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Hailey airport faces suit

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — The jet-setting CEO of a multi-billion-dollar heavy construction firm on Tuesday ratcheted up his demand for the right to land his large luxury aircraft at Hailey by filing a lawsuit in federal court in Boise.

CEO seeking to land big jet takes his case to court

Ronald Tutor's 25-page action against the city of Hailey and Friedman Memorial Airport contains 101 contentions and allegations, some claiming violations of the U.S. and Idaho constitutions.

The suit seeks an immediate injunction against the airport from banning Tutor's jet from operating there. The airport and its governing authority have 20 days to respond.

One allegation is that Tutor, whose company Tutor-Saliba Corp., of Sylmar, Calif., has completed an estimated \$5 billion in California public works projects, is deprived of using a luxury home he owns north of Ketchum because Friedman Memorial

Airport officials deny landing rights to his Boeing Business Jet. That plane is a \$50 million-plus twinjet luxury version of the Boeing 737-700 airliner series.

One of Tutor's California attorneys, Patrick Bailey, of Santa Monica, Calif., said that while he preferred not to argue his case in the media, he did say that the issue is the "impermissible burden" and "denial of (Tutor's) right Please see CEO, Page A2



Montgomery County Police Chief Charles Moores shows composite images Tuesday in Rockville, Md., of the type of van that was seen at the Spotsylvania County, Va., shooting.

JUST THE BEGINNING



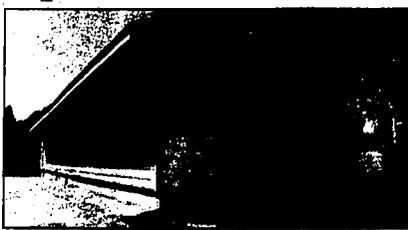
Ice coats a wheel line in a field on Eastland Drive North Tuesday morning. Freezing temperatures are predicted at night by the National Weather Service for the next seven days.

Twin Falls purchases house for a buck

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The City Council didn't take long deciding to buy a house — which had been appraised at \$75,000 — for a buck.

The council voted unanimously Tuesday to take advantage of a quirk in federal Department of Housing and Urban Development rules allowing the city to buy the house for \$1.



The Twin Falls City Council voted Tuesday to buy this house — valued at \$75,000 — for a dollar. The council didn't decide how to use the structure.

any interested law enforcement officers or teachers, according to HUD rules.

Exactly what the city will use it for wasn't decided Monday. "I think we need to look at all

Buhl buys one too

The city of Buhl has also accepted a house from the Federal Housing Administration for the purchase price of \$1.

The house is located on Eighth Street and is valued at \$70,000, said Mayor Barbara Gleason.

Some of the suggested uses for the house have included a battered women's shelter, low-income rental property or new digs for the Magic Valley Arts Council.

Twin Falls' Urban Renewal Please see HOUSE, Page A2

Rescue signal system prepares to go public

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Helicopters, mountain climbers, hunters and others who could find themselves lost or hurt will have a new way to call for help: a handheld device that signals the same satellite rescue system that has watched over pilots and boaters for two decades.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which runs the rescue system, plans to announce the new program today. The "personal locator beacon" will be available to the public starting July 1 and will cost \$300 or more.

Dr. Duane Karlsson, a NOAA spokesman, said outdoor outfitters will sell the beacons. People taking long car trips would be better off using cell phones, he said, but they also could carry beacons in case emergencies occur where phones don't work.

Australia, Canada, Russia and several European countries already allow broad use of personal beacons.

Use of the beacons in the United States has been limited to planes and ships because the agencies involved weren't ready to coordinate a nationwide rescue system on land, Karlsson said. The few exceptions included Forest Service rangers and in the escape kits of NASA astronauts.

A test program in Alaska, which has allowed the use of personal beacons since 1994, has resulted in hundreds of rescues. "It takes the search out of search and rescue," said Randy Crosby, who directs rescue teams in Barrow, Alaska, a northern city.

In the 20 years of operation, the satellite rescue system has helped save close to 14,000 people worldwide.

Pinpointing the far reaches of Earth

Adventurers traveling to remote places will soon be able to use handheld versions of emergency transmitters that have been used by planes and ships for years. The devices, which send signals to satellites, will sell for about \$300 each.

Low-orbit satellites use Doppler technology to locate a beacon to within one mile, do not have enough coverage of the Earth.

High-orbit satellites located by use Doppler but have much greater coverage. Call receive a beacon's signal and use a unique identification to ground control, allowing authorities to map, initial investigation and other rescue teams.



SOURCE: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

DuPont sues BLM for Oust information

By Robert Mayer
Times-News writer

BOISE — As farmers line up to sue both DuPont and the Bureau of Land Management over crop damage from spraying of the herbicide Oust, DuPont is suing the federal government to release Oust-related documents.

In a complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Boise last week, the chemical manufacturer asks a judge to force the BLM and the Interior Department to release information the company says it needs to defend itself against a growers' lawsuit.

"DuPont has exercised its rights as a citizen under the (Federal) Freedom of Information Act to request documents from the Bureau of Land Management regarding its application of Oust to burned rangelands in south-central Idaho," said John Shively, an attorney

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

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Tonight: Cold temperatures and clear skies. Lows near 30.
Tomorrow: Sunny, dry and slightly warmer than normal. Highs in the middle 60s, lows in the lower 30s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: A tranquil day as conditions will be sunny and mild. Highs in the middle 60s.
Tonight: Cold and clear. Lows in the middle to upper 20s.
Tomorrow: Sunny, dry and just a light breeze. Highs in the middle to upper 60s, lows in the upper 20s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Weather conditions will remain dry for hunters as it will continue to be very dry, mild and clear. However, for everyone else conditions right through this weekend will be hard to beat.
BOISE Mild temperatures, prolific sunshine and light winds will continue each day through at least this weekend. With that being said the chance of precipitation is also non-existent.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Oust

Continued from A1. With Gaegre and Benson, a Colorado law firm representing DuPont. While the BLM has provided some documents, it has failed to provide many other documents that any citizen would be entitled to have.

U.N.: Progress against hunger grinds to a halt

Continued from A1. "attorney work-product privilege," a privilege which protects materials that are prepared by an attorney anticipating litigation. During the 2001 growing season, BLM contractors sprayed Oust to control weeds on recently burned ground.

CEO

Continued from A1. disastres - such as a major rebuilding effort after a war in Iraq, which is already dependent on U.S. food aid. "WFP is sounding the alarm. Never has our organization been confronted with such a great number of crises in the world with insufficient contributions from donor states to face them," said Christiane Berthumeau.

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Sniper

Continued from A1. Ted, was standing nearby when a bullet ripped through her skull. The couple had been shopping in preparation for a move into a new house. "There was some additional information that we were able to get from (Monday night's) case," said Fairfax County Police Chief J. Thomas Manger.

House

Continued from A1. Agency has also shown interest in the property. The agency earlier on Tuesday voted to offer itself as a facilitator for the house's use, should the City Council decide to accept the property.

NATION

Clemency hearings reopen old wounds

The Washington Post

CHICAGO — On a chaotic day filled with drama, anger and sorrow, the Illinois Prisoners Review Board on Tuesday launched an unprecedented and controversial series of back-to-back clemency hearings for most of the state's 159 death row inmates in a system that's been described as so flawed that it risks executing innocent men.

The hearings, scheduled to last the next two weeks, are the culmination of the most comprehensive review of the death penalty by any state and come at a time when national surveys suggest that public support for the ultimate punishment is diminishing. In fact, some polls say a majority of Americans believe that an innocent person has been executed in the past five years.

The extraordinary process has been hailed by death penalty foes and defense lawyers, while infuriating prosecutors and grief-stricken relatives who fear that outgoing Gov. George Ryan, R., will exercise his right to unilaterally commute all the sentences to life without parole.

Tuesday's hearings were as much a referendum on the death penalty as they were impassioned pleas in individual cases, with national death cases facing off with aggrieved survivors of victims.

Fueschel and a half dozen members of her family pleaded with the board not to recommend clemency for Reginald and Jerry Mahaffey, two brothers convicted of murdering Pugh's brother, raping and killing his wife and leaving their son, 11, for dead. "All this focus on the killers all the time. The focus is never on the people murdered, never on the families," she said in an interview.

Richard Burr, a Houston death penalty opponent who testified as an expert witness for several defendants Tuesday, said, "It's hard to balance the humanity of the victims' pain with what has led up to this situation."

Once a supporter of the death penalty, Ryan halted all executions in Illinois in January 2000, declaring "fraught with error"



Debra Leaks, whose brother was murdered, fights back tears while testifying against clemency Tuesday in Springfield, Ill.

the state's capital punishment system, which was reinstated in 1977. "It was almost like flipping a coin," said Ryan in an interview. "You have to remember that out of 25 people sentenced to die in this state, 13 were exonerated and 12 were executed."

The governor appointed a Commission on Capital Punishment, which in April recommended 85 sweeping reforms.

Ryan has signaled that he might consider a blanket commutation for everyone on death row. In a well-orchestrated effort, defense lawyers and advocacy groups in August filed clemency petitions for all the cases. Death penalty opponents acknowledge that the issue now is no longer merely about guilt or innocence.

"These people were denied the safeguards that are now being put in place," said Rob Warden, director of the Center on Wrongful Convictions at Northwestern University Law School, which is helping to coordinate the pleading in about half the cases. "The system has been shown to be horribly inaccurate. ... And it's one mistake that is irredeemable."

Bush questions bullet tracking as gun policy issues re-emerge

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Bush raised questions Tuesday about the reliability and effectiveness of databases that help detectives track down criminals using unique marks on bullets they fire, putting him at odds with many law enforcement groups.

The skeptical statements by White House press secretary Ari Fleischer about ballistic fingerprinting put the administration on the side of the gun industry at a time when national news is dominated by a Washington-area sniper who has killed nine people in two weeks.

Five months ago, the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, which is overseen by Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill, issued a report saying the gun-tracking technology has provided valuable leads for investigators and helped solve many violent crimes involving firearms "which would not have been solved without it."

The Maryland State Police lobbied for a law that requires sellers of handguns in the state to

provide police with information about each purchaser and a casing from a bullet test. New York has a similar system, and Sen. Herb Kohl, D-Wis., has introduced one of several proposals to create a national database.

Fleischer said such proposals raise the same issues as saying "that every citizen in the United States should be fingerprinted in order to catch robbers and thieves."

"The president does believe in the right of law-abiding citizens to own weapons ... in the case of the sniper, the real issue is values. These are the acts of a depraved killer, who has broken and will continue to break laws. And so the question is not new laws."

Fleischer said he wasn't announcing support or opposition to the programs but merely pointing to issues that should be debated. He said experts have raised questions about the accuracy and reliability of the technology.

"The more a gun is used, the less accurate the tracing can become," he said. "A simple nail

file put down the barrel of a gun can alter the amount of tracing that's on a bullet."

The ATF report said, however, that tampering instances are rare and said the marks provided useful evidence "in the overwhelming majority of cases."

The administration position is similar to the one taken by two top officials of the National Rifle Association, Wayne LaPierre and James Jay Baker, who wrote in their recent book "Shooting Straight" that ballistic fingerprinting is "registration by another name."

House backs mild gun bill

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The House OK'd a bill Tuesday to improve the database used to check gun buyers — the first gun-regulation measure to come before Congress in more than a year.

Critics said the bill, which was supported by the National Rifle Association, would do little to control the availability of guns. And few politicians are calling for tougher measures in response to the spate of area shootings.

In 1995 after a shooting spree at Colorado's Columbine High School, Democrats led a stampede for new limits on gun purchases. The legislative effort ultimately stalled, but it thrust gun control to the center of the 2000 campaign. Now, by contrast, gun control has come up as a campaign issue in only a handful of contests.

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GOP, Dems push issue of economy

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Republicans and Democrats are moving this week to claim the political high ground on the economy, with the House scheduled to vote on a package of investor tax cuts and House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt unveiling "a new economic agenda for a new House."

Both moves are aimed more at electoral politics than to provide help to the ailing economy. The House Republicans' tax package cannot pass the Democratic-controlled Senate in what might be Congress's final legislative week before the Nov. 5 election. Gephardt admitted that passage of his proposal is predicated on the Democrats' long-shot bid to take control of the House.

But the two political parties view economic anxiety as both an opportunity and an obstacle this fall.

"Sure, people are apprehensive about terrorism," said Gephardt (D-Mo.). "... but the continuing reality in everyday life is their economic situation. And it is not good."

President Bush is on a three-week campaign sprint, trying to blame the economic problems on congressional Democrats.

"The public's desire, in spite of the Democrats' best efforts all the contrary, is to fix political blame for the economy," Republican National Committee pollster Matthew Dowd wrote in a memo this weekend. "This provides a great opening for Republicans to debate and engage voters and Democrats directly."

To answer that challenge, Gephardt on Tuesday copied his usual attack on Bush's economic record with a five-part plan aimed at stimulating the economy and bringing the budget back to balance. In his long run, the plan includes \$25 billion to build and repair schools; \$25 billion to help cash-strapped state governments bolster their anti-terrorism protections; and \$75 billion to help state teachers keep their health benefits.



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Iranian chemical attack sufferers show reality of chemical weapons

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — To understand the unending nightmare of an Iraqi chemical barrage, there's ward 10-D.

The patients — all veterans of Iran's 1980-88 war with Iraq — shuffle about in plastic sandals and pale yellow hospital pajamas. They talk little. Even a shallow breath can be painful.

In the special wing at Baqiatallah Hospital, run by the powerful Revolutionary Guards, the reality of Saddam Hussein's chemical weaponry is evident.

Doctors do what they can for some of the thousands of soldiers exposed to Iraqi poison gas. There are no cures. Just ways to lessen the ailments: scarred lungs, ravaged bowels, disorientation, welts and blisters.

About once a week, Iranian newspapers carry small items about another veteran succumbing to chemical-related disorders.

"I feel just half alive," whispered Jibak, 70, whose right side is numb and partially paralyzed. "The day I breathed the poison gas was the day I started to die."

He recalls every moment of the attack near the southwestern Iranian border city of Abadan in 1987. Soldiers started to wheeze and gasp. They were blinded by uncontrollable tears. And everywhere was the smell of onions — a characteristic of mustard gas.



Veteran Jalal Taqavi, who was exposed to Iraqi chemical weapons during the 1980-88 war between Iran and Iraq, discusses his experience at the Baqiatallah Hospital in Tehran, Iran, Monday.

If U.N. weapons inspectors return, a prime objective will be to discover what — if anything — remains of Iraq's chemical arsenal.

Iraq insists it has abandoned its chemical, biological and nuclear arms programs. But U.S. authorities claim Iraq still has stockpiles of chemical and biological agents, which they fear could slip into the hands of terrorists.

In 1997, the year before the United Nations suspended operations in Iraq, the former head of the U.N. inspections team, Rolf Ekouss, said he believed Saddam maintained a "strategic capability" with chemicals.

Backed by the West during the eight-year war against Iran's Islamic regime, Iraq unleashed dozens of chemical attacks, according to international monitors. Two main Western-developed formulas were verified by U.N. investigators: mustard gas, an oily liquid first used in World War I whose vapor can remain deadly for days; and tabun, a nerve gas that causes convulsions and paralysis before death.

Estimates of Iranian battlefield deaths from chemical attacks range from hundreds to as many as 5,000. Thousands more were stricken but survived.

Bali bombing raises questions on president's focus on Iraq, Saddam

Chicago Tribune

WASHINGTON — While the White House prefers to focus on Iraq and the clear threat the Bush administration insists that Saddam Hussein poses, the accelerating series of worldwide terrorist attacks is wrenching the administration's emphasis back to the unfinished and amorphous war against al-Qaida.

The weekend bombing outside a nightclub in Indonesia and other recent attacks, presumed to be the work of al-Qaida, are adding new credence to administration critics who contend that the White House has been impeding the war against al-Qaida terrorist cells by shifting the world's attention and the nation's resources to a potential war against Iraq.

"Al-Qaida is proving that their capacity is unlimited and they can go anywhere, yet we have

our president focused completely on Iraq, which is almost a sideshow to what al-Qaida is doing," said Youssef Ibrahim, an expert on Iraq at the Council on Foreign Relations. "If al-Qaida has proved anything in the past three days, it is that we are very far away from having won the war on terror."

But President Bush said Monday that ridding Iraq of its weapons of mass destruction is just as integral a part of the war on terrorism as pursuing al-Qaida. "We will fight, if need be, the war on terror on two fronts. We've got plenty of capacity to do so," the president told reporters on the south lawn of the White House. "There is a connection between al-Qaida and Saddam Hussein. The war on terror — Iraq is a part of the war on terror. And (Hussein) must disarm."

For a month now, since his

Sept. 12 speech to the United Nations, Bush has been able to dominate the world's agenda with his insistence that Iraq poses a dire threat to international security and must reveal and surrender any chemical, biological and nuclear weapons it has been stockpiling. If Hussein balks, Bush has made clear, the United States is prepared to take unilateral military action against him if the U.N. can't agree to confront the Iraqi leader.

Polls indicate that much of the American public is following Bush's lead. And last week Congress concurred, granting the president the authority he sought to wage war against Iraq if he decides it is necessary. Many foreign nations remain deeply wary, but the U.N. Security Council could soon agree on some form of a resolution challenging Iraq to submit to new weapons inspections.

Indonesia probes explosion, finds C-4

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Indonesian officials interrogated a security guard and another man Tuesday about the deadly nightclub bombing in Bali and said traces of C-4 plastic explosive were found at the scene of the blast.

With Indonesia under increasing international pressure to combat terrorism, a violent Muslim group with ties to Indonesia's military disbanded — the first apparent sign the government was getting serious about moving against Islamic extremism.

The announcement by the group, Laskar Jihad, came as the accused spiritual leader of another

extremist network linked to the al-Qaida terror network said he would submit to police questioning.

Laskar Jihad's dissolution is a relatively easy way for Jakarta to show its willingness to fight terrorism, and perhaps gain ground in its efforts to restart American military aid. The group is not suspected in the Bali bombings, but putting it out of operation gives the government much-needed public relations points amid accusations it has turned a blind eye to extremist violence.

In Australia, Prime Minister John Howard said his nation would seek the listing of Jemaah Islamiyah — a shadowy pan-Asian

network believed linked to al-Qaida and suspected of involvement in the nightclub bombing — as a terrorist organization.

The suspected spiritual leader of Jemaah Islamiyah said he would voluntarily submit to police questioning. Muslim cleric Abu Bakar Bashir planned to meet with police today in Jakarta, said his brother Umar Bashir.

The meeting was in connection with a libel case Abu Bakar Bashir has filed against Time magazine, which recently published allegations that implicated him in other terrorist activities, his brother said. Abu Bakar Bashir has denied involvement in Saturday's blast.

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Bush: Home project will boost economy

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush said Tuesday his goal of getting 5.5 million more black and Hispanic families into their own homes will give the U.S. economy a \$256 billion shot in the arm over the decade.

"This project is not only good for the soul of the country, it's good for the pocketbook of the country as well," Bush said at a daylong White House Conference on Increasing Minority Homeownership.

Bush has called for boosting minority homeownership by more than 40 percent by 2010. To do so, he has proposed increased government help for 40,000 low-

income families trying to scrape together a downpayment to buy their first home; \$2.4 billion in tax credits for developers who build or repair homes for low-income buyers; and letting federal rental assistance be used toward down payments or mortgage payments. All the proposals are pending in Congress.

Skeptics applaud Bush's intentions, but question whether his as-yet-unpassed proposals can realistically accomplish his goal, noting they are targeted based on income, not race. They also criticize his housing policy's focus on home ownership, arguing it should concentrate instead on the

larger and more pressing need for more affordable rental housing. But with the congressional midterm elections approaching, promoting minority homeownership presents several potential political benefits for Bush.

"The idea of encouraging new homeownership and the money that will be circulated as a result of people purchasing homes will mean people are more likely to find a job in America," he said.

Almost three-quarters of white American families are homeowners, but the same can be said for less than half of black and Hispanic families, or just over 13 million households.

Former ImClone CEO pleads guilty in insider trading scandal

NEW YORK (AP) — Samuel Waksal, the jet-setting scientist who founded ImClone Systems, pleaded guilty Tuesday in the insider-trading scandal that threatens his friend Martha Stewart and her home-decorating empire.

Waksal, 55, became the second person to plead guilty in the federal investigation into trading of the biotechnology company's stock. He did not implicate Stewart in his plea, and the plea was not part of an agreement to cooperate with authorities.

Prosecutors also announced that they are investigating previously undisclosed sales of \$30 million worth of ImClone stock by an unidentified Waksal associate that may result in new charges against Waksal and others.

Waksal pleaded guilty to six counts, including securities fraud, bank fraud, conspiracy to obstruct justice and perjury. He admitted to a scheme in which he tipped his daughter, Aliza, to dump ImClone stock just before it plunged in value on bad news from the Food and Drug Administration.

"I've made some terrible mistakes and I deeply regret what has happened," Waksal said outside court. He remains free on bail until his sentencing in January. The charges carry up to 65 years in prison and millions of dollars in fines. But his sentence would probably be far less under federal guidelines.

Prosecutors warned they may bring more charges against Waksal.

"Dr. Waksal may have tipped others who sold stock," federal prosecutor Michael Schachter said in court. He cited an example in which a "close friend" of Waksal's quickly dumped \$600,000 worth of stock in the biotech company after a phone conversation with Waksal.

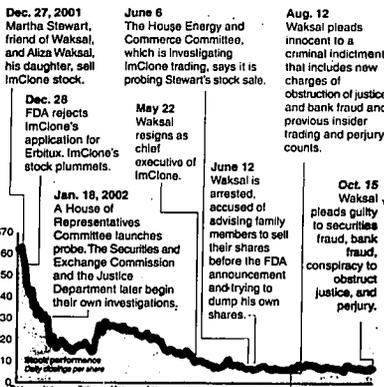
The government has also accused Waksal of tipping off his father in the scheme, though he did not plead to that charge Tuesday.

ImClone founder pleads guilty

Samuel Waksal, the founder of ImClone Systems, pleaded guilty Tuesday to six counts including securities fraud, bank fraud, conspiracy to obstruct justice and perjury, in a scheme to tip off his daughter Aliza, his daughter, to unload ImClone stock before it plunged on bad news from the Food and Drug Administration. The scandal also threatens his friend Martha Stewart.



Waksal

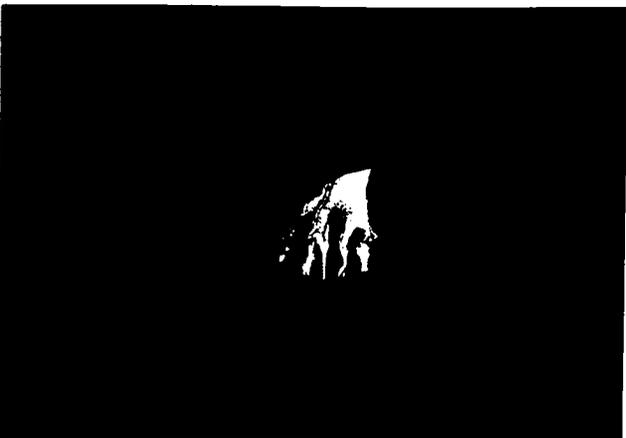


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Waksal was arrested in June on charges of passing along information that the FDA had decided not to review his company's experimental cancer drug, Erbitux, news that sent the stock plummeting. Stewart sold nearly 4,000 ImClone shares on Dec. 27, the day before the FDA announced its Erbitux decision. She has maintained she had a standing order to sell the stock if it dropped below \$60.

The home decorating entrepreneur and her stockbroker, Peter Bacanovic of Merrill Lynch, have denied wrongdoing and have not been charged. In a statement, a Stewart representative said: "Sam Waksal's guilty plea has nothing to do with Martha Stewart." An assistant to Bacanovic, Douglas Faneuil, backed Stewart's account, but later admitted he withheld information when first interviewed by investigators.

RING OF FIRE ROILS



Lava from erupting Kilauea volcano enters the Pacific Ocean on Monday in Volcano, Hawaii. Kilauea erupts frequently, but its lava doesn't pose a threat to the island's inhabitants. Another volcano on the island, Mauna Loa, is stirring and scientists are warning an eruption could devastate neighborhoods built on the giant volcano's slopes. In spring 1984, Mauna Loa erupted for three weeks, sending a 16-mile lava flow toward Hilo. Since then, the USGS estimates that more than \$2.3 billion has been invested in new construction along Mauna Loa's slopes.

Authorities send bodies found in locked railroad car to investigators

DENISON, Iowa (AP) — The bodies of as many as 11 people were found inside a railroad car stored at a grain elevator.

The car had been latched on the outside and there was no evidence of any food or water, Crawford County Sheriff Tom Hogan said Tuesday.

The victims had apparently boarded the rail car in Mexico four months ago and were possibly smuggled into the country, said Jerry Heinauer, district director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service for Nebraska and Iowa.

It was difficult to count the huddled bodies, Hogan said. Authorities had said there were as many as 11.

The grain-hauling rail car was sealed and moved to Des Moines

for examination by criminal investigators and the state medical examiner.

Heinauer said authorities did not yet know if the victims were being smuggled, but he said the case fits the pattern of some smuggling operations. Their nationalities was unconfirmed and authorities said they didn't know if the victims were men, women or children.

Hogan said authorities would seek to determine if the people died of suffocation, from the heat or starvation.

"It had to be frightening" for the people inside, he said. Heinauer said he was told by Mexican officials that the rail car left Matamoros, Mexico, in June. It had been parked in Oklahoma since then.

Bombardier presents high-speed locomotive powered by jet engine

WASHINGTON (AP) — The maker of America's fastest train is shopping around a new product that could bring high-speed rail service to areas outside the Northeast.

Bombardier Transportation says its new "JetTrain" locomotive, powered by a jet engine, can reach 150 mph without needing overhead electrical lines like those used by Amtrak's high-speed Acela Express.

Bombardier led the consortium that built Acela Express, which operates in the Boston-New York-Washington corridor — the only electrified intercity corridor in the nation.

Pierre Lortie, president of Montreal-based Bombardier,

said Tuesday he is confident the equipment problems that have plagued Acela Express will not hurt sales of the new locomotive.

He said several states are developing high-speed rail, and the company is targeting proposed high-speed lines within California, between Los Angeles and Las Vegas, between Chicago and St. Louis, between Tampa and Orlando in Florida, and between Toronto and Montreal.

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If I don't have a mutated BRCA1 or BRCA2 gene, I won't get breast cancer. Just because you do not have a mutated BRCA1 or BRCA2 gene, you can still get breast cancer. About 90-95% of women who get breast cancer actually do not have an inherited form of breast cancer or a mutated BRCA1 or BRCA2 gene.

Women with more than one risk factor are the ones who typically get breast cancer. A majority of women diagnosed with breast cancer have no known risk factors outside of their gender. All women are at risk.

You can prevent breast cancer. Because the cause of breast cancer is not yet fully known, there is no way to absolutely prevent it, although the antiestrogen drug tamoxifen can help reduce the risk. If you develop breast cancer, early detection and treatment are the keys to surviving.

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Japanese victims return home after 25 years

TOKYO (AP) - Five Japanese kidnapping victims who were whisked away in their youth by North Korean spies finally came home Tuesday, tearfully hugging their aging mothers and fathers for the first time in nearly a quarter-century.

The reunion marked a major thaw in relations between Japan and North Korea's enigmatic ruling regime, which appears to be easing its longstanding belligerence toward the outside world in search of economic aid.

But Tuesday's homecoming - perhaps the most emotional this country has experienced since troops returned after World War II - was tempered by concerns about the abductees' future and outrage over the deaths of eight others.

The delicate position of the five, all now in their 40s, was underscored at a news conference hours after their arrival on a chartered jet from Pyongyang.

The five - who were not allowed to bring their children with them and who are expected to return to North Korea in about 10 days - all wore North Korean flag pins in their lapels and spoke only a few carefully chosen words.

"I truly wanted to see my family," said Hitomi Soga, who is married to an American defector. She then solemnly stood and left the room where the news conference was held.

"I can't express how happy I am to see my parents' healthy faces," said Kaoru Hasuike, who was a college student when he was abducted while on a date in 1978. "I'm sorry for making you worry about me for so long," said Yukiko Okudo, who was seized with Hasuike after they met at a library.

They married in North Korea and have raised a son there.

After meeting their families and a crowd of flag-waving supporters at Tokyo's Haneda airport, where they were presented with bouquets of red and pink



Hitomi Soga, right, one of five Japanese kidnapped a quarter-century ago by North Korean spies, walks with her sister, Tomiko Kaneko, upon her arrival at Tokyo International Airport from Pyongyang on Tuesday.

roses, the five abductees looked tired and a bit bewildered as they walked armin-arm from the tarmac with their relatives.

They were taken by bus to a hotel, where they were to spend two nights before returning to their hometowns. Their schedule after that is private and their relatives have asked that they be allowed to spend their time quietly.

Also returning Tuesday were Fukiie Hamamoto and her then-fiancee, Yasushi Chimura, who were both 23 when they were grabbed from behind, stuffed in bags and taken away in North Korean boats from a secluded Japanese beach in 1978. They too later married in North Korea and have three children.

"No matter what happens, family ties can't be broken," said Hamamoto's older brother, Yuko. "She was protected by the grace of God."

The five are the only known survivors of 13 Japanese the

North has confirmed its agents abducted to train communist spies in Japanese language and culture. Support groups say the real number of victims could be as high as 60.

Their relatives have bitterly complained that they are not being allowed to return for good and, since they weren't allowed to bring their children, they will not be able to speak freely.

Those returning to Japan include wife of U.S. deserter

TOKYO (AP) - A former American soldier saw his Japanese wife off at the airport in Pyongyang Tuesday as she joined four others returning to Japan for the first time since they were abducted by North Korea nearly 25 years ago.

Charles Robert Jenkins, listed as a deserter from the U.S. Army since the 1960s, told a Japanese official traveling with the abductees that he had no desire to leave his adopted home.

The 62-year-old Jenkins and his two daughters were at the airport to see off Hitomi Soga, said Akitaka Saiki, the Japanese official.

Saiki said he asked Jenkins if he would like to go to Japan as well. Jenkins indicated it would not be easy for him to go to Japan "given his situation," Saiki said.

The Japanese official said Jenkins did not express a desire to leave North Korea.

Kyoko Nakayama, another Japanese official sent to the Japanese abductees home for a brief visit, said Jenkins

stood by the fence at the airport, waving to the plane as it departed.

"He looked very lonely," she said.

Jenkins, of Rich Square, N.C., was one of four Americans who reportedly deserted their Army posts in South Korea in the 1960s. The Pentagon first confirmed the four were living in North Korea in 1991.

North Korean officials said last month that Jenkins had married Soga, one of at least 13 Japanese the North kidnapped in the late 1970s and early 1980s, reportedly to help train its spies in the Japanese language and culture.

According to North Korea, Jenkins entered the country in January 1965 and married Soga in August 1980. They have two daughters - ages 19 and 17 - both students at the Pyongyang University of Foreign Studies.

Soga, now 43, was abducted from Japan's Sado Island while shopping with her mother in 1978. Pyongyang said Soga was kidnapped with the help of a Japanese operative.

To revive administration, IRA must be disbanded, leaders say

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) - Northern Ireland's Catholic-Protestant administration won't be revived unless the Irish Republican Army disbands, leading British and U.S. officials predicted Tuesday.

IRA commanders remained silent about Britain's resumption of authority in Northern Ireland after nearly three years of local power-sharing between two British Protestant parties and two

Irish Catholic parties, including the IRA's Sinn Fein.

Most politicians and commentators blamed the political breakdown on the IRA.

Police have accused the outlawed group of pursuing a range of violent and duplicitous activities, including spying on Sinn Fein's coalition partners, that raised suspicions about the IRA's commitment to its 1997 ceasefire.

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Library friends used book, bake sale starts this week

Buhl High School announces lunch menu for today
BUHL - Buhl High School announced the lunch menu for today: pepperoni pizza, french fries, bread sticks, pineapple and a cherry shake-up for lunch.

Elba Scout receives Eagle honor at ceremony
ELBA - Austin Trent Ridenour will receive his Eagle Scout award at a court of honor at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Elba LDS church.

11th annual Mini-Cassia craft fair set for Saturday
RUPERT - The 11th annual Mini-Cassia craft fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at Minico High School.

YMCA holds open house at city pool Saturday
TWIN FALLS - The YMCA will hold an open house from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls City Pool, 756 Locust St. N., Twin Falls.

Nursery holds pumpkin painting on Saturday
TWIN FALLS - Kimberly Nurseries will offer a "Pumpkin Painting" workshop for children and adults on 9 a.m. Saturday at the Garden Cafe.

Buhl Senior Center holds 'Christmas in October'
BUHL - The West End Senior Center will hold the "Christmas in October" event Saturday at the Center, 1010 Main St. in Buhl.

Idaho Writers League T.F. Chapter reviews confab
TWIN FALLS - The Idaho Writers League Twin Falls Chapter will meet at noon Saturday at Idaho Joe's Restaurant in the Lynwood Shopping Center in Twin Falls.

Assigned time contest, Bonnie Dodge, first place, serious verse and third place, juvenile fiction; Richard Hagerman, second place, honorable mention essay; and Cindy Snyder, third place, nonfiction.

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M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club announces weekly winners
TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club announced its weekly winners.

Flu shots are available at Gooding Senior Center
GOODING - Flu shots will be given from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Tuesday at the Gooding Senior Center, 308 Senior Ave., Gooding.

Times-News seeks craft show, bazaars news
TWIN FALLS - On Oct. 25, The Times-News will publish a free list of area craft shows and bazaars.

Club meets at 7 p.m. every Monday and Thursday and at 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Magic Valley Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls.

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HAILEY - The 15th annual Used Book and Bake Sale opens for business this week at the Hailey Public Library.

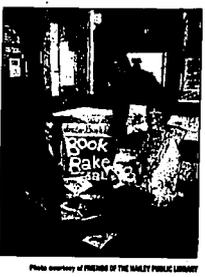


Photo courtesy of Friends of the Hailey Public Library. Geesee Lowe, left, and Janice Moulton with the Friends of the Hailey Public Library prepare for the 15th annual Used Book and Bake Sale which starts Thursday.

The sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in the library's meeting room with entrances on Main Street, south of the Barkin basement and the back door in the alley. The fund-raising event is sponsored by the Friends of the Hailey Public Library.

The funds raised will mainly benefit the children sections and purchasing some of the library's wish list, reported the group.

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EDITORIAL

Tax isn't the best way to fund senior center

There's no question that Twin Falls senior citizens need a new center. And there's no question they're going to get one - in a 14,000-square-foot building in Old Towne that used to house the treasure trove Golf 'N Games.

The only question is, who's going to pay for it? The taxpayers will, if a \$500,000 override on the November ballot is approved - at the rate of \$20 a year on a property assessed \$100,000, for two years. If not, the seniors will still get the building and pay the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency about \$2,500 a month over 20 to 25 years until they own it.

So is this a job for the taxpayers? You can make a case that it is. This is an ideal facility for important programs, from recreational activities to Meals on Wheels, that affect thousands of folks 65 and older in the Twin Falls area. They're now being run from a building on Eastland Drive - it used to house the offices of KMYT television - that is literally falling apart.

Federal money is already going into seniors programs; perhaps it makes sense for the taxpayers to pay to consolidate them under a roof that isn't falling down. But you can make an equally convincing case that the folks who use this facility ought to pay for it. The payment schedule envisioned by the Urban Renewal Agency seems within the means of the senior center, and if it isn't, the seniors would have an understanding landlord likely willing to adjust the payments until they fit. And if the voters say no to the override, the only practical effect would be to

postpone remodeling the facility. Philosophically, we've long subscribed to the notion that folks who use public services should pay for them. Proponents liken the seniors center to the municipal pool and city parks which are recreational facilities the public pays for through taxes. But we have long felt the pool costs should not be borne by the taxpayers beyond a minimal range - that is why we opposed the high cost associated with the pool's winter cover and its special group supporters.

In the case of the senior center tax, we feel it would be better in the case of the seniors to fund this need by the usual civic methods of fund-raising and donations, of which there would be plenty. Tax assessments, even temporary ones, should be reserved for pressing needs such as public safety and essential infrastructure improvements.

Also, the council ducked this issue by putting it on the ballot. If the center is such a pressing need, it should have been paid for in the council's new budget. Why vote to increase taxes when you can ask the voters to do it themselves? Also, if the special tax passes, this would set a bad precedent for the annual shelter which is waiting in the wings to try a similar tax-based building project. We're inclined to recommend a no vote. But if this override passes, it will be a modest - and temporary - burden on taxpayers. Even though purist taxpayers may not like the funding method.

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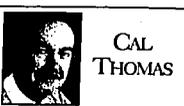
About this ballot measure: Twin Falls city taxpayers are being asked to pay \$500,000 and approve a tax override for the purchase of a new senior center.

Our view: Using a tax assessment to fund this purchase isn't the best idea and should be rejected.

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

Safer streets becomes sniper's first victim

When I was growing up in the Washington, D.C., area, my parents told me about unsafe neighborhoods. I was not to go there, especially at night, because I could get shot and killed. Those were the high-crime, drug-dealing neighborhoods where uneducated minorities lived. Television news, which reported crime in these neighborhoods, reinforced the racist



CAL THOMAS

stereotypes in our suburban minds. White people, if they valued their lives, would stay in their "safe" enclaves. The "belly shooter," as the media have called him, has changed all that. His (or their) killing spree is no respecter of geography, race or class. He is an equal-opportunity murderer. There are no safe neighborhoods now.

What is amazing to watch and experience, for I still live here, is how something like this can so grip a region. Still wounded after Sept. 11, Washingtonians, as we call ourselves even if we don't live in the city, are afraid. The newspapers, radio and television tell of people who put the gas nozzle in their tanks and then run inside the station until the pump cuts off. Several of the victims have been shot down while pumping gas.

Local radio stations announce the lengthening list of closings and cancellations as if a snowstorm had struck the town. High school football games are canceled. During the school week, all outdoor activities, including recess, gym and field trips, are canceled. Walks to raise funds to cure breast cancer, AIDS and



other afflictions are off. School doors are locked during the week, and all visitors are monitored.

Even SAT tests were not given last weekend. Trips by school kids and other groups to the nation's capital have been canceled, further wounding an economy that has only recently begun to recover following 9/11. In suburban Philadelphia's West Chester School District, the Washington-area shootings prompted a safety committee formed after the 9/11 terrorist attacks to cancel a trip for 100 elementary school students to the Baltimore Aquarium. David Flamer, the district's director of elementary education, was quoted by the Associated Press as saying, "What we found is that the problem is so random, with these shootings all being in the 955 corridor, we decided to err on the side of caution. I wouldn't want to be the individual to have to

report to a parent that something unfortunate happened to a child."

Police are searching for a particular white van, and so am I. As I drive, I engage in vehicle profiling. My eyes scan the road like a radar detector, not looking for speeders or bad drivers, but for what police say is a small white truck that may contain the shooter and a possible accomplice. Emerging from my home, I see a vehicle that fits the description parked on the street. A police officer is inspecting it. The vehicle is not the one.

So far, the usual suspects who connect culture to behavior have not been heard from, though undoubtedly they will speak when the killer is caught. There will be cries from anti-gun groups for tougher laws, though the tough laws already on the books didn't prevent these multiple tragedies. Perhaps the killer likes violent video games or is a con-

sumer of pornography. Maybe he's a combat veteran who went nuts with post-traumatic stress syndrome. Or maybe he is just plain evil. We like explanations. It helps us with "closure" and "moving on."

But there can be no moving on from this. Some have thought that 9/11 was an aberration. Now the president speaks of Saddam's unmaned aerial vehicles that can rain down biological and chemical death, which would kill thousands, maybe millions. The shooter has only added to that unease in a region and a country that once believed security came from two oceans, friendly neighbors and the belief that crime occurred mostly in "the ghetto." The terrorists began changing our sense of safety. The shooter is finishing the job. There are no safe neighborhoods anymore.

Cal Thomas is a columnist for The Los Angeles Times.

LETTERS

Don't blame Hayes for cockeyed streets

This letter is a comment on the article written by James Varley titled, "The cockeyed Twin Falls streets have a history." They do indeed have a history, but somewhat different from Mr. Varley's version. He obviously used my mother's article from the book "Terrestrial Centennial - Twin Falls County" pages 38-40, as one reference.

The location of the city of Twin Falls was determined by a number of factors, including the fact it was a "school section" and thus did not have to be formally "proved up," according to the provisions of the Carey Act. It was also near the center of the land to be developed with water from the canals being constructed. The topography was quite critical because the dust would be so deep after the removal of sagebrush, if water could be run down the gullies of every street, it would help decrease this problem. This was the reason for the diagonal layout - it was the way the water could run most easily. After John E. Hayes proposed the site of the town and gave his reasons for its location, Bickel approved its location. Bickel did not decide upon the site.

John E. Hayes had nothing to do with naming any streets other than Main and Shoshone, and was appalled by the system used. It might be of interest to the history of names of early merchants that the first ice cream parlor in Twin Falls was owned and operated by John E. Hayes on Main Avenue in 1904. Ice came from the ice caves north of Shoshone, ice cream from Focattello and the syrups from Salt Lake City. He sold ice cream sodas for 10 cents each. By 1906, Frankel became a part-

ner in the business and then Mr. Heap.

The original finances for the entire canal system came from Stanley B. Milner, for whom the Milner Dam is named, Frank H. Bush and Peter Kimberly, the owners of the Twin Falls Investment Co. were essentially "after the fact." They were sales agents who came along after the project was assured of operating.

I would suggest that Mr. Varley go to the Twin Falls Public Library and listen to the "oral history tapes" recorded by people who were pioneers in the area. He is such a latecomer to Twin Falls, he has a great deal to learn if he intends to write a valid history column.

RUTHANN HAYES LEBARON
Waldport, Ore.

Evolutionary facts cannot be disputed

Gene Lawley, your "facts" are all wrong and a "theory" is based on observations, experimentation and careful calculations. More importantly, it is supported by a series of facts. "Theories" in science are only given credibility when they are subjected to peer review by a myriad of people familiar with science. A "theory" is not something that is arbitrarily "invented" just because there is no other category in which to put them. When taken in this more correct light, "theory" carries more scientific weight than "fact."

Stephen Jay Gould, like all other scientists in the world, used observations in an effort to understand phenomena. His belief in punctuated equilibrium did not and does not detract

from the evolutionary theory, and though it may or may not be widely accepted in the scientific community, his years of scientific study of punctuated equilibrium has spawned a lot more avenues of evolutionary research.

You have the right to dispute something because it is labeled as a "theory," but do not pick and choose. Science as a whole is a theory, and using your own argument, we should probably remove science altogether from school curricula because of it - right?

Evolutionary "facts" cannot be disputed. They exist (i.e., fossil records, etc.) and so you either have to accept them as part of God's plan or you have to believe that God created all of these clues for us to discover in some useless effort to lead us away from him.

CADE TENSON
Idaho Falls

Coverage of Retmier is unbalanced, unfair

I always thought that reporting the news was supposed to be unbiased, fair and, for sure, honest. But not true with The Times-News. The staff of The Times-News must not believe in the "American Way" reporting both sides of the story!

You've reported that Dr. Retmier is 52 years old. He's chief of staff at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, outstanding surgeon, on the hospital board. Now, let's hear about the other pool player - all we know is he's 29 years old. I guess he plays pool (out in the parking lot with four or five of his friends?). Is that why they were all out in the parking lot? What is his occupation? C'mon - do some reporting.

The Times-News' idea of journalism is right under the National Enquirer. More like the way Iraq and Iran report the stories. Even the police can call somebody up on the phone and know if a person has been drinking or not! Amazing. Doesn't that explain why Dr. Retmier didn't want to make any statements to the police or the press. So you want to believe that Dr. Retmier lost a pool game, then started running around in the parking lot firing a pistol, then later crawled into the operation room and performed surgery. Doesn't it seem odd that no one else in the operating room noticed that Dr. Retmier was intoxicated? Should we fire all the nurses, anesthesiologist and personnel that were involved?

Seems to me like someone ought to look into the staff of The Times-News - on its ethics of Journalism. I suppose it's the only way you can sell newspapers since outhouses are extinct. No. 1 use for your paper is lost. But subscribers can still use it for house breaking their dogs.

You hang in there, Dr. Retmier. We are all human and make some bad choices in our lifetimes. But what you do for MVRMC, your patients, the overwhelming majority of people in Twin Falls more than makes up for the bad choice you made on a place to frequent. I'm sure the courts and the board of MVRMC will have no trouble seeing through this incident.

As for the letter of Mildred Gore on Oct. 4 - if she believes anything that The Times-News writes, she must be high on the bull dung she seems to smell so much of.

RICHARD GATES
Gooding

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LETTER

Stennett responded to help Richfield with their trouble

Sen. Stennett has been a big supporter of the city of Richfield. When we needed some help with the State Highway Department to obtain a right-of-way easement for our biggest employer in town, we called on him to help us. We were

able to reduce the smell of the operation, which was a benefit for the business and the entire community. He is always available and read to go to work on our behalf. All we have to do is call. LUANN SWAINSTON
Richfield
(Editor's note: Luann Swainston is the city clerk for Richfield.)

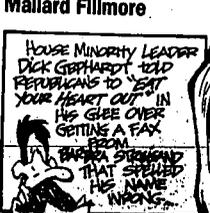
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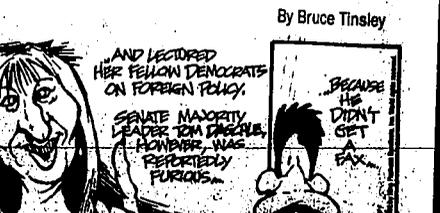
By Garry Trudeau



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



LETTERS

Stennett's actions helped preserve Payette River

The Payette River is truly an Idaho gem. It is world renowned for its white water and scenic beauty. Several years ago, there were plans to divert the river into a pipe and create a hydro plant, which would have destroyed the river's natural beauty and world famous recreation destination. Idaho Rivers United proposed a bill to protect the river. Sen. Stennett was with us in the early '90s when we first passed an interim protection plan for the Payette River. He was our champion when we secured permanent protection for the Payette River in 1999.

All of us who love free-flowing rivers appreciate Sen. Stennett's commitment to preserving Idaho's great outdoor legacy.

DARCI YARRINGTON
Boise
(Editor's note: Darcy Yarrington is the executive director of Voters for Outdoor Idaho.)

Twin Falls County voters should support Field

Elmore County lost a great champion when redistricting separated us from Owyhee County and Rep. Frances Field. Over the years, I have received excellent advice and assistance from Frances on a wide variety of issues. She always readily understood my concerns as a taxpayer, businesswoman, veterinarian or rancher. She also understood the needs of others on those issues and sought balanced solutions based on facts and fairness to all.

Her devotion to her duties and her vast experience are irreplaceable. I hope the residents of western Twin Falls County appreciate the opportunity redistricting has presented to them and that they will support Frances Field for representative, District 23-A.

TED HOFFMAN, DVM
Mountain Home

Howard has filled many big roles that help qualify her

Wearing many hats - I am a mother, daughter, student and educator. Marilyn Howard as worn many hats as well. It is these hats that make her the most qualified candidate for the office of state superintendent of public instruction.

Dr. Howard has been a classroom teacher and administrator, dedicating more than 40 years to the children of Idaho. She has earned her doctorate in curriculum and instruction - definitely an area that our schools' leader should have knowledge of. She has high expectations for the educators and students of Idaho. Her knowledge of student learn-

ing, combined with her amazing ability to work with the educators of Idaho, only continues to improve the education of Idaho's children. And it is her experience as our current state superintendent of public instruction that makes her the obvious choice.

If you care about Idaho's children, you will vote to re-elect Dr. Marilyn Howard - the best candidate for Idaho's children!

ROBYN BARNES
Twin Falls

Animal cruelty is a disturbing trend in the area

Further to the letter of Leann Blasius of Oct. 15:

Yes, it is a terrible thing to treat animals like disposable trash. Here is another story:

I once was acquainted with an individual who lives out in the country. This individual never had an animal spayed or neutered. That would cost money, you see. The animals were allowed to breed "naturally" until 40 or 50 would roam her grounds, then a friend would come over and strangle several dozen for her. I don't know what was done with the remains. I believe there are no garbage collections in the country. Maybe the friend put the dead cats in a large bag, took them to the river and threw them in the water - I don't know.

Anyway, after these strangulations, the entire cycle would be repeated. I suppose a sign would always be in her yard reading "Free kittens" for any survivors. This in itself is a "Christian" who somehow conveniently forgets to be kind to some of God's creatures.

I am no longer acquainted with said individual.

ANN KIDGELY
Twin Falls

Faulkner knows how to balance competing issues

A young man with common sense. Tom was born and raised in Magic Valley on a ranch. He is still a rancher, a graduate of Gooding High School, a graduate of the University of Idaho and a practicing certified public accountant.

His public office experience as a Gooding County commissioner has given him an understanding for the necessity to work for a

balance between economic and environmental issues.

Tom will not only be a great representative for our district, he will be a leader and represent the entire state of Idaho with fairness and good judgment.

Please cast your vote for Tom Faulkner to our state senator.

BILL OAKLEY
Gooding

You'll bust up laughing at local historical play

What do you get when you cross American patriotism, America's rich but young history and the wit and comedy of an episode of "Whose Line is it Anyway?" You get the Friends of CSI Players' latest play, "The History of America Abridged."

I was able to watch the opening night showing of the play, and let me tell you, I haven't laughed so hard at a play ever. Not only is the play itself a riot, but the fact the players interact with the audience gives each attendee an individual experience each time. I don't like to give away details, but audience participation is a must!

However, the jokes and the play itself is for adults, so its fun and laughter would be lost on a younger generation.

Nevertheless, this presentation will have you laughing long after the play is done.

Now I realize a comedy about our history may seem out of place in our society today, but with war looming overseas and a plummeting economy, couldn't you use a laugh? This production is not in bad taste and will make you smile. The show is this Thursday, Friday and Saturday starting at 7 p.m. It is being held at the Lamphouse Theater.

RICK BOX
Twin Falls

Mayor of Rupert insults the voters

Often when I read letters to the editor, I end up getting pretty angry. Never to the point of responding, though, until now.

As I read the mayor of Rupert's letter on term limits, I couldn't help but think that she was insinuating that the voters of Idaho were idiots. Correct me if I'm wrong, but wasn't that initiative voted in, by the citizens of Idaho, not once, but twice? That's almost saying that "cor-

recting" public policy is nothing more than changing the rules so government officials can make a career out of their position.

Luckily, this is a country where the people are the government. America is about cooperation, variety and democracy, not elected officials overturning the will of the people to selfishly suit themselves.

To the town of Rupert, I truly feel sorry for you. I hope you see in your mayor what I do. Otherwise, you might have the same one for the next 50 years.

MATTHEW FLYNT
Twin Falls

Ideas to improve education come from Dr. Howard

This is in response to Jim Wray's recent letter concerning Luna's candidacy for superintendent of public schools.

Mr. Wray speaks of new ideas. It's obvious that Mr. Wray has never heard of former superintendent of public schools, Republican Jerry Evans, speak of those ideas. He says of Luna, "I concluded that he is a very articulate, quite passionate person who makes a very good impression but who doesn't have a clue about the job."

It is also apparent that Mr. Wray has never talked with Dr. Marilyn Howard, current superintendent of public schools. It soon becomes blatantly obvious that Dr. Howard is an ardent advocate for parents and parent involvement. In conversations with her, parents are always at the forefront, and she is happy to discuss the needs of parents and their children - from the gifted to the challenged.

Mr. Wray also speaks about linking funding to student and teacher performance. My colleague, who generously volunteered this year to take a class of the lowest performing students from the poorest environments, would undoubtedly like to visit Mr. Wray about this proposal.

In conclusion, Dr. Howard knows the job, advocates for parents and has spent four years implementing programs which have improved performance.

In conclusion, Dr. Howard is the best person for the job of Idaho State superintendent of schools.

STEVE DAVIS
Twin Falls



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Stock #2504, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR, Cruise Control, Cassette, Wheel, Tow Package
- 2002 EXCURSION LTD \$39995
Stock #2522, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR, Cruise, CD & DVD, Rear Air, Roof Rack, Tow Pkg.

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- 1998 BUICK PARK AVENUE \$10395
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- 1997 BUICK REGAL GS \$10785
Stock #561C, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel
- 2002 BUICK CENTURY \$13395
Stock #510D, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel
- 2002 BUICK REGAL LS \$15295
Stock #561C, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel
- 2002 BUICK LESABRE \$15995
Stock #117D, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette
- 2002 BUICK PARK AVENUE \$23795
Stock #557E, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, Leather, Wheel

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- 1996 CIVIC \$6995
Stock #565C, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Sun Roof
- 2000 INSIGHT \$14895
Stock #516D, 5-Speed Transmission, Wheel, Gas & Electric
- 2002 ACCORD SPECIAL EDITION \$16995
Stock #567B, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR, Cruise, Cassette, CD, Sun Roof, Wheel, Automatic
- 2001 ODYSSEY 4 DOOR \$22395
Stock #4232, 4 DR, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, Tire

LUXURY IMPORTS

- 1998 ACURA RL \$20795
Stock #565C, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Leather, Sun Roof
- 1999 MERCEDES E-320 \$29995
Stock #560B, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, AM/FM, Leather, Sun Roof
- 2002 AUDI TT ROADSTER \$39495
Stock #318C, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR Steering, Cruise Control, CD, Leather, 0-Speed
- 2002 ACURA MDX \$34995
Stock #321E, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, CD, Leather, Sun Roof, Wheel

GMC

- 1999 1500 EXT. CAB SLE 3 DR. \$18295
Stock #411E, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, 2-71 & Tow Package
- 2000 1500 EXT. CAB SLE 4 DR. \$20795
Stock #4025, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR, Cruise, CD, Wheel Bars, 2-71 & Tow Package
- 2002 3000HRV CREW CAB 4x4 \$28295
Stock #410D, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack
- 2000 2500 QUAD CAB SXT 4x4 \$24895
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- 2002 2500 CREW CAB SXT 4x4 \$24895
Stock #4025, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, Cassette, Remote Keyless, Wheel, Tire Pkg., Automatic
- 1999 YUKON SLE \$29995
Stock #4015, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR, Cruise, CD, Rear Air, Roof Rack, Wheel, Tow Pkg.

PONTIAC

- 2001 GRAND AM SE \$11795
Stock #417E, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR Steering, Cruise Control, CD, Wheel
- 2001 GRAND PRIX \$12995
Stock #417E, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette
- 2001 BONNEVILLE \$15495
Stock #518B, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette
- 2001 FIREBIRD \$15995
Stock #561C, TR Steering, Cruise Control, CD, 2-Tone, Wheel, ABS Brakes
- 2002 MONTANA 4 DOOR \$16995
Stock #560B, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR, Cruise Control, CD, Dual Seats, Tire, Roof Rack

LINCOLN

- 1999 TOWN CAR SE \$12995
Stock #561C, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack
- 2000 TOWN CAR SE \$17995
Stock #561C, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack
- 2001 TOWN CAR SE \$17995
Stock #561C, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack
- 2002 TOWN CAR SE \$17995
Stock #561C, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack

MISC. SUV'S

- 2003 HUMMER HZ \$58995
Stock #4042, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR, Cruise, CD, Leather, Wheel Bars, Wheel
- 2001 ISUZU RODEO LS \$16995
Stock #3571, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack
- 2002 ISUZU TROOPER \$19995
Stock #421E, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, Wheel
- 2002 ISUZU AXIOM \$22695
Stock #421E, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR Steering, Cruise Control, CD, Chevy, Wheel
- 2001 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LAREO \$15995
Stock #325B, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, Wheel, Roof Rack
- 2002 JEEP LIBERTY SPORT \$18895
Stock #421E, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, TR, Cruise Control, Cassette, Wheel, Roof Rack, Automatic
- 2002 JEEP WRANGLER \$20995
Stock #3571, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack, Automatic

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- 2001 ALTIMA \$13495
Stock #417E, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack
- 1999 2000 \$14395
Stock #417E, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack
- 2002 MAXIMA \$18995
Stock #417E, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack
- 2002 MAXIMA \$18995
Stock #417E, Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats, TR Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, CD, Wheel, Roof Rack

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Girl escapes serious injury in collision

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls girl suffered only slight injuries to one leg when she fell from her bicycle in a collision with a car on Tuesday.

Officers ruled that Rydahl was at fault, and Hochstrassen was asked to attend school after a brief observation of her injuries, Hicks said.

Woman faces charges in wake of chase

JEROME - A Salt Lake City woman was arraigned Tuesday in Jerome Magistrate Court on charges stemming from a high-speed chase early Monday.

Deputies arrest suspect in hit-and-run incident

WENDELL - Deputies late Monday arrested a woman in connection with a hit-and-run incident that left two other Wendell residents injured, according to reports.

Discussion on children's mental health is today

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will sponsor a community presentation by child and adolescent psychiatrist Dr. R. Yuvruian today to help parents deal with young people's mental health issues.

Newspaper seeks ace

TWIN FALLS - The Times-News is preparing a Halloween-season special about magical pumpkins in the Magic Valley.

Budget woes dominate forum

M.V. candidates discuss issues

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The two Douglas Joneses running for the Legislature agree on a controversial proposal - that lawmakers will have to raise the state's sales tax in order to balance the budget.

Another is a Rupert Democrat in his first run for office. They broached the uncomfortable subject of raising taxes at a candidate forum on Tuesday sponsored by the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce and the Magic Valley Builders Association at the Turf Club.

The participation of 90 percent of the candidates who have challenged. But also, a \$150 million to \$200 million shortfall in the state budget and the Indian-gaming and term-limits initiatives are giving candidates plenty of fodder for discussion.

Appropriations Committee. He said the committee had recently asked all agencies to report on how they implemented the last round of holdbacks. To save 3.5 percent in expenditures, Cameron noted that those in charge of corrections are giving cold lunches to prisoners instead of hot lunches.

Issues for immigrants



Rigo Victoria, Gloria Lara, and translator Maria Garcia listen as Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, speaks about his stance on immigration and undocumented residents of the United States.

Craig aims to quicken procedures for legalization

By Nate Johnson Times-News writer

BURLEY - U.S. Sen. Larry Craig Tuesday told the 60 or so people gathered at City Hall he supports new and faster procedures for the legalization of immigrants already living in the United States.

gally in the United States are vulnerable to exploitation and abuse. The Idaho Community Action Network organized the Burley event, taking advantage of the opportunity to meet with the senator as he other Republicans were in Burley as part of a bus tour through southern Idaho.

ability to adjust to lawful status. Speakers made the case that people working illegally in America fuel the economy and contributed much more than they receive in social services.

Craig recognized the importance of the problem. Twelve percent of the U.S. work force is made up of immigrants, he said. That number will have to rise to 20 percent by 2010 "to keep America going," Craig said.

Lincoln extension agent resigns

By Lorraine Cavener Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE - The University of Idaho agriculture extension educator for Lincoln County has resigned and will transfer to Blaine County.

4-H program begins Lincoln County 4-H is taking applications from eighth- and ninth-graders for the "Know Your Government" program.

Cassia considers funds for 4-H worker - B3 working on a Lincoln County grasshopper prevention program, he said.

Cassia zoning regs come under fire

By Nate Johnson Times-News writer

BURLEY - Development outside city limits in Cassia County is steeled by zoning ordinances, but some say development in the county is out of control.

the public. Speakers are expected to bring up the issue of neighbor notification instead versus outside city limits in Cassia County is steeled by zoning ordinances, but some say development in the county is out of control.

Commissioners were concerned about the county's 4-H program and asked what would happen if no replacement is found by next fall's county fair.

In an interview later, Kimball said she is working to get some programs together for this fall. She is also planning the Clover Bud Camp for next summer and encouraging eighth- and ninth-graders to get their applications in "for the 'Know Your Government' program."

Times-News correspondent Lorraine Cavener can be reached at 436-1351 or lcavener@cableone.net.

Speakers might also raise the issue of how the planning and zoning board gathers evidence to make decisions. The board should ask for information from experts rather than relying on those opposing and those seeking.

Public hearing There will be a public hearing Oct. 30 regarding ideas to speed Washington Street North between Shoup Avenue and Pole Line Road.

Council hears ideas for street project

By Mark Heinz Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A narrow section of Washington Street North in Twin Falls could be boosted to a width of 90 feet, but that would affect many as 10 homes and a business along the route, an engineer told the City Council Monday.

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Public hearing There will be a public hearing Oct. 30 regarding ideas to speed Washington Street North between Shoup Avenue and Pole Line Road.

Under current plans, construction would start in 2005, he said. The council took no action on the proposal, which is up for a public hearing Oct. 30.

Or, the street could be widened to 90 feet to include bike lanes separated from motor traffic by a median - at an estimated cost of \$12,565,000, Wertz said. That would cause relocation on 10 private residences and one business. That would also make access to properties on the east side of the road more difficult, he said.

Regarding another project, the city approved adding a new pumping station and 214,000-gallon water storage

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Hansen plans party to give kids safe environment for Halloween

Margaret Jones Times-News correspondent

HANSEN - Plans are under way for a community Halloween party for the young people of Hansen whose parents want a safe environment for their children to celebrate.

Virginia Reed spoke to the City Council during this week's meeting about the party, which will be at the elementary school gymnasium Halloween night. Reed said there is a need for volunteers to help organize games and other activities. Those interested may call her at 423-4788.

Also this week, Dec. 7 has been chosen as the night for the annual Christmas tree. The tree lighting and chili supper will be held in the new park on U.S. Highway 30.

The M-J-D Community Action group will be selling wishing cards, which will decorate the tree, in Hansen and Kimberly businesses and at ball games. Proceeds from sales will go to the

Wishing Star Foundation and the East End Producers.

Other council business this week included:

• Senior services - The council tabled a request for financial support for seniors until the next council meeting.

Judy Tipton from the Retired Seniors Volunteer Program had asked if the city would be able to donate money to be used for transportation costs for seniors who needed transportation for medical or personal reasons.

• Property in question - Mayor George Urte announced it has been brought to his attention that there is a strip of land along the north side of the railroad and on the south side of some businesses that was not needed to the businesses.

The council agreed the records should be researched to see if this land is still considered part of the Hansen townsite.

• Parking concerns - Residents had voiced their concerns about motorists who were parking too close to stop signs and blocking

the view for motorists at the intersection.

• Franchise contract - The council approved the contract with Cable One for a provider franchise.

• Variance request - The council approved Kip and Colleen Wilkins' request for a variance on the setbacks on their recently purchased property. The council said any future additions to the property would have to comply with zoning regulations.

• Registering businesses - Councilman Roger Shanahan asked for the council's opinion on registering the city's businesses. He said he felt this might prove helpful if an undesirable business wanted to locate.

• Craft show - There will be a craft show in the community building Dec. 7. Interested individuals may contact Reed at 423-4788.

GOP candidates take to the road

BOISE (AP) - Republican candidates hit the road Tuesday for the party's quadrennial campaign bus tour.

U.S. Sen. Larry Craig and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, GOP hopefuls for the other statewide offices and the party's candidates for the Legislature and local offices will be stumping for votes in more than 50 communities this week.

"This will be a great chance to come meet the people who are asking for your vote," Republican Party Executive Director Scott Phillips said.

Democrats, the minority party in the state, hope to make some inroads on Nov. 5. The tightest race pits former Democratic prosecutor Keith Roark against Republican Chief Deputy

Attorney General Lawrence Wasden to replace retiring GOP Attorney General Al Lance and Republican Congressman Tom Luna against Democratic incumbent State Schools Superintendent Marilyn Howard.

The Democrats staged their statewide bus tour last summer.

Republican Congressman Michael Simpson, who faces an underfunded challenge from college teacher Edward Kinghorn, was in Washington, D.C., where Congress is still meeting.

State Senate Republican Floor Leader Jim Risch, who faces Democratic attorney and business consultant Bruce Perry for lieutenant governor, was joining the tour later. But Republican Treasurer Ron

Crawns was on the initial leg although he has only third party opposition this fall as he did in his first bid for statewide office in 1998.

"Republican candidates are giving Idaho residents a great opportunity to voice their concerns and meet the candidates," GOP Chairman John Sandys said.

At least one interest group intended to take them up on it. The Idaho Community Action Network and dozens of immigrants are meeting with Craig in Burley to ask the senator to back agreement between President Bush and Mexico President Vicente Fox to legalize immigrants who have been working in the U.S. States and paying taxes for 10 years.

Campaign pays for victims' legal representation

BOISE (AP) - Victims of domestic violence will have access to quality legal representation through a campaign undertaken by Idaho Supreme Court Chief Justice Linda Copple Trout and corporate leaders.

"Thousands of times a year, Idahoans are victims of domestic violence. The victims are often women and their children. They frequently have few resources with which to pursue their legal rights," Trout said.

"This campaign helps fill that gap in legal services for women who need the help at a time when they are in crisis." The Idaho Farmers for Justice

Project has already secured pledges of more than \$25,000 from law firms, attorneys, corporations and individuals.

The goal is \$100,000. The drive to pay for free legal services will continue for the next two months.

The money goes to Idaho Legal Aid Services and the Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program.

Last year, more than 5,000 petitions were filed in protection orders in domestic violence cases. More than 12,000 victims contacted shelters or crisis hotlines.

Joining Trout in the announcement was Idaho Bar Association President Fred Hoopes of Idaho Falls and Idaho-West Energy Co. Chief Executive Officer Randy Hill, members of the project's executive committee. Also on hand were some women who were victims of such violence, but benefited from free legal services.

Last year's campaign generated enough money and resources to help more than 450 victims.

MEMORIAL TO REMEMBER GOODING COUNTY COURTS



Gloria Gonzales, 5, ofampa looks at the names on the 'Moving Wall' before the closing ceremonies for the Vietnam War Memorial at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa. Many local Vietnam veterans, their family and friends welcomed the week-long exhibit. It's been a great time of healing, Nampa Mayor Tom Dale said.

GOODING - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Gooding County included the following:

Misdemeanor arraignments
Erin Charles Needler, 20, 1216 U.S. Highway, 26, Blas battery/domestic violence continued arraignment Oct. 10; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Benjamin Joseph Ratto, 27, 525 Oregon St., Gooding domestic violence/protection order, present; Oct. 10; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Oct. 28; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Misdemeanor sentences
Shawn Jennifer Gonzalez, 34, 520 E. Ave. C, App. C, Verbal school bus/unlawfully oversteering and passing, \$100 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Michael Scott Austin, 20, 344 Fourth Ave. W., Wendell, false possession of a controlled substance count one, dismissed by prosecutor; court two, \$1,000 fine, \$300 suspended, \$63.50 court costs; defendant fee, \$75; public defender fee, 24 months' unsupervised probation; use or possession of drug paraphernalia, dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Franklin, 20, 746 Utah St., Gooding battery, \$500 fine, \$350 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation; 12 months' unsupervised probation; 180 days in jail; suspended; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Matthew N. Hoffman, 20, 2819 S. 850 E., Wendell, false imprisonment, \$150 fine, \$63.50 court costs, \$100 public defender fee; 90 days in jail; suspended; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Richard Wayne Sutter, 45, 1447 Idaho St., No. 210, Gooding, possession of a controlled substance, 12 months' unsupervised probation; 180 days in jail; suspended; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Derik Warner Howard, 28, P.O. Box 496, Wendell, violent drug violation amended to does running a drug, \$150 fine, \$32.50 court costs; 90 days in jail; suspended; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Nicole Lynn Evans, 21, 225 E. Ave. F, No. 4, Wendell, driving under the influence amended to inattention, \$100 fine, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation; 12 months' unsupervised probation; 90 days in jail; suspended; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Bradley E. Stokewberry, 23, 4212 Ray St., Boise, carrying alcohol to the underage, \$300 fine, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation; 12 months' unsupervised probation; 90 days in jail; suspended; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Misdemeanor dismissals
Calleen Ann Rowlin, 41, 669 River Road, No. 2, Elgin, driving under the influence amended to inattention; present; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Ray Lane Carter, 39, 915 Lincoln, Jerome, disturbing the peace, dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Civil filings
Buck Management Alternatives vs. Pedro R. Gabriel, Seeking \$1,168,430 plus interest; \$400 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges defendant owes for accounts rendered to the plaintiff's collection.

Peterson, Seeking \$4,172,921 plus interest; \$1,550 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges defendant owes for accounts assigned to the plaintiff's collection.

Child support cases
State of Idaho Health and Welfare vs. Brandon C. Hammond and Pauline A. Mavencamp, Seeking determination that Brandon C. Hammond is the natural father of child support of \$180 per month after deducting high school; \$0 per month of medical and day care expenses to be paid by Brandon C. Hammond; \$0 per month of medical and day care expenses; Brandon C. Hammond to pay attorney fees.

SERVICES

Kyle G. Williams of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at Park's Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Mildred Elvira Pullin of Twin Falls, graveside service at 1 p.m. today at the Hazelton Cemetery (White Marquay, Twin Falls).

Ole Mlemvon of Wendell, service at 1 p.m. today at White Marquay; interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

Nena Viola Robinson of Twin Falls, graveside service at 10 a.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park.

Thomas Michael Ordas of Jerome, funeral Mass at 1 p.m. Thursday at St. Jerome Catholic

Church vigil service at 6:30 p.m. today at Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel; viewing from 6-8 p.m. today at the funeral chapel.

James Walter Webb, infant son of James and Nichole Webb, memorial service at 2 p.m. Nov. 3 at the Reflection of History Mausoleum at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

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Senator accuses Park Service of retaliating against ranger

HELENA, Mont. (AP) - A U.S. senator is demanding an explanation from the National Park Service why it cut short the season of a Yellowstone National Park ranger who earlier was ordered to stop speaking out about unscrupulous hunters.

Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said sending Bob Jackson home early smacks of further retaliation and violates the spirit of a settlement the agency reached with him last year.

Jackson, a 30-year park veteran, patrols a remote area of Yellowstone near the park's southeast corner. His expertise is catching poachers and he has long criticized hunting guides he says illegally lure elk from Yellowstone by placing salt outside park boundaries in Forest Service land in Wyoming.

In 2001, Jackson, who lives in Promise City, Iowa, said park management ordered him not to speak publicly about his concerns and sent him home from his job early, telling him he would not be hired back the next season.

Jackson filed a complaint and, under an agreement reached in December 2001, was rehired for the 2002 season to patrol the same area of the park.

However, he said the agency asked him to leave Sept. 17, long

before hunting season outside the park heats up. That was extended a couple of weeks, but only after the Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility complained to the agency, he said.

Still, he is being asked to leave much earlier than normal, Jackson contends.

"This is a thing that is bigger than me," he said. "It has to do with a lot of the status quo with the National Park Service."

Rick Frost, a spokesman for the Park Service's regional office in Denver, said Grassley and Fran Maninella, the agency's director, had corresponded about Jackson. But Frost said he did not know the extent of the discussion and could not immediately comment.

In a letter to Interior Secretary Gale Norton, who oversees the agency, Grassley said it appears the Park Service is still trying to punish Jackson for speaking out.

"When someone like him speaks up about unethical practices and gets sidelined and shut out, then there are a lot of questions for the National Park Service to answer," Grassley said in a statement. "I'm intent on stopping this kind of intimidation so other government workers who are willing to speak up about problems are not deterred."

DEATH NOTICES

Carma Cross
GOODING - Carma Cross, 74, of Hagerman died Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2002, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Dick Evans
HEYBURN - Richard A. "Dick" Evans, 95, of Heyburn died Monday, Oct. 14, 2002, at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

Arrangements will be announced by Reussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Some names are omitted at the patient's request.
Admitted
Paul Berggren of Twin Falls

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
Some names are omitted at the patient's request.
Admitted
Dora Henderson of Burley
Eileen Mong of Rupert

OBITUARIES

For funeral time and information, call 733-0934, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

JEROME

Lona V. Rydchal
Lona and her twin sister, Nona were born May 30, 1904, in Beaver Creek, Nebraska, to Jessie and Joseph Yochom. In 1907 the family came by railroad to settle in the Twin Falls area. Lona graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1924. She married Maaser Rydchal of Twin Falls in 1925. They managed several businesses in Idaho, Illinois, and California. Lona returned to Idaho in 1994. Lona studied Home Economics at Clarkston University. Through her studies of nutrition she became a scientific vegetarian. She enjoyed creating hats and reading, especially classics of history and ancient

languages. She was preceded in death by her husband, Tom, in 1994. She is survived by her son, Eric, and daughter, Mary.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 30, at the American Lutheran Church of Sun City.

Jeannie was preceded in death by her husband, Red, and one son, Mark. She will be deeply

PEORIA, ARIZ.

Jeannie Nicholson Selland
Jeannie Nicholson Selland 79, of Peoria, AZ, peacefully passed away Oct. 11, 2002.

She was born June 4, 1923, in Wendell, Idaho, to Walter and Nora Nicholson. Jeannie grew up and attended school in the Twin Falls, Idaho area. She then spent many years following her husband, Glenn (Red) in his military career and raising her family. After his retirement from the Army they spent 8 years living in Utah and 10 years in Colorado before choosing Arizona as their final destination.

Jeannie then pursued her own career in Management Recruiting and successfully owned her own business. She was a member of The American Lutheran Church of Sun City.

Jeannie was preceded in death by her husband, Red, and one son, Mark. She will be deeply

missed by all who knew and loved her especially by her 2 sons, David Majors & wife Englette, Mike Selland & wife Kathy and 3 daughters, Lisa Larsen & husband, Debra Walker & husband, Tim, and Sandy Ingila & husband, Don. A grandchild, Mark, Debra, McKenzie, Nick, Alex, Jason and Randy and one great-grandson, Daniel who not only loved her and grand but was in the love of her life. She is also survived by one sister, Carol Low, three brothers, Jack, Gilbert, and Charles Nicholson, one stepbrother, Eileen Thompson along with many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at Sunland Funeral Home, 15226 Del Webb Blvd. in Sun City on Sat. Oct. 19, 2002 at 7 p.m. Jeannie will be laid to rest with her husband at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C. The family would like to thank everyone at Paperette Square Assisted Living and H. Hospice for not only the care given their mother but also the compassion that was shown. In lieu of any flowers the family requests donations be made to: RTA Hospice 1102 E. McDowell Blvd. Phoenix, AZ 85008 in memory of Jeannie Selland.

Biodiesel pump opens near park

WEST YELLOWSTONE, Mont. (AP) - The first pump in Montana to offer travelers a fuel made in part from fats or oils is now open on the outskirts of Yellowstone National Park.

The park, already used by the state in a new funding effort, its vehicles and other equipment, is being sold at an Econo-Mart in the popular park gateway of West Yellowstone.

The blend is 10 percent biodiesel and 90 percent diesel, officials said.

"Visitors and local residents here care about the environment and they're asking for it," said Travis Watt said Tuesday, adding that biodiesel is cleaner-burning and produced domestically.

Use of alternative fuels is one component of a "sustainability" plan dubbed "The Greening of Yellowstone," that officials are following to help preserve the world's first national park. Officials are gradually introducing the plan's initiatives, such as recycling, to the millions of park visitors.

Jim Ewanoff, a management consultant involved in the plan, said visitors often ask how they can get the fuel. He said, "All we're doing is reacting to the way the visitors use the park."

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UI agent looks for money from Cassia

The Times-News
BURLEY - A University of Idaho extension agent asked the Cassia County commissioners for \$10,000 during the next four years to pay an employee more in exchange for additional job duties.
 The University of Idaho would

supplement the money from the county, said Joann Parr, University of Idaho extension agent.
 The money would allow Maria Lowder to work as 4-H coordinator for the next four years.
 The commissioners took the request for advisement.
 Lowder already helps coordi-

nate 4-H clubs in Cassia County, but with the additional money she would do all the work, allowing extension agent Richard Garrard and Parr more time to provide agricultural advice to farmers, Parr said.
 In the restructuring of the university, Twin Falls County lost two specialists, Parr said.

Parr now spends 70 percent of her time on administrative duties.
 The county budget has already been approved and would have to be amended before the commissioners could allocate \$10,000 to the extension office, Commissioner Dennis Crane pointed out.

Burley prepares for airport ceremony

By Shelley Ridnour
 Times-News writer

BURLEY - The mayor's keeping his fingers crossed for another week of good weather as he puts the final touches on the ceremony to rename the Burley airport.
 Mayor Jon Anderson reported Tuesday that the 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21, event at the airport should be a festive one.
 The City Council voted several months ago to rename the airport the J.R. "Jack" Simplot Airport, in recognition of Jack Simplot's business contributions to the area, state and nation.
 "I hope everyone understands we're not trying to give him credit for closing a plant, but rather for keeping one open here for 70 years," Anderson said. Simplot's potato processing plant in Heyburn.

The two surviving members of the Simplot company's original board have indicated they'll attend the ceremony, Councilman Dennis Curtis said. The Burley High School band will perform.
 Also Tuesday, two members of the council's golf course committee said the municipal course is in as good condition as it has possibly ever been in, but the committee is still developing a set of standards for the golf course to ensure it stays that way.
 The committee is evaluating golf course fees but isn't recommending any increases.
 One topic the committee has discussed is whether people who live inside the city limits and pay taxes who are used to support the golf course should pay the same fee as people who live outside the city limits.

Rupert's DeMary Library gets land for expansion

By Nats Johnson
 Times-News writer

RUPERT - The Friends of the DeMary Library intend to use donated land to build a library expansion, but they don't plan to start construction soon.
 Bob Balch, a Mason and a library user, donated \$5,000 to the Masonic Lodge and asked the society to donate a square of land to the city for library use. The land is about 90 feet by 30 feet and lies between the Masonic Temple and the DeMary Library. On Tuesday the Rupert City Council accepted ownership of the land.
 The Friends of the Library will probably not draft plans for the expansion for another few years, said Ed Linard, who represented the group at the council meeting.
 "But we're dreaming," he said. The expansion could be a 20-foot-by-40-foot wing with new

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reading rooms, storage rooms or space for computers, Linard said.
Get a lesson in radiology Thursday in Ketchum
KETCHUM - Radiologist Tom Broderick will discuss the new MRI scanner at St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center during a free brown bag lunch at 12:15 p.m. Thursday in the hospital's Baldy Conference Rooms.
 Magnetic Resonance Imaging is a diagnostic technique that produces a detailed picture of internal organs and other body structures without using X-rays. It's been useful in diagnosing brain and spinal cord tumors, as well as ear and eye diseases and disorders.
 - compiled from staff reports

Howard says she's made gains while in office

BOISE (AP) - State Superintendent of Schools Marilyn Howard's campaign opponents suggest sweeping changes in funding education and teaching English as a second language.
 The Democratic incumbent, instead, told a Tuesday debate at Boise State University of the incremental improvements that have occurred during her four years in office.
 Republican Tom Luna, a Nampa businessman and seven-year member of the local school board, called for reining in the "business side of education."
 "I mean the operations outside of the classroom: transportation, the redundancy in human

resources. We need to understand every dollar of inefficiency we fund in education we do at the expense of our most vulnerable seniors in need of a prescription program and the most vulnerable of children who need health insurance."
 Luna said he believed all can be accomplished without more tax dollars.
 Libertarian candidate Robbi Kier of Nampa said the Idaho Department of Education's inefficiency caused the state school budget to soar over the years. She suggests creating a system of tax credits. The recipients would be more apt to apply them in their school districts, bolstering local control.

Howard said her total budget request includes what is needed to maintain operations, fund what the Legislature deems necessary such as technology and implementing standards, and discretionary spending that the school districts can apply to their own needs.
 She has recommended a 2 percent pay increase for teachers, which would be 1.6 percent of the entire budget.
 "It shows an ongoing commitment that they will not fall behind as we move forward," she said. "Education is more important than it ever has been."
 "We need to stop micromanaging teaching and we need to give them the money they deserve," said Luna, who recently called

Howard's proposed 2 percent salary hike for the teachers unwise in this tight state budget.
 Luna also said the Idaho schools are not helping many of the Hispanic students to learn English and remain enrolled. He suggested more bilingual teachers, even if means paying "top dollar for them."
 Kier, likewise, said Idaho educators are not serving such English learners.
 Howard responded that the teachers are not immediately plunging young students into English, but helping them first understand concepts in their native language. Those educators are receiving training in serving these children.

Candidates

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 to 10 cents when the children numbered more than one, Cameron said. The reimbursement for driving the first child to the doctor is still 36 cents.
 "Is that harsh? I don't think so," Cameron said.
 Bill Chishom, a Senate candidate in the new District 23, approved, saying, "Times are tight, but tough times can be our best times because everyone has to pull together."
 Chishom, whom Democrat Doug Jones is challenging for District 26, refused to approve any tax increase, however. He said it would take courage to go back to one's constituents after the legislative session and tell a senior citizen he will pay higher taxes. But it will take even more

courage to cut all the budgets to make sure there are no tax increases to begin with, Cameron said.
 His Minidoka County counterpart, Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, brought up the state's most sacred cow - education. Because public schools and higher education combined take up almost 65 percent of the state's budget, he predicted more education cuts in order to make up the shortfall.
 "Public schools and higher ed cannot be exempt if we are going to make it through this," he said.
 But Democrats distanced themselves from Republicans on the subject of education. Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, insisted an economy cannot thrive without a well-educated

populace. She also said the No. 1 requisite for attracting new business into a state is a good school system.
 Democrat Douglas Jones backed her, saying, "We can't cut education if we want to avoid becoming the Mississippi of the Rocky Mountains."
 Republican Doug Jones said that ultimately a compromise of spending cuts in state agencies combined with a two-year sales tax increase is the most realistic approach. He suggested another blue-ribbon panel, such as the one Gov. Dirk Kempthorne recently appointed to find solutions to the current shortfall. But Jones' panel would work over the next two years to re-examine the state's current tax structure, which he said is no longer a bal-

anced three-legged system of property, income and sales taxes. During that time, there would be a sales tax increase of 1 percent. The day the sales tax expired, the blue-ribbon panel would make its recommendations to the 2005 Legislature to improve the current tax structure.
 Republican Doug Jones said nothing other than a sales tax increase would raise enough money fast enough to balance this year's budget. And Democrat Douglas Jones concurred, saying, "We're probably going to have to raise the sales tax. That's the reality."
 But Stevenson firmly resisted. "I want to know if there's anyone here who has ever seen a sunset clause on a tax," he said.

Zoning

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 filing applications for data and analysis, Brackenbury said.
 At the Alliance Land and Livestock hearing, the board did not have enough information to determine if the feedlot could pollute the groundwater in the area or significantly lower the quality of life for the residents, Brackenbury wrote.
 Planning and zoning commission members have already suggested two changes to the ordinance, but the commissioners have not acted on the suggestions. The planning and zoning board suggested the county create a procedure to allow the

board to reconsider a single condition of a permit. If someone has a problem with one condition, the person must now appeal the entire permit.
 The planning board also asked commissioners to require conditional use permit applicants to notify all property owners within a half-mile of the projects two weeks before the permit hearing. The ordinance now has no time frame to make such notification.
 Cassia County can benefit from the subject of education. Feeding Bureau of Land Management aircraft at the airport. LM money should cover the costs - \$17,850.
 * Voted to accept an increase

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 tank at Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport at a cost of about \$460,000.
 Airport Manager Bill Carberry said the project can be funded by a loan, which could be repaid by raising user fees at the airport.
 The council also:
 * Approved installing new water and fire retardant storage tanks at the airport for use by the Bureau of Land Management aircraft at the airport. LM money should cover the costs - \$17,850.
 * Voted to accept an increase

of 1.4 percent, or \$39,442, in the yearly fee the city pays to the OMI company for operation and maintenance at the Twin Falls wastewater treatment plant.
 * Agreed to give \$10,000 to the Magic Valley Arts Council for program development - which might include such projects as literacy programs and efforts to attract more students and young people to the arts.
 Times-News writer Mark Heinz can be reached at 735-3238 or by e-mail at mheinz@magicvalley.com.

