

North Koreans denounce U.S.

—CRUNCH—

SEOUL, South Korea — As North Korea expelled United States soldiers, protesters in Seoul denounced U.S. military operations in Iraq. The protesters denounce the U.S. military operations in Iraq as a violation of the United Nations Security Council resolution that demands North Korea to withdraw its troops from the Korean Peninsula.

Protesters deny American 'interference' in country's affairs; opinion still a minority

North Korea, which says it might protest a similar resolution of protesters against the United States, said it would not do so in Seoul to denounce the United States.

South Korea.
The trigger for Tuesday's demonstrations was a U.S. military court decision a month ago that acquitted two American soldiers of guilt in a tragic mishap last June, in which a U.S. Army vehicle ran over and killed two teenage girls on a narrow rural lane. And many demonstrators say

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BSU players pile on Iowa State runningback Michael Wagner during the second quarter of Tuesday's Humanitarian Bowl in Boise.

FOR THE CHILDREN

Area woman plans to arrange adoptions during trip to Russia

By Lovetta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — A local businesswoman responding to a plea for help will travel to Russia this month as part of Operation Carelift, a humanitarian effort with the Josh McDowell Ministry.

Although the two-week project is designed to brighten the lives of orphaned children with gifts from America, Merrily Huether is looking down the road to a more permanent situation.

"I want to (help) make long-term changes in a child's life," Huether said.

While a team of some 253 believers is giving out teddy bears, gospel bead bracelets, and copies of the book "More than a Carpenter" — printed in Russian — during scheduled prayer meetings, Huether will be going the extra mile. With a camera, a shopping list and a "God-given" vision, Huether will be "shopping for children" by gathering specific information about "the totally abandoned child" who has no hope of ever being adopted.

Huether plans to help find homes for the homeless by gathering names of children — and provide them to Magic Valley people who wish to adopt.

To help initiate the adoption process for hopeful families, she plans to bring back pictures "with real faces and real names" of children who no longer have any family ties, and who have been left to institutionalized care.

"And if I can make the difference in even one child's life, it will be worth the effort," Huether said.

To take children out of poverty was "not my own idea," said the mother of two grown children. But after the thought entered her mind, she said she felt "compelled" to act on it.

"My life is in God's hands," she said.

Places she will visit include children's hospitals and orphanages, boarding schools, reform schools and handicap centers — on tours to be divided into bus groups of 28 to 30 participants each, with two staff members, bus captains, a guide and six interpreters. Volunteers are paying about \$4,000 each to make the trip.

Another member of Huether's family was also called and invited on the mission.

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Merrily Huether of Twin Falls will soon travel to Russia with the Christian group, Operation Carelift. She is working to set up a network for adopting Russian orphans in Magic Valley.

WEATHER

Today: Partly cloudy
Friday and tonight: Partly cloudy
High 33, low 18

MAGIC VALLEY

Police look for a man who assaulted a Twin Falls law enforcement officer.

MONEY

Summer: Wall Street ends a dreary year on a down note.

FOOD & HOME

Cooking out: It may be the season for a barbecue.

OPINION

Attack on peace: Muslims should deny the acts of violence against humanitarian missionaries, today's editorial says.

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Broncos nab bowl victory

The Associated Press

BOISE — Brock Forsey's led three touchdowns as No. 18 Boise State beat Iowa State 24-16 Tuesday in the Humanitarian Bowl.

Forsey, who scored on runs of 4, 2 and 9 yards, finished the season with 32 touchdowns, the second-highest season total in Division I-A. Barry Sanders has the record with 39 for Oklahoma State in 1988.

It was the third Humanitarian Bowl win in four seasons for the Broncos (12-1), who also won it in 2000 and 1999. The Western Athletic Conference champions went 7-0 at home this season.

The Cyclones (7-7), who opened the season at 6-1 and reached the top 10 for the first time in school history, had a 1-6 finish.

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Yemenis mourn their missionary friends — slain

The Associated Press

JIBLA, Yemen — For many here, the American missionaries at a Baptist hospital here were not seen as Christian intruders in a Muslim land, but as friends to the residents of this poor town in the rugged hills of southern Yemen.

Townsperson gathered to mourn at the gates of the hospital on Tuesday, a day after the director, a popular doctor and a third employee at Jibla Baptist Hospital were gunned down by a suspected Muslim militant.

On the other side of the gates — shut since the shooting — two of the dead were buried in a missionary cemetery in the hospital compound. Dr. Martha C. Myers, 57, of Montgomery, Ala., had

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Corn dogs and no booze: Troops ring in the New Year

In a few months, they could be fighting in Iraq

The Associated Press

CAMP DOHA, Kuwait — Though the beer and champagne lacked alcohol, U.S. troops in Kuwait still partied, welcoming the New Year in high spirits and taking a break from tensions ahead of a possible war with neighboring Iraq.

The tanks and humvees were parked off to the side at U.S. military bases in the Persian Gulf state as soldiers filled up recreation halls and decorated tents to dance, pop balloons and stage talent shows.

In the Persian Gulf, some 5,000 U.S. sailors had their party early, turning the flight deck of the USS Constellation into giant picnic area for daytime festivities before gearing up to work New Year's Day. At Camp Doha, the biggest U.S. base in



Kuwait, soldiers wore colorful party hats and garlands of plastic flowers, along with camouflage uniforms, and gorged roast beef and pasta. The walls thudded to a mix of rock, salsa, pop and country western music spun by DJ Shortie, alias Eric White, 35, of Washington, a civilian contractor with the army in Kuwait.

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"One challenge is to give everyone a little taste of home," White said. "I have got so many requests that this party could carry on until lunchtime tomorrow."

The soldiers, many of them away from home for the first time, said they missed their families and friends, but that the celebrations helped them to cement the bonds of comradeship in their units.

In line with army orders to respect the law of Muslim-majority Kuwait, the beverages on tap were alcohol-free, versions of beer and sparkling wine.

"If I was home, I would be doing pretty much the same thing with my friends going to clubs," said Specialist Robert Johnson, 24, of Carlsbad, N.M., from a field artillery unit of the 3rd Infantry Division. "But these guys here are like my family away from home."

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

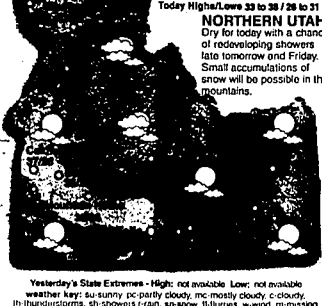
Today: Partly to mostly cloudy skies and seasonal temperatures. Highs in the lower 30s.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy skies and cold. Lows in the upper teens.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy to cloudy skies and mostly dry. Highs in the upper 30s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Partly to cloudy skies and cool. Highs in the lower to middle 30s.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy skies and cold. Lows in the middle teens.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy to cloudy skies and mostly dry. Highs in the lower 40s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
Today will be mostly dry but scattered snow showers will be possible on Thursday and likely on Friday.
Small accumulations of snow are likely on both Thursday and Friday.



Yesterday's State Extremes - High: not available. Low: not available. Weather key: su sunny; pc partly cloudy; mc mostly cloudy; c cloudy; th thunderstorms; sh showers; rdn rain; snow; mltly m. w-wind; m-missing

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Each column contains a weather icon and a temperature range. Today: Partly cloudy skies and brisk temperatures. High 33, Low 18. Tonight: Increasing clouds. High 33, Low 18. Thursday: Mostly cloudy and mostly dry. High 39, Low 27. Friday: Scattered rain and snow showers. High 41, Low 29. Saturday: Mostly cloudy to cloudy skies. High 47, Low 31. Sunday: Rainy and cool. High 47, Low 31.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Almanac section containing various weather statistics: Temperature (High 42, Low 22), Precipitation (0.00"), Humidity (67%), Barometric Pressure (30.12), Sunrise and Sunset (Sunrise 7:58 AM, Sunset 5:07 PM), Moon Phases (New Moon, First Quarter, Full Moon, Last Quarter), Moonrise and Moonset (Moonrise 12:11 AM, Moonset 6:04 PM), Snowpack (0.00"), and U.V. INDEX (Low).

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table listing regional forecasts for various Idaho cities including Boise, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Elko, Idaho Falls, Jerome, Ketchikan, Lewiston, Madras, McCall, Marsdale, Pocatello, Portland, Rupert, Rigby, Salmon, Seltzer, Shoshone, Spokane, Sun Valley, and Yellowstone.

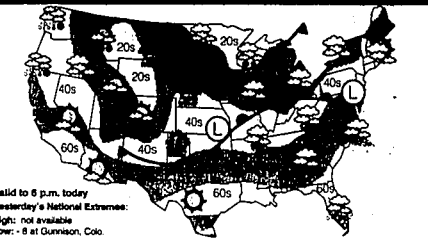
NATIONAL FORECAST

Table listing national forecasts for major US cities including Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston, Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisville, Memphis, Miami, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, New Orleans, New York, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Portland, St. Louis, St. Paul, Tampa, and Wichita.

WORLD FORECAST

Table listing world forecasts for major international cities including Athens, Beijing, Bombay, Buenos Aires, Cairo, Chicago, Dallas, Frankfurt, Geneva, Hong Kong, Jakarta, London, Los Angeles, Madrid, Mexico City, Moscow, New York, Ottawa, Paris, Rome, Seoul, Singapore, Taipei, Toronto, Vancouver, and Wellington.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

Table listing Canadian forecasts for major cities including Calgary, Edmonton, Kelowna, Lethbridge, Regina, Saskatoon, Vancouver, and Winnipeg.

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States sue over fed's loosening of air rules

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Environmental Protection Agency formally issued major changes to clean air rules for utilities, refineries and manufacturers Tuesday, prompting a court challenge hours later from a coalition of New England and mid-Atlantic states.
The Bush administration has taken an action that will bring more acid rain, more smog, more asthma and more respiratory distress to millions of Americans, Eliot Spitzer, New York's attorney general, said.
EPA's easing of certain requirements of the Clean Air Act's "New Source Review" program was published in the government's Federal Register, making them official.
The program affects whether expensive new anti-pollution equipment must be installed when industrial facilities are modernized.
But Spitzer said issuing the final regulations on New Year's Eve, when much of the public's attention was diverted, was further evidence the administration "continues to try to hide its domestic agenda under the cloak of darkness."
Spitzer and his counterparts in eight other states say they are harmed by smog and acid rain from the nitrogen oxide and sulfur dioxide emissions from coal-burning power plants and other industrial sources.
"i find it incredible that we would have to resort to a lawsuit to prevent the administration from gutting the Clean Air Act," said G. Steven Rowe, Maine attorney general.

Korea

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they want U.S. troops out of South Korea, although a majority of South Koreans, especially older ones, disagree and want the troops to stay, according to recent polls.
But the anger also flows from a deep reservoir of suspicion of the United States. Many Koreans blame the United States and other foreign countries for the continued division of the Korean peninsula, which was split after World War II.
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All recent U.S. administrations have regarded American troops in Korea as crucial for regional stability. It remains to be seen how U.S.-South Korean relations will fare under President-elect Roh Moo-hyun, who takes office in February.
Roh won the presidential election Dec. 19 by riding the wave of anti-American sentiment. He



Roh Moo-hyun

Bush administration eases 'dolphin' regs for tuna labels

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tuna caught by encircling dolphins may be labeled "dolphin safe" if it can be certified that no dolphins were killed or seriously injured during the catch, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.
The ruling opens the way for Mexico and Ecuador to ship tuna to the United States.
The decision to soften the requirements for using the "dolphin-safe" label brought immediate criticism from environmentalists who say current international safeguards are insufficient to ensure that tuna was caught without harm to dolphins.
The action by the department's National Marine Fisheries Service came after the agency determined that while thousands of dolphins continue to be killed during tuna fishing, the losses pose no significant threat to the species.
The marine fisheries service said tuna caught by encircling dolphins may immediately be imported into the United States and bear the "dolphin-safe" label as long as observers aboard the fishing vessels certify that no dolphins were killed or seriously injured during the catch.
Under the old definition, any tuna caught using dolphins as targets were automatically barred from bearing the consumer-friendly label on cans sold in the United States.
Dolphin commonly swim with schools of tuna. Various reports have said between 2,000 and 3,000 dolphins are killed annually in connection with tuna fishing in the eastern Pacific.

Yemen

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worked in Yemen for 24 years; hospital director William E. Koehn, 60, of Arlington, Texas, had planned to retire next October after 28 years at the hospital.
The body of the third victim — Kathleen A. Garity, 53, of Wauwatosa, Wis., who had worked in Yemen for 10 years — was to be flown to the United States.
"Friday was very sad for all of us, and what made it even more sad was that we couldn't participate in the burial," said Malka al-Hadrami, a Jibla resident who said she worked as a clerk for Myers for 18 years.
"All Jibla weeps for them," al-Hadrami said, choking back tears.
Samira Abdullah, wearing a black veil that cloaked everything but her eyes, said Myers treated her during her first pregnancy, when she was confined to her bed for months for fear she would lose the baby.
"Every day she looked after me, she used to come to my house, until I was able to stand and walk without endangering my pregnancy," Abdullah said, cradling her 2-year-old son in her arms.

'All Jibla weeps for them.'

— Malka al-Hadrami, town resident

"Without her, I wouldn't have Ali," Abdullah said. "She was a friend more than a doctor."

In Monday's attack, the gunman slipped past the hospital's weapons check, hiding his rifle. He then shot Myers, Koehn and Garity in the head and wounded pharmacist Donald W. Caswell, 49, of Levelland, Texas, who had been in Yemen for 18 months.

Yemeni investigators suspect that the gunman, who was arrested, has ties to the Islamic militant, terror network al-Qaida.

Jibla residents stressed that the accused gunman was an outsider, from San'a, the capital.

The hospital, a compound of several low, white bungalows surrounded by eucalyptus trees, is perched on one of the myriad hills of Jibla, 125 miles south of San'a.

Founded in 1967 by James and June Young, a Southern Baptist couple from Louisiana, the hospital treats more than 40,000 patients annually.

Adopt

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"Before she called me, I'd been studying in (the book of) James where he says that 'to be a true Christian is to visit the orphans and the widows,'" said sister-in-law Nora Kestler.
While Kestler was surprised by Huether's October telephone invite, "there was no way I could turn (the invitation) down."
The reasoning was simple.
Earlier that month Kestler had attended a mission workshop for pastors' wives. After the California conference, she returned with a resolve to encourage others to be more mission-minded — to think more seriously "about going on missions," said Kestler, who is the wife of Mike Kestler, pastor of Calvary Chapel in Twin Falls.
It was the "right thing" to do, Kestler said. Now, as part of Operation CareLife, Kestler, too, will be telling children a word away that "Jesus loves them."
Now in its 28th year, the McDowell Ministry takes in Russia, Belarus and Ukraine. The purpose of the humanitarian mission is to expose youth and adults to "the love and truth of Jesus Christ" — along with food and

medical supplies to help meet some of the short-term physical needs and to give local ministries and churches credibility to continue in the outreach efforts to these areas in the future.
While it is her first missionary venture, "I know I'm being led in the Spirit to go — I have my marching orders, and it's bigger than me," said Huether, who is the annual program director in charge of fund-raising at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.
Operation CareLife is my vehicle to go — and I'm excited to see what the Lord will do," she said.
Her enthusiasm is contagious.
"At first I thought it would blow over — my wife is real compassionate," said Brent Huether, pastor of Calvary Chapel in Buhl. "But it's very clear to me. I absolutely know that God has called her to go. I've placed her in God's hands and support her 110 percent."
As her pastor, he'll also be doing his part on the home front.
"I'll be on my knees the whole time she's away," he added.

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CORRECTION

An item in Tuesday's edition of The Times-News regarding the search for the suspect in a burglary and assault in Buhl included a wrong phone number for an investigator on the case. The correct phone number for investigator Becky White at the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office is 736-1022. Investigators are searching for information about an assault early Monday on a teen-age girl in her home at 4000 N. 1400 W. The suspect was described as 6-foot-2 to 6-foot-4 with a medium build and wearing a black and red coat. Anybody with information should call White or CrimeStoppers at 732-5387. The Times-News regrets the error.

Iraq's history with the U.S. - coming Thursday

U.S. seeks diplomatic resolution to Korea problem

CRAWFORD, Texas (AP) - Drawing differences between two international threats, President Bush said Tuesday he is confident North Korea's nuclear buildup can be stopped diplomatically, but warned that Saddam Hussein "has not heard the message" and may be headed toward conflict with the United States.

The president said he had not decided whether to wage war with Iraq, but suggested the economic cost of going to war to eliminate Saddam's weapons of mass destruction is better than risking an attack from them.

Bush made the comment in response to a question about reports that his administration was ready to spend between \$50 billion to \$60 billion to disarm Saddam.

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Senator raises profile for run at presidency

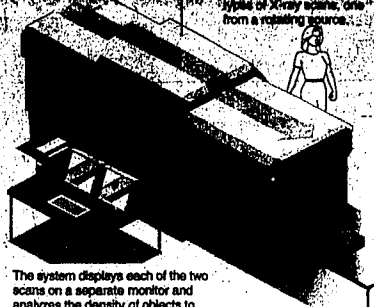
WASHINGTON (AP) - North Carolina Sen. John Edwards is putting the finishing touches on a widely expected run for president, meeting with close friends on New Year's Day followed by a series of interviews and fund-raising events later this week, associates said Tuesday.

The Democratic senator has been scheduling events they expect will lead to his announcement, but cautioned that as of Tuesday afternoon he hadn't given them the final word on his plans.

Vermont Gov. Howard Dean is already running for the Democratic nomination and Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry has formed an exploratory committee, and will make a final announcement of his plans.



Sen. John Edwards



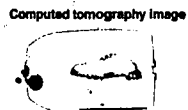
The system displays each of the two scans on a separate monitor and analyzes the density of objects to determine if they are explosives.



Standard projection image



The computer determines which parts of the bag require cross-section images for density analysis.



Computed tomography image

A cross-section image is taken from a rotating source. The computer compares object's density to properties of known explosives.

SOURCE: InVision Technologies AP

Travelers brace for new airport policy

WASHINGTON (AP) - Holiday travelers who left before Christmas may have a different airport experience if they fly home after today.

Their checked bags likely will be searched for explosives, although the method - machine, human hands or dogs - will vary by airport. And at more than 40 airports, travelers with only carry-on bags no longer can go straight to the gate. They'll have to make a detour to the ticket counter or a kiosk to get a boarding pass.

The changes are bound to create problems, said Michael Boyd, a Denver-based airline consultant. He offered this advice: Don't check anything and get there very early.

"It could be total chaos," he said.

Enhanced security at airports isn't new for frequent air travelers. They know that they'll have to show a government-issued ID several times before reaching the gate. Coats, and sometimes shoes, must be taken off and run through the same machines that check carry-on bags. Travelers may be randomly selected for a second, and even a third, search.

The new security is overseen by the Transportation Security Administration, created after the Sept. 11 attacks to protect travelers from terrorists. In the past year, the agency has hired more

than 50,000 people - distinguished by their white shirts and yellow embroidered badges - to screen passengers and baggage at 424 commercial airports.

Now the TSA is in the midst of adding another layer of security: screening all checked bags for explosives. It's an enormous undertaking - an estimated 1.5 billion bags get checked at U.S. airports every year.

Small airports can easily meet the requirement that all bags be screened because they can use labor-intensive methods such as searching by hand and using a wand that detects explosives residue on the outside of bags.

Larger airports need more efficient SUV-sized bomb-detection machines. They've been in short supply, though, and it can take months for older airports to shore up floors to hold them, build power stations to run them and construct ramps, conveyor belts and guardrails to incorporate them in baggage handling systems.

Congress originally stipulated that every bag be screened starting Jan. 1.

But last month lawmakers agreed to extend the deadline after airport managers complained the TSA had waited until this summer to begin ordering, delivering and installing the bomb-detection machines - too late to meet the cut-off date.

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White House counsel may make U.S. Supreme Court

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — White House Counsel Alberto Gonzales, the soft-spoken son of migrant farm workers, has emerged as the overwhelming favorite for a Supreme Court nomination in the months ahead, a move that would give President Bush a historic and politically powerful chance to name the first Latino to the nation's highest court.

Gonzales' ascension has been remarkable — from a childhood home without hot running water, to Harvard Law School, to the White House. He has become a close friend of the president since Bush recruited him as a general counsel when Bush was elected governor of Texas in 1994.

Now the 47-year-old former Texas Supreme Court justice is in charge of the process for recommending a Supreme Court nominee.

Two years ago, Dick Cheney, another trusted Bush adviser, was put in charge of selecting a running mate for Bush and emerged with the job.

The process could repeat itself. "He has a huge lead over everyone else," one administration official said of Gonzales.

If Bush names Gonzales to replace Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, a prospect that is becoming more likely, conservatives worry that the president will shift the high court to the left, not the right, on key issues such as affirmative action and abortion.

The usual speculation over a Supreme Court vacancy grew more intense after November, when Republicans retook the Senate.

Rehnquist, 78, had said he preferred to step down when a Republican president could fill his seat.

And all of the justices say they do not want to retire during a

presidential election year. So, if 2004 is out, that may mean 2005 is the year for Rehnquist and possibly Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, 72, to retire.

Rehnquist has been hobbled by knee surgery since late November. A few days before Christmas, the chief justice, walking slowly with a cane, went to see Bush at the White House. The unannounced visit has only heightened speculation that he will retire at the end of the court's term in late June.

Rehnquist took his seat on the Supreme Court in January 1972, and his final nominee of President Nixon.

He compiled an unwaveringly conservative record on matters ranging from crime and the death penalty to abortion, religion, affirmative action and free speech. President Reagan elevated him to be chief justice of the United States in 1986.

Filling Rehnquist's seat as chief justice could pose a special problem for the White House. At first glance, some legal experts say Gonzales lacks stature and experience as a federal judge.

But other options also do not appear promising on second glance, administration lawyers say.

One popular choice would be to elevate O'Connor, the first woman to serve on the high court. If Bush named her to replace Rehnquist and chose Gonzales to fill her seat, the president would get credit for two historic firsts. O'Connor would be the first woman to head a branch of the U.S. government.

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Report: War with Iraq could cost less than first projected

WASHINGTON (AP) — A war with Iraq could cost between \$50 billion and \$60 billion, an estimate much below the amount the White House had initially projected, The New York Times reported Tuesday.

Mitchell Daniels, the director of the Office of Management and Budget, said the Bush administration had budgeted for both short-term and long-term military campaigns against Iraq.

The 1991 Persian Gulf War cost more than \$60 billion, which would be equal to about \$80 billion today. Unlike that war, which

other nations helped finance, a conflict with Iraq would be paid for largely by the United States, diplomats told the Times.

The ultimate costs would depend on the number of troops used and the length of the war. The Pentagon has indicated it plans to deploy as many as 250,000 soldiers.

Lawrence Lindsey, President Bush's former chief economic adviser, said several months ago that a war could cost between 1 and 2 percent of the national gross domestic product, or \$100 billion to \$200 billion.

Warplanes bomb communications facilities

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. and British warplanes attacked air defense communications facilities and an air defense mobile radar in southern Iraq, the U.S. military said.

A statement Tuesday from U.S. Central Command, the military command that oversees operations in Iraq, said the strikes occurred Monday in response to "Iraqi threats" against coalition

aircraft monitoring the southern "no-fly zone" monitored by U.S. and British aircraft for the past decade.

Iraq says the U.S. and British patrols violate its sovereignty and its forces frequently shoot at allied pilots both in the northern zone set up to protect the anti-Baghdad Kurdish minority and the southern zone to protect Shiites.

Scandal threatens to overshadow governor's stand on death penalty

CHICAGO (AP) — With Gov. George Ryan down to his last few days in office, the question is whether his history will remember him for his stand against capital punishment or for a corruption scandal that shattered his party and his career.

Ryan, 68, has tried to build his legacy around his crusade to reform Illinois' death penalty. In 2000 he took the unprecedented step of suspending all executions. And before he leaves office on Jan. 13, he will decide whether to commute the sentences of any of the 160 inmates on death row.

At the same time, a scandal that began with an investigation into the payment of bribes for driver's licenses has engulfed Ryan's administration. And federal prosecutors appear to be closing in on Ryan himself.

When he steps down after a single term, Ryan will leave behind a Republican Party demoralized by the scandal and torn apart by infighting. Illinois Republicans lost almost every statewide office in November even as the GOP

swept to victory elsewhere around the country.

"In the last two weeks, if he found Osama bin Laden, it would not be his legacy — it would be the scandal he has endured throughout his entire term as governor," said Paul Green, a professor of public policy at Chicago's Roosevelt University.

Ryan won acclaim in many quarters for declaring a moratorium on executions and for touring the country to rail against a system that has released 13 wrongfully convicted men from Illinois' death row since 1977.

But even on that issue, Ryan has made missteps. He indicated last spring that he might grant blanket clemency to all death row inmates, most of them filed petitions seeking his help. That set the stage for a widely criticized series of hearings in the fall that replayed some of the state's most gruesome murders in front of victims' families. After the hearings, Ryan said he was no longer inclined to grant blanket clemency.

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BYRNEY, Australia (AP) — The "Blasphemy" written by the author of the New Yorker magazine, the security and fears of terror attacks.

100 Several hours before midnight, the body went off in a mosque filled with holiday revellers in the southern Philippines, killing at least four people and injuring 26 others. There was no immediate claim of responsibility, but authorities suspected Islamic separatists.

110 In downtown Seoul, at least 20,000 South Koreans gathered in a candlelight demonstration to mark the deaths of two teenage girls killed when they were hit by a U.S. military jeep. The protesters set off fireworks, some chanting, "Punish the murderous American soldiers!"

120 One of the first nations in the world to see in the New Year, was the United States. The largest city in the world, fireworks erupted from the Empire State Building at the stroke of midnight while crowds cheered on the streets.

130 In Australia, police closed city streets to traffic in a security plan that rivaled only the city's 2000 Olympics. Hundreds of thousands of people gathered for the spectacular 15-minute fireworks show, that climaxed with a display on the Harbor Bridge blazing in the shape of a dove clutching an olive branch in its beak and then the message of peace.

140 "After all this talk about terrorism, it is so good that Australians overcame adversity," said Lord Mayor Frank Sartor after the fireworks. "We were in a celebratory mood and had a beautiful party."

150 Along with celebrating the New Year, Europeans were marking a year of using the euro as cash. People in the European Union nations are complaining about the price increases they blame on the new currency, launched on Jan. 1, 2002, though EU officials insist it has not caused inflation.

160 Pacific Rim nations have been on heightened alert since Oct. 12, when bombs tore through two nightclubs on the Indonesian island of Bali, killing 192. The victims were mostly Western vacationers and 88 of them were Australians.

The blasts are blamed on Jemaah Islamiyah, a group linked to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida terrorist network.

Report: Officials probe claims of Korean cloned baby

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Korean prosecutors are trying to verify reports that Clonaid officials impregnated a South Korean woman with a cloned human embryo and moved her out of the country in July, media said Tuesday.

The prosecutors recently seized documents and research data from a South Korea biotech company that reportedly helped Clonaid with the impregnation, the national Yonhap news agency reported.

Prosecution officials quoted by Yonhap did not say to which country the South Korean woman was thought to have gone.

There has been no independent confirmation of the cloning claims by the group, and many experts have expressed skepticism.

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EDITORIAL

Terrorists strike blow against quest for peace

Monday's attack on a Yemen Christian hospital serves as a brutal reminder that terrorists will aim their hatred at any vulnerable American they see. For some in the Magic Valley, the Yemen events hit close to home.

der these selfless humanitarians is unconscionable and mortifying, all in the same breath. Religious groups have employed missionaries for centuries, partly for proselytizing, but also for the simple goal of helping people around the world. Here in the Magic Valley, a number of denominations see missionary work as the chance to teach and to serve. Friends and loved ones feel pride in the missionary's dedication, but they still fear for his or her safety.

Our view: The attack on American missionaries in Yemen reminds us that even peacemakers are targets of terrorists. **What do you think?** We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

The three missionaries killed in the blast had been in Yemen for years as doctors and administrators. They performed medical humanitarian work among the impoverished locals as part of a Southern Baptist mission. Yemen is considered a haven for many extremist Muslims who hate Americans and Christians. The U.S. Co. explosion that killed 17 crew members in October 2000 was in a Yemen port. Loyalty to Osama bin Laden and al Qaeda is strong.

While tourists and business travelers can raise their level of caution while abroad, missionaries and humanitarian workers are at a disadvantage. They must trust and love those they go to serve—and hostile groups can use that trust against them. This should not be the case. The terrorist killings in Yemen should be decried by Islamic nations that believe in peace. It's beyond time for moderate Muslims to loudly reject their extremist brethren who live by the sword.

It's a new year, but the world still faces the unyielding threat of terrorism. When the victims are agents of peace, terrorism is even more repugnant. Unless leaders around the world reject this bloody terrorism in word and deed, the peace and service these missionaries represented will be at risk.

Yet these missionaries remained in the country, devout in their faith and service, because they loved the people and yearned to make their lives better. The Southern Baptist missionary board said its 80-bed Jibla hospital treats more than 40,000 patients annually, providing care free to those cannot afford it. Its missionaries also taught English and clinical skills at a nearby nursing school. That a terrorist would mur-



You say they said what?

BILL TAMMEUS

One of the best ways to get through each year is to pay attention to the strange and wonderfully well (or badly) put things people say. And 2002 was no different.

It's true that Yogi Berra once said you can see a lot just by looking (and even Yogi often can't remember whether he said what he once said), it's also true that you can hear a lot just by listening. Really. You can argue, of course, that it's unfair to pull out just a few of all the millions of words a person spoke in a year and make fun of them. Well, of course it's unfair. That's the point. But that doesn't mean it's not fun. Or that the business of newspaper column writing doesn't depend on that odd mix of unfairness and fun. So just be quiet. And listen to some of the words that floated through the air in 2002.

"I'm not Mother Theresa." - boxer Mike Tyson. Actually, I knew that without him saying it. Of the two, Tyson is the live one.

"He was giving me a good lesson on Missouri politics, as was Jim Talent (the newly elected senator from the Show Me state), when we drove over."

George W. Bush, speaking of Sen. Kit Bond at a feed mill in Aurora, Mo., in January. No doubt one lesson on Missouri politics was to pretend you know how to talk like some of the rural Missourians who drove over to see you.

"No, no, he's a friend of mine. He's not a moron at all." - Canada Prime Minister Jean Chretien, speaking of Bush. As

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Just in case you're wondering how much weight the Bush administration, they should be concentrating on putting blame on government on a diet. According to Citizens Against Government Waste (CAGW), their 10th anniversary report focuses on pork-barrel projects. "Fiscally conservative" Republicans joined in the spending spree. In cities like New York, where Republican Mayor Michael Bloomberg wants to raise property taxes by double digits to cover "budget shortfalls," and in states like Connecticut, where Republican Gov. John Rowland proposed raising taxes to cover a budget deficit, the pressure is on to pry more money from overtaxed workers. What is needed is a counter-finance that will resonate with everyone who pays the bills for inefficiency, waste, fraud and abuse and by government. Democrats in the new Congress will predictably battle to preserve, outmoded and unneeded government programs because the more people depend on government, the more power the Democrats have. Republicans, with their new majority status, have a unique opportunity not only to stay the big-government beast, but to make sure it isn't resurrected. To fulfill this resolution, taxes will have to be cut further, and wasteful spending must be controlled, and the belt-tightening must start with Republicans. Can't mount a temperance campaign when the leaders are on the spending equivalent of a drinking binge. President Bush is making a good first step by calling in Congress not only to make the current tax cuts permanent but also to reduce taxes on corporate dividends for shareholders, which would boost the stock market and free up more capital for businesses and individuals. But it is in spotlighting waste, fraud and abuse that the administration make the city market headway in reducing the size and cost of government. President Bush should create a new panel to locate, with the help of citizens, areas where government is over-spending money. Individual states should be urged to establish commissions that would watch how state taxes are being misused. As Robert Morganthau noted, last week in a New York Times column, an estimated \$30 million is lost to New York City every year due to evasion of tax-stamp laws and unreported cigarette sales. Before the city budget over-burdened New Yorkers even more, why doesn't it properly enforce tax laws already on the books? At the federal level, CAGW has compiled a database of 32,443 projects costing taxpayers \$140 billion. They range from building a canoe in Hawaii to a parking garage in Maine. The 2002 CAGW "Congressional Fix Book Directory" lists a record \$20.1 billion in pork and 8,341 projects funded with dollars taken from federal taxpayers. CAGW also identifies \$159 billion in potential one-year savings and \$1.2 trillion that could be saved if the government would get serious about eliminating waste, fraud and abuse, and determine not to repeat its mistakes. Reducing the size and cost of government will be difficult because of the many entrenched interests that keep it big and ravenous. But a campaign based on the rights of citizens to have their money honestly spent on things that promote the general welfare would resonate with most Americans. It is a resolution worth making and keeping.

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Federal land grabs wreck the already unstable economy

BONNER R. COHEN

One of the first places the administration and Congress should look is Washington's little-noticed but highly destructive practice of gobbling up land. Few Americans realize it, but the federal government is the single biggest landowner in the country. The amount of land owned by the four key federal land management agencies—the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, and National Park Service—exceeds 612 million acres, or more than one-fourth of the land area of the United States.

According to figures compiled by the Montana-based Political Economic Research Center, these agencies have added more than 33 million acres to their holdings since 1960, a rate of growth averaging 840,000 acres per year.

With so much land transferred annually from the private to the public sector, it's small wonder that state and local governments are feeling the pinch of plunging tax revenues, particularly in sluggish economic times.

A just-released survey of state budget documents by the Center for Budget and Policy Priorities found that some states—including Alaska, California and Nevada—face shortfalls close to one-fourth of their general fund budgets.

According to the U.S. Statistical Abstract, the federal government owns 62 percent of Alaska, 44 percent of California, and a whopping 83 percent of Nevada. These states' ability to raise revenues during an economic downturn is hampered by so much of their territory having been removed from the tax rolls.

Similar problems are faced by other states suffering from massive federal ownership of their territory. They include Colorado (37 percent), Arizona (45 per-

cent), Idaho (63 percent), and Utah (63 percent).

The situation is so bad in California that Gov. Gray Davis, saddled with an estimated \$35 billion budget shortfall, has proposed slashing his state's funding for education, health care and transportation.

Rather than cut back on health care and other essential services, states should vigorously oppose further federal land grabs and should demand that Washington begin divesting some of its vast holdings.

Environmental groups like the Sierra Club and the Wilderness Society never tire of promoting government land acquisitions in the name of "protecting" these areas. But the federal government is a poor environmental steward. So much land has been added to the sprawling federal estate that land management agencies can no longer cope with the millions of acres under their jurisdiction.

The National Park Service and the Forest Service each have maintenance backlogs in excess of \$5 billion. In 1999, the Congressional Budget Office warned that "land management agencies should improve their stewardship of the lands they already own before taking on additional management responsibilities."

The annual occurrence of catastrophic wildfires in dangerously overgrown and poorly managed national forests speaks volumes about the quality of stewardship on government-owned land. Government ownership of vast stretches of land in rural America cannot be justified on economic or environmental grounds.

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... Indeed, it is not conservatives who fear family marriages as it is majorities while researchers uncovered a sentiment that should surprise no one: For all the bad rap that marriage gets, for all the divorcees and absent fathers and single parents sure they can make it on their own, most people—even most poor, unmarried people—want to marry.

... Kathryn Edin, an associate professor of sociology at the Institute for Policy Research at Northwestern University, interviewed 75 "fragile families" in three cities and found that the desire for marriage was very strong. "In some ways, I didn't want to believe it," she said in "Frontline" last month. "But it was really there."

... Trouble is, the traditional conservative approach to the families in Edin's study—that embracing marriage is only a matter of moral choice—doesn't speak to the real obstacles standing in their way. Those single moms and absent dads are not resisting wedlock exclusively out of moral turpitude. Larger economic and cultural forces can thwart even the most fervent will to walk down the aisle and commit for better and worse.

... That is why liberals need to be part of this debate, to recognize that this is both a private and a public issue, shaped by individual values and economic factors.

... Promoting marriage as a sacred and sensible social institution need not lead us to the past. Just because Pat Moynihan was early for his time doesn't mean we shouldn't listen to him now.

Jane R. Eisner is a columnist for Philadelphia Inquirer.

... In the black family and found a trail of reasons of families of...
... Some prophets have had timing. What Moynihan decried for one minority group is now the norm. One-third of all American children are born without benefit of marriage, and the well-being of children is now undeniably affected by the breakdown in family structure.

... It has taken more than 35 years, but there is a growing consensus on the table about the central question of American life: How do we strengthen marriage as the primary social institution to rear children?

... Liberals, in particular, heard the wake-up call this year. No longer confined to the outer reaches of the Religious Right, the "marriage movement" is moving center stage, as those on the political left are belatedly adding their voices to this necessary debate.

... One example of many: The National Council on Family Relations, an organization for academic researchers and practitioners, had been so skittish about discussing marriage that some members stopped attending its annual meeting. Not anymore. This year, there were several panels addressing marriage, and next year's entire conference will be devoted to the subject.

... "A friend who provides services for inner-city children declared this marriage push 'nuts,'" Alex Klotowitz, author of "There Are No Children Here," wrote last month. "That had been my initial reaction, as well. But now I wonder if the conservatives driving this

LETTERS

Auger Falls purchase seems excessive for T.F.
It sure is nice that the city of Twin Falls has so much money to buy Auger Falls for the benefit of the ducks, geese, snails and every bug that they can think of—including all the bureaucratic conventions that we have had to put up with for the last 30 or 40 years.

When are they going to think a little about the human race that has a right to use some of the natural resources that were put here for us to use.

Wetlands— isn't that a dandy? Who thought of that one? Why didn't the governor call out the National Guard when they dumped the wolves on us? Isn't it interesting that a few people can take our rights to freedom away from us any time they so desire?

LLOYD ELDON COX
Burley

Spread out the wealth on lottery prizes
To the Idaho Lottery Commission:

This letter is to suggest you think about changing the way your prize money is distributed. It is especially important to rethink it in the light of the enormous sums that are now being played for. With the jackpot nearing \$300 million, wouldn't it be better to somehow split the money to 1,000 top winners each receiving \$300,000, still a goodly sum? The benefits would be spread over a much bigger section of the people and instead of making one family ultra-rich, it would give a thousand families a big boost.

The Spanish Lottery, El Gordo, does this with a much bigger pot, but it certainly doesn't deter people from buying their tickets.

The odds would be a whole lot better, the prize would still be significant and the benefits would be much more widespread. Perhaps it could be triggered anytime the jackpot goes about a certain level, such as \$100 million.

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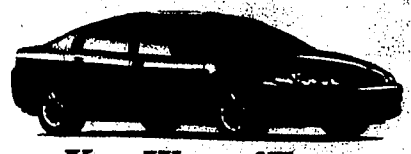
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Community service officer weathers attack

By Dan McAttee
Times-News reporter

TWIN FALLS—An attack late Monday on a Twin Falls police trainee scene investigator was apparently a fluke, a department spokesman said Tuesday.

Community Service Officer Arlene Moreno had finished processing evidence at the scene of a burglary in an apartment at 1322 Washington St. N. at about 6:40 p.m. and returned to her vehicle, according to reports. But she realized she'd left some of her report in the

apartment and went back to get it. As she came to the rear of the building, a man attacked her from behind, pushing her into a wall and to the ground, according to reports.

Police officers on duty heard Moreno say "Get off me" over her radio and went immediately to the scene. A search for the assailant—who was described as having a large frame and wearing dark clothing—turned up nothing. Moreno was treated for minor injuries and released from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, said Twin Falls police

Sgt. Dan McAttee.

Community service officers are private citizens who work full time for the police department in dispatch, minor investigations and service patrol. They are not sworn officers, don't have powers of arrest and don't carry weapons other than pepper spray on duty. Moreno didn't have a chance to use her pepper spray because she was attacked so quickly and without warning, McAttee said.

McAttee said it's standard department policy to not send community service officers alone into an area where sus-

pects might still be lurking. The crime scene Moreno was investigating was apparently "cold" and there was no reason to think any suspects had been there for several hours, he said.

What connection the attacker might have had to the crime scene or other possible motives for the assault were still a mystery Tuesday, he said.

"Where this came from, we just don't have a clue."

Anybody with information about the attack should call the Twin Falls Police Department at 735-4357.

Wood River Valley snow storm causes few incidents

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM—Jammed with holiday vacationers and covered with a thick blanket of snow New Year's Eve, the Wood River Valley prepared to welcome 2003 with no major problems or accidents by late afternoon Tuesday.

The most excitement was reported in Ketchum, where assistant police chief Michael McNeil said a skier feared lost in an avalanche on the backside of Bald Mountain near Beaver Creek actually escaped ahead of the slide.

McNeil also said an awning heavy with snow in downtown Ketchum collapsed on an unidentified woman passerby. Fire department paramedics treated the woman at the scene.

Hayley police and the Blaine County Sheriff's Department reported cars sliding off icy roads and a few fender benders, but nothing more.

Bruce Jensen, CEO of St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center, said the hospital's emergency room was unusually quiet by mid-afternoon.

In Ketchum, the major problem was traffic gridlock created by snow and patches of ice, despite the bustling efforts of state and city plows to keep streets groomed.

Vehicles were backed up for blocks in the central business district.

Parking lots at Bald Mountain's River Run and Warm Springs areas were packed.

Although 2 to 4 inches of snow was forecast to fall in the Sun Valley/Ketchum area Tuesday, Sun Valley Resort Marketing Director Jack Sibbach said about 7 inches had



No outdoor dining Tuesday at Sun Valley's River Run Lodge—just outdoor skiing in the heaviest snowfall of the season. Holiday skiers packed Bald Mountain's 77 operating runs on New Year's Eve.

fallen by early afternoon at the top of the ski mountain, where snow depth is some 80 inches.

The National Weather Service is forecasting a break from the snow today, but a chance of snowfall returns Thursday and through the weekend.

Ironically, although the Sun Valley Resort's room and meal business was robust, Sibbach

said the heavy snows over the past few days have actually reduced the number of skiers on Bald Mountain because of visibility and challenging conditions.

"But we'd rather have the snow," he said.

"People go home and tell friends about the amazing snow. It's our best marketing tool."

AROUND THE VALLEY

Reyes' parole hearing set

Reyes was sentenced to 18 months in the Twin Falls County Jail. Community corrections officers will monitor his progress from his home in Twin Falls.

Reyes had last been seen at about 4 p.m. Monday at his place of work in Twin Falls. When Community Work Center staff went to pick him up from work after his shift ended at about 6:25 p.m., he wasn't there and was reported as a "walkaway."

Reyes had been at the center about a month. He was wearing parole after serving a little over a year for two convictions: one and a half to five years for aggravated battery in Cassia County, and a concurrent term of one and a half to five years for eluding a police officer in Minidoka County.

Jones said she didn't have details Tuesday on how police found Reyes. She said he will be charged with escape.

Freeze on Skis will shiver at noon today

TWIN FALLS—It's snow season, but that won't stop faithful fundraisers from doing a little winter water skiing today for the 16th annual Freeze on Skis.

The show begins at noon at the boat docks above Shoshone Falls Park, with skier registration beginning at 11 a.m.

Magic Valley Jaycees organizes its annual fundraiser, in which hardy souls brave the cold waters of the Snake River to go water skiing. Proceeds this year will go to the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley and the Magic Valley chapter of the Wishing Star Foundation.

M.V. youth orchestra begins Saturday

TWIN FALLS—The Magic Valley Youth Orchestra will begin rehearsals for its winter concert Saturday morning in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium.

Rehearsals start at 9:30 a.m. All youngsters interested in joining the orchestra should attend the first rehearsal. For more information, phone Judy Call at 734-7335.

The orchestra's winter concert is scheduled for Feb. 22.

Ketchum administrator looks at improvements

KETCHUM—You have your New Year's resolutions. The city of Ketchum is drafting its, as well. City Administrator Ron LeBlanc is trying to put together a capital improvement plan for the next five years.

The plan would prioritize projects, such as creating pocket parks, infilling sidewalks, building a new soccer field, replacing a fire pumper and snow removal equipment, and developing a new well site. It would also identify operating and maintenance costs.

LeBlanc will develop the plan as part of this spring's budget process. He hopes to solicit public comment before presenting a draft plan to the Ketchum City Council for review.

Compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak**
Upper Snake River	75%	20%
Salmon Falls	78%	25%
Salmon	87%	23%
Oakley	88%	20%
Big Wood	110%	30%
Little Wood	140%	38%
Herrys Fork/Teton	74%	22%
Big Lost	122%	33%
Little Lost	78%	25%

*As of Dec. 31. A comparison of basin snowpack on this day, and a 30-year average.

**As of Dec. