows dealers to add a markup of a few percentage points to the interest rate the company will charge a borrower. The additional money generated by the

markup is either "split" with the lender or pocketed in full by the dealer. Typically, the borrower is told he or she does not qualify for lower, advertised interest rates.

The suit claims Ford fraudulently conceals markup costs from buyers and "directs the dealerships to maintain this practice in secret." It also claims Ford failed to monitor or remedy the alleged discriminatory effects of the markup policy and failed to adequately train dealers about complying with federal fair lending laws.

Using data a federal judge required Ford to provide, the study analyzed the loan terms, type of vehicle, borrower creditworthiness and interest rates for each transaction by the world's largest auto credit company.

It found that the average loan mark-up for borrowers with Hispanic surnames was 3.46 percentage points. For non-Hispanic borrowers, which include blacks, whites and other groups, the average markup was 2.78 percentage points. It also found Hispanics six percent less likely than non-Hispanics with equal credit ratings to get low-interest promotional loans from dealers.

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Bush faces number of international crises at once

By Tom Ramm
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Everywhere he turns, it seems, President Bush faces other dangerous international crisis that defies a simple solution.

The war against al-Qaida terrorists. An intractable Mideast conflict. The India-Pakistan standoff. An apparent inevitable showdown with Iraq.

When Bush goes to western Canada this week for the annual summit of the world's big seven industrial powers and Russia, these issues — and questions about U.S. leadership — are sure to dominate the agenda.

"These are huge crises which are now up to the boiling point," said Derek Mitchell, an analyst with the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

Bush continues to bask in the glow of high public approval ratings at home, but he is beginning to get mixed reviews on his crisis management.

Widespread praise greeted his performance in rallying a stunned nation after Sept. 11 and routing Afghanistan's Taliban government. The president's responses to more recent challenges, however, are drawing some criticism.

He intervened in the Middle East only after strong interna-

tional pressure. He resisted a separate, Cabinet-level Homeland Security Department for nearly nine months, until embassy relocations about intelligence failures and CIA-FBI backbiting began undermining public confidence.

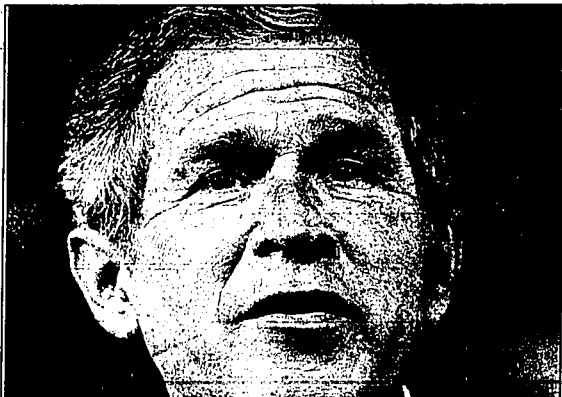
His increasingly sharp comments on ending the regime of Saddam Hussein appear to leave him little room to maneuver, alarming European allies.

"You see him moving into much more complex situations which are full of trade-offs," said Fred Greenstein, a Princeton political scientist. "So the question is — is he up to speed?"

Greenstein said the jury is still out. He said Bush's circle of seasoned national security advisers — Vice President Dick Cheney, Secretary of State Colin Powell and Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld — is a plus, even if they do not always agree with one another.

The president's Mideast policy is certain to be scrutinized at the Group of Eight summit in Kananaskis, Alberta.

Bush had hoped to outline his long-awaited plan last week well ahead of his Tuesday arrival in Canada. It is expected to call for a Palestinian state with provisional borders, contingent on a sweeping overhaul of



President Bush speaks at the carpenters' union annual national legislative conference Wednesday in Washington.

Palestinian leadership.

Developments in the region interfered — two suicide bombings in Jerusalem killed 26 Israelis and Israel began retaking Palestinian land — so the president put off his speech.

Even before announcement of the plan, its broad outlines have drawn criticism from both sides:

The Arab world wants more assurances and a clear timetable for Palestinian statehood, while Israel and its congressional allies say the terror bombing must end first.

"The terrorists are running the show today," asserted House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., a 2004 Democratic hope-

ful. "We're not engaged enough." The timing of the bombing attacks is suspect.

"The enemies of peace launch these attacks at just those moments designed to upset any move in the right direction," said Samuel Lewis, U.S. ambassador to Israel from 1977-1985. Asked whether Bush's policy

was hostage to the will of terrorists, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer responded, "Terrorists put everybody at

hostage." When he took office in January 2001, Bush inherited a country at peace and in a record-long economic expansion. But as Bush himself frequently points out, the world changed on Sept. 11.

The major crises he faces are interrelated.

It will be hard for Bush to get any Arab world cooperation in moving against Iraq, for instance, unless the Israeli-Palestinian conflict quiets. Fear that al-Qaida terrorists might form an alliance with Baghdad — and have access to its biological, chemical and possibly nuclear weapons — is driving the harder line against Saddam.

Calming tensions between nuclear-armed rivals India and Pakistan also is important, not only to avoid a nuclear conflict in South Asia but to retain Pakistan's front-line support in helping to achieve U.S. goals in post-Taliban Afghanistan.

"The administration's got a lot on its plate," said James Steinberg, deputy national security adviser in the Clinton administration. "It's a very unsettled international environment."

President sets example for national fitness

WASHINGTON (AP) — He didn't finish first, second or even in the top 20, but President Bush tried to lead by example Saturday in a three-mile run with hundreds of White House workers.

His goal was to convince Americans to take, to heart his message that regular exercise is essential to the good health of both the person and the nation.

Bush came in near the top of the 400-runner field, finishing 26th.

The 55-year-old president, running in blue shorts and a white T-shirt with "Healthier U.S. Government" on his back and a No. 1 tag on his chest, was clocked at 20 minutes, 27 seconds. The White House said, however, that the official time was 20:29, as recorded by a chip in Bush's running shoe. The first two laps were well under a 7-minute pace at 6:30 and 6:49. The 20:29 was better than Bush's usual 20:30 for three miles.

"It felt great. It was less than 20:30," Bush said at the finish line at the Army's Fort McNair in Southwest Washington. After the two laps-plus around the parade ground in the early morning sun he was soaked with sweat. Philip Mattson, 26, of the White House correspondence office, came in first at 17:32.

First Lady Laura Bush led a large group of walkers over a 1.5-mile course and completed it in 22:58.

The entry fee for the executive mansion employees to run the race was a pledge to devote several hours of time to volunteer work. Bush told the staff he was serious about collecting it.



Promoting fitness for government workers, President Bush joins 400 White House staff members as they run a three-mile race around the parade grounds at Ft. McNair in Washington, D.C., Saturday. The 55-year-old Bush finished in 20 minutes and 27 seconds.

"It's important for those of us in the White House to live how we talk," Bush said. "If we're going to say we're going to live a healthy life, let's do it. If we say we care about a neighbor in need, if we want to love a neighbor like we'd like to be loved ourselves, let's show it through our actions."

To Americans generally, he said: "I know you're a better worker if you exercise on a daily basis. I know you'll help keep the health care costs down in America if you exercise on a daily basis. I know your life will be more complete if you exercise and serve a neighbor in need."

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Health-care reform gets traction in Congress

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — Almost 10 years after former President Clinton attempted to overhaul the nation's health-care system, the American people appear ready to try again.

The plight of the uninsured is edging back into political consciousness, say lawmakers, lobbyists and pollsters, creating fertile ground for a new push toward universal health insurance.

"Ever since the economy started turning down, concern about paying for the costs of health and covering the uninsured has been going up," said Whit Ayres, a Republican pollster.

After years of fearing that grand health-care plans would collapse just as Clinton's did in 1994, supporters of a major health-care role for government sense a new opportunity. The new public attitude is bound to cause a political clash between Democrats, who favor expanding and broadening government health programs, and Republicans, who prefer private-sector solutions.

Democrats, who had abandoned plans for an ambitious health-care restructuring, are reassessing their strategy of tackling health-care issues in small bites. Those efforts — most notably drug benefits for the elderly and patient-friendly HMOs — have led to huge partisan rows in Congress but no real solutions to help Americans get affordable access to doctors and medicines.

"You have to address cost, access and quality from a comprehensive point of view," Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said last week. "And while we failed 10 years ago, I think you could say we failed in the 10 years since to deal with these issues incrementally. There isn't any outstanding success story to talk about."

Republicans are preparing for the onslaught. They concede the public's worries about insurance and skyrocketing costs, but argue that Democratic solutions would end up raising the federal treasury.

"It's always been about affordability and accessibility," said Rep. Thomas Davis, R-Va., who heads the party's congressional campaign committee. "But there's only so much money to go around."

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., took the lead for Democrats last week in a speech at the National Press Club, calling for a federal-government plan to provide affordable health insurance to every American. Outside Washington, Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, another Democrat, is campaigning for the president on the strength of a health-care plan similar to Vermont's to cover practically every child younger than 22.

Health-industry officials say issues such as the hallyhooded "Patients' Bill of Rights" — legislation designed to protect the insured against managed-care abuses that has stalled because of differences between the House and Senate bills — were popular when the economy was booming. But the more recent economic sputtering has focused the public on a more basic fear — lack of health-care coverage.

"People are just realizing that the health-care debate we've been having for the past five years is basically over," said Mark Merritt, the lead strategist for the American Association of Health Plans, which represents HMOs. "The era of viewing costly mandates and unlimited liability as a solution is over."

Ron Pollack, executive director of the liberal consumer-advocacy group Families USA, attributed the change to a confluence of four developments: Rising unemployment means more people are losing their health coverage; employers are passing on more health-care costs to their workers; health-care costs are rising at double-digit annual rates; and economically strapped states are cutting back Medicaid for the poor.

"We're experiencing a perfect storm with respect to insurance coverage," Pollack said. "All these things contribute mightily to the number of people who are uninsured."

Magic didn't last long for Minnesota's Ventura

Decision not to run for re-election seems wise to many

By Eric Slater
Los Angeles Times

ST. PAUL, Minn. — On Gov. Jesse Ventura's inauguration day, the resplendent Capitol grounds here became a theater of populism not seen at such a level since the election of Louisiana Gov. Huey Long in 1928.

A young mother in her "My governor can beat up your governor" T-shirt stood near a man who worked the night shift at a gas station, who was standing no far from an unemployed truck driver, who was looking across the room at Ventura's movie pal Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Not everyone there that day had voted for the former pro wrestler. But nearly everyone seemed downright tickled that a loud-mouthed musclemann who favored pink feather boas and effeminate sunglasses in the ring had rolled state politics onto its back.

Three and a half years later that crazy magic is so far gone that when Ventura announced last week that he would not seek re-election, many Minnesotans thought it was one of the wisest decisions he has made as governor.

Patrick Passe was the unemployed truck driver at the Capitol on Jan. 4, 1999, along with his wife and infant daughter. He's employed now, has a second baby girl, and is a political observer so astute he can name Ventura-backed bills and tell you how far they got in the state legislature — not very far, usually.

On inauguration day, the then 38-year-old who had voted Republican for 20 consecutive years had this to say: "They had their chance. Now it's his." "This is how Passe feels now: "I was hoping to get an outsider in there," he said this week. "He wasn't really an outsider. He turned out to be mostly personality, and his personality got in the way of effectiveness. I'm disappointed."



Minnesota governor Jesse Ventura, right, gets into a vehicle after leaving the Minnesota Public Radio building in St. Paul Tuesday after announcing that he is not seeking re-election.

Not a single independent candidate has been elected to statewide office since, and many one-time supporters feel his failure to fulfill his own dream — a viable third party — has been Ventura's greatest failure.

Ventura was elected in a fascinating upset. A Reform Party candidate whose only political experience was as the mayor of a Minneapolis suburb, he refused to hold his tongue or read from a script as he spoke to mostly young, disenfranchised voters.

Show up on election day, he implored them at college campuses and on what was then a groundbreaking political Web site, and show career politicians that you really are fed up with their ways.

They did just that. Sixty percent of voters turned out in Minnesota on Nov. 3, 1998, the highest figure of any state. Some 15 percent of them were people who, under state law, were allowed to register and vote the same day, many of them males under 30. Ventura defeated two established politicians — Norm Coleman, the Republican mayor of St. Paul, and Hubert H. Humphrey III, the Democratic state attorney

general and son of the late vice president — by taking 37 percent of the vote.

His inauguration party lasted several days, cost a maximum of \$20 to attend, and featured a teenage blues-rock band.

Although he enjoyed what appeared from the outside to be a two-year honeymoon, Ventura began upsetting people here right away, including many who shared his views.

He bolted the Reform Party for the Independence Party. He set up what analysts agree has been a well-oiled administration, but he handed almost all the important posts not to fellow independents but rather more experienced Democrats and

Republican operatives.

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He derided organized religion. He made millions moonlighting as an author, a football commentator and a pro wrestling referee.

He seemed to leap at the chance to go on high-profile national television programs but handed out media passes to local reporters that read "Official Jackal."

And what began to make it all come apart, some here say, was that while he beat up on others endlessly and with apparent glee, the hulking former Navy SEAL couldn't take a verbal punch himself.

"He really has quite thin skin," said Alan Frechtman of

Minnesota Public Radio, who works with humorist Garrison Kellor.

On his weekly show "A Prairie Home Companion," Kellor provoked Ventura mercilessly with lines such as "We couldn't pour water out of a boat if the instructions were written on the bell."

Instead of playing along, however, Ventura ridiculed perhaps the last man Minnesotans like to see ridiculed, the folksy, bespectacled and beloved Kellor.

"Garrison was actually light-hearted," said Frechtman. "But the governor didn't see it that way. I think if he would have played along, a lot more people would have found him endearing."

Most Minnesotans give Ventura credit for pushing through a light-rail plan for the Twin Cities, a novel property tax-reform package that is yet to be decided and a few other bills. The thing pretty much everyone liked most were the tax reforms he gave for three years — until the state ran out of money.

But politics is tough business, and in the end, it seems, tougher than Ventura.

After three years of mocking other state politicians, he proposed a tough, lean and what many analysts saw as a completely viable budget to address the economic slowdown here. The legislature instead passed its own budget, perhaps the political blow that dropped the governor.

A dedicated family man, Ventura's wife wasn't happy with his run the first time around, by most accounts, staunchly opposed a second.

The man who reveled in the fame and show-business of it all at the same time complained repeatedly about his personality and his family getting more attention than his budget proposals. And following reports that his son had trashed the governor's mansion during parties when mom and dad were away, Duluth Political Scientist Craig Gray said Ventura appeared to move up the announcement that he wouldn't run again, from late in the week to Tuesday.

Hopes dim for legislative action on prescription drugs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some Republicans are finding fault with a prescription drug bill that their party put together for a crucial election-year vote in the House this week and is supported by pharmaceutical and insurance companies.

The GOP infighting, along with sharp criticism from Democrats and some advocates for older Americans, shows how difficult it will be for Congress to compromise and send legislation to the White House this year. Only two years ago, in the months before the last elections, candidates in both parties promised older Americans action.

GOP leaders have said they plan to debate the issue on the House floor Wednesday. Senate Democrats have pledged to bring up prescription drugs by August.

The Republican measure would spend \$30 billion over 10 years and rely primarily on private insurers to administer the benefits. It would require seniors to pay premiums of about \$35 a month along with a \$250 yearly deductible.

The government would pay 80 percent of the first \$1,000 of drug costs and 50 percent of the next

\$1,000. Patients would be responsible for drug costs beyond that, although with a cap on out-of-pocket spending.

The House Energy and Commerce Committee approved its version of the bill Friday with a \$3,700 cap on out-of-pocket spending. The House Ways and Means Committee, which also has jurisdiction over the issue, has a cap that is \$100 more.

Republicans on the Energy and Commerce Committee dropped a plan to charge home health patients a \$40 co-payment, which many GOP lawmakers opposed. Rep. Bill Thomas, the Ways and Means chairman, had included that to help offset spending in the bill.

The differences in the two bills will have to be reconciled before Wednesday's debate.

Democrats have proposed spending far more money — between \$500 billion and \$800 billion — and requiring smaller premiums and co-payments. The government would be the primary administrator.

"We provide a comprehensive benefit within realistic budget parameters," Thomas, R-Calif., said.

Predicted summer surge in gas prices has yet to materialize

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The spring predictions of a surge in gas prices and families now heading on road-trip vacations can breathe a sigh of relief: Wallet-busting gas prices have not returned this summer.

As recently as mid-April, energy experts with the federal government said they expected a summer-long average of \$1.46 for a gallon of unleaded gasoline and a one-cent per gallon rise sometime in May or June.


Since then, however, the government has twice lowered its summer-long estimate and now forecasts a April-to-September national average of \$1.41 a gallon, just slightly higher than the current national average of \$1.39 compiled by AAA.

Those prices fall well short of last summer's record \$1.54 aver-

age and top weekly average of \$1.70 a gallon. And now various government and oil industry analysts say, albeit with a note of caution, that they think prices at the pump may stay pretty much as they are through Labor Day.

Gas prices have remained fairly level for two months, after rising sharply earlier in the year. Some experts say the chief reason is that the price of crude oil, which roughly accounts for 40 percent of the price consumers pay at the pump, has stabilized for the moment in the \$25- to \$26-a-barrel range.

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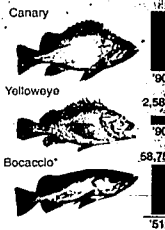
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NATION

Guarding ground

New restrictions adopted The groundfish trawling on the Pacific will limit fishing to certain depths. Restrictions were prompted by low fish stocks.

Estimated fish stock in millions



*Figures for bocaccio are only for the West Coast.

SOURCE: Pacific Fishery Management Council; ESRI

Pacific red snapper may be hard to find

FOSTER CITY, Calif. (AP) - Consumers could find it hard to get the fish sold as Pacific red snapper next year after a federal body adopted a range of proposed fishery management measures to protect groundfish off the West Coast. But it is still unclear how much fishing for groundfish will be restricted off the Pacific Coast and how supply will be affected. The Pacific Fishery Management Council voted to adopt the range of options after studies showed that the populations of three species of groundfish - bocaccio, canary and yelloweye rockfish - are lower than previously thought. The council is scheduled to vote in September on final restrictions to protect the fish.

But fishermen and businesses that sell the fish fear for the future of their business. "I expect two-thirds of the fleet to go out of business," said Bill James, a nearshore commercial fisherman in the Morro Bay area of California. "The way it looks now, we're not going to be able to access those fish and that's going to be devastating."

Joseph Aloto, owner of Alioto's Restaurant at Fisherman's Wharf, says restrictions on the groundfish take could have trickle down effect on his business. Aloto said he might have to lay off some workers at his restaurant if fish prices go up and his customers start to stay away.

"This is going to be a domino effect all the way down," Aloto said. "Without the fishermen, there is no Fisherman's Wharf."

The council voted Thursday to ban trawling of groundfish south of Cape Mendocino to the Mexican border except for dover sole, thornyhead, and sablefish for the rest of this year. The council also banned sport fishers from dropping their lines deeper than 120 feet for the same area. The council has not yet adopted sport fishing regulations for next year.

"The serious impact would be if we were restricted to 60 feet deep, which everyone agrees would be dangerous and would concentrate a lot of fishing in a small area," said Janice Green of the Recreational Fishing Alliance.

North of Cape Mendocino the council on Thursday banned fishing for groundfish between 600 and 1500 feet - the prime area for the fish.

The new regulations will affect not just those who catch the fish, but also those who process and sell it.

"When you think of the potential impact of how far it reaches: people in fish markets lose job or tourist that come to San Francisco look forward to sea food and there isn't any," said

Bill Dawson, owner of Sea Suppliers Inc. on Pier 33 in San Francisco.

Other fisheries such as salmon and shrimp could also be affected.

Brian Petersen, a shrimp fisherman from Oregon, said the shrimp fishery could become more crowded. "We could become a larger fleet as most of the fisherman that used to fish groundfish are going to start to fish shrimp," he said.

And the decrease in groundfish catches could mean an increase in imported fish.

"We will have seafood but we'll have tilapia from Taiwan or catfish from Vietnam," Dawson said.

Young women get glimpse at filmmaking

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) - It's day one of the two-week Girls Film School, and Noelle, Louise and Emily are on a mission to find and film ugly stuff.

Scars, scabs and scaffolding are good, they decide. So are garbage cans and cigarette butts and the bottom of a barbecue grill. Dog poop and a portable toilet are big finds.

"Just really focus in on the texture of it," suggests 17-year-old Louise Fox of Chico, Calif., as Noelle Sosaya, also 17, of Albuquerque aims a hand-held video camera.

The student filmmakers were given a couple of hours to choose a theme and prowl the campus of the College of Santa Fe, creating footage to be shown and discussed that night.

Louise suggested they film things that are considered ugly, because "people always focus on the pretty stuff."

"It just might help our culture if we could find beauty in anything," she said.

The exercise familiarizing them with the camera was the first in a series of classes - acting, directing, writing, editing, cine-



Mentor Melaw Antoine of Ft. Simpson, Canada, center right, instructs Girls Film School students Noelle Sosaya, left, Emily Lindsay and Louise Fox, right, on the use of a digital video camera at the College of Santa Fe in Santa Fe, N.M., Monday.

matography - designed to give young women a glimpse of career possibilities in the male-dominated film profession.

Organizers of the summer program say it's unusual among film camps because it's restricted to girls.

"So often, dealing with technology in mixed-gender classes the guys just feel more comfortable,

and so they tend to take over," said Deborah Fort, who teaches filmmaking at the college and is the program's founder and director.

"I'd see women who were very competent kind of defer to men and neither one of them being conscious of it."

Open to girls who have completed at least 10th grade, the

film school has students this summer from California, Arizona, Louisiana, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, Minnesota, Michigan and New Mexico.

They live and study until Saturday on the campus of the College of Santa Fe, a private liberal arts school that emphasizes the visual, performing and creative arts.

"It helped to build my self-confidence a lot - just talking and interacting with people," said Jennifer Kwok, 19, of Taos, who attended the film school last year and returned this year as an assistant mentor.

"I actually took my skills and made a film of my own (at college), which I'd never considered doing before," said Kwok, a sophomore at Sarah Lawrence College in New York.

Emily Lindsay, 20, of Rio Rancho, a self-described "art addict," says she already has made one film with friends - a horror-movie spoof - and wants to make more.

"I want to produce them. I want to direct them. I want to act in them," said Lindsay, one of 19 students attending the school.

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NATION

Growth

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it all. Why should I only go to a place I really love for two weeks a year, when I can live in the San Juans, in Jackson Hole or the Florida Keys, work there and have it all?"

Some longtime tourist destinations are nearing crisis stage. Many locals on Nantucket, beloved for its unspoiled beaches and maritime heritage, are being priced off the island.

"The average selling price of a home peaked at about \$1.6 million before this most recent recession. The year-round community cannot compete," said John Pagini, director of the Nantucket Planning and Economic Development Commission.

On nearby Martha's Vineyard, a favorite of former President Clinton, mansions have sprouted like suburban tract homes.

San Juan County ordered a study of Nantucket and Aspen to discover how it might avoid their crushing growth.

The researchers' answer: Sorry.

"There is little that can be done to prevent the wealthy from taking over privately owned rural lands and converting farm and forest to estates and trophy homes," the Aquatic Resources Conservation Group of Seattle wrote in its study. "The problems of finding housing for workers and the children of current residents who are not wealthy will become much worse."

The locals who clerk, cook and carry out the trash in



Lastie, left, and Susan Pal chat outside their beachfront cabin on San Juan Island, Wash., May 24.

trendy Friday Harbor on San Juan Island know all about sacrifice.

"Some people work four jobs to pay rent. You just do it," said Sharon Touher, 40, a bartender at Herb's tavern raising two teenage daughters.

"Apartments go for like \$700 a month," said Marc Wynn, 40, a cook at Downriggers restaurant. "If you're a dishwasher, you're not going to pay \$700 a

month and get by."

The oldest local, 105-year-old Etta Egeland, can recall when San Juan Island was home only to hardy homesteaders such as her grandparents.

But she's not for barring the gates. "I never wanted to see so many people here that we look around town and it's just filled up," she said. "But I'm one of those people, too. Everyone has a right to do what they want to do."

Schechter sees the San Juans moving with other PEAS into a "post-tourist" economy, where most local income is from pensions, investments and professional services performed elsewhere. San Juan County tops PEAS with 60 percent of its income in those categories.

"But while such a shift can ease tourism-related pressures, it does little to make housing affordable for wage earners."

"I'm concerned about it," said recent retiree Salquist. "Hey, if you want good restaurants and you want local services, you have to have an affordable place for people to live."

Under pressure

Here are some U.S. resort and gateway communities, or Places of Ecological or Aesthetic Significance (PEAS), facing severe growth pressures. Compiled by the Charles Institute in Jackson, Wyo. Locations are listed by major town or attraction, county and state.

- Grand Canyon, Coconino County, Ariz.
- Tahoe/Truckee, Nevada County, Calif.
- Squaw Valley, Placer County, Calif.
- Vail, Eagle County, Colo.
- Sun Valley/Wetchum, Blaine County, Sandpoint, Bonner County
- Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai County
- Red Lodge, Carbon County, Mont.
- Yellowstone/Bozeman, Gallatin

- County, Mont.
- Yellowstone/Livingston, Park County, Mont.
- Moab, Grand County, Utah
- Canyonlands/Glen Canyon, San Juan County, Utah
- Park City, Summit County, Utah
- Dinosaur National Monument, Uintah County, Utah
- Zion/St. George, Washington County, Utah
- Canyonlands/Capitol Reef, Wayne County, Utah
- San Juan Islands, San Juan County, Wash.
- Yellowstone/Cody, Park County, Wyo.
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Bin Laden is no longer forces' main focus

Chicago Tribune

BAGRAM, Afghanistan — Coalition military forces are making progress in denying Taliban and al-Qaida operatives the conditions they need to operate or regroup in Afghanistan, paving the way for U.S. troops to come home within a year to 18 months if the government remains stable, the chief commander of U.S. forces in Afghanistan says.

Osama bin Laden also is no longer a major focus of the U.S. search for terrorists in Afghanistan, said Lt. Gen. Dan McNeill, who arrived in Afghanistan a month ago to assume command of U.S. forces.

"If it's incidental in our operations that we get to him, that's fine," he said Friday of the al-Qaida chief, who has disappeared. But the coalition is "not fixated on Osama bin Laden or any other one personality."

Since March, when coalition forces fought their last major battle in Afghanistan at Shah-Kot, the war has shifted from a full-scale frontal conflict to what McNeill calls unconventional war against a reduced enemy that has split into small guerrilla groups.

Between 400 and 1,000 Taliban and al-Qaida fighters are positioned on both sides of the Afghan-Pakistan border, McNeill said, where they are regrouping from a distance at coalition troops and working on discrediting the U.S. campaign.

Despite those efforts, the transitional government, with the help of international peacekeepers, has been able to consolidate its fragile peace faster than anticipated over the past three months, raising the possibility that at least some of the 7,000 U.S. troops in Afghanistan might go home early.

McNeill, a three-star general with the 18th Airborne Corps based at Fort Bragg, N.C., said he did not expect the United States



British Cpl. Andrew Hills shakes hands with some Afghan kids as he patrols the streets of Kabul Saturday. As part of the international peace keeping force, Hills is charged with keeping Afghanistan's capital safe.

to increase its troop count in Afghanistan as the British begin next month pulling out about half of their 4,000 troops, including the 1,700 Royal Marines based at Bagram.

Instead, he hopes the fledgling Afghan national army, with two battalions in the early stages of training, will gradually begin to take a bigger role in securing the country.

"As that army begins to have some trained units they should begin to pick up part of this fight," said the general, who oversees the coalition military effort from a high-tech computer center at Bagram. In time, "I think you could begin to see at some point that the force (we)

have is not necessary.

"I wouldn't want to delude anyone. Nothing about it is going to be easy. But if we continue to put the left foot in front of the right foot we'll get there," he said.

For the time being, U.S. soldiers — many of them based at the dusty, windswept air base north of Kabul — may have to take up some of the slack for the departing British troops, who have done most of the recent ground patrols in eastern Afghanistan.

It could mean more regular U.S. soldiers on the ground in a war up to now dominated by air power and special operations units.

"We're carrying a little heavier load," McNeill acknowledged, saying that "we'll continue to do

those (patrols) where we think we have to do it."

British troops conducting such operations have so far suffered few casualties, and U.S. commanders in Afghanistan have worked hard to keep their troops protected from danger, mainly by focusing on less risky air attacks.

But assuming patrols of Afghanistan's long border with Pakistan and scouting for al-Qaida and Taliban remnants in the lawless eastern regions — where telling friends and foes apart has proved difficult — may boost the risk to U.S. troops a notch.

"I think it's still war, any way you cut it," McNeill said. But "if we do it the way we're supposed to, we'll mitigate the risk."

Five separatist bombs rattle Spain during EU summit

MADRID, Spain (AP) — Five powerful explosions rattled Spanish coastal cities during a two-day European summit that ended Saturday. The Basque separatist group ETA claimed responsibility.

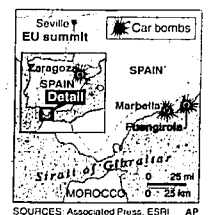
No injuries were reported in Saturday blasts in the southern city of Malaga and the northern city of Santander.

Altogether, four bombs, some concealed in stolen vehicles, and a package of explosives went off in three resorts on the Mediterranean Costa del Sol and in the northern cities of Saragossa and Santander.

The blasts propelled shreds of metal and glass, injuring 10 people, including several tourists and a Spanish policeman. Callers claiming to speak for ETA warned authorities up to 50 minutes before each blast to evacuate danger zones.

The attacks occurred despite a security mobilization that put army and air force units on maximum alert and set up police roadblocks across the country.

Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar accused ETA of seeking to



SOURCES: Associated Press, ESRI, AP

create "a climate of threats and a landscape of destruction" during the summit and vowed that those responsible would be brought to justice.

The violence embarrassed Aznar, who hoped to wrap up Spain's six-month European Union presidency with an incident-free summit in Seville, 90 miles from the closest explosion.

The meeting of EU leaders was preceded Thursday by a nationwide strike over unemployment benefits that partially paralyzed the nation.

Rescue efforts continue after Iranian quake kills at least 500

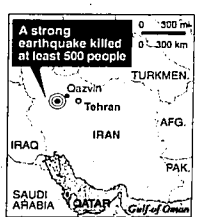
ABDAREH, Iran (AP) — A powerful earthquake Saturday flattened nearly 100 remote mountain villages in northwestern Iran, killing at least 500 people, injuring more than 1,600 and leaving thousands homeless.

Most of the known deaths occurred in the town of Bou'N-Zahra in Qazvin province, the epicenter of the magnitude-6 quake, Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency reported.

The quake struck at 7:30 a.m. when most people were still in their homes of brick, stone and mud. The structures are prone to collapse in the region's frequent earthquakes, often burying occupants in the rubble.

Among the worst hit places was the tiny village of Abdareh, about 140 miles west of the capital, Tehran. The quake toppled Abdareh's mosque, demolished 40 homes and left at least 20 people dead. The only thing not damaged was the hilltop cemetery.

"I came all the way to say hello



SOURCE: ESRI, USGS, AP

to them all, and now I am here to bury them," said Abbas Mohammadi, who had driven from Tehran on Saturday to visit his family. All nine of his relatives in Abdareh died in the quake.

About 45 families live in Abdareh, a village surrounded by hills. A bulldozer driver said he had retrieved at least 10 bodies from the rubble.

U.S. troops uncover large cache of weapons

BAGRAM, Afghanistan (AP) — U.S. special forces raided a house in southeastern Afghanistan and found mortars and other weapons thought to belong to al-Qaida or Taliban fighters, a military spokesman said Saturday. Five men were detained.

Other U.S. forces came under rocket fire in the region near the Pakistani border, while American troops further south found an extensive complex of caves where thousands of old mortar rounds were stored.

No one was injured in the

rocket attack.

U.S. special forces raided the house, near the town of Gardez, on Friday night after receiving reports that it was being used by fighters from the al-Qaida terror network or the Taliban militia. U.S. Col. Roger King told reporters.

Inside, the troops found seven cases of mortar rounds, eight rocket-propelled grenades, anti-tank mines, two 107mm rockets and other weapons.

The five men taken into custody at the house were being questioned to determine their identity, King said.

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WORLD

Philippine military honors troops who fought Abu Sayyaf leader

MANILA, Philippines — The Philippine military awarded medals Saturday to U.S.-trained troops involved in a gunbattle with the leader of the Muslim extremist Abu Sayyaf rebels, whose still-missing body now has a \$1,000 bounty on it.

World in brief

Abu Sabaya, a notorious leader and spokesman for the al-Qaida-linked Abu Sayyaf, was believed to have been killed with two of his men in a brief gunbattle Friday off Mindanao island.

The military said the men were among seven guerrillas trying to escape a massive military operation after a clash earlier this month. The Abu Sayyaf, which went on a kidnapping spree last year, lost its final three hostages in that clash, including an American missionary who was killed.

In his first expansion of the war on terror, President Bush sent more than 1,000 U.S. troops to help the badly undertrained Philippine armed forces wipe out Abu Sayyaf. The six-month mission began earlier this year.

Defendants in Pearl killing say they were framed

HYDERABAD, Pakistan — Two co-defendants in the kidnap-murder of Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl claimed Saturday they were framed by Pakistani police into making confessions.

"All the witnesses in this case are either policemen or their agents, and the entire case is a fabrication of the police ... working under FBI instructions," said Salman Saqi, one of four defendants in the case. "We know that justice will not be done to us."

The claims by Saqi and co-defendant Fahad Naseem came a day after chief defendant Ahmed Omar Saeed Sheikh accused Pakistani authorities of fabricating the case against him.

Reporters are banned from attending the trial, which started April 22, but defense and prosecution teams regularly brief them on developments.

Canada arrests man with suspected bomb plot links

MONTREAL — Canadian anti-



Brig. Gen. Donald Wurstor, center, rests with his bare hands as he joins in a special 'Boodiflight' during a celebration of the Philippine Marines and Navy special forces at Navy Headquarters in the southern port city of Zamboanga Saturday.

terrorism police have arrested a man suspected of helping militants who were planning to bomb the U.S. Embassy in Paris.

Adel Tobbichi, 34, was arrested Friday in Montreal as the result of an extradition request from the Netherlands. Royal Canadian Mounted Police Constable Richard Huard told the Associated Press. Police also searched his Montreal home.

Tobbichi, of Algerian origin, is alleged by Dutch police to have altered passports and other documents and provided them to militants planning to bomb the embassy. Huard said officials were unsure if he was a Canadian citizen.

Dutch authorities already are holding two French citizens they believe were involved in the bombing plot.

Report: Morocco detains two more terror suspects

RABAT, Morocco — Moroccan authorities have detained two people, including a police officer, in a suspected plot by al-Qaida operatives to attack U.S. and British warships, a newspaper said Saturday.

The officer, who works at Casablanca's airport, is suspected of helping an al-Qaida operative evade Moroccan border controls, said the Al Ahdad Al Maghribia,

Morocco's largest circulation daily

Moroccan authorities in May caught three Saudis suspected of plotting to sail a dinghy loaded with explosives from Morocco into the Strait of Gibraltar to attack U.S. and British warships.

New Zealand Catholic Church admits 38 abuse cases

WELLINGTON, New Zealand — The Catholic Church in New Zealand revealed Saturday it had documented 38 cases of sexual abuse by church officers in the past 50 years and offered victims an "unreserved" apology.

The cases included complaints against priests, monks and lay leaders for alleged abuse against adults, teenagers and children. It was the first admission of widespread sexual abuse in the New Zealand church.

The apology came in a written statement by the Rev. Tim Duckworth, the second-highest official in the Society of Mary, New Zealand's largest order of priests. Duckworth also said the church policy of moving offenders to other parishes or schools was wrong.

Shell accidentally goes off killing 25 at wedding party

PESHAWAR, Pakistan — A mortar shell meant to be fired in

celebration of a wedding in a Pakistani tribal area exploded prematurely Saturday, killing at least 25 people, including the bridegroom and many of his relatives, officials said.

The blast occurred in the village of Korez, 180 miles southwest of the northeast Pakistan frontier city of Peshawar, in the tribal area of Orakzai.

During the wedding festivities, one of the groom's relatives tried to fire the mortar shell as a form of noisy celebration, but it went off early. Several people, including some children, were killed outright, and others died of their injuries at the local hospital, authorities said.

Israel pledges stepped-up offensive after bloody week

JERUSALEM — The Israeli military was preparing a "crushing and decisive" response to recent Palestinian attacks, and it could include an extended stay by Israeli troops in Palestinian areas, a senior defense official said Saturday.

Israeli troops have poured into several Palestinian towns and cities in recent days, and as of Saturday night, remained in at least six places in the West Bank, where strict curfews were in force.

In two refugee camps on the edge of Nablus, Israeli fire wounded five Palestinians who were out during a temporary lifting of the curfew, Palestinian witnesses said. The army said the curfew was not lifted in Nablus and that it fired tear gas and rubber bullets at Palestinians who attacked soldiers with rocks and some live fire.

Other West Bank towns occupied by Israeli troops were mostly quiet Saturday.

U.N.: Sexual behavior must change to stop AIDS

UNITED NATIONS — A year after the 189-nation General Assembly adopted a plan to halt the AIDS epidemic, a U.N. report issued Sunday said "dramatic changes" in sexual awareness and behavior are still needed in many poor countries to stop the advance of the killer disease.

The report examined data from 39 countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America and concluded

that while campaigns have raised awareness of the HIV virus and AIDS in many developing countries, they have not had a major impact on people's behavior and their perception of risk.

"The results from this study highlight the enormous challenges lying ahead in the prevention of the spread of HIV/AIDS," the report said. "Clearly, dramatic changes in sexual and reproductive awareness and behavior in many less developed countries are needed in order to defeat the HIV/AIDS epidemic."

The U.N. Population Fund said it released the study on the first anniversary of the General Assembly special session — the first on a health issue — to provide a picture of HIV and AIDS awareness and behavior among men and women of different ages in many countries. It was based on nationally representative surveys of about 5,000 households in each country, mainly done in the mid-to-late 1990s.

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EDITORIAL

Kempthorne fights off tax hike for Idaho

Criticism of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne for his support for cutting state savings to balance the budget isn't a surprise. It reflects a partisan desire to bruise him before the November election.

But voters should once again realize that weathering an economic downturn comes down to two alternatives: either you raise state taxes or you don't.

Despite all their efforts to avoid tax increases, state leaders eventually may have to ask taxpayers to cough up the difference. But that should be the last resort, not the first.

Kempthorne and the Idaho Legislature have taken a number of

steps to keep Idaho's budget balanced in the past year. When tax receipts were slow last summer and fall, the governor ordered holdbacks of 3.5 percent for state agencies and 2.5 percent for public schools.

Then the Legislature went even further to curb spending in the coming year's budget. When tax receipts continued to lag, the governor and Legislature cut building projects.

Now Kempthorne has endorsed diverting money from special state accounts, such as the rainy day fund and the tobacco settlement trust fund.

By taking each of these steps, Kempthorne and legislators have avoided forcing Idahoans to pay more when times are tight. They haven't entirely ruled out a sales tax or personal-income tax increase, but they know they should save that option for last.

Those on the other side would say keeping programs

(especially education) whole is a higher priority. They would rather have raised taxes at the first sign of a shortfall. But what would they do next, when revenue continued sagging?

Idaho's situation is comparable to a family that hits hard times. What would you do if you lost your job? If you're like most people, you'd cut your household expenses every way you could. Then, reluctantly, you'd spend your savings.

Only when the savings ran short would you ask your relatives for money. Kempthorne's critics say using savings represents a major gamble. They disapprove of spending funds that should be earmarked for other uses.

But the decision stabilizes the state budget for the rest of the year. That means public schools, higher ed and other agencies won't have to brace for another round of holdbacks this year.

Critics are right that spending contingency funds is risky. There is a chance that Idaho's economic rebound might take longer than expected. But Kempthorne is betting that Idaho is well-positioned for recovery.

A recent Commerce Department report showed that Rhode Island and Idaho led all states in the growth of gross state product during 2000, the last year of the boom. That shows the state's in good condition for a rebound in manufacturing jobs.

Meanwhile, using the state's savings is one more maneuver to avoid tax increases and further program cuts. It's hard to complain about that.

Our view: The governor's endorsement of using Idaho's savings to balance the budget is a practical alternative to tax hikes or further program cuts. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.



Weighing the costs of death taxes

The estate tax is one of those issues where I'm almost convinced I agree with liberals (who defend the tax) — right up until they start describing their reasons for thinking as they do. I then conclude that I probably agree (more characteristically) with conservatives, who badly want to kill the "death tax." This lasts until my conservative friends explain why they favor repeal. The nation's estate tax policies as confused as I am. Under the Bush tax cut enacted last year, the amount of inheritable assets exempt from tax will rise from \$1 million this year to \$2 million in 2009. The tax will then disappear altogether — for one year. In 2011, all estates larger than \$675,000 will again be taxed.

D.J. TICE

This nonsensical situation is going to last a while longer. Last week, the U.S. Senate refused to make the phase-in repeal of the estate tax permanent. But the issue will be back.

The two sides offer some practical arguments for and against the estate tax. Its enemies say the tax discourages work, investment and capital formation, and so hurts economic growth. But this is true of every tax. In fact, one needn't be unusually cynical about human nature to suppose that the income tax, which immediately deprives workers and investors of some of the rewards of their efforts, might be a greater disincentive than an estate tax that falls only on their beloved heirs.

Defenders of the estate tax point counter that it raises considerable revenue. But any tax can do that. The question that properly dominates this debate is whether this particular tax is just. "Death taxes" critics insist it is uniquely and intrinsically unjust to use a person's death to impose yet another tax on wealth that was already taxed when it was earned. "Death taxes" critics also insist that other taxes' Many taxes are collected when wealth is transferred, and the resources being transferred nearly always have been taxed before.

When I pay my barber for his services, I use dollars against which I've already paid tax. Why, as an ethical matter, should taxes be imposed on a barber, who works for my payment and on my behalf, who earns her inheritance by choosing her parents wisely? Perhaps the unarticulated idea involves the unique social importance of family bonds, and the danger of weakening them by depleting the value of inheritances. Something like this is suggested by the special concern both defenders and critics of the estate tax show for protecting family farms and family businesses.

But, as an ethical matter, it's not entirely clear why a family-owned ranch or hardware store should be sacrosanct in a way a family-owned stock portfolio is not.

It's surprising and troubling that so many modern Americans think it a virtue that the estate tax is starkly discriminatory. Nothing so strongly suggests that Americans, in truth, do not consider estate taxes fair as this fact: Government does not tax the estate of a person more than a tiny minority of heirs.

One of the elementary safeguards against oppression is the old principle embodied in the U.S. Constitution's call for "equal protection of the law." It's the principle that "majority rule" can safely be allowed so long as members of the majority must themselves live under the laws they vote to pass. But allow a majority to impose special burdens on a minority, without bearing those burdens itself, and injustice is imminent. This is the case of course often used to argue against all progressive taxation — taxing the rich more, proportionately than the poor. But at least in the case of the estate tax, everyone with significant income pays at least some tax. With the estate levy we have a burden that the overwhelming majority of Americans impose on a tiny few without experiencing any of its effects themselves. This should give us pause, not comfort.

It may be that the trouble with the estate tax is that too few Americans pay it. If taxes on inheritances are just, why estate tax should be paid on every inheritance. If anything else, this proposal might inspire Americans to think a bit more carefully about the whys and why nots of this tax.

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University: Warming benefits ag

DENNIS T. AVERY

Climate alarmists are fond of telling us that global warming will threaten our farms and food supplies by causing more droughts, floods and storms.

But 122 years of detailed climate records from the University of Pisa in Italy say the rapid half-degree Centigrade warming of the past century has actually helped that region's farmers.

A team of Italian scientists recently analyzed a detailed set of climate records going back to 1878. Maximum and minimum temperatures, last frost days and first frosts days of each year, and lengths of dry spells, rainfall and evaporation rates.

The Pisa researchers found that "extremely cold temperature events have decreased and extremely warm temperature events have remained unchanged." Nighttime temperatures don't go as low as often as they previously did. That means fewer killing-frost nights, without much additional daytime heat stress on plants.

In fact, the biggest news from the Pisa weather records is that the growing season has increased 47 days since 1878. That means bigger crops and far less frost risk for the farmers. Pisa's high rainfall events in the spring decreased over the 122 years, but additional cloud cover also cut water evaporation so there was little change in field moisture.

For farmers, the only significant moisture impact of the warming was a decrease in moisture-surplus days in the fall.

The 1,300-year cycle coincides exactly with a known cycle in the magnetic activity of the sun. That apparently means we're about 200 to 300 years or so into a 650-year period of mild global warming. The growing seasons are likely to get even longer. Remember we called it the Medieval Climate Optimum — the best weather humanity ever recorded.

Earth's plants and animals have evidently been through this climate cycling many times before, and farmers have been adapting to dynamic weather trends for 10,000 years. We just haven't had the climate records to look back at the process.

Indeed, our plans also evolved in a period when carbon dioxide levels in the air were much higher than they are today. More carbon-dioxide for plants is like more oxygen for people. The plants and trees grow better. Perhaps as much as 15 percent of the crop-yield increases during recent decades may be due to higher levels of carbon-dioxide.

The moderate global warming that has been going on since the last part of the 19th century has been beneficial to the world's food supplies and to the 6.2 billion people who depend on them. Rather than fear global warming, rational people should embrace it.

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LETTERS

Elementary principal is tough when she needs to be
Regarding Nancy Kuna, principal at Heyburn Elementary School:

I have known Mrs. Kuna now for two years and have had dealings with her several times in that period. I have found her to be very fair and loving toward her charges. She is tough when she needs to be, especially when the child is capable of doing better both in school grades and in attitude and behavior.

If someone feels she is too harsh, they should go to the school and follow her around for a day or two and watch how she handles the kids and staff. I have heard nothing but good from the teachers I have talked to and from other parents and grandparents that are involved with school activities.

If she is fired, I will recommend to all parents of Heyburn Elementary School that they home teach their kids or transfer them to Cassia County schools. I will also recommend that Mrs. Kuna file a lawsuit against the county board of trustees and the county for being fired on unjust charges. Also, I feel it was very unfair of the parties involved in filing the charges to wait until school was out and most of the teachers are out of town on vacation or can't be reached for one reason or another to keep Mrs. Kuna

from being able to defend herself with their help.

I highly recommend that all parents and teachers of Heyburn Elementary School children write letters to the school board and to the attorneys of both parties expressing how they feel.
RUSSELL E. REYNOLDS
Burdley

Editorial pegged problem of dusty section of road

I very much appreciated The Times-News Mini-Calendar article titled "Dusty road needs some attention" in the June 16 paper. The problems on the section of I-84 between the I-84/36 interchange and the Utah border have long concerned me.

This section of I-84 has not just been in trouble since it was built, it was in trouble when it was being built because it was constructed in segments that caused travelers to drive intermittently on improved four-lane and unimproved two-lane roadways. Not only have blinding dust storms caused deaths, damages and closures — drifting snow and at least one flash flood have caused like problems.

A cursory tabulation of the cost of all these problems: deaths, damages, loss of use, resultant claims, highway patrol and emergency services, particularly research, signage, windbreaks, public relations, wildlife kills, etc., makes it obvious that, as the old timers who lived in

the area predicted, the few miles/minutes saved by constructing the interstate east of Black Pine Mountain have not been worth it.

It is indeed time, if not past time, to move this matter to the top of the agendas, to compile the cost of the multiple problems and to reconcile the cost of reclamation of I-84 with the cost of these problems. We must muster the political courage to admit the mistake, benefit from the lesson learned and make I-84 between its interchanges with I-86 and the Utah border not only safe but more user friendly.

My opinion
MADELYN PLAYER
Rupert

Citizens have little input into ambulance service

I am writing this letter to comment on a frustrating situation in Jerome.

I recently had a patient for whom I have cared for many years, who unfortunately fell at home. 911 was appropriately called and the paramedics from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center responded. The patient asked to be taken to St. Benedict's but was told "no" by the ambulance personnel. He was transported to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. This is, unfortunately, not an isolated circumstance. This did not meet this gentleman's need in his time of distress.

I am very concerned that the ambulance has been removed from Jerome, and we have little or no input into the ambulance service provided to this county's citizens.

DR. JAMES S. IRWIN
Jerome
(Editor's note: James Irwin is a family practice and obstetrics physician with Family Care Physicians in Jerome.)

Leave the Perrine Bridge open to BASE jumpers

The editorial of June 20 is a rather foolhardy and narrow-minded stance on BASE jumping from the Perrine Bridge. BASE jumping, like any other alternative sport, comes with its own set of risks. People that take up these sports know of the inherent risks and are willing to accept them for the love of their sport. The BASE jumping death on June 15, while tragic, is an acceptable risk to the people involved in that sport. If the city, county, or state tries to regulate jumping off the Perrine Bridge, then they are opening themselves up to lawsuits in the event of an accident because there will always be the question of negligence. However, if BASE jumping remains unregulated — and not necessarily encouraged but not stopped by authorities either — it becomes a sport like rock climbing or kayaking or hang gliding. People that practice these

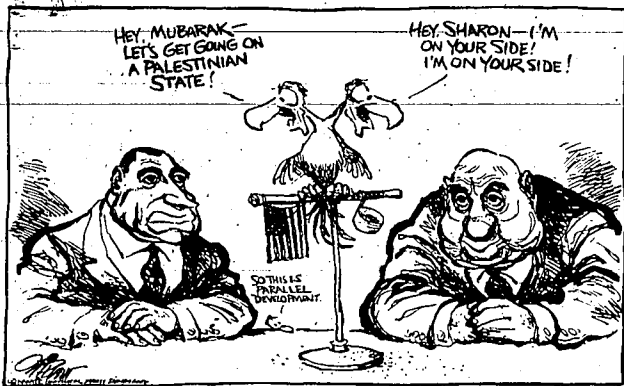
sports do occasionally die, but you wouldn't advocate closing a cliff or a river or a mountain after one of those deaths would you? Also, and while this seems rather shallow in light of the recent accident, BASE jumpers bring a tremendous amount of tourist dollars into the area.

I have spoken to several of them and on any given weekend, one person will spend in the neighborhood of \$1,000 on hotel rooms, food, entertainment, etc. This money will dry up quickly if we close the bridge to them. People are going to participate in sports that have death as a consequence of failure; that is just human nature, but I'll bet if you ask any one of those people how they would prefer to die, I would bet the answer you will hear most often is, "doing what I love."

Leave the Perrine Bridge open to BASE jumping.
JASON KITLEY
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Jason Kitley is the programs coordinator for the Jerome Recreation District.)

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LETTERS



Set a real goal for Mideast peace

The horrendous bombings in Jerusalem this week must be making President Bush uneasy about promoting new peace efforts in the Middle East. He has put off a speech laying out his long-awaited peace plan. His team has started quarreling again over its details.

That speech is still worth giving, but only on one condition: if it offers Israelis and Palestinians a strategy to escape from their vicious cycle of rage and revenge.

Cynics will argue that no such strategy is plausible. On the Palestinian side, Hamas and other terrorist groups have pledged to continue the bombing. Palestinian leaders blew the chance to negotiate a peace in 2000 and opted for violence. They have lost credibility with Israel and their own people.

Their mistakes have played into the hands of the hawkish Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon. In fact they got him elected. Sharon doesn't believe full peace is possible and is committed to keeping control of the West Bank and Gaza.

But this week's horrors underline just why a U.S. plan is the only hope for both Palestinians and Israelis. No matter how repelled one is by the Jerusalem carnage, the facts are these:

Israel's incursions into the West Bank haven't stopped the terrorists. Nor will a fence separating the West Bank and Israel. Moreover, 200,000 Jewish settlers and the soldiers protecting them will remain on the West Bank side of the fence.

The right wing's hope of fully reoccupying the West Bank won't solve the problem, either. Stationing large numbers of troops, once again, on the West Bank, will expose them to constant attack. Nor can Israel achieve long-term security by penning Palestinians into their towns and villages - the current situation.

So what's the U.S. formula that could change the Palestinian

TRUDY RUBIN

mindset, and provide Israelis with assurances that the change was real?

President Bush should endorse the concept of a Palestinian state, along the lines of pre-1967 Israel with border adjustments. Israel would give up most settlements. Palestinians would give up the right of refugee return to pre-1967 Israel. Final details - and Jerusalem - would be negotiated.

But the Palestinians would only get such a state if they totally crushed terrorism and reformed their government in the meantime. Any backsliding, and the deal would be off.

This concept - spelling out the end goal, but testing good behavior during a lead-up - is the opposite of the Oslo peace process. It is also the opposite of what President Bush reportedly is set to propose.

The Oslo process called for a long interim period before final negotiations on a Palestinian state. Interim negotiations dragged, deadlines passed, more Jewish settlements went up on the West Bank in the meantime. Both sides lost trust long before final talks.

The Bush plan supposedly will suggest a "provisional" state in the bits of West Bank and Gaza territory that Palestinians now control. Palestinians will be required to stop violence and reform their government before final talks. But unless the United States spells out its preferred end goal at the beginning - endorsed by Russia, the European Union, and the United Nations - Palestinians won't believe they'll ever get a state.

If the goal were clear, however, moderate Arabs - and moderate Palestinians - would have leverage to press for drastic changes. Signs of what might be possible appeared this week. For the first time, 50

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Palestinians, including leading intellectuals, took out a full-page ad calling for an end to suicide bombings. Equally important, a group of respected nongovernmental leaders demanded new leadership and new elections. Mustafa Barghouti, the driving force behind the second initiative, told me by phone, "If the U.S. plan calls for an end of occupation on the 1967 lines this would help us bring about democratic change."

In other words, spell out the end goal. Keep Palestinian moderates to an end run around Yasir Arafat.

Require the Palestinians to prove their bona fides to Israel before they get a state. That's the formula that could make a difference.

Anything less, and the president would be better off not giving his speech at all.

Trudy Rubin is a columnist and editorial-board member for the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Commissioners should give Twin Falls dairy ordinance

I want to ask the Twin Falls County commissioners to make the necessary decisions to put in place a dairy ordinance for our county. We have a Republican form of government here in Twin Falls County and we elected and pay you to make decisions for us. We don't have a government where everyone casts a vote on every issue, but we elect our governmental officials to make decisions after they have gathered facts and heard input from us, the citizens. You will take heat from both sides of the dairy ordinance but, in fact, you already are so let's get on with the necessary decisions to implement a dairy ordinance instead of sending it back to Mr. Edmunds' committee.

The citizen committee has reported and asked you to make the final decisions. In this dairy ordinance issue, you need to make the decisions that the citizens committee couldn't come to an agreement on. They have given it their best effort, and it is my understanding that both sides want you three to make the final decisions. Since we elect just three of you, there will not be any deadlocks and we the citizens will have an ordinance that will most likely be a living, changing document for many years.

Now we need you to make the necessary decisions very soon so we can drive on down the road. We citizens have the right to demand you three commissioners stand up and take a swing at the ball, knowing that if only half of your constituents are happy and the other half unhappy, you most likely made a mistake. You will be successful if about 90 percent of the constituents on both sides of this issue are unhappy. The reason being that in this situation, you can never expect to please both sides of this issue so you better hope that both sides are unhappy.

Such an outcome is most likely

the best decision you can make, even though it will not be a perfect document. At least it will allow us to move on, modify and change it as is required. Both sides deserve a decision and both sides served well on the citizens committee moderated by Mr. Edmunds. You were elected for your ability to think, analyze and act on our behalf after you have heard the evidence. Give us a dairy ordinance. Now.

JOHN C. HAIGHT
Twin Falls

Reading The Times-News may be hazardous to your health

The Times-News should take its own advice. A recent editorial warns the city to have BASE jumpers at least sign a release of responsibility before jumping off the Perrine Bridge. Maybe it would

be prudent for them to require readers to sign a release before opening the morning paper! It may prevent a future lawsuit. It's only a matter of time before someone suffers a fatal heart attack or stroke after reading the brainless editorial perspective of this paper.

* I know I often feel my blood pressure rising while reading the paper. Or maybe the advice should go to the readers of The Times-News. Like cities who have warned BASE jumpers to get their thrills elsewhere - News suckers get your news else where! Picture this shocking headline: More fatalities may happen if reading The Times-News continues.

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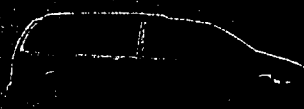
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The man who didn't get away

Elaine Benes: "You can't find beauty in a man."
Jerry Seinfeld: "No. I find them repugnant and unappealing."
—An episode of "Seinfeld," 1992

Today's topic is middle-aged couples, and how the far is always way uglier than the woman.

It's quite true: Show me a typical 45-year-old pair and I'll show you Quasimodo and Esmeralda.

She's stylish, has a figure, stands up straight and smiles. He looks as if he's been living under the stairs for a fortnight, with only The Bass Channel for company.

Part of the problem, certainly, is shorts: Grown-up men persist in wearing them, even when such a spectacle makes the angels weep.

Which begs two questions: Why does she hang out with this specimen, and what got them together in the first place?

As to the first question, the answer — clearly — is improper vision correction; there are just far too many gals walking around with their eyes dilated.

You would think that LASIK would help, but clearly it hasn't.

Any middle-aged woman who would make a public appearance with Cyrano de Bergerac there shouldn't be permitted to drive.

As to why such an aesthetically mismatched pair could become a couple in the first place, we again turn to "Seinfeld."

Elaine: "What percentage of the population do you think is good looking?"
Jerry: "Five percent. No more."
Elaine: "Five percent? No way."
Jerry: "No? Have you been to the DMV lately? It's a leper colony."
Elaine: "So 95 percent of people are unattractive?"
Jerry: "Undatable!"

Elaine: "Then how are all these couples gettin' together?"
Jerry: "Alcohol!"

What's curious is why more middle-aged women don't wake up one morning and realize they're married to Mr. Ed. I took an informal survey of a half-dozen women I know who are married to or dating certifiably homely guys. Five of these gals actually said their partners were better looking than they were.

How is that possible? Could it be that living with someone with ear hair for 20 years cauterizes one's sensibilities? It's possible, with some help from The Flamingos.

The Flamingos, you see, were a '50s doo-wop group that had a big hit with a song called "I Only Have Eyes for You." It's a romantic ballad that especially celebrates myopia.

Are the stars out tonight?
I don't know if it's cloudy or bright,
I only have eyes for you, dear.

The moon may be high,
but I can't see a thing in the sky,
'cause I only have eyes for you.

I don't know if we're in a garden,
or on a crowded avenue,
You are here
So am I.

Maybe millions of people go by,
but they all disappear from view,
And I only have eyes for you.

That song came out in 1959 and was popular, off and on, for a decade or more thereafter. Do the math: Many, maybe most, of the baby boomer couples out there today got all squishy inside when they contemplate the prospect of not being able to see the boil upon the nose that sits astride their lover's face.

That's nobody's business but their own I suppose, but what's it doing to the human genome? Generation unto generation is begetting baby boys whose eyebrows will eventually grow together.

Perhaps it's time for the children of America's middle-aged couples to take a hiatus. Aversion therapy might be a good beginning.

As you may know, the cable TV channel Nick at Night airs family-back episodes of "All in the Family" a couple of times every evening. It's high time you sat Mom down and made her watch for a while, repeating "Archie Bunker ... and Daddy," "Archie Bunker ... and Daddy," until she makes the connection.

It may not stop Mom from being seen with Pops in public, but at least next time he asks if he really needs to put on a shirt when they go out to dinner, she can tell him to stifle.

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Above, Meg Jefferies, 7, takes aim and successfully hits the bull's-eye so that Colton Baratt, 8, will make a big splash during Filer Fun Days Saturday. The event continues today at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, with a community church service from 10:30 a.m. to noon, a Kiwanis lunch for \$4.50 from noon to 2 p.m., the Kiwanis farm toy show from noon to 4 p.m. and a horseshoe-pitching tournament from 2-4 p.m.

Right, Jill Postoll with the band Sound Pool entertains with Christian gospel music Saturday.

Below, Eric Higley checks the specks on an oldie-but-goodie 1953 Chevy pickup during Saturday's classic car competition.



Photos by MICHAEL W. WELLS/The Times-News

Burley residents float ideas concerning community's future



Adria Masoner leads one of the working groups at Saturday's town meeting in Burley. About 100 people met for about 2 1/2 hours to discuss the community's future.

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Although no definitive plan was formed, the 100 or so people at Saturday's town meeting appeared to leave believing they can help make a difference in the community's future.

The meeting was held to identify things the community should focus on and line out some longer-term planning for the community. It was initiated in response to last month's announcement of the impending

Dems say GOP is out of touch

Candidates show they're different

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

HEYBURN — A solution for the impending loss of almost 700 jobs at the J.R. Simplot Co. potato processing plant might be imminent, says Democratic nominee for the U.S. Senate Alan Blinken.

"It's very delicate, very delicate. I can't talk about it yet, but there is something out there that could take up some of the slack," Blinken said Saturday at a press conference across the street from the plant that is due to start laying off workers this fall.

Blinken and a group of Democratic candidates for state offices held the press conference during the 2002 Democratic Party Conference held in Burley over the past three days.

The thrust of the candidates' message was that Idaho's career politicians are out of touch with the needs of Idaho residents.

Blinken, who faces incumbent Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, in November, said certain Simplot employees heard from upper management five years ago the plant was slated for closure.

"Five years ago — why didn't our leaders try to bring in something?" Blinken asked. The question he listed his accomplishments as the ambassador to Belgium, when he said he helped establish tens of thousands of jobs from European businesses in the United States.

He blamed Craig for not doing as Utah's and Washington's senators and representatives did when he was in Belgium. He said he saw them in Europe regularly soliciting business for their home states.

Jerry Brady, Democratic nominee for governor, criticized his opponent, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, for not attending to the Simplot dilemma.

"I'm here weeks and weeks and weeks after Gov. Kempthorne should have been here," Brady said. "He knew about this in advance. The current administration does not know the problems it's facing."

Brady said his record in helping find work for laid-off workers at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory in eastern Idaho is proof he puts jobs first. He said he helped form the Eastern Idaho Economic Council, which found 2,000 jobs for displaced workers. Brady said he thinks the best fit for Heyburn is more agricultural food processing. But he also suggested that many small businesses would be a better answer than one large employer.

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BURLEY — First, tell the public there should be no more cuts in education, and then if people want to know how to meet the shortfall when they happen, don't mention the Republicans' tax cuts.

That's one of the game plans the current crop of Democratic candidates for state offices is getting in its training sessions. Democrats were hiding nothing; it's a new strategy they began using about a year-and-a-half ago in order to distance themselves from Republicans.

Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, along with other Democratic legislators who have a history of getting elected repeatedly, lectured the greenhorns Saturday on the tricks of campaigning during the 2002 Democratic Party Convention held in Burley.

"How to meet the shortfall — that will be the question," Stennett said, emphasizing "will." He advised candidates not to campaign on the idea of tax increases.

It would be OK to discuss how the Democrats have suggested during the past Legislative session postponing the vote to make the income tax cuts permanent. Another way to generate money for education might be to talk about how it is time to start taking a look at sales tax exemptions, Stennett said.

Traditionally some meetings are off limits to the press. The caucus is one. It's the kind of meeting where a party meets to discuss how each lawmaker thinks about various issues before going public. It is also where votes are counted, deals are struck and every now and then a few insults hurled.

The Democrats oriented their press to the press, but the Republicans — who make up about 90 percent of the Legislature — say they get too rowdy to expose that to the public.

The platform Democrats set out is also an attempt to show Idaho voters how they are different from Republicans.

As party members discussed the platform, Stennett said, "Please see CANDIDATES, Page B4"

Republican Lawrence Wadsworth. "He's a bureaucrat," Roark said. "He's spent the last 16 years in the attorney general's office becoming institutionalized in his thinking."

The biggest problem with the current attorney general's office with its 12 lawyers is that it has become insensitive to its most important clients — Idaho taxpayers — while becoming too protective toward government agencies.

Traditionally, Republicans are noted for favoring private industry. Roark even admitted that in terms of personal philosophy, he tends to side with moderate Republicans.

"I've never voted a straight ticket in my life," he said.

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development group. Several dozen people clustered for that discussion.

It's important that the community be more open-minded and consider about possible new business ventures, businessman Brent Lee said. Equally important, he said, is that people be aware of needs of existing businesses and not try to help any of those which may be struggling.

Mechelle McFarland, the coordinator for the Twin-Casta Economic Development group, said she would be happy to help anyone who wants to help. Please see TOWN, Page B4

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Whittler passes art on to progeny

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Coleen Sweeten is whittling a link between three generations in his family and an old folk art. For the past several months, the Springfield, Utah, man has traveled to Idaho Falls to teach his sons and grandsons how to whittle a chain from a solid piece of wood, a craft Sweeten first saw when he was a youngster. "When I was 10 or 12, I saw a sheepherder whittling a chain out of an old piece of quaking aspen," said Sweeten, 83, who grew up on a farm near Malad and, until recently, lived in the Malad area. "I tried and tried but I couldn't do it." He gave up in frustration and didn't think about whittling a chain out of wood again until he found an old man who was living in a U.S. Army hospital after being injured during World War II. "I got on my crutches and went over and found an old piece of wood. I finally was able to whittle it into a chain and I've still got

that little chain," he said. In the 60 or so years since then, Sweeten has spent countless hours transforming boards into chains, a craft that captured the attention of the Idaho Commission on the Arts. The commission sponsors a program called the Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Awards that is designed to help master folk artists continue their craft's tradition. Through the program, artists are given up to \$2,000 to pay for travel and expenses to teach their art, which can range from traditional hand-crafted artwork to folk traditions. "The program promotes the continuation of culture, knowledge and skills in all art forms found in Idaho's communities," explained Maria Carmen Gambliel of the arts commission. Gambliel visited Sweeten at the Idaho Falls home of his son-in-law, Charles Isom, and his grandsons, Shane and Daniel, to judge the progress of their whittling skills. "As she viewed the newly carved chains and joked with Sweeten, a celebrated cowboy poet and storyteller in addition to being a whittler, Gambliel said the apprenticeship program is essential to ensuring the folk arts do not disappear when the older artists die. "It allows us people to get together and pass on important art forms that would probably be lost," said Charles Isom, who said he was proud to have the opportunity to learn to whittle chains and was thrilled when his sons wanted to learn, too. Sweeten said the hands-on approach to teaching a folk-art tradition is essential, and crafts such as his cannot be taught properly any other way. "You can study it all you want, but until you put knife to the wood, nothing happens," he said. Fourteen-year-old Daniel said as his grandfather began teaching the skill to his dad, he grabbed his own pocketknife and listened in. "I thought it was pretty cool, and I wanted to try it, too," he said.

Ketchum considers doubling resort, retail tax

By Pat Murphy Times-News correspondent KETCHUM — As trial balloons go, the city of Ketchum's question at a town hall meeting last week of whether it should double the local option tax floated safely without being pricked. However, Mayor Ed Simon later reacted with caution. "I don't want to attribute too much" to the generally warm reception the idea received. "I'm not sure it's had enough exposure." The present 1 percent tax on all retail sales and lodging yields an estimated \$2 million to the city. That money is used to enhance fire and police protection and other services, such as the city's free KART bus service. An additional 1 percent would produce another estimated \$1.5 million and could be used for other purposes. After posing the question of an increased tax, Simon and fellow council members asked some 75 residents attending the meeting to indicate on what they'd like the additional revenue to be spent. Most of reaction focused on acquisition of a parking lot across from Atkinson's market to be used as a plaza and park; burying power lines; acquiring Warm Springs Golf Course to avoid a sale for real estate development; right-of-way acquisition

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10 percent. The caller said that might be damaging for business. Simon said the council probably would place on its July 15 agenda the discussion of increasing the tax. The public would be asked to react as well as suggest uses. In parallel with the discussion about increasing the tax, last week's audience was asked for a list of what it considered its priorities and concerns. Residents cast their votes with adhesive paper stickers on posterboards where topics were listed. The largest vote went to affordable housing, followed by such projects as improving Idaho Highway 75, limiting building heights, and creating a park-and-ride lot, a community swimming pool and a consolidated fire and police dispatch for the county. Several of the priorities are being handled in separate projects. The proposed Bill Janss Community Center, if built, will have a large aquatic center of swimming pools, and Highway 75 improvement is a major project of Idaho and the Federal Highway Administration. Early in the meeting, Simon also said the city "can't afford to do things as in the past." He also announced a major overhaul of the city's Web site (http://www.ci.ketchum.id.us) in the future, which will enable residents to e-mail specific departments and employees as well as download city paper forms.

OBITUARIES

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SHOSHONE
[Portrait of William Clay Connell]
William Clay Connell, 85, of Shoshone passed away peacefully Thursday, June 20, 2002 at his residence. William (Bill) was born Sept. 3, 1916 in Seattle City, Missouri, to John and Eva Belle Scott Connell. He moved with his parents to Burley at age 3. In 1933 he moved to Shoshone where he spent the remainder of his life farming and ranching. Bill married the love of his life, Dora May Butler on Jan. 30, 1937, where they continued to build their life and family. She passed away Oct. 17, 1977. William was a member of the LDS Church and the Magic Grange. Survivors include 2 sons, Rick (Connie) Connell of Shoshone and John (Teresa) Connell of Jerome, 2 daughters, Deborah (Vance) Ross and Shelby (Rick) Hestley, of Twin Falls and a daughter-in-law, Rachel Connell of Shoshone. He is also survived by 23 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his eldest son, Dale (Lynn) Connell in 2000. Bill will be missed by all who know and cherished him throughout his life. Funeral services will be held on Mon. June 24, 2002, at 10:30 a.m. at the Shoshone LDS Church officiating Bishop Larry Sturgeon officiating. Burial will follow at the Shoshone Cemetery. A final viewing will be held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. for family and friends Sun. June 23, 2002, at Demaray's Shoshone Chapel.

He started her family when he moved to Boise where she remained active with family and church activities. In 1958 they moved to Portland, Oregon, where Louise worked as a PBX operator at Jamison Knitting Mills, retiring in 1977 then returning to her beloved Oakley where she assumed a very large role in the lives of her grandchildren. Until her progressing illness intervened, she remained active in Relief Society. Louise will be missed by her adoring family and friends and by many neighbors whose lives she touched. She was indeed a kind and gentle soul. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 25, 2002, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Oakley Stake Center, with Bishop Gary Lloyd officiating. Burial will be in the Oakley Cemetery. Friends may call at the Stake Center in Oakley on Monday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and on Tuesday from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester, a daughter, Donna Temple Newton, four sisters and 3 brothers. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, June 25, 2002, at The Paul Congregational Church, 121 North 2nd West in Paul. Burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery. Family and friends may call at the City Mortuary, 222 West Main Street in Burley on Monday, June 24, 2002, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and at the church from 12:00 noon to 2:45 p.m. prior to the funeral on Tuesday.

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PAUL
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[Portrait of Louise P. Butler]
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University offers money to students serving community
MOSCOW (AP) — A new scholarship will be awarded annually to 20 University of Idaho freshmen interested in community service. The students will get a \$2,400 Bonner Scholarship in exchange for 900 hours of community service over their first two years of college. The 20 students selected each year will work between 12-13 hours a week with local non-profit agencies and churches. They also could participate in national conferences, leadership development and training workshops. The scholarships are funded by the university and the Bonner Foundation and the Americorps program. "This scholarship and leadership training opportunity is best suited to the student has a passion and interest in serving others," said Steven Janowick, director of the Bonner Student Leaders Program.

Edson 'Ed' Morris of Gooding, service at 2 p.m. Monday at the Gooding United Methodist Church; interment in Elmwood Cemetery; visitation from 5-7 p.m. today at Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

Harold Hoshaw of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. Monday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls; interment will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery in Twin Falls; visitation from 5-7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

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DEATH NOTICE

Phyllis M. Trevino RUPERT — Phyllis M. Trevino, 76, of Rupert died Saturday, June 22, 2002, at Alphonso Regional Medical Center in Boise. The funeral is pending and will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

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State officials warn about rabies

Idaho in brief

BOISE - State Health and Welfare officials are warning people to be cautious around bats and get their pets vaccinated against rabies.

The warning came after cases of rabies were confirmed in two bats, one found in the Boise area, the other in northern Idaho near Sandpoint.

Rabies causes a fatal viral illness in humans and other animals.

Officials said most bats are harmless and do not carry the disease, but they are the only animal in the state that naturally carries the virus.

There have been 26 confirmed cases of human rabies in the country over the past 10 years. Idaho's last case of human rabies was in 1978.

Between 1981 and 2001, 184 bats, two cats, one bobcat and one horse were infected with rabies. Most animals are exposed to the virus by playing with sick bats that can no longer fly.

Officials recommend that anyone who comes in contact with a bat captured it for testing.

police and closed Dec. 20. The owner, Steve Vogt, 34, of Ontario, was charged with several counts of racketeering and drug trafficking, Creech said.

Council gets money to fight domestic violence

BOISE - The Idaho Migrant Council has been awarded more than \$430,000 to fight violence against women and children.

The grant was awarded by the U.S. Department of Justice.

The Caldwell-based council will use the money for its Salud Y Progreso program, which helps Hispanic victims of domestic violence and child abuse.

"Community groups like the Idaho Migrant Council, with people dedicated to helping the most vulnerable among us, are the key to making a difference for these victims," Rep. C.L. "Dutch" Otter said.

Prison guard faces charges in exposure case

POCATELLO - A prison guard at the Pocatello Women's Correctional Center has been charged with exposing himself to a female inmate.

Matthew G. Lammers was placed on administrative leave as the Department of Corrections investigated the allegation.

"We take any allegations of misconduct very seriously," Department Director Tom Beauclair said.

An investigation by Pocatello police led to a misdemeanor citation against Lammers, which was compiled from wire reports



A search volunteer and his bloodhound, lower left, look for Elizabeth Smart in a subdivision under construction Saturday along Traverse Ridge in Draper, Utah.

Authorities question drifter in disappearance

MARTINSBURG, W.Va. (AP) - A hospitalized drifter sought for questioning in the disappearance of a teenager in Utah was alert and talking with investigators Saturday.

Bret Michael Edmunds, 26, remained in serious condition in a secure section of intensive care at City Hospital under the watch of U.S. marshals. He is being treated for a possible drug overdose.

"He's conscious, he's coherent and he's talking," hospital

spokeswoman Teresa McCabe said.

Salt Lake City police have said Edmunds is wanted for questioning in the June 5 disappearance of 14-year-old Elizabeth Smart. They have not called him a suspect.

Edmunds, who appeared at the hospital Friday, began talking with a Salt Lake City police officer and FBI agent Saturday morning. Doctors monitored Edmunds' condition to ensure he was up to the questioning.

McCabe said Edmunds would stay at the hospital at least three or four days. She would not divulge details of his condition, citing confidentiality rules.

Edmunds is being held on a federal warrant charging him with fleeing to avoid prosecution for a probation violation. The charges are unrelated to the Smart case.

"He is still not a suspect at this time," Police Chief Rick Dinse said. "He's a question mark, and we want to put a period on that question mark."

Edmunds, who was living out of his Saturn sedan, had been seen in the Smart neighborhood the week the girl vanished.

While Elizabeth's sister described the alleged kidnapper as a 5-foot-8 man, Edmunds stands 6-foot-2.

A Saturn found in the hospital parking lot was photographed, impounded and towed away.

Police saw nothing suspicious through the windows, and are seeking a search warrant.

Nampa smoke shop closes under police pressure

NAMPA - The owner of Red Eye Hut, a "head" shop that sold water pipes, pipes and other drug paraphernalia, has shut down under police pressure.

Store owner Allen Piper cleared shelves of smoking-related merchandise and locked the doors on Thursday, Police Chief Alan Creech said. Piper declined comment when contacted by the Idaho Press-Tribune.

Another Nampa head shop, Kokopellie Smoking Accessories, was raided by

Crash kills helicopter pilot at logging site

CLARK FORK - A Western Washington pilot died in a helicopter logging accident south of here early Friday morning.

The accident was reported at 5:19 a.m. at a logging site on Ruen family property on the northern flanks of the Green Monarch Mountains, about four miles from Clark Fork.

The 45-year-old pilot was alone in the aircraft and none of the loggers on the ground were injured.

The Sheriff's Department and others would not release the man's name, because it was uncertain whether all family members had been notified, including the pilot's son.

Coworkers said the pilot was from Aberdeen, Wash. For this

job, he was flying a Bell UH-1H, which Northwest Helicopters' Web site describes as very rugged and dependable. The machine is used for logging, crane work and fire suppression.

Sheriff's Lt. John Hess said the investigation has been turned over to the National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Aviation Administration.

Logging had been under way since early June.

The day dawned with blue skies and relatively calm winds. Weather probably was not a factor in the accident, said the pilot's employer, Brian Reynolds, owner of the Olympia-based Northwest Helicopters Inc.

"It came down complete and went through the trees and started to break apart," Reynolds said of the accident. He said preliminary information indicates that the accident was caused by some type of drive train failure.

The fatality is the first in the company's 20-year history, Reynolds said from his Olympia office.

A Boise resident and veteran logging pilot died earlier this year in northern California's Shasta-Trinity National Forest when his chopper went down.

Loren Goetzke's helicopter apparently lost power and smashed into rough terrain. He was employed by Croman Corp. of White City, Ore.

Rancher carves niche building saddles

MARSH CREEK (AP) - Larry Christensen's saddle shop sits in the middle of his ranch.

The walls are lined with rearing and cutting horse photos of Christensen and the horses he has trained. Pegs on the walls hold some of the prizes he has won, including silver bits and braided rawhide and horsehair reins.

Rawhide rintas, a Mexican larjat, fill three other pegs, with a variety of other tack items filling out the room.

The rest of his shop, work benches and walls on one side, holds the tools of his trade for building saddles.

"In the past five years, I have spent more time building saddles than working cattle or training horses," he said. "I have a kinda turned out over to the other guys. I still help work cattle and train horses, but I also try to turn out two to three saddles a month."

Christensen, the managing partner of the Little Creek Ranch, still keeps busy training horses, managing a herd of 425 cows and raising colts but as the years go by, he is enjoying his time building custom saddles.

He builds nearly everything for the pieces of art destined for the back of a horse. The only things he doesn't create are the nails, cinch, D-rings or buckles

for the new saddles.

He starts the process by building the tree for the saddles, shaping four pieces of cottonwood.

Before nailing them together and wrapping them in rawhide, he gets them to fit the rider.

"Building the trees myself I can get a perfect fit," said Christensen. "I can build the set to fit the rider and the bars to fit the horse."

"Ninety-nine percent of the saddles are slick fork saddles for working cowboys," he said.

"Most of the people I build saddles for spend a lot of time on their horses and need good equipment and a saddle that fits both them and their horses. It is as important for the saddle to fit the horse as it is to fit the man."

After getting the tree, he cuts leather pieces and prepares them for installation.

"This is where the biggest price difference in the saddles comes," said Christensen. "It just depends on how fancy they want the saddle, how much tooling I need to do and how much silver they want."

Basic saddles start at \$2,200, with some of the flashier ones going for \$5,000.

"It takes a lot of time to tool the saddles," he said. "To get a flower to look like a flower or just building the design to put on

the leather before I begin tooling it."

"With each of the saddles custom built, no two are the same. So the designs are each different so they fit, and I draw each of the designs by hand."

"To me, each of the saddles is kind of an individual work of art, and that is rewarding to me."

Christensen built his first saddle in 1973, and worked at his trade for five years until taking a sabbatical to raise training cow horses from 1978 to 1986 full time.

Today, he's back into saddle making more than ever, but still keeps his hand in the competition riding area, winning the 1999 Nevada Bridle horse championship and the Utah Bridle Horse Championship in 2000.

"I think the two things complement each other," he said. "A lot of the saddles I sell are to the people I have met at the competitions or when we're out working cattle."

"When you're riding a horse that's real good doing something, you have to be in the center of it, so you and your horse are in balance," said Christensen. "If you're too far forward, you'll go over the handlebars and if you're too far back, the horse won't be able to move as well."

"That's where a good custom saddle comes in."

Two die in light plane crash

BOISE (AP) - A pilot and passenger died near Atlanta, Idaho, Friday night when their small aircraft crashed about a half-mile from the town's rural airfield.

The aircraft was attempting to land, but then powered up and tried to gain altitude, hitting trees, crashing and catching fire, witnesses told the sheriff's office. It sparked a grass fire that

was put out.

The Elmore County sheriff's office did not identify the two people killed or the type of plane. Investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Aviation Administration planned to arrive Saturday.

A sheriff's dispatcher said the crash was reported about 7:20 p.m. Friday.

Explosions rock plant; no one was injured

DOUGLAS, Wyo. (AP) - A propane truck exploded at a gas plant Saturday, starting a fire and igniting two larger blasts that were seen and heard several miles away.

No one was injured, and the fire burned itself out.

It was not immediately clear what besides the truck exploded at the Intertine Resources Corp. plant.

A five-mile radius around the plant was evacuated and Wyoming Highway 59 was closed about 20 miles north of Douglas for several hours.

Leslie Eathorne, who owns a ranch about six miles north of the plant, said she was taking lunch to a branding crew when she saw smoke rising in the south and heard the first boom.

A little less than an hour later, around 12:30 p.m., Eathorne was at her house when two larger blasts occurred. "The balls of fire we saw were just huge from six miles away."

The first explosion occurred when a hose unloading propane from one truck came loose and the second truck's engine ignited the gas, said Converse County sheriff's dispatcher Dana Majerus.

Intertine Resources Corp., based in Alpine, Utah, specializes in used oil recycling and natural gas and crude oil gathering.

Natural gas pipelines paralleling Wyoming 59 export methane gas from the Poudre River Basin to the Colorado Front Range.

Government decommissions pioneer reactor

ARCO (AP) - Employees and retirees at Argonne National Laboratory-West held an observance to note the decommissioning of a 38-year-old reactor that has plan a key research role for nuclear scientists and engineers.

"You have done a wonderful job of decommissioning EBR II and you should celebrate," lab director Hermann Grunler told all assembled Thursday.

The Experimental Breeder Reactor at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory began operation in 1964 in order to demonstrate a breeder reactor power plant that could produce more fuel than it consumed.

The reactor was ordered shut down by the federal government in 1994. That decision came out because the reactor did not work, but because of politics, former lab director Charles Till said.

"EBR II was the symbol of the fast breeder reactor," he said. "EBR II is gone now and that is a national shame."

In 1986, plant workers performed a crucial experiment. They shut off the pumps that cool the fuel in the reactor to prove the reactor could cool down without any outside manipulation.

The experiment worked, reinforcing the idea that reactors could be designed to avoid the meltdown experiments at Chernobyl and Three Mile Island.

John Sackett, deputy director for Argonne-West, said he is, closely watching the debate in Congress about the reactor at Yucca Mountain nuclear waste repository in Nevada. If lawmakers approve Yucca Mountain, they also may be more amenable to putting funding toward nuclear energy.

"We would very much like to see a (new) nuclear reactor in Idaho," he said.

Residents ask mayor to choose sides on center

POST FALLS (AP) - Some residents contend Mayor Clay Larkin is washing his hands of a work-release center the Idaho Department of Correction wants to build in northern Idaho.

"How badly do they want this?" asked Laura Papajack, a mother of six children. "With Mayor Larkin not making any statement, his rear end should be pretty sore from sitting on the fence."

At a Thursday meeting of Kootenai County conservative Republicans, many called on Larkin to oppose a \$3 million facility that would house inmates as they transition back into the community.

Critics warn inmates would take jobs away from an already struggling area. Kootenai County's unemployment rate is 8.1 percent, while the state's rate is 5.5 percent.

They also cite concerns about the possibility of violent offenders, even those convicted of sexual abuse, being released to the area.

Department of Correction officials are looking at five Post

"With Mayor Larkin not making any statement, his rear end should be pretty sore from sitting on the fence."

- Laura Papajack, Post Falls resident

Falls sites, all zoned light-industrial, Larkin said, adding that if prison officials select a site properly zoned, there is not much the city can do.

Larkin said he will not take a position because he may be a deciding vote if the issue comes before the City Council.

But others said they cannot understand why an elected representative will not speak his mind.

"I'm calling on you as a citizen of this community to stand up and be a man," Post Falls stockbroker and term limits advocate Don Morgan said to Larkin.

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Brent Stoker answers questions posed by members of the Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission about his proposed feedlot near Declo.

Planners again stall on feedlot decision

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission members don't want to be responsible for poisoning wells in Declo. Concerned that nitrates could seep into the high water table directly beneath the site of a proposed feedlot near Declo, the planning and zoning commission agreed to continue its deliberations on the permit application at the July 18 meeting.

"Some commission members also voiced concern about increased traffic generated by the feedlot proposed by Alliance Land and Livestock. The commission will ask for a report on the area from the Mid-Snake Water Resources Advisory Board.

The feedlot, at 1050 E. 100 N., would contain 9,999 animal units — an animal unit being the equivalent of a mature heifer.

Commission Chairman Jack Hill excused Randy Robinson from the hearing due to a conflict of interest. Robinson has business connections with the owners of Allied Land and Livestock.

"The area is remote enough. If there was an alternative site, I'd like to see the applicant consider it," Hill said.

"I feel it's too close to Declo for that size. It's a good site for some type of CAFO (confined animal feeding operation)," commission member Vaughn Cook said.

"I think they tried to find a remote spot as possible and have it still be feasible... It's pretty close to Declo, it's pretty close to homes," Joyce Ward, another commission member, said.

All the commission members said they were impressed with the way the owners of Alliance Land and Livestock run their other operations.

One owner, Brent Stoker, answered questions from the board about the water table and the road to the site. A soil scientist has examined the area and determined a layer of clay will keep nitrates out of the ground-water, he said.

There is only one road, 950 East, leading to the area, Stoker told the commission. The increased traffic from the feedlot could endanger children who live along the road, commission member Bruce Beck said.

Declo residents would not like truck loads of manure passing their homes, Cook said. If the feedlot had enough nearby fields so it would not have to transport manure by truck, he would support it, Cook said.

"I'd hate to see them haul that manure closer to Declo," Ward said.

Proposed dairy site is in flood plain

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY — The site of a proposed dairy is far from parks and subdivisions, but is in the path of the waters which run north off of the hills.

On July 2, members of the Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission will visit the site where Brent Funk wants to build a dairy to gauge the threat water poses. The commission must decide whether to issue him a conditional use permit to build the dairy. The site, at 855 S. 1800 W., lies on the border between Cassia and Twin Falls counties. If permitted, the dairy could be home to 2,000 milking cows, 355 dry cows, and 5,700 heifers.

Two people in Cassia County live within a mile of the site.

"If you can't put a dairy in this location you might as well put out the message loud and clear that you don't want livestock," said David Funk, the applicant's brother.

"It's your opportunity to send a message," Funk told the commission at a public hearing last week.

"No one spoke against the dairy on the grounds of odor, but Murtaugh farmer Jerry Lee asked commission members to consider the forces of nature.



Brent Funk explains his proposal for a dairy in northwest Cassia County to the Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission.

"It sits right in the middle of this flood plain," Lee said.

Farmers clearing the land have filled in the gullies, leaving the water to follow roads. A river, 2 feet deep, flowed down the access road to Funk's site for more than an hour last winter, Lee said. A 100-year flood could carry manure and the contents of the waste lagoons into Murtaugh Lake, he said.

Funk saw the water flowing down the road. With correct engineering, he believes, he can solve the problem. The waste lagoons have extra space to contain rain water and Funk plans to build berms around the dairy. As for the road, he plans to work with the Murtaugh Highway District to move the ditch and dig a borrow pit to catch the water.

A big enough flood could overcome any measures, Funk said. But in the case of a 100-year flood, neighboring farmers would contribute their share of fertilizers into the lake.

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Ex-drug agent faces charges

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — A former member of the Weber-Morgan Metro Narcotics Strike Force has been charged with using his position to fraudulently obtain a supply of a painkiller.

Ronald Kevin Walzer was arrested last week and charged with the drug hydrocodone between August 1997 and February 2002.

Walzer was responsible for investigating forged prescriptions with his task force in Ogden, said Melodie Rydahl, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Attorney's Office. She provided no details on how he allegedly used his position to obtain the controlled substance.

Walzer was hired in 1990 by the Ogden Police Department, where Assistant Chief Wayne Tarwater said an internal investigation was opened after the Drug Enforcement Agency forwarded a tip about Walzer. He resigned April 5.

"He was a very good officer and had an excellent work record up until the time of this problem," Tarwater said.

The Weber County Attorney's Office let the U.S. Attorney's Office take over the case to avoid any conflict of interest, Rydahl said.

Walzer had worked with Weber County on a number of cases.

appears to be subsiding and the paint-thinner smell to her breath has gone away, Schroeder said. She's being treated in a 40-by-40-foot pen at a National Marine Fisheries Service station in Manchester, west of Seattle. The young whale, known as A-73 for her birth order in Canada's A-pod was first spotted off Vashon Island near here in mid-January.

- Justice: Opposition to the privatization of the prison system in Idaho.
- Labor: Support for repeal of the "right-to-work" law and also for laws that hinder unions; support for the minimum wage law for farm workers and also a state prevailing wage law.
- Open government: Support for open caucuses and equal access to the legislative process for all Idaho citizens.
- Redistricting: Endorsement for the redistricting commission.
- Taxes: Promotion for re-examination of an outmoded tax structure, which includes not cutting taxes, then cutting education funding.
- Tribal-state relations: Support for tribal sovereignty and self-determination and tribal economic development on reservations.

Lawmaker tries to make missionaries count

WASHINGTON (AP) — After losing a U.S. Supreme Court challenge to the 2000 Census count, Utah Rep. Chris Cannon wants to remove some of the guesswork and make sure Mormon missionaries count in the 2010 tally.

The court ruled 5-4 Thursday against Utah's challenge to the 2000 count. The state's attorneys had argued that imputation — the Census Bureau's practice of estimating the size of households that couldn't be reached — cost Utah a House seat.

Utah had also fallen in an earlier bid to force the Census Bureau to count 11,176 missionaries from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints who were serving their proselytizing missions of up to two years.

"I still believe (missionaries) should have been counted. That still sticks in my craw," Utah Gov. Mike Leavitt said Thursday.

While imputation will still be used in the 2010 count, Cannon said he expects better controls to be in place "so we don't impute families into warehouses," as he claims was done in 2000.

And there is broad support among churches, businesses and inside the Census Bureau for finding a better way to count people temporarily living overseas.

Census Bureau Director Charles Kincannon said the bureau plans to test methods of

counting Americans overseas during a practice count in 2004.

"I think we solved the biggest problem already in that they will have a protocol to count missionaries next time," said Cannon, a plaintiff in the case and is vice chairman of the House Census Subcommittee.

He and four other members of Congress — Reps. Benjamin A. Gilman, R-N.Y., and Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y., and Sens. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, and John D. Rockefeller, D-W.V. — each sponsored requiring Americans abroad to be counted.

"We haven't decided on what countries will be tested, or the extent of the test," Kincannon said.

Last November, the bureau met with several groups interested in the overseas count — businesses with large foreign contingents, international chambers of commerce and political organizations — to discuss ways to count the population abroad, said Jo Caldwell, deputy director of congressional affairs for the Census Bureau.

Methods being considered to bolster the overseas count is an advertising campaign urging people to be counted and making questionnaires available at certain foreign locations and on the internet.

But identifying the largest

number of Americans abroad, counting them accurately, verifying results and weeding out duplicate records remain obstacles to an overseas count.

Questions also remain about the reliability of foreign mail delivery and how the bureau would conduct follow-up interviews.

"I think we've started early looking at opportunities that are available to us, and that gives us time to do our test to see what the challenges are," said Caldwell.

She said she anticipates they will be able to provide information from the 2004 test count to Congress to get direction on how to proceed from there.

For now, two of Utah's three congressmen have a wager to settle. Cannon bet Rep. James Hansen that Utah would win the census suit. Now Cannon owes his colleague dinner.

Hansen said he told Cannon after the ruling that they were going to one of Washington's finest restaurants.

"When we walk in I'm going to say to the maitre d', 'Don't even bring us menus. I just want two of the most expensive dishes you've got. And bring me two bottles of your best wine,' even though I don't drink," Hansen said. "I'm going to pour them all over Chris' shoes."

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Commission, said several companies are looking to open businesses in the city's downtown. Representatives of one of them in the community last week and liked what they saw, she said.

Leaders of those businesses are forming the community, Lee said. "I'd like to monitor our press, our city council, our county commissioners, our letters to the editor. If we're sending the wrong kind of messages, they're gone. We need to be progressive and positive."

Lee also echoed comments made by others in recent weeks about bolstering the local economy.

"Shop at home," he said. "We could increase our local business 20 to 30 percent if we shop at home instead of" elsewhere.

Downtown

Revitalizing Burley's downtown won't be an overnight process, Mayor Jon Anderson said. While the city's downtown revitalization plan is now in draft form and has been met with favor, it's a long-term plan, he said. And it will cost money to implement the plan.

The best thing that anyone could have hoped would happen downtown is occurring right now, Anderson said: "private investment."

Several new businesses have opened in downtown Burley in the several months, which is exciting, he said.

One real possibility to boost activity in downtown Burley, that working group suggested, is a farmer's market. Such market would be even better if it had another draw, he said, for example, if it was a musical venue, too. For such a market to be suc-

cessful though, it needs a coordinator.

Anderson said the City Council has indicated it's leaning toward possibly hiring a project coordinator. If that occurred, the person could do such things as direct a farmer's market, help plan the city's centennial and implement the downtown plan.

Downtown Burley also needs improved parking, he said.

And tradition needs to be built around some activities. Events need adequate promotion and variety so that people look forward to them and bigger crowds attend them.

Business owner Dale Whipple said if more retail businesses are going to be added to the community, then more needs to be done to bring more people in to shop. Outside money is needed to help the businesses stay in business, he said.

Tourism

Steve Thompson, marketing director for the Snake River Plaza, brought up a tourism issue. Better signage is needed at the city's entrances, he said. Those signs could both serve as welcoming signs and promote special events.

Recreation

Linda Petersen said supporters of creating a recreation district, building a large, new park and creating walking and bicycling paths are interested in hearing "contributions from the community."

Previously, people haven't been willing to pay the additional taxes needed to form a recreation district. She wondered if that was still the case. A recreation district could also focus on getting a new swimming

pool in Burley, Councilwoman Adria Masoner said.

Another recreation issue which should be addressed, Masoner said, is preserving a green belt along the Snake River.

Masoner said she'd find out if a recreation district proposal could be on the ballot for the Nov. 5 general election.

Community center

Glady's Esquibel said the community center idea stems from the Burley human rights task force, which Esquibel helped start. That group envisions the center as a site for just about everything. It would be an educational center for youths and a place for senior citizens to go also. Partnerships between youth and seniors could be fostered at the center.

It's important the community center be a referral site for other community services too.

Two suggestions were offered Saturday for uses for the Simplot property once the plant closes. One industrial recreation facility. The other suggestion was to make it into a water amusement park, including a wild river ride.

Although no date was mentioned, Masoner said another town meeting will be held to continue the discussion which started Saturday.

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Orca transport date waits on test results

SEATTLE (AP) — Scientists caring for an orphaned orca captured in central Puget Sound are waiting for results from another set of medical tests before deciding when to move her to her home waters off British Columbia.

"It's important that we know her health status, that when we return her back to Canada she's a healthy animal," marine mam-

mal veterinarian Pete Schroeder said Friday.

The Canadian government has said it will not allow the orca to be brought to Johnstone Strait near Vancouver Island if she has any communicable diseases.

So far, the 2-year-old's health has showed steady signs of improvement. She's eating about 50 pounds of Atlantic salmon a day, her itchy skin condition

a Fish and Game Commission free from political interference.

- Freedom: Support for the right to privacy and also the public's right to pursue information.
- Government: Support for policies that encourage voter participation and empowerment and a strong multi-party system in Idaho.
- Health care: Support for equal coverage for all recognized conditions, including substance abuse treatment, mental health and women's health issues; access to affordable, high-quality health care and prescription drugs for all Idaho citizens; increased access to health care for the working poor.
- Human rights: Support for institutions that preserve human rights, including the United Nations.
- Judicial system: Support for holding elections for judges dur-

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what their platform should include, the following planks stand out as what they think are distinctly Democratic values:

- Campaign finance: Reform that doesn't favor incumbents or allow too much influence from special-interest groups.
- Economy: Jobs that pay livable wages, safe working conditions, benefits and workers' rights.
- Education: Opposition to funding cuts in state support for public schools, universities, and professional-technical schools. Also, education funds should remain in the public education system, and the state should provide more scholarships for college.
- Energy: Support for increased emphasis on energy conservation.
- Fish and Game: Support for



Smoke from the Rodeo Fire darkens the midday sun as it approaches Show Low, Arizona, Saturday. The town's residents later received a mandatory evacuation order.

Fire bosses order town's residents out

SHOW LOW, Ariz. (AP) — Two massive wildfires raged unchecked through the eastern Arizona forest Saturday night, one breaching a hastily constructed fire line and forcing the evacuation of this city and the other surging into a smaller community.

Between them, the fires had consumed 235,000 acres of pine and juniper forest in eastern Arizona. Authorities ordered Show Low's 7,700 residents to evacuate. Up to 8,000 other people already had evacuated several smaller towns to the west.

The fires were expected to merge by today, creating a front line 50 miles long burning through the bone-dry pine and juniper.

"Nature's in control," fire spokesman Jim Paxson said. "She's dealing the hand."

Authorities told residents to leave Show Low after the Rodeo

fire, the largest of the two at 150,000 acres, surged past a hastily constructed line about eight miles west of the city. They hadn't decided whether to evacuate neighboring Pinedale-Lakeside, with 3,500 residents.

The fire was moving slowly to the east and wasn't an immediate threat to enter Show Low, 125 miles northeast of Phoenix, Paxson said. Authorities asked residents of westernmost neighborhoods to evacuate first.

At least 12 homes and 20 smaller structures were destroyed when the Rodeo fire entered Pinedale. Firefighters were putting out lingering fires there.

Meanwhile, the Chediski fire quadrupled in size Saturday just to the west of the other, blowing past a bulldozed line and entering the Heber-Overgaard, an already evacuated community of 2,700 about 25 miles to the west,



Operations Section Chief Roy Hull, center, confers with division supervisors Rick Lupe, left, and Denny Nelson on how to defend homes from the Rodeo Fire in the Timberlane community near Linden, Ariz.

Paxson said. Officials didn't know whether any structures had burned in that community.

At nightfall, a dense gray smoke cloud loomed over Show Low, a mountain city named for the turn of a card. Some drivers pulled over on the side of the road to watch the smoke plume.

Others videotaped it.

"It's a monster. It's awesome," said Bobby Smith, who was staying in Show Low after having been evacuated from Pinedale. "It's unbelievable what a big fire can do."

In Colorado, crews struggled against an unpredictable blaze in

the southwestern corner of the state, but cool weather helped firefighters battling a larger fire south of Denver.

An erratic, wind-driven fire near Durango that has burned 59,821 acres and destroyed 45 homes was only 25 percent contained Saturday.

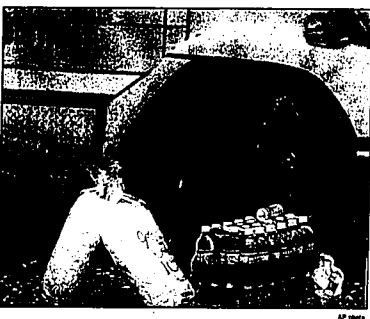
"I've never seen a fire so unpredictable before," firefighter Mike Achley said.

Officials earlier put the fire at 67,000 acres but reduced the estimate after accounting for two reservoirs inside fire lines and getting a more accurate survey.

Flames were threatening about 1,000 homes Saturday, down from 1,800 the day before, fire information officer Aaron Resnick said. La Plata County Sheriff Duke Schirard said residents of at least five subdivisions were allowed to return homes. About 2,100 residents were originally ordered to leave their homes.

At a 137,000-acre blaze south of Denver, firefighters welcomed another day of cool weather.

The fire, which was 67 percent contained Saturday, has destroyed at least 115 homes and about 444 other buildings.



Firefighter Jon Kroner of Mountain Forestry, Ore., sits down in Castle Rock, Colo., after hearing about Friday's deadly accident.

Driver in crash might face charges

DENVER (AP) — The driver of a van that crashed en route to fight Colorado's largest wildfire, killing four firefighters, was accused Saturday of careless driving and summoned to appear in court, authorities said.

The State Patrol served 21-year-old Megan Helm with the summons to appear in court on suspicion of careless driving causing death and careless driving causing serious injury, patrol spokesman Don Moseman said.

She was not in custody, no court date was set and no formal charges had been filed. In Colorado, the State Patrol routinely recommends charges to prosecutors, who then decide whether to file them.

In addition to the van crash, three people were killed in the crash of an air tanker dumping flame retardant

in the Sierra Nevada in California as part of a deadly week of fighting western wildfires.

"Firefighting is inherently dangerous. There is no way around it," said Sonny LaSalle, who has fought fires for 30 years for the Forest Service. "Flying puts you at risk. If you drive, quite often you are in a hurry and you drive for long hours."

"Then you are put on a fire line where the weather is often in control. All you can do is be prepared."

The van, carrying 11 firefighters from Oregon to a 137,000-acre wildfire southwest of Denver, swerved off Interstate 70 Friday near Parachute, 200 miles west of Denver, and spun out of control. Four firefighters were killed and seven were injured.

The crash occurred less than 50 miles from the site of the 1994

Storm King Mountain fire that killed 14 firefighters, and near a roadside memorial to four firefighters killed in a plane crash while fighting a 1976 blaze.

Moseman said about 75 other firefighters who had been in the eight-vehicle convoy from La Grande, Ore., met Saturday for grief counseling.

"We had a lot of distraught people out there," Moseman said. "Of course, in a convoy, some of their group saw it happen. It was very rough for them."

In Minidoka, Nev., a memorial service was held Saturday for three other men killed in the rugged Sierra Nevada on Monday when the wings snapped off their C-130 air tanker fighting a 10,000-acre forest blaze near Walker, Calif. The fire had forced 400 people to evacuate.

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The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is announcing its intent to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) to assess the environmental impacts related to determining the future location of the Department's High Source Radioisotope Power System (HS/RPS) assembly and test operations. DOE will conduct public meetings to solicit comments on the consideration of future locations for these operations and scope of the EA.

Wednesday, June 26, 2002
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Grand Teton Room, Shilo Inn
780 Lindsay Boulevard
Idaho Falls

An open house will start 30 minutes prior to each meeting.

The HS/RPS operations include those identified as HS/Radioisotope Thermoelectric Generator (HS/RTG) in prior National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documents. These activities are currently conducted at the Mound site near Minidoka, Ohio. The EA will evaluate continuation of the HS/RPS operations in the currently used facilities (the No Action alternative) or alternative facilities at the Mound site. Alternative sites to be evaluated in the EA include the Pantex Plant, near Amarillo, Texas, and the Argonne National Laboratory-West located on the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory site, near Idaho Falls, Idaho. Any other reasonable sites identified during the scoping will also be evaluated in the EA.

Please direct comments on the proposed relocation and scope of the EA, requests for copies of the EA, and questions concerning the project to: Mr. Timothy A. Frazier, U.S. Department of Energy, P.O. Box 66, Minidoka, OH 45343-0066. Telephone: (937) 865-3748. Facsimile: (937) 865-4489. Electronic mail: Tim.Frazier@hq.doe.gov

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Producer subjects tales about Sasquatch to scientific method

BOISE (AP) - The hunt for Sasquatch, aka Bigfoot, in the gloomy rainforests of the Pacific Northwest has always involved a little bit of science and a great deal of bluster about supposed encounters with a North American ape.

A producer of films for the Discovery Channel and Animal Planet has consulted with Idaho State University anatomy professor Jeff Meldrum and other experts on a documentary which hammers the myth with a lot of science.

"I just want some darn answers that at least come from a position of research and knowledge," said Douglas Hajicek of Whitewolf Entertainment in Minnesota. Hajicek is filming "Sasquatch: Legend Meets Science," which is scheduled to air on Discovery in November.

Sasquatch has been part of Indian legends for centuries. The name is the English version of the Salish Tribe's word for wild man, or hairy man.

Like other people who have taken up the hunt, Hajicek's journey started when he glimpsed some tracks. He was at Selwyn-Lake in Canada's Northwest Territories filming giant trout. But he spotted some giant footprints, about 18 inches long.

"They went through gravel, beech sand, dirt, moss," he said. "It was incredible the depth of them, even in the gravel. I was told by the guides there were no grizzlies there, no polar bears - and I know bear tracks."

Meldrum also documented a



Idaho State University anatomy professor Jeff Meldrum, left, talks about the upcoming Discovery Channel documentary about his studies and findings regarding Sasquatch with documentary director Douglas Hajicek Wednesday in Pocatello.

trail of more than 40 footprints he encountered along a muddy road adjacent to the Umatilla National Forest near Walla Walla, Wash.

An expert in primate locomotion, Meldrum said those tracks and others appear to be left by a biped whose feet are much more flexible than the human foot, with a high arch and better adapted for steep mountain terrain. They would be as tall as 10 feet and weigh 1,000 pounds.

Hajicek takes several supposed close encounters with the hairy

humanoid over the last 40 years and puts them under the microscope.

In October 1967, Roger

Patterson claimed to have captured on film a female Bigfoot retreating across a sandbar in northern California. Skeptics

have passed off the fuzzy film as a man in a monkey suit.

Hajicek took the footage and ran it through high-resolution equipment to highlight the limbs as the subject walks. The resulting computerized anatomical model is seen from several angles, including from above.

"The film shows tons of muscles expanding and contracting," he said. "If it's a guy in a suit, he had to be attached to the skin."

In 1996, campers at a northern Washington lake filmed a subject racing over boulder-strewn ground. Meldrum said it appears to pick up a young Bigfoot and set it on its shoulder.

Hajicek will employ high-resolution scanners on the same site, contrasting his footage with the original one. He also will employ a track star to run across the same route to compare the speed.

"They are essentially scanning the mountainside with lasers for a complete frame of reference," Meldrum said. "They're able to map how big the figure is, how fast it's running. If it's a hoax, they went to great lengths."

In 2000, a group of Bigfoot hunters near Mount Adams in

Washington set out apples as bait and played recordings of the creature. They said Bigfoot called back to them and left an indentation in the mud at the bait which seems to show the hindquarters, forearm and Achilles tendon of a large primate.

They made a plaster cast of the indentation, and Hajicek is having hairs embedded in the cast and saliva on the fruit analyzed for DNA. Sound recordings made at the site also are under study.

Primate expert Daris Swindler, University of Washington professor emeritus, has looked at the cast and concedes that scientists often ignore the study of Bigfoot to avoid being viewed as crackpots.

Meldrum said more anthropologists are starting to study the evidence, although both he and Hajicek are still reserving judgment on whether a giant wood ape is roaming the Northwest.