Craig

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 workers. Craig's bill would make Idaho workers making it easier for them to obtain documentation and allowing them to obtain driver's licenses, he said. The legislation would also allow the Legislature to begin the process of becoming a signatory to the program.
 The legislation is not a piece of legislation, but would allow the Legislature to undo the law if the workers in the United States, Craig said. The law would

not provide amnesty for people illegally living in the United States.
 "I looked into this problem a decade ago as a work program," Craig said. When the program failed, he said, he was investigating the issue. Craig found many workers struggling to find more help, he said. But as he investigated the issue, Craig found many workers were also seeking citizenship treatment.
 "With the new Congress I am confident we will pass sweeping

reform in immigration law," Craig said.
 Craig also said he would co-sponsor the "Dream Act" with Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, but Craig said the bill will probably not be passed. Instead, the changes proposed in the act would probably come about as part of education bills, he said.
 Rigs Victoria of Burley told his story. He came to America in 1985 from Mexico. Victoria received good grades and was a

star athlete but could not continue his education because he was not eligible for student aid. His applications to the military were rejected.
 "Now I think of all those nights I stayed up late doing homework and being so close to getting it, but what? I am no better off," Victoria said.
 Times-News writer Nats Johnson can be reached at the newspaper's Mini-Cassia Bureau at 677-4042.

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Audit: INEEL runs over budget on waste

BOISE (AP) - Inadequate planning and poor management more than doubled the government's cost of meeting two deadlines in cleaning up radioactive waste in eastern Idaho, a federal audit said.

Report blames poor planning, management

determine whether that \$390,000 in work scheduled for two years ago at the Irradiated Fuel Storage Facility was eventually done.

cost \$57 million, \$18 million more than budgeted. Shipping the waste to New Mexico was expected to cost \$214 million, \$150 million over budget.

projects. Each was also managed under procedures that avoided closer scrutiny by senior management.

As a result, the report said the cost overruns prompted the decision to not to transfer two railcars carrying 125 spent nuclear fuel rods from the West Valley Demonstration Project to INEEL as scheduled in the 1995 agreement.

Democrat Perry outraises Risch during summer

BOISE (AP) - Democrat Bruce Perry has raised more cash than Republican James Risch in the race for lieutenant governor that has already set a spending record.

GOP supporters, including \$2,000 or more each from Canyon County Republicans and the Association of Realtors. He also got \$1,800 from his personal friend, the former Democratic floor leader in the state Senate, Kermit Kiebert of Sandpoint.

But Bruce Perry remains at a disadvantage to the huge personal fortune of Risch, who has used his own money to set a single-candidate spending record for the office that pays just \$26,000 a year.

Vets: Health care system fails to meet needs

BOISE (AP) - Idaho veterans told congressional members on Tuesday that the Veterans Administration health care system is rife with Catch-22 rules that delay or deny access.

connected-disability ratings should be seen first," Jaurena said. The panel testified before Rep. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., chairman of the House Government Reform Subcommittee.

ty rating of 50 percent or higher, he said. "I believe this new is a step in the right direction in providing veterans with more timely access to care," Otter said.

sonal health insurance than to fly him to Seattle to see a heart specialist. "This is almost a joke if it is not so serious," Smith said.

Risch, the veteran lawmaker and Senate Republican floor leader, raised more than \$15,000 and put in another \$750 from his own fortune.

under \$600,000 in the 1994 campaign. Risch, whose ambition to be governor is no secret, with the state Capitol, has spent \$550,000 of his own money and \$38,000 contributed by others to survive a six-way GOP primary in May and set the stage for Nov. 5.

John Birch Society speaker visits T.F.

By Cathy Roemer Times News correspondent TWIN FALLS - National sovereignty versus global governance. What is it and what does it mean?

power, whereas the U.S. Constitution diffuses or separates the powers of civil government," he said. Fotheringham said that though the charter was billed as a "love document with all the starry-eyed things we think of when we think of peace and happiness, it is really interlaced with deadly thorns."

marine veteran, Fotheringham says his mission now has changed. Retired from industrial engineering, he travels and educates people across the country about what he says are growing threats to America's freedoms.

Two die in experimental plane crash

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Two people were killed and another was injured when an experimental airplane crashed while landing at a private airstrip Tuesday, authorities said.

killed. Another passenger, Nate Calvin, 34, Boise, was thrown from the plane and survived, Kootenai County Sheriff's Capt. Ben Wolfinger said.

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Section C

Abundance of blossoms

The Clarks' garden spans several colorful acres

By Coreen Hart
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT - Charles and Renee Clark tend a garden that looks like an illustration in "A Child's Garden of Verses."

Their almost-three acres are jammed with flowers, fruit trees and vegetables - and they even have children frequently visiting.

The driveway is bounded on one side by mature trees and rows of less-common sunflowers. The other side is a deep border of blooms, beginning with low-growing portulaca in jewel-box colors. Medium-height blossoms include phlox, gladioli, roses, Shasta "crazy daisy," asters, minkya, perennials, dianthus and delphiniums. The back row exceeds 6 feet and includes buddleia and sunflowers.

There's a flagstone walkway leading to the front door, or to more garden beds: Your choice. There's a small patch of lawn, too, but Renee Clark said that's going out. She needs more room for flowers.

She specializes in cut flowers and arrangements. Visitors seldom leave empty-handed, by her mandate.

"I always put them in warm or hot water as soon as I cut them," she said of the blooms. "They last much longer that way. Cut the stems on an angle so they can get more water."

The Clarks have gardened around the world, but now they are retired and their small acreage is home. On site, Charles Clark has even designed and built a drip system that waters about two acres, including flowers and fruit trees.

"It all comes from a little sandpoint well," he said. "It saves a lot of water and work. I started with a small system and expanded and expanded."

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"I had one given to me last year, and I let it go to seed," Renee Clark lamented. "Now I've got a hundred."

All loaded with more seed.

"Charles does more than half of the work," his wife said of the extensive gardens. "This wouldn't exist without him."

But her husband of more than 50 years disagrees.

"This garden is just to keep my wife happy," he insisted. "I just help out."

The Clarks have raised five children, all of whom love to garden.

"They all do a good job," their father said, "but the one boy, Cordell, he's trying to outdo us. Of course, he's in southern California where he can work on it all year long."

These days, there's a 9-year-old neighbor learning all about it at the Clark house, too. Paige Johnson helps with her parents' 14-acre truck garden - and the

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When guests arrive at the Clark home, they see a riot of color, reminiscent of a cottage in a child's fairy tale.

Photos by CORREEN HART, The Times-News



Many colors flash in the Clarks' garden.



A view toward glassies in the sunshine. In the background, Charles Clark is checking on his irrigation system.



Cutting flowers for yet another arrangement is the whole point of gardening for Renee Clark.

FOOD & HOME

Soak the roots to save the plants

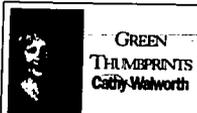
Fall caught me off guard. Sure, a few leaves started to turn, and I did appreciate them. Not all this early cold spell hit did it finally dawn on me: It's autumn - time for plants to prepare for winter. That means I need to get everything thoroughly soaked.

Trees and shrubs drop their leaves in fall while they harden their bark in preparation for winter. They drain most of the water out of their upper, exposed branches, and hunker down in an ideal world, roots would spend the winter encased in an ice cube.

Dried out roots is probably the Number One killer of trees and shrubs in winter. Above ground, broad-leaved plants, even junipers, might appreciate a little burlap covering or an anti-desiccant spray such as Wilt-Proof to keep winter winds from drying them out.

Below ground, roots want to stay moist. If roots are not kept moist during winter, they are quickly freeze dried - much like your instant coffee - and appear to die suddenly when spring rolls around.

Drag out the hose. Set sprin-



GREEN THUMBPRINTS
Cathy Walworth

klers on lower drip lines or spread out, soaker hoses for several hours or overnight. If you use a sprinkler system, set it for about three times as long as you usually run it. Your goal is to soak the entire root system, which is about 2 feet deep. We don't know how far from the trunk some tree roots go, but some have been traced as long as three city blocks. We'll just assume we're getting most of them wet.

Soak the roots every two or three weeks for now. Then go to once a month. Remember to soak those plants under the eaves. They get almost no winter wetness and need all the help they can get. Continue your monthly routine as long as the ground accepts the water - until it is so frozen that water runs off when applied slowly.

DEAR CATHY: I have been enjoying your column for a long time and always learn something I can use. Thanks for your no-nonsense advice! I am trying to garden on the Camas Prairie (zone 2, 5,000 feet elevation, 50-degree temperature swings daily).

About mid-summer, my Michaelmas Daisies (also novae-angliae, I think) began to brown and just when they should show off, large sections of each clump turn brown, crispy and look scorched. Water isn't lacking, nor do they have spider-mites. Nowhere do I read about them being prey to mildew or virus blight, but that is sort of what it looks like. What could be wrong?

-CAMAS DAISY

DEAR DAISY: Thanks for writing. Sounds like you're tending a lovely garden up in No-Man's Land. The problem with your daisies could be a lot of things, though. This is when "telephone diagnosis" is hardest. I can only give you a couple of guesses.

One is that we're looking at wind burn. Another is aster yellows, another verticillium wilt.

Wind burn shows up much like you describe. It can be cured with a wind screen of some kind. Some people put up a lean-to sort of thing. Some plant something bigger and tougher. Some might put garden statuary there to block the wind.

The other two diseases are harder to deal with. Aster yellows is transmitted by leaf hoppers, and the only way to get rid of it is to remove and destroy infected plants. Get rid of all nearby weeds, too. Use an appropriate spray for leafhoppers to get rid of the insects, as well.

Verticillium wilt cannot be cured, either. The disease infects from the soil through the roots and up. The best prevention is to choose plants that are resistant to the fungi. Sorry I couldn't be more help, or at least give you cheerier news.

What's bugging your garden? Write to Cathy in care of this newspaper or e-mail her at: cwtwo@pmt.org. You can also glean more regional information from Cathy at www.nationalgardening.com. Click on the Inland Northwest region.

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In a small saucepan, reduce 1 cup of Chambord by half. Set aside to cool.

In a small bowl, beat mascarpone until soft. In separate bowl, beat egg yolks with sugar (reserving 1 tablespoon) until

mixture is pale yellow and fluffy. Gradually beat in mascarpone. With electric beater or wire whisk, beat egg whites with salt until they form stiff peaks.

Gently fold egg whites into mascarpone mixture, then fold in 1/4 of Chambord reduction. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate to rest to your daisies could be a lot of things, though. This is when "telephone diagnosis" is hardest. I can only give you a couple of guesses.

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ment over pastry, then place another cookie sheet directly over pastry.

Bake at 375 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes, or until golden and crisp. Let cool at room temperature.

Melt chocolate, preferably in a double boiler. Let cool slightly; brush tops of pastry rectangles with chocolate. Let cool.

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Garden

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proceeds from the corn, tomatoes, green beans and squash are divided equally between her college fund and 8-year-old brother Jake's. In her free time, Paige joins the Clarks, whom she calls grandparents, in cutting flowers for arrangements.

"Paige entered 19 arrangements at the Minidoka County Fair," said Renee Clark, this year's president of the Minidoka Garden Club. "She got 19 blue ribbons for them, and a Princess award for the most entries by a young person. Then she entered seven arrangements in the Cassia County Fair and earned five more blue ribbons and two reds."

Clark, herself, entered more than 40 arrangements in the Minidoka County Fair and more in the Cassia County Fair. She earned enough ribbons to catch a quilt, she said, should she ever have the time.

The Clarks' vegetables are mostly toward the back of the property. There are 70 tomato plants, plus artichokes, squash, corn and more. The tomatoes were late this year.

Renee's favorite plants are the sunflowers. Some are in rows and some are in beds. The common roadside versions grow 10 feet tall, and the birds love them.

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Easy gardening starts with weed control

By Dean Foodick
The Associated Press

NEW MARKET, Va. — Andre Viette is part nurseryman, part scientist, part educator and part pitcher — definitely a person with little spare time on his hands. That might explain why he's been working the lecture circuit lately, talking about low-maintenance gardening.

He gives his advice dirt cheap, and it begins with weed control. "Start clean and stay clean," Viette says. "I may squirt a little Roundup on weedy patches but after a couple of years putting down mulch, I can generally get free of weed-killers."

Viette punctuates his presentations by demonstrating how he spends just 12 hours a week caring for his six-acre display garden.

"A garden without weeds is a garden that doesn't take a lot of time," he says.

He teaches horticulture at a nearby community college, anchors a weekly syndicated question-and-answer garden show aired in eight eastern states

and gives more than 50 lectures and workshops per year. That, along with managing his flowers. People in the tens of thousands annually visit his 300-acre farm and nursery near Fishersville, Va., in the heart of the Shenandoah Valley.

Together with his wife, Claire, and son, Mark, Viette specializes in raising and hybridizing perennials (he's known for his work developing daylilies) on 210 of those acres. He grows more than 3,000 varieties of perennials in his fields and display garden.

Hardy perennials comprise one theme of his easy gardening pitch. They don't have to be planted every year — you can keep a heritage strain going, they offer a progression of colors through the growing season and selected varieties can thrive in sun or shade.

"You always read that it's bet-

ter to go with native plants, but they don't necessarily do any better than the exotics," Viette says. "Eighty percent of all our plants, including peonies, hostas and such, are from other lands. I think gardeners would be better off being horticulturally correct rather than politically correct. Just choose the right plants for the right place."

Viette has his own ideas about watering: "Deep watering gives you deep roots. Automatic watering systems are death on gardens. They water too frequently and too shallowly. Water at most once a week — the equivalent of one- to two-inches of rain — but do it gently so there's no runoff. Be prepared, though, to spend eight, 10- or 14 hours watering."

Other easy gardening suggestions:

- Cut your grass no lower than 3 inches high. "Taller grass

screens lawn problems. Taller grass also stops seedlings from crab grasses and keeps dandelions from germinating."

- Use the right tools. "We've converted to Swiss swing hoes around the nursery," Viette says. "Nothing against U.S. designs, but the cutting blade on the Swiss hoe is just more efficient and faster. You simply swing it back and forth as you walk."

Reduce the need for staking by planting your flowers farther apart. That helps improve air circulation and light penetration and reduces the risk of disease and mildew.

- This also saves you money since you don't have to buy as many plants," he says.

Select only premium plants, which may cost you a little more at first. But their outstanding genetic traits will make them longer lasting. Some peonies have lived more than 100 years, Viette says.

He also says to be consistent and persistent: "It's easier to prevent weeds than pull them. A little maintenance time each day can cut down on your total time tending the garden."

'A garden without weeds is a garden that doesn't take a lot of time.'

— Andre Viette, gardening expert

On the Web
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Corrected recipe for zucchini brownies

A recipe in the Oct. 9 Times-News was incorrect. Here's the corrected version.

ZUCCHINI BROWNIES

1 egg
1/2 cup oil
1 1/2 cups sugar
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon soda

2 cups peeled, grated zucchini
2 cups flour
1/4 cup cocoa
2 teaspoons vanilla
Nuts, if you like

Put all ingredients together and mix well. Pour into greased pan and bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

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Apple recipes make autumn appetizing

By Ronnie Fein
The Stamford Advocate

Year after year, we replay the Adam and Eve story. Growers tempt us with the latest varieties of apples and the rest of us can't wait to sample each new one that comes along — but new varieties make it more difficult to figure out which apples to use for what.

Baked apples require a variety that will soften in the oven, but hold its shape: Rome Beauty, Ida Red, Northern Spy, Cortland, Jonathan, Mutsu, Newton Pippin, Paula Red.

For strudel, try a pie-type apple that is on the dry side, to keep the pastry from becoming soggy: Granny Smith (tart and crisp, eat this), Newton Pippin (tangy, crisp tasting), Stayman, Winesap (spicy-tart), Golden Delicious (dry and sweet), Braeburn and Gala (both sweet and hold their shape well). As with pie, you can use a mixture of apples.

- Almost any apple is fine for applesauce, but the kinds that offer optimum flavor when cooked are McIntosh, Macoun and Ida Red. Other good sauce apples are Jonathan, Newton Pippin, Northern Spy, Stayman, Golden Delicious, Mutsu and Winesap.

If you cook your own apple butter (used as a relish and cake-layer filling, but is also a terrific moisturizing addition to cakes, muffins and quickbreads), use a variety of apples. If you can find Ida Red, add a few because they give a particularly intense taste.

Red Delicious, Fuji and Gala are eating apples and don't keep their taste or texture when cooked.

with half the apple mixture then sprinkle half the sugar and half the cinnamon over the fruit.

Roll strudel by lifting towel and pushing it gently away, causing the last roll to fall on baking sheet with strudel seam side down. Brush top with melted butter. Repeat with remaining dough and apples.

Bake for 30-35 minutes or until strudel is golden brown. Serve warm. (It is best to cut strudel with a serrated knife.) Makes 2 strudel rolls.

APPLE BUTTER CAKE

1 cup sugar
1/2 cup shortening
3 eggs
1 1/2 cups apple butter, jarred or homemade (recipe follows)
2 1/2 cups cake flour
1 tablespoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cinnamon, see note
1 cup buttermilk

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease and flour two 9-inch cake pans.

Cream the sugar and shortening together until the mixture is soft and fluffy. Add the eggs and blend them in thoroughly. Blend in one cup of the apple butter.

Sift together the cake flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt and cinnamon. Add this mixture gradually to the creamed mixture, alternating with the buttermilk.

Pour the batter into the prepared pans. Bake for about 25-30 minutes or until a cake tester inserted into the center comes out clean.

Cool the cake layers in the pans for 10 minutes, then invert them onto a cake rack to cool completely. Stack the cake with the remaining apple butter between the layers. Frost the cake with Burnt Sugar or any white frosting.

Burnt Sugar Frosting:
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup butter, softened slightly
3 cups confectioners' sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
4-5 tablespoons milk

Heat the sugar in a saucepan over medium-low heat until it has melted and starts to brown. Add the water gradually and mix the ingredients with a wooden spoon until the mixture forms a smooth amber liquid. Set the mixture aside to cool. Beat the butter, confectioners' sugar, salt, vanilla extract and the amber liquid together until the mixture

is thick and smooth. Add milk gradually, using as much as is necessary for spreading consistency.

Apple butter:
6 cups fresh apple cider
4 pounds apples, peeled and sliced
3/4 cup white sugar
2/3 cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground allspice
1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
Dash of salt

Boil the cider in a deep pot until the liquid has reduced by half. Add the apples, cover the pot and cook the apples over moderate heat until they are soft, about 25 minutes. Add the remaining ingredients and cook over low heat, uncovered, for about two hours or until the mixture is very thick, the consistency of ketchup. Stir occasionally during this time. Makes about 3 pints.

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FOOD & HOME

Fancy front facade marks Hastings

Wine refrigerator, wine cabinet are nice built-in extras

Keystone arches, stone veneer columns and custom-Craftsman windows give the Hastings an intriguing front facade, and the stone slab bench adds to the visual interest. This home offers 3,333 square feet of living area, plus a roomy garage and an immense skylit bonus room.

Natural light spills into the wide foyer through sidelights and transoms. The foyer, parlor and living room feel even more spacious due to lofty, two-story ceilings. The stairway arrives at a loft that overlooks the living room. A handy laundry chute here delivers soiled items to the utility room.

Double doors on the right open into a parlor, while an open passageway on the left leads to a large coat closet, then on to the master suite. Straight ahead is a huge living room brightened by trice of Craftsman windows stacked three high. A gas fireplace and capacious entertainment center completely fill one wall.

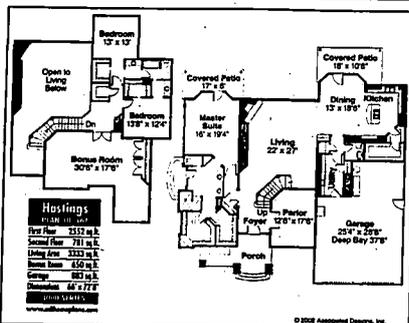
Bay windows expand a dining room that is completely open to the kitchen and offers access to a covered patio. A wine refrigerator, wine cabinet and desk are built-in, near the powder room and passthrough utility room.

Counters wrap around three sides of the roomy kitchen. Other features include a work island with a raised, conversation bar and an exceptionally large pantry and wine cellar.



The master suite fills the entire left wing, front to back. The sleeping area is roomy enough to hold a couch and easy chairs, as well as a king-size bed, and it has two expansive walk-in closets, one with a built-in dresser and ironing board. Each of the upstairs bedrooms has a private lavatory plus a walk-in closet.

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This book is great for knowledgeable cooks

By Peter Jensen
The Baltimore Sun

"On Cooking: Techniques From Expert Chefs," by Sarah Labensky and Alan Hause, (Prentice Hall, \$50) is stuffed with more than 900 recipes and expert tips from big-time chefs such as Wolfgang Puck and

Alfred Portale. For those who are ambitious and serious about food, the recipes are diverse - from a grits and cheddar soufflé to Indian fried samosas and a wonderfully simple recipe for grilled swordfish served with truffle mashed potatoes and cannellini bean relish.

SWORDFISH

Oil for deep-frying
4 ounces leeks, julienned
6-ounce swordfish steak (see note)

1 ounce sesame oil
1 ounce sesame seeds
2 ounces fish stock
1 tablespoon tamari sauce

Deep-fry the leeks at 280 degrees until golden-brown. Drain well.

Brush both sides of the fish with sesame oil and coat both sides with sesame seeds, pressing to make a solid, even coat.

ing. In a very hot pan, saute the fish in the remaining oil. Turn and finish cooking in a 375-degree oven.

Remove the fish from the pan and hold on a warm plate. Deglaze the pan with the fish stock. Add the tamari sauce and heat thoroughly.

Place the fish on a bed of fried leeks, then pour the sauce over the fish and serve immediately. Serves One.

NOTE: Tuna or shark steak can substitute for swordfish.

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Pocket doors are a smart way to save space

DEAR JIM: At a recent home show, several of the houses had pocket doors. I am going to add two rooms to my house and I am considering pocket doors. What is the advantage of using pocket doors instead of hinged doors?
-JOYCE N.

DEAR JOYCE: The primary advantage of using a pocket door instead of a standard hinged door is saving space. This can free up an additional 10 square feet of floor space. That's enough floor space for a microwave oven stand, a large bookcase, many decorative accessories, plants, etc.

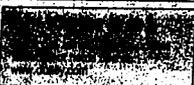
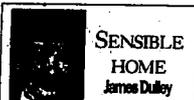
The reason you see them in new homes is because building costs are \$50 to \$100 per square foot. Using pocket doors can allow you to build a smaller house and still maintain the same usable floor space. This really adds up for an entire house.

Another reason for installing pocket doors is a trend toward building smaller houses and room additions for energy-efficiency reasons. The amount of heat loss (winter) and heat gain (summer) is partially a function of the exterior wall area of a house. A smaller exterior results in lower utility bills.

Pocket doors, especially double French ones with ornate glass, in the middle of the wall between two rooms can be very attractive. Since the doors don't swing, accents around the opening can highlight and enhance the area.

If you ever used pocket doors in an older house, you will be surprised at how smooth new ones operate. They use specially designed spoked nylon (permanently lubricated) rollers that cannot jump off the track. They are easily adjustable with just a screwdriver if your room addition settles later.

It is no more difficult to install pocket doors than a hinged door



In new construction like your room additions. In an existing house, you will have to remove some drywall to gain access to the wall cavity. If you remove it carefully, it will be easy to re-install and finish a new piece of drywall.

Definitely use a pocket door kit that includes all the materials needed instead of trying to buy separate components yourself. The kits include split studs, header unit, rollers, guides, bumpers and even a wrench.

There are differences in the kits and the ease of installation. Look for one with a preassembled telescoping header rail so you do not have to cut it to size. You may also be able to find some kits with the header board marked for various size doors. This makes locating the cut more exact.

You can generally use almost any standard interior door for your pocket door. Most kits are designed to handle a door up to 125 pounds. If you have an unusually heavy wood door, check for a heavy-duty kit that will support up to 250 pounds. A wood door with a lot of glass can get quite heavy.

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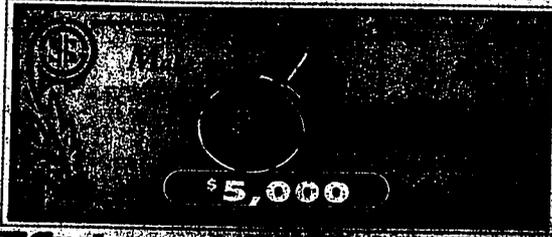
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Actor Christian Slater buys L.A. home with pool, spa, waterfall

By Ruth Ryan
Los Angeles Times

Hot property

LOS ANGELES — Christian Slater, who co-stars with Val Kilmer in the upcoming movie "Mindhunters," has purchased a Westside home behind gates for just under \$4.5 million. It's Slater's first home purchase in the L.A. area since he sold his Hollywood Hills home to actor Elm Allen for \$2.2 million in January 2000. At the time, Slater was spending most of his time in his native New York. The house has four bedrooms and 6 1/2 bathrooms in about 6,500 square feet. The master suite has his-and-hers marble baths, a fireplace, a vaulted ceiling and a balcony. The home also has a family room,

library and studio. The grounds have a pool, spa, waterfall and gardens.

This year, Slater co-starred with Nicolas Cage in the movie "Windtalkers." "Mindhunters" is expected to be released in 2003. During the last few years, Slater married TV executive Ryan Reynolds, and they became parents of two children.

Nicolas Cage, who bought a beachfront Venice home in April for about \$2.7 million, has put his getaway up for lease at \$35,000 a month, including furnishings. Lisa Marie Presley, whom the Oscar-winning actor

married in August, wasn't keen on the view of bathing beauties in front of the house, a realtor said. The newlyweds have a number of other homes in the L.A. area.

The Venice house, which has an ocean view from every room, has a rooftop deck and mirrored windows, so occupants can look out but nobody can see in. The three-story house has four bedrooms and 4 1/2 bathrooms in about 4,400 square feet. It also has a den, dining area, breakfast bar, media room and two fireplaces.

Cage, 38, co-stars with Meryl Streep in the movie "Adaptation," due out Dec. 6.

Steve Inwood, who played

the evil character Moreno on the ABC daytime series "General Hospital," and his investment manager wife, Susan, have listed their Craftsman-like home in Westwood for sale at just under \$1.5 million.

The couple are selling because the home is too large for them now that they are spending more time at their desert retreat, which they bought two years ago. He wrote a screenplay called "Dark Eyes," which he plans to film in Palm Springs next year. The couple also plan to buy a smaller home in Los Angeles. Susan Inwood is a senior vice president at Salomon Smith Barney Inc.

The actor, who has appeared

on many TV series over the years and recently attended Paramount's 20th reunion party as a cast member of the movie "Staying Alive," personally restored the Westwood home, built in 1941, after buying it in 1995. He installed such Craftsman features as milled windows and walkways modeled after those at the Gamble House in Pasadena. The

Gamble House is a prime example of the American Arts and Crafts style.

The four-bedroom, 3,300-square-foot house owned by the Inwoods has four bathrooms, a breakfast room, a formal dining room and a master suite with marble bath, sitting area and gym. The home also has three fireplaces, a brick patio, a pool and a spa.

Mix soda in your pie

By Linda Cleoro
The Miami Herald

Tina Brewer of Dekalb, Texas, lost a recipe for Strawberry Pie made with Sprite. P.R. of Hollywood uses

7-Up rather than Sprite and says the pie can be made with raspberries or blueberries as well.

Cook's corner

PIE RECIPES AND MORE

STRAWBERRY PIE

3/4 cup Sprite
3/4 cup sugar
3 tablespoons cornstarch
1 1/2 pints fresh strawberries, divided
Red food coloring (optional)
1 baked and cooled 9-inch graham cracker or pastry pie shell
Whipped cream

Stir together the Sprite, sugar and cornstarch and bring to a boil, stirring constantly until mixture is thick, about 2 minutes. Crush 1/2 pint of the strawberries and stir into the Sprite mixture; add food coloring if desired. Slice remaining strawberries and add. Spoon into pie shell. Refrigerate until set. Serve with whipped cream.

Here's a sugar-free version.

SUGAR-FREE STRAWBERRY PIE

1 (12-ounce) can diet Sprite or 7-Up
1 (4-serving size) package sugar-free strawberry flavor gelatin
2 tablespoons cornstarch
1/4 cup water
1 pint strawberries, sliced
1 graham cracker crust

Pour soda into saucepan. Stir in gelatin until dissolved. Mix cornstarch and water until dissolved, then stir into soda mixture. Cook over medium heat until clear and thick. Cool, then mix with strawberries and pour into crust. Refrigerate until serving time. Makes 8 servings.

Per serving: 171 calories (40 percent from fat), 7.6 g fat (11.6 g saturated, 3.4 g monounsaturated), 0 cholesterol, 1.9 g protein, 23.8 g carbohydrates, 1.3 g fiber, 201 mg sodium.

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Here's a recipe ready for the season. **ERMA RUEBINK'S APPLE CRISP**

4 cups cooking apples, peeled and sliced
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 cup sugar
1/2 cup water
3/4 cup flour
3/4 to 1 cup dark brown sugar
1/2 cup butter or margarine

Put the apples in an oiled 9-by-9-inch baking dish. Stir the cinnamon and sugar together and sprinkle

over the apples; pour .5 cup water on top. Stir flour and brown sugar together, out in margarine to make crumbs. Sprinkle on top of apples. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour or until tender and crumbs are crisp as desired. Serve warm or cold, plain or with cream or ice cream. Makes 12 servings.

Some time back, we requested recipes for meatloaf with grown-up flavors. Here's one.

CAJUN MEATLOAF

Seasoning mix
2 bay leaves
2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon cayenne
1 1/2 teaspoons pepper
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon cumin

Loaf:
4 tablespoons butter
2 teaspoons minced garlic
1 medium onion, chopped
1/4 cup chopped scallion
1/4 cup chopped celery
1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper

1 tablespoon Tabasco sauce
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
1/2 cup evaporated milk
1/2 cup ketchup
2 pounds ground beef
1 cup dry bread crumbs
2 eggs, slightly beaten

Combine ingredients for seasoning mix; set aside. Melt butter in a saucepan on medium heat. Add garlic, onion, scallion, celery, bell pepper, Tabasco and Worcestershire. Cook 2 minutes. Add seasoning mix and saute, stirring occasionally, until mixture starts to stick, about 6 minutes. Add milk and ketchup; cook 2 minutes more.

Remove from heat and let cool. Discard bay leaves. Place the ground beef in a 9-by-13-inch baking pan. Add vegetable mixture, bread crumbs and eggs. Mix by hand until combined thoroughly. Mold into a loaf about 1 1/2 inches high, 6 inches wide and 12 inches long. Bake uncovered at 350 degrees for 25 minutes. Increase heat to 400 degrees and bake 35 minutes more. Makes 12 servings.

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Baked is best with these colorful veggies



Beets will complement almost anything.

By Emily Green
Los Angeles Times

On the face of it, beets are extroverts. Their very veins run magenta, red and gold. The roots come from the same high palette.

When the hue is purple or red, which it so often is, then they are not just flamboyant, but inky as an angry octopus.

And yet for all this personality, beets are among the most neglected vegetables in the market. People grumble of beet fatigue from Victory Gardens. Others think of beets as canned

Please see BEETS, Page C8



Make a brilliant beet salad with oranges, endive and walnuts.

Popcorn gets holiday treatment

By Ellen Hawks
The Baltimore Sun

Wendy Stern of Longview, Wash., writes that she had a wonderful recipe for peppermint popcorn. Patricia Brown of Hagerstown, Md., responded. "I

am happy to share this recipe from a former neighbor, Margaret Knauer, who made it every Christmas to share with her neighbors."

RECIPE FINDER

3 quarts freshly popped plain popcorn, unseasoned
1/2 cup (1 stick) butter or margarine
1 cup sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup light corn syrup
1/2 teaspoon peppermint extract
1/8 teaspoon green food coloring

Arrange popcorn in a shallow baking or roasting pan. Melt butter in a 2-quart saucepan. Stir in sugar, salt and corn syrup. Cook, stirring constantly until sugar dissolves and mixture boils. Boil, without stirring, for 5 minutes. Remove from heat and add peppermint extract and green food coloring. Pour over popcorn in baking pan and stir to mix well.

Bake in a preheated 250-degree oven for 1 hour, stirring 3 to 4 times. Cool completely and store in tightly covered containers. Makes about 2 1/2 quarts.

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1 teaspoon Sherry vinegar
6 cornichons, roughly chopped
1/3 cup capers, drained
1 tablespoon mayonnaise
2 tablespoons chopped parsley, plus more for garnish
Salt
Freshly ground pepper
Heat the oven to 350 degrees. Wash the beets and, leaving them wet, wrap them individually in foil. Place in a roasting pan or on a baking sheet and bake until tender, about 1 1/2 hours. (To test, poke a thin-bladed knife through the foil.) Let the beets cool in the foil. (Alternatively, to cook in water, drop the beets into salted water to cover and bring to a boil. Cook over medium heat until tender, 45 minutes to 1 hour.) When the beets are cool enough to handle, peel and cut into eighths. Place the beets in the bowl of a food processor with the shallot, Worcestershire sauce, hot pepper sauce, vinegar, cornichons and capers. Pulse until the mixture is minced but not pureed. You might have to scrape the mix-

ture down between pulses. Spoon the mixture into a bowl and stir in the mayonnaise and parsley. Taste and adjust the seasonings; you might need to add salt and pepper and more vinegar, Worcestershire or hot sauce. (This dish keeps well for 2 days. Refrigerate, keeping it well wrapped or in a covered container, and bring to room temperature before serving.) Garnish and serve with steamed fish. Makes 3 1/2 cups.
—From "Jean-Georges: Cooking at Home with a Four-Star Chef," by Jean-Georges Vongerichten and Mark Bittman
French chef Roger Verge is known for his Michelin-starred restaurant Le Moulin de Mougins near Cannes, but he dedicated his 1992 book, "Roger Verge's Vegetables," to his father "an amateur gardener, but a caring one." This beet dish could be served as a side dish to meat; it would raise the tone at Thanksgiving. But it is so exquisite, so vibrant and delicious, that it deserves to be served as a starter in its own right.
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Zest of 1 orange

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1/2 orange, for garnish
2 tablespoons coarsely chopped chervil or 1 to 2 teaspoons chopped fresh tarragon, for garnish
Heat the oven to 375 degrees. Trim the leaves off the beets, leaving about an inch of stem. Set the beets in a roasting pan. Bake until the skins are crinkled and loose and a sweet beasty smell permeates the kitchen. Medium-sized beets should take about 1 1/2 to 2 hours, small ones about 1 1/2 hours. Peel the beets and cut into 3/8-inch cubes. Place the orange juice, orange zest, beets and butter in a shallow saucpan or a skillet. Cook over low to medium heat for 15 minutes—stirring occasionally—then raise the heat to high to reduce the cooking liquid, about 2 minutes. The beets should be coated with an orange glaze. Taste. Salt if necessary, and add plenty of freshly ground pepper. Turn into a warm serving dish and top with the almonds. Squeeze the orange half over the cooked beets and garnish with the chervil. Serve immediately. Makes 4 servings.

Beets

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Items.
Before writing off the beet, bake it. Once you've tasted a baked beet, it's hard to have them any other way.
Bake an entire panful. Wash them if they're cruddy. Cut them about an inch above the stem so the pigment doesn't run. If they're medium-size, pop them in the oven at about 375 degrees for an hour and a half. There will be a sweet, toasty almost nutty aroma waiting around the kitchen

when they're done. You can test for doneness much as you would with a boiled potato, by sticking something sharp into the beets and deciding if that's the resistance you find palatable (the beet itself is edible raw). Let them cool. Store the ones you're not going to eat, unpeeled, in Tupperware in the fridge.

Peel the ones you are going to use. The skins should come away fairly easily, if not slipping right off like breezy cooker writers swear they do. First, put them warm or at room temperature in a salad with toasted walnuts, goat cheese, mache and orange.

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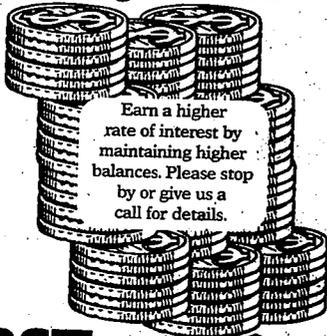
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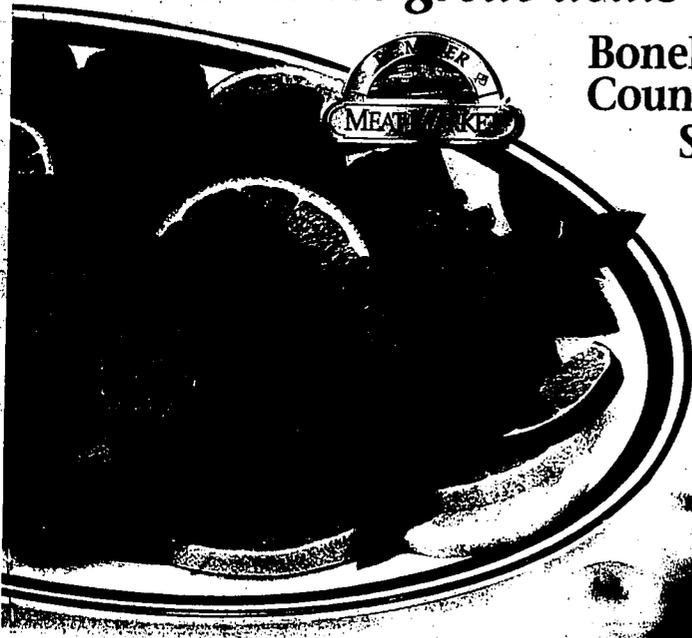
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Woman, 48, gives birth to her own granddaughters

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — When Trish Roberts was 14, she learned she was born without a uterus, leaving her unable to bear children.

"We told her at that time, if the good Lord was willing, I would carry for her when the time came," said her mother, Sharon Dunn.

Roberts and her husband, Mike, had a frustrating experience trying to adopt a child three years ago and then were remind-

ed of a woman who carried twins for her daughter. The couple, both 25, took Dunn up on her offer to be a surrogate mother.

On Thursday, Dunn gave birth to her twin granddaughters, Kaitlyn and Shelby.

"There's nothing I wouldn't do for those two little girls," said Dunn, 48. "I mean they're just, they're great. I love them to death, and they've made our family complete."

The girls were delivered by

Cesarean section and have been in the neonatal intensive-care unit at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Kaitlyn was born first, weighing 6 pounds, one-half ounce. Shelby was born a minute later, at 9:50 a.m., and weighed 4 pounds, 13 ounces. Shelby has light hair; Kaitlyn has dark, curly hair.

"It still seems like a dream," said Roberts, holding Kaitlyn. Two of Roberts' eggs were fer-

tilized with her husband's sperm and implanted in Dunn's womb. "We implanted two embryos with a 50-50 chance that one would take. They both did," Roberts said.

Dunn said the pregnancy went well for someone who had her last child 23 years ago. "This is truly a miracle," she said.

Roberts said her inspiration was Christa Uchytel, whose mother, Arlette Schweitzer, gave birth to her twins in 1991.



Sharon Dunn holds her granddaughters while Trish, her daughter, and son-in-law Mike Roberts look on. Trish was born without a uterus.

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SPORTS

Valley sews up Canyon's top seed for district

GLENN'S FERRY - Valley locked up its No. 1 seed at next week's district tournament with a 21-13, 21-16, 21-12 thumping of Glenns Ferry in Canyon Conference volleyball Tuesday in Glenns Ferry.

Jessica Simons' five kills and four blocks weren't enough to lift the Pilots (3-12, 1-3 Canyon) over the perennially strong Vikings. Simons also had seven service points and an ace. Teammate Jamie Hurst added three kills and Kylee Noble had five service points.

Glenns Ferry coach Melissa Martin said the Pilots lost their focus. "Valley is a very scrappy team, and we just let up when we should have been playing harder," she said.

The Pilots fly to Shoshone Thursday. The Vikings (14-3, 5-0 Canyon) host Wendell Thursday.

Wood River def. Declo, 21-17, 21-13, 20-22, 21-12. DECLO - Wood River won its sixth straight match against Declo, 21-13, 21-13, 20-22, 21-12, Tuesday in Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference volleyball in Declo.

Charli Lindley pushed Wood River and was "aggressive at the net and gave us trouble," said Declo coach Sheila Wheeler. Hornet Megan Webb slammed nine kills and stuffed six blocks. Melissa Webb had seven kills and four blocks.

Serving was a big issue for Declo, who had 16 service errors, said Wheeler. "Wood River was hitting the ball well and digging everything up," she said.

Declo (7-10, 3-6 SCIC) hosts Filer Thursday while Wood River (17-12, 7-2 SCIC) hosts SCIC leader Buhl in a battle for the district's top seed for Saturday's opening round of the district journey.

Buhl def. Gooding, 21-11, 21-16, 21-18. BUHL - Sherry King had nine kills as Buhl defeated Gooding, 21-11, 21-16, 21-18, in Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference volleyball Tuesday in Buhl.

King also had four kills. Jessica Brown added seven kills and Dani Rippes ruled the service line with 17 points and two aces.

As well as the Indians' playing, coach Erin Scott mentioned a potential problem with the district tournament opening on Saturday.

"We had a different situation tonight with two girls sick," she said. "We called up a freshman, Abbe Reynolds, and she practiced with us for the first time all season last night and played tonight."

Buhl (13-3, 8-1 SCIC) travels to Wood River Thursday while Gooding (8-8, 4-5 SCIC) hosts Kimberly Thursday.

Oakley def. Hagerman, 21-14, 21-13, 22-21, 21-19. OAKLEY - Mndi Critchfield made 18 digs as defensive-minded Oakley powered past Hagerman, 21-14, 21-13, 22-21, 21-19, in Southside Conference volleyball Tuesday in Oakley.

Critchfield added five kills. Valerie Bedke slammed seven kills and blocked six hits. All Craney contributed five kills, 15 service points, and two aces.

the Wildcats put down 31 kills including 24-of-32 in the first two games. Monique Schaal led Filer with nine kills.

"We played superb ball," he said. The Filer freshmen also won but the Kimberly junior varsity avoided the shutout.

Filer (12-6, 5-4 SCIC) concludes the SCIC regular season at Declo on Thursday.

Jerome def. Burley 21-17, 13-21, 21-14, 21-18. BURLEY - Jerome buried Burley Tuesday in 4A volleyball, winning 21-17, 13-21, 21-14, 21-18, in Burley.

Jalynn Morris led the Bobcats (4-18, 0-4 Great Basin) with 10 digs and six kills, and Dindra Parikh got four blocks.

Burley coach Nikki Walker said the Bobcats struggled to defend Jerome middle hitter Sara Lot.

Burley travels to Twin Falls Wednesday. Jerome (9-5, 3-1 Great Basin) plays its final season game Thursday at Pocatello.

Hansen def. Raft River, 21-18, 21-14, 19-21, 21-10. MALTA - Hansen upended Raft River in four games, 21-18, 21-14, 19-21, 21-10, Tuesday in Raft River.

Raft River's Jill Harper led the Trojans with 10 kills, and Jana Rigby had 11 service points with four aces.

Raft River coach Michelle Ferry said the team needed to work on defense because it is hesitant to go for the ball.

"We came out strong and were hanging in there," Ferry said. Hansen (6-9, 6-4 Southside) travels to Hagerman Thursday.

Magic Valley Christian def. TFCO, 25-23, 21-19, 21-19. TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Christian narrowly defeated the Twin Falls Christian Academy Tuesday, 25-23, 21-19, 21-19.

Cheyenne Ealingler led the Conquerors with 10 digs and 90 percent serving. Jessica Wilson tallied 13-for-13 in service points.

Earlier in the evening, the TFCO junior varsity won, 21-15, 15-21, 16-14.

Murtaugh def. Castletford, 14-21, 21-13, 21-8, 21-11. CASTLEFORD - Murtaugh came back from a first-set deficit against Castletford to pick up the 14-21, 21-13, 21-8, 21-11 victory Tuesday in Castletford.

Tanya Perkins led the Red Devils (14-1, 11-0) with five blocks, 11 service points, seven aces, and eight kills.

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Minico errors, Bruin front line decide match

By Joe Paisley Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Minico's youth showed in costly errors as host Twin Falls built a quick two-game lead before eventually winning, 21-12, 21-18, 15-21, 21-15, 21-12.

In Games 1 and 2, Spartan errors allowed Twin Falls to build comfortable leads. In Game 1, a 6-6 tie became a 14-6 advantage for the Bruins (7-7, 3-3 Region III) thanks in part for four straight hitting errors.

"That's how we've lost all year," said Minico coach Larry Stocking. "We can't overcome it. We have to play flawless to stay with teams."

Twin Falls performed well in Games 1 and 2, mostly due to an impressive middle defense led by Shay Tusow.

"We can be pretty good when our middle blockers get going," said Twin Falls coach Jerry Sivulich. "Shay was almost flawless in the first two games."

The middle forced a number of long kill attempts as the Spartans tried to hit over. Bad sets and passes often went to the net, where Tusow was waiting for a hard spike that ended Game 1.

But Game 3 went Minico's way as the Bruin hitters started to commit their own unforced errors. Minico managed its first lead since early in Game 1 and the advantage.

"We didn't get our lead," said Twin Falls senior Temple Levings. "It helps our team stay up and endure."

That resulted in a letdown for the Bruins that showed mostly on defense. "We tend to stand around," Sivulich said. "We can't be spectators."

Twin Falls couldn't back in Game 4, coming up with blocks along the front to build an early 9-4 lead. Minico clawed back to 13-12 before three Minico errors and a kill made it 17-12. The Spartans were unable to challenge after that.

The Bruins serving was sporadic. Levings recorded five straight aces to turn an 8-5 lead into 13-5. Besides that, there were too many net and long services throughout for Sivulich's liking.

"We're still missing serves," he said. "This late in the season, you can't afford that."

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The Spartans were led by junior Michelle Fennell with five blocks and three kills while Becky Hansen added four spikes and four blocks. The Bruins host Burley while Minico meets Century on Thursday.

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Knicks drop Jazz, 89-83

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Allan Houston scored 24 points and Kurt Thomas added 23 as the New York Knicks beat the Utah Jazz 89-83 in an NBA exhibition game Tuesday night.

Houston and Thomas, who are expected to carry the injury-decimated Knicks when the regular season begins, combined to shoot 16-of-29 from the field while the rest of the team was just 15-of-46.

Matt Harrington, who scored 10 of Utah's 16 fourth-quarter points, cut the New York lead to 83-81 with 2:14 left, but Othella Harrington and Tim James hit consecutive shots to give the Knicks (2-2) to clinch the victory.

Karl Malone had 16 points for Utah but did not play in the fourth quarter.

Utah's Jiri Kralenko scored 12 points for the Jazz (1-3), who shot 36 percent.

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Anaheim (99-63) set a franchise record for wins, but finished four games behind Oakland. The Angels then upset the New York Yankees and beat Minnesota.

Because of interleague play, the Angels and Giants have faced each other in regular-season games - but didn't play this year. San Francisco holds an 11-5 advantage, and Bonds has five homers against Anaheim.

"The Angels are a team that doesn't quit," Giants manager Dusty Baker said. "They can score a lot of runs. They can't strike out. They can put the ball in play. They have a fundamentally sound team defensively, offensively. Good team speed; good young bullpen that nobody knows that much about, and young pitchers, which is to their advantage."

"And most people don't know that much about them."

Bonds

Continued from D1. "We'll just be smart. I don't think I'll be scared of him and pitch around him," said Jarrod Washburn, picked Tuesday by Scioscia to start the opener.

"We'll try to not let him beat us. I'll challenge him. I'm looking forward to the challenge. He's a great player. If there's a situation where he can beat us, the smart thing is to pitch around him."

Washburn isn't a fan of intentional walks when no one is on base.

"I don't see that happening," he said. "I don't think we're going to be intimidated or scared by Barry Bonds. We're going to be smart about it."

As workers cleaned and did some touchup paint work at the ballpark, Washburn already was looking ahead to the opener, where he could face the Giants' Jason Schmidt.

"I'm sure I'll be thinking about it a lot," Washburn said.

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Boselli bails out for year to heal shoulder

HOUSTON (AP) - Tony Boselli expects to play football again. It just won't be this season.

The Houston Texans placed Boselli on injured reserve Monday, giving up hope that the five-time Pro Bowl offensive tackle would recover this season.

Although he hasn't played in more than a year, Boselli insists his career isn't over.

"I'm confident I can play football still and that's the direction we're going in."

Boselli played in three games for the Jacksonville Jaguars last season before injuries to both shoulders sidelined him for the season.

He was placed on injured reserve by the Jaguars last Oct. 22.

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SCORES AND STATS



Stars goalie Marty Turco defends against Edmonton's Mike Corneil, right, and teammates Ryan Smyth, Dallas team-mates Derian Hatcher, left, Niko Kapanen and Rob DiMaio (58) help defend Tuesday at the American Airlines Arena in Dallas.

Stars blank Oilers; Flyers crush Canadiens

DALLAS - Jere Lehtinen scored 21 saves for his third career shutout as the Stars remained unbeaten in four games.

Philadelphia Boucher added a power-play goal for Dallas (3-0-1), off to its best start since opening the 1995-97 season with six straight victories.

Edmonton (1-1-1) is winless in its last 14 regular-season visits to Dallas (0-1-3).

The Stars killed off seven power plays, including a two-man advantage for 45 seconds late in the third period.

Flyers 6, Canadiens 2. MONTREAL - John LeClair scored four goals and Mark Recchi had a goal and two assists to lead the Philadelphia Flyers to a 6-2 win over the Montreal Canadiens on Tuesday night.

LeClair, who began his career with Montreal, has 28 goals and 43 points in 29 regular-season games against the Canadiens since he was traded to the Flyers on Feb. 9, 1995.

Rangers 5, Maple Leafs 4. NEW YORK - Pavel Bure had two goals and an assist in his first game of the season, helping New York break out of a scoring slump with a victory over Toronto.

The Maple Leafs dropped their third straight following a 6-0 victory over Pittsburgh to start the season. The Rangers earned all their goals after center Eric Lindros was ejected for boarding in the second period.

Islanders 4, Predators 3, OT. UNIONDALE, N.Y. - Adrian Aucoin scored at 1:50 of overtime - 3 seconds after Brad Isbister was stopped on a penalty shot - to cap a three-goal comeback as New York beat Nashville for its first win of the season.

Alexei Yashin tied it at 5:56 of the third period when he tipped Raffi Torres' cross-ice pass past Toronto goaltender.

Dave Scatchard and Mark

Talent-rich Wildcats aim for national crown

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - With everybody back, and an outstanding group of freshmen, this Arizona team might be coach Lute Olson's best.

The Wildcats are so deep in talent, that Olson plans to do something he's always wanted to do in his career: have an assistant college basketball coach - clamp on a pressing defense for every minute of every game.

"We've never had the depth of athleticism that we have on this team," the 68-year-old coach said Tuesday at the team's media day.

There is the leadership of seniors Luke Walton, Jason Gardner and Rick Anderson. Five sophomores who filled big roles last year return - Channing Frye, Salim Stoudamire, Isaiah Frye, Dennis Lotimare and Will Bynum. And there are four of the country's top freshmen - Hassan Adams, Andre Iguodala, Chris Rodgers and Chris Dunn.

"I think our teams have always been up to watch, but this year we're going to have an edge. We have on the defensive end of the court," Olson said. "I think we go deep enough that we can do that at every position."

Just two years ago, the Wildcats lost four starters from a team that lost to Duke in the NCAA championship game. That team was a preseason No. 1, but struggled through NCAA penalties, an injury to Walton and the death of Olson's wife from cancer before regrouping to make a run at the title.

A preseason No. 1 ranking for this team is a stretch, says Olson. "Just a couple of years ago we had the same expectations so I'm used to all that," Walton said. "I don't think it's going to be an extra burden on this team. We're into just having fun and playing basketball as much as we can. We're not going to let the hype get to us."

Olson was inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame last month. The buzz around the team lately has been the spectacular above-the-rim abilities of the 6-4 freshman from Massachusetts, High School in Los Angeles, and the 6-6 Iguodala, from Lanphier High in Springfield, Ill. The two became friends a year ago during the Nike summer camp, and both sport 5-day-old tattoos on their forearms.

"Our fans," Olson said, "are going to love this team."

BASEBALL

Postseason Baseball. All-Time Postseason. San Francisco (1989) vs. Oakland (1990) 14-8, 9 gm.

FOOTBALL

National Football League. Week 1. Minnesota Vikings vs. Tampa Bay Buccaneers 17-10.

NFL Standings

AFC Standings. Pittsburgh Steelers 10-2, Baltimore Ravens 9-3, Cincinnati Bengals 8-4.

NFL Standings

NFC Standings. Dallas Cowboys 10-2, San Francisco 49ers 9-3, Seattle Seahawks 8-4.

Monday's NFL Summary

San Francisco 49ers 24, Seahawks 21. Seattle Seahawks 24, 49ers 21.

Individual Statistics

San Francisco QB Shaun Alexander 27-38-3, 300 yds, 2 TDs.

AFC Individual Leaders

Yards: Shaun Alexander 300. Touchdowns: Shaun Alexander 2.

NFL Standings

Week 1. Pittsburgh Steelers 10-2, Baltimore Ravens 9-3.

Regional College Football Schedule

BYU at Colorado St. 7 p.m. Texas Tech at Colorado St. 7:30 p.m.

NCAA Division IAA Poll

Football. No. 1. Michigan State. No. 2. Oklahoma State.

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HEY! HAVE YOU BEEN EATING MY POPCORN?

NFL Individual Leaders

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HARRAH'S ODDS

NCAA Football. Favorite at Maryland 6.5, at Iowa State 6.5.

West Coast Hockey League

San Diego Gulls 10-2, Vancouver Canucks 9-3.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

Western Conference. Los Angeles Lakers 10-2, San Antonio Spurs 9-3.

WTA Tour VUB Open

Yulia Fedakova 6-4, 6-2. Yulia Fedakova 6-4, 6-2.

WTA Tour Swisscom Challenge

Yulia Fedakova 6-4, 6-2. Yulia Fedakova 6-4, 6-2.

NASCAR Winston Cup Leaders

Tony Stewart 4,000. Tony Stewart 4,000.

2002-2003 NCAA Preseason Division I Men's Basketball Poll

Colorado Springs 1, Duke 2, Georgetown 3.

2002-2003 NCAA Division I Preseason Women's Basketball Poll

Colorado Springs 1, Duke 2, Georgetown 3.

FLYERS & CANADIANS 2

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BLUES 2, HURRICANES 1, OT

St. Louis Blues defeated the Florida Panthers 2-1 in overtime on Tuesday night.

WILD & PATRIOTS 1

New England Patriots defeated the New York Jets 17-10 on Tuesday night.

TENNIS

ATP Tennis Masters Madrid

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NASCAR WINSTON CUP LEADERS

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2002-2003 NCAA PRESEASON DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL POLL

Colorado Springs 1, Duke 2, Georgetown 3.

2002-2003 NCAA DIVISION I PRESEASON WOMEN'S BASKETBALL POLL

Colorado Springs 1, Duke 2, Georgetown 3.

TENNIS'S WTA CUP

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SAILING

Johnnie Walker Cup. Team USA defeated Team Great Britain.

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SPORTS

NLCS collapse leaves Cards feeling empty

ST. LOUIS (AP) — This wasn't how the St. Louis Cardinals' storied season was supposed to end. Wearing patches on both sleeves to honor fallen teammate Darryl Kile and broadcaster Jack Buck, the Cardinals persevered to win the NL Central and then swept the world champion Arizona Diamondbacks in the first round of the playoffs.

With Kile's 5-year-old son, Kannon, sitting in the dugout, the Cardinals seemed destined to win. They just had too much to play for. Plus, the worst appeared to be over. They'd already gotten past Randy Johnson and Curt Schilling.

It all collapsed in the NL championship series. The intangibles didn't help as the San Francisco Giants knocked them out of the postseason in five games. "No matter how bad we want to keep playing, it doesn't matter," catcher Mike Matheny said. "We fell short. Getting past the first round, that's good, but that wasn't our goal."

The Cardinals batted 278 with runners in scoring position during the regular season but failed in the clutch this year and time again during the NLCS, going 3-for-39. Without any timely hitting, they lost a pair of one-run decisions in Games 4 and 5.

"I'm kind of blank," Edmonds said. "It was a bad group of guys, a special team and a special city. The people rallied behind us and we tried to do our best, but we just came up short."

Manager Tony La Russa took no solace in the team's stirring finish to the regular season, or the impressive first round. What he saw in the NLCS was a team that underperformed.

"They just outplayed us," La Russa said. "However you look at it, the postseason is a failure. We failed."

"It wasn't one thing, it was another. In Game 1, Matt Morris collapsed. In Game 2, the offense was strangled by Jason Schmidt. In Game 3, the bullpen coughed up two big hits. In Game 5, they wast-

ed a dominant start from Morris by going 0-for-8 with runners in scoring position.

Some Cardinals believed things might have been different had Scott Rolen been available for the NLCS. Rolen sprained his left shoulder in Game 2 against Arizona and the team perhaps optimistically included him on the roster for the second round, but he never progressed beyond indoor workouts.

Rolen, acquired near the trade deadline from the Phillies, had been viewed as the final piece in the championship puzzle. He tied his career high with 31 homers and 110 RBIs and played Gold Glove-caliber defense.

"He fit in so beautifully," said Fred Hanser, one of the team's owners. "When you have two RBI guys it's one thing and when you have three it's another, but when you have five that's strong medicine. They just couldn't get him back."

Rolen's replacement, Miguel Cairo, was 9-for-17 in the postseason and had the game-winning hit in Game 2 of the Division Series. So La Russa minimized the loss. La Russa also had his share of struggles. He left reliever Rick White in for 2-13 innings in Game 4, long enough to give up a two-run game-tying double to J.T. Snow and game-winning two-run home run to Benito Santiago. Playing with a short bench, he appeared unwilling to use his extra weapons. He put 12 pitchers on the roster, but avoided using Jeff Fassero and rookie Mike Crudale.

Much of the regular season was a trial by fire. Injuries and the sudden shock of death of Kile forced La Russa and pitching coach Dave Duncan to use 14 starting pitchers.

Players are optimistic about the future. "We have the talent that's going to be all back next year and we plan on doing this thing all over again," closer Jason Isringhausen said. "It's one of the best teams I've ever been a part of and I've been on two other playoff teams."

None of that means much to La Russa now. "I don't want to mislead anybody. Our goal was not just to get to the postseason. Our goal was to get to the World Series and win it," he said. "We were going to play till Halloween. This is a bad deal."

Angels

Continued from D1

Angels in 1965 and the Anaheim Angels in 1996 after The Walt Disney Co. took control. Because of the name and logo switches, new World Series pins had to be made this year, replacing ones that were never used.

Before getting their own ballpark in Orange County in 1966, the Angels shuttled from Wrigley Field in Los Angeles to Dodger Stadium.

The only constant was losing, and tragedy.

For years, the team has talked of a curse. The ballpark was rumored to have been built on an Indian burial ground. In 1965, rookie pitcher Dick Wantz, just 25, died of a brain tumor. Three years later, reliever Minnie Rojas was paralyzed in an auto accident that killed his wife and two of their three children.

Infielder Chico Ruiz was killed in a car crash in 1972; rookie reliever Bruce Heinbecker died in another accident in 1974; shortstop Mike Pilney was killed

in still another in 1974. Outfielder Lyman Bostock was killed in Gary, Ind., in 1978, struck by a bullet intended for someone else in the car they were in.

In 1989, reliever Donnie Moore killed himself, three years after giving up a home run to Boston's Dave Henderson when the Angels were one strike from the World Series.

"Some weird stuff has happened," reliever Scott

Schoeneweis said. "We can probably say the curse is over."

The Angels have never finished over 4500 in three straight seasons, and last year they ended up 41 games out of first place in the American League West, behind the Seattle Mariners.

Less than two months ago, on Aug. 30, a crowd of 18,820 threw debris onto the field after a game against Tampa Bay. Fans were angry players were about

to go on strike. Now the fans fill the ballpark in a sea of red shirts, which together red inflatable Thunder Sixx and pay \$20 and \$15 for "rally monkeys" they drape around their necks. The monkeys seem more popular lately than Mickey.

"I think," manager Mike Scioscia said, "there is some portion of relief with some of the guys that have been through the wars here."

Piniella

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That means players and/or cash. On Tuesday, the Mets confirmed that Wilpon had spoken with Mariners president Chuck Armstrong to request permission to talk with Piniella.

Armstrong told the Mets that permission would be granted after the teams agree to a compensation package and that he would get back to Wilpon quickly. "Assuming an agreement on compensation is reached, it is expected that Piniella will be interviewed shortly thereafter," the Mets said in a statement. The Devil Rays also confirmed contact with the Mariners.

Meanwhile, both teams interviewed other candidates on Tuesday.

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World Series Rosters					
Anaheim Angels					
Manager: Mike Sciocecia					
Catchers	B	T	Born	Ht	Wt
1. Molina, Bengie	R	R	07-20-1974	5-11	210
28. Molina, Jose	R	R	06-03-1975	6-1	215
44. Woolton, Shawn	R	R	07-24-1972	5-10	225
Infielders					
22. Eckstein, David	R	R	01-20-1975	5-8	170
6. Figgins, Chone	S	R	01-22-1978	5-9	155
20. Fulmer, Brad	L	R	01-17-1975	6-0	220
10. Gil, Benji	R	R	10-06-1972	6-2	210
25. Glaus, Troy	R	R	08-03-1976	6-5	245
2. Kierulff, Adam	L	R	2-10-1971	6-1	192
23. Spizto, Scott	S	R	09-21-1972	6-2	225
Outfielders					
16. Anderson, Garret	L	L	06-30-1972	6-3	228
17. Estrada, Darin	L	L	08-04-1974	6-2	220
18. Ochoa, Alex	R	R	03-23-1972	6-0	200
3. Palmeiro, Orlando	L	L	01-19-1969	5-10	182
15. Salmon, Tim	R	R	08-24-1968	6-3	235
Pitchers					
27. Appler, Kevin	R	R	12-06-1967	6-2	200
53. Donnelly, Brendan	R	R	07-04-1971	6-3	200
41. Luckey, John	R	R	10-23-1978	6-6	205
38. Ortiz, Ramon	R	R	03-23-1973	6-0	170
40. Perchal, Troy	R	R	08-09-1969	6-3	235
57. Rodriguez, Francisco	R	R	01-07-1982	6-0	165
30. Schoeneweis, Scott	L	L	10-03-1973	6-0	185
62. Shields, Scot	R	R	07-22-1975	6-4	175
56. Washburn, Jamod	L	L	06-13-1974	6-1	187
77. Weber, Ben	R	R	11-17-1969	6-4	210
San Francisco Giants					
Manager: Dusty Baker					
Catchers	B	T	Born	Ht	Wt
33. Santiago, Bonito	R	R	03-09-1965	6-1	185
9. Torrealba, Yorvit	R	R	07-19-1978	5-11	180
Infielders					
35. Aurilio, Rich	R	R	09-02-1971	6-1	189
28. Bell, David	L	R	09-14-1972	5-10	190
39. Feliz, Pedro	R	R	04-27-1977	6-1	195
21. Kent, Jeff	R	R	03-07-1968	6-1	220
34. Martinez, Ramon	R	R	10-10-1972	6-1	183
6. Snow, JT	L	L	02-26-1968	6-2	205
Outfielders					
25. Bonds, Barry	L	L	07-24-1964	6-2	228
23. Dunston, Shawn	R	R	03-21-1963	6-1	180
8. Gonzalez, Tom	L	R	07-27-1968	6-1	175
1. Lofton, Kenny	R	L	05-31-1967	6-0	190
16. Sanders, Reggie	R	R	12-01-1967	6-4	205
5. Shinjo, Tsuyoshi	R	R	01-28-1972	6-1	185
Pitchers					
49. Evers, Scott	L	L	05-30-1972	6-1	210
38. Fultz, Aaron	R	R	09-04-1973	6-2	200
61. Hernandez, Livan	R	R	02-20-1975	6-0	240
31. Nen, Robb	R	R	11-28-1969	6-5	222
48. Ortiz, Russ	R	R	06-05-1974	6-1	206
47. Rodriguez, Felix	R	R	12-05-1972	6-1	198
46. Rucker, Kirk	R	R	12-01-1970	6-3	212
29. Schmidt, Jason	R	R	01-29-1973	6-5	220
28. Witasick, Jay	R	R	08-28-1972	6-4	235
45. Wornell, Tim	R	R	07-05-1967	6-4	220
43. Zerbo, Chad	L	L	04-27-1972	6-0	200

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Notes on the economy

Magic Valley report

Tourism tally

Hotels, motels, campgrounds, recreational vehicle parks and other lodging facilities in Magic Valley's eight counties reported these lodging sales from Aug. 1 through Aug. 31:

County	Sales
Blaine	\$4,530,858
Cama	\$195
Cassia	\$706,345
Gooding	\$75,143
Jerome	\$344,806
Latah	\$7,938
Minidoka	\$129,884
Twin Falls	\$1,540,978
Magic Valley	\$7,336,147

The State Tax Commission tracks lodging sales monthly. But because of the normal reporting lag, the August sales totals - for the most part - reflect activity that happened in July. Lodging totals include non-taxable sales, such as those to nonprofit schools or federal or state government employees, in addition to taxable sales.

Source: Idaho State Tax Commission

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Retail sales grow for Brown Shoe Co.

TWIN FALLS - Brown Shoe Co. Inc. said September retail sales at Famous Footwear - the company's chain of 917 brand-name footwear stores including a new one in Twin Falls - increased 5.4 percent to \$91.4 million for the five weeks that ended Oct. 5.

But same-store sales for September were down 0.3 percent.

"We are pleased with the progress Famous Footwear continues to make in this difficult retail environment. Stable sales and margin trends underscore the success of our merchandising and inventory initiatives," said Brown Shoe Chairman and CEO Ron Fromm.

Fromm said it is on track to exceed earnings of \$1 per share for the third quarter - up from prior earnings guidance of 90 cents to \$1.

Claire's Stores sales increase by 15 percent

TWIN FALLS - Claire's Stores Inc. - which has boutiques in the Magic Valley Mall - reported same-store sales for the five weeks that ended Oct. 5 increased 11 percent.

Total sales increased 15 percent to \$62.4 million.

Store sales increased by 10 percent by brand for September 2002 included positive mid-teens for Claire's Accessories North America and positive double digits for Icing by Claire's (Afterhours).

For the first eight months of fiscal 2003, the company's sales increased 6 percent, while same-store sales grew 7 percent.

"Sales for both our North American and European accessory stores were strong in September and ahead of plan," said Rowland Schaefer, chairman and chief executive.

"As a result, we are increasing our earnings estimates for the third quarter from 14 cents to 16 cents per diluted share."

Land O'Lakes' debt ratings slide down two notches

SAINT PAUL, Minn. - Moody's Investor Service reduced Land O'Lakes' debt ratings by two notches this week, responding to the co-op's weaker cash position from the slump in agribusiness and food industry economy.

Senior debt was cut to "B1" from "B2" and unsecured debt was cut to "B2" from "B3." The dairy foods and agribusiness company - which has operations in Gooding and Twin Falls - has \$1.3 billion in debt affected by the ratings, some of it taken on by the sale of junk bonds to finance the approximately \$600 million acquisition of Purina Mills a year ago.

Moody's had indicated it would review its Land O'Lakes ratings after the co-op reviewed its earnings forecast in September.

"Nothing has changed since that time, and we are holding to our guidance for earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization," said Land O'Lakes spokesman Lydia Rotham.

Compiled from staff and wire reports.

Banks beat expectations



Specialists and traders work the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Tuesday. Powered by a batch of surprisingly good earnings reports, stocks barreled higher Tuesday, lifting the Dow Jones industrials back above 8,000.

Citigroup, Bank of America post strong earnings

The Times-News and The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Citigroup and Bank of America reported third-quarter earnings on Tuesday above analysts' estimates as profits from retail operations more than offset weakness in investment banking and trading.

Several other banking companies with operations in Magic Valley also reported their earnings results Tuesday.

Citigroup - which has a Citifinancial office in Twin Falls - said net income rose to \$3.92 billion, or 76 cents a share, in the July-September period from \$3.18 billion, or 61 cents a share, a year earlier.

Excluding special charges, most related to the spin-off of its Travelers Property Casualty unit, earnings were \$3.79 billion, or 74 cents a share, up from \$3.26 billion, or 62 cents a share, a year earlier.

The third-quarter results were a penny higher than the 73 cents expected by analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call.

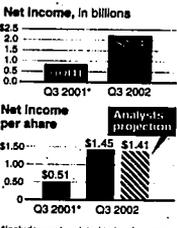
Merrill Lynch analyst Judah S. Kraushaar said "investors should be broadly reassured by the results," which he said

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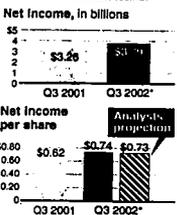


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SOURCE: The company AP

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Citigroup reported a 23 percent increase in its third-quarter earnings despite declines in investment banking revenues, telecommunications write-offs and Latin American loans.



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Results of more banks - E2

results given the state of the global economy. "This strong performance took place against the backdrop of macroeconomic challenges in Argentina and the political uncertainty in Brazil, which negatively impacted our results, as well as exceptionally weak equity markets, which have reduced the value of our proprietary investment portfolio and led to further realized losses in the insurance portfolios," he noted.

Citigroup said that in addition to writing off Argentina-related and telecommunications loans, it had increased its reserve for loan losses by \$238 million to \$10.7 billion.

He also used the report to emphasize that the banking behemoth was committed to sorting out allegations stemming from the company's role in financing the failed energy company Enron, possible conflicts of interest involving its analysts and concerns over the allocation of profitable initial public offering shares.

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IHFA unveils record-low rate

TWIN FALLS - A record-low 5.25 percent 30-year fixed mortgage interest rate is now available through the Idaho Housing and Finance Association.

The new rate, announced Tuesday, is the lowest since the association began making residential loans in 1978, and is available through any of nearly 40 participating lenders.

Through the IHFA mortgage loan program, home buyers must meet borrower requirements and income and sales price limits that vary by county. Since 1978, IHFA has financed over 48,000 loans - worth \$2.9 billion - for affordable homes for Idaho's first-time and limited-income home buyers.

A list of participating lenders and program qualifications can be found on IHFA's Web site at www.ihfa.org/residential_lender.shtml.

Sonic Corp. reports increased sales

TWIN FALLS - Oklahoma City-based Sonic Corp. - a restaurant chain with a franchisee in Twin Falls - said its annual revenue increased 22 percent to a record \$1.13 billion last year.

Net income for the fourth quarter increased 20 percent to \$163 million from \$135 million in the same period last year. Revenues for the quarter were up 15 percent to \$120 million from \$104.8 million.

Money in brief

Record diluted EPS of 38 cents for the fourth quarter was up 19 percent.

Systemwide same-store sales increased 3 percent for the year - the 16th consecutive year of same-store sales growth for Sonic. The company said systemwide same-store sales increased 0.6 percent for the fourth quarter.

"We were successful in growing our brand awareness with higher media expenditures, opening new drive-ins, expanding our sales, and increasing our earnings and cash flow," said Clifford Hudson, chairman and chief executive. "In addition, we had a steady stream of new product news throughout the year and we continued the successful rollout of our breakfast program that is now available across approximately one-half of the chain."

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New deal with EDS could boost Dell sales

AUSTIN, Texas - Dell Computer Corp. and Electronic Data Systems Corp. are teaming up on computer hardware and services.

EDS will buy its desktop and notebook computers and Intel servers from Dell for the next three years.

The Plano, Texas-based company, which has the second-largest services business in the computer industry, also will recommend Dell products to its customers in a one-year agreement that could be extended to two years.

Dell, meanwhile, has signed up EDS to provide help-desk and training services to its customers in the United States. EDS also will provide warranty support to Dell customers in Latin America.

Terms of the deal were not disclosed, but it could be a significant source of new business for Dell - a Twin Falls employer - at a time when corporate computer sales are hard to come by.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Changing economy takes toll on laborers

The Associated Press

MARSING - After decades of being a crucial part in Idaho's agriculture economy, migrant farmworkers are seeing their role diminish.

The number of laborers that peaks at 22,000 each year is declining as a result of improvements in farm technology and competition from undocumented foreign workers.

"I'd say our season has been shortened by about two months because of mechanization," said Rob Troxel, who oversees the Marsing Labor Camp. The camp provides workers for about 180 farmers throughout southwestern Idaho.

Machinery has been developed to such precision, Troxel said, that sugar beet fields no longer need thinning and onions no longer need to be topped by hand.

The work season that used to run from March through October now does not start until May, Troxel said, "and there's lapses in between that didn't used to exist."

Workers had hoped to fill the early spring months with asparagus picking, he said. "But it didn't pan out. The main buyers pulled out of the area so there wasn't any market."

Troxel estimated demand for documented farm laborers has decreased about 50 percent in the past several years.

Dunnia Burnham, farmworker advocate for the Idaho Department of Labor, agrees there is less demand for migrant labor.

"It's not any one thing," she said. "There are many factors." In some areas, guest workers from outside the country have reduced the need for U.S.-documented migrant laborers, Burnham said, and changes in rural markets also play a role.

The number of small farms is shrinking, she said, and the larger farms have more resources for mechanization.

A 2000 report from the U.S. Department of Labor said there is an increasing reliance on undocumented foreign workers, who are displacing U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents.

Some, however, are finding new paying, more-stable employment elsewhere.

Sam Byrd, executive director of the Idaho Migrant Council, said some longtime migrant farmworkers now account for large blocs of employees in construction, service industries and landscaping.

Mailers posing as Qwest bills dupe customers

The Associated Press

DENVER - An Ohio company is misleading customers by disguising its marketing materials as invoices for QwestDex phone directory advertising. Qwest Communications International Inc. said.

The ads, which mimic Qwest's blue-and-white billing format, dupe people into buying advertising for Yellow Pages Plus phone books that few ever see, Qwest spokesman Danielle Jimenez said.

Yellow Pages Plus didn't return messages left on an answering machine at a number listed on the ads, and there was no other listing for the company.

One law firm that received the ad paid Yellow Pages Plus \$218 thinking the check was going to QwestDex. An office manager at the practice asked that the firm not be identified.

"I didn't catch it because we had just called Qwest and updated our page," she said.

A copy of the Yellow Pages Plus ads, obtained by the Denver Post, contains the phrase, "This is not a bill." But the ads use the old Ma Bell "walking fingers" logo and include Qwest's

trademark blue swoosh and a stub to mail in to a "West Publishing" in Solon, Ohio.

Genuine Qwest invoices do not use the walking fingers logo.

"For a busy business owner running a company, something like this can be very deceiving," Jimenez said.

Last spring, the Postal Service alerted Qwest of a company principal, Robert Hicks, was disclosing that the mailings were solicitations for advertising, according to the Better Business Bureau.

In July, the firm agreed to properly identify future mailings, the BBB said. The company also paid a \$1,500 fine.

The Yellow Pages Integrated Media Association, a trade group, estimates that companies collect more than \$500 million from businesses nationwide through fraudulent billing schemes.

Businesses in Colorado, New Mexico, Minnesota, Oregon, North Dakota and Nebraska have reported receiving the mailings, Jimenez said.

QwestDex is the phone directory unit that debt-laden Qwest agreed to sell to investors this summer.

MONEY

Despite scandals, teens' perception of business stays strong

Blame it on Tyco International's Dennis Kozlowski, WorldCom's Bernard Ebbers or the pin-striped equity tians who populated Enron's executive suite...



KIDS AND BUSINESS Steve Rosen

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ed Junior Achievement volunteers are doing that now. Said Bodensiek: "Teens need to see business people up close, working hard and right."

Here is a sample question: "Bending and occasionally breaking company rules and procedures is expected in business. Our company has a rule: Treat customers as you would your own family. Well, sometimes it's necessary to lie to your own family, isn't it?"

Whoever it may be, high-profile scandals in corporate America have made a strong impression on many teenagers. That's clear from a recent survey by Junior Achievement that sought to gauge teenagers' attitudes about corporate integrity, fairness and dependability.

not work for a company accused of unethical behavior. In addition, 75 percent said they would not buy a product from such a company.

Despite the image problems, students' overall perception of business is still fairly strong. When asked about career possibilities, 60 percent of the students polled said they were "just as likely" to consider working in

What can the business community do? Work with the younger generation. Volunteer in the classrooms. Scores of right-minded

A free source for teachers and parents features several activities designed to teach young people about business ethics.

Makes me wonder how Kozlowski, Ebbers and the rest would respond.

With a question or column idea, call Steve Rosen of The Kansas City Star at (816) 234-4879 or send an e-mail to srosen@kcstar.com

Banks

Bank of America

Bank of America said strong performance in its retail operations - including mortgages, credit cards and deposits - boosted net income to \$2.24 billion, or \$1.45 a share, in the July-September period from \$841 million, or 51 cents a share, a year earlier.

The 2001 figures included costs related to leaving the auto leasing and subprime real estate lending businesses as well as a "goodwill" write-down.

Analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call had expected the bank, which is based in Charlotte, N.C., to earn \$1.41 for the quarter.

Chairman Ken Lewis noted that strength in retail operations offset weakness in market-related revenue from trading and equity investments.

"We continue to benefit from our diversified business mix," Lewis said, who also is the bank's chief executive.

"Third-quarter performance was led by strong growth in consumer banking, demonstrating the progress we're

making in executing our customer-focused strategy."

Charge-offs on bad loans and losses totaled \$804 million in the third quarter, down from \$1.25 billion a year earlier, the bank said. The year-earlier figure had been inflated by losses from the subprime real estate business.

Wells Fargo

Wells Fargo & Co. for the third quarter reported record diluted earnings available to common shareholders of 75 cents per share, up from the prior year's 75 cents per share.

Record net income was \$1.44 billion, up 10 percent from \$1.31 billion a year earlier.

Return on assets was 1.73 percent, Wells Fargo said, and return on equity was 19.38 percent. Revenue, excluding market-sensitive income (net gains and losses on debt securities available for sale and equity investments) and acquisitions, was up 10 percent. Nonperforming assets were down \$126 million, or 7 percent, from the second quarter.

For the first nine months of 2002, Wells Fargo said, net income was a record \$4.24 billion, or \$2.46 per share, compared with \$3.83 billion, or \$2.20 per share, for the first nine months of 2001, an increase in earnings per share of 12 percent. Those gains for the first nine months of 2001 exclude special charges recorded in second quarter 2001 of \$1.16 billion after tax, or 67 cents per share.

"Wells Fargo achieved double-digit revenue growth for the sixth consecutive quarter, a remarkable achievement given the slow economy," said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Dick Kovacevich.

U.S. Bancorp

U.S. Bancorp reported operating earnings of \$506.2 million for the third quarter, compared with \$149.7 million for the third quarter 2001. Operating earnings of 47 cents per diluted share in the third quarter were up by 39 cents.

Return on average common equity and return on average assets, excluding merger and restructuring-related

items, were 20.8 percent and 2.08 percent, respectively.

The bottom line: Including after-tax merger and restructuring-related items, the company reported net income for the third quarter of \$860.3 million, or 45 cents per diluted share, compared with \$387.7 million, or 2 cents per diluted share, for the same period of 2001.

"I am very proud of the results our company achieved this quarter, as well as what we have been able to accomplish during the entire past 12 months," said U.S. Bancorp President and Chief Executive Officer Jerry A. Grundhofer said.

"For the second straight quarter annualized linked quarter revenue achieved double-digit growth rates. Not only have we been able to grow revenue and net income in a challenging economic environment, we have now completed the major systems integration process that brought the customer relationship and services of the 'old' U.S. Bancorp and Firststar Corp. together onto a single set of systems and operating platforms."

Dow surges 375 points

NEW YORK (AP) - Powered by a batch of surprisingly good earnings reports, stocks boomed higher Tuesday with the Dow Jones industrials soaring more than 375 points for a four-day gain of nearly 1,000 points. The rally also gave the Dow its seventh-biggest point gain ever, and that propelled the blue chips back above 8,000.

The Dow owed some of its lift to updated earnings from three of its components - Citigroup, General Motors and Johnson & Johnson.

All three of the market's major indexes scored a four-session winning streak. That's a feat the Dow 30 stocks and Poir's 500 index last accomplished 10 weeks ago in the period ending Aug. 9. The Nasdaq composite index hadn't had a four-day rally in five months, or since May 17.

Analysts said investors were feeling enthusiastic about the earnings reports, having been shaken in the past few weeks as companies lowered their price targets.

"We are either manically depressed about (stock) prices or irrationally exuberant. That is what we have today, swinging the other way," said Arthur Hogan, of Jefferies & Co.

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Delta posts losses, says job cuts are in the works

ATLANTA (AP) - Delta Air Lines reported a wider quarterly loss Tuesday and said more job cuts are on the way as the airline continues to struggle following last year's terrorist attacks.

The nation's third-largest airline said it will continue to slash its flight schedule, and delivery of all new airplanes and mthball is fleet of large MD-11 aircraft used for long-range flights.

"We do not see a near-term improvement," Michelle Burns, Delta's chief financial officer, told analysts in a conference call. "We are very cautious and tough-minded about the remainder of this year and into 2003. We have a daunting road ahead."

The Atlanta-based carrier's third quarter loss of \$26 million, or \$2.67 per share, came during a period of cost-cutting and compares with a loss of \$259 million, or \$2.13 per share, during the year-ago quarter.

Excluding one-time costs, the net loss in financial cost quarter was \$212 million or \$1.75 per share, narrower than the \$1.84 per share loss forecast by analysts surveyed by Thomson First.

In trading on New York Stock Exchange, shares of the airline rose \$1.59, or 21.2 percent, to close Tuesday at \$9.09.

"It's still pretty disappointing," said Garrett Chase, an airline analyst for Lehman Brothers. "But there's nothing here that we feel you can't handle."

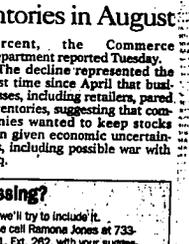
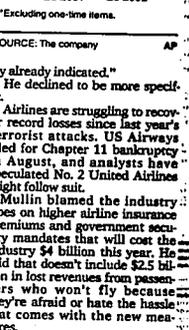
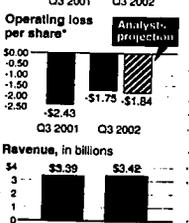
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Businesses trim inventories in August

WASHINGTON (AP) - Uneasy about the economic recovery, businesses trimmed their stocks of unfinished goods in August for the first time in four months.

Inventories on shelves and back logs edged down by 0.1 percent in August, a turnaround from July when they were boosted by a solid 0.4 percent.

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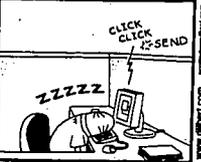
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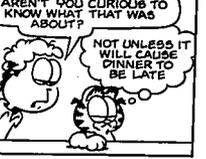
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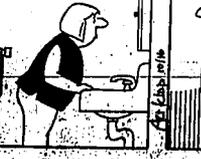
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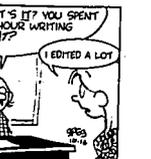
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