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911 center chief starts work

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

JEROME - Ron Vogt hopes to use his carpentry skills to build morale at the four-county 911 center. "I'm going to make picture frames and a display case," he said. "And we're going to put photos of all the dispatchers here on display as a gallery of heroes." Vogt worked his first day Friday as the on-site director of the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center. Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Toutsley decided to hire Vogt despite

Paperwork on final management deal awaits signatures

the fact that the Joint Powers Board which controls SIRCOMM has yet to sign the final draft of a memorandum of understanding. That document would officially hand Toutsley the reins to SIRCOMM and give him the authority to hire a director for the center. The memorandum is the paperwork behind a "lead agency" plan

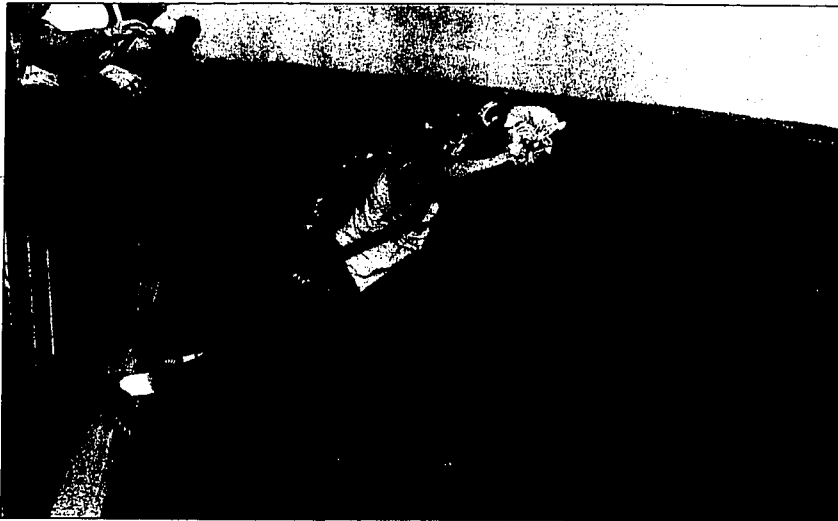
that puts SIRCOMM under the wing of the Twin Falls County Sheriff's office and makes Toutsley the lead director of the center. The board isn't expected to vote on the final draft until Aug. 14 at the earliest. Toutsley said he went ahead and hired Vogt because he's eager to get SIRCOMM under steady management and he doesn't expect any major objections to the memorandum. "Some members of the board said they don't have a problem with



Ron Vogt has been named as the new director of the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center, the regional 911 center.

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RECORD-SETTER



USA M. COLLARD/The Times-News

North Carolinian Jim Guyer, 74, made history Friday morning in Twin Falls by becoming the oldest man in the world to BASE jump from a man-made structure, the Perrine Bridge. His feat will be recorded in the Guinness Book of World Records, where he already holds the record for the oldest man to BASE jump from a natural structure, a cliff in South America.

74-year-old makes bridge leap

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - He gave a hearty push with his legs, let go of the railing on the Perrine Bridge and fell into history.

Jim Guyer, 74, early Friday became the oldest person to ever BASE jump from a span. "It was terrific, I got to do a 360-degree turn after the chute opened and everything," Guyer said while relaxing after his jump.

BASE stands for building, antenna, span, earth - and Guyer said he took up the sport a couple of years back to augment his love for skydiving.

Friday's jump should qualify him for a spot in the Guinness Book of World Records.

Guyer, of Hendersonville, N.C., jumped with a few close friends who share his love of the sport.

"I also share admiration for Guyer. I used to think, 'Man, when I'm 50, I'll be too old for this crazy stuff,'" said Tony Herring, 42, of Rock Hill, S.C. "I can't think that with him around."

"I hope I have half that energy when I'm his age," said T.J. MacArthur, 35, of Charlotte, N.C.

"Are you going to come back and break

"I really hope what I did inspired some 75-year-old guy to come out here."

- Jim Guyer

my record when you're 75, Myles?" Guyer asked his friend, Myles Elsing, as they and the others in their party walked to the center of the bridge to make their jumps.

"I've got 19 years to wait," said Elsing, who lives in southern California but spends the warmer months in the Magic Valley as a helicopter pilot for the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

Guyer's jump drew a small crowd of spectators to both sides of the bridge. Several motorists passing by on the bridge honked their horns and cheered as Guyer and his party prepared to go over.

Afterward, Guyer said he has no plans to slow down anytime soon, but doesn't mind the thought of any challengers going after his record.

"I really hope what I did inspired some 75-year-old guy to come out here," he said. "That's the fun of it. Life is a game. Records are made to be broken."



Jim Guyer gets a little help over the railing from his friends T.J. MacArthur, left, Blair Westbrook and Tony Herring Friday morning preceding Guyer's historic jump.

Health issues stymie Congress

Lawmakers did take care of other matters

By Alan Fram
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON - Congress starts its August break after moving briskly on corporate fraud and trade but facing a pre-election fall session dented over health and the budget and with voters distracted by the wobbly economy.

July was a whirlwind month for lawmakers, who duelled over major bills to create a new Department of Homeland Security, to provide Medicare prescription drug benefits and set stiff penalties for fraudulent accounting.

The results were mixed, and Congress also found itself competing for attention with the plummeting stock market and a parade of revelations about corporate wrongdoing.

"There's a lot of background noise," said Fred Yang, a Democratic consultant. "People are very focused on their own lives."

On Friday, President Bush signed a popular measure that took Congress four months to complete: A \$28.9 billion package for battling terrorists overseas and tightening security at home.

With Republican control of the House and the Senate's Democratic majority threatened in November's elections, both parties are struggling to tap into voters' concerns while blaming each other when things bog down.

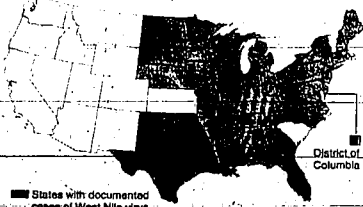
On Friday, Senate Minority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., praised Senate passage of a strengthened defense budget and final approval of trade and accounting legislation. At the same time, he accused Democrats of having no answers for helping the economy, other than criticizing Bush and the GOP for last year's tax cut.

Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., cited the same bills, plus others to finance anti-terrorism spending and expand efforts against AIDS overseas, for producing "one of the most successful and productive sessions of Congress we've had in a long period of time."

Daschle also blamed the GOP for blocking Democratic efforts

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West Nile virus has been found in 34 states and the District of Columbia since it was first detected in the United States in 1999.



States with documented cases of West Nile virus

SOURCES: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Associated Press

The West Nile virus heads West

The Times-News and The Associated Press

TWIN FALLS - Fifty-eight Louisiana residents have been infected with the mosquito-borne West Nile virus, and Magic Valley's best-known insect expert says Idaho can expect to see it too.

With four Louisiana victims dead and at least a dozen more in the hospital, the mosquito-borne virus has now been found in virtually every corner of the southern state.

There have been no recorded cases in Idaho. But scientists

It's only a matter of time before it hits here, experts say

expect the virus will eventually be found in every state, said Bob Stoltz, a recently retired University of Idaho entomologist.

"Everyone seems to think it will spread clear across the country," he said.

Idaho health officials are monitoring the situation, said Cheryl Becker, the epidemiologist for

South Central District Health in Twin Falls.

Officials are particularly interested in dead crows or any birds from the crow family, Stoltz said. But the virus infects numerous types of wild birds. A spate of dead birds can be an early warning that the virus is circulating in a certain spot.

"The virus goes from bird to bird by mosquitoes looking for a meal," Stoltz said.

Then mosquitoes spread the virus from infected birds to

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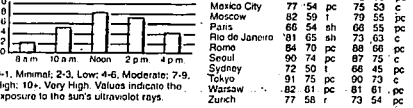
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Police seek charges against seven youths in roadside beatings

CHICAGO (AP) - Police were pursuing murder charges Friday against seven gang members in the beating deaths of two men who were dragged from a van after an accident.

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Troubled histories

Tousey's hope is that Vogt's arrival will end management uncertainties that have troubled SIRCOMM since December.

Without a contract?

Other members of the Joint Powers Board said they weren't too nervous about Vogt coming on before the memorandum of understanding was signed.

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A headline in Friday's paper reported incorrectly that the City of Idaho would perform at Tuesday's Backyard Broadway Bash in Burley.

Key lawmaker warns of Iraq developments

WASHINGTON - The Senate Intelligence Committee's top Republican says he believes Iraq is developing weapons of mass destruction at multiple sites and a pre-emptive strike is warranted to stop Saddam Hussein from doing "irreparable damage" to Americans.

Sen. Richard Shelby also warned in an Associated Press interview Friday that "between now and Sept. 11, I'd be very alarmed" if new terror attacks by an al-Qaida network desperate for a victory.



Sen. Richard Shelby

"Although they've been dispersed around the world, they're beginning to reassemble in areas," the Alabama senator said. "We have not killed enough of them. We have not captured enough of them."

It would be foolish to wait while the Iraqi leader builds his arsenal of chemical, biological and perhaps even nuclear weapons, Shelby said.

Judge: Feds must release names of most detainees

WASHINGTON - A federal judge ruled Friday the United States must reveal the names of people detained in the investigation of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, a major victory for civil rights groups.

The order by U.S. District Judge Gladys Kessler gives the government 15 days to comply and allows only two exceptions: if the detainee is a material witness to a terror investigation and if the person being held does not need to be identified.

Kessler rejected the Justice Department's argument that releasing names would allow terrorist groups to gauge the progress of the government's investigation.

In her opinion, Kessler wrote that in the government affidavits "nowhere declare that some or all of the detainees have connections to terrorism. Nor do they provide facts that would permit the court to infer links to terrorism. For example, the government has provided no information on the standard used to arrest and detain individuals initially."

The Justice Department detained almost 1,200 people following the attacks and most already have been deported.

Lawmakers balk at FBI request for polygraph tests

WASHINGTON - Some members of a congressional inquiry into the Sept. 11 attacks are rejecting FBI suggestions they undergo lie detector tests as part of an investigation into leaks from the panel - a probe they had requested.

Among those objecting are two leaders of the inquiry: House Democratic Whip Nancy Pelosi of California and Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., who have said the tests intrude on the separation of powers between the legislative and executive branches.

The House and Senate Intelligence Committees, which are conducting the joint inquiry, requested the FBI investigation in June after CNN and other

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news organizations reported details of Arabic conversations intercepted by the National Security Agency on Sept. 10.

Study questions schools' drug-prevention programs

WASHINGTON - The top three programs used by schools to keep students away from drugs are either ineffective or haven't been sufficiently tested, new research says.

In a study being published today in Health Education Research, a journal for educators, researchers from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill say many schools are using popular programs such as D.A.R.E., Here's Looking at You 2000 and McGruff's Drug Prevention and Child Protection, which haven't shown the kind of results that schools should expect, despite years of use.

Cardinal: Deal with alleged abuse victims not final

BOSTON - Cardinal Bernard Law, testifying for the first time in open court since a priest sex abuse scandal rocked his archdiocese, insisted Friday that an announced \$30 million settlement with alleged victims was never finalized.

"I believed this to be a proposed settlement," Law told plaintiffs' attorney Mitchell Garabedian at a hearing on the disputed agreement, which was announced in March.

Attorneys for 86 victims of diocesan priests, John J. Geoghan are pressing the Boston archdiocese to stick to the agreement, which the archdiocese's finance committee refused to honor in May, saying it could not afford it.

Law had testified earlier this year in closed depositions in the continuing sexual-abuse scandal, and some of that testimony was made public later. But he made his first public statements in court Friday.

Bush begins extended August retreat in Maline

WASHINGTON - President Bush began a monthlong respite away from the capital's political tussles and August humidity Friday after touting recent legislative accomplishments.

Bush announced he signed a money bill to support the war on terrorism and homeland security and said that on Tuesday he will sign trade promotion legislation. That measure will translate into jobs for American workers, the president asserted, on the same day the Labor Department reported that civilian joblessness held steady at 5.9 percent of the labor force in July.

Citing these and other accomplishments, Bush said: "It goes to show what is possible when people in this town get aside politics and focus on doing what's right for the American people."

- compiled from wire reports



Vice President Cheney Made 44 stops so far this year

V.P. hits the road for candidates

WASHINGTON (AP) - Scolded seen in Washington, Dick Cheney has become the Republican Party's high-ranking, frequent-flying fundraiser. From Fayetteville to Fargo to Fort Lauderdale, the vice president has quietly hauled in more than \$12 million for candidates in 44 stops so far this year.

At most places, there are photos and chats with donors. Pep talks about President Bush's programs. Tough words echoing Bush's about fighting corporate corruption. But no mention of the federal investigation under way into accounting practices at Halliburton Co., while Cheney was in charge - and no chance for reporters to ask questions.

For months after Sept. 11, Cheney was often said to be working or staying at "undisclosed locations" as a security precaution. He still slips in and out of the White House, unseen for days or even weeks, destinations outside Washington sometimes unknown until Air Force Two lands.

Last week, he turned up unannounced aboard a nuclear submarine off Florida. Earlier, he made an unpublicized visit to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta to talk with health officials about their efforts against bioterrorism.

Spokeswoman Jennifer Millerwise says Cheney's office does not announce travel that involves national security.

Political trips are another matter, though still tightly controlled. He hasn't taken questions from reporters in months. Indeed, journalists are generally kept too far away to even try. But the spokeswoman dismisses as "absurd" any suggestion that Cheney shies away from reporters because of the Halliburton matter.

Pruders say that unlike many predecessors, Cheney has no aspiration to the presidency, one reason he doesn't court reporters.

The Securities and Exchange Commission began investigating accounting practices of his old company, Halliburton, in May. There are also 15 investor lawsuits, one of which names Cheney as a defendant.

He was in Iowa raising money when Bush signed corporate responsibility legislation this week. He also skipped the president's Cabinet meeting and a discussion on the issue Wednesday as he began a working vacation at his Jackson, Wyo., home.

Russia eases away from plan to build nuclear power plants in Iran

Los Angeles Times

MOSCOW - After three days of tense talks with top U.S. envoys, Russian officials appeared to back down a half-step Friday from plans to expand their nuclear cooperation with Iran.

The Russian Atomic Energy Ministry issued a statement saying that a program announced last week to expand the number of nuclear reactors it plans to build in Iran is only a list of "existing technical possibilities."

"Their implementation depends on many factors, including political factors," the statement said.

One U.S. official familiar with the talks described the new statement as "big progress."

"We're very pleased," the official said. "That's a change from what they were saying early in the week."

Since 1995, Russia has been

working to complete construction on a nuclear reactor in the Iranian town of Bushehr, a project begun by the German firm Siemens and abandoned after the Iranian revolution in 1979.

The plans released last week described a much larger \$10 billion program of nuclear cooperation - three more reactors at Bushehr, and two at a new site, Ahwaz, bringing the total to six reactors over the next 10 years.

The draft expansion program was announced just days before the previously scheduled arrival of two U.S. officials - Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham and Undersecretary of State John Bolton.

Russian officials insist that the reactors are for civilian energy use only and will not be used to develop fuel for nuclear weapons. They point out that they will be light-water reactors, the same technology that the United States

is using in North Korea in an effort to rein in that country's nuclear program.

But the United States believes that Iran's purpose in acquiring the reactors isn't energy but the expertise and equipment they would gain along the way. "We have long been concerned that Iran's only interest in nuclear civil power, given its vast domestic energy resources, is to support its nuclear weapons program," Abraham said Thursday.

Russian nuclear exports suggested that the release of the new plan last week was a negotiating tactic on the Russian side.

"There is a strong impression that is shared by many Russian experts that the United States and Russia have already reached a mutually acceptable agreement on Iran. Everything is in the bag already," said Anton Khlebnikov, a nuclear expert with the PIR Center, a Moscow think tank.

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humans, who can then develop deadly encephalitis, or swelling of the brain.

Most people develop only flu-like symptoms, and some don't get sick at all. Humans cannot pass the virus.

Older people are more at risk for getting very sick or even dying, Becker said.

"People over 50 are more likely to develop the severe form, maybe because of underlying medical problems," she said. Severe encephalitis can manifest quickly with symptoms of severe headache, nausea and vomiting, high fever, convulsions and/or loss of consciousness.

The Louisiana deaths, the first this year in the United States, raised the national West Nile toll to 22 since 1999. The virus was first detected in the United States in New York City, and in the past three years it has spread to 34 states and the District of Columbia, as far west as South Dakota.

Before the newly announced deaths, the federal Centers for

Disease Control and Prevention had confirmed 185 human cases and 18 deaths.

West Nile has struck other countries for decades, from the tip of Africa up to Europe and throughout Asia.

More than half a dozen states worried about West Nile virus are using a \$504,000 NASA-funded climate-based project to predict the course of disease before a fatal outbreak occurs.

This new method would warn local officials in advance if their counties are at high risk for the virus, scientists say.

"We look at this as another tool we can potentially use to help us as we try to protect people from catching West Nile," said Bryon Backenson, assistant director of the New York State Health Department's arthropod-borne disease program.

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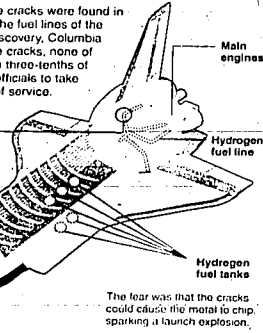
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Tiny cracks that grounded a fleet

A total of 11 hairline cracks were found in metal liners inside the fuel lines of the shuttles Atlantis, Discovery, Columbia and Endeavour. The cracks, none of which is longer than two-tenths of an inch, prompted officials to take the entire fleet out of service.

Metal flow liners are inserted inside the fuel line. Their function is to make hydrogen fuel flow more smoothly and efficiently.



The fear was that the cracks could cause the metal to chip, sparking a launch explosion.

SOURCE: NASA

Talk grows of award for 'picky' inspector

NASA will begin welding cracks next week

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Did a 27-year-old with perfect vision and admitted pickiness help prevent disaster on the space shuttle?

NASA may never know, but the manager of the shuttle program said inspections will be more thorough from now on, and a repair program is being launched. The first of 11 tiny hairline cracks, that grounded the entire shuttle fleet was spotted by David Strait, a sometime surfer with 20/20 vision who works for United Space Alliance, one of NASA's contractors.

Within the space agency there's talk of an award for the systems inspector, who caught the biggest potential hazard at the launch site since an engineer spied a 4-inch pin wedged against Discovery's fuel tank during a countdown in 2000.

If Strait had not spotted the fuel line crack inside space shuttle Atlantis that morning in June, "who knows how much longer it would have gone unnoticed — or what could have happened," he said.

Engineers feared the cracks could grow, chip and possibly lead to a launch explosion.

NASA officials are still smarting over the fact that no one discovered them before. Shuttle program manager Ron Ditmore has already warned that workers will no longer rely solely on visual inspections.

On Friday, after getting the go-ahead from top NASA officials,

Ditmore announced that welding repairs on the cracks will begin next week. The hope is that shuttle flights can resume in late September.

Ditmore praised Strait and said he deserves a medal. "The guy's an absolute star," the program manager said Friday.

A crack was the last thing Strait expected to find as he began inspecting the fuel lines inside the tail of Atlantis on June 12, routine work before the three main engines can be installed.

As usual, he was using a flashlight to check for scratches on the sealing surfaces, a chore he had done several times before. Barely 10 minutes into the job, he saw it, a crack three-tenths of an inch in one of the liners of the hydrogen-fuel pipe that feeds main engine No. 1. "I couldn't believe what I was seeing," he said. He called over the two technicians working with him. Then main propulsion system engineers were summoned. Strait had to show the engineers where the crack was. "They wear glasses," he said, and "couldn't find it themselves."

The next day the young inspector boarded a plane for Michigan to spend a long weekend back home in Evert. By the time he returned to Cape Canaveral, sensitive instruments had picked up two more cracks in Atlantis.

Similar cracks were later found in Discovery, Columbia and, finally, Endeavour. None is longer than three-tenths of an inch.

Library dress code niles some

NEW YORK (AP) — Still available at libraries in Queens: "The Catcher in the Rye" and "Huckleberry Finn." Banned by local officials: nose rings, miniskirts and sandals on employees.

A dress code for workers in the borough's public libraries had the librarians raising their voices this week, though library officials insisted they are only enforcing a policy that is nearly a decade old.

"I agree with the library's general goal of having an attractive and well-groomed work force, but this onerous and draconian policy is not the answer," union head John Socha complained in a letter to library officials.

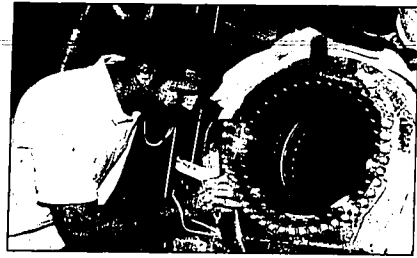
Members of Queens Library Guild Local 1321 demonstrated outside one branch.

The union's mostly female members — about 700 of 900 are women — complained the policy would reinforce the stereotype of prim, prudish librarians.

"It's like they want to turn back the clock," said library worker Jane Jacobs, 43.

Men are not exempt from the code, they are expected to wear shirts and ties.

Joanne King, spokeswoman for the borough's 63 public libraries, said the dress code was instituted in 1993. Last month, the library officials released a "clarification and restatement" of the policy, she said.



United Space Alliance quality inspector David Strait checks the flow line on one of the main engines of the space shuttle Atlantis July 23 at the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Fla.

Plutonium shipments head to S. Carolina site

GREENVILLE, S.C. — The federal government has begun shipping tons of weapons-grade plutonium from Colorado to South Carolina despite a lawsuit by critics who fear the fuel will be permanently stored in the state.

Energy Department officials briefed Sen. Wayne Allard, R-Colo., on the status of the shipments Friday morning, said Allard's spokesman, Sean Conway.

He said the department probably would not have confirmed the shipments had begun unless they had already arrived in South Carolina.

The material has been the subject of a showdown between Gov.

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Jim Hodges and the Energy Department. Hodges once vowed to use state troopers to turn back the shipments unless given assurances South Carolina would not be a permanent home to the waste.

Minneapolis policeman, another die in shootout

MINNEAPOLIS — A police officer was fatally shot in the bathroom of a public housing complex during a confrontation with an armed resident, authorities said. The 60-year-old suspect was

also killed. Officer Melissa Schmidt, 35, was killed Thursday night after she and another officer responded to a complaint about a woman with a gun. The officers found the woman inside the complex lobby, and the three engaged up in the bathroom.

Police said it's unclear exactly what happened, but Schmidt was shot in the abdomen below her bulletproof vest and the woman was also shot. Both died later at a hospital.

Journalist Bill Moyers arrested for drunk driving
ARLINGTON, Va. — Journalist

Bill Moyers was charged with drunken driving after he left a friend's birthday party, but has denied the accusation and vows to fight it.

"I intend to contest the charges," Moyers said in a statement faxed Thursday to the Bennington Banner, which first reported the arrest.

Moyers, 68, of Bernardsville, N.J., who served as special assistant to President Johnson and publisher of Newsday before turning to public television in the 1970s, was stopped by state police Saturday in the southern Vermont town of Arlington.

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SERVICES

Neva Viola Wikom of Hailey, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Hailey LDS Chapel; friends may call from 10-11 a.m. today at the church; interment will follow at 4:30 p.m. today in the Little Basin Cemetery, Oakley (Wood River Chapel, Hailey).

Dorothy M. Henderson of Greensburg, Wash., and formerly of Burley, service at 2 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley; friends may call one hour before the service at the funeral home; interment will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery.

Warren Joseph, grandson of Idaho Falls, service at 11 a.m. today at Castlerock Ward, 260 Castlerock Lane; family will greet friends from 9:30 a.m.

until the service; burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery (Wood Funeral Home, Idaho Falls).

Shad Rylee Anderson of Twin Falls and a formerly of Burley and Heyburn, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Paul Third and Fourth Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 300 South 500 West, Heyburn; private interment will be held at a later date; friends may call from 10-10:45 p.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley); memorial service at 1 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Dr. Robert R. Bower of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3 p.m. Sunday at Community of Christ, 20264 Highway, 30 E. Buhl.

Katherine Morfin of Jerome, celebration Mass will be held during the regular morning Mass on Sunday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church (Holy Rector Catholic Funeral Chapel, Jerome).

Matilda 'Thilla' Stuhlberg McCoy of Bellevue, Wash., service at 11 a.m. Monday at White Mortuary, 136 Fourth Ave. E., Twin Falls; interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Twin Falls; visitation from 4-8 p.m. Sunday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Marion Jean Eubanks Hamilton Walls of Gooding, friends and family may call from 1-5 p.m. Monday at Demaray's Gooding Chapel; graveside service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Elmwood Cemetery, Gooding.

Fire crews make headway

SELMA, Ore. (AP) - Signs thanking firefighters began going up around the Illinois Valley as crews continued strengthening containment lines Friday, increasing a sense of safety with each new mile of fire-hurled line standing against a 30-mile front of flame.

"On our present course, over the next 48 hours we may be in a position to say we have significantly reduced the threat to the Illinois Valley corridor," said Mike Lohrey, the incident commander of the elite U.S. Forest Service team managing the eastern flank of the 165,000-acre Florence fire in southwestern Oregon.

Using flare pistols and drip torches, firefighters continued burning out the one-to-two-mile strip of brush and timber between the containment line and the fire, working their way south along the 30-mile front of fire that has threatened the valley's 17,000 residents.

"Firefighters looked at burnout by dropping ping pong balls filled with flammable liquid.



Ken Staples watches fire activity with his binoculars outside his house in Selma, Ore., Friday. Burnout operations on Friday sent up huge plumes of smoke in the Siskiyou National Forest along the Illinois Valley corridor in southwestern Oregon.

In all, more than 452,000 acres were burning across Oregon, but more than 200,000 of those acres were in the Siskiyou and Florence fires, burning within a couple miles of each other on the Siskiyou National Forest.

With confidence improving on the eastern flank, a new management team and 1,200 firefighters were preparing to battle the western flank, setting up camp at the Curry County County Fairgrounds in Gold Beach.

OBITUARIES

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PEARL SUCKOW

ever took was to Alaska in March 1987 to visit his second son, an Air Force squadron commander.

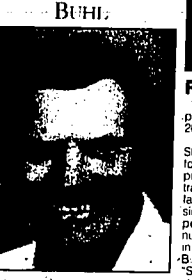
Walter is survived by his wife Lois, four sons Bill (Genia) Leitch of Escondido, California, Tom (Thelma) Leitch of Boise, Idaho, Skip (Shoshone) Leitch of Buhl, Idaho, Jim (Sylvia) Leitch of Twin Falls, Idaho and one daughter Nancy Bacon/Alan Livesey of Buhl, Idaho. A brother, Harry Leitch of Anthony, Kansas and a sister Betty Wilson of Burbank, California, and 21 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren also survive.

A memorial service will be held at the home of Nancy Bacon, located at 4239 N. 1400 E. in Buhl, at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6, 2002.

The following message was what Walter wrote on July 26 as an additional comment that was to be added to his obituary:

"Thank you friends for all your support and prayers. Thank you for coming. I thank the kids and all my relatives for their support. Thank you to my wife Lois for 60 wonderful years. I love you Lois. Thank you And thank you good people for caring for me like Skelley always said at the end of his show 'God bless and keep you' - Walter

There is such a thing as immortality and love is at its heart.



WALTER ALEX LEITCH

Walter Alex Leitch, 81, died Thursday, August 1, 2002, at his home in Buhl, Idaho. He was born on September 19, 1920, in Bunk, Idaho, to William Roy and Louise (Parsons) Leitch.

For over 30 years Walter milked 30 head of cows everyday, and in 1987, a good friend gave him a family milk cow that provided milk for the family to the end. Walter enjoyed reading condensed series books, fishing, golfing, western music, working on old cars and trucks, tearing down buildings, woodworking and building furniture in a shop he built with friends and family. The only vacation Walter

He was preceded in death by his parents, Moses and Bertha Stearns, a sister Helen Coleman, his wife Lavella Stearns, an infant daughter, Cecelia, and lots of dogs and cats.

The family wishes to thank Ed and Janet Sancy for all their support and kindness over the years. We also are filled with gratitude and admiration for Tom Ponderton and the professionals of DeSano Place Home Health Professionals and First Choice Hospice.

Vigil services will be held on Friday, August 2, 2002, 7-7 p.m. at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Shoshone. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, August 3, 2002, at 10 a.m. at St. Peter's Catholic Church, 147 S. Shoshone, ID 83352. The Idaho Youth Ranch at P.O. Box 8538 Boise, ID 83707 or Canyon County, Nampa, ID 83659.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Demaray's Shoshone Mass of Christian Burial; memorial donations be made to Deano Place, P.O. Box 147, Shoshone, ID 83352.

SHOSHONE



GERALD ROBERT 'BOB' TAPPAN

Gerald Robert 'Bob' Tappan of Paul, Idaho, passed away Wednesday, July 31, 2002, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

He was born September 22, 1932, in Campment, Wyoming, the son of George Robert and Zona Tappan. He was raised in the Burley and Arco area. He joined the United States Navy in June of 1951. Bob served through the Korea Conflict, and the Vietnam War. He retired from the Navy after 20 years of service in his country.

Bob enjoyed the great outdoors and spent most of his free time fishing, hunting, and camping. He wasn't doing that he was collecting coins which prompted him and his cousin Larry Corliss to start Empty Pocket's Coin Club. He was also a member of Paul American Legion, and a Life member of the NRA. His greatest love was raising his two grandsons.

He is survived by his wife Udoan Tappan of Paul; eight children Eric 'Chris' Babcock of Delaware, Kent, Scott, and Chris Tappan of Washington; Martha and Jerome Haysos, of Washington; Shane Schlund; Thane and Debbie Schlund, all of Boise, Idaho and Shawna Garcia of Heyburn, 14 grandchildren and his mother Zona Tappan of Burley, Idaho.

He was preceded in death by his father, and one brother Ted Tappan.

Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, August 5, 2002, at the Paul LDS Stake Center, 24 W. Ellis Street with Bishop Dew Wheeler officiating. Friends may be invited to a one-hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery with Military Graveside Rites by the Paul American Legion. Services are under the direction of Hanson Mortuary/Rupert Chapel.

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - BUYING burn rights from Kentucky bluegrass growers in North Idaho could cost more than \$6 million a year, according to a University of Idaho study.

The study released Thursday, commissioned by opponents of field burning, found that the controversial practice increases the value of bluegrass crops by anywhere from \$22 to \$166 per acre each year.

"I don't think there's any question that burning is more economically profitable," said Larry Van Tassel, a University of Idaho agricultural economist and the study's author. "But how much, that's still the question."

With 7,000 acres of bluegrass on the Rathdrum Prairie and 30,000 acres on the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation, buying the burn rights would cost between \$835,000 and \$6.14 million annually, according to the study.

"The information put a chill on plans to buy out growers' burn rights, but a clean air advocate downplayed its results - even though his group paid for the study."

"It makes it difficult to come to any reasonable conclusions when you look and see that the estimates vary so widely," said Patti

Study thwarts burning buyout

Corra, executive director of Safe Air For Everyone. "It really should point you in the direction of further serious study on a long-term basis."

SAFE proposed a buyout of the growers' burn rights earlier this year, but dropped the idea after the group failed to secure money from state or private groups.

The rights would have been purchased in a similar manner to water rights buyouts, allowing the farmers to continue farming but paying them not to burn.

The study resulted from interviews with scientists, state agency officials and grass growers from across the Northwest.

Homosexuality is not a membership requirement. Gay group members declined comment.

After University of Wyoming student Matthew Shepard was killed for being gay, Evans said he needed to respond in some way. He heard about the Pink Pistols, but did not know if he was qualified.

"I got an e-mail about a straight couple in Virginia who started a club, and it sort of just went from there."

"This is not the first group with these goals, however.

A Seattle group called Cease Fear formed several years ago with National Rifle Association instructors offering self-defense classes to residents of Capitol

Hill, Seattle's traditionally gay district.

"We wanted to help these people out," said Joe Huffman, who helped form the group and now lives in Moscow. "As long as they stayed in their area, there were no problems. But sometimes a group of thugs would go in and decide to bash guys. The police can't always get there right away."

"The biggest challenges in starting both groups have been stereotypes on both sides, said Huffman, also a Pink Pistols member.

Huffman is bridging that gap through community work with Pink Pistols members and gun club enthusiasts.

Gays take up arms in self-defense

MOSCOW (AP) - Scotty Evans thinks the best way to protect gays and lesbians from hate crimes is to give them guns.

"Self-defense is a basic human right," he said. "I've been a programmer who moved to Moscow from Canada nine years ago.

Evans and his wife, Jean, have started a local chapter of the Pink Pistols, a national group that educates gays on gun safety and encourages members to carry concealed weapons.

The national group has 32 chapters in 23 states. Evans is also president of the Palouse Practical Shooters gun club.

A handful of people have joined the local Pink Pistols.

Idaho's share of the tobacco settlement money and \$20 million from the state's rainy day accounts do not show sound fiscal responsibility, he said.

"They have mortgaged the farm, sold the cattle and are hoping the economy spikes up so they can have some money. This is not good management. This is not leadership," he said.

Perry's opponent, four-term Republican Sen. Jim Risch of Boise, said the issue of taxes shows the difference between himself and Perry.

"I am absolutely opposed to

any tax increases," Risch said. "I have been traveling in every corner of the state, talking to business people and ranchers and farmers. To turn around and ask them to pay more so government can live the way it wants to is ridiculous."

He has little direct influence over state budgets. Office holders act as president of the Idaho Senate when it is in session and fill in for the governor when he is out of state.

Perry said he recognizes that lieutenant governors don't have much say over the state budget, but as a public official, he would have the opportunity to speak out on important issues.

Idaho candidate calls for tax cut repeal

BOISE (AP) - Bruce Perry, the longest Democratic candidate for the Idaho governor's office, said Friday that he would start restoring the state's financial health by rescinding the record \$100 million tax cut of 2001.

Perry, an accountant and attorney who beat Democrat Karl Shurtliff in May to run for the office, made the remarks at a news conference on the steps of the Statehouse Friday morning.

"Clearly, as we stand here today, the Legislature's decision to permanently cut taxes in 2001 was a mistake. It was not fiscally prudent, and our children have paid the price," said Perry, referring to subsequent funding

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DEATH NOTICES

Dorothy Lewis
TWIN FALLS - Dorothy Lewis, 88, of Twin Falls died Friday, Aug. 2, 2002, at Bridgeview Retirement Estates in Twin Falls.

Arrangements are pending and will be in the care of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

Rosa Marie Burgoyne
TWIN FALLS - Rose-Marie Burgoyne, 75, of Mountain Home and formerly of the Magic Valley died Friday, Aug. 2, 2002, at Elmore County Memorial Hospital in Mountain Home.

Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

Ruth R. Hymas
TWIN FALLS - Ruth R. Hymas, 102, of Twin Falls died Thursday, Aug. 1, 2002, in Twin Falls.

The graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 5, 2002, in the Salt Lake City Cemetery, Fourth Avenue and N Street, Salt Lake City, Utah. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

Lawrence 'Larry' E. Emel
TWIN FALLS - Lawrence 'Larry' E. Emel, 54, of Twin Falls died Tuesday, July 30, 2002, at the V.A. Medical Center in Boise.

A memorial service will be

held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, 2002, at the First Baptist Church in Filer with Pastor Gary Gilman officiating. The family suggests memorials be given in Larry's name to the Filer Baptist Church, 254 Highway 30, Filer, ID 83328.

At Larry's request there will be no viewing and cremation will take place under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Anna M. (Devries) Lynch
TWIN FALLS - Anna M. (Devries) Lynch, 90, of Pawcatuck, Conn., died Thursday, Aug. 1, 2002, at her home.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

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Economy puts squeeze on country docs

Revenue per patient drops while cost per patient increases

By Dan Gallagher
Associated Press writer

HOMEDALE — Dr. John Noak is one of a host of country doctors across the West struggling to keep a small rural practice afloat despite economic trends that make it more expensive to operate even as revenue shrinks.

"I think the service is going to go away completely in the rural areas," he said. "I'm keeping mine open month to month."

The need for rural physicians has not ebbed, but the question remains whether they can maintain profitable practices, said Robert Seehusen, chief executive officer of the Idaho Medical Association, which has 1,700 physicians as members.

"We hate to refer to a medical practice as a small business. It's really about caring for people," he said. "But you have medical malpractice insurance costs, overhead like the light bill and phone bill, staff. We're seeing revenue per patient going down while the cost of providing care is going up."