"I think it's going to take a real specimen or close daylight film footage to prove it," Hajicek said. "No universities have funded any expedition; nobody's out looking for bones."

Private college may be eyeing Moscow Hotel, GTE space

MOSCOW (AP) - New St. Andrews College may be planning to buy two buildings on Moscow's Friendship Square.

The old GTE building and the Moscow Hotel complex have been for sale for several years. Recent postings on Moscow's Vision 2020 Internet bulletin board, a community chat room, have suggested the college may buy the buildings.

New St. Andrews College Dean Roy Atwood would only say he plans to meet with bankers Wednesday for financing to buy some Moscow property.

The vacant GTE building is listed for sale at \$600,000. Real estate agent Glenn Owen said he was negotiating with a buyer he wouldn't identify.

Nick Bode, one of four brothers

who own the Moscow Hotel, said the building has not been sold. The Moscow Hotel complex, assessed at \$623,000, includes the Garden Lounge and Basilio's restaurant and several floors of apartments.

The Bode family has owned the building since 1953.

New St. Andrews College leases space from Christ Church. The college is an independent organization separate from the church, Atwood said.

The college is not interested in having lots of buildings and has limited enrollment to 40 for next year's freshman class, he said.

Plans for a future home will be firmed up by the end of the month, said Atwood, and whatever happens, the college will have to raise a lot of money.

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For the past two years, Nakia Williamson-Cloud, left, and Josiah Pinkham, right, have been learning from Elmer Crow, center, shown here in Lapwai in June, the process of making hunting bows from Rocky Mountain sheep horns. The Nez Perce cultural preservation program is documenting Crow's knowledge so it can be handed down to future generations.

Cultural preservation effort records Nez Perce bow making

LEWISTON (AP) - When Elmer Crow was a boy in Orofino, he met an elder named Johnson Hoyt, who fought with Chief Joseph in the Nez Perce War of 1877.

"I don't ever tell some of his stories he told me, because some of them would just make you cry," recalls Crow, now 58, of Sweetwater.

Crow's time with Hoyt is the only known connection to a rare and prized piece of knowledge - how to make a hunting bow from the horns of the Rocky Mountain sheep.

"I'm sure he wasn't the only one who knew how to do it," says Crow, "but he's the only one I know that passed it on."

Now the Nez Perce cultural preservation program is documenting that knowledge before it disappears.

Fellow tribal members Nakia Williamson-Cloud, 27, and Josiah Pinkham, 30, have been working with Crow for two years, learning what he was taught half a century ago.

"You ask the old people 'How did you learn?' It's never 'I was taught.' It's 'I watched,'" says Williamson-Cloud.

The Nez Perce were known historically for their horn bows, he says, which they often traded to Plains Indians for as many as three horses each.

"That's like three candy-apple red (Ford) Mustangs," Pinkham translates.

The bows have a 50- to 80-pound draw and are usually under 3 feet long. They were developed by the Nez Perce for hunting buffalo on the plains of Montana, where wooden long bows were inefficient, Crow explains.

"If the buffalo crosses over in front of you, how are you going to move a long bow across your yard?" he asked.

As the tribe's fortunes changed and the buffalo hunting stopped, however, the method for making the prized bows was almost lost.

"It has never been documented among the Nez Perce people - never," Williamson-Cloud says. "There's a lot of stories and descriptions, but it's all kind of modern."

The two men have recorded Crow's knowledge of horn bow construction as part of a \$50,000 project backed by the National Historic Preservation Fund.

For Crow, the horn bow project is more than historical. It means passing on a piece of Nez Perce culture to Pinkham and Williamson-Cloud, with whom he built a friendship.

"We've had a lot of fun."

Asked if they plan to use their bows to hunt buffalo, Pinkham and Williamson-Cloud just laugh.

"That's the next grant," jokes Pinkham.

But Crow looks stern. "You don't joke about that with me," he says. "That would be a great honor, to take a buffalo."

Crow hunts using traditional weapons, and says hunting the

buffalo of western Montana would be a proud moment for the Nez Perce, who have lost that part of their culture.

The project has brought some of it back to Pinkham and Williamson-Cloud.

"It wasn't just building a bow," Crow says. "Spiritually, I bet you they learned more than the bow."

The two men nod in agreement. There are now three people who have some of the knowledge to build the bow, and soon there will be more, Williamson-Cloud notes.

"That's what drives us," Pinkham adds, "when we hear about young people who are interested in learning."

The need to pass on the knowledge also drove Crow to cooperate with the project, when he had refused requests from university

As they talked to me for a year to do this," he says with a laugh. "I don't know how many times I told them where to kiss me."

Crow stipulated the finished project would only be a guide available to Nez Perce.

"It's not for sale," he says flatly.

The finished project will include photos, videos and a written text, but it will not be a complete construction guide.

"It'll be like an instructional pamphlet, but it won't be a how-to (book) because there's too much to it. It's not like a knitting class, you know."

Crow laughs when he talks of the beginning of the project, recalling the first time he showed "the boys" his horn bow.

"The first time I brought it in, they accused me of bringing in a piece of plastic."

The bow looks and feels like fiberglass, and certainly does not resemble the sheep's trademark spiral horns. In making the bow, Crow had to explain which horns will work, how to soften them and how to shape them.

One part of the video depicts a 6-inch section of the tough horn easily folded over on itself by hand, after being softened.

Crow taught Pinkham and Williamson-Cloud to build the bow with traditional tools and techniques, like sandstones, most of which have been covered since the Clearwater River was dammed, he says.

"If you worked at it diligently, you still are looking at two or three months," Crow says.

The process also requires knowledge of where to find things, from hot springs to the right animal.

"It's difficult just to get the horns," Williamson-Cloud says.

The horns used in the project come from wildlife agencies in Oregon and Idaho. But there is an important cultural difference between trophy hunters and native traditionalists, Williamson-Cloud says.

"I'm sure it's pretty appalling to some sportsmen (to cut the

horns), but it's just as appalling to Elmer to hang an animal's head on the wall," Williamson-Cloud says.

Border Patrol focuses on problem area

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - The U.S. Border Patrol has changed its enforcement strategy for the southwestern Arizona desert, shifting more agents to the area where illegal immigrants are dying in alarming numbers.

Border Patrol supervisors told field agents of the change, which is directly related to the two dozen immigrant deaths within the past two weeks, Bud Tuffy, president of the Tucson Border Patrol union, told the Tucson Citizen.

Agents assigned to the "west desert" area, a wasteland of more than 15,000 square miles, previously were concentrated near the border with Mexico. The strate-

gy, called "forward deployment," is designed to deter immigrants from entering the United States.

But as the death toll topped 20 this past week, supervisors told agents of a new plan to concentrate on areas where immigrants are dying - about 10 to 20 miles north of the border in the vast expanses of Tohono O'odham Nation.

"They have conceded that because the vast majority of deaths happened north of the border, they needed to move agents up," Tuffy said.

Tucson Sector Border Patrol chief David Aguilar declined a request by the newspaper for an interview about the change in the enforcement plan.

Forward deployment is credited by some with reducing crossings in Nogales and Douglas but criticized by others for failing to stop immigrants from braving triple-digit heat of the west desert.

"That's what was killing those aliens," said Ron Sanders, former chief of the Tucson Sector.

Since 1994, the Border Patrol's strategy has been to concentrate agents near border cities to discourage immigrants from crossing. Apprehensions in those areas have dropped, but the strategy has funneled illegal immigrants into the Arizona desert, where Border Patrol agents have been unable to keep up.

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SPORTSQUOTE

“No one says anything about them drinking coffee all day long. It’s OK for everybody to have a Coca-Cola machine in their locker room and have as much as they want, but if I hand them a responsible caffeine drink with a lot of nutrients in it, I’m crazy.”

— San Diego Chargers strength coach Dave Redding on the NFL’s recent ban of the herbal stimulant ephedra.

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Which pitcher holds the major league record for strikeouts in a season?

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TODAY'S SCHEDULE

HP Women's Challenge
 Stage 9: Emmett to Hyde Park road race, 11 a.m.
American Legion baseball
 Dwight Church Invitational Minico vs. TBA

IN BRIEF

Sun Valley submits skier to grace stamp
 SUN VALLEY — Gretchen Fraser, the first U.S. Olympic gold medalist in skiing, could be honored on a U.S. Postal Service stamp in 2002.
 Fraser, a Sun Valley native, won the gold medal in slalom skiing event at the 1948 Winter Olympics in St. Moritz, Switzerland.
 “The American flag went up in St. Moritz, Switzerland, that day and the world was charmed by a petite, pigtailed American racer who accepted the medals with humility and poise,” according to an essay Sun Valley Co. submitted to the U.S. Postal Service.
 Sun Valley submitted an application in October to commemorate the United States’ skiing heritage. But only a small percentage of the 40,000 ideas submitted annually to the U.S. Postal Service end up on envelopes.

Jerome sets Joe Mamas Car Show for Aug. 17
 JEROME — The Joe Mamas Fourth Annual Jerome Car Show will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 17 at the Jerome Wal-Mart parking lot with a \$500 purse for best of show at stake. Admission is free. Registration is 7 to 9 a.m. All entrants receive free dash plaques.
 Idaho’s largest car show will feature a simultaneous firing of Australia’s fastest Nitro Funny Car and Idahoan Mitch McDowell’s new top fuel dragster at noon. The show also features five-time NHRA World Champion Alcohol Dragster driver Rick Santos and a range of vehicles from antiques to NASCAR trucks and cars.
 The awards will be given out at 11:30 a.m. Free ice cream and dairy drinks will be available along with a \$1 hot dog and Coca Cola lunch. More expensive fare from The Twin Falls Outback Steakhouse also will be available. The Jerome Chamber of Commerce will hold a pancake breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m.
 The event is sponsored by the Jerome Wal-Mart, Swire Coca Cola, D.L. Evans Bank, Outback Steakhouse of Twin Falls, United Dairyman of Idaho, Magic Valley, Compost, John Beukers and Joe Skaug. For more information, call Skaug at (208) 324-8555.

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TRIVIA ANSWER:
 Nolan Ryan of the Angels, 383, in 1973.

Eames wins girls all-around rodeo title

Gooding sophomore leads five Senators to national tourney

By Scott Thompson
 Times-News writer

POCATELLO — Gooding’s Italy Jo Eames finished in the top four in pole bending and barrel racing as the Senator sophomore took the all-around girls championship in the Idaho State High School Rodeo Finals at the North Bannock County Fairgrounds in Pocatello Saturday.

Idaho State Rodeo

Eames wasn’t the only Senator to qualify for the National High School Rodeo Finals with a top four finish as she was joined by teammates Sheena Kuhn (pole bending), Ryan Childs (bareback) and Cory Ainslie and Joe Abernathy (saddle bronc).

But she certainly made the loudest splash of the Senators with the all-around title to go along with the two all-around district titles she has already won in her two years of high school rodeo. “It feels really good,” she said. “I’m just really excited.”

But she also knows that she her work is not yet done.

“I would like to win the barrels (at nationals),” she said. “I just have to keep my horse fed and fired up and get him ready to go.”

The national championships are in Farmington, N.M., from July 22-27.

Raft River’s Chase Erickson also enjoyed a spectacular rodeo, finishing second in the all-around competition to St. Anthony cowboy Kegan Miller.

Erickson, a graduated senior who plans to attend Montana-Western in Dillon in the fall, finished second to his younger brother, Mac, in bareback and captured

Locals headed to nationals

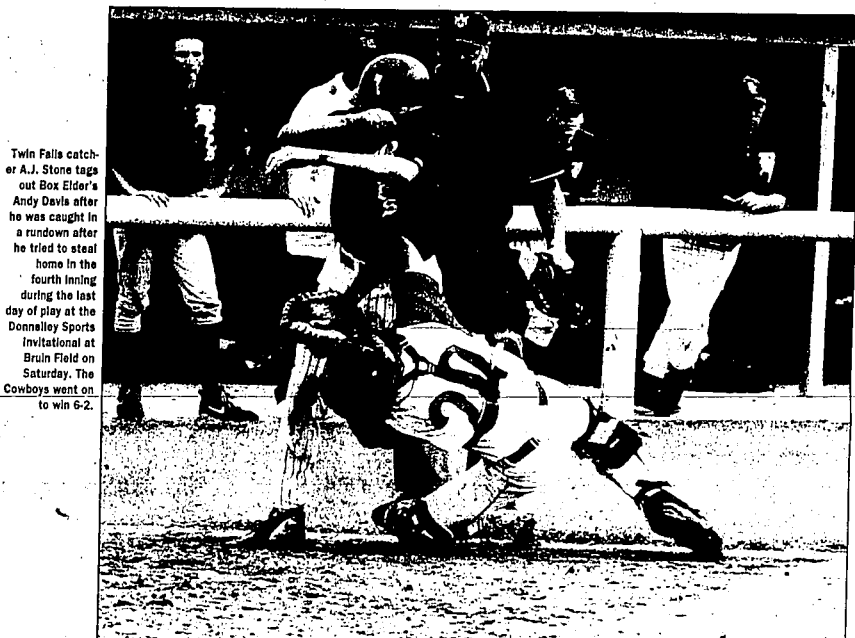
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first place in saddle bronc. “I feel real good about the way this rodeo turned out,” Chase said. “I’m real pleased with how I

did and I couldn’t be happier (to Mac). If one of us beats the other, then that’s just great for them.” Please see **RODEO**, Page C4

Mountain Home wins



Twin Falls catcher A.J. Stone tags out Box Elder’s Andy Davis after he was caught in a rundown after he tried to steal home in the fourth inning during the last day of play at the Donnelley Sports Invitational at Bruin Field on Saturday. The Cowboys went on to win 6-2.

Host Cowboys take fourth place at Donnelley Invite

By Holly Keit
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The 2002 Donnelley Sports Invitational ended Saturday with a repeat runner up and a brand-new champion Saturday.

Mountain Home run-ruled last year’s second place team, Bear Lake, 11-1 to take the American Legion Baseball title and a \$200

American Legion

prize away from Bruin Field. In the third-place game, Twin Falls evened out its tournament record, falling to Brigham City, Utah 6-5.

The Cowboys led most of the contest but committed two critical errors in the sixth as the defending champs took the lead

and third place. Both teams tallied four runs in the first inning. Twin Falls loaded the bases on three walks and John Nunez knocked two home on a double to right field. Alex Hill scored the next Cowboy run on a wild pitch from the Guardians’ Matt Litchy. Matt Sherman singled to center to score Nunez and Twin Falls took a 4-0 lead.

Brigham City answered with four runs of its own in the second. The Guardians put together five hits, all singles, before the Cowboys could close the inning.

Twin Falls picked up another run in the second off a couple of Brigham City errors and the Cowboys held on to the lead until the sixth.

Please see **DONNELLEY**, Page C2

Gamecocks come up short against Texas

The Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Chris Carmichael hit a three-run homer in his first start in almost a month as Texas beat South Carolina 12-6 to win the College World Series on Saturday and make Augie Garrido the first coach to win national titles in two games.

In winning its fifth national title — and first since 1983 — to the Louisiana State and Arizona State for second on the list of CWS championships, Texas relied on the solid pitching of freshman closer Huston Street.

Street, selected the Most Outstanding Player, became the first player with four saves in a CWS.

He pitched 1 2-3 innings Saturday, allowing one hit and a walk. He got pinch-hitter Jared Greenwood to ground out to first for the final out, then Street and first baseman Jeff Ontiveros started a celebratory dogpile next to the mound.



Texas players celebrate winning the College World Series championship game, 12-6 over South Carolina on Saturday in Omaha, Neb.

Longhorns to Omaha two years ago, but they were eliminated in two games.

The Longhorns (57-15) were perfect on this trip as they edged Rice, swept two games against Stanford and beat South Carolina, which hadn’t played in the title game since losing to the Longhorns in 1975.

The loss ended an amazing run for the Gamecocks (57-18), who

were shut out by Georgia Tech 11-0 in the opener last Friday, then won four straight elimination games to make it to the championship.

Texas was in its first championship game since 1989, and won the title for the first time since Roger Clemens and Calvin Schiraldi led the 1983 team.

Again, the Longhorns won it with strong pitching.

Ephedra ban opens debate on stimulants in the NFL

The Associated Press

ASHBURN, Va. — On Sunday mornings in locker rooms across the NFL, players prepare themselves for three hours of physical violence that most people can’t fathom. A 250-pound linebacker must come to terms with painful, full-speed collisions with 300-pound linemen, or else he can’t play the game.

Some spend the time in prayer. Some call home. Some listen to music.

And some take drugs.

Quite a few, it turns out, were taking ephedra, an herbal stimulant that eventually was banned by the league.

“Guys were killing that stuff,” Washington Redskins linebacker Eddie Mason said. “Ephedra was like a major, major product for the last several years. You take this drug — first of all, your hormones before a game, yourendorphins, your testosterone levels are already up, so your heart’s already racing. So you got all this stuff going on inside your body, and you put another stimu-

lant inside, it’s going to cause your heart to race. Guys can die from that stuff.”

“I just think it was the best move the league could have made by banning the substance.”

Not everyone agrees.

“Ephedra’s not a bad deal. We turned it into a bad deal because we take too much of it,” San Diego Chargers strength coach Dave Redding says. “A responsible amount of ephedra is OK. I really believe that.”

And so goes the latest debate on the role of stimulants and other supplements in the NFL. Conflicting messages and rule changes leave many players confused over what they should or shouldn’t take, yet many feel that they need to be taking something — just to keep up with everyone else.

Sometimes they come from the team. Redding, who followed coach Marty Schottenheimer to San Diego from Washington, made supplements readily available last year in his only season with the Redskins. Defensive

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SPORTS

Castillo streak ends; Lilly pitches first shutout

MIAMI (AP) — Luis Castillo's 35-game hitting streak came to an end, but he went 4-for-4 Saturday night and was left on deck when the Florida Marlins finished off a four-run rally in the ninth inning to beat the Detroit Tigers 5-4.

After Tim Lincecum's game-ending sacrifice fly, Castillo stood in the on-deck circle and slowly pulled off his batting helmet — obviously disappointed with the end to the 10th longest hitting streak in baseball history.

Manager Jeff Torborg went straight to Castillo, but his arms around the switch-hitting Dominican and whispered into his ear.

Juan Acevedo (1-4) allowed two hits and the winning run. Blaine Neal (1-0) gave up a hit in two innings for his first major league victory.

Dodgers 5, Red Sox 4

LOS ANGELES — Shawn Green hit a two-run homer, and Dave Roberts drove in the go-ahead run with an infield single as Los Angeles beat Boston, handing Derek Lowe (1-3) only his third loss this season.

Dodgers left-hander Omar Daal (5-3), who missed a turn in the rotation because of biceps tendinitis, allowed three runs — two earned — and his first over six innings in his three starts since June 11.

Eric Gagne got the final three outs for his 27th save in 28 chances and his fourth in as many games.

Yankees 1, Padres 0

SAN DIEGO — Ted Lilly pitched a three-hitter and struck out a career-high 11 for his first major league shutout.

While Lilly (3-5) gave the Yankees bullpen what it needed rest, New York spoiled the big league debut of Padres right-hander Jake Peavy (0-1) in front of a crowd of 60,021, the biggest in baseball this year.

Alfonso Soriano doubled on Peavy's first pitch and scored the game's lone run on Jason Giambi's double. Peavy gave up only three hits in six innings.

Lilly allowed just three singles, and only two runners got as far as second. He struck out 10, or more for the second time in his career, while walking only two.

Orioles 4, Giants 2

SAN FRANCISCO — Marty Cordova hit his third homer in less than 24 hours, and 30-year-old rookie Travis Driskill remained unbeaten as Baltimore beat San Francisco.

The Orioles got another good start from Driskill (5-0) in his first season in the majors. He allowed two runs and six hits in five innings before Baltimore's bullpen hung on.

All five of Driskill's victories have come on the road.

Athletics 10, Reds 3

CINCINNATI — Barry Zito got his ninth straight win and Olmedo Saenz hit a two-run double and solo homer in his only at-bats, sending Cincinnati to its season-high sixth straight loss.

Zito (10-2) gave up three hits and made only one bad pitch in seven innings — Sean Casey's three-run homer.

The A's have won six in a row and 14 of 15 overall to catapult them back into contention in the AL West. Oakland is 17-3 in June, best in the majors.

Indians 5, Expos 4

MONTREAL — Bartolo Colon got his team-leading 10th win to lead Cleveland to victory and end Montreal's eight-game winning streak.

Colon (10-4) won his third straight to end Cleveland's four-game losing streak, allowing nine hits and two runs in eight innings.

Travis Ryan made his seventh homer of the season, tying the game at 2 with a two-run shot in the fourth off rookie Zach Day (2-

), who made his first career start. Wickman pitched the ninth for his 47th save in 18 opportunities, despite giving up run scoring hits to Jose Macias and Jose Vidro.

Braves 15, White Sox 2

ATLANTA — Rafael Furcal's three-run homer capped a seven-run fourth inning and Atlanta routed the Chicago White Sox in their highest-scoring game of the year.

Damian Moss (4-2) allowed just two hits in six innings as the Braves improved their interleague record to 11-3 this season. Chipper Jones drove in four runs with a pair of doubles.

Paul Konerko had a pair of homers to account for both White Sox runs. He hit the 100th of his career in the eighth against Kerry Ligtenberg.

Rangers 3, Pirates 2

PITTSBURGH — Ivan Rodriguez drove in the go-ahead run with a double in the seventh inning as Texas overcame a seven-run deficit to beat Pittsburgh.

Rodriguez has three of the Rangers' five RBIs in the series, driving in both runs of a 2-0 victory Friday night with a homer and a double.

Texas starter Rob Bell (3-2), just back from Triple-A Oklahoma, fell behind 2-0 after three batters but settled down to get the victory, the Rangers' fourth in a row and sixth in nine games.

Twins 4, Phillies 1, 11 Innings

PHILADELPHIA — Pinch-hitter Matthew LeCroy looped a go-ahead double to spark a three-run rally down to get the victory, the Rangers' fourth in a row and sixth in nine games.

The Twins, who snapped a three-game losing streak, were 0-for-13 with runners in scoring position until LeCroy came up against Dan Plesac (1-1) with runners on first and second.

LaTroy Hawkins (2-0) pitched a perfect 10th inning, and Eddie Guardado worked the 11th for his 21st save in 23 chances.

Angels 8, Brewers 2

MILWAUKEE — Darin Erstad had four hits and drove in three runs, leading Jared Washburn and Anaheim over Milwaukee.

Washburn (7-2) struck out a career-high 10 in six innings. He pitched out of several jams, working around eight hits and four walks.

The Angels went ahead 3-1 in the second on doubles by Adam Kennedy and David Eckstein and a single by Erstad against Jose Cabrera (3-5). Cabrera threw 55 pitches in the first two innings and left after throwing 90 in four innings.

Royals 5, Mets 1

NEW YORK — Kansas City starter Paul Byrd picked up steam and Raul Ibanez homered and tied a career-high with four RBIs to help Kansas City break an eight-game losing streak with a 5-1 win over the New York Mets.

The struggling Byrd (9-5), who was 0-3 with a 12.86 ERA in his previous three starts, struck his last scheduled start due to tendinitis in his left elbow. But with a little defensive help, he only allowed one run and seven hits in 5 1/3 innings.

Astros 3, Mariners 2, 12 Innings

HOUSTON — Jeff Bagwell, out of the starting lineup after the death of good friend Darby Kile, hit a game-winning, pinch-hit single in the 12th inning to give the Houston Astros a 3-2 victory over the Seattle Mariners on Saturday night.

Bagwell, Craig Biggio and Brad Ausmus, among Kile's best friends when he pitched for Houston, were in the dugout and took batting practice and did not start. Kile's Astros jersey — No. 57 — hung in the Houston dugout.

Barrera beats Morales in rematch

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The rematch was almost as good as their first fight. The time was over, Marco Antonio Barrera made sure the result was different.

A fight for national pride and the claim to be the world's best featherweight went 12 bruising rounds Saturday night before Barrera won a unanimous decision over WBC champion Erik Morales.

Barrera averaged a split decision loss to Morales in their first bout two years ago by waging a tactical fight early and then taking it to the champion in the later rounds.

Morales rushed from the ring after the decision was announced, tears streaming down a face swollen and cut by Barrera in a

fight that had the crowd on its feet cheering the final minutes. The two fighters combined for 1,206 punches.

Two judges had Barrera winning 115-113, while a third had him ahead 116-112. All three gave Barrera five of the six rounds. The Associated Press had Barrera winning 116-112.

The hotly anticipated rematch pitted two Mexicans against each other with more than the 126-pound title on the line. Morales is from Tijuana and Barrera from Mexico City, and the two played up their regional differences.

Major League Baseball

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AMERICAN LEAGUE										
East Division										
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr		
Boston	45	26	.634	-	4-6	L-2	18-15	29-11	5-9	
New York	45	28	.622	5	2-5-5	L-1	22-14	24-14	6-6	
Baltimore	34	38	.472	11.5	4-6	W-1	16-17	18-21	7-7	
Toronto	28	42	.400	16.5	2-8	L-3	15-23	13-19	5-8	
Tampa Bay	24	47	.338	21	4-6	L-3	13-21	11-26	5-8	

Central Division										
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr		
Minnesota	41	33	.554	-	4-6	W-1	24-13	17-20	7-7	
Chicago	35	38	.488	5	2-5-5	L-2	22-16	14-22	6-8	
Cleveland	35	39	.473	6	4-6	W-1	20-16	15-22	6-9	
Kansas City	26	45	.366	13.5	2-8	W-1	14-18	12-27	3-11	
Detroit	25	47	.347	15	2-7-7	L-4	16-19	9-28	4-10	

National League										
East Division										
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr		
Atlanta	45	29	.608	-	2-8-2	W-4	25-15	20-14	11-3	
Florida	39	34	.534	5.5	7-3	W-5	21-14	18-20	9-5	
Montreal	29	44	.398	15.5	9-2	L-1	20-12	13-22	10-4	
New York	37	36	.507	7.5	2-8	W-1	18-16	15-22	8-6	
Philadelphia	31	40	.437	12.5	4-6	L-1	21-17	10-23	8-6	

Central Division										
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr		
St. Louis	40	31	.563	-	6-4	L-2	23-11	17-20	8-4	
Cincinnati	38	34	.528	2.5	2-3-7	L-6	19-18	19-18	2-9	
Houston	32	41	.438	9	2-5-7	W-1	20-16	12-25	3-5	
Pittsburgh	35	42	.450	7.5	2-8	L-1	16-20	16-21	1-7	
Chicago	30	41	.423	10	5-5	W-1	14-20	16-21	5-4	
Milwaukee	26	48	.351	15.5	4-6	L-3	18-23	8-25	1-7	

West Division										
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr		
Arizona	45	27	.625	-	6-4	W-2	25-12	20-15	9-4	
Los Angeles	45	28	.616	-	7-3	W-4	23-14	22-14	10-4	
San Francisco	41	29	.588	1	2-4-4	L-1	22-15	19-16	7-7	
Colorado	35	38	.479	10.5	4-6	W-2	23-16	12-22	4-9	
San Diego	32	42	.432	14	5-5	L-1	21-19	11-23	7-7	

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Los Angeles 5, Boston 4										
Baltimore 4, San Francisco 2										
Minnesota (San Diego 2-1) at Philadelphia (Walt 3-5), 11:35 a.m.										
Cleveland 5, Montreal 4										
Anaheim (Peters 5-6) at Milwaukee (Sheets 0-1), 12:05 p.m.										
Seattle (Pineiro 6-3) at Houston (Saunders 0-1), 12:35 p.m.										
Tampa Bay (Kemp 5-5) at Colorado (Jennings 8-7), 1:05 p.m.										
Detroit (Weaver 5-8) at Florida (Dempster 5-8), 2:05 p.m.										
Baltimore (Johnson 1-5) at San Francisco (L Hernandez 6-7), 2:05 p.m.										
Boston (Arjo 4-1) at Los Angeles (Ashby 6-2), 2:10 p.m.										
Toronto (Halladay 9-3) at Arizona (B Anderson 2-6), 2:35 p.m.										
N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 10-3) at San Diego (Lawrence 7-4), 3:05 p.m.										

NATIONAL LEAGUE										
Saturday's Games										
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Chicago White Sox (Wright 5-7) at Atlanta (Marcus 5-4), 11:05 a.m.										
Kansas City (Getlock 0-0) at N.Y. Mets (Danco 4-8), 11:05 a.m.										
Oakland (Kluber 7-4) at Cincinnati (Reitman 3-4), 11:15 a.m.										
Texas (Paik 2-3) at Pittsburgh (Fogg 7-5), 11:35 a.m.										
Cleveland (Finley 4-8) at Montreal (Amas Jr. 6-7), 11:35 a.m.										
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Errors drop Jerome to consolation game

The Times-News

AMERICAN FALLS — Eight errors sank Jerome's chances in a semifinal game Saturday in the Eagle Wooden Bat Tournament in American Falls.

"We gave up only two earned runs," said a disappointed Jerome head coach Jeremiah Johnston. "They were all not-ready-to-play errors."

Casey Schvanveveldt collected two hits but it wasn't enough as the Boise Gems scored in four straight innings to build an 8-1 lead en route to a 8-4 win.

Jerome (1-7) takes on the Idaho Falls Rangers at 11 a.m. in the third-place game Sunday.

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The Cowboys started the inning with an error as Paul Munn reached and Liechty followed with a single to left center.

SPORTS

Careful Kaye takes lead in Hartford Open

CROMWELL, Conn. (AP) — Jonathan Kaye avoided the late trouble that derailed Phil Mickelson, shooting a 5-under par 65 to take the third-round lead in the Greater Hartford Open.

Golf

Kaye, suspended for two months and placed on probation for the season with a tournament security guard last year, had a 13-under 197 total on the TPC at River Highlands to take a one-stroke lead over Scott Verplank into the final round.

Verplank, who matched the course record with a 61 in the final round last year, birdied six straight holes on the back nine for a 63. Scott Hick was three strokes back after a 66, and David Love III shot a 68 to reach 10 under.

Mickelson played the last three holes in 3 over a 66, leaving the defending champion five strokes back at 8 under, along with Steve Park (66), Jim Carter (66) and Hidemichi Tanaka (68).

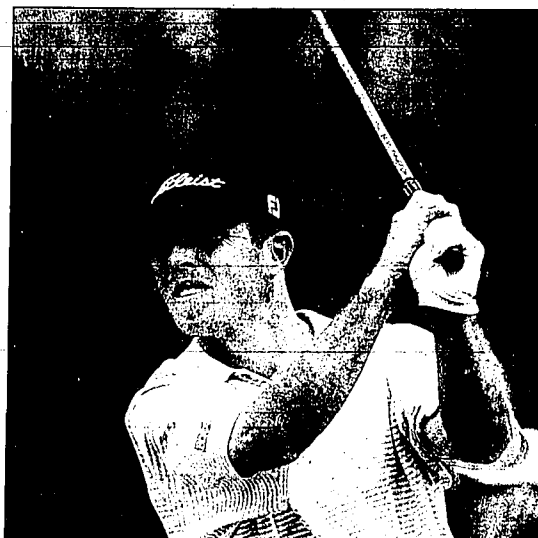
Kim pulls away from Webb

PITTSFORD, N.Y. — Mi Hyun Kim shot her second straight 5-under-par 67 to take sole possession of the lead after three rounds at the LPGA Rochester International.

Kim's third straight round in the 60s put her at 12 under 203, five shots ahead of Australia's Karrie Webb, who rallied with birdies on her final three holes to finish with her second straight 72 and a 208 total.

Defending champion Laura Davies, who had a 69, was another shot back and Juli Inkster was alone in fourth at 210 after a 67. Se Ri Pak also had a 67 and was 211 while Beth Daniel skied to a 74 and was tied with Gloria Park at 212.

Naree Wongluckiet, a 16-year-old amateur from Thailand, con-



Jonathan Kaye watches the flight of his ball off the 18th tee Saturday during third-round action at the Greater Hartford Open in Cromwell, Conn. Kaye holds the lead after the third round after shooting a 5 under par 65 and a three day total of 13 under par 197.

tinued her solid play with a 73 and was at 216.

Record lifts Snead

HUNT VALLEY, Md. — J.C. Snead shot a course record 8-under 64, making an eagle and seven birdies to roar from behind and tie the Rodgers Drive for the lead after two rounds of the Greater Baltimore Classic.

Snead, vying for his first win on the senior tour since 1995, clinched in from 20 feet for a birdie on the 18th hole to cap his finest round of the year and set a

record for the low score at the six-year-old Hayfields Country Club course.

Davis shot a 68 for an 11-under 133 total. The Australian's last win on American soil was in the 1986 NEC World Series of Golf.

John Mahaffey, who began the round in a first-place tie with Davis and Jim Ahern, bogeyed 18 for a 69 and a 134 total. Ahern shot a 71 to close at 136, tied with John Jacobs in fourth place.

Logjam tops North leaders

HEXHAM, England — David

Gifford of England shot a 5-under-par 67 to share the lead with countryman Miles Tunnicliff and Germany's Sven Struwer after three rounds of the Great North Open.

Gifford, a two-time Ryder Cup player in 1991 and '95, made up six shots on Tunnicliff, his playing partner, on the back nine.

Tunnicliff hit six birdies in seven holes early and shot a 68. Struwer had a 74, and a bogey on the final hole dropped him back into a tie with Gifford and Tunnicliff.

World Cup slipper still fits for South Korea

GWANGJU, South Korea (AP) — South Korea kept its improbable World Cup run alive Saturday, upsetting Spain 5-3 in a penalty-kick shootout after a 0-0 tie to become the first Asian nation ever to reach the semifinals.

Hong Myung-bo scored the game-winner after goalkeeper Lee Woon-jae saved a penalty by Joaquin Sanchez.

South Korea, which hadn't won a game at five previous trips to the World Cup, set up a showdown with Germany.

The Germans beat the United States 1-0 on Friday to move into Tuesday's semifinal in Seoul, the South Korean capital.

It was a bitter loss for Spain, in its 11th World Cup. The team had several excellent scoring opportunities late in the game, hitting the post on one and having a goal disallowed on a questionable call by the linesman, who said the ball had crossed the end line.

Turkey 1, Senegal 0, OT

OSAKA, Japan — Turkey had to work overtime to get exactly what it has been asking for: a World Cup semifinal rematch with Brazil.

Substitute Ilhan Mansiz deflected a perfect cross by Umit Davala four minutes into the extra session, lifting one of the longest shots from Europe past surprising Senegal.

Three weeks ago, the four-time champions edged the Turks 2-1 on a late, controversial penalty kick.

Now, the Turks, who dominated the match with the Africans, get another shot at the South Americans.

Turkey had the advantage nearly the entire night against a Senegal team that made a strong impression in its first World Cup appearance. The team that beat France in the tournament's opening, but looked tired against the Turks.

Wimbledon: Sampras goes in with two-year drought

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — No one has won more Wimbledon championships than Pete Sampras. No one has won more Grand Slam singles titles.

And Pistol Pete never has been saddled with a drought as distressing as the one he drags to the All England Club when play begins Monday.

It's been two years and 29 events since Sampras packaged his trademark skills — booming serve, crisp volleys, fearsome forehand — well enough match after match to win a tournament of any sort. He last featured a trophy at Wimbledon in 2000.

"As you get a little older, as Slams go by, it's pretty difficult to kind of get over it," Sampras says. "It's like I'm not going to have the next 10 years to have an opportunity. Each time one goes by, it's one that you have to wait a year to come back and try to do it."

No. 1 for a record total of 286 weeks, like I'm not going to be in the ATP rankings, his match record is barely above .500 in 2002 (16-13), and — even with the help of Wimbledon's policy of assisting seedings based in part on grass-court ability rather than purely on rankings — his No. 6 seeding is his lowest since he was eighth in 1991.

"It don't enjoy losing, and that's been happening a lot this year," says Sampras, bounced from the Australian Open in the fourth round and from the French Open in the first round. "It's a very,

very big test for me, but I know I can get through it. It's something on my way to building as impressive a Wimbledon resume as Sampras' is Venus Williams, the two-time defending women's champion. She's seeded No. 1, and younger sibling Serena is No. 2, meaning they couldn't face each other until the final; potentially paving the way for sister Slam III.

A woman named Williams has won six of the past 11 major titles, and two of the past three Grand Slam tournaments have featured all-in-the-family finals.

Jennifer Capriati, a Wimbledon semifinalist last year and winner of three majors since the start of 2001, Jelena Dokic, and Belgians Justine Henin and Kim Clijsters, also should fare well. Past champions Martina Hingis and Lindsay Davenport are injured.

Sampras has a fairly favorable record, not facing a true challenge until potential quarterfinal foe Marat Safin, and still might prove capable of adding to his seven Wimbledon titles (only William Renshaw, whose last came in 1899, won as many) and 13 Grand Slam trophies.

Still, he's no longer the overwhelming favorite he was for so many years on grass. Top-seeded Lleyton Hewitt, No. 2 Andre Agassi, and No. 4 Tim Henman all have to be considered more serious title contenders, given their recent form.

Rubin beats Myskina in Eastbourne final 6-1, 6-3

EASTBOURNE, England (AP) — Ananda Rubin beat Anastasia Myskina 6-1, 6-3 in the final of the Eastbourne grass-court tournament Saturday.

It was the first title for the American since Quebec City in September 2000. Rubin was knocked out of the Eastbourne semifinals the past two years and was the runner-up to Nathalie Tauziat in 1995.

Rubin has played only five tournaments since having knee surgery in January that

kept her off the tour until May.

It was Myskina's second final loss in two weeks. She was beaten by top-seeded Jelena Dokic in the DFS Classic in Birmingham.

Bjorkman beats Arthurs to win Samsung Open

NOTTINGHAM, England — Jonas Bjorkman earned his first tour title in four years Saturday when he beat Wayne Arthurs 6-2, 6-7 (5), 6-2 to win the Samsung Open.

The 20-year-old Bjorkman, who also won the event in 1998, didn't drop his serve all week as he beat top-seeded Andy Roddick in the first round and third-seeded Greg Rusedski in the semifinals.

Bjorkman now will look ahead to next week's Wimbledon where he will play top-seeded Lleyton Hewitt.

Greek upstart pulls off upset in Ordina final

DEN BOSCH, The Netherlands

— Greek men's singles player Eleni Daniilidou rallied to knock off No. 3 seed Elena Dementieva of Russia 3-6, 6-2, 6-3 Saturday in the women's final of the Ordina Open.

In the men's semifinals, No. 6 Sjeng Schalken of The Netherlands knocked out second Tommy Robredo of Spain 6-3, 6-5 while No. 7 seed Arnaud Clement of France dented Argentina's Guillermo Canas, the No. 3 seed, 7-6(7), 6-2.

Ephedra

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tackle Dan Wilkinson grew so skeptical of Redding's products that he took some home to Ohio for his own doctor to examine.

While Redding says he stopped offering ephedra products to players when the NFL announced its ban, he's not convinced the league did the right thing.

"They've haven't solved the problem," Redding said. "They've just created another problem — because these guys will do something else."

"These guys are under a lot of pressure," he said. "It's a pressure cooker every day, and sometimes they feel like they need to do a little extra."
"The NFL has been proactive when it comes to drugs. Steroids, the subject of controversy now in baseball, were banned 13 years ago. Random testing is routine. So when word got out about the potential dangers of ephedra, the NFL became the first U.S. pro sports league to ban it. It cited the "growing evidence linking these products to severe life-threatening conditions such as strokes, seizures, thermo-regulatory disorders and heart arrhythmias."

Earlier this month, the Bush administration delayed a government ban of ephedra and instead ordered a new safety review, stalling doctors who claim the stimulant is responsible for as many as 100 deaths since the mid-1990s. Ephedra remains available in about 200 supplements used for weight loss, building muscle and toning energy.

Although the NFL's ban came into effect last September, random testing for ephedra doesn't begin until July 1. A positive test could result in a four-game suspension, and that has players' attention.
"As far as walking about the locker room, I don't see any of those bottles that I used to see," Mason said. "Guys are going to be smart. Once you see that sign saying 'this substance banned' — you weigh the costs. You test positive, you won't be here."

Some see another cost. "They've heard that a bottle of Ripped Fuel, which contains ephedra, was found in the locker of Minnesota Vikings tackle Corey Stringer after he collapsed and died during a training camp practice last year. The Vikings and Stringer's agent have said there's no evidence ephedra caused his

death, but many players are anxious.

Estimates vary widely on how many players have used ephedra. Giants trainer Ronnie Barnes estimated that around 40 players on New York's 53-man roster used it before the ban and 20 kept using it after the ban went into effect.

Redding estimated that perhaps one-third of all players used ephedra at some point.
"Meanwhile, others are already searching for the next ephedra. Brown thinks it could be already finding its way into supplements."

"For many, the stimulant of choice is caffeine, which is legal and everywhere. There are caffeine pills and caffeine drinks. Redding said the same case made against ephedra could be made against caffeine. Too much is bad, but the right dose could do some good.

"No one says anything about their drinking coffee all day long," Redding said. "It's OK for everybody to have a Coca-Cola machine their locker room and have as much as they want, but if I hand them a responsible caffeine drink with a lot of nutrients in it, I'm crazy."

Mason and his wife are independent distributors for a company that sells a fruit drink called Tahitian Noni Juice, and he said about 20 teammates drink it.

"A lot of guys are taking the juice, and it's benefiting them," Mason said. "It's not going to cause you to test positive, and it's natural."

But in the current climate, everyone is cautious. Receiver Kevin Lockett said Mason's drink has helped his endurance, but he researched it for more than a month before trying it.

Bubba Tyler is unconvinced. The dean of NFL trainers before accepting a management position with the Redskins this year, Tyler sees no room in the NFL for ephedra, caffeine concoctions — or even Mason's fruit drink.

Tyer knows his arguments don't win over all the players. Stimulants and other supplements aren't going away anytime soon. He even said some will keep using ephedra, despite the risk of getting caught by a random test.

"They won't have it here in their locker — they'll have it at home," Tyer said. "What are you going to do?"

Rodeo

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Erickson wasn't at all disappointed that he fell just short of the all-around title for the second straight year.

Instead, he was happy to have given Miller a good competition.

"He's real handy," Erickson said. "He's a good cowboy."

With just one rodeo remaining in his high school athletic career, Erickson said he's had a good run — especially this year.

He was selected as the Class 1A, 11-Man football player of the year by The Times-News after leading the Trojans to a second-place finish in state and placed sixth in state wrestling championships to lead Rifer to the top finish by a 1A school in the Class 2A-1A competition.
"It's been a lot of fun," he said. "I've been a lot of fun. I learned how to work hard and believe in myself."
Jed Hutchison joined the Ericksons as Trojans with berths to nationals thanks to a fourth-place finish in bull riding.

Twin Falls cowgirls Kasi: Roo (goat tying) and Andrea Sparks (breakaway roping) also qualified with Wendell's Dan Webb (calf roping). The team roping duo of Minico's Josh Kendall and Filer's Jade Meacham also qualified for nationals.

Kile

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Shortly before the game was supposed to start, La Russa walked across the field to meet with Cubs general manager Andy MacPhail and Girardi. Then all the Cubs came out of the dugout and stood behind Girardi as he addressed the crowd.

An announcement was later made that the game would be made up later.

Kile was 5-4 with a 3.72 ERA in 14 games this season. He last pitched Tuesday, serving six hits in 7-23 innings and winning for the third time in four starts.

The win gave the Cardinals sole possession of first place in the NL Central for the first time since April 15.

The death was the second in the Cardinals family this week. On Tuesday, longtime broadcaster Jack Buck died at 77 after a long illness.

With an exceptional overhand curveball, Kile had his best season in 2000, when he went 20-9 with a 3.91 ERA in his first year in NL. Cy Young was finishing fifth in NL Cy Young voting.

Kile pitched a no-hitter while with Houston in 1993 against the

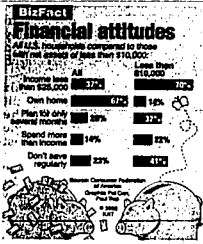
New York Mets. He was 133-119 in 11-plus major league seasons.

"Once you take the ball, you've got a job to do," he said after his last start.

He is survived by his wife, Flynn, their 5-year-old twins, a boy and a girl, and a son who was born last August.

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Anti-bureaucracy committee meets Friday

TWIN FALLS - The Reducing Idaho's Bureaucracy Committee will hold a Small Business Information Fair from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday at the Idaho Department of Labor, 771 College Road.

About 15 agencies will be on hand to provide regulatory information such as registering and structuring a business, paying taxes and avoiding penalties, which forms to file and other employer responsibilities.

Admission is \$10. Preregistration is required; call 735-2056.

Buy Idaho membership meeting will be Oct. 11

BOISE - The Buy Idaho annual membership meeting will be held Oct. 11 at the Owyhee Plaza Hotel in Boise.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne will be the keynote speaker at a noon luncheon. Participants will hear a report from the organization's officers and directors. They may bring their business cards to network with others and, if they wish, door prizes to be given away at the end of the meeting.

Kempthorne has been the television spokesman for the past three years for Buy Idaho, a nonprofit, private corporation.

Cost is \$35. Seating is limited and early registration is advised. To reserve a space, call Barbara at 343-2582.

Western States Equipment chooses new V.P. of service

MERIDIAN - Western States Equipment, the Caterpillar dealer for eastern Oregon and Washington, Idaho and western Montana and Wyoming, chose Greg Carlson as its new vice president of service.

Western States has a Twin Falls location.

Carlson's last position with a Caterpillar dealership was vice president of sales for Washington and Alaska for NC Machinery, headquartered in Seattle. In addition to sales management, Carlson's experience includes Caterpillar construction machinery sales, lift truck sales, and parts and service sales.

U.S. Bank redesigns Web site with new features

TWIN FALLS - U.S. Bank introduced a redesigned Internet banking site at usbank.com.

The bank said its new site features:

- A snapshot view of all accounts - checking, savings, credit card, loan, credit line and mortgage accounts - on a single screen that shows the name and type of the account, the balance and total amount available in each account.
- The ability to create account nicknames, such as "John's Checking" or "Jane's College Fund," instead of memorizing lengthy account numbers.
- Transaction detail presented in a new screen design that resembles a checkbook register and is easy to sort to find specific transactions.
- A simplified funds transfer process in which the option is always available on the left side of the screen.
- Plus, all accounts and account balances are visible during the entire process so there's no need to remember account numbers or balances.
- Improved navigation in which more options are one click away.

Compiled from staff reports

Home building heats up in T.F.

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Expect to hear hammers all summer in the city's developing neighborhoods.

Single-family home builders last month took permits for 40 new houses which alone total more in value than all of the construction - commercial, residential, remodeling, signs, more so forth - permitted a year ago in Twin Falls.

With that boost the city in May posted a 53.9 percent rise in overall construction activity, compared with May 2001 values. That's an important economic indicator for business people to watch.

Twin Falls' construction starts last month leaped by \$1.76 million in total values, making the fifth consecutive month of year-over-year improvement. The city issued building permits for projects totaling an estimated \$5.072 million for combined construction types.

By comparison, Twin Falls' construction values a year ago climbed a more modest 8.7 percent from May 2000 values.

This May's growth brought year-to-date 2002's tally to \$22.324 million for combined types, compared with \$14.895 million for the first five months of 2001. That's a \$7.429 million advance in construction values so far this year, or 49.9 percent.

When in Twin Falls, house builders are on track to set a new annual record for single-family home construction in the city this year.

"I think we're seeing some release of pent-up demand. And with low interest rates, we're seeing builders building more specs," said Jeff Gooding, president of Magic Valley Builders Association. Spec homes are constructed before any purchaser signs.

Local builders in early June



showcased 21 new, never-lived-in houses in their annual Parade of Homes. Gooding said 80 percent of those houses were sold before builders completed them.

"It's certainly not typical," he said. Ordinarily, 40 percent or so would be available for sale when the public takes the annual tour.

At least four houses in this year's Parade of Homes sold to Dell Computer Corp. employees who moved to Twin Falls from out of the area, Gooding said.

May's 40 permits for new single-family homes more than doubled the 18 such permits of May 2001.

But those Twin Falls homes' average estimated value last month slipped 7 percent to \$89,755 from the \$96,521 of a year earlier. Still, it stayed above May 2000's \$87,537 average.

Meanwhile, the city issued permits last month for no new apartments and for just one mobile home.

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Recent numbers at a glance

↑ Here's how Twin Falls' total construction values in the past six months stacked up against the same months a year earlier:

May '02	up 54 percent
April '02	up 25 percent
March '02	up 24 percent
February '02	up 51 percent
January '02	up 146 percent
December '01	down 36 percent

The May report

↓ Estimated values for construction that received permits in May from Twin Falls city:

Type	May '02	May '01	May '00
New single-family homes:	\$3,590,196	\$1,737,378	\$1,934,614
New multifamily units:	0	\$131,524	\$400,747
New commercial projects:	\$654,221	\$598,566	\$266,471
Commercial alterations/additions:	\$447,784	\$499,358	\$154,287
Total (including such things as mobile homes, residential alterations and additions and signs):	\$5,072,354	\$3,296,239	\$3,032,551

Source: City building department



Chris Hoy, owner of C&A Construction, works on securing dry-wall backing on a garage frame for a new single-family home in Twin Falls.

LISA M. COLLARD/The Times-News

Warehouse, office, hanger lead commercial activity

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A multipurpose warehouse, an office building and a hangar for a fire-fighting contractor topped Twin Falls' list of commercial construction projects permitted in May.

That permit list opens a window to the city's business growth and investment - who's new in the market, and who's expanding. Here's the news behind some of that sector's numbers.

Storage strength

The month's most expensive commercial project is Frontier Moving & Storage's new 15,680-square-foot warehouse at 2380 Eldridge Ave., a \$32.27 project. Of that space, 9,000 square feet will be leased to Wilbur-Ellis Co. as a replacement for that company's Murtaugh warehouse. Frontier co-owner Ken Edmunds



said. Wilbur-Ellis, which sells chemicals and other supplies for turf and crops, is shifting to Twin Falls to be more centrally located for golf course and other clients, he said.

Frontier will tailor other space in the new warehouse as military-rated storage for in-transit military personnel, Edmunds said. Other space is for Allied Van Lines Inc.'s household-goods operation. Frontier has been the franchised agent for Allied since 1994, running the business from Frontier's current warehouses.

Last year Frontier added a client, Nelson-Jameson Inc., that specializes in dairy equipment

and products and took over a portion of Frontier's warehouses, Edmunds said.

Frontier is leaving off-site storage for some of its needs, he said, but after this summer's construction project concludes, Frontier can get everything back on site.

The new construction abuts the back portion of Frontier's existing property, forming an L shape that wraps around the Sawtooth Door Co. site. Edmunds expects construction to conclude in mid-August.

Aerial command

When fire strikes in southern Idaho this summer, Spur Aviation Services LC pilots will chauffeur the fire-fighting coordinators who dispatch equipment and personnel from the air.

"We're kind of like a small aerial command center," said Ellen Walker, president of the Twin Falls company.

In its first year of business, Spur Aviation has federal contracts with the Bureau of Land Management for the Pocatello, Boise and Twin Falls regions she said. When someone reports a fire, the BLM contacts Spur Aviation and sends up a BLM air-attack coordinator with the company's pilot and plane. From the air, the coordinator by radio tells bombers where to dump fire retardant and directs other fire-fighting forces.

"We have to have very specialized radios in the aircraft just for him," Walker said.

The Twin Falls contract started June 17, Walker said, and the Boise and Pocatello contracts start this weekend. But Spur Aviation has kept its crew busy with short-term rental agreements for fires in other states.

"We've been to Colorado, we've been to New Mexico," she said.

Walker said she and her husband were in the industry for a few years before starting Spur Aviation. They're leasing office space at Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport until the company's hangar is built this summer on land leased from the airport.

A May building permit for the 8,000-square-foot hangar at 203 Joslin Way shows a value of \$137,600 for construction.

Spur Aviation has four air-attack aircraft and plans to add more, Walker said. The new hangar will hold the company's entire fleet room for expansion.

Fred fills 'em up

A blue Lakes Boulevard North restorer is counting on customers wanting to combine a shopping trip with filling the car's gas tank.

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Workers say background checks go too far

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - The night Donald Ake was busted for buying a bag of marijuana, he spent six hours in jail, paid a \$1,000 fine and immediately tried to push that "little trouble with the law" out of his mind.

That's where it stayed, until pharmaceutical maker Eli Lilly and Co. began doing criminal background checks this year of everyone who accesses its facilities, and unearched the Indianapolis sheetmetal worker's 1993 arrest record. Lilly barred Ake from its property, and he lost his construction job.

"I could see if I'd been convicted

of making bombs or being a member of the KKK or something ... but God, I liked to smoke pot 10 years ago," said Ake, who was out of a job for more than four months and blames the financial pressures for the breakup of his marriage. "They (Lilly) have destroyed my life and it's like, tough luck."

Complaints like Ake's are becoming more common, a side effect of stricter security by many companies following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

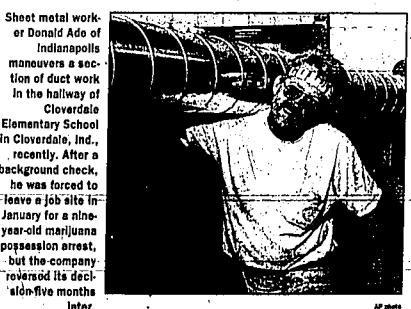
Many employers have begun scrutinizing the past of workers and job applicants, in an effort to protect their facilities and personnel from being attacked from

within. But some workers say companies are going too far, invading their privacy by digging up information with little if any bearing on security and using it as grounds for dismissal or discipline.

"It doesn't seem proper for an employer to be going through your dirty laundry," said Gary Shultz, president of a Transport Workers Union local in Dallas, which has filed suit against Southwest Airlines for the way it conducts background checks of ground workers.

"I'm all for safety, but there's got to be a line drawn somewhere. Your privacy has to be worth something," Shultz said.

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YOUR BUSINESS

CAREER MOVES

TWIN FALLS - The Times-News' coverage of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks was judged the best in the region among papers its size, in this year's Utah-Idaho-Shoshone Associated Press Association contest.

Five individual Times-News employees also received awards.

The newspaper's first-day coverage of the terrorist attacks prompted these comments from contest judges:

"The Times-News' coverage of the events of Sept. 11 was comparable to that offered by papers many times its size. It featured strong long stories and photos; abundant information about how readers responded and how they could help; and a very effective and compelling presentation. The mix of stories covered all bases. Overall, the paper's coverage not only reported on the day's carnage and who might be responsible, but it moved the story ahead substantially."

The five individual awards:

• **Copy editor Christian Draper** took first place in cartoons for one showing of the Idaho State Capitol building wrapped in a giant chain and padlock. The cartoon illustrated commentary on statehouse security following the Sept. 11 attacks.

• **Mini-Cassia sportswriter Scott Thompson** won first place in sports columns for a column about his high school classmate Eric Bergoust, who has become an Olympic freestyle aerial skier.

• **Chief Photographer Bruce Shields** took first place in spot news photography for a photo of a train wreck in Jerome County. A semi-truck collided with a freight train in an intersection with a history of train collisions.

• **Business Editor Virginia S. Hutchins** won second place in specialized reporting for an inside look at the fast-moving negotiations that occurred behind closed doors to lure Dell Computer Corp.'s technical-support center to Twin Falls.

• **Reporter Robert Mayer** took third place in general reporting for a story about Evelyn Crowder, the retired public school teacher who, upon her death, bequeathed \$2 million to Jerome's public library and school district.

The Times-News and its employees competed in a division for newspapers of less than 50,000 circulation.

TWIN FALLS - Donna J. Bach received the 2001 Idaho Businessman of the Year Award from the National Republican Central Committee.

The award recognizes U.S.

business leaders who have integrated business and financial success with the support of Republican issues such as tax cuts and debt reduction, promoters said.

Bach was selected for her efforts as a member of the NRCC's Business Advisory Council. The council is made up of business people from across the country who have joined with Republicans in the House of Representatives to provide support for a pro-business agenda in Congress. Bach was instrumental in helping pass an across-the-board tax cut last year, as well as an economic stimulus package, a press release said.

TWIN FALLS - Brian Higgins, senior instructor of Diversified Martial Arts, co-authored "Black Belt Minds," a vocabulary and character-building coloring book and workbook.

"Black Belt Minds" was featured in the June issue of Martial Arts Success, an internationally distributed trade journal for martial arts instructors.

TWIN FALLS - KMYT-TV hired Candace Baltz as a news reporter.

Baltz recently moved from Washington, where she anchored and produced Cable 8 News, Channel 11 man's local news station. While there, she specialized in investigative reporting.

She graduated May 11 from Washington State University with a bachelor's degree in communication and began work at KMYT as a general assignment reporter May 28.

TWIN FALLS - Wells Fargo announced the promotion of Danao Klimes to business banker at the South Central Idaho Business Banking Center in Twin Falls.

Klimes will manage a portfolio of small businesses, handling customers' lending and service needs. She is also responsible for developing new commercial and agricultural business.

Klimes graduated from Boise State University. She joined Wells Fargo in 1999 as a management trainee and has worked as an assistant relationship manager at the Twin Falls business banking center since 2000. She currently attends the Western Agricultural Banking School, with concentrated sessions held in Pullman, Wash.

TWIN FALLS - Dave Little received additional certification from the Back School of Atlanta in musculoskeletal disorders.

The additional training includes Twin Falls' Little as a Certified Assessment

Ergonomics

Specialist, which meets Occupational Safety and Health Administration standards for on-site work assessments and evaluations for occupational health, industrial medicine and ergonomic problems.

Little has been a physical therapist for 20 years, with 17 years in the Magic Valley with Family Physical Therapy and Sport Injury Clinic. He also has specialized training in carpal tunnel testing and hand therapy and performs general rehabilitation as a physical therapist.

BURLEY - Billie Ann James of Burley graduated June 7 from Professional Truck Driving School. She acquired her tankers, hazardous materials and doubles/triples endorsements and a Class A commercial driver's license.

She will work for Handy Truck Line Inc. in Paul.

FILER - Reis Plumbing & Heating recently honored Wally Tanner, journeyman plumber, for 25 years of employment and superior workmanship.

Tanner began his career with Reis Plumbing & Heating in 1977 as an apprentice plumber. As a lead journeyman with the company, he has supervised many commercial and industrial projects in the community.

He and co-worker Jay Reis recently attended a 42-hour class and received certification by the National ITC Corp. Examination Board in medical gas system installation and brazing.

RUPERT - Terry Bolte Montague of Rupert was invited to write the staff column of Meridian Magazine, an ezine founded by Scot Proctor of Washington, D.C.

Montague's assignment will include writing and editing the Extraordinary Stories column, stories of ordinary LDS people who have faced extraordinary challenges.

Meridian Magazine has been in operation for nearly four years and has a readership in more than 120 countries, she said.

Meridian Magazine is online at www.meridianmagazine.com. Montague can be reached at zwimontag@safelink.net.

JEROME - Andrew S. Ross recently joined the office of Hall & Associates in Jerome.

Ross, originally from Danmariscotta, Minn., moved to the Magic Valley in June 1995 from Key West, Fla. He received a bachelor's degree from American University in Economics & International Studies.

Ross has been in the insurance industry for one year. Prior to that, he worked in sales for Roy Raymond Ford, Jules Harrison Ford and Middleknap Automotive Group.

Ross and his wife, Susan, live in Twin Falls. He can be reached at 324-0044.

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Construction.

Swiss-based Pilatus Presented Western with its 2001 Best Center Advertising Award. In turn, Western honored HNA.

HNA also represents clients in construction, financial services, manufacturing, real estate, travel and resorts.

MILESTONES

PICKET FENCE CRAFTS



Jeff and Donette Fackrell, at center with scissors, cut the ribbon commemorating the grand opening of their store's new location, 1259 Overland Ave. in Burley. They are joined by representatives of the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce for the event. Picket Fence is a craft store that carries a variety of gifts, florals, candles, wood pieces and more.

DANI'S DO AND DYE



Dani's Do and Dye holds a ribbon cutting to commemorate its grand opening recently. The business is owned by Dani Gamor, a licensed nail technician and cosmetologist. The salon offers all salon services, including hair, nails, facials, massage and tanning, as well as a selection of salon products for sale. The business opened Dec. 3 at 1252 Oakley Ave. in Burley and can be reached at 878-3264. At center with the scissors is Dani Gamor, owner. To her left is Brenda Bailey and to Gamor's right is Kelly Hawkes; both work in the salon. They are joined by members of the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce. Not pictured are Teresa Verwoy, April Sellers and Sally Qualls of Dani's Do and Dye.

Magic Valley gets new parenting magazine Sept. 1

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Parents Magazine is coming to the Twin Falls area. The first 12,000 copies will be available Sept. 1 for free in grocery stores, libraries, schools, child-care centers, restaurants and other community places frequented by families, the magazine's publisher said.

Published by Summit Creek Press, Magic Valley Parents Magazine joins other family magazines by Summit Creek Press: Portneuf Valley Parents Magazine, Cache Valley Parents Magazine and Upper Valley Parents Magazine.

Summit Creek Press welcomes submissions from local writers; call Publisher/Editor Janet Marugg at 233-2336 or cell number 716-0118, or e-mail janet@summitcreekpress.com.

Managing advertising sales for the magazine in the greater Twin Falls area is Publisher/Director of Marketing Paul Hathaway, who can be reached by cell phone at 716-0117 or by e-mail at paul@summitcreekpress.com.

Magic Valley Parents Magazine is a monthly publication featuring articles and columns on parenting and family life. A calendar of local events for families and businesses is included. The magazine solicits news about family-related events; news can be given to Marugg by phone or e-mail.

The company's Web site is at www.summitcreekpress.com.

Local doctor presents magnification device

TWIN FALLS - Dr. Robert Grill and the Twin Falls Eye Center now offer the VideoEye PowerZoom Magnification system, a high-tech device that enables macular degeneration victims and others suffering from central vision loss to see to read, write and perform many other tasks.

The VideoEye system has a 27-inch screen and offers both color and black-and-white images. The VideoEye PowerZoom incorporates optical zoom to give magnification up to 100 power. It gives a crisp, clean image even at the highest magnification level, a press release said. The PowerZoom has fingertip control, allowing the user to simply zoom in and out with the push of a button without having to adjust the viewing head.

To try a VideoEye system, call the Twin Falls Eye Center at 734-9800 or VideoEye Corp. directly at (800) 416-0758.

Regional carrier unit earns Achievement Award

TWIN FALLS - USF Reddaway, a regional carrier unit of USFreightways Corp., received a 2001 Carrier

CONTRIBUTIONS

• Fifty homes throughout Idaho and Utah were brightened up during Zions Bank's 12th annual Paint-a-Thon last week. More than 2,500 Zions Bank employees and their families scraped, prepped and painted homes as part of this year's volunteer event.

Employees from Zions Bank's Gooding and Twin Falls branches painted the home of Betty McLaughlin at 208 Washington in Gooding. Employees from Zions Bank's Burley branch painted the home of Buchla

Christensen at 1818 Grandview Lane in Burley.

The Zions Bank Paint-a-Thon started in 1991 with 12 homes, primarily along Utah's Wasatch Front. Over the past 11 years, Zions Bank employees have volunteered evenings and Saturdays for a week each year to scrape, prep and paint a total of 378 homes throughout Utah and Idaho.

The Paint-a-Thon is targeted to low-income, elderly and disabled homeowners. The average age of this year's homeowner is 77, with an average monthly income of \$940, Zions said. The projects are selected with the assistance of state housing agencies, community organizations and local churches.

In addition to painting, Zions employees provide yard clean-up, pruning, mowing, planting and minor repairs as needed by the homeowner. Zions Bank contributes the cost of paint and supplies.

Zions Bank volunteer crew in Burley includes, at top from left, Mike Eilenberger and Kelly Anderson; and at bottom from left, Janis Gransbury, Lonna Treilino, Janet Eilenberger, Cyndee Clark and Arlene Rosa.

Aircraft dealer honors Idaho company with award for ads

BOISE - Western Aircraft Inc., a dealer of Pilatus PC12 charter planes, presented Idaho-based agency HNA with an award for work on its most recent advertising campaign.

MILESTONES

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Lack of supplies threatens national organic standards

By Cathy Roemer
As Weekly Correspondent

JEROME—“We are approaching the eleventh hour,” said Dave Carter, chairman of the National Organic Standards Board in Washington, D.C. Carter referred to October 2002 as the scheduled month when federal organic certification standards will be implemented. Carter described the regulation development process that began in 1990 as long and arduous. The results have been rewarding, however. National participation rules will provide continuity of standards to organic growers across the country thus boosting consumer confidence when they see the USDA organic seal.

But the process has not been without detractors — the most recent coming from a commercial poultry producer in Georgia. The poultry firm requested U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman to waive organic feed requirements for their operation citing lack of commercially available supplies in Georgia.

In a letter to Secretary Veneman, Carter said organic feed is available in Georgia. Two organic milling companies contacted Carter stating their ability to supply feed into the organic market.

“The bottom line is the price,” Carter said. “Organic feed is more expensive and the poultry company wants the standards changed so they can buy cheaper and make a fast buck.”

To date, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has not bent to pressure from the Georgia poultry company. National organic



standard will go into effect as scheduled for October 2002.

Farmers still work on sorting out farm bill details

BURLEY — Although many of the rules governing the new farm bill haven't been finished yet, one thing is a certainty. In the midst of the busy growing season, farmers will have to make tough decisions that will determine their farm program payments for the next five years. One of the most basic questions farmers need to ask themselves is: Should I update my base and acres? The Farm Service Agency will provide information and options to participating farmers, but they can't make the decision.

“In the end, you're the one who has to sign the piece of paper,” Wayne Hammon told about 30 people at a town hall meeting on the farm bill in Burley on Thursday. Hammon is the state director for Farm Service Agency in Idaho.

Horizon Organic sues California ag department

BOULDER, Colo. — Horizon Organic Holding Corp. (NASDAQ: HOCW), America's leading brand of organic foods, and Straus Family Creamery, which



Nathan Jones raises organic melons on land he farms bordering the Snake River. Melons are the least of his crops, but he grows them to sell at local farmers markets.

produces California's premium-quality organic dairy products, have filed a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California, stating that California's Milk

Stabilization & Pooling Plans Violate their state and federal constitutional rights to equal protection and due process.

Horizon Organic — with an operation in Paul — and Straus Family Creamery are also seeking an injunction to prohibit the continued application of the Milk Stabilization & Pooling Plans to their organic dairy operations.

The complaint alleges that the state imposed pooling fees require the two companies to subsidize the conventional dairy industry.

At issue are state regulations that require all California dairy processors — either milk bottlers or dairy product manufacturers — to contribute fees into a pool designed to ensure sustainable income for milk producers.

Biotechnology could help boost potato profits

IDAHO FALLS — A new study conducted by the National Center for Food and Agriculture Policy shows that potato growers could benefit greatly from the use of biotechnology.

In the case of Idaho's potato industry a fungus — verticillium wilt — infects potatoes creating severe drought symptoms and is only controlled by applying a costly fumigant, the study shows. Biotech varieties, however, could save potatoes from yield losses up to 40 percent.

But the bottom line on biotechnology is acceptance. “Until it is accepted worldwide GMO (genetically modified organisms) will not be a part of Idaho's potato crop,” said Keith Frank, director of information services for Potato

Growers of Idaho.

But Frank sees the use of fewer chemicals to equal growth as an advantage.

Using transgenic potato plants could significantly reduce fumigant use — by 28.4 million pounds a year — and would save \$18 million a year, the study shows.

Sugar beet farmers would benefit from GMO varieties

RUPERT — Sugar beets are one of the many crops that could benefit from biotechnology, according to a new study.

U.S. sugar beet growers typically make three to four herbicide applications each year, and each application consists of three to four active ingredients, the study says.

Annually, sugar beet growers spend about \$15 million for herbicides and \$33 million to apply them along with \$22 million for cultivation and \$42 million for hand weeding.

“An estimated \$136 per acre is spent annually by sugar beet growers for weed management,” the study says.

Perry Meuleman, president of Idaho Sugarbeet Growers Association, said there is no question that biotechnology is needed.

“Cost of production is going up. Our No. 1 problem is weeds,” he said. “It would improve our profits. We need all the tools we can get.”

But the reality for Meuleman and other beet growers is that genetically modified organisms have not been accepted.

“As far as the consumer aspect — they are reluctant to buy it,” he said.

Checks

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Conflicts over background checks are flaring up in more workplaces.

In addition to the Southwest suit, a union representing Northwest Airlines workers sued the carrier. Both airlines were responding to a new federal law requiring carriers to screen out workers who had committed any of 28 specific criminal offenses during the past 10 years.

But the unions say the airlines turned up information on relatively minor offenses beyond the scope of the 28 specified, some from many years past, and have fired a handful of those workers.

A spokeswoman for Dallas-based Southwest, Linda Rutherford, said the company was only following the government mandate in conducting background checks. She would not comment on whether Southwest's searches went beyond what was required by law, or other specifics, citing concerns about security and the pending lawsuit.

The suit against Northwest by the Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal Association was dismissed in April. But the airline announced last month it would limit its background checks to the scope set by the law.

At Lilly, which has done background checks on its own employees since the mid-1990s, new scrutiny of suppliers, construction workers and others with access to sites led the company to bar 194 people from its property. The company notes that any decision to fire workers was made by their own employers, and was not imposed by Lilly.

In the months since, the company has reversed its decision regarding 13 of those workers including Ade, who was notified in late April he could return. By that time, his employer had already fired him, he said.

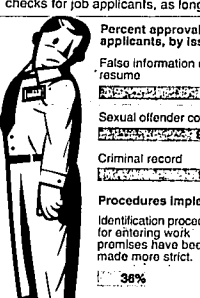
“We feel we have a fair and equitable standard and that's dedicated to protecting the safety and security of everyone who works at our facilities, as well as our products,” said Joan Todd, a Lilly spokeswoman.

Such checks on workers not actually employed by firms have also sparked tension elsewhere. Managers at IBM, which runs data processing operations for corporate clients, have been fielding complaints from some of the employees it dispatches to those customer sites.

Some IBM employees are alarmed by client firms' attempts

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Anecdotal evidence shows that workers are unhappy with being scrutinized by their companies. But a recent survey of 1,258 employed adults shows that most people approve of the background checks for job applicants, as long as they aren't too intrusive.



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to screen out people who are not native-born U.S. citizens, said Cynthia Neff, the company's director of corporate privacy and human resources public policy. The issue is key since computer-related fields have a large immigrant work force, she said.

“Our employees have been complaining to us that this is unsuitable, this is an invasion of my privacy,” Neff said.

Screening of job applicants and current workers is not new for many employers. But the scope and stringency of that scrutiny has multiplied considerably since September. Large majorities of workers favor some types of background checks, but have misgivings about others, according to a new survey by Privacy & American Business magazine.

More than 90 percent of workers queried said they favored checking whether job applicants' resumes contain false information, or whether they have been convicted of sexual offenses. But only about a quarter of those surveyed approved of checking personal bankruptcy and credit history.

Just over half the workers surveyed said their employers should be doing more detailed screening of job applicants, but only about a

third want more detailed checks of current employees.

Privacy advocates say very broad checks risk are unnecessarily invasive. Clearly, there are instances where a person's record is critical to whether they should be allowed on a job, said Lewis Malby, president of the National Workrights Institute, a Princeton, N.J., group focused on employee rights.

It makes sense, Malby said, to bar someone convicted of drunk driving from driving a school bus.

The problem comes if employers ban anyone with such a record from any job, he said.

“That concept, that it shouldn't be all or nothing, is lost in the shuffle today because everyone is scared after 9/11,” Malby said. “I'm not trying to belittle the fear, but that's the reality.”

Shulls, president of the local representing Southwest workers, said the airline has called employees into hearings after turning up past arrests for charges including driving under the influence and indecent exposure.

Companies say they're trying to strike a balance, sometimes as the result of law, between two important but conflicting sets of interests.

Commerce

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“It's a great fit with our one-stop shopping concept,” said Rob Boley, corporate spokesman for Fred Meyer One Stop Shopping.

The store is building a FM Fuel Stop — five pumps with 10 dispensing stations — on the northeast corner of the store's lot, fronting Blue Lakes. The station will sell three grades of gasoline, plus diesel, with the same hours of operation as the Fred Meyer store, Boley said.

A May building permit, for just the 3,406-square-foot fuel-tandem canopy and the 115-square-foot kiosk office at 785 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., lists a \$108,359 value. Separate permits are required for installation of underground tanks and pump islands, building officials said.

Boley declined to name the total of the company's investment.

He said Fred Meyer hopes to start construction in July and have the station open by fall. The station will bring a small employment increase.

“It's usually around half a dozen jobs,” Boley said.

So far, Fred Meyer has gas stations operating at 17 of its stores, he said, including three in Idaho — Garden City, Meridian and Pocatello.

Elbow-to-elbow engineers

More traffic generates need for wider, better, rebuilt roads.



“What's happening is the public infrastructure — roads, highways, streets, bridges, airports is deteriorating, and there's a lot more need for upgrades of those facilities,” engineer Dale L. Riedesel said.

That means business for Riedesel Engineering LLC.

The firm's revenue has probably tripled in the past five years, Riedesel said. The size of its staff during that period doubled from seven or eight to 14 or 16 employees, and the firm hopes to add more.

That means a crowded office. Riedesel Engineering is adding 2,100 square feet to the rear of its office at 202 Falls Ave., a \$100,800 construction project. Riedesel expects to see the addition finished by the first week of August.

Most of the firm's business is federally funded highway and airport projects, he said.

Its biggest job now is a runway safety area in Lewiston. Riedesel said. Closer to home, the firm is involved in three or four jobs at the Twin Falls airport and in the widening of Washington Street North from Shoup Avenue to Filer Avenue.

Riedesel Engineering works mostly in the southern half of the state.

Elsewhere in town

Twin Falls' May commercial building permits of note also included:

• Eastland Park's new 3,648-square-foot, \$175,104 office building at 794 Eastland Drive.

• Mariposa's \$55,000 tenant remodeling of Magic Valley Mall's space No. 247, on Pole Line Road East.

• Home Health Professionals' restroom and basement remodeling at its 147 Main Ave. E. office, a \$54,900 project.

• Papa John's \$50,000 tenant remodeling in restaurant at 960 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Suite A.

• Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's four permits for remodeling projects at its newly acquired Shoshone Street East properties, totaling \$50,000.

• Revat Auto Body & Paint's addition of 1,920 square feet to its business location at 1196 Addison Ave. W., a \$37,325 project.

• Julie's Jazz Works' \$20,000 tenant remodeling at 2333 Addison Ave. E., No. 4.

• Danny Edwards Bronzes' 711-square-foot addition for an art studio at 2763 E. 3400 N., a \$18,884 project.

• Attorney Jeff Rollig's \$18,075 tenant remodeling for a law office at 139 River Vista Place, Suite 103.

Values on building permits are estimated.

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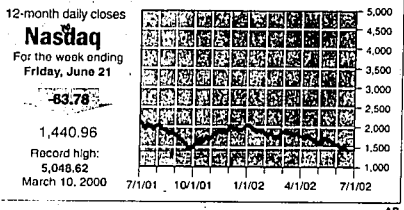
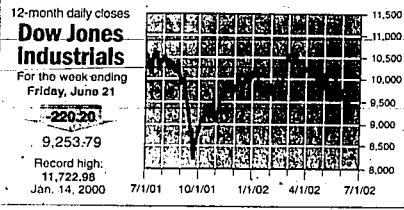
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Conservative Utah Natural Gas firm hires new CEO

Knight Ridder News Service

Jun. 16—He is the first Questar Corp. chief executive hired from outside the company, and to hear him tell it—the first to like rock 'n' roll.

After the 20-year leadership of CEO R. Don Cash, the arrival of 47-year-old Keith O. Rattie at the helm of Questar may seem as shocking to some as an executive leaping up and playing air guitar during a board of directors' meeting.

Still, Rattie, who plays a real guitar in his spare time and is a connoisseur of popular music from the '50s to the '70s, appears every bit the quintessential gas company executive as he sits in his eighth-floor corner office in Questar's downtown Salt Lake City headquarters.

As he begins talking about Questar's future, it gets a little harder to imagine that he is just as capable of reciting the lyrics

from an "oldie but goodie" as he is quoting production figures and drilling costs.

For Rattie though, the natural-gas business is his life—at least when he is not spending time with Nancy, his wife of 20 years, and their two children.

Rattie was relatively unknown among Questar executives when Cash approached him in April 2000 about the possibility of joining the Utah company as president and chief operating officer.

"When Don [Cash] first introduced him to the board, no one really knew too much about him, other than he was with Coastal Corp.," said Harris Simmons, a Questar director and president of Salt Lake City-based Zions Bancorporation. "It quickly became evident, though, that he really knew the business."

Cash's overture and Questar's eventual job offer came at the

best possible time.

Coastal Corp., the Houston-based energy company, was in the midst of merger talks with El Paso Energy Corp., and Rattie, senior vice president and CEO of the Coastal Gas Services Co. subsidiary, was uncertain of his role once the two companies combined.

Many view his presence at Questar as a leap for the normally conservative Utah energy company.

"Coastal was an aggressive, quick-on-it-feet company. They wouldn't have kept anyone around who couldn't act quickly and take advantage of any opportunity that presented itself," said Ronald J. Barone, managing director of equity research for the Natural Gas and Power Group at UBS Warburg in New York City.

Already, Rattie has brought that very opportunistic way of looking at business to Questar,

he said.

The company recently moved to "hedge a large amount of its (natural-) production at favorable prices, an opportunity that it occasionally missed in the past." The company's heightened focus on returns and statements that it intends to more fully unlock the value of its assets signals a more agile but still conservative management," Barone added.

Rattie, though, stops short of calling his vision for Questar revolutionary. He prefers instead to describe the path the company will take as an "evolutionary" process designed to take advantage of core assets and strengths. "Our assets are second to none," Rattie said, looking up from a spreadsheet on his desk. "Given the Rockies' emergence as a swing supplier in the U.S. natural-gas market, there is tremendous untapped value in our company."

Wall Street braces for second-quarter warnings

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street's losses over the past five weeks have been stunning, with the market's major indicators falling by double-digit percentages, and the Nasdaq composite and Standard & Poor's 500 indexes dropping to levels not seen since the post-Sept. 11 losses.

While concerns about terrorism still haunt investors, the greater influence on trading is the fact that the market is in the throes of one of its most anxiety-producing periods — warnings season.

Judging by the market's steep losses and what some companies have already said about their second-quarter results, trading is likely to remain turbulent in the coming weeks.

"I am looking for a few days when everyone just gives up," said Al Mirman, strategist at V Financial Services in Ft. Lauderdale. The market is likely to have some blips upward when some companies issue upbeat second-quarter forecasts, as McDonald's and Qualcomm did this past week. But analysts expect to see losses similar to the declines the market suffered when companies including Apple Computer and Genentech issued warnings, and when Lehman Brothers reduced its earnings estimates for IBM.

"I don't think anyone I have talked with has been especially optimistic... I think investors, in general, are waiting to see what the second quarter looked like," said Peter DiTerese, senior fund analyst for Morningstar, a Chicago-based research and investor services company.

Or more simply put: "It's a show-me market," said Michael Murphy, head trader at Wachovia Securities.

The protracted decline has left the Nasdaq just 1.3 percent above the low it reached Sept. 21, and the S&P 500 2.4 percent away. The Dow Jones industrial average is holding up better, standing 12.4 percent above its low.

The market's big drop looks bad, but there's a contrarian viewpoint that suggests it might be exactly what stocks need. The theory is that a sharp sell-off over the course of several days might give the market a bottom to work up from and would provide investors with cash to reinvest.

Many on Wall Street believe

that what's kept the market from really reaching its lows is its resiliency. Days of steep declines have been followed by rallies, such as Monday's 213-point surge in the Dow.

"What we need are a couple of days of a really bad market when everyone gives up. People have to realize their portfolios are composed of the wrong stocks," Mirman said, adding that investors are still too heavily invested in tech issues and too little invested in safer blue chips.

"This throwing in the towel would give them cash to buy better-performing stocks," Mirman said. "That is what really has to happen."

Looking ahead, the market isn't likely to sustain any upward momentum until later this year. Analysts believe third and fourth-quarter earnings won't just beat lowered expectations but will show some modest growth from last year, when business was still weakening considerably.

"Fewer companies are disappointing now, more are meeting or exceeding expectations. But what that describes is a less bad picture, rather than a clearly good picture," said Jim Weiss, chief investment officer for equities at State Street Research and Management Co. in Boston. "As we move forward, we should have more concrete evidence that the earnings are turning around and less of a pessimistic attitude."

For the week, the Dow dropped 220.42, or 2.3 percent, after dropping 177.98 to 9,253.79 Friday.

The Nasdaq had a weekly loss of 63.78, or 4.2 percent. On Friday, it fell 23.79 to 1,440.96.

For the week, the S&P 500 lost 18.13, or 1.8 percent. On Friday, the index fell 17.15 to 989.14.

The Russell 2000 index managed a weekly gain of 2.00, or 0.4 percent. On Friday, the Russell inched up 0.82 to 481.07. The Russell tracks smaller company stocks, which often are first to benefit when business rebounds.

The Wilshire Associates Equity Index, which represents the combined market value of all New York Stock Exchange, American Stock Exchange and Nasdaq issues, ended the week at \$9.369 trillion, off \$159.74 billion from the previous week. A year ago, the index was \$11.312 trillion.

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Taking a look at Title IX after 30 years

Does it level the playing field, or tilt it?

By Hal Bock
Associated Press writer

Thirty years after becoming law, Title IX is still stirring the landscape of college sports.

The measure, which mandated gender equity for institutions receiving federal funds, is the subject of widespread debate, applauded on some fronts and attacked on others.

Women's sports has become big time, with professional leagues in basketball and soccer and scores of scholarships that can be traced directly to the Education Amendments Act that became law on June 23, 1972.

The progress has been painstaking. According to the Women's Sports Foundation, fully 80 percent of the nation's schools and colleges still have not complied with some parts of the law.

The 1999-2000 NCAA gender equity report said male athletes receive \$133 million more in athletic scholarships than female athletes.

Last week, the National Women's Law Center released a study identifying 30 colleges and universities with a total gap of \$6.5 million in athletic scholarships between women and men.

Among those schools was the University of Miami, defending national champions in football and baseball, which, according to the NVLC study, has the largest difference (\$6.45) between average scholarships for men and women, even though it has more women than men involved in sports.

The flip side of those numbers is that since Title IX passed, female high school athletic participation has increased by 847 percent. Where just one in 27 high school girls played varsity sports in 1972, that ratio was one in every 2.5 in 2001.

There are some, however, who claim the law has sounded the death knell for a number of men's programs, in a sort of reverse discrimination.

The College Sports Council, representing coaches of wrestling, track, diving and gymnastics programs, filed last week for a summary judgment in its suit against the Department of Education. The suit asserts that Title IX has deteriorated into a quota system.

"We are for Title IX," said Leo Koehler, wrestling coach at the University of Chicago and president of the CSC. "We oppose its quota aspects."

In a 1979 interpretation of Title IX by the Carter administration, one of the measures for showing compliance required that the number of men and women athletes be proportional to the institution's enrollment. That proportionality test has led to problems, according to Koehler.

Marquette University wrestling has covered its entire budget for the last 10 years by fund-raising after being threatened with being dropped in 1991. Koehler said last year, they were told the program was being cut for gender equity.

You hear arguments about limited funds and football taking up so much of budgets. Marquette has no football, and wrestling was paying its own way.

Marquette wrestling is not an isolated example. According to the CSC report, 50 percent of its programs. Only 30 men's gymnastics programs remain in place. Bowling Green recently cut track, Howard University dropped both baseball and wrestling, and Miami is dropping men's swimming and diving.

"It is time to restore basic fairness to Title IX," said Mike Meyer, Executive Director of the National Wrestling Coaches Association. "Nowhere else in American life would we tolerate discrimination or quotas."

Not according to Marcia D. Greenberger, co-president of the National Women's Law Center. She is particularly upset by the wrestling coaches who allege that Title IX has forced their sport to shrink.

"From 1984-88, Title IX did not apply to intercollegiate athletics," she said. "The law prohibits discrimination in any activity receiving federal funds. The Supreme Court bought the argument that the law covered only the parts of schools that got earmarked federal funds, and sports was not included."

"It wasn't until the Civil Rights Restoration Act passed over President Reagan's veto in 1988 that sports was covered again. During those four years, from 1984-88, 53 wrestling programs were dropped. Over the next 12 years, when Title IX again covered sports, 56 wrestling programs were dropped."

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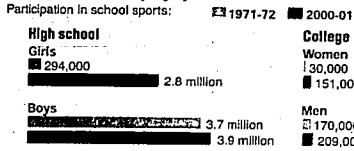
Now, 10 years later and one year after Brown was ordered to pay \$1 million in legal fees, conditions are much different.

"I think things change," Blair Hull said. "People change. Institutions change. You go there and see it at the time, but the women's schedule is posted alongside the men's schedule. That would never have occurred 10 years ago."

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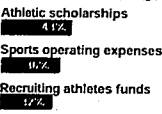
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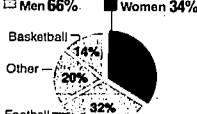
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Athletic spending at major colleges (NCAA Division I), 2000:



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"That means when Title IX was not in effect, almost three times as many wrestling teams were cut as when it was in effect. So don't blame that on Title IX," she said.

As for proportionality, which calls for athletic opportunities for men and women to match male and female enrollment, Greenberger argues the wrestling community is setting up a straw man.

There are three prongs in the Title IX law that test for adherence. Schools can comply by satisfying any of them - making

steady progress to increase participation opportunities for women, accommodating interests of female students, or finally, proportionality.

So, Greenberger said, programs may be cut for any number of reasons, but Title IX isn't one of them.

"One of the things that is upsetting," she said, "is that with men's budgets so much larger and with 72 percent of athletic budgets going to football and basketball, that the wrestlers thought to go after the small slice of the pie we have fought so hard to get."

The Justice Department's initial response to the wrestlers was a motion to dismiss the suit, saying the ones who ought to be sued are the individual schools dropping the sport.

Pro soccer star Julie Foudy, president of the Women's Sports Foundation, was disappointed with that, claiming it demonstrated a lack of commitment by the Bush administration to fully support Title IX.

"The administration is not sending a clear message that Title IX is valid and legal and women are entitled to full and equal rights to participate in federally funded education programs and activities," Foudy said. "We believe that the Wrestling Coaches Association's legal action has no merit, whether it files against the government or institutions of higher education."

Billie Jean King, a cornerstone in women's sports, has been one of Title IX's most vigilant defenders.

"Complying with Title IX does not mean you have to force schools to eliminate men's sports programs," King said earlier this month. "It does require schools to exercise fiscal responsibility and support each sport with a piece of the budgetary pie. We are talking about financial responsibility, not weakening civil rights laws."

"Whether it's for math, science, drama or athletics, families expect Title IX legislation to provide protection and equal educational opportunities for their sons and their daughters."

Opponents such as Jessica Gavora, author of "Tilting the Playing Field: Schools, Sports, Sex and Title IX," believe the law has gone too far, especially with its impact on minor men's sports.

"It is in need of reform to restore its original intent," she said. "What's at issue with Title IX is the body count quota. Boys are being penalized."

Olympic gold medal swimmer Nancy Hogwood, now a professor of law, believes schools have ignored a simple solution. "If they had increased women's budgets 2 or 3 percent a year for 30 years, we'd be fine," she said. "They can't run and blame that on Title IX."

Gavora's criticism of Title IX is a matter of concern for the law's defenders because she is a policy adviser for Attorney General John Ashcroft. Their concern is misplaced, according to Gavora. "Alas, I don't work on this issue in any way," she said.

Volleyball player sparked landmark Title IX case

The Associated Press

All Megan Hull ever wanted to do was play volleyball at Brown University. That seems like no big deal, but it turned into one of the landmark cases in Title IX history.

Hull had been recruited by the school and signed on, prepared to pay her own way since there are no athletic scholarships at Ivy League universities. However, before she ever got to Brown, the university announced there would be no volleyball team for her to play on.

Faced with a \$1.6 million budget deficit in 1992, Brown moved to drop Hull's sport, as well as women's gymnastics. Soon, she was hearing from other programs. "News travels fast in the volleyball community," Hull said.

The problem was she had her heart set on Brown. The university agreed to let the volleyball program survive, provided it paid its own way. Supporting the team was quite another matter.

"It was clear from Day One that the athletic department would not treat us as a varsity sport," Hull said. "Everything was a hurdle from time in the gym to access to trainers. Everything was a roadblock. The situation was ugly and depressing."

The team pressed on. In Hull's freshman year, Brown's quasi team finished second in the Ivy League. The players marched into the athletic director's office and put the runner-up trophy on his desk. That was the nice part.

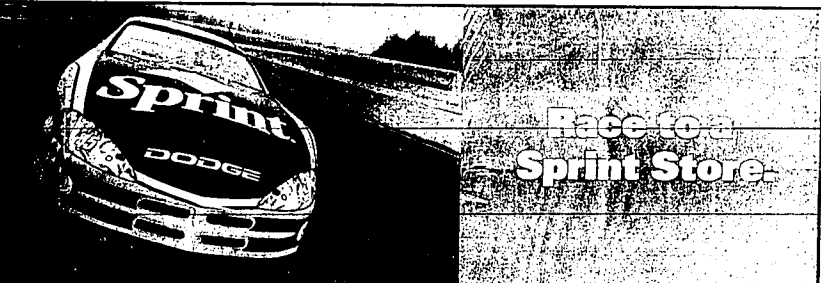
parents offered to fund the program with \$30,000 and agreed to raise that to \$50,000. "The university said it would reinstate the program for \$1 million," he said. "They said they had the right to make their own decision."

Hull and the other parents called a lawyer. That was the beginning of a landmark Title IX case, a battle that lasted six years. A federal judge ruled in 1994 that Brown had discriminated against its female athletes, a judgment upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court.

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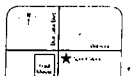
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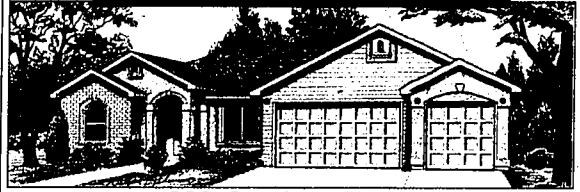
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ANSWER: A jump to three hearts would be a gross overbid, and I would not consider it. The choice is between two hearts and one trump, with two hearts getting a close nod. Your strong spade holding suggests your hand may be better for defense than for offense, so there is little reason to dissuade the opponents from bidding more spades.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
At teams, no vulnerability, I open one diamond with ♠ K-J-9-2, ♥ A-J-3-2, ♦ K-10-5, ♣ 6-4, and partner bids two clubs, a game force. Per agreement, a ruff of a major is not a reverse in this sequence, and I bid two hearts. Partner played me for more diamonds than hearts, and we suffered a disaster. In theory, it is better to rebid two no-trump with all balanced hands after this particular sequence?
No Makeup, Wilmington, N.C.

ANSWER: Decidedly yes. To clarify subsequent bidding, opener's first order of business is to describe a balanced minimum, a ruff of a no-trump does not. If responder has an unbalanced hand, he can bid a new suit, so there is no danger of missing a major-suit fit.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
Partner opens one no-trump (15-17), and RHO butts in with two no-trump, promising the minors. I double to show a balanced hand of about 9-11 HCP, and after two passes, RHO runs to three clubs. What's my best action now?
My Tam, Monmouth, N.J.

ANSWER: A pass is in order because you have already stated your case and partner is bound to act. What else do you have to describe other than what you have already described? Whatever partner decides should be fine with you — and that includes a penalty double.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
At duplicate, is this hand worth an opening bid in first chair? I hold ♠ 7-5, ♥ Q-5, ♦ A-J-10-9-8-5, ♣ A-J-3. Neither side is vulnerable.
First Shot, La Quinta, Calif.

ANSWER: Yes, it is. I do not know many duplicate players who would decline to open that hand. You have 12 HCP, a good six-card suit and complementing honors in the minors. If you do not open, the opponents may make it too dangerous for you to enter the auction later.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
Holding ♠ A-Q-10-8-2, ♥ A-J-7, ♦ J-8-2, ♣ K-4, I deal and open one spade, and partner responds one no-trump. RHO overcalls two clubs, and both I and LHO pass. Partner now reopens the bidding with two hearts, is my hand worth a jump to four hearts, or should I satisfy myself with a raise to three?
Promoted Valtes, Pinhurst, Idaho

ANSWER: A jump to game would be punishing partner for competing with limited values. Better to invite game with a raise to three. If he has sufficient values to make game a good bet, he will accept.

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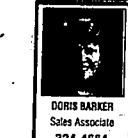
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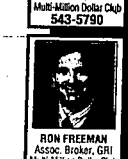
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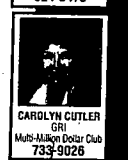
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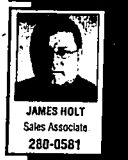
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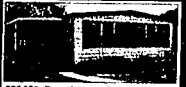
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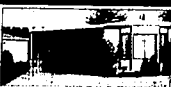
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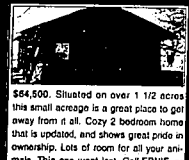
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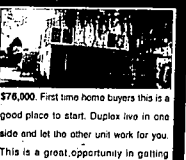
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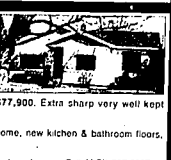
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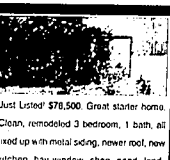
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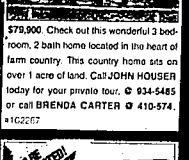
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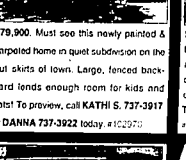
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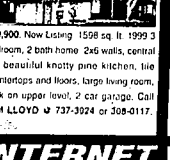
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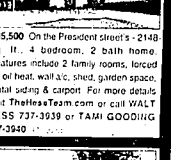
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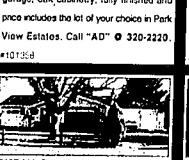
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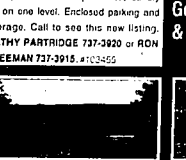
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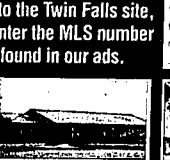
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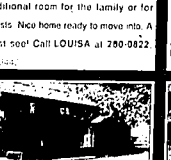
\$92,500. Lovely condo, secure and convenient 2 bedrooms, 2 bath with open floor plan. Glassed in patio area, laundry all on one level. Enclosed parking and storage. Call to see this new listing. **KATHY PARTRIDGE 737-3920** or **RON FREEMAN 737-3915**. #103459



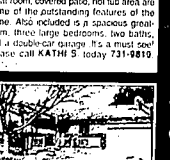
\$107,000. Beautiful 4 bedroom home with 3 baths, central air, some hardwood floors, master suite with walk in closet, covered patio, large fenced backyard, water lawn sprinklers, 2 car garage, and much more. Call **VANCE WALKER** 420-0364. #103454



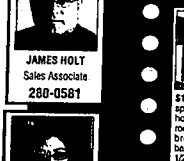
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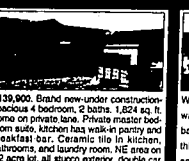
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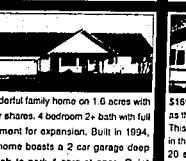
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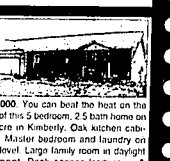
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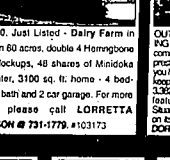
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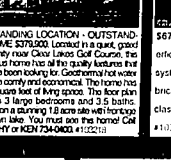
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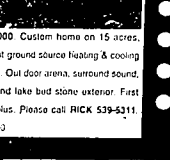
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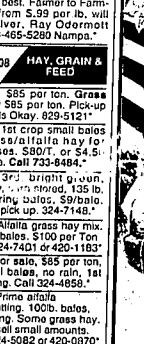
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Never speak
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Funeral Director Mark Shearon grew up in a family of funeral directors - and spent many childhood hours roller-skating through the funeral chapel and playing hide-and-seek among the caskets. "He wasn't disrespectful, he said. He just grew up seeing his future profession from a unique vantage point.

Eventually, Shearon found himself traveling the country and telling groups about his experiences. Now, he's even written a book about them, titled "Good Grief: Making Sense of Death, Dying and Funerals."

Sometimes, he tells stories about his daughter, who was once asked by a teacher if his father would be attending a PTA meeting. The reply: "My mom will be here for sure, and my daddy will be here if nobody dies."

Shearon also tells about the day when his cousin came to visit and went wandering into a viewing room where some bereaved family members had suffered fainting spells. "Uncle Millard," the cousin went crying to Shearon's father, "come quick, there are dead 'uns laying all over the place."

Shearon says he hopes his book will help people look at death in a meaningful, and sometimes even lighthearted, way.

I wonder if he's met Paul Jones, who just finished writing "Having the Last Word," a collection of epigrams, stories and anecdotes that take a very lighthearted look at life's final chapter.

In a press release from Jones, the author tells of visiting hundreds of burying grounds throughout the United States, England and Australia. He's been doing this for 50 years, he says, admitting that it is a pretty unusual hobby. The epigrams he has collected speak volumes about "hopes, despair, gloom, joy." And a few of them are purely ridiculous.

Try this one: "Beneath this stone, a lump of clay, lies Uncle Peter Daniels. Too early in the month of May, he took off his winter flannels."

At least that explains why Uncle Peter resides in the graveyard. Much like, "Blown upward and out of sight; He sought the gas leak by candlelight."

One of the epigrams hints at a no-so-peaceful life: "Here snug in grave my wife doth lie; Now she's at rest and so am I. And then there is the legendary, 'I told you I was sick.'"

Even in the small-town Midwest, where I was raised, there were plenty of funerals that told their own unique stories. I remember one where the deceased was buried in pajamas. Her family said she had been bedridden so long she didn't have any other clothes, and they couldn't see any sense in buying her a new dress now.

Then there was poor Jim's funeral. Most of us never even figured out who he was.

By the time Jim died, I had grown up and moved to Idaho, so my mother called to tell me about his passing. "Ellen Frances son Jim died yesterday," she said. "You remember Ellen Frances and Jim, don't you? Jim came back home for Ellen Frances' brother's funeral."

Uh, "Wouldn't that be Ellen Frances' father, too, or at least her stepfather?" I asked, trying to work my way through the maze in a respectful manner.

"No dear, he was Ellen Frances' brother's father," my mother kept repeating. Then she added, "He was no real relation to Jim."

I pity the minister who tried to perform that funeral and keep all the relatives satisfied.

And I'll never forget the funeral where a woman went up to the casket, glanced at the body and said, "She looks as mean as ever."

I hope no one put that one on an epitaph.

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.

Russian olives have become Idaho's most unwanted guest

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

BLACKFOOT - Wildlife biologist Jack Connolly noticed a lot of broken eggshells around Russian olive trees in the Sterling Wildlife Management Area southwest of here.

"And a lot of magpies," said Connolly, a specialist on game birds who works for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's Southeastern Region. "Magpies are predators of ground-nesting birds, so I wondered, 'What would happen if we took away their habitat?'"

The job was Herculean - "We contracted it out" - but when the Russian olives were gone, so were most of the magpies. And the sage grouse came back.

"Russian olives aren't any different from any other invasive species in this part of the world," Connolly said. "In nature, when there's an imbalance, there's an opportunity."

An opportunity that *classams angustifolia* didn't miss. "Nobody really knows how much of the West is infested with Russian olives," said Sarah Harris, a College of Southern Idaho biologist with a keen interest in the species. "Certainly, irrigated agriculture has given them an opening to the thousands of acres."

The 35-foot-tall exotic has taken the Snake River Plain by brute force since it was introduced here on a large scale in the 1920s. Tough, resilient, able to survive drought and extremes of temperatures, it's equipped with 2 inch-long thorns and an off-putting sweet smell.

"The fact that Russian olive is disrupting our watersheds is no secret, and I haven't the foggiest idea why it's still legal for garden centers to sell it," said Megan Gross, natural resources Extension agent at Colorado State University. "It's a fast-grower and does well under the poorest of landscape conditions."

Russian olives bear fruit that's succulent to a variety of birds besides magpies, and these well-fed avians fly over a watershed area and release the undigested seeds through their feces, Gross explained. Those seeds will sprout new Russian olives that will spread by root stock and by seed, creating a dense, thorny thicket around streams.

And if there isn't a stream at hand, an irrigation canal lateral will do just fine.

"Drought doesn't easily kill them. Cold doesn't easily kill them. Heat doesn't," Harris said. "They're ideally suited for adapting to a climate like this one."

Conventional wisdom blames German Mennonites, who had earlier fled to Russia and to the Ukraine to avoid religious persecution, for bringing the Russian olive with them to North America. They thought its silvery leaves were pretty,

Who's responsible?

❑ Russian olives aren't from around here, but they've made themselves right at home.
❑ The species is native to southern Europe and western Asia, and was first introduced to the United States as an ornamental tree and a wind-break at the end of the 19th century, growing wild in southern Idaho in large numbers by the 1930s -

mostly in riparian zones where Russian olives crowd out cottonwoods and willows.
❑ "Soil conservation was a big problem when the West was first settled," said Sarah Harris, a biologist at the College of Southern Idaho. "Planting windbreaks was a good idea. Planting them with Russian olives wasn't."



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Above, biologist Sarah Harris checks out some of the Russian olive trees on the College of Southern Idaho campus. Harris has done graduate work studying the Russian olive, southern Idaho's most pestilent weed. She says it's such a problem because it soaks up a lot of water and has no system for holding the water within the plant. "The tree just sucks it up and respire it out the tops, not good in a desert climate." Top left, detail of a leaf of the Russian Olive in bloom. They have a strongly sweet smell in the spring from the flowers.

and the species flourished in areas where there were no other trees in sight. It does so by sinking roots that aggressively seek out water

and don't have any trouble with soil that has become over-saturated by irrigation.

The Russian olive's stamina is legendary. The species is fire-

resistant and regularly survives winter temperatures of minus-40 degrees Fahrenheit.

"They're well protected," Harris said. "They have some

natural enemies, but those thorns discourage other potential predators."

"That's a major reason why magpies like Russian olives," Connolly said. "Most predators won't follow a magpie through that canopy of thorns."

"Those thorns are tough enough to puncture truck and tractor tires, and legends persist that Russian olive trunks have broken chain saws."

"Russian olives aren't invulnerable," Harris said. "There are cankers and fungal diseases that can kill them - you can see infested Russian olives down in (Twin Falls) Rock Creek Park."

That said, large-scale control is a challenge - and eradication probably impossible. The most effective method is cutting the trunk and applying a herbicide to the cut surfaces. The state of Nebraska aerial-sprays Russian olives with 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T to control large trees.

"There still are some people in this area who plant Russian olives as ornamental trees," Harris said. "That's really not a good idea."

She doubts that as long as the Snake River Plain is dominated by irrigated agriculture, Idahoans will ever see any wide-spread decline of the oleasters.

Russian olives disappeared from this area tomorrow, that doesn't mean magpies would stop being pests," Connolly said. "But our study showed that when the Russian olives are gone, the populations of ground-nesting game birds, including pheasants, increase."

Yet even control is a tall order, Connolly allows.

"What we found at Sterling was that after the Russian olives were cut down, the magpies still roosted in the dead branches," he said. "You've got to remove them completely, or learn to live with them."

Connolly has a stand of Russian olives on his own Brigham County property.

"I just don't let them get infested with magpies," he said. "I send the dogs in there regularly to roost them out."

Gridding coexistence is probably the most practical approach, Harris agrees.

"I went off to Costa Rica for a while, and when the airplane door opened when I got back here, the first thing I smelled was that sickly sweet odor."

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Fourth of July celebration features dance

Friday and Saturday

HAZELTON - The Hazelton Fourth of July Celebration will feature a street dance on Friday from 9-11 p.m. in the parking lot next to City Hall; a pancake breakfast from 9-10 a.m. Saturday in the park next to City Hall, and a parade at 6 p.m. on Saturday, with fireworks the following night.

Friday, Saturday and June 30
BOISE - The Boise River Festival will be held in Ann Morrison Park and Julia Davis Park, and along the Boise Greenbelt, featuring food, games, crafts and

To do for families

music. Highlights of the event are the Idaho Statesman River Giants Parade on Capitol Boulevard at 9:45 a.m. on Saturday, and the Albertson's Nite Lite Parade Friday and Saturday at 10:30 p.m., also on Capitol Boulevard. For more information, call (208) 338-8897, or log on to <http://www.boisecriferfestival.org>.

Saturday

TWIN FALLS - Air Magic Valley 2002 takes place at Twin Falls Regional Airport at Joslin

Field from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., featuring flying and static displays of modern and vintage military and civilian aircraft. Free.

Saturday

MURTAUGH - Murtaugh Friendship Day features a 11 a.m. parade from the school to the park and food, family fun and games to follow in the park.

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.

Group offers job-hunting tips for new graduates

College career services directors have job-hunting tips:

- If you're a senior and you haven't started your job search, start now. Don't wait until a week or two before graduation.
- Talk to the people who work in your campus career services center. They organize job fairs and interview days for recruiters on campus. They get phone calls and letters from employers looking for job candidates all the time.
- Use networks of friends, pro-

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- fessors and alumni to find out about job openings.
- Be active, not reactive. Don't just put your resume on Web sites and wait for the phone to ring.
- Do internships before or during senior year. They can show you what you like or don't like to do, and expose you to possible future employers.

- Source: The Kansas City Star

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The pet will only be trying to live its life and meet its needs, but sometimes the environmental needs and desires of the pets and people can clash.

And if any unwanted household destruction does occur, you will need to consider repair and replacement costs. Often it is a good idea to consider how to balance these needs before you get a pet and set up your house accordingly.

"Still, when I look around my less than perfect house," says Janice Willard, a veterinary ophthalmologist from Moscow, "and I see the cat scratches on the molding by the door, the bird feathers and dog hair that need to be swept up and the kid's toys that didn't get put away, I realize that those things have brought me joy into my life, my children and my pets, and also what has brought me the most joy."

Without a doubt, it's the greatest bargain available to humankind.

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Learn to work quietly, privately, patiently

It was about 1985 when I realized the power of QPP.

Once I fully understood it, many parts of my life improved. The quality and quantity of my productivity grew. It helped me to grow into a wider, more fulfilling and especially, more prosperous way of living.

No one pointed out the benefits of QPP to me. They simply became obvious when I wondered why some people produce more than others. And, why some people earn the reputation of being a doer, and others become known as talkers.

What is QPP? It means, quietly, privately, patiently.

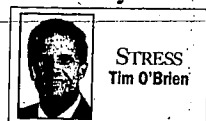
How do you use it to improve your life? By working on your projects and goals, quietly, privately, patiently.

Do you know anyone who gets madly upset when their projects, goals and ideas? How much do these people actually accomplish? How much credence do you put in their pronouncements? Do you believe that they will achieve what they say they will achieve? Are these people role models or mentors for you?

Do you know anyone who gets madly upset when they don't get what they want or plan to do? Or, do they simply do it and allow their productivity to speak for itself? When they do speak, do you believe what they say? Are they role models or mentors for you?

Which of these two types of people, do you respect the most? Which type would you most like to emulate? Which type of person are you? Do you talk about getting something done? Or, do you do it, and allow what you've accomplished to speak for you?

If we work quietly, we don't invite ridicule. If we work privately, we can experiment, try options, and risk failing without public scrutiny. If we work patiently, we walk, do not run, and we work on our objectives and not in crisis mode. When we work QPP, we set the pace. We set the deadline. This allows us to refine our work. This allows us to show others what



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we want them to see, on our schedule.

The main benefit of QPP is you only have to be QPP once. If you want to talk, talk about what you've done. Rather than what you will or want to do. Then, as long as you keep producing, you will continue to have accomplishments to talk about, instead of just dreams or plans.

Production quiets critics. It also puts you into an elite group of people who act on their plans. QPP also allows you to change your mind and interests without having to explain yourself. If you've been QPP, quitting a project and starting another has no public consequences. You can work on what you want and when you want to work on it, since only you know what your projects are.

QPP also requires discipline to follow. The discipline to stay quiet even when excited. The discipline of remaining private with your plans, until you are ready to show your final product or achievement. The discipline of patience, to continue to work until you have your project how you want it to be. In a form you are proud to introduce to the world.

Consider where QPP would work well in your life and try it. Write instructions to yourself on how to use QPP to help you reach a significant goal. Like getting to your ideal body weight or learning enough to get a major raise at work. Resist the urge to talk about your plan, even when you get close. Wait until you've accomplished your goal. The world will notice and ask you about it. If they do, QPP showed you the way.

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infectious disease, hormonally driven diseases from unsterile pet stores and automobile accidents often struck down pets in the prime of their life.

In the past twenty years, says Dr. Richard Adams, dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M, "We have witnessed the average life expectancy of pets skyrocket as we fed pets better, focused on preventing rather than curing disease problems, had better diagnostic tests and treatments, and simultaneously providing state of the art and state of the heart veterinary care." An educated guess would be that the average dog is now a teenager, reaching age 13 or even older.

According to veterinarian Bruce Fogle in his book, "Guide to Living With a Dog" in the Keep It Simple series (Dorling Kindersley), over the course of a dog's lifetime, the typical purchase price of \$300 to \$600 for a purebred dog amounts to less than a dollar a week. Feeding

When I first went into veterinary practice in the early 1980s, we rarely saw pets that lived to their full biological life expectancy. Poor nutrition,

While it may not seem like it, the moon does rotate on its axis. It doesn't appear to, because we always see the same "Man in the Moon" side, nevertheless, I've seen dozens of movies, weather broadcasts and television shows displaying a moon hanging in the sky, showing a face we never see. It's a stock photo from Apollo 17, taken when the astronauts were almost completely on the moon's far side. Photo editing software can be a dangerous thing in the wrong hands.

In fact the moon does rotate, but in a special way, known as synchronous rotation. It spins exactly once on its axis for every orbit around the earth. As an analogy, imagine watching the Kentucky Derby from the center of the infield. From there, you'll

always see the same side of a given racehorse as it circles the track. If the horse carries a

moon model instead of a jockey, you'll always see the mini-moon's same face. Now, imagine a roof over Churchill Downs with a long rope running from the center of the roof to the center of the moon model. As the horse circles the track, the rope twists up in knots because the horse, and the moon on its back, is rotating - once per lap.

Synchronous rotation is not uncommon in the solar system. Many of the large moons rotate synchronously. Pluto's relatively large moon Charon rotates synchronously as does Pluto itself. From one side of Pluto, Charon is always above the horizon. Denizens of Pluto's other hemisphere would never see their moon.

The reason for all this clock-

work rotation is tidal force. Earth's gravity stretches the moon in one shape, just as the moon stretches earth's oceans. The oblong moon keeps pointing toward the earth because tidal forces pull it back into the shape it was in just a tiny bit, showing us slightly more than half its surface, but that's a topic for another column.

Next week: The dog days of summer.

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The moon's clockwork rotation keeps a familiar face



SKYWATCH Chris Anderson

Sky calendar

- Planets: One hour before sunrise: No planets visible. One hour after sunset: Venus, W, very low. • Moon: Full moon, Monday, 23.4 p.m.

always see the same side of a given racehorse as it circles the track. If the horse carries a

Fill your surroundings with beautiful pictures, Virgo

IF JUNE 23RD IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, you are analytical, are drawn to psychology, astrology and journalism. Although you have been hurt, you are always willing to give another another chance. You are attractive, seductive, Gemini, Virgo and Sagittarius persons play activities in your life. During August, you will travel and flirt; in September, you discover a "new kind of love."

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Transform the abstract into what other people understand. You'll introduce "new vision" into art and photographs. Romantic relationship undergoes test, will survive.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Buy up prizes, organize thoughts and proceed accordingly. Financial aid could come from anonymous source. You learn more about one who would be your partner or mate.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Look beyond the immediate, lie low in some areas and be positive concerning legal rights, permissions. Question of marital status will loom large tonight. Aries will dominate.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Make fresh start, take initiative. Opportunities exist for going into business for yourself. Work associate could become valuable ally. Relationship is due to intensify.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Engage in creative activities with physical attraction. You will find comfortable living quarters; you will not necessarily live alone.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Befriend surroundings. Hang paintings, pictures on walls. You

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soon will receive "important" guests. Artistic tendencies surge to forefront. You will have something to celebrate.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Research necessary; check measurements, tear down in order to rebuild. Relationship is controversial and exciting and lends spice to your life. Scorpio plays perplexing role.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Keep options open. Be prepared for change, travel and a variety of experiences. Start a diary. Read and write, learn by teaching. Gemini, Virgo play essential roles.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Attention revolves around domestic adjustment that could include change of residence, marital status. If diplomatic, you gain; by forcing issues, you lose. Choice is your own.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will be tested and challenged; don't fear the unknown. Check exit signs when entering buildings. Avoid walking down dark hallways. Light up living quarters. Pigeons will fly.

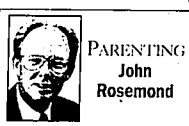
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): This could be your "lucky day." At the track: Chose number 8 post position in eighth race. Love overwhelms; protect self in emotional climate.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Finish what you start. Remove fire hazards from office and home. Relationship could begin or end; it will be a day to remember!

To teach organization, be prepared to go to the source

Q. My 8-year-old daughter had an overall B average in third grade, but she has had difficulty completing assignments since the first grade. Mostly this is due to poor organization. The work isn't completed but is often lost or forgotten. Her desk at home and school are a mess. We have made expectations clear, given her responsibility for doing her own work, and I believe been holding her accountable. Still, she is struggling in school and at home. Furthermore, she says she is afraid to talk about problems at school because I will get angry.

A. I can't be certain, of course, but perhaps you are putting too much pressure on her. It seems that the most pressing issue, the one that must be resolved before she can "move on" is that of her disorganized approach to her work. I can relate to this because before I could stop leaving things in hotel rooms (and usually losing them), I had to learn to keep my



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hotel room as neat as I do my home. I could not have solved this simply by concentrating more on not losing things. The cause - a messy hotel room - had to be dealt with first.

With this in mind, I recommend you and her teacher work with her on her messy desks. The two of you should teach her how to organize her work. You should also provide her with supplies necessary to the goal (notebooks with file folder inserts, for example) as well as a good amount of supervision until she seems to get it.

When you and the teacher feel you've done all you can to help

her get better organized, begin using a daily report card to monitor her organizing behavior. The report card can be as simple as a small index card with the date and the following statement: "At the end of the day, (your daughter's name) desk was neat, and she turned in all work due today." If the statement of achievement (as I call it) is true, the teacher signs the card. If not, she withholds her signature.

Your daughter brings the card to you under contract. We work on the teacher's signature, she loses an important privilege. For example, she might not be allowed to watch television and/or she might have to read an hour early. If she earned the teacher's signature, she retains privileges but - listen up - is not rewarded.

Another idea: Television, or some other after-school privilege, goes to the child only if her teacher's signature, but you might make staying up until her normal bedtime contingent on a

neat desk at home, as revealed at a specified inspection time (e.g., 6 p.m.).

Yet another idea: In order to watch television on the weekend (or whatever the after-school privilege is), she must earn the teacher's signature at least 4 out of 5 days through the school week. In order to stay up during her normal weekend bedtime, she must pass your "desk inspection" four out of five days through the school week.

It goes without saying you cannot nag organization skills into your daughter. You're going to have to teach them, and teaching them will require that you be organized.

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Parents guide to new family movie releases

The Orlando Sentinel

• "Lilo & Stitch" - Twin Cinema, Motor-Vu Drive-in of Twin Falls, Century Cinema of Burley, Magic Lantern of Ketchum, Jerine Cinema.

• Rating: PG (parental guidance suggested) for mild sex, violence.

What it's about: A 6-year-old Hawaiian girl adopts a critter from the animal shelter who turns out to be a mutant alien killing machine but a darned cuddly one.

The Kid Attractor Factor: It's a Disney cartoon. Stitch's image is everywhere, and the irreverence of the ad campaign has the 10- and underers all jazzed up to see this.

Good lessons/bad lessons: Family is where you make it. And Elvis is still "the King."

Violence: Cartoon ray guns blaze away.

Language: Alien cussing. Sex: The teenage sister and her boyfriend are drawn pretty sexy. Drugs: None. Parents' advisory: Don't go to

this, the sweetest, most kid-friendly Disney cartoon in years, if you're not willing to stop at the toy store on the way home.

• "Minority Report" - Twin Cinema, Century Cinema of Burley, SKITIME Cinemas of

Rating: PG-13 (parents strongly cautioned) for violence, brief language, some sexuality and drug content.

What it's about: A futuristic cop is accused of a murder he hasn't

(yet) committed. The Kid Attractor Factor: Some kids like those futuristic cops.

Good lessons/bad lessons: Murder is wrong. And so is jumping to conclusions.

Violence: Yes, including a slashing - and some gore too, including cycling.

Language: Just a bit.

Sex: Yes, briefly. Drugs: Yes. Specifically, futuristic drugs.

Parents' advisory: Not for the little ones. May be OK for older teens.

Meet Lizzie

The Disney Adventures All-Stars Program is urging youngsters to participate in volunteer activities, with the chance to win a trip to Los Angeles and meet the cast of Disney Channel's "Lizzie McGuire." and will be profiled in Disney Adventures in June. To participate, you must complete your project and submit a 200-300 word project description to Disney Adventures by Oct. 1. To register, pick up the current Disney Adventures magazine or log on to http://www.disney.com/allstars/

in both categories will receive \$1,000 for the organization of their own, will get a trip to Los Angeles to participate in a project with the cast of Disney Channel's "Lizzie McGuire," and will be profiled in Disney Adventures in June. To participate, you must complete your project and submit a 200-300 word project description to Disney Adventures by Oct. 1. To register, pick up the current Disney Adventures magazine or log on to http://www.disney.com/allstars/

Make 'em walk

Strollers are a great convenience to parents, but they may contribute to a child's weight gain. "Strollers support a sedentary lifestyle," said Joel Steinberg, pediatrician at Children's Medical Center of Dallas. "Small children and toddlers have good stamina and should be encouraged to walk." Steinberg recommends that parents keep safety in mind, and not let children walk in crowded areas where they might get lost.

But "take your child out of the stroller for walks around the neighborhood," he said. "You'll both reap the benefits."

Laughter works

In a study at the University of California, Los Angeles, healthy kids watched funny TV shows and films while their hands were submerged in icy water for up to three minutes. They reported pain, and physical reactions were measured. The results: Giggles can go a long way. When

they got comic relief, the kids kept their hands in the cold longer and relaxed more, as measured by levels of the stress hormone cortisol.

Fitness for babies

The first-ever physical activity guide for babies, toddlers and preschoolers has been issued, with experts saying that being active is good for a baby's body and brain development. A task force by the National Association for Sport and Physical Education makes the fol-

lowing recommendations:

• Infants need daily physical activities that help them explore their environment. Don't restrict activity for too long or confine a baby in a small play space or infant seat. Promote movement.

• Toddlers should have 30 minutes of adult-guided activity a day, such as chasing a ball or dancing.

• Preschoolers should have at least an hour of active play, and no more than an hour at a time sitting still.

-compiled from wire reports

FAMILY NEWS YOU CAN USE

Son nixes 'party animal' at birthday celebration

DEAR ABBY: I have been divorced for eight years, and have recently become good friends again with my ex-husband. He has always been an attentive father to our 11-year-old son.

Last year, after a second divorce, my ex hooked up with a woman half his age. She's a 21-year-old ex-stripper who hasn't worked a day since she met him. I'm not one to pass judgment, but this gal is a clingy, lazy gold-digger who spends my ex's money like it grows on trees. She's also moody, demanding, and a "party animal," according to our son and my ex's other son.

The problem lies with our boy. He detests this female. She tags along for every father/son event and refuses to stay at home even when my ex drives our boy back and forth for visitation.

Our son's birthday is coming up, and I am throwing him a party. He really wants his dad there - but not his dad's girlfriend. His dad doesn't want to hurt her feelings, and I don't want to cause any scenes. How can I resolve this?

- FAITHFUL FLORIDA READER



DEAR ABBY: Abigail VanBuren

Write to Abby

Send letters to Dear Abby, Universal Press Syndicate, 4520 Main St., Kansas City, Mo. 64112, or via her Web site at <http://www.uspress.com/dearabby>

DEAR READER: OK, your ex's girlfriend is flawed, insecure and over-present. If you bring up her shortcomings again, he will only become defensive. Encourage your son to explain to his father how important it is to him to spend some time with his dad. Most boys need one-on-one with a role model - a time for "man to man" conversation and bonding. The presence of a third party, regardless how ravishing she may be, prevents this. And while he's on the subject, he should tell Dad the nicest gift he could have for his birthday would be the woman's absence at his party. It

may not work - but I guarantee it will open up some interesting dialogue.

DEAR ABBY: I have read letters in your column from former students about teachers who inspired them and made a positive difference in their lives. However, my story is the opposite. In my sophomore year of high school, my algebra teacher warped my thinking regarding mathematics. On more than one occasion, she informed me that I was a "stupid sophomore," and would "never amount to anything, more than a party flipper."

This woman had taught for many years, but no one in my class ever asked questions for fear of being ridiculed in front of everyone. Students who were in her classes long before me said she had always been like that.

I am now 25, a college graduate, and have a good job in the medical field. If there are any teachers reading this, please remember that what you say can stay with your students the rest of their lives.

More emphasis should be put on the importance of good teachers and how much they are need-

ed by new generations. That teacher made a difference in my life, and it was anything but positive. I often wonder if it would have been better in math had my experience been different.

Thanks for letting me vent, Abby. Sign me,

DISGRUNTLED STUDENT WHO HASN'T FORGOTTEN DEAR DISGRUNTLED: You have written an important letter. Young people often judge themselves by reactions they receive from others.

I saw a similar incident when I was an eighth-grader. In front of the class, my teacher predicted that an awkward young man "would never amount to anything." Of course, the students laughed at him - and I learned later how devastating it was for him because his mother and mine were close friends.

The story has a happy ending, however. The boy grew up and became a successful lawyer. The only "failure" was the teacher, who didn't recognize potential when he saw it.

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips, and her daughter, Jeanne.

Parents wonder: Is my child old enough to do this?

Knight Ridder Newspapers

PHILADELPHIA - Sandi King Savage remembers her reaction the first time her daughter, Donae, asked to sleep over at a friend's house.

"My general gut feeling was, no way," Donae was about 9, and her mother thought she was too young to spend the night away from home. But as she got older and Savage came to know the parents of her school friends, the idea didn't seem so ominous.

"The anxiety became less and less because I had been to their homes and had dinner and participated with them in all kinds of parent things," said Savage, 49, who lives with her daughters, Donae, now 18, and Nicole, 15.

Like most parents, Savage has grappled frequently with "when" questions: When is my child old enough for a sleep-over? To stay home alone? To ride a commuter train by herself? The questions are endless.

So are the answers. Experts say there is no universal age at which children are ready for a particu-

lar activity. But there are developmental and safety issues parents can consider.

"There is a point you have to let them go. You can't keep them on a leash," said Myra Shure, a developmental psychologist at MCP/Hahnemann University. "But you really have to know your kid."

Shure said it isn't enough for parents to issue a list of instructions and warnings and then let a child go off on something new. Rather, she said, the goal must be to give the thinking skills so children are prepared for the various scenarios they may confront in a new experience.

The first time a preteen stays home alone, parents may diligently walk him or her through a series of don'ts: Don't open the door; don't go outside; don't answer the phone; don't turn on the stove or oven.

But Shure, who thinks 12 is the youngest a child can be left at home alone, recommends a different approach, asking the child questions: What would you do if someone comes to the door? When the phone rings?

Kids won't learn lessons when parents don't let the consequences play out

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO - Carter Burns does not know John Walker Lindh, the American Taliban charged with conspiring to kill Americans in Afghanistan, or his family, but as principal of Buffalo Grove High School, he is familiar with the primordial need for parents to defend their young.

Burns figures he has seen more attorneys hired to defend children against school infractions in the last few years than he has in his nearly three-decade career.

"It's the culture right now," said Burns, president of the Illinois Principals Association. "If you have enough money and the right lawyer, you can get out of anything."

The Lindh case has Burns, parents and child-development experts debating whether the Mother Bear instinct has gone too far, especially when the child is no longer a cub. They say that unconditional parental love sometimes means stepping back, not always rushing in to help. It might mean taking a stand against a child's behavior, such as appearing in court but declining to foot the legal bills.

They say the fine line parents must walk between standing by a grown child and having him be held accountable for his actions has been blurred beyond recognition - and children are suffering for the lack of boundaries.

"Unqualified love is not the same as unconditional acceptance of whatever they do," said Jim Ferguson, principal of Hinsdale Central High School and a father of three. "You don't learn a lesson if a parent bails you out of situation after situation. You learn that if you do something bad, Mom and Dad will bail you out, and that's not a good lesson over time."

Lindh's parents and their parenting style have been scrutinized ever since Lindh was captured with other suspected terrorists in Afghanistan and charged with conspiring to kill U.S. citizens.

In denying bail to Lindh, despite pleas for the 21-year-old to be given to the custody of his

father, a federal judge said "these are not the family ties" that merit release.

Lindh, who pleaded not guilty and was given an Aug. 26 trial date, had not been in contact with his parents since

April of last year. For many parents, the urge to protect a child begins before birth, said Dr. Bennett Leventhal, director of child and adolescent psychiatry at the University of Chicago.

"Parental love is not rational," he said. "The minute you apply some rational argument to it, you are stepping outside the bounds" of parental love.

Parents may have difficulty letting other people take care of their children, even when they are older, said Mark Reinecke, chief of the psychology division at Northwestern University Medical School.

"There are parents who give their life for their children and don't allow other people to ever take responsibility for helping them," he said. "They think, if it's not me, nobody can do it as well."

But parents such as Nanette Krestel of Woodridge, Ill., believe that if a grown child has a behavior problem, sometimes the best thing a parent can do is

urge them to look for support elsewhere.

"If you keep bailing them out, they'll just get into bigger problems," said Krestel, who found help for her teen-age son and daughter, who had behavior and substance-abuse problems, by contacting a support organization called Toughlove International.

"It helped me learn that I had been taking the easy way out - my daughter was always wearing me down," said Krestel, a retired communications project manager who now trains other Toughlove support group leaders. Even though the group does not advocate demanding that children leave the home, sometimes it is necessary as a last resort, she said.

Krestel herself struggled with that dilemma and even had to defend her decision to disassociate family members after coming to that decision.

"When my 18-year-old son came home drunk, breaking a house rule I had set, I kicked him out," she said. "It was the best thing I ever did."

By taking the action, her son "had to suffer the consequences of his behavior," she said. "It's a hard decision for people to make." Krestel said this is when parents need the most support.

Laying down that kind of law does not mean parents such as Krestel do not love their children, said Phyllis York, who founded the group with her husband in 1979 after working through their own parental struggles.

If the behavior is bad enough, it's very hard to keep the perfect parental perspective, she said.

"You can't say 'I love you no matter what' when your kid's standing over your head with a baseball bat and you're sleeping," she said.

Living up to perfection makes hard life for teens

The Washington Post

This month and last, some of the most accomplished 18-year-olds this country has ever seen marched across stages to pick up their diplomas, leaving behind grade-point averages of 4.0 or better, SAT scores of 1600 or slightly less, National Merit Scholarships, state gymnastics championships, internships at superior courts, homes they've built for the poor in Appalachia.

This is a generation of kids who listened to Mozart as infants and enrolled in Suzuki piano lessons at age 3. They've been tutored at the first sign of any academic or social deficiency, schooled at home, in a private academy or in a program for the gifted in public school.

Their summers have been filled with camps for computer programming and lacrosse, their falls, winters and springs with fencing classes and SAT prep courses. In a country where a select col-

lege sticker has replaced bloodline as the ticket to success, these young women and young men have done everything they were told to do to get into U.Va. and Duke and Brown. The perfection machine of high school has performed admirably, its levers and wheels kept oiled and running by the parents, teachers and coaches.

The machine runs 24/7, encouraging success, not balance or introspection. If you have any doubt about that, sit down with a couple of perfection-bound high schoolers and notice the circles under their eyes from lack of sleep and downtime.

They'll tell you that on some days, they revel in rowing crew against another top-rated team. But they've also got stories of the time they went home and beat a punching bag without gloves until their knuckles bled, or missed a trip to Europe because they couldn't stop throwing up days before departure.

If they haven't collapsed, they sure know classmates who have. They've discovered the flaw in perfection: If they're always improving, do they ever reach the point where they're satisfied with who they are?

Emily Wren wonders and wonders. A dark-haired gymnast who moves with the grace of a gazelle, she has 70 medals in her Arlington, Va., bedroom. She has competed on the balance beam since fourth grade. She's taking six Advanced Placement courses - three times the average and the most Yorktown High School allows - and is pulling down A's in all six. She runs varsity track, leads her youth group at church, teaches Sunday school and is sewing her own prom dress.

"All these things I try to make perfect are really just making me seem marginally tolerable," she says. "The biggest message I've gotten is that you should always doubt that you're good enough."



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Young authors receive recognition

FILER - The Magic Valley Reading Council honored young authors at its annual event in May.

High school winners

Poetry
 First place, Katrina Vance, ninth grade, Liberty Christian Academy
 Second place, Alisha Corde, 11th grade, Jensen High School
 Third place, Tiffany Downs, 10th grade, Liberty Christian Academy
Essay
 First place, Zoya Levitskiy, 11th grade, Liberty Christian Academy
 Second place, Annie Kemner, 12th grade, Liberty Christian Academy
 Third place, Lilla Stabo, 10th grade, Liberty Christian Academy
Short Story
 First place, Jason Carpenter, 10th grade, Liberty Christian Academy
 Second place, Nathaniel Davis, 11th grade, Liberty Christian Academy
 Third place, Eric Carpenter, 9th grade, Liberty Christian Academy

Kassidy Moon, Robert Willis, Richie Denman, Stephanie Ray, Christy Shank, and Michael Bernille.
Poetry
 David McGovern, Callie Riddle, Kryston Enseyer, Richie Denman and Dudley Lintier
Filer Middle School
 First place, Monica Taylor
Poetry
 Austin Hollingshead
Gooding Elementary
 First place, Casey Barney, Kody Boyd-Knowlton, Kerl Kulhank, Matthew Wirth, Hannah Brown, Ethan Sabala, A.J. Leckenby, Kayla Cook, Klyee Bryant and Josh Bullers
Poetry
 Jordyn Juker, Mckenzie Stevens and Caitlin Frazier
Harper Elementary
Prose
 Society Mares, Sheila Owsley, Jessica Regier, Francisca Leija, Johnathan Owsley, Jordan Smith, Ambrosio Nava, Tyler Gustin, Megan Riddle
Poetry
 Anna Silver, Jake Emerson, Vince Palfrey, Mykel and Christine Regier
Prose
 Jonathan Bates, Abigail Hecht, James Anderson, Alissa Zerek Tupper, Sergio Moezauma, Krystal Nichols, Haley Wiedeman, Cami Palino, Lily Garcia and Julie Smith
Harmon Elementary
Prose
 Keri Neiwirth, Whitney Bell, Cody Larson, Alyssa Long, Destinee Villers, Daniel Gustin, Brian Worth, Juncheng Wu and Jason Sipe
Poetry
 Avery Strong, Maria Garth and Kari Grubel
Immanuel Lutheran
Prose
 Sage Huff, Kristen Ver Hagen and Ariel McKay
Prose
 Justin Cordova
Kimberly Elementary
Prose
 Quincy Campbell, Seth Champlin, Jill Downup, Alie Campbell, Kirral Robinson, Tom Butler, Jerad Dietrick, Iselin Bjorn and Sara Waymet
Poetry

Dakota Milburn, Trace Tupper, Joshua Bryant, Kaycee Turner, Summer Stephens, Allie Campbell, Katie Wales and Kaitlyn Gerard
Kimberly Middle School
Prose
 Ashley Evans, Shane Hayes, Kelsey Jensen and Shianne Johns
Poetry
 Morgan Fritz, Alexis Carter and McKay Nichol
Liberty Christian Academy
Prose
 Allison Leberack, Bryce Trujillo, Susana Mora, Nathan Huser, Yana Levitskiy, Luis Velez, Kyle Carpenter, Mike Brennes, Rachel Soren and Nick Tappan
Poetry
 Matthew Noakes, Sari Butler and Anton Levitskiy
Oregon Trail
Prose
 Brent Carlson
Sawtooth Elementary
Poetry
 Taylor Hyde and Allison Federico
Prose
 Jeremiah Schroeder, Sosana Carpenter, Emily Buckner, Caitlyn Neville, Alexa Robinson, Savannah Albersh-Kennel, Derek Cox, Jenni Gibson and Adam Russell
Wendell Elementary
Prose
 Krew Ault, Jordan Chapman, Lucy Williams, Cammy Siper, Vanessa Gursan, Micah Pope, Richard Tenorio, Ashley Brown, Felicia Arzvedo, Katelyn Smith, Kelly Villagomez, Destree Kesler, Alie Kelsey, Hailey Hope, Sergio Bonilla, Cecilia Cox, Benico Ramirez, Nathan Ormond, Clara Neuberger, Eric Lopez, Caleb Reitsma, Hilary Robinson, Kith Womore, Edgar Lopez and Gerhardt Harms
Poetry
 Jacob Ruch, Riley Sauer, Lucas Villagomez, Stephanie Garcia, Alexia Carranza, Emily Kous, Luis Velez, Destree Kesler, Hailey Hope, Hailey Bonavita, Yvette Lopez, Ashley Cox, Natalie Briggs, Rebecca Cox, Mike Tenorio, Caleb Reitsma, Elvia Solomons, Kimberly Smith, Liliana Aguilar and Mindi Sears

Elementary winners by school

Acorn Learning Center
Prose
 Sarah Kannonian, Morgan Weber, Caitlin Slette, Katie Ortmann, Bradley Schaff, Emma Jones and Thomas Bernier
Poetry
 Kaitlin McKnight, Max Gray, Aubree McEari, Hannah Kannonian, Christopher Slette, Edith Jones and Charlie Billington
Brick Elementary
Prose
 Brad Wood, Ray Cruz, Sabrina Rohlfard, Ashley White, Marissa Morrell and Barbara Lindby
Poetry
 Kimberly Ash and Jordan Zollinger
Central Elementary
Prose
 Ashley Hartline and Jacob Dudley
Poetry
 Amber Taylor and Teasha Flowers
Filer Elementary
Prose

MVRMC Foundation makes health awards

TWIN FALLS - The executive committee of the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation awarded \$10,641 in grants at its monthly meetings in April and May.

\$1,000 - Canyon View staff members' travel and conference expense to a Behavioral Health Care Accreditation conference.
\$855 - two hospital paramedics tuition/course fees and lodging for a cyclist course.
\$1,393 - a diagnostic imaging staff member's travel and lodging to attend a radiology computer applications symposium.
\$565 - a portion of a two hospital staff members' registration and travel expense to attend a Women's Health conference.
\$603 - a retreat for Magic Valley Regional Home Health staff members.
\$300 - coping booklets for hospice families.
\$475 - booklets and catering for a grief teleconference.
\$850 - two hospital rehabilitation staff members' registration fees for a deep pharyngeal neuro-

muscular stimulation workshop. In addition, the following grants were awarded to community programs:

\$600 - educational "Ask Me Beads" to distribute at the American cancer
\$3,000 - from the Festival of Trees 2001 proceeds for \$1,000 general support grants to the City of Rocks, Hagerman and Declo quick response units
\$1,000 - medical supplies for children with cancer who will be attending Camp Rainbow Gold in August.
 The following ongoing programs also have received financial support from the foundation during 2002 in the following amounts:
\$639 - emergency supplies, medications and other items for hospital cancer patients.
\$181 - counseling expenses incurred by the Child Trauma Recovery Resource for child abuse victims.
\$8,927 - Children at Risk Evaluation Service.
\$5,331 - supplies, medical exams

and other items for diabetic patients in the region.

\$5,000 - Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition
\$3,290 - youth asset projects through HealthNet.
\$543 - Magic Valley Drug Free Workplace program.
\$667 - meals delivered to bereaved families of hospice patients.
\$50 - Project Respect in Hailey, a substance abuse and chemical dependency clinic for adolescents, and an affiliate of Canyon View
\$30 - supplies, medication and other items for Canyon View patient emergencies.
\$5,277 - Lifeline emergency response system for seniors.
 The support brings the total amount given by the foundation, both as monthly program support and as one-time grants, to \$65,658 for the calendar year 2002, it reports.

Filer High School biology student Ryan Jonas tests for dissolved oxygen at Cedar Draw. Math and photography students also got involved in the project.

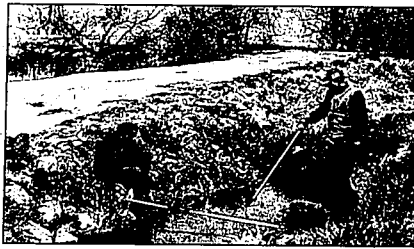


Photos courtesy of Filer High School students.

Filer biology students test the waters

By Margo Valentino
 Times-News correspondent

FILER - Instead of taking a test, students gave one. Filer High School biology students visited settling ponds at Cedar Draw in the Snake River Canyon to do some hands-on water testing May 7-8.



Chad Hoffard, Raymond Seymour and Riley Hinton take several stream flow measurements.

To record their data, students learned in biology classes how to use Vernier probes that work in conjunction with a calculator-based laboratory. Filer High School was able to purchase the probes through a grant awarded by the Rock Creek Soil Conservation District.

The field study involved the integrated efforts of not only the biology students, but those of algebra I students who did data calculations. Students from the digital photography class also were on hand to record the event.

Hansen Elementary School announces achievements

HANSEN - Hansen Elementary School announced its achievement list for the second semester.

Students listed were: third grade, Zach Chavez, Samantha Coulter, Taylor Harris, Jack Hoover, Anthony Jenkins, Cheyenne McCreary, Andrew McMullen, Emma Okarma, Daniel Parker, Gerrit Peters, Chance Robbins, Anne Marie Schulties, Jay Sellmer, Annie Strangor, Sara Worden and Isabel Zaretz fourth grade, Derek Bates, Janet Braun, Kendyl Copenbarger, Riana Cummings, Crystal Guerrero, Shelby Hancock, Elizabeth

Martinez, Kelly McNurlin, Nic Pfeifer and Annie Thomson; fifth grade, Lupe Arevalo, Randall Borlase, Cory Brown, Andy Corle, Samantha Corle, Blake Harris, Jessica Johnson, Carlos Vargas and Claudia Vega and sixth grade, Charlotte Freestone, Amanda Jacob and Jed Stewart.

Magic Valley High School names honor students

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley High School in Twin Falls announced its honor roll for the second semester.

Students listed were: 4.0 GPA, Kyndell Madsen; 3.5-3.9 GPA, Jessi Boyer, Megan

Larissa Cleveland, Jesse Ellis, Jesse Howell, Angelica Martinez, Chris Martinez, Adam McCabe, Brett Moore, Teela Olson, Mike Perry, Andy Russell and Josh Tucker.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Area students place at BPA competition

Idaho State University business students took first places at the 13th annual Business Professionals of America (BPA) Post-Secondary State Leadership Conference March 1 in Boise.

Rogers, both of Rupert, were second and third in desktop publishing.

Area students receive WUE scholarships to MSU

Nicholas Nottingham of Hailey, and Monica Blackwood, John Hieb and Nicholas Waters of Twin Falls have been offered a Western Undergraduate Exchange scholarship to attend Montana State University in Bozeman, Mont.

standing academic performance.

WSU president's list includes area students

Anthony Joseph Ostrander of Buhl, Clelio Lin Lopez of Hailey, Jason Boyd Vanleuven of Heyburn, Joshua Ryan Deves of Mountain Home, Jennifer Renee Guzman of Twin Falls and Amy Marie Palmer of Twin Falls were named to the president's honor roll for the fall 2001 semester at Washington State University in Pullman, Wash.

Rupert business group holds Regatta barbecue

RUPERT - Organization of Rupert Businesses will hold its annual Idaho Regatta barbecue from 6-8 p.m. Thursday at the Rupert City Square.

For more information, call John Dockett at 436-3300.

Boys and Girls Club summer program is rolling

TWIN FALLS - The Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley is open from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

Get in your car: Crater buds are blooming

ARCO - The annual floral display along the 7-mile loop drive at Craters-of-the-Moon National Monument is under way.

These activities will continue into August. During the summer, visitor center hours will be from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Mary Time Club meets early next month

TWIN FALLS - The Mary Time Club will meet June 4 at the home of Rose Crawford for brunch.

able/flower." Fourteen members attended, and thanked the secret pal for the cards. The white elephant was won by Ruby Lierman and Ruthie Abel.

Business offers cake decorating class

TWIN FALLS - Kitchen Magic will hold a course 2 cake decorating class from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

The cost is \$20 plus supplies. The class must be paid for by Thursday.

Are you a BHS 1942 alum? Reunion starts up

BURLEY - The Burley High School class of 1942 will have a 60-year-reunion Monday through Wednesday in Burley.

For more information, call Glen Kunau at 678-1104, Phillip Hanks at 678-2072, or Gerald Larson at 678-5874.

WEDDINGS

ANNIVERSARIES

SHARP-MOLT

JEROME - Katherine N. Sharp and Jonathan D. Molt were married May 4 at the Snake River Elks Lodge in Jerome. Officiating was the Rev. Dale R. Meister. The bride is the daughter of the late Helen Hayslet. Parents of the bridegroom are Janet and Steve Bloss and Eldon and Lisa Molt, all of Jerome. Hollie Gartner, friend of the bride, served as the bride's matron of honor. Amanda Sharp, daughter of the bride, was the bridesmaid. Taylor Molt, stepdaughter, was



Katherine and Jonathan Molt the flower girl. Jeff Rupert, friend of the groom, served as best man.

Michael Sharp, son of the bride, was the groomsmen. Mallory Sharp, daughter of the bride, was the ringbearer. A reception was held following the ceremony. Christena and Alyce Warr, nieces of the bride, attended the guest book. The bride is a graduate of Filer High School. She is employed at Diehl Inc. The bridegroom is a graduate of Jerome High School. He is employed at Pittock and Floyd. The newlyweds reside in Jerome.

SCHOEN-WILSON

PAUL - Walt and Louise Schoen of Paul announce the marriage of their daughter, Mechelle Mae Schoen, to Christopher John Wilson, son of Richard and Helen Wilson, Napa, Calif., and Diane Wilson, Los Altos, Calif. The wedding was held March 2 at New Life Fellowship Church in Boise. The bride's uncle, the Rev. E.W. Yadon officiated at the ceremony. The bride graduated from

Northwestern Nazarene College with a bachelor's degree in social work. She received her master's degree from Boise State University and is now employed by the Department of Health and Welfare in Caldwell. The bridegroom attended several different universities and is currently working at Saint Alphonsus Hospital in Boise. A reception was held June 2 at the Powerhouse Event Center in Boise. After their honeymoon to Hawaii, the couple returned to



Mechelle and Christopher Wilson Boise.

THE MERRIGANS

PAUL - Mr. and Mrs. Russ Merrigan of Paul will be honored at an open house Saturday for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to call from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Rupert Elks Lodge. Merrigan and Jackie Stroh were married Feb. 23, 1952, at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Mitchell, Neb. They have lived in Scottsbluff,

Neb. They homesteaded north of Paul in 1958. He farmed and she was a homemaker. They have been active in St. Nicholas Catholic Church. The event is being given by their children, Pat Merrigan of Paul, Tim Merrigan of Santa Fe, N.M., Chris Merrigan of American Falls, Bill Merrigan of Imbler, Ore., and Lisa Webb of Boise. The couple has 12 grandchildren.



Russ and Jackie Merrigan

THE HATCHES

BELLEVEUE - Mr. and Mrs. Halbert Hatch recently celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary. Hatch came out West from Missouri in 1924 to live with his brother and worked cattle in Shoshone and Jerome, where he met Inez Wyckoff. She was born in Jerome and graduated from Jerome High School, where she and Halbert had their first date at a dance. They have called Inez home all these years except for a short stay in California early in their married life and winter stays in Arizona after they retired. Halbert worked at many different occupations, including ranching, sawmill and mining, and in a hardware store in Bellevue, which he later purchased and operated until selling out to his partner. He was the custodian of the Blaine County Hospital when it opened in 1960 and remained



Halbert and Inez Hatch

in that position until his retirement. He then worked as a ticket puncher on the ski lift at Sun Valley. Halbert served on the Bellevue City Council and also as mayor of the only chartered city in the United States. He served on the Bellevue School Board until the county consolidated the district. He belonged to the Masonic Lodge for 30 years and served as grand master of the IOOF Lodge. He was instrumental with other scout leaders in building Bellevue's first youth center.

Inez was a pioneer in the school lunch program when it was started in Bellevue by the civic club. She worked in the school lunch programs for 26 years, the last five years as supervisor of the Blaine County School Lunch Program. When she wasn't cooking something, she was crocheting dollies and afghans or making craft items. She is a lifetime member of the Order of Eastern Star and served as worthy matron of the organization. She also served as past noble grand of the Mayflower Rebekah Lodge. The Hatches both served as guardians of Job's Daughters. They are members of the Blaine County Senior Center and belong to and travel with the Good Sam organization. They have three sons, Gene and Max (both deceased) and Robert (Gloy) Hatch of Yuma, Ariz., and one daughter, Faye (Pat) Barker of Bellevue. The couple has 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

ENGAGEMENTS

MATOS-MATTIX

WENDELL - Agnelo and Helen Matos announce the engagement of their daughter, Bethany Lynn Matos, to Michael Mattix, son of Tom and Melanie Mattix of Wendell. Matos is a 1996 graduate of Wendell High School. She attended Boise State University and received her technical certificate in dental assisting. She is currently employed at the office of Dr. Robert Adams in Twin Falls. Mattix is a 1993 graduate of Wendell High School. He is currently attending the electrical program at the College of Southern Idaho and is employed by Electrical Contractors in Jerome.



Bethany Matos and Michael Mattix

The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. July 13 at St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Jerome. A reception will follow at the Turf Club in Twin Falls. The couple will reside in Wendell.

MAGLAUGHLIN-HOCKER



Melissa Maglaughlin and Casey Hocker

BURLEY - Pat and Helen Maglaughlin of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Ann Maglaughlin, to Casey Hocker, son of Steven and Vicki Hocker of Hermiston, Ore. Maglaughlin attended Burley High School and is a graduate of Blue Mountain Community College in Oregon. She is employed at McNary Market in Umatilla, Ore. Hocker attended Hermiston High School. He is employed at McNary Market in Umatilla. The wedding is planned for 6:30 p.m. Saturday at Cottage Gardens in Hermiston, Ore. A reception to honor the couple will be held at 6:30 p.m. July 13 at the Congregational Bible Church, 1550 Parke Ave., Burley.

KOEPNICK-MALONEY

TWIN FALLS - Jim and Ada Koepnick of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Jaimee Mae Koepnick, to Matthew Patrick Maloney, son of MaryAnn Delaney of Twin Falls. Koepnick is a graduate of Filer High School and the College of Southern Idaho. She recently graduated from Idaho State University with a bachelor of arts degree in elementary education. Maloney is a graduate of Filer High School. He owns and operates Maloney Construction.



Matthew Maloney and Jaimee Koepnick

The wedding is planned for July 6 at the Alexander's Barn in Filer. A reception will immediately follow the ceremony. The couple will reside in Filer.

TUFT-WILDING

BURLEY - Steven and Susan Tuft of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Elaine Tuft, to Gregory Brent Wilding, son of Roland and Patrice Wilding of Sugar City. Tuft is a 1999 graduate of Burley High School and is attending Idaho State University studying elementary education. Wilding also is attending Idaho State University. The wedding is planned for Saturday in Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 9



Gregory Wilding and Karen Tuft

p.m. Saturday at the Surgery Center, 1344 Hiland Ave. in Burley.

WORKMAN-NELSON

RUPERT - Kandy and John Workman of Chicago, Ill. announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristi Kay Workman, to Jason Jon Nelson, son of Jon and Julie Nelson of Rupert. Workman attended Ricks College and is currently attending Utah Valley State College. She is employed as a nanny in Draper, Utah. Nelson graduated in 1997 from Burley High School and served an LDS mission to Carlsbad, Calif. He is attending Brigham Young University and working as a computer technician at Big Planet in Provo, Utah. The wedding is planned for Saturday in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.



Jason Nelson and Kristi Workman

An open house to honor the couple will be held from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Nelson residence, 104 N. 450 E. Receptions also will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Saturday at the Joseph Smith Memorial Building and July 17 in Chicago, Ill.

WATTS-CLAIBORN



Kent Claiborn and Janan Watts

KIMBERLY - Mike Watts and Judy Holloway of Walla Walla, Wash., announce the engagement of their daughter, Janan Watts, to Kent Claiborn, son of Kirk and Bev Claiborn of Kimberly. Watts graduated from Walla Walla High School in 1989 and Washington State University in Pullman, Wash., in 1994 with a bachelor of science degree in agribusiness and economics. She is employed at Simplor Soilbuilders in Hagerman. Claiborn graduated from Kimberly High School in 1991 and University of Idaho in 1997 with a bachelor of science degree in agricultural systems management. He is self-employed. The wedding is planned for Aug. 10 at the First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls. A reception will follow at the home of the groom's parents in Kimberly. The couple will reside in Kimberly.

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Study: Bedroom TVs may be harmful to kids

Knight Ridder Newspapers
A new study links televisions in children's bedrooms to lower performance in schools, and to unhealthy media habits that can lead to obesity, aggression, underage drinking and a host of other problems. The study, conducted by the National Institute on Media and the Family and published in the

Journal of Applied Developmental Psychology, found several negative effects of bedroom televisions:
• Children watch five and a half more hours of TV per week.
• Parents are less able to monitor what their children see.
• Parents are less able to be consistent with rules for watching media.
• Children participate in fewer

activities other than watching television.
• Children do worse in school.
This study confirms what I've been hearing from teachers for years," said David Walsh, president of the institute and co-author of the study. "Teachers have repeatedly confided to me that they can identify kids who have TVs in their bedrooms without even asking them."

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FAMILY LIFE

Wedding scams to avoid: Get married, not taken

Knights Riddor Newspapers

Future brides and grooms: You are about to enter another dimension as a consumer, says author Alan Fields. "And none of the usual rules apply."

"If you're not planning a wedding, you can walk into a photography studio, a dress shop and a caterer and ask 'What does it cost?' and you'll get an answer," Fields says. "In wedding world, ask how much and you'll hear, 'We can't tell you yet.'"

The top scams to watch out for, according to Fields:

The marriage makeup

A Boston TV reporter recently called sites about the cost of a wedding reception. The next day another reporter inquired about the cost of a retirement party at the same sites for the same number of people and length of time.

"Seven out of 11 places took a lower price for the retirement party," Fields says. "And it was 20 to 40 percent less."

This may happen with florists, caterers, photographers, and at stationary stores. Service providers says higher charges are justified because a wedding demands extra staff and attention.

How to avoid the "wedding tax":

- Comparison shop.
- Avoid wedding specialty stores.

Ask for available options. "If they don't give it to you, leave," he says.

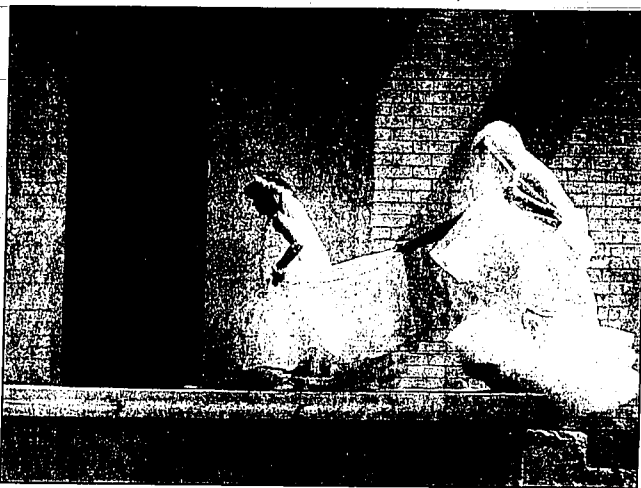
Disappearing dresses

Wedding gowns are a constant source of consumer complaints.

"There are shops that rake brides' deposits and leave town," Fields says. "It usually happens on a Friday in June."

Unlike any other formal dress, a 50 percent deposit may be required.

It takes months to get the dress and that's where things tend to go wrong. "You can get a package overnight and photos in an hour," he says. "But you can't get a dress in less than 8 to 12 weeks." When it finally arrives, it may be the wrong color, size or style. If you're close to the date, you're stuck.



Soon-to-be bride Leah Simpson holds up both her dress and the dress of flower girl Reagan Richey, 6, to keep them clean while walking back to a Tyler, Texas, bridal shop recently after posing for photographs at a nearby church. Wedding gowns are a constant source of consumer complaints, experts say.

Wedding facts

• **Big business:** The wedding industry is a \$10-billion-a-year business — not including gifts.

• **Who pays:** Two out of every three couples pay for all or part of their expenses.

• **Second time around:** Nearly half of all weddings are remarriages for either the bride or groom.

— Source: "Bridal Bargains," by Denise and Alan Fields

How to avoid dress drama?

- Check the shop's reputation.

Ask other brides and the Better Business Bureau.

• **Order six to nine months in advance.** One bride suggests funding your wedding date by at least two months.

• **Get everything in writing.** "A shop will make promises to you," Fields says. "Four months down the road, they forget what they promised." Ask for a copy of the deposit and return policy. The receipt should list the style number, the designer/manufacturer, the size, the color, the delivery date and special additions.

The bait-and-switch

You expect one thing and get another. This can be employed with almost every wedding ser-

vice. Fields' example: You hire a studio to photograph the wedding. The ace photographer who spent two hours with you sends a freelance photographer.

How to avoid getting taken?

• **Get specifics in writing.**

• **Ask for the Plan B.** Example: Who shows if the violinist gets sick?

• **Know what you need.** The photo studio's top-selling package may be ultra-cheap, but it only has 12 photos. "You will want more," Fields says. And that's where you'll pay. Expect a selection of 70 to 80 photos from a four-hour wedding/reception.

Wedding guests often don't know proper attire

The Orlando Sentinel

Movies about weddings tend to be comedies of error.

"My Best Friend's Wedding," "The Wedding Planner," "The Wedding Singer" and "Father of the Bride" are about things going wrong.

Those films did get one thing right, though: The guests were beautifully dressed.

The same cannot be said for many real-life wedding guests.

"At almost every wedding, I see something outrageously inappropriate," says wedding consultant Susan Southerland. "People come in jeans and cut-offs, or they wear something ultra-revealing. It's just not appropriate, particularly if it's a church wedding," says Southerland, president of Just Marry a wedding-planning service in Winter Park, Fla.

At a time when golf shirts and khakis, sundresses and sandals, even jeans and T-shirts are standard attire in offices, churches, restaurants and theaters, it's not really surprising that such casual gear should show up at weddings.

People dress up so rarely these days that when an invitation arrives to a traditional, ceremonial event such as a wedding, they simply aren't sure what to wear.

Further complicating the situation is the growing popularity of nontraditional weddings.

"There's a trend toward themed weddings," says Rebecca Grinnalls, owner of Engaging Concepts, a wedding and honeymoon service in Orlando, Fla.

The theme could be a destination, such as Morocco; a period, such as the Renaissance; or a culture, such as West African or East Indian.

The idea is to dress to the theme, not to the traditional con-

The rules

For traditional weddings, the attire guidelines for men are straightforward: A dark suit, dress shirt and tie are appropriate for all weddings, says Elizabeth L. Post, author of "Emily Post's Complete Book of Wedding Etiquette" (Harper Collins, \$19.95).

Tuxedos may be substituted for formal evening affairs. And there are three options for informal summer ceremonies: a light suit; a dark blazer with light trousers; or a colored or plaid sport coat with light trousers.

Women have more options, but the essential guidelines are these: If the wedding is before 5 p.m., an elegant street-length dress, suit or pantsuit is appropriate. Pastels, brights and florals are generally preferred over black or white. Luxe fabrics such as brocade or velvet are OK, but not with gilly beading or sequins. Accessories would include a small handbag, dress shoes or dressy sandals, and jewelry that's not too gaudy. Hosiery with sandals is optional.

Cocktail dresses, suits and evening pantsuits are worn for weddings that start after 5 p.m. Long gowns may be worn for formal affairs that start after 6 p.m. Shiny fabrics, beading and sequins are fine in the evening, as are gilly evening bags, shoes and jewelry.

— Source: Orlando Sentinel

cept of "wedding," she says.

Also breaking with tradition are couples who forgo the usual long gown and tuxedo when they say their "I do's."

"The bride herself may be wearing a short dress or pantsuit nowadays, so guests have more options," says Kim Johnson Gross in her book, "What Should I Wear? Dressing for Occasions" (Alfred A. Knopf, \$30).

In cases like these, guests should try to echo the look chosen by the couple, Gross advises.

Many opt for photos in black and white

Knights Riddor Newspapers

Chalk it up to Martha Stewart. And those bridal magazines.

Wedding photos, and personal photos of all kinds, are getting back to basic black and white.

"It's hot. It's big. It's getting bigger by the year," said Bill Hunter, editor of Rangefinder, a California-based magazine that circulates among 50,000 or so professional photographers. "We have an annual print competition. We see the best of wedding and portrait photographs from around the world. I'd say over 50 percent is black and white now, in some form or variation."

Allison and Matt Cheney had their April 27 ceremony documented in black and white. After studying other people's photo albums, they were sold on the shades of gray.

"It's a real classy way to go," Allison said. "We felt the black and white was more timeless. Offentimes color photography can distract you. Black-and-white photos allow you to see the picture in its rawest form."

When she gets the pictures back, Allison said she'll hang one on the wall alongside wedding photos of her parents and grandparents — both in black and white, of course.

Holly Mihalevich and her husband, Tim, opted for black and white last September when they tied the knot. She finds it "elegant" than color.

"Your eyes aren't distracted by everything going on in the background. The real focus is the people and the expressions."

The Cheneys and the Mihalevichs hired Black Dog Imageworks of Kansas City, Mo., to photograph their weddings. Black Dog shoots black and white overwhelmingly, and plenty of people call the company for just that reason.

"I know there's a resurgence in interest in black and white — weddings especially," said Rachel Mering, one of the company's two wedding photographers. "Martha Stewart helped that along." Her annual publication, Martha Stewart Weddings, is heavy on black-and-white images.

"People come to us, and that's what they're looking for. I think what they're responding to is the simplicity of the image. We prefer it," Mering said. "We think it's timeless, classic."

Color can be distracting, whereas black and white "helps you focus on the most important part in the image," Mering said. She

and her partners take color pictures only if they believe there's a compelling reason to do so. An outdoor wedding, for example, probably would be shot in color because it's naturally a colorful setting.

Hunter, who has seen the popularity of black and white escalate in the last three or four years, thinks that black and white has "a certain style and edginess that color doesn't necessarily have."

We felt the black and white was more timeless.

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— Allison Cheney, bride whose photos were in black and white

Color tends to be more realistic. Black and white tends to have more of an evocative character.

The move to black and white hasn't occurred in isolation. It generally goes along with a grainy texture, wide-angle lenses and a spontaneous, documentary-style approach, Hunter said.

"A lot goes into this genre of photography other than it being black and white," he said.

At the same time that more wedding and portraits are being shot in black and white, many such images shot in color are being converted to black and white.

Hunter suspects that it stems in part from the ease with which images shot in color can be converted to black and white.

"It's so easy to do in Photoshop," he said. "There are myriad filters and special effects available in Photoshop, and a lot of that is being done." Above Photoshop is a computer photo manipulation program.

Neal Ray, who operates a photography business in Liberty, Mo., prefers that approach. When peo-

ple inquire about recording their wedding in black and white — and many do — he usually discourages them.

"If we shoot black and white, it's borderline impossible to make color. If we shoot in color, it's easy to make black and white from that. I say to people, 'Let's shoot in color. If you'd like, I can always make black and white from it.'"

Paul McMillian, owner of VanDeusen Photography and Gallery in Prairie Village, Kan., also cautions his customers before shooting in black and white.

"They don't have any memories of the flowers or what the bridesmaids are wearing," he said. Record a wedding in black and white, he said, and "later on, they'll want to see it in color."

Even in a wedding that he shoots mostly in black and white, McMillian said he generally photographs "the traditional or romantic things" in color.

The resurgence of black-and-white photography is probably because of a couple of factors, he said. At the same time that it's seen as hip and trendy, it's a throwback to years gone by.

"Black and white goes back to your folks, and your grandparents," he said. That sense of continuity, he theorizes, provides a sort of comfort.

BRIDAL REGISTRY

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1 Pair Dutch Shoes
(1) Pewter Candleholder
(1) Handpainted Porcelain Vase
(1) Reminiscence Picture Frame
(1) Milk Maid Figurine
(1) Milk Man Figurine
(1) Armant-Tender Flowers (Mother)
(1) Armant-Our Day (Wedding Couple)
(1) Delft Blue Vase
(1) Delft-Blue Coffee Pot
(1) Delft Blue Office Pot Warmer
Set of 4 Delft Blue Cap & Saucers
Set of 3 Delft Blue Tray, Creamer & Sugar

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Your Perfect Wedding

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Bolsé, Elko,
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Soundsworks Video & Audio Productions
818 10th Ave. E.
Jerome 324-2593

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Twin Falls 733-8838

Gowns Forever
1838 Addition Ave. E.
Twin Falls 734-4055

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Name Social Security rep payees



NEXT STEPS
Jan Collins and Jan Warner

Q. My parents signed powers of attorney over to me ten years ago when both were comparatively healthy. In the past six months, both have been deteriorating rapidly. Two weeks after my mother had a stroke that left her unable to speak or see, Dad fell and broke his hip. With both of them in the nursing home, this was the first time I had to use their powers of attorney. But I was shocked that Social Security would not even talk to me about having their checks direct deposited to their checking account to avoid the possibility of theft from their home mailbox. No one can tell me why Social Security won't honor my parents' powers of attorney.

A. Even though durable powers of attorney are generally accepted in handling most aspects of a family member's finances, because of the potential of financial abuse of its beneficiaries and because powers of attorney do not include adequate accountability provisions, the Social Security Administration is not authorized to accept durable powers of attorney when it comes to the management of a beneficiary's benefits.

While each Social Security beneficiary has the privilege of receiving and handling his and her own benefit checks, once the Social Security Administration concludes that it may be in the beneficiary's interest—regardless of beneficiary's legal capacity, SSA may appoint what is known as a "representative payee" to be responsible for the beneficiary's checks. SSA may appoint either an individual or an entity to serve as representative payee.

The representative payee is required to stay informed about the beneficiary's needs in order to

determine how to best use the benefits for that person's care and well-being and use funds properly. Funds that may be left over after meeting the beneficiary's needs must be saved for the beneficiary's later use. If misused funds are not repaid to the beneficiary, the representative payee may face fines and/or imprisonment.

In order to avoid liability to the beneficiary, before appointing a representative payee, SSA generally requires a personal interview, verification of the potential payee's Social Security number, and satisfaction that that the applicant has not been convicted of a Social Security crime or been terminated as a payee in the past. If payments are made without adequate investigation, SSA may be required to repay the beneficiary payments that were misused by an inappropriate payee.

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By Bill Swain,
New Port Richey,
Florida

THE Sunday Crossword

Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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Rising costs keep many from assisted living homes

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — Annie Carpenter clings to her knickknacky apartment as if it's her last refuge on earth.

It is the way she sees it. A broken hip, a fractured pelvis and near-blindness have left the 97-year-old considering the only options available to many low-income senior citizens in her situation: trading independence for a nursing home or keeping it by staying put and risking more injuries.

Carpenter lives on \$565 a month and has no relative who can take her in.

"The last time I fell, I thought, 'Oh my gosh, what if I have to go to a nursing home? I just cried,'" she said. "I don't want to be in a nursing home pushing a button all night. This here is my home."

She and many seniors who feel the same way have made assisted living the most popular long-term-care choice.

But generally, it's a choice only for those who can afford to pay the \$2,000 to \$5,000 a month for private care.

Assisted living, which fills the gap between independent living and nursing-home life by providing limited nursing in a residential group-home setting, is generally not financed by Medicaid.

The state and federal government, however, pay for nursing-home care.

A limited state program that has a yearlong waiting list allows a fraction of Texas seniors to use their Medicaid coverage for assisted living or home health care. A few also get those options through disability coverage.

Unless they nab one of those hard-to-get Medicaid waivers, the most popular option for long-term care is off limits to the nation's 1.7

million seniors residing in subsidized apartments, along with countless others who live in houses.

"Seniors are living at home and forgoing needed services because they don't want to leave for a nursing home," said Robert Jenkins, a long-term-care expert and deputy director of a national program that is studying ways to bring assisted living to low-income seniors. "There is a real gap in the system."

One federally subsidized senior housing complex in East Dallas has joined the national movement aimed at closing the rich-poor gap in assisted living.

Fewer Christian Apartments recently received \$1.7 million in grants to create an assisted-living wing for 45 of its low-income residents, including Carpenter.

The nonprofit facility off Abrams Road just north of Interstate 30 is the first in Texas to win the special grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Since last year, about 24 nonprofit housing facilities nationwide have received the grants.

But because the grants finance only the construction of low-income assisted-living facilities—not services such as pay for nurses and aides—the HUD program is limited in its long-term impact.

Changes in state and federal financing are needed, said Dr. Don Redfoot, a senior policy adviser with AARP who is studying low-income assisted-living pilot projects in other states.

Fowler officials said they have an informal commitment from state officials for Medicaid waivers to finance services. But the pot they come from is a fraction of the Medicaid dollars available for nursing-home care, state officials said.

"The long-term success of efforts like this hinges on the willingness of states to provide the services commitment. That's been a real major stumbling block in many cases," Redfoot said.

One Connecticut facility that received a HUD grant last year said a new source of state financing for low-income assisted living is the reason they can keep operating.

"It's really working well," said Dorothy Giannini-Meyers, director of Tower One Tower East in New Haven, Conn. "We used to have to transfer people to a nursing home just because they couldn't manage" their prescriptions.

Many apartment residents who would have gone to nursing homes, a move that costs the state of Connecticut at least \$3,000 a month per person, have moved to assisted living. That care costs the state a minimum of \$600 a month in Medicaid dollars, Giannini-Meyers said.

Although facility costs probably would drop because assisted living costs less, overall costs might increase as more people opt for assisted living.

The number of private-pay residents opting for assisted living instead of nursing homes has jumped in the last decade, according to the National Center for Health Statistics.

All seniors deserve that option, said Marie Herman, who runs Fowler.

"I've seen people lose their spirit and say they have nothing left to live for. Why isn't assisted living available to them if they don't need a nursing home?" she said. "Every senior deserves to be somewhere they can call home."

Voices of the valley:
Area residents speak their minds
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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:** Potato bar
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak, potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, salad, bread, dessert
Wednesday: Ham with raisin sauce, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, cake
Thursday: Salad bar
Friday: Fish or chicken, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad, muffin, dessert
- 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**
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Tue: Clinic; make appointment
Meeting for the blind at 1 p.m.
- Ticket Tuesday**
Blood pressure check from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
B.J. and Friends will play
Thursday
Pinchle at 1 p.m.
Friday
Blood pressure
Lunch bingo
Quitting
- 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.
- Monday:** Menu not available
Monday: Sweet and sour chicken
Tuesday: Pork roast dinner
Wednesday: Chicken strips
Thursday: Roast beef dinner
Friday: Hot roast beef
- Thrift shop open every day. Quitting, 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.
Cards at 6 p.m.
Tuesday
Exercises from 7-8 a.m.
Quitting from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Wednesday
Treasure Tuesday
Bingo at 1:45 a.m.
Crafts from 1-4 p.m.
Wednesday
Exercises from 7-8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
Hearing aid clinic from 9-11:30 a.m.
Thursday
Exercises from 7-8 p.m.
Quitting 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.
- Jerome Senior Center**
212 First Ave. E.
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.
Monday: Chicken pot pie, corn bread, pickled beets, fruit, cookies
Tuesday: Turkey, potatoes,
- 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: Hot beef sandwich, gravy
Thursday: Oven fried chicken
- Agless Senior Citizens Inc.**
310 Main N., Kimberly
Monday-Friday: Menu not available
- Activities**
The thrift store is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday and from 1-4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.
Tuesday
Bingo at 7 p.m.
Wednesday
Dominos at 1 p.m.
Thursday
Crafts at 1 p.m.
Friday
Bingo at 11:55 a.m.
Pinchle at 1 p.m.
- Camas County Senior Center**
Friday: Chicken stir fry, rice pilaf, fruit salad, dessert
Wednesday: Hot dog wraps, potato salad, cabbage and carrot salad, fruit, cookies
Friday: Hamburgers, spinach, macaroni and cheese, fruit, cookies
- Activities**
Tuesday
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Wednesday
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Thursday
Art class from 1-3 p.m.
Quitting from 1-3 p.m.
Friday
Pool from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Speaker on osteoporosis at 12:30 p.m.
Quitting from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Gooding County Senior Citizens Inc.**
308 Senior Ave.
All dinners at noon. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors.
Monday: Meat loaf, Scandinavian vegetables, potatoes, gravy, beets, french bread, cookie
Tuesday: Chili, baked potato
Normally vegetables, corn bread, carrot and raisin salad, pudding
Wednesday: Chicken parmesan, noodles, spinach, green salad, garlic bread, brownie
Thursday: Roast turkey, potatoes, gravy, peas with pearl onions, penny carrot salad, roll, pumpkin squares
Friday
Pool at 9:30 a.m.
Pinchle at 12:30 p.m.
Hand and foot at 6 p.m.
Tuesday
Pool at 9 a.m.
Bride at 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday
Sun night at 6 p.m.
Thursday
Pool at 9:30 a.m.
Blood pressure check at 11 a.m.
Birthday dinner
Singsong at 12:30 p.m.
TOPS at 5 p.m.
Pinchle at 7 p.m.
Friday
Bride at 1 p.m.
Hand and foot check at 1 p.m.
Bowling at 1:30 p.m.
Bingo at 6:30 p.m.
- Richfield Senior Center**
Monday: Fried chicken, scalloped potatoes, buttered peas, cole slaw, birthday cake, orange juice, milk, coffee
Thursday: Grilled cheese sandwich, chicken noodle soup, sweet potato pie, orange juice, milk, coffee
- Shoshone Senior Center**
218 N. Rail St., W. Shoshone
Tuesday: Meat loaf, macaroni and cheese, buttered carrots, rolls, cinnamon rolls, orange juice, milk, coffee
Wednesday: BLT sandwich, potato rounds, mixed salad, banana cream pie, orange juice, milk, coffee
Friday: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, buttered peas, green salad, bread, birthday cake, orange juice, milk, coffee
- Activities**
Monday
Exercise from 9:30-10 a.m.
Coffee at 9:30 a.m.
Quitting at 10 a.m.
Quilt class from 1-3 p.m.
Tuesday
Lunch at noon
Pinchle at 1 p.m.
Wednesday
Lunch at noon
Rotary Club
Pinchle at 1 p.m.
Snack bar at 6 p.m.
Early bird at 6 p.m.
Bingo at 7 p.m.
Thursday
Exercise from 9:30-10 a.m.
Coffee at 9:30 a.m.
Ridfield and lunch
Friday
Pinchle at 1 p.m.
Blood pressure check from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Silver and Gold Senior Citizens**
203 Wilson, Eden
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.
Tuesday: Ham, mashed potatoes, broccoli, salad, peaches, cake, ice cream
Wednesday: Bake day
Thursday: Pizza, spinach salad, mixed vegetables, pineapple, no bake cookies
Activities
Wednesday
Bingo at 7 p.m.
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FAMILY LIFE

Calendar

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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 Friday. Suggested donation for seniors is \$3, non-seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2. Coffee, tea, juice and bread served with all meals.
Monday: Tuna casserole, carrot and raisin salad, dessert
Wednesday: Jell-O chef salad, cottage cheese, fruit, dessert
Friday: Roast beef, potatoes, gravy, carrots, cole slaw
Thrift store open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Blaine County Senior Center
721 Third Ave. S., Hailey
Meals are served at noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Milk, juice, coffee and tea are served with all meals.
Tuesday: Country fried steak, corn, mashed potatoes, butter-milk biscuit, cole slaw, cheese-cake bars with strawberries
Wednesday: Salad bar, barbecue chicken wings, sliced water-cucumbers, orange and pineapple fruit cup with coconut, rolls, chocolate pie
Friday: Fried chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, Scandinavian vegetables, orange and pineapple fruit cup with coconut, rolls, chocolate pie
Activities
Wednesday
Diabetic support group meeting

Thursday
Bingo at 5:30 p.m.

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center
702 11th St., Rupert
Meals are served at noon and home delivged upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals.
Monday: Chicken nuggets, fries, Texas toast, carrots, cheese-cake, beverages, assorted salads
Tuesday: Jell-O salad, pork chops, potato casserole, mixed vegetables, rolls, apple pie, beverages
Wednesday: Tossed salad, spaghetti, green beans, peaches, garlic bread, beverages
Thursday: Tossed salad, chili burgers, fries, vegetables, pudding

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 Riddleys at 436-1200
Activities
Monday
Exercise from 10-11 a.m.
Bridge
Tuesday
Quilting from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Bingo from 1-2 p.m.
Wednesday
Pinochle from 1-4 p.m.
Thursday
Exercise from 10-11 a.m.
SHIBA Medicare supplemental insurance assistance from 10 a.m.

to 4 p.m. Call George Schwinderman at 436-9107.
Friday
Pinochle from 1-4 p.m.
Bingo at 7 p.m.

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland, Burley
All diners are served at noon.
Monday: Beefy tomato macaroni, diced carrots, hard roll, cole slaw, berry cheesecake
Tuesday: Pastrami sandwiches, potato soup, three bean salad, peaches, ice cream
Wednesday: Oven fried chicken, baked potatoes, California vegetables, roll, whipped fruit Jell-O, chocolate cake
Thursday: Chicken fried-steak, potatoes, gravy, rolls summer vegetables, salad, fruit
Friday: Hamburger cook-out, salads, fruit, desserts
Activities
Monday
Pool at 10 a.m.
Tuesday
Pool at 10 a.m.
Exercise at 11:15 a.m.
Wednesday
Pool at 10 a.m.
Exercise at 11 a.m.
Pinochle at 1 p.m.
Thursday
Pool at 10 a.m.
Exercise at 11 a.m.
Hearing aid check at 11 a.m.
Friday
Pool at 10 a.m.
Exercise at 11 a.m.
Bingo at 1 p.m.
Pinochle at 1 p.m.

Simply For Seniors

Seniors Are Finding Their Lifestyle On The Open Road

by Dan Aspell

The thought of retiring to the thousands of miles of our nation's highways keeps our country's seniors on the move and sales of recreational vehicles (RVs) strong. And as more seniors hit the road each year, RV parks are gradually changing to meet the demand.

When they first began, RV parks were somewhat motley-looking roadside entities, providing perhaps some running water, fire pits and a few picnic tables. Over the decades, however, they have added high-grade electrical hookups, swimming pools, tennis courts and other amenities that make folks want to stick around for more than just a few days. These days, time spent at an RV park can be akin to living at a country club.

While most RV parks are family-oriented, seniors are finding more of them reserved strictly for those over 50 years of age, with no kids allowed for more than a day visit. Most of these senior-oriented parks are popping up across the "snowbird" states in the south and southwest, making them a perfect place to hole up for an entire winter.


Take Toby's RV Resort (www.tobysrv.com), a family-owned and managed park for seniors in Arcadia, FL. Aside from the heated pool and clubhouse, Toby's gated RV community has concrete patios at all sites, paved bike paths, and even Internet connections at no charge. They also allow pets, as long as your pooch is under 35 lbs. Recent rates on the resort's Web site are a bargain, too, at just \$1,575 for two-person occupancy from October through May.

Seniors who love a warm, park-like setting will enjoy the Pato Blanco Lakes RV Park in Benson, AZ. Located just 45 miles from Tucson, this park is just outside of the historic Tombstone area. It has full hookups, plus cable TV and telephone, and three Artesian-fed lakes stocked with gamefish for the traveling angler. The surrounding walking trails make bird and waterfowl watching a joy.

For those seeking a country club experience from a senior RV park, check out the Sunflower RV Resort (www.sunflowerresort.com) in Surprise, AZ, between Sun City and Sun City West. A huge (1,100 back-in spaces) park, it features two swimming pools, three spas, two tennis courts, 16 league shuffleboard courts, an 18-hole chip and putt golf course, and more. There's also a library, sewing room, card rooms, computer club... it's a good thing this place is open year-round! The activities schedule includes classes in ceramics, silversmithing, lapidary work, painting and leather crafts.


You're sure to find a new or used RV for sale near you; they aren't terribly expensive either, considering they are a home-away-from-home. Drivers will need to upgrade their driver's license to perhaps a class C to operate one, but they don't take too long to learn how to operate. In a matter of weeks, you could be mastering the open road, and basking in the joys of a park designed especially for your interests and lifestyle. With these new RV parks "home away from home" takes on a whole new meaning.

Grandparents as Parents Support Group (G.A.P.)



- A support group that is starting for grandparents and others raising children other than their own.
- A place to come together with others who are in similar situations.
- A place for grandparents to learn more about financial assistance, laws and proposed legislation which affect this population.

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
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2 tb lime juice	1 (16 oz) can black beans, drained & rinsed
2 lb olive oil	1/2 lb. Orzo
1 small onion or shallot, diced	

Simmer chicken broth until reduced by about 1/4. Add Goya Sazon sin Achiote, Goya Recaita and lime juice. Stir and set aside to cool.

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