Noak is a former Air Force officer originally from the Chicago area. He was flying out of Mountain Home Air Force Base on practice sorties in 1983 when he became smitten with this city 36 miles west of Boise.

The Homedale area on the Snake River produces a cornucopia of crops such as sugar beets, onions and wine grapes. It is bordered by a huge expanse of high-desert canyons and mountains.

Hispanic farmworkers and subsequent generations make up about 30 percent of the population. All of Noak's staff are bilingual.

"These are the kind of people I like, where I was spending my 'free time,'" he said of Owyhee County, where the 2000 Census figured a poverty rate greater than 21 percent. "People here are the same as other people, maybe poorer. They tend to be more self-reliant."

Noak, 45, is an avid bird hunter. His retriever and pointer dogs take up part of the waiting room at the casual Owyhee Medical Clinic where he is the lone physician.

Yet, like other community doctors, he often lacks the time to get away for recreation. He estimates he serves 4,000 patients.

"I'm on call 24/7," he said. "It does preclude vacations more than two days."

The nonprofit Terry Reilly Health Services operates a clinic in Homedale. It is government-subsidized and serves a separate market through Medicaid, the health program for the poor and working poor.

Noak sees Medicare patients, who are often elderly and homebound. He still makes house calls.

Medicare cut its payments to doctors by 5.4 percent this year



Dr. John Noak holds 2-year old Dillon Pfost on his lap while sitting next to Dillon's brother Derrick, 4, in one of Noak's examination rooms at his medical clinic in Homedale Thursday. The two brothers came to the clinic to get caught up on their immunizations.

Nurse practitioners often fill in the gaps

BOISE (AP) — When Idaho's rural communities cannot support a physician, nurse practitioners step in to ensure patients have medical help that's not hours away.

The nurse practitioners' role evolved as medical officials recognized that many rural Western towns with no doctors lacked any kind of local care. "They may have one physician as a sole provider," said Sandy Evans, Idaho Board of Nursing executive director. "But what happens when that person retires or dies?"

and could make more reductions from 2003 to 2005.

"That is what will cause this practice to close," he said. "They keep cutting the payout as the expenses go up. I'm not quite breaking even on Medicare patients and it's 50 percent of the practice."

Seehusen said many medical students evaluate their potential income and workload these days and do not opt for a family practice in the country.

"They say, 'My debts are going up. I know there is a need for endocrinologists, general surgery

There are nearly 360 licensed nurse practitioners in Idaho.

They can diagnose, do some surgical procedures and prescribe medicine. Since 1988, they have been able to prescribe narcotics, Evans said.

"We do emergency work, suturing, casting and stabilizing the patients," said Myra Olson-Fisher, a nurse practitioner with her own practice in Kuna. She said several physicians had come and gone from Kuna because it could not support their practice.

Most Idaho practitioners have bachelor's and master's degrees

in nursing. Idaho law requires national certification, which mandates a master's.

Idaho also has physician assistants, who have similar powers but are overseen by the state Board of Medicine. Olson-Fisher has one in her practice.

"In the ideal world, any health care is delivered in a team approach with doctors, respiratory experts, pharmacists," Evans said. "When you go to a rural town that can't support even one of those levels of care, you go to the best in the community, which is the nurse practitioner."

the difference between in-state student fees and nonresident tuition at the Seattle school.

Idaho holds seats for 18 students through the WWAMI program and another eight in a similar one at the University of Utah.

WWAMI contacts high school students interested in health care careers. From their first year in college through residency, their instructors stress community care, said Dr. James Blackman, clinical coordinator for WWAMI in Idaho.

"What happens in so many medical schools is you go in one door as a freshman and out another as a senior. You have no role models and haven't worked with physicians who have been there, done that," he said.

Of the Idaho students who have gone through WWAMI, more than 40 percent practice in the state. Blackman said WWAMI graduates from the other states often open up shop in Idaho, too.

With the government programs cutting their reimbursement, there is a high likelihood of many small-town doctors raking down their shingles and moving on.

"We are fortunate to have to have these physicians who are this altruistic," Seehusen said. "They know they can make substantially more in a larger town, but feel the need in their community. Is it getting harder? Absolutely."

people in 1999. The national average is about 92 per 100,000 people, according to a federal survey.

Idaho also features one of the oldest cadres of doctors in the nation, and that means the ratio could go even lower unless new doctors move in to replace them.

One solution could be a coalition which trains Idaho medical students despite the fact there is no medical school in the state.

The University of Washington School of Medicine administers the program for students from Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana and Idaho. Idaho covers

Nurses plan day to strike

SPOKANE (AP) — Nurses and other Spokane-area employees at Group Health Cooperative have authorized a one-day strike in their protest to seek equal pay with Western Washington peers.

The union representing about 100 health care workers in Spokane and Coeur d'Alene said a strike could happen this month.

"We have been bargaining for a year," said Chris Barton, secretary treasurer of Service Employees International Union 1199 Northwest, after the strike vote on Thursday. "This should have been a relatively simple process."

Group Health officials do not want to pay local workers on Western Washington's higher pay scales.

"We have a policy of looking at labor markets for pay," Group Health spokesman Don Glickstein said, "and the Spokane labor market is distinct. If we did anything other than that, it would be so unaffordable ... as to potentially jeopardize jobs."

Based in Seattle, Group Health is the fourth largest private employer in Washington, with about 10,600 employees. Nearly one in 10 Washington residents — almost 600,000 people — are patients of the nonprofit health insurer.

In the Spokane region, there are more than 1,000 employees.

Should there be a decision to strike, the union would have to give a 10-day advance notice so Group Health could arrange to handle patient care.

"We are not eager to go on a strike, but we feel that we've been forced to take a stand for our patients," said Theresa Mann, a registered nurse at Group Health's Riverfront Clinic in Spokane.

Barton said Group Health's turnover rate among nurses, therapists and clinical team assistants has reached 30 percent.

"People are leaving," Barton said. "They're going to work at Deaconess and Sacred Heart and some are moving to the West Side because the pay is better."

"This is not good for patient care."

Tom Susens, district administrator for Group Health, said the company is dealing with tough times.

From 1995 to 1998, Group Health lost \$88.6 million. Between 1999 and 2001, Group Health made back \$52.8 million.

"The negotiations come at a time when Group Health is addressing negative impacts brought about in large part by the recession and employer layoffs," Susens said in a letter to employees.

"This summer, Group Health is eliminating about 150 positions, about 100 senior leaders are taking 5 percent to 20 percent pay cuts, and the organization is eliminating some programs and consolidating others."

Book warns urban dwellers of new life in country

BOISE (AP) — Canyon County wants its new residents to know the differences between country and city life.

This month, the county joins some counterparts in Montana and Colorado in distributing a "Code of the West" sheet for returned-country folks.

Newcomers seeking building permits or utility access will get copies of the guide, produced through a \$1,500 grant.

The code is not an ordinance or law or official and no one voted on it. But the authors — county officials, farmers, residents, devel-

opers and businesses — hope its tips and resources will help ease tensions caused by clashes between urban and rural values.

The code book tells its readers that dirt roads generate dust. Trash removal may be more expensive in the country. Farm canals can be dangerous for children. Wildlife such as deer and elk may cross the road unexpectedly and cause traffic accidents.

"Hopefully, it will give them a few things to think about. The intent isn't to stop them from moving," said Jerry Neufeld, code co-author and U of I Canyon County extension educator.

And with more newcomers, there is a greater chance for conflicts and complaints.

Heidi Mickelson of Nampa said she would have liked that sort of warning. The Seattle transplant did not learn about country life until after she made the move. "I was used to smelling really clean air. Now, we get breezes of cows and the sugar factory. I didn't know until I lived here how bad the smells can be."

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Generic heartburn drug could ease cost

Chicago Tribune

Coming soon to a drugstore near you: prescription-strength heartburn pills that won't burn a hole in your wallet.

Every day, more than 2 million Americans take the ubiquitous \$4 "purple pill" called Prilosec, making it the No. 2-selling drug in America after the cholesterol drug Lipitor.

Introduced in 1989, Prilosec was hailed for its quick relief of heartburn and other digestive ailments. And it proved a healthy boon to its manufacturer's fortunes, raking in some \$4.6 billion in U.S. sales annually by 2001.

But in the very near future — possibly this fall — generic alternatives are expected to debut at savings of up to 60 percent. And for those with insurance, co-payments will be cut in half, to \$10 or less for a month's supply.

Besides being a welcome development for consumers, a generic alternative also is winning fans from corporate America. Insurers and doctors, who say the nation's prescription bill is out of control — rising 17 percent annually.

Of course the generic rush isn't such good news for Prilosec's maker, AstraZeneca PLC, which last year launched a slightly improved successor heartburn drug, Nexium. Neither is it welcomed by Prilosec's rivals, including TAP Pharmaceutical Products Inc., which makes Prevacid, a pill not expected to have generic competition until 2009.

To protect their market share, drugmakers are blitzing consumers with television ads and free promotional items at summer food festivals.

But it may not be easy to persuade consumers to pay more for a brand name. Even the drug companies' own studies show there's little reason for patients to continue taking rival brand names of heartburn drugs that have no generic alternative because there's minimal clinical difference, experts said.

"When Prilosec goes generic, I look for physicians who are sensitive about the cost of these drugs to encourage patients to take the generics," said Dr. Ronald Ruecker, a Decatur, Ill., gastroenterologist and chairman of the Illinois State Medical Society. "They all work significantly to reduce costs."

Prilosec, Nexium and Prevacid are part of a blockbuster class of heartburn treatments known as proton-pump inhibitors. Combined, the three had more than \$8 billion in sales last year.

Prilosec and Prevacid have also been key contributors to employer and consumer health insurance premiums, costing General Motors Corp. alone more than \$90 million last year. When generic Prilosec is available, employers expect millions of dollars in savings.

"All of us who are responsible for protecting the affordability of the prescription drug benefit will encourage the utilization of the gold-standard generic, Prilosec," said Robert Seidman, chief pharmacy officer for managed-care giant Wellpoint Health Networks Inc., the California-based parent of Unicare Health Plans of Illinois. "Generic Prilosec will become the first-line therapy for most doctors."

While drugmakers are asking consumers to remain loyal to the brand names, their own head-to-head studies and federal court records indicate there is little clinical difference between the current industry leaders: Prilosec and Prevacid.

Insurers and employers are

countering the brand-name manufacturers with unprecedented campaigns of their own to encourage generic use. GM, for example, has regular newsletters for its 1.2 million retirees, employees and their families, while AARP, the nation's senior citizen lobby, and insurers have television ads promoting generics.

The aggressive push for generics can work. Eli Lilly & Co. saw sales for once top-selling antidepressant Prozac fall dramatically with the advent of generic competition.

Heartburn drugs

Top selling prescription heartburn drugs* and their manufacturers:

1. Prilosec \$1.58 billion
AstraZeneca PLC
2. Prevacid \$1.47 billion
TAP Pharmaceutical
3. Nexium \$851 million
AstraZeneca PLC
4. Aciphex \$488 million
Janssen Pharmaceutica
5. Protonix \$404 million
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Woman: 'I love you,' as she dies from stings

SUNIZONA, Ariz. (AP) — A woman was stung at least 80 times by a swarm of bees and told her boyfriend she loved him just before she died.

Cheryl McClain and Ted Richard were attacked on Tuesday while moving items into a storage shed behind their home. They sprayed themselves with water and tore at their clothes, Richard said from his hospital bed.

Finally, he said, McClain looked at him and said, "I love you, Ted."

"I love you, too, Cheryl. It'll be OK, Cheryl," he answered as she collapsed.

McClain, 46, died from anaphylactic shock, the coroner's office said. She was the fifth person in Arizona to die from a bee attack since 1993.



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Section B

MORNING LINE
SPORTSQUOTE

The helmet will come in useful when I go to work.

Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi after receiving a 4th level and Redskins jersey from NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue to commemorate Saturday night's American Bowl between San Francisco and Washington

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Who is the only player Oakland owner Al Davis presented into the NFL Hall of Fame who didn't play for the Raiders?
ANSWER below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Magic Valley Speedway
Modifieds, Grand Nationals, Pony, Midgets
Golf
Buick Scramble tournament, at Rupert CC
American Legion baseball
Class AA State Tournament, at Harris Field, Lewiston
All times MDT
West Kootenay vs. Twin Falls, 10 a.m.
Boise vs. Coeur d'Alene, 1 p.m.
Pocatello vs. Treasure Valley, 4 p.m.
Minico vs. Lewis-Clark, 8 p.m.
Area C District A Tournament, at Idaho Falls
Third-place game, Wood River vs. Marsh Falls, 11 a.m.
Rodeo
PRCA Rodeo at Jerome County Fairgrounds, 7:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

M.V. junior football holds sign-ups today

TWIN FALLS - Sign-ups for the Magic Valley junior football league for boys in grades 5-7 will be held in Building B at O'Leary Junior High School today from noon to 2 p.m.
There will be two leagues, one for fifth- and sixth-graders and another for seventh-graders. Cost is \$35. For more information, call Mike Fuller at 734-9783.

Snake River Scramble will be Aug. 9

JEROME - The 2002 Snake River four-person Golf Scramble tournament will be held at 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 9 at the Canyon Springs Golf Course, north of Twin Falls. The event is a fundraiser for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program.
Prizes for longest drive, closest to pin and other tee prizes will be handed out, along with a raffle drawing and a buffet luncheon.
The tax deductible entry fee is \$65 per player, including carts, lunch-and-greens-fees. Entries must be received by July 26 with checks made out to Guardian Ad Litem, P.O. Box 22, Jerome, ID 83338.
For more information or to help sponsor the event, call Krystal Schwanefeldt at (208) 324-6890 or (208) 320-5152.

Junior high soccer tryouts begin soon

TWIN FALLS - Tryouts for the Twin Falls Junior High boys and girls soccer leagues will be held on Monday and Tuesday at 7 p.m. nightly at the Ascension soccer fields.
Players are asked to bring a ball, water and shin guards.
For more information, call Jim Jewell at 326-3388.
Compiled from staff and wire reports

TRIVIA ANSWER

Wide receiver Lance Alworth, who played for the San Diego Chargers and Dallas. Davis was an assistant with the Cowboys in 1962 when Alworth was a rookie.

Jerome belts Teton for state title

IDAHO FALLS - Jerome's bats remained hot yet another day, burning an upstart Teton squad for 11 hits in a 12-2 win in six innings to claim the championship of the Class A Area C American Legion baseball state tournament in Idaho Falls on Friday.
It's the first district title for the Tigers in "some time," said head coach Jeremiah Johnston.
Both teams, including the No. 14 seed Snow Devils (6-43), are guaranteed a spot at the state tournament in Boise Aug. 8. Wood River takes on Marsh Falls at 11 a.m. today for the final, third seed.
"We played pretty well all the way around," Johnston said. "We played our

Class A Area C American Legion State Tourney
at Idaho Falls
Friday's games
Championship
Jerome 12, Teton 2, 6-innings
Consolation bracket
Wood River 11, Upper Valley 1, 6-innings
Buhl 4, Burley 2
Marsh Falls 11, Buhl 8
Wood River 3, Bear Lake 2

game. We have 10-plus hits in each game. That's how we win."
Starting pitcher Matt Tilley went the distance, striking out nine to keep the Snow Devils from getting any more upset ideas.
"We got good outings (on the mound) all three games," Johnston said of the tournament, which the 30-21 Tigers entered as the No. 1 seed.
Teton took a 2-0 lead in the top of the second only to see Jerome's hitters begin to connect the next half-inning. The Tigers connected for four hits, including a double

by Charlie Harding, and took advantage of two walks to score five runs.
Three straight singles, a two run error and two more singles scored six in the third inning to make it 11-2, Jerome.
Josh Gately hit a sacrifice fly in the bottom of the sixth to end the contest, scoring Casey Schwanefeldt.
Teton came into the district tournament with a 4-12 mark, but upset defending state champion Buhl in the first round, 8-7, on Wednesday. The Snow Devils then edged Burley 7-4 in extra innings Thursday before downing No. 2 seed Bear Lake 10-1 that night.
Wood River 3, Bear Lake 2
The Wolverines edged Bear Lake 3-2
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'Win-or-go-home time'



Twin Falls pitcher Judd Olmstead delivers against Kennewick, Wash., during the final day of pool play at the 12-year-old Cal Ripken Baseball Regional Tournament in Longview, Wash. Olmstead threw five innings of shutout ball, but the all-stars lost 3-2 in seven innings.

T.F. All-Stars drop two in Washington

LONGVIEW, Wash. - Perhaps it was a positive omen when Twin Falls' Bryant Ward rocketed a two-run home run off the windshield of a parked car in the sixth inning Friday afternoon, helping his team avoid a shutout against West Linn, Ore.
And maybe the Twin Falls All-

Stars replayed the celebration around home plate in their collective heads as they slept Friday night, knowing that it's all downhill from here on out at the 12-year-old Cal Ripken Baseball Regional Tournament.
Twin Falls needed a positive lift after dropping a pair of games Friday, 3-2 in seven innings to Kennewick, Wash.,

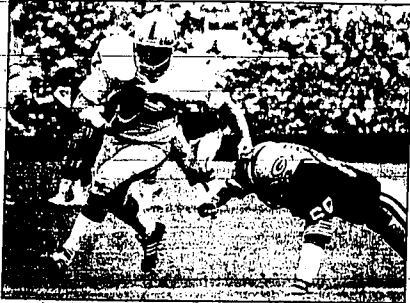
and 8-2 to West Linn. The losses pushed Twin Falls 1-3 in the tournament into the fourth spot in its five-team division, where it will take on Belgrade, Mont., this morning at 9:30 MDT in the single-elimination portion of the tournament.
Belgrade was 0-4 in the tournament's other division, getting shut out three times.

A victory against Belgrade would put Twin Falls in a 3:30 p.m. quarterfinal matchup against Western of Longview, Wash., which won its division.
"it's win-or-go-home time," Twin Falls manager Mike Traveller said. "I was really pleased with the Kennewick game. That was good baseball.

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'The Ghost' enters Hall of Fame

By Andy Resnik
The Associated Press
It's 6:30 a.m. and Dave Casper is already at his California office working on a deal. The financial planner loves helping others plot their future.
"it gives me meaning in my life," the 50-year-old Casper said.
It's the second time Casper has had a fulfilling job.
Eleven NFL seasons has helped him become just the sixth tight end - and the 11th Raider - to be elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio.
"when they elected me I said, 'Boy, that's really nice,'" said Casper, a four-time All-Pro during his NFL days from 1974-84. "I really appreciate it."
While Ken Stabler, Cliff Branch, Fred Biletnikoff or Art Shell might be the first names associated with the proficient Raiders offenses of the 1970s, no player was more important to the team's success than Casper.
He caught big passes in playoff games, recovered the "Holy Roller" and was such a good blocker that coach John Madden almost moved him to the offensive line early in his career.
"when he blocked, he was as good a blocker as an offensive



Oakland Raiders tight end Dave Casper, left, scores past Green Bay's John Anderson Sept. 17, 1978. In Green Bay, Casper will enter the Pro Football Hall of Fame this weekend in Canton, Ohio.

lineman. When he was a receiver, he was as good a receiver as a wide receiver. That's a hell of a combination," said Madden, who will give Casper's Hall induction speech Saturday.
Casper, nicknamed "The Ghost," averaged 55 catches from 1976-81 and followed each of

those five seasons with Pro Bowl appearances.
He had four catches for 70 yards and a touchdown in Oakland's 32-14 victory over Minnesota in the 1977 Super Bowl and made what Madden said was the play of the game.

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Olympic results could be changed, officials say

The Associated Press
VENICE, Italy - There could be even more changes in figure skating results from the Salt Lake City Olympics. They might even be thrown out.
Two top IOC officials on Friday left open the possibility of changing final scores in pairs and ice dancing from the games, depending on the investigation into an alleged vote-swapping deal orchestrated by a reputed Russian mobster.
The biggest judging scandal in Olympic history already has resulted in duplicate gold medals being awarded to the Canadian pairs team.
"I am not ruling out anything, not even the annulment of the Olympic results," said Thomas Bach, vice president of the International Olympic Committee.
Meanwhile, the man accused of scheming to fix the results of the two events, contended he doesn't even follow the sport and said the charges against him are a "farce." Elsewhere, outraged figure skaters threatened to sue over media coverage of the investigation.
It all made for another hectic day in the scandal-marred world of figure skating, facing its biggest brush with the mob since the Tonya Harding-Nancy Kerrigan affair before the 1994 Winter Games.
Alimzhan Tokhtakhonov was arrested Wednesday in Italy on charges he helped put together a vote-swapping deal to fix the results of the pairs and ice dancing competitions. Much of the case is based on phone conversations recorded during an investigation into the mob, and Italian police say that Tokhtakhonov indicated that 34 judges could be involved.
Please see SKATING, Page B5

MLB players hold off on setting strike date

The Associated Press
NEW YORK - With a pivotal week of talks upcoming, baseball players hope there's enough progress in negotiations to make setting a strike deadline unnecessary.
The union's executive board will meet by telephone conference call Tuesday, but a decision on setting a strike date is unlikely then, two people familiar with the union's deliberations said Friday on the condition they not be identified.
A strike date would have to be set by the executive board and, so far, union head Donald Fehr has held off calling a meeting. If he does, the likeliest date is Aug. 12, when only five games are scheduled.
"I was told that, hopefully, we won't get to that meeting," Tampa Bay player representative John Flaherty said. "That's as optimistic as I've heard since we had a meeting with Don [Fehr] the Baltimore last year. This is the most optimistic I've been since that time."
Rob Manfred, the owners' top

labor lawyer, said there was "a mutually shared goal of getting an agreement as quickly as possible" and that "there's plenty of time to reach an agreement now. Time is not an issue."
The sides plan to be available for meetings every day next week, compared to the modified schedule that began Monday.
On Friday, players made a counterproposal on the minimum salary and benefits, which both sides called positive. Afterward, Manfred gave his capulized summary of chief issues:
"benefit plan; minimum salary. I'm very close. On the topic of revenue sharing, we have made a lot of progress. We need to make a little more. On the luxury tax, I've got a long way to go."
The owners' desire for a luxury tax that would slow payroll growth appears to be the last issue to be addressed. Owners asked for a 50 percent tax on the portions of payrolls over \$98 million, a figure that includes 40-man rosters with benefits.
"We can't reach an agreement without the luxury tax being addressed," Manfred said.

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SPORTS

Giles spoils Nen's bid for milestone

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Brian Giles' two-run double won it in the ninth after San Francisco closer Robb Nen was within one strike of his 300th save three times, and the Pittsburgh Pirates rallied past the Giants 6-5 Friday night.



Pittsburgh's Brian Giles is mobbed by Kevin Young, left, and Brian Boehlinger, right, after beating the San Francisco Giants with a ninth-inning double off Rob Nen Friday in Pittsburgh.

Nen (4-1), brought in to preserve a 5-4 lead, quickly got Pokey Reese and pinch-hitter Armando Rios, then ran the count to 0-2 on both Jason Kendall and Jack Wilson, only to be both single into left field.

Brian Boehlinger (4-3) pitched a scoreless ninth inning for the victory.

Burrell blooped a ground-rule double down the right-field line to tie it at 1, and Travis Lee followed with a grounder to third. Houston made the stop but threw wildly in the dirt to first, scoring two runs.

Belliard's two-run RBI single off Julian Tavaraz (7-9) in the fourth gave the Brewers the only run they needed.

sixth inning to take the lead.

Cubs 6, Rockies 4; 12 Innings CHICAGO — Moses Alou hit a game-ending, two-run homer in the 12th inning of Victor Santos (0-1) as Chicago overcame a blown ninth-inning lead to beat Colorado.

American League Red Sox 13, Rangers 0 ARLINGTON, Texas — Derek Lowe allowed two hits in seven innings to become the AL's second- and 15-game winner as the Boston Red Sox beat the Texas Rangers 13-0 Friday night.

his league-leading ERA to 2.13.

Twins 2, Royals 1 MINNEAPOLIS — Rick Reed and four relievers combined on a four-hitter, and Jacques Jones hit a leadoff homer as Minnesota beat Kansas City.

Orioles 9, Blue Jays 8 TORONTO — Gary Matthews Jr. hit a three-run homer off closer Kelvin Escobar (5-0) in the ninth inning as Baltimore rallied from a seven-run deficit to beat Toronto.

White Sox 8, Devil Rays 5, 12 Innings ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Tampa Bay manager Hal McRae

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Advertisement for '11 days of remembrance' for Sept 11, 2001. Includes text: 'How did 9/11 affect you?' and 'As part of our Sept. 11 anniversary coverage...'.

Braves 11, Cardinals 5 ATLANTA (AP) — Wes Helms hit his first career grand slam and Chipper Jones added a three-run homer as Atlanta won the matchup of division leaders.

Phillies 3, Dodgers 1 PHILADELPHIA — Pat Burrell doubled home the tying run with two outs in the eighth inning and Philadelphia scored twice more on Tyler Houston's throwing error.

Expos 3, Astros 1 MONTREAL — Britt Reames and two Montreal relievers combined on a four-hitter and Brad Wilkerson hit an RBI triple and scored the go-ahead run in the sixth inning to lead Montreal over Houston.

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Area C

Continued from B1. Friday afternoon to garner one final shot at a state tournament bid, against Marsh Falls at 11 a.m. today.

Hansen hit an RBI single to end the 11-1 loser-out contest with Upper Valley earlier Friday.

Buhl 4, Burley 2 It was terribly familiar for the Burley Bobcats. They gave up a two-run lead in the seventh inning and eventually lost to state-tourney bound Piton in the ninth on Wednesday.

position with two outs.

Moving to the top of the order, Tim Bourner ripped a liner down the first-base line. First baseman Dallas Bristol stopped the ball about 15 feet behind the home and flung a quick toss to Michel who was sprinting from the mound to cover. He caught the ball and stepped on the bag just as Bourner crashed into him.

Marsh Falls 11, Buhl 6

Watson concluded he intentionally threw at Matthews and incited the fight. Watson suspended Roberts for "fighting, acting aggressively, and for making contact with umpires Laz Diaz and Larry Vanover. Mora, Varitek and Sanchez were suspended for "fighting and acting aggressively." Cloninger was penalized for "aggressive actions."

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

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Auto Racing

NASCAR, W.C. Brickyard 400, pole qualifying
TNT, 9 a.m.
American Le Mans Series. Trois Rivieres, Quebec
SPEED, noon
NASCAR, Busch, Kroger 200
TNT, 8 p.m.

Baseball

Indians vs. Mariners
Fox, 2 p.m.
White Sox vs. Devil Rays
WGN, 4:15 p.m.

Basketball

WNBA, Los Angeles vs. Sacramento
HBO, 2 p.m.

Boxing

Heavyweights, Michael Grant vs. Robert Davis
ESPN, 5 p.m.
WBO-WBA junior lightweights'
NABF super middleweights.
Showtime, 8 p.m.

Football

Arena playoffs, Orlando at New Jersey
TNN, 10:30 a.m.
Arena playoffs, Tampa Bay at San Francisco
ESPN2, 1 p.m.

Tennis

ATP, Tennis Masters Toronto, semifinals
ESPN2, 11 a.m.
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ESPN2, 5 p.m.

Jerome Car Show will take place 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...

blod former NFL lineman Alonzo Spellman with terrorizing fellow passengers on a flight

Spellman, who has played for the Detroit Lions, was committed to a psychiatric hospital after the July 23 disturbance on a flight from Cincinnati to Philadelphia, authorities said.

Bucks trade Robinson to Hawks for Kukoc

ATLANTA - The Milwaukee Bucks traded forward Glenn Robinson to the Atlanta Hawks on Friday for forwards Tomi Kukoc and Lemmy Smith...

Heber City welcomes home its champion wrestler

HEBER CITY, Utah - Four-time NCAA champion wrestler Cael Sanderson has a key to his hometown, but he still can't get into his own house.

NHL veteran Ferraro retires after 18 seasons

ST. LOUIS (AP) - Center Ray Ferraro, who played for the St. Louis Blues from 1984 to 2002, announced his retirement after 18 seasons in the NHL.

Cubs, Pirates alter deal as Lewis quits

PITTSBURGH - Outfielder Darren Lewis told the Cubs on Friday he's retiring and won't report to Pittsburgh, forcing the teams to rework the trade that sent him to Chicago.

Coyotes deny rumors of Gretzky comeback

CHICAGO - The rumor that Phoenix Coyotes managing partner Wayne Gretzky is planning a comeback is unfounded, the team's general manager said.

Upro tests show no sign of doping in Tour, group says

PARIS - All urine samples collected from cyclists for doping tests during the Tour de France were negative, the International Cycling Union announced Friday.

ATP Tennis Masters Canada

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Tennis Results
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Standardbred racing coverage on CBS at noon.

MUS, All Star Game

MUS, All Star Game coverage on ABC, 10 p.m.

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U.S. jobless rate holds
News sparks concerns
that economy may stall

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's unemployment rate remained stuck at 5.9 percent in July with a disappointing 6,000 new jobs created, increasing worries that the fledgling recovery could be in danger of stalling out. Friday's report by the Labor Department capped a week of dismal data in which economists' hopes for signs of a rebound were dashed. Analysts had expected about 60,000 new jobs for July instead of the meager 6,000. New hiring in the services industry was tempered by job cuts in construction and manufacturing. "We're falling slowly but surely, and not moving forward," said Bill Cheney, chief economist at John Hancock Financial Services. "We have to run fast just to stay in place and not being doing it."

At its next meeting Aug. 13, Interest rates have been at a 40-year low level this year, and most economists think they will remain unchanged through the rest of 2002. The economy needs to generate 125,000 new jobs per month to keep the unemployment rate stable. Feeling pessimistic, economists expect the rate to top 6 percent in the next few months. Until companies feel more secure about a recovery, they will be reluctant to make big commitments in new hiring and capital investment — key ingredients for a full and sustained comeback. The string of corporate scandals and a sinking stock market have added to their fears. "The economy hit an air pocket in July," said Sung W. Sohn, a chemist with Wells Fargo & Co. "Shocked by the stock market crash, businesses were cautious about hiring."

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The manufacturing sector lost 7,000 jobs in July. The nation's manufacturers were hardest hit by the recession and saw hundreds of thousands of jobs evaporate. Even though the industry is on the comeback trail, it is continuing to shed workers, though at a more moderate pace. July was the fourth consecutive month in which job losses were less than 30,000. Losses averaged 109,000 per month last year.

pany's fate further into the control of its lenders, namely its banks. In February, Qwest needed to draw upon a \$4 billion loan from its banks. It has since paid \$500 million of that loan, but restrictions put on Qwest as part of the loan will cause issues for the company in the coming months. Namely, the loan requires Qwest to keep with certain ratios of revenue to cash flow. Nearly all analysts expect Qwest to break those so-called covenants by October due to its declining cash flow. That, coupled with the impending restatement, means the banks can call the shots in negotiations with Qwest, even pushing the bankruptcy into 11 bankruptcy protection. Banks or the companies that owe them sometimes opt for Chapter 11 for a company as a means of forcing all parties to work out their differences in court.

Resolving the federal inquiries. The lineup of federal outfits investigating Qwest is long: the SEC, the U.S. attorney in Denver, the FBI and congressional and Senate committees. After signaling its impending restatements on Sunday, Qwest has started talks with the SEC to settle that investigation. The Wall Street Journal reported Thursday that neither the SEC nor Qwest will confirm being in negotiations. "We are in the process of examining a number of issues with respect to Qwest's previous issued financial statements," Notebaert said in a statement this week. "We have met with representatives of the SEC's Division of Enforcement and the Office of the Chief Accountant, and we are cooperating with the SEC's ongoing investigation and pursuing an appropriate resolution as expeditiously as practical."

observers say likely focuses on insider-trading activity and false-reporting issues. The Journal cited unnamed analysts in reporting Thursday that some vendors are requiring Qwest to pay up front for services — as they did with WorldCom before it filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. Qwest declined to comment on the matter, calling it speculation. The Journal also cited unnamed sources, reporting that the federal criminal justice system has expanded to include deals Qwest cut with rival companies to keep them from blocking its bid to sell long-distance in the former U.S. West states.

Qwest's banks are not talking publicly, but they have huddled in private to discuss Qwest's situation. Some analysts say the restatements might allow the lenders to call the loans due because Qwest's circumstances have changed. "With financial restatements pending, the banks and debt holders may be able to make a 'material adverse change' argument against the company, potentially putting the company in default of its debt covenants long before any (Qwest) suit can take place," Sanford C. Bernstein analyst Jeff Halpern wrote Monday. "Most analysts predict Qwest's banks will require the company to put up some collateral to support the loan rather than forcing a bankruptcy filing. That collateral likely would be a claim to some of Qwest's valu-

Seeking a settlement would make sense for Qwest, experts say. A settlement would ease the burden on lenders and investors and perhaps make Qwest closer to being able to borrow again. Such a settlement could involve a fine and completion of the restatements Qwest announced Sunday. "It is wise for them to approach the commission and try to effect a settlement," said Carr Conway, a forensic accountant with the Denver-based Financial Investigation Group in Denver and a former SEC official. "Whether they can or not will depend on whether the commission feels it is comfortable that it has thoroughly analyzed all the accounting problems." An SEC settlement, however, would not deter the federal criminal probe of Qwest, which many

Despite the obstacles facing Qwest, few, if any, analysts are predicting certain bankruptcy. "We believe it is still premature to predict bankruptcy for Qwest," Jefferies & Co. analyst Richard Klugman wrote Monday. "Considering that Qwest owns 17 million pre-paid lines, a regional Yellow Pages and a million-subscriber wireless service, the company has a far more tangible foundation for valuation than WorldCom." Yet if Qwest's situation worsens, all bets are off. "If things turn badly, it will probably be through management to file Chapter 11," wrote CIBC World Markets analyst Tim Horan. If a bankruptcy filing happens, several groups will feel its impact differently, experts say. Stockholders likely will see their investment evaporate. Bondholders and creditors will end up in control of the company. Corporate raiders will make bids for the valuable U.S. West assets in bankruptcy court. The federal government likely will intervene to ensure phone service continues uninterrupted.

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BEST AVAILABLE COPY Sluggish economy pushes Idaho jobless rate higher

Boise - Idaho's economy fared anemic in July as 1,000 workers were laid off...

The surge of workers looking for jobs in June appeared to be a one-time event. Only 200 workers joined the labor force...

While Idaho's economy continued to create new jobs, they have not kept up with the labor supply, department analysts said...

Forecasting an average 126 fewer people than expected in 2001, seven months into the year, the rate averaged just over 5.3 percent.

Jobless

Continued from B6 by Wal-Mart to fill out the Burley station and begin staffing...

Even with softening in milk prices, the county's dairy and cheese-processing employment is stable...

Times-News Business Editor Virginia S. Hutchins can be reached at 733-0931...

MORNING BREAK

Budding infatuation blooms into love



DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Mother of 10" was intriguing. She wrote that after being married 30 years, she told her son that whenever her husband walked into the room, she could still feel her heart lift. Her son said it would be infatuation. I would like to relate my experience...

In August 1970, I met the woman I later married. She walked into a room to join the group I was in, and when I saw her, my heart skipped a couple of beats, I never said, "This is the woman for me," but she had an effect on me. There she quietly sat with her ankles crossed and her hands in her lap—a perfect lady...

I took me three months to build up the courage to ask her out. We became engaged at Christmas 1976 and were married 13 months later. It was the best thing I ever did...

When we go to bed at night and I feel her warm body next to mine, I get all excited. When we wake up in the morning and she snuggles up under my arm with her head on my chest, it is the greatest feeling in the world. Every once in a while, I can't let go, and we stay wrapped in each other's arms for as long as 45 minutes. She calls it "recharging our batteries."

Abby, if this is infatuation, I can't wait to see what real love is like. My heart won't be able to handle it.

—PETER KENNEDY, HACKENSACK, N.J.

DEAR ABBY: I read your column every day, and now I need your advice. I am a 17-year-old senior girl in high school. Up until the middle of last year, I wanted to become a doctor. Then I was faced with a personal problem that I couldn't deal with on my own and couldn't take to my parents...

I finally went to one of my favorite teachers—someone I felt I could confide in. She helped me work through my problem, assured me that everything would be fine, and told me if I ever needed anything, to come see her. She was genuinely concerned about me...

After that experience, I began to feel that I would be happier becoming a teacher rather than going into medicine. My mother has not taken the news well. She thinks I should focus on becoming a doctor because the pay is better...

I am torn between following my heart vs. making my mom happy. What should I do, Abby? Sign me.

—CONFUSED WITH A CAPITAL "C"

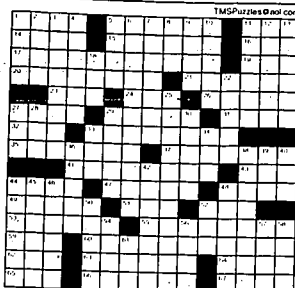
DEAR CONFUSED: Both medicine and teaching are "helping professions." I urge you to make no hard-and-fast decisions now. Go to college, keep your options open—and then follow your heart...

DEAR ABBY: I have a pet peeve. It's folks who leave long, slow voice mail messages—and then red off their telephone numbers at top speed...

Callers should state their name and phone number first, so the entire message doesn't have to be replayed over and over. Callers should also remember that although their phone number is second nature to them, it may be new to me. Speak those seven digits a little slower, please...

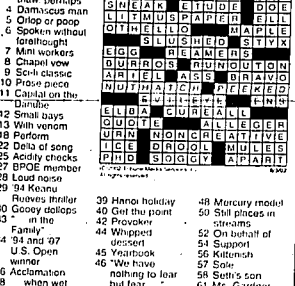
—RUTH IN VERONA, WIS.

DEAR RUTH: Your pet peeve also happens to be one of mine, and I would like to offer a further suggestion: Callers should be sure to give their area code first when slowly reciting their phone number...



ACROSS: 1 Old sailor; 11 By way of; 14 Long or Newton; 16 End of a bus; 17 Violations; 18 State student; 20 Wounded; 21 Baseball; 23 Know down; 24 Gibson of "Harem"; 25 Streisand film; 27 Home of the last family; 29 Small shoot; 31 Effortless; 32 Actress Taylor; 33 Disciples; 35 Person, when saying; 37 Annoys; 41 Topping projects; 42 Maim or; 44 Member of; 47 Chairman or; 48 Make reference to; 50 Waiting in the wings; 51 Nephew; 52 Boss Drummond; 53 Pop the cork from; 54 Cartoonist; 55 Singer; 56 Santa's helper; 57 Manager; 67 Deli orders.

Friday's Puzzle Solved



DOWN: 2 Follow-up to the; 3 Ambivisc man; 4 Old or poor; 5 Spoken without; 6 Chaperone; 7 Maimed; 8 Maimed; 9 Piece from; 10 Cheat on the; 11 Small boys; 12 With wemom; 13 Perform; 14 Hero of song; 15 Accoly checks; 16 ACE member; 17 Loud nose; 18 Keanu; 19 Revue; 20 Family; 21 U.S. Open winner; 22 Acclamation; 23 when wet; 25 Honor holiday; 26 Get the point; 27 Proven; 28 Whipped; 29 On behalf of; 30 Support; 31 Killenish; 32 Wife; 33 Nothing to fear; 34 M2; 35 Gardner; 36 Mercury in; 37 Still places in; 38 Sign; 39 On; 40 Support; 41 Killenish; 42 Wife; 43 Nothing to fear; 44 M2; 45 Gardner.

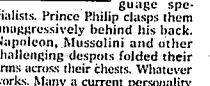
Avoid self-deception, Capricorn; Pisces helps

IF AUGUST 3RD IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you possess intense intellectual curiosity; you find education to be fun. You are never afraid to question authority. You have laughed at cynical setbacks, are willing to give romance another chance. Gemini, Sagittarius persons play outstanding roles in your life, could have these letters in names: C, L, U. In September, domestic adjustments could include where you live, marital status.

Individual destined to play important role in your life. Display humor, relate anecdotes. You are being "looked over." Sagittarius in picture. HOROSCOPE: Sydney Omar.

Old goldfish set record by living to 41

In Australia, "Send her down, Hughie" is a vernacular prayer for rain. The ancient Greeks practiced hygroscopy—bur they called it "dream healing."



Revisited L.M. Boyd. When standing at ease in a social situation... what do you do with your hand? ... it's significant, according to the body language specialists.

ROBOT FISH ENTERTAINS SCHOOLKIDS



Hiroaki Maki, age 8, pushes his face against a glass tank to see a high-tech robot of a coelacanth swim closer at the Mitsubishi Minatorial Industrial Museum in Yokohama, south of Tokyo. Thursday. The coelacanth, mounted with a battery in the body, is controlled by a wireless information technology and swims by moving fins.

'Most Wanted' host's wife files for divorce

VERO BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The wife of "America's Most Wanted" host John Walsh has filed for divorce and sought custody of the couple's two children. In a petition filed at the Indian River County Courthouse, Reve Walsh said her 31-year marriage was irretrievably broken. Neither Reve Walsh nor her West Palm Beach attorney, Georgia Newman, immediately returned calls seeking comment.

TOUR MOVIES TO AUG 4

Historic Orpheum 148 Main Street Twin Falls 734-2400. Tom Hanks Road to Perdition [R] Daily 7:15 - 9:30. Paul Newman Saturday - Sunday 3:00 - 5:30 - 7:15 - 9:30. Thriller Cinema 12 148 Eastwood Drive Twin Falls 734-2400. YA-YA SISTERHOOD [R] 1:45 - 4:30 - 7:10 - 9:30. WINDtalkers [R] 1:45 - 4:30 - 7:10 - 9:30 (DORFAL). SIGNS [R] 12:00 - 2:30 - 4:30 - 7:00 - 9:30 (DORFAL). REIGN OF FIRE [R] 12:15 - 2:30 - 5:00 - 7:20 - 9:30. HALLOWEEN: RESURRECTION [R] 9:30. MINORITY REPORT [R] 12:45 - 3:45 - 7:00 - 9:45 (DORFAL). K-11: WOODMAN [R] 12:45 - 3:45 - 7:00 - 9:45 (DORFAL). STUART LITTLE 2 [PG] 12:00 - 2:30 - 5:00 - 7:30 - 9:10. LEO & STITCH [PG] 12:15 - 2:30 - 5:00 - 7:20. MEN IN BLACK 2 [R] 12:15 - 2:50 - 5:00 - 7:20 - 9:30. MY GREEK WEDDING [PG] 12:15 - 2:50 - 5:00 - 7:20 - 9:30. GOLDMEMBER [R] 12:15 - 2:50 - 5:00 - 7:20 - 9:30 (DORFAL). #9 12:00 - 2:30 - 4:50 - 7:00 - 9:10 (DORFAL). MATINEE #10 - JURASSIC PARK 2 [PG-13] or JIMMY NEUTRON [R] SHOWS MONDAY - THURSDAY 11:00 - 1:30 - 3:00 - 5:30 - 7:00 - 9:30. ODYSSEY 6 AT MAGIC VALLEY HALL THIN FALLS 734-2400. LIKE MIKE [PG] 1:00 - 3:30 - 5:20 - 7:10 - 9:40. CROODLE LITERS [PG] 12:40 - 2:30 - 5:00 - 7:40 - 9:20. MASTER OF DISGUISE [R] 12:00 - 2:40 - 5:00 - 7:00 - 9:00. DISNEY'S COUNTRY BEARS [G] 12:30 - 2:40 - 4:50 - 7:00 - 9:10. BOURNE IDENTITY [R] 1:00 - 4:40 - 7:40 - 9:30. MR. DEEDS [R] 1:00 - 3:10 - 5:20 - 7:30 - 9:40. JEROME CINEMA 4 450 WEST MAIN JEROME 734-2400. MEN IN BLACK [R] or SIGNS [R]. DAILY 7:00 - 9:00 - SAT - SUN 12:30 - 2:40 - 4:50 - 7:00 - 9:00. STUART LITTLE 2 [PG] or GOLDMEMBER [R]. DAILY 7:10 - 9:20. FRI - SUN 12:40 - 2:50 - 5:00 - 7:10 - 9:20. MATINEE #10 - JURASSIC PARK 2 [PG-13] or JIMMY NEUTRON [R]. SHOWS FRIDAY 11:00 - 1:15 - 3:30 - 5:45 - 8:00. MOTOR-VU DRIVE IN 140 EASTWOOD DR THIN FALLS 734-2400. MEL GIBSON SIGNS [R] AT 8:15 CONT. MEN IN BLACK 2 [R] AT 10:30. GRAND-VU DRIVE IN GRANDVIEW DR THIN FALLS 734-2400. GOLDMEMBER [R] AT 9:15 CONT. BOURNE IDENTITY [R] [R] AT 10:30.

Catch a Mel Gibson flick tonight

Tribune Media Services. TV best bets. Today "Conspiracy Theory" - Mel Gibson reunited with "Lethal Weapon" and "Maverick" director Richard Donner for this 1997 suspense tale, which relies heavily on the combined star power of Gibson and Julia Roberts. (PG) 8 p.m. "The Agency" - The fictionalized CIA gets a new chief in this episode, as Beau Bridges joins the series as Tom Gage, former senator who becomes the head of the organization. "That doesn't please Robert Quinn (Daniel Benzali), who is removed as acting director (HDTV) (CC) (TVPG) CBS, 9 p.m. "Planet of the Apes" - The science-fiction classic is "re-imagined" by director Tim Burton in this 2001 update. Max Von Sydow plays an astronaut stranded on a planet ruled by intelligent simians. A chimpanzee (Helena Bonham Carter, in a bounty of makeup) shows compassion. (CC) HOME BOX OFFICE, 9 p.m. LAMPHOUSE THEATRE. 223 5th Ave. S T F • 736-8600. THUMB'S WAY UP. MOVIE MAMA. TAMBIEN. DAILY 4:30-7:00-9:15.

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MEL GIBSON signs. M. NIGHT SHYAMALAN'S. HON AT TWIN & JEROME CINEMA AND MOTOR-VU DRIVE IN. DANA CARVEY. 1,000 FACES. AND NOT A SINGLE CLUE. THE MASTER OF DISGUISE. HON AT ODYSSEY THEATRE.

WORLD

Pakistani sky marshals include women

KARACHI (AP) - An elite force of karate-kicking anti-terrorist fighters will begin riding on domestic Pakistani passenger jets this month. The new sky marshals are gaining attention in Pakistan's conservative Islamic society not only for their skills but because they include nine women.

The first women sky marshals completed a 10-week course last month in hand-to-hand combat so grueling that some of their 49 male classmates dropped out. Only one woman failed to finish - because she broke her wrist.

The women say they're ready to keep Pakistan safe from terrorist attacks. But they also see themselves as making inroads in a society where women are widely seen as separate - and inferior - to men.

"Passing this tough training proves that Pakistani women have the potential to show their skills in all fields that are considered the domain of men," said one female graduate, Asma Khan, 25.

Part of the national airport police, Pakistan's first batch of sky marshals - all male - were sent into duty following the 1981 hijacking of a Pakistan International Airlines jet. Those first sky marshals were armed and eventually had to be taken off commercial jets after other countries protested.

However, after the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States - and fears that Pakistan would become a new terrorist battleground - the sky marshals were revived, this time unarmed.

The first recruits finished a martial arts course taught by Pakistani army instructors July 22 and will begin flying in mid-August. Initially, they will be limited to domestic flights, but the program is successful, officials say the sky marshals may start flying internationally as well.

The instructors said Khan and the other women were held to the



Female Pakistani sky marshals practice their martial arts skills during a training session in Karachi Wednesday.

same rigorous standards as men during the training, which included martial arts skills developed in Japan and Korea.

"This training is so tough that male recruits often quit, but the women trainees proved their will and determination and showed amazing courage," said Maj. Hamid Raza, who led the army trainers.

Raza said the two top finishers in the course were both women: They were awarded the airport security force's "Sword of Honor" - the first woman to receive the award.

"They did so well that 10 more women will be included in the next batch of 70 sky marshals," Raza said. He said the number of women per class will likely be

increased after that.

Before the sky marshal program was revived, female members of the airport police had been limited to less arduous and dangerous tasks such as operating passenger X-ray machines and doing body searches of female passengers. None had ever gone through a full combat training course, side-by-side with men.

Rumsfeld, generals discuss stepping up al-Qaida hunt

WASHINGTON (AP) - Top defense officials met Friday to plot better ways to press the hunt for al-Qaida terrorists, following reports Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld is unhappy with the pace of the mission in Afghanistan.

Among those attending was Gen. Charles R. Holland of the U.S. Special Operations Command, whose covert commando units have played a key role in the war on terror.

Rumsfeld spokeswoman Victoria Clarke declined to talk about new ideas Holland might have for capturing and killing top al-Qaida leaders.

"We're always looking for ways to be more adaptive, to be more flexible, to be faster, to be more lethal, to go after what is a very unconventional enemy," she told a Pentagon press conference.

Rumsfeld, unhappy with the pace of the mission in Afghanistan, has ordered Holland and other senior military officials to devise a new plan for attacking terrorist cells around the world. The Washington Times quoted unidentified sources as saying in its Friday editions.

Holland is devising a plan for new types of clandestine operations that could be used against terrorist targets at a moment's notice, outside restrictions of traditional law enforcement, the newspaper said.

Clarke told a Pentagon news conference that Rumsfeld "has full and total confidence" in Gen. Tommy Franks, commander of the Afghan campaign, adding he has done "an extraordinary job" in pressing the war against Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network.

Pashtuns appeal for help dealing with fighting in Herat

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) - Pashtun leaders in the southwestern Afghan province of Herat appealed for help from the central government Friday after what they said were three days of ethnic fighting with the Tajik forces of Gov. Ismail Khan.

A spokesman for one Pashtun commander claimed 70 people were killed, mostly Pashtuns. But his report could not be independently confirmed, and the governor's office dismissed reports of heavy fighting.

A spokesman for the U.S. military command at Bagram, in central Afghanistan, said earlier Friday it had confirmed fighting between Ismail Khan's forces and 13, but I think they were only seeing one side," said Col.

Roger King. The violence, the latest flare-up in ethnic clashes troubling several Afghan provinces, centered on the town of Goryan, 40 miles west of the city of Herat and halfway between Herat and the Iranian border.

Reached by satellite telephone from Kabul, A.H. Khan, a spokesman for a local Pashtun commander, Karim Khan, said it was relatively quiet Friday after three days of fighting, at the end of which his commander retreated with his men.

He said about 20 of his fellow Pashtun fighters were killed, along with 30 Pashtun civilians and 20 Ismail Khan fighters. Dozens of civilians and militiamen were wounded, he said.

Iranian girls can forgo veils at all-female schools

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) - For the first time since Muslim clerics took control of the country in the Islamic revolution 23 years ago, girls will be allowed to go without headscarves and robes in all-female schools in Tehran - a move religious hard-liners criticized as "encouraging nudity."

The Education Ministry directive applies to schoolgirls aged 7 to 18 and their teachers in the capital's 11,000 girls' schools when classes open in September.

"The implementation of this plan is not in any contradiction with Islamic and national values," Homeira Rahimi, an official at the Education Ministry, said in remarks published in conjunction with the new dress code directive.

For the moment, hard-liners opposed to easing political and social restrictions appeared to have limited their unhappiness with the decision to criticizing it in the press. Their restraint is widely interpreted as part of a new



For the first time since the 1979 revolution, the Education Ministry is allowing girls and their teachers at Tehran schools to lift their veils in September.

pragmatism: A willingness to permit more social freedoms in hopes of dampening challenges to the theocracy's powers.

The hard-line Jomhuri Islami daily said, for example, that the directive was "encouraging the culture of nudity" and was aimed at weakening religious values.

The Education Ministry directive published Thursday brings restrictions on dress into line with the growing tendency among Iranian women to test the limits for the "hijab," the Muslim dress code for women enforced since the 1979 revolution, which toppled the pro-Western shah and brought Islamic clerics to power.

Back then, authorities ordered schools to be segregated and male teachers rehired at girls' schools. University classes remained open to both men and women.

Hair now cascades down beneath loose scarves. The once-mandatory coverings of billowing black chadors or shapeless coats have been cast aside by some young women for elegant knee-length smocks or even tight business-style jackets. Some just toss on a baggy sweater.

Mexican government drops airport plans

SAN SALVADOR ATENCO, Mexico (AP) - Church bells that recently called townspeople to battle instead gathered for a celebration Friday after the government scrapped plans to build Mexico City's new international airport on their land.

The government, caving into machete-wielding protesters, insisted there were other alternatives.

Last month, the airport conflict escalated into a clash with state police in which dozens of people were injured and 15 hostages were seized, creating a five-day crisis for the government of President Vicente Fox.

On Thursday night, Fox's transportation secretary, Pedro Cer-

soia, said the government would abandon the Texcoco lake bed site on the eastern outskirts of Mexico City that included Atenco.

"No other (site) will have the technical operating advantage that Texcoco would have had, but they are not necessarily bad," Cerisola said. "We move from the ideal to the convenient, to what is viable, to what is possible."

He refused to say how many options were under study, but said new technology could revive old options. "Some alternatives that in the past were rejected ... are now worth reconsidering," he said. Not all involve relocating farmers, he said.

Among ideas dropped in the past were expanding the current

airport into a federally owned lake bed on its eastern edge, or putting the airport near Cuernavaca to the south, Puebla to the east or Tizayuca to the north. These last three are much further from the city than Texcoco.

In Atenco, a small town ringed by corn and bean fields, farmers gathered in the town square Friday to celebrate.

"The government never had the right to remove us from the land of our families and our ancestors," said Guadalupe Monroy, 47. "The government never came here to talk to us and never thought we would react so aggressively."

She cheered around town in a pickup truck, songs of celebration blaring from a bullhorn.

Vampire-obsessed teen convicted in slaying

LONDON (AP) - A teenager who prosecutors said wanted to be a vampire was convicted Friday of fatally stabbing an elderly woman, cutting out her heart and drinking her blood.

"You hoped for immortality, but all you have achieved is the brutal ending of another person's life and the bringing of a life sentence upon yourself," said the judge, Sir Stephen Richards.

A jury at Mold Crown Court found Matthew Hardman, 17, guilty of slaying 90-year-old widow Mabel Leysdon at her home in the north Wales town of Llanfairwl last Nov. 24.

He was ordered detained "at Her Majesty's pleasure" - a sentence that applies to juveniles convicted of murder and carries a minimum 12-year prison term.

Richards said the murder was "an act of great wickedness." During the two-week trial, prosecutor Roger Thomas said Hardman was obsessed by "how do I

become a vampire and how do I become immortal?"

The teenager's belief in the fictional creatures spawned the killing, Thomas said.

"He believed they existed, believed they drank human blood, and believed most importantly that they could achieve immortality - and he wanted to be immortal. What may have started out as a bizarre interest became an obsession and led ultimately to murder," the prosecutor said.

Hardman had denied the charge and said he had only a "subtle interest" in vampires.

Hardman wept as the verdict was read, while his mother sobbed in the public gallery. As the teenager was led away, she called out, "I love you, son."

Richards said the evidence against Hardman was compelling. Police who searched the teenager's house found books and magazines about vampires - including Bram Stoker's classic

novel "Dracula" - and records of visits to Internet sites on the occult. They also uncovered traces of Leysdon's blood on a knife in Hardman's room.

"One might hope for a psychological explanation for your behavior, but none is offered," the judge said.

"Why you should have acted in this way is difficult to comprehend, but I am drawn to the conclusion that vampirism had indeed become a near obsession with you, that you really did believe that this myth may be true, that you did think that you would achieve immortality by the drinking of another person's blood, and you found this an irresistible attraction," Richards said.

During the trial, prosecutors said the teen entered Leysdon's house by breaking glass in the back door and attacked her as she watched television, stabbing her 22 times and then removing her heart.

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Hunger for food, normalcy drives Nablus residents to defy curfew

By Christine Spolar
Chicago Tribune

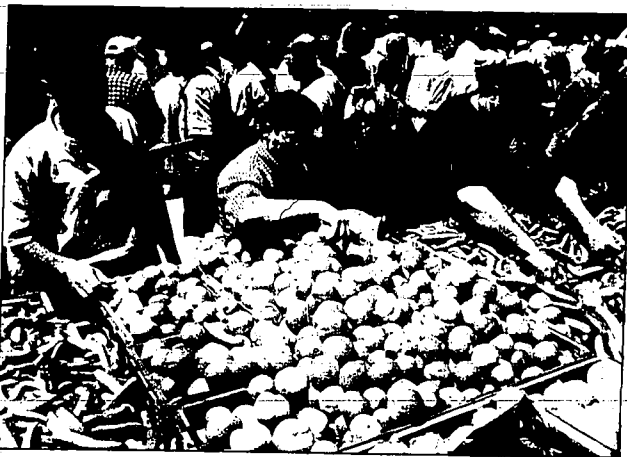
NABLUS, West Bank — For a month, residents of Nablus hid in fear of tanks and soldiers. This week, they decided nothing could be as frightful as an empty larder or a bare bank account, and, by the thousands, they took back their streets.

Residents of this Palestinian city went to work, went to school and went about their business of carving a normal life out of a war zone. Israeli troops, aware of a wholesale violation of a military lockdown, stayed their distance, a display of restraint that authorities have yet to explain and Nablus officials don't much question.

"I don't know why," Mayor Chassan Shalikh said Wednesday. "They know our people are out in the street. The civil coordinators, the military, they know what we're doing. They aren't saying anything about it."

"People need to get food and make money. The situation was this: We just had enough."

Shakh walked to his municipal office for the first time Sunday. That was when other residents, encouraged by a flurry of phone calls from city employees, began edging their way down the streets. By 8:30 a.m., aluminum shutters began clicking open and lights buzzed to life.



Palestinians shop for vegetables during curfew hours in the West Bank town of Nablus July 29.

"When I saw other people breaking (the Israeli curfew), I decided to do it like them," said Imad Sawalha as he peddled

potatoes and tomatoes for half price. "It's been very bad." "We did not care anymore," said Omar Khalid, a pet shop

owner who lost 150 birds to starvation during an Israeli incursion and lockdown in April. Last month, Khalid was among the

more intrepid shop owners who sneaked back to his store every couple of days. Khalid was intent on keeping his business — and animals — alive this time, and he visited his store to slip food and water to the birds.

When he reopened his doors this week, the birds, parakeets and cockatiels were still there — even if the customers weren't.

"I haven't sold anything for more than four months," Khalid said. "Now people are trying to buy food and clothes. They don't have money for this."

Nablus is not alone in its attempt to ignore the Israeli soldiers who have been camped in the West Bank since June 20, when two suicide bombings in Jerusalem killed and maimed dozens of Israelis. Curfews have been lifted in other cities, and officials in towns like Jenin, witness to some of the worst attacks, have braved the streets to work part time.

But Nablus has encouraged the most widespread back-to-work measures. Strapped for funds, the city opted to keep all its workers on payroll — though with pay cuts of one-third instead of cutting jobs outright. Nearly all those workers showed up for work Sunday. By Tuesday, streets were jammed with taxis, and sidewalks bustled with shoppers. On Wednesday, confidence had lured repeat visitors.

Israeli views city as suicide bomb factory

NABLUS, West Bank (AP) — The Israeli army blew up two buildings with explosives labs and arrested at least 50 Palestinians in haste to house searches Friday as troops took control of Nablus, a city head called "the main factory of suicide bombings."

The army clashed with Palestinians in several places in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, and overall, five Palestinians were killed, including an elderly woman, and seven houses and buildings were destroyed.

Also, the military said it planned to expel two relatives of suspected Palestinian militants from their homes in the West Bank to the Gaza Strip — a transfer Israel hopes will deter potential attackers.

The stepped up Israeli military actions follow a series of Palestinian attacks against Israel, including a bombing Wednesday at Jerusalem's Hebrew University. Nablus, the largest city in the West Bank with about 200,000 people, has been under an Israeli military curfew for most of the past six weeks, along with other Palestinian population centers.

Friends recall U.S. woman killed in blast

JERUSALEM (AP) — North Carolina native Dina Carter converted from Christianity to Judaism, cut contact with her parents and moved to Israel, where she learned Hebrew, delved into sculpting and drawing, and created a new life.

On Friday, she was buried on a Jerusalem hilltop, one of five American victims of the bomb attack at Hebrew University, and the only American victim to be buried in Israel.

Carter, 38, was born and raised in Greensboro, N.C., but she rarely discussed her past with friends, co-workers or the Israeli family who befriended her after she immigrated here in 1990.

"I think she wanted to cut roots to the states and open a new life in Israel," her mother asked. She didn't want contact with her family. It's something you don't ask about," said Rafael Weiser, 58, Carter's boss at the Hebrew University library.

Carter worked at the university's west Jerusalem campus in the archived manuscripts department but was killed while making a rare visit to the university's campus on Mt. Scopus, in the eastern part of the city, when a bomb exploded in a crowded cafeteria on Wednesday. The militant Palestinian Hamas group claimed responsibility for the attack.

Speaking beside Carter's grave Friday, Weiser recalled her attachment to Israel. "She said to me, 'I don't have another home. Israel is my home.'"

U.S. officials were not able to locate her parents in North Carolina until Friday, and no relatives from the United States were at the funeral.

Carter's father, Larry Carter, 64, a retired veterinarian, said after she left for Israel 12 years ago, she never contacted him, her mother or an older sister.

"We are at somewhat of a loss to know why," he said in a telephone interview from Greensboro. "Once she did immigrate and die here, it was like she started her separate life." He said his daughter became



Friends of Dina Carter, an American killed in Wednesday's bombing at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, embrace at her funeral Friday in Jerusalem.

interested in Judaism while studying at Duke University in the mid-1980s. "Beyond that I really don't know what prompted it. It was so long ago," he said.

The family had argued over her decision to convert and the move to Israel, he said. "But like any family, we worked through that and thought that everything was OK."

His last contact with his daughter was in a phone call, which he described as pleasant, from California, before she flew to Israel in 1990.

The four other American victims of Wednesday's bomb attack were Benjamin Blustein, 25, of Susquehanna Township, Pa.; Marla Bennett, 24, of San Diego; Janis Ruth Coulter, 36, who worked for the university in New York; and David Gritz, 24, who held dual American-French citizenship.

Two victims' bodies were flown to the United States on Friday and another was to be flown back Saturday night. Gritz's body was to be transported to France on Monday.

Israel military admits deadly Gaza strike was a mistake

JERUSALEM (AP) — The Israeli military said Friday that faulty intelligence led to blame for the deaths of 14 civilians — most of them women and children — in an air attack on a Gaza City apartment building that successfully targeted and killed a Hamas military leader last month.

In a statement summarizing the military investigation of the incident, the army said it regretted the civilian deaths. The army also said the attack never would have been launched if authorities had known women and children were in the building with Salah Shehadeh, head of the Hamas military wing.

Israel faced widespread world criticism for the attack. The Israeli pilot of a U.S.-made

F-16 fired a one-ton missile at the three-story building where Shehadeh was staying on the night of July 22. His wife and 14-year-old daughter were among those killed in the attack. Some 150 people were wounded in the explosion that brought down the targeted building and badly damaged three others.

Palestinian officials and other critics of the attack said that using such a powerful bomb in the densely packed Gaza City neighborhood was sure to cause civilian casualties.

Hamas vowed to avenge Shehadeh's death and said the first blow was struck Wednesday in the bombing of Jerusalem's Hebrew University, which killed seven people, including five Americans.

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Scientists find impact crater under sea

It may have formed when Earth responded to catastrophic hit off Mexico's coast

The Associated Press

With unprecedented detail, scientists have mapped a small but well-preserved crater formed by a meteorite they believe smacked into Earth 60 to 65 million years ago.

The impact crater, buried beneath the North Sea's rich oil and gas fields off England's eastern seaboard, measures about six miles wide and sits beneath 120 feet of seawater and more than 900 feet of sediment.

Researchers believe the so-called

Silverpit crater was formed after the catastrophic impact near Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula that scientists suspect contributed to the extinction of the dinosaurs.

"We know so little about how impact structures are created when meteorites and comets hit," said University of New Brunswick geologist John G. Spray, who reviewed the crater data for the journal *Nature*, which published details in its current issue. "Any new example helps."

Details of most impact craters on Earth have eroded by rain, wind

and earthquakes over millions of years.

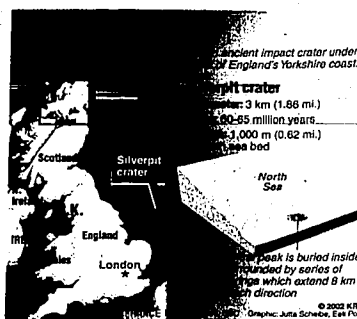
The simplest type of impact crater is a smooth, bowl-shaped depression like the famous Barringer Crater in Arizona. By comparison, the Silverpit is shaped like a basin with multiple rings like shock waves encircling the sides, scientists said.

Silverpit's main crater is 1.5 miles wide with a central peak that probably formed when the Earth rebounded from the impact of the incoming cosmic projectile, scientists said.

A series of at least 10 concentric impact rings radiate beyond it, expanding its size to some degree. Still, it's small and well-preserved as craters go and that makes it "very intriguing," Spray said.

The Silverpit crater was identified by a pair of petroleum geoscientists reviewing seismic data collected 80 miles from the city of Hull in northeast England.

They mapped the crater's features using powerful three-dimensional computer imaging normally reserved to plan energy drilling.



Events & Education at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center August 2002

Twin Falls County Fair * Come visit Magic Valley Regional Medical Center at the Twin Falls County Fair. Free blood pressure checks and prostate screenings in partnership with Senator Mike Crapo and St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute, cholesterol screenings, and reliable health information.

For more information call 737-2955.

August 28 - September 7
Booths located in Merchant's Building #1 and #3
10:00 am - 2:00 pm - Cholesterol Screening
4:00 - 8:00 pm - Cholesterol and Prostate Screening
12:00 am - 8:00 pm - Blood Pressure Screening

HEALTHY KIDS
Twin Falls County Health/Mat Coalition * This community coalition meets monthly to plan and implement strategies to increase the number of developmental assets in our county's youth. For more information call 423-5915.

Tuesday, August 6, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
KMYT Community Room
1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N - Twin Falls

SAFE KIDS - Buckle Up Event * Buckle Up with United Way and South Central Department of Health. Come in for a free inspection of your child's car seat. Purchase a new car seat and have it installed for free of SAFE KIDS. For more information call 737-2430.

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Breast Cancer Support Group * This is an on-going group open to breast cancer survivors or patients (male or female) and their families and friends. Special programs and guest speakers are offered periodically. The goal is to offer support, information, hope and humor to those dealing with cancer. For more information contact Lydia Gilman at 737-2979 or Mary Howard at 734-1766.

Monday, August 26, 7:00 pm
St. Luke's MSTI Twin Falls Center
Center Reception Area

Free Breast Screening Education Program. The Facts About Breast Care. Learn the facts about early detection of breast cancer, self breast exam, examination by clinical specialist, and information about mammography. This program is offered free to all women (no age limit) through Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Women's Health and Imaging Services, 224 Martin St. For more information or to make an appointment call 737-2192.

HEALTHY MEN
Prostate Cancer Support Group * This is an ongoing group open to prostate cancer survivors or patients and their families, friends, and caregivers. Special programs and guest speakers are offered periodically. The goal is to offer support, information, hope, and humor to those dealing with prostate cancer. For more information, contact Andy Hall at 737-2800.

Wednesday, August 21, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
St. Luke's MSTI-Twin Falls Cancer Center Reception Area

To register for any of the classes contact, 737-2900. If you require special accommodations, call 737-2102 or TDD 737-2980 at least 24 hours in advance of the event. Interpreter services are available, contact Malena Rodriguez at 737-2163. Servicio de Interpretes disponible, por favor comuniquese con Malena Rodriguez Coordinadora al numero 737-2163.

HEALTHY BABY

Loving Touch Right from the Start
 * How to give a "tiny" full body infant massage with special techniques for gas and colic. Instructor Susan Beck will lead you through the steps.

Fee: \$30 Per Family
Session 1: August 28, September 4, and September 11, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Education Center - Sage Room

Baby Steps - Beyond Pregnancy * The newborn—the noisy, squinty, mysterious creature you are supposed to feed, change, calm, clean and care for. Why not get it right the first time? Learn along with other parents truths for adjusting to life with an infant. Pre-registration is encouraged, but not required.

Fee: \$10 Per Family
Monday, August 19, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Education Center - Sage Room

Infant CPR Class * Offered as part of the Prepared Childbirth course, new parents, grandparents and children are encouraged to attend this class to learn infant CPR, and what to do if the infant should choke. Child safety and prevention of injury are also discussed. Pre-registration is not required.

Wednesday, August 7, 6:30 - 9:30 pm
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Education Center - Sage Room

Tuesday, August 20, 6:30 - 9:30 pm
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Education Center - Sage Room

Prepared Childbirth Course * A comprehensive program designed to prepare the expectant mother and support you for labor and childbirth. The course includes classroom instruction on wellness of the mother, the labor and delivery process with relaxation and breathing techniques, care of the post-partum mother, care of the newborn including breast and bottle feeding, and a tour of the Women's and Infant Center. Pre-registration is required.

Fee: \$40.00
Thursday, August 15 - September 12, 6:30 - 9:30 pm
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Education Center - Sage Room

Wednesday, August 28 - September 25, 6:30 - 9:30 pm
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Education Center - Sage Room

Big Kids Klub * A class designed to help prepare brothers and sisters for the new baby.

Fee: \$7.50/family with one child \$10/family with two or more children
Saturday, August 3, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Doctors Meeting Room

Childbirth Refresher Course * This class is designed for persons who have previously taken any prepared childbirth classes. Childbirth preparation and procedures are reviewed, along with a tour of the Women's and Infant Center. Pre-registration is required.

Fee: \$15.00
Thursday, August 22, 6:30 - 9:30 pm
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Education Center - Sage Room

Cesarean Childbirth Class * This class is available to anyone wishing to learn more about cesarean deliveries, post-partum care instructions, medications, hospital procedures, and non-conforming labors. Pre-registration is not required.

Fee: \$15.00
Tuesday, August 6, 6:30 - 9:30 pm
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Education Center - Sage Room

Thursday, August 29, 6:30 - 9:30 pm
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Education Center - Sage Room

VBAC Preparation Course * Mothers who plan on having a vaginal birth after a previous cesarean delivery have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with a childbirth educator. Safety is discussed, plus tools and information on coping with labor. Set an appointment by calling Karen at 737-2901.

HEALTHY PARENTS

CPR Class * This class is offered to the community under the guidelines of the American Heart Association and includes emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking for adult and infant. The program includes both classroom instruction and hands-on practice. Pre-registration is required. To register call 737-2007.

Fee: \$25.00
Thursday, August 15, 6:00 - 10:00 pm
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Doctors Meeting Room

Friday, August 23, 7:30 am - 11:30 noon
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Doctors Meeting Room

Tuesday, August 27, 4:00 - 8:00 pm
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - Doctors Meeting Room

Living Through Cancer Support Group * This is an ongoing group open to the community and all current cancer patients. Cancer survivors and their caregivers are also invited to attend. Special programs and guest speakers are offered periodically. The goal is to offer support, information, hope, and humor to those dealing with cancer. For more information contact Andy Hall at 737-2800.

Monday, August 12, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center - TCU West Conference Room

Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program * Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, The Twin Falls City Pool, and The Arthritis Foundation have joined together to offer an aquatic exercise program designed specifically for individuals with arthritis. The Arthritis Foundation Aquatic Program (AAP) is a recreational program designed to ease the pain and stiffness associated with arthritis and to increase joint flexibility and muscle tone. Pre-registration is required. To register or for more information call Tonya Spinner at 737-2870 or Gretchen Scott at 734-2336.

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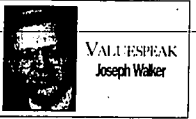
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In pursuit of a dream

There were a thousand reasons for Samuel not to go. First among them was Victoria. She had still not recovered physically from the delivery of their first child, a boy they had named David. Nor had she recovered emotionally from little David's death just hours after he was born. The strong, sturdy, handsome woman Samuel had married was now gaunt and pale, and he feared that if he left her he would never see her again.

Then there was the home they had built on the Illinois prairie. True, it wasn't much of a home. It was barely more than a cabin. But they built it, log by excruciatingly heavy log, with their own hands and sweat, and they had furnished it with hand-made chairs, a hand-me-down bed and love. It was their first home, and it suited them—solid, humble, functional. Here they planned to raise crops and children, and to live out their dream.

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Joseph Walker

But somewhere along the way their dream changed. The great western frontier beckoned to them with its promise of land, prosperity and peace. The challenge was daunting, but the possibilities were endless. And so they made plans to move west soon after their little one was born. Samuel signed on as a hunter and guard for a company of pioneers heading west. Victoria would drive their wagon and care for the baby at the same time. It would be a long and difficult journey, but they were young and confident, and their dream lay before them.

"But now... everything was different. Their baby lay under a wooden marker a stone's throw from the cabin. Victoria could barely raise her head to take nourishment—there was no way she could handle the team of oxen they had obtained to pull the wagon. And Samuel couldn't drive the wagon—he had responsibilities to the company. He had already taken money for the job. That's how they had been able to afford the oxen and the supplies they needed. "You have to go, Samuel," Victoria said softly. He shook his head. "No. I can't leave you. Not like this." She gave him a slight squeeze. "Slight" was all the strength she had.

"You've given these people your word," she said. "They're counting on you."

"But that doesn't mean anything compared to..." "Don't," she said. "I know you better than that. Your word of honor means everything to you. It's one of the things I love about you. And I won't have you breaking it on my account."

"But Victoria..." "Go," she said. "Do your duty. Find a place for us. And then you come back for me."

Reluctantly, Samuel did as Victoria instructed; but not before kneeling to commit her to God's care and keeping. As he rode away, he turned to look back at their cabin and saw his wife, slumped against the doorway, waving feebly. He carried that image home in his mind for three months and 3,000 miles. He fulfilled his duty to the wagon train and received 100 acres of fertile land for his efforts. He put in a few heavy crops, and then he started back for Victoria. He made the trip back to Illinois in half the time it took them to go west. It was only as he drew near their cabin that he hesitated.

He searched the horizon for signs of life. At last he saw it—a wisp of smoke curling from the cabin chimney. He whipped his horse into a gallop. Soon he saw the cabin in all its tiny glory, and the figure of a woman in the doorway. But instead of waving feebly as she had when last she saw him, she gathered her skirts and ran full-speed toward him, watering the prairie with her tears while giving new birth to a dream.

Joseph Walker is a freelance writer from American Fork, Utah.

The Written Word



Carolyn Lewis, left, and Vicki Koop are members of a Christian writers group named Writers of the Word. The group boasts several members who have been published.

M.V. Christian group glorifies God in writing

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Although writers typically work alone, they can also benefit from peer-group support.

That's the idea behind a group of area Christians called the Writers of the Word. Its founder, Carolyn Lewis, said the purpose is to reflect Christ and glorify God in writings by offering writers encouragement, prayer, mentoring, education and manuscript critique.

Lewis said membership is open to all Christians who are interested in using their God-given talents to write for this purpose. And she explained that the perspective depends on

Writers of the Word

When: 10:00 a.m. to noon, first Saturday of each month
Where: Twin Falls Reformed Church
Contact: Carolyn Lewis, 734-6115

whether a writer is writing for a Christian audience or for the general reader.

"A lot of times you need a different kind of feedback," she said, "and part of what we do for each other is offer feedback on our work."

Members of the group take turns finding and researching topics for each month's meeting. At today's meeting, Vicki Koop will talk about "Getting the Words Right." Koop, a church member who's had

three poems published using her given name, Victory, will present excerpts from "How to Get Happily Published" by Judith Appuhn (Harper Perennial). She will discuss story ideas, the basics of writing and writing a draft.

The Christian writers take their poems or other work to the meetings to be critiqued by the membership. It's part of the fun, members say, and it gives them incentive to write more.

"They're encouraging," Koop said of the group, "and they also inspire you to do something instead of just sit there and think about it."
John Beer of Filer, has been a member of the writers' group for a year and a half. He said he

did some writing 20 or 30 years ago, setting it aside until he attended a creative writing class at Idaho State University on the Twin Falls campus three years ago.

"I got married and it seemed like the priorities changed," he said, "but I never had forgotten that interest, so I'm glad I got started again."

Beer has written several short stories, and a cowboy poem that was published recently in *The Times-News*.

"I am also interested in writing some 'Christian articles,'" he said. "I try to have my stories, even though they're not necessarily Christian stories, to have a moral and maybe a positive thrust."

Beer said criticism from other members is probably one of the most important aspects of the writers' meetings. He said the members are honest in their comments and, conversely, reading the work of others helps him learn what he should and should not do.

Lewis said she has been surprised at how the group has grown. There are nearly 20 writers on the roster, with average attendance at 10 or 15. People of all ages are welcome, she said. "There are no official officers, and dues are not collected."

"None of us are what you'd call experts," she noted, "but most of us are not writing for experts; we're writing for the average person."

Some ministers travel as modern-day circuit preachers

By Kathy Hedberg
Lewiston Morning Tribune

LEWISTON — As a Lutheran pastor, William H. Gratz has had plenty of experience with Jesus' challenge to his disciples to become fishers of men. But it wasn't until Gratz, who lives in Bremerton, Wash., agreed to fill in for a few weekends at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Lewiston that he realized he was the one who had been hooked.

"One weekend, I got a call from a retired pastor in Idaho who wanted to know if I'd be willing to help out once in awhile," said Gratz. "So I came over here for three or four weeks in April, and then the weekend of Mother's Day I get a call from the congregation asking me to become their pastor, not just as a fill-in."

But Gratz continues to live in Bremerton and commute the nearly 600 miles to Lewiston to Good Shepherd. The reason is twofold: First, the 40-year-old congregation has had a number of pastoral turnovers in the past 10 to 20 years and has been unable to build enough stability in membership to afford to pay a full-time minister. Second, a major move that weekend of Mother's Day family right now. He works during the week as a geriatric mental health specialist in Bremerton, and his wife is a teacher in a local school district. Between them, they have six children who are

still living at home and getting close to finishing school.

Meanwhile, after years of stagnation, Good Shepherd is showing encouraging signs of growth.

And Gratz isn't the only minister commuting to Lewiston from the Seattle area. Barney Wimer has been driving—or flying—between Seattle and Orchard Christian Church for the past year. He retired from the ministry several years ago and was working for a nonprofit Christian organization in the Puget Sound area when he heard about the need for an interim minister at the Lewiston congregation. Like Gratz, Wimer has relied heavily on the support of lay people in the church to keep things running when he can't be there.

"Ten to 15 years ago, the Catholic church was beginning to complain about the shortage of priests. At that time most Protestant churches had plenty. Now we're catching up with the Catholics," said Wimer, who believes there is a growing disinterest and dissatisfaction among American Christians toward church and religious life. "Kids don't get a lot of encouragement from home. It used to be, when I was a youth minister in church, probably 75 to 80 percent of the children there had parents who were in the church also. Now it's more like 10 to 15 percent have parents in the church."

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Lutheran rift widens over prayer service

The Times-News and The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Twelve days after terrorists destroyed the World Trade Center, the Rev. David Benke, a Lutheran minister, joined with clergy from other faiths in a New York City prayer service for the victims. And the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod's president, the Rev. Gerald Kieschnick, gave the church's top New York leader his blessings to take part in what he considered an innocent public event.

Kieschnick never envisioned the fallout from that day within one of the most theologically conservative Protestant denominations. Benke was suspended in June, months after 21 of the synod's pastors and three of its congregations complained about his role in the gathering at Yankee Stadium. And just last month, the Missouri Synod's second vice president, who disciplined Benke for praying with "pagans," was pulled from his role as the main speaker on "The Lutheran Hour" radio program—the synod's prominent pulpit—for deciding the matter.

"I don't know Rev. Benke, I know of him," said the Rev. Lawrence Vedder, senior pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls. "I not only approve of what Rev. Benke did in participating in that civic event, I even approve of the manner in which he did it."
In fact, Vedder dedicated much



The Rev. Gerald Kieschnick, president of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, responds to questions at the church's St. Louis headquarters. He has stirred controversy in the 2.6-million-member denomination by being tolerant of participation in interfaith prayer services after the Sept. 11 attacks.

of his August newsletter to the topic, adopting a "this is crazy" stance regarding the denominational upheaval. He said he's seen tapes of the prayer service, and noted that Benke's prayer was explicitly Christian.

Benke gave a brief prayer that expressed grief for the lives lost, compassion for those bereaved, hope for healing through God's grace and (what seemed to me) clear reference to the Son of God as man's source of courage and renewal in even the most difficult times.

Vedder wrote, "Vedder envisions the rift over the issue as the result of people who are 'running afoul of some of the political intrigue' in the denomination. Kieschnick was elected president by tens of thousands of voters, he said, and some of the people involved in the current troubles are members of a 'very very conservative wing of our church.' He explained, "I think this is still something of a holdover from sore losers."

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RELIGION LETTERS - Presbyterian minister paraphrases the Bible

A Pharisee named Paul said to 'pray without ceasing'

Kristen Keck, you sure like to twist things around and put them out of context. I never said I liked that you prayed; I only said I hoped you prayed the way Jesus said to pray.

word became flesh and dwelt among us... Simply put, we will recognize him by the nail scars in his hands - Jesus!

As for God "allowing" cruelty to children (for anyone), it boils down to choice. God says "I do not desire that anyone should perish but that all should come to repentance" (II Peter 3:9).

Those who do not choose to repent, then, make up that great horde of people in the world out of which come those who choose to do cruel things to others.

By Tom Lackey The Associated Press

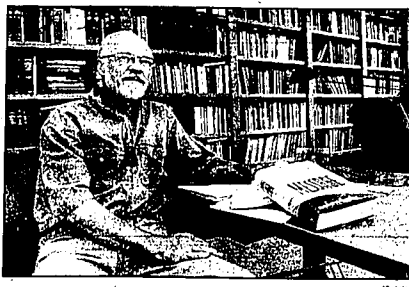
HELENA, Mont. — In the Rev. Eugene H. Peterson's retelling of the Bible, when Jesus raises a young girl from the dead, he first has to work his way through neighbors bringing casseroles to the grieving family's home.

The poetic "valley of the shadow of death" from Psalm 23 becomes simply "Death Valley." And when God prepares to flood the earth, he decides to spare Noah because "Noah was different. God liked what he saw in Noah."

Those folks touches are part of the appeal of Peterson's "The Message: The Bible in Contemporary Language," published by NavPress of Colorado Springs, Colo. The 2,265-page volume is a compilation of biblical paraphrases that Peterson has written for 20 years.

Released in July, NavPress sold 320,000 copies in advance and another 100,000 in the first 10 weeks. The 500,000, the largest it has ever had for a Bible, NavPress spokeswoman Kathleen Campbell said.

In addition to good sales, Peterson's work has enjoyed gentle treatment from other biblical



The Rev. Eugene H. Peterson, in his home on the shore of Flathead Lake in Montana, penned a common-language version of the Bible, which hit the bookstores in July.

scholars. Vern Poythress, a New Testament professor at Westminster Theological Seminary in Glenside, Pa., says he and fellow conservatives may quibble with many of Peterson's renderings but have leveled few attacks because "The Message" isn't a Bible and isn't presented as such.

Peterson translated the Bible directly from the Greek and Hebrew and avoided earlier English translations. "My intent

was to provide something for people who had never read the Bible before, or didn't think they could read it," he said.

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Now a group is aiming to straddle those two views by teaching budding screenwriters who think they have been called by God to write sitcoms, television dramas and feature-length films. "Act One: Writing for Hollywood" recently concluded a session in Chicago with 30 participants.

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In 'The Message,' Paul the Apostle is that 'jailed preacher.' In the Psalm 23, 'The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want,' becomes 'God, my shepherd! I don't need a thing.'

the shore of western Montana's Flathead Lake, has fans all over. Bonn, lead singer for the Irish rock band U2, cited "this guy Eugene Peterson" in a Rolling Stone interview last December.

Peterson's mother was a Pentecostal preacher, and her son started out his career as a scholar of Greek and Hebrew at New York Theological Seminary and an associate pastor at a Presbyterian church in White Plains, N.Y.

He's nearly 70 years old and is now working on a five-book series on spiritual theology.

God allows everyone to choose whether to believe

I agree with Mr. Walsh, to a point. It does seem a far reach to grasp the concept of a God who is everywhere at once with his body. But then I saw John 1:1, 14: "... the word was God ... and the

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Pope tries to win Indians back to church

we shall always follow the true religion," the pope said before leaving for Rome.

Thursday's ceremony was filled with rituals and reminiscence of the pagan ceremonies about which the men had warned authorities. Clouds of incense filled the Basilica of the Virgin of Guadalupe, and the pope's entourage of feathered headdresses leapt and spun to Indian hand music.

When asked what the pope's main message had been, no Mexicans of European descent mentioned Indians, and even Indians who were being pessimistic that the pope's visit would create fundamental change.

"Many people see us as poor, and don't think we have the same heart as they do," said Maria Andrea Reyes Flores from the Indian village of San Miguel Tenexitlan, east of Mexico City.

"I don't know how, but those

Jehovah folks convince people really fast," she said. "Catholics need to talk to people more, explain things. They need to be more patient."

The Catholic church also faces other hurdles among Indians. While Mexico now has an Indian saint, none of its 132 bishops are Indian. Priests are spread thin in Indian areas — and few can speak to their followers in their native languages.

John Paul's trip was in large part an attempt to address that gap. In addition to baptizing Juan Bautista and Jacinto de los Angeles, he canonized Juan Diego, the first Indian saint in the Americas — and Pedro de San Jose Betancur, a Guatemalan missionary who preached to the downtrodden.

"The pope left us with a renewed commitment to indigenous peoples — to integrate them fully into today's Mexico," he said, then repeated a phrase used by the pope the previous day: "Mexico needs its Indians, and Indians need Mexico."

Group seeks to help Christian screenwriter hopefuls succeed

By Raul V. Mowatt Chicago Tribune

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have professional experience. Slocum points out there are thousands more wannabes out there.

Still, he said, Act One represents a good start. The program aims not so much to increase the number of explicitly Christian films and shows, there's only so much interest from studios and audiences in those — but to have more scripts that center around Christian themes of sacrifice, redemption and love.

A 38-year-old Catholic, who had aspired to be a nun but left before taking her final vows, Nicolosi created Act One in 1999 after getting a taste with the low quality of scripts she was receiving in her production job.

A class in Los Angeles is scheduled this month. Tuition is \$895, but Nicolosi said the group sometimes subsidizes students.

Much of what gets taught in Act One is secular, the same as any screenwriting class. Michael Warren, who co-created "Family Matters" and "Step by Step," is one of the faculty members for Act One. Others have worked for "Batman Forever," "Judging Amy" and "JAG."

Elder returns from California, will speak Sunday

TWIN FALLS — Elder Tim Allen has returned from serving a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the California San Bernardino Mission.

He will speak at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls Ward Chapel, 429 Park Ave. W.

Allen, the son of Alvin and Ann Allen of Twin Falls, plans to attend the College of Southern Idaho.

Church news

First Christian Church holds Reunion Sunday service

TWIN FALLS — A service in celebration of Reunion Sunday will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday at the First Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St. N.

Four-square Church will sponsor 'church of bands'

TWIN FALLS — The Christian Center Four-square Church is sponsoring a "banquet of hands" at two

events this week. Bands will perform at 7 p.m. Sunday at the parish hall, 181 Morrison St., and from 2 to 10 p.m. Monday at Twin Falls City Park.

Musician will play three versions of 'Amazing Grace'

TWIN FALLS — Sarah Benton will present three versions of the hymn "Amazing Grace" during worship at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 360 Shoshone St. E.

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Meanwhile, Kieschnick is struggling to bridge the gulf in the 2.6-million-member Missouri Synod. And Benke is appealing his suspension by the Rev. Wallace Schulz. And Schulz is questioning that decision or his own suspension as chief preacher on the gospel program carried by more than 1,000 radio stations.

While Lutheran Hour Ministries took no stand on Benke's conduct, Schulz's decision unwillingly dragged the independent auxiliary of the Missouri Synod into the debate, spokesman Jim Telle said.

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To Benke, the event was more patriotic than religious, and that "not to make the primary human connections at a time of civic, national and global tragedy would be a great pastoral error."

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If he loses his appeals, Benke loses his offices and will be kicked off the clergy roster. The people at Immanuel Lutheran Church were kept informed of the situation by their pastor, who has written another article on the subject for the church's September newsletter.

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Vedder wrote, "... keeping secrets and maneuvering behind the scenes to accomplish a political goal is almost surely a recipe for disaster in the church." He also told his people that he, himself, will join with other churches in Twin Falls to encourage reflection on the events of the year since Sept. 11.

He said he has written the first of several editorials on the subject, to be published in The Times-News in September. And he announced that he has volunteered to share a prayer in Twin Falls City Park, at a Sept. 11 community gathering, designed to help us grow through what we have all experienced as a result of the attacks on our nation.

"It really has rocked our church," Telle said. "It's been an absolute landslide of acrimony." The synod's 1847 constitution demands that its congregations and pastors reject syncretism, or the mingling of Christian and non-Christian beliefs. Traditionally, Missouri Synod leaders did not lead prayer services with leaders of other religions, or even other Lutheran

denominations. But at the church's convention a year ago, Kieschnick and Benke, Missouri synod leaders lead services with those of other faiths at civic events. With that in mind, Benke says a signed off on letting Benke say a benediction prayer during "Prayer for America," where Benke shared the stage with other Christians, Muslims, Jews, Hindus and Sikhs.

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Ponder-ous: Some things to think about

By Tom Schaefer
The Wichita Eagle

Things I've learned - and things I've observed - that are worth noting:

STATS: Religious statistics are not the most reliable. New research, according to John Dart in *The Christian Century*, reveals a different picture of many religious groups. For example, membership claims of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of 2 million are actually closer to 440,000. Jewish numbers range from 6.1 million to 2.4 million for those who identify with a branch of Judaism. Exact numbers are hard to determine because of intermarriage and because many Jews do not consider themselves religious. And Muslims in the United States, with numbers anywhere from 6 million to 8 million, may actually be closer to 1.8 million to 1.9 million, new research contends. On the other hand, the United Methodist Church "understates its total membership, erring on the side of caution," Dart says. Its official number of 8.3 million members is for professing members age 19 and above. Counting all United Methodists (including non-Methodists as many other Protestant denom-

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inations do), their number is slightly more than 11 million. Dart says quantifying membership inevitably upsets some people. They insist that quality of membership should outweigh quantity.

SIGNS: It's doubtful that signs like the one along the Kansas turnpike ("Accept Jesus Christ and be saved, or regret it forever") entice people to become Christians. Clever is one thing, but this effort is lame at best, counterproductive at worst.

SENSITIVITY: More couples that are planning marriage should consider an Engagement Encounter weekend. The independent organization works under the auspices of the Roman Catholic Church, though you don't have to be a Catholic to attend. The sessions help couples examine their relationships in ways they may never have thought of. And they provide the tools needed for effective communication - the most important aspect of a healthy marriage. Most dioceses have the program, so check out yours. Or go to <http://www.engagementencounter.org/index.html>

Fitness revelation moves faithful

By Steven Gray
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Most of the day, it's an unremarkable basketball court three stories above a neighborhood. But at 6 p.m. each weekday, the place is charged with energy from a class that pursues fitness like a mission. Literally.

A 50-year-old woman lugs through a five-tip race. A lanky security guard breezes by. Then comes a woman, a diabetic who six months ago couldn't imagine jogging on a treadmill, much less a court, crisscrossing along with ease.

"Hallelujah! God is good!" shouts Rosetta Lee, 63, strutting across the finish line to the whoops of a dozen, or so other class members. It's not the usual gym exultation, but the Greater Mount Calvary Holy Church fitness class is not your typical fitness class, either.

A yearlong experiment, the class is part of a growing trend among black churches to address their members' physical health. Judging by class rolls - most of the 16 weekly classes are filled to capacity - the program is a success.



Photo by RICH LIPMAN/The Washington Post

To public health experts, such a program is a sorely needed recognition of grim statistics. While fat is epidemic nationwide with an estimated 61 percent of Americans obese or overweight, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the problem is even more pronounced among blacks. Thirty percent of African Americans are obese, compared with 21 percent of whites. Sixty-two percent of blacks are overweight, compared with 53 percent of whites, according to the American Obesity Association, a Washington-based, nonprofit. And blacks are at higher risk for a host of obesity-related ailments, including cardiovascular disease and diabetes.

"Beyond the numbers is the disability, illness and costs associated with obesity, particularly for black women, who have two to three times the morbidity rate of non-Hispanic white women," said George Blackburn, associate director of the Boston Nutrition Obesity Research Center.

Through new fitness programs, churches like Mount Calvary are, for the first time, publicly acknowledging and addressing

those of the Gospel. He cites such Scripture as Romans 12:1 ("Present your body as a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your service") or Corinthians 6:16 ("Ye are the temple of the living God"). "So don't defile it," he tells his class.

But he's got a little of the jester in him, too. Leading his class in some vigorous bibbing and weaving across the court, he asks, "You ever see a Christian move like this?" "Nah," rejoins a woman. "Not until Sunday morning!" Several years ago, during a men's retreat at another church, he eyed the reception table lined with fried chicken and hamburger,

then told the men, "Get some baked chicken, or fish."

How well do church-based fitness programs work? Collected evidence is still scant, but that may be changing. The Joy Program in Baltimore is a church-based initiative launched in 1995 by Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and funded largely by the CDC. The program established women's fitness classes at 16 predominantly black churches. Over 40 weeks, virtually all its 529 women, all older than 40, shed at least one pound. One year later, some had lost up to 20 pounds, according to program director Dianne Garrett.

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Survey of Jewish students shows intermarriage inroads

WASHINGTON - A survey of students entering college shows 92.6 percent of those with two Jewish parents identify as Jews, but there's a notable drop-off if the parents are intermarried.

Among students with a Jewish mother and gentle father, 37.8 percent consider themselves Jewish, but only 15.3 percent when the father is Jewish and the mother gentle. Forty percent of students from mixed marriages listed no religious identification.

"The data, for freshmen at 424 colleges in 1999, came from an annual survey administered by the University of California, Los Angeles to the 8,582 students identifying themselves as Jewish were less active religiously than the 232,511 non-Jewish freshmen in terms of attendance at worship at services (13 percent vs. 47 percent), the UCLA study said. However, they discussed religion about as often as non-Jews.

On moral issues, Jews were notably more liberal than non-Jews in favoring legalized abortion (89 percent vs. 52 percent), legalized same-sex marriage (62 percent vs. 53 percent) and sex for couples who've known each other a very short time (61 percent vs. 38 percent) and legalization of marijuana (50 percent vs. 32 percent).

World Anglican panel can't agree on gay morality

LONDON - An international panel of Anglican bishops that included the next archbishop of Canterbury reported it is unable to reach agreement on issues related to homosexuality after three years of discussions.

The dozen participants said they were unable to agree about "a single pattern of holy living" for homosexuals, on interpretation of relevant Bible passages, or on the relation between biblical authority and reason, experience and tradition. Ordination of actively gay priests and blessing of same-sex couples are considered the most divisive issues in the international Anglican Communion, which includes the U.S. Episcopal Church.

Panelists included Archbishop Rowan Williams of Wales, Prime Minister Tony Blair's choice to be the next archbishop of Canterbury and spiritual leader of world Anglicans, Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold chaired the talks.

The panel urged further dialogue on whether Christian holiness should "exclude or include homosexual behavior within committed relationships." It

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acknowledged the gravity of Anglican disagreement on this, calling it "a burden and a distraction" for the church's mission.

Evangelical Lutheran Church announces membership loss

CHICAGO - The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America announced a drop of 26,042 baptized members to 5,099,877 as of Dec. 31, partly due to "roll cleaning" and the disbanding of 37 congregations.

Since 1991, membership in the fifth-largest U.S. Protestant denomination has declined by 150,706. The church said that, because expected income from bequests and investments is dropping, national program spending in the current fiscal year that began Feb. 1 will be reduced by \$2.4 million. Agencies will also be asked to propose cuts for next year and centers leaving staff vacancies unfilled.

Hawaii church heads to court in land use case

HONOLULU - A church is asking a federal judge to let members continue worshipping on agriculturally zoned property while its religious liberty lawsuit against Maui County is pending.

Hale O Kaula, affiliated with the Living Word Fellowship, is suing under the federal Religious Land Use Act of 2000, aided by the Washington, D.C.-based Becket Fund for Religious Liberty. The Maui Planning Commission twice denied the church's application for a special use permit to hold religious meetings on agricultural land. Attorneys said agriculture is a key part of the church's tradition, which teaches children stewardship of the land.

The religious group's attorneys said the federal law requires towns to show a compelling interest, such as public safety, before denying a religious group's zoning request. The county challenges the constitutionality of that law, though the Justice Department has intervened in the case to defend it.

A county attorney argued there was a "compelling public interest" in denying the permit because the property lacks adequate water supply and road maintenance. The church said it is willing to meet infrastructure requirements.

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CSI students do well in competition

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Six College of Southern Idaho students competed with hundreds of other technical students from around the country at the Skills USA competition in Kansas City. Among them, they earned four top 10 awards, including a first.

Sheldon Whitworth of Twin Falls was the gold medalist for the event in automotive service technology. CSI instructor and Vocational Instruction Clubs of America coordinator Ken Triplett said Whitworth beat last year's gold medalist to earn first place in the nation this year.

S. Rose Vaughn of Richfield was third place in the criminal justice competition. Kari Hunsaker of Rupert was fifth in job demonstration. Joe Getty of Challis finished seventh in cabinetry technology. Amy Runser of Wendell placed 17th in the architectural drafting contest. Ryan Franco of Jerome placed 18th in diesel technology. CSI's six students were part of a 99-student delegation from Idaho. Students who attended the four-day event competed against the best representatives of technical schools from all over the country. CSI reports they were given timed events in which



Sheldon Whitworth, center, won first place in the nation in the recent Skills USA competition. With him is CSI Automotive Service Education Program instructor David Rodriguez, left, and CSI cabinetmaking professor and VICA coordinator Ken Triplett, right.

They had to build, design, repair or demonstrate specific projects, including automotive, electrical, woodworking, welding, plumbing, masonry, architectural and several other technical skills.



Photo courtesy of BOB ROSS

Minidoka Memorial Hospital's emergency response ambulance crews were tested by the National Safety Council's Coaching Emergency Vehicle Operator II course.

Hospital ambulance drivers get put to test

The Times-News

RUPERT - Members of the emergency response ambulance service at Minidoka Memorial Hospital were put to the test, a safety test that is.

They participated in the National Safety Council's Coaching Emergency Vehicle Operator II course. The program teaches emergency drivers to remain calm and focused while maneuvering safely through traffic, improve driving skills in emergency and non-emergency situations, and drive defensively. county hospital representatives report.

The training consists of classroom work, certification exam and obstacle course evaluation. The obstacle evaluation consisted of driving as close as possible down a line of cones without hitting them, parking with the back door as close as possible to a cone, and weaving the ambulance through a row of seven cones, both forward and backward, without hitting them.

This is the first time this course has been offered at Minidoka Memorial Hospital, and all 17 participants passed, the hospital reports. The completion of this course will provide the hospital with up to a 25 percent discount on the annual vehicle insurance premium.

Among those honored were (by hometown):
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Fund-raiser volunteers - Hospice Visions Inc. is in need of volunteers to organize and coordinate fund-raisers. Call Flo Slater at 735-0121.

Meal drivers - Twin Falls Senior Center is in need of drivers for its home delivered meals program. Call Karen Lewis at 734-5084.

Hospice volunteers - Idaho Home Health and Hospice is in need of volunteers for its bereavement program. Hospice training is available once a

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of region with volunteer help.

If you need a volunteer, call Judy Tipton, director of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), at 736-2122, Ext. 312. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho.

Please submit a request before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday by Saturday publication. Please call weekly to retain request. month. Call Susan Harris at 734-4061.

Clothing, bikes - The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs clothing and bikes. Drop off items from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1-4:30 p.m. at 1525 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls. Call Aleksandra at 736-2166.

Thrift store volunteers - Kimberly Senior Center is in need of volunteers for its New U Thrift Store and a meal day waitress. Call Diana at 423-4338.

Minico drill team will hold car wash fund-raiser

BURLEY - The Minico-Meadette drill team will have a fund-raising car wash from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Snake River Plaza, Burley. A minimum \$5 donation per car is requested. Proceeds will benefit the Meadettes.

CSI will hold physician coding class in August

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will offer a physician coding class for two semesters beginning in late August. CSI Medical Assistant Professor Penny Glenn, who oversees the program, says the course of study has been designed as a mechanism for physician coding professionals. Following the two semesters of study, students can take an exam from the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) to become a Certified Coding Specialist, CCS-3, or from the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) to become a Certified Professional Coder, CPC. The certification examination is not required for this course and is the student's option. The student should expect to

complete 1.5 hours of homework for each hour of class work. Students must have a minimum of two years' experience-related-to medical coding for physicians or written permission from the instructor. The student must also complete Medical Terminology or have written permission from the instructor. Applied Anatomy is recommended. The class will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. Mondays beginning Aug. 29. For more information, call instructor Shawn Hafer at 736-3755.

Children can make costumes, join S.V. parade

SUN VALLEY - Children are invited to make a costume and join the parade at the Sun Valley Center Arts and Crafts Festival. A different part of the costume will be made each day from 12:30 p.m. Friday through Sunday, Aug. 9-11, in an open-studio format designed to accommodate as many children as possible. Parents with children younger than 8 years of age are required to help their children create their costumes. The parade will take place each day at 7 p.m., beginning and ending in the children's area. By the end of the weekend, children will have a complete costume with hat, wand

and fairy wings or cape. The event is free of charge and no sign-up is necessary.

CSI Mini-Cassia Center offers early August courses

BURLEY - The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Center is offering several early August courses. Basic photography will be held from 7:9 p.m. Mondays, Aug. 5-6. This is the first of three photography classes taught by John Berglund. Students will learn about composition, lighting, lens, depth of field and f/stop. Participants need a camera with aperture and f/stop settings. The cost is \$40. Typing on computers will be held from 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, from Aug. 19-29. Students will learn the keyboard and practice skills using popular word processing programs and Microsoft Word. The cost is \$40. A computers for beginners class will be held from 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays, Aug. 21-30. Participants will be given a keyboard and mouse on common computer programs as they learn to set up programs, create and manage files, customize windows, change Desktop displays

and discover great shortcuts. The cost is \$40.

Simple Spanish basics will be held from 6-8 p.m. Aug. 22 and Aug. 27. The class is designed as a pre-course to the conversational Spanish class. Instructor Virginia Hansen will introduce students to the alphabet, common Spanish words and pronunciation. The cost is \$20. For more information or to register by phone with a credit card, call instructor Chad Predict at 678-1400.

M.V. Aeromodellers will have annual fly-in today

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Aeromodellers annual fly-in will be held today at the Magic Valley Aeromodellers Flying Field, seven miles south of South Blue Lakes Boulevard and two miles east. Flying will begin at 10 a.m. and finish at 4 p.m. Three major events are planned with prizes for the first, second and third place in each event. The event is Academy of Model Aeronautics sanctioned and AMA membership is required for all entrants. Food and drink will be sold and a raffle for a radio-controlled model aircraft will be held. All proceeds will go toward the maintenance of the flying site. Parking will be free.

Home Depot offers free how-to clinics every week

TWIN FALLS - The Home Depot will offer free how-to clinics every week. Clinics will last about 30-45 minutes each and are taught by experienced Home Depot associates who cover step-by-step instructions on how to tackle a variety of home improvement projects. Classes will include: Mondays, how-to with Rich Lauren products at 7 p.m.; Tuesdays, how-to clinics for women at 7 p.m.; building a deck at 7 p.m.; Thursdays, Home Depot University at 7 p.m.; Fridays, planning and caring for your garden at 6 p.m.; buying carpet at 7 p.m.; Saturdays, installing fencing at 9 a.m., installing Pergo flooring at 10 a.m., installing ceramic tile at 11 a.m., building a deck at 1 p.m., landscaping at 2 p.m., installing exterior siding at 3 p.m., and how-to clinics for children at 3 p.m.; and Sundays, installing Pergo flooring at 10 a.m., installing ceramic tile at 11 a.m., installing Bruce Simply Natural hardwood flooring at 1 p.m., using fertilizers at 1 p.m., using fertilizers at 2 p.m., using power equipment at 3 p.m., using garden chemicals at 4 p.m., and selecting plants for your yard

at 5 p.m. For more information, call Home Depot at 737-0731.

M.V. Iris Society will sell rhizomes in the park today

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Iris Society will hold its annual rhizomes sale from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at the Twin Falls City Park.

For more information, call Wick at 733-8380 or Glenda at 733-0040.

T.F. High School class of 1957 holds class reunion

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls High School class of 1957 is holding its 45th class reunion. The group played golf and had an informal get-together yesterday. The class will play golf again today with a 1 p.m. tee-off time. The reunion will end with a continental breakfast at 10 a.m. Sunday. Pre-registration is required. Dinner will be held today at the Blue Lakes Country Club with a no-host bar at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. The reunion will end with a continental breakfast at 10 a.m. Sunday in the Twin Falls City Park. Twin Falls High School graduates from 1950-1960 are also invited. For more information, call Lewis Sanborn at 734-2512, Bob Shultz at 410-0976 or Joann Lehr at 733-5024.

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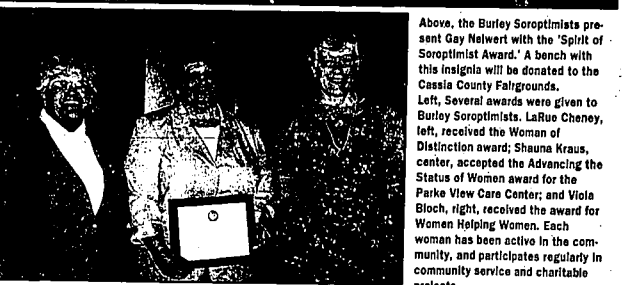


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Above, the Burley Soroptimists present Gay Nelwert with the 'Spirit of Soroptimist Award.' A bench with this insignia will be donated to the Cassia County Fairgrounds. Left, several awards were given to Burley Soroptimists. LaRue Cheney, left, received the Woman of Distinction award; Shanna Kraus, center, accepted the Advancing the Status of Women award for the Parke View Care Center; and Viola Bloch, right, received the award for Women Helping Women. Each woman has been active in the community and participates regularly in community service and charitable projects.

COMICS

Classic Peanuts

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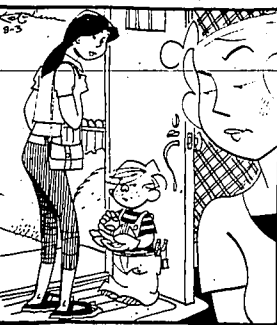
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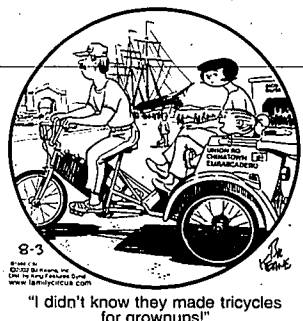
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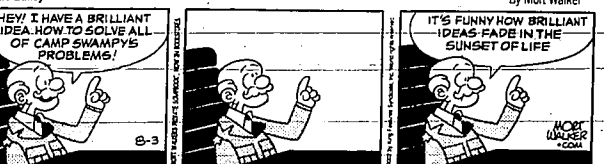
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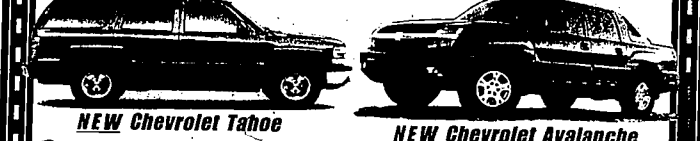
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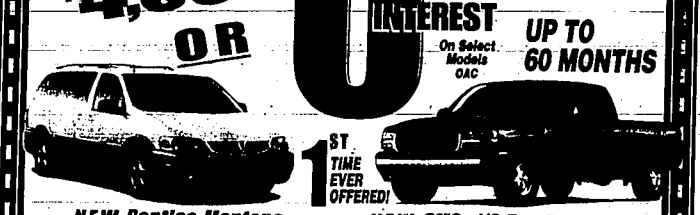
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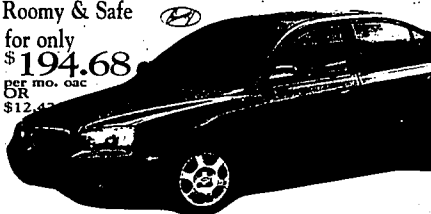
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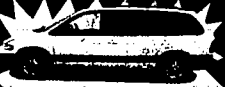
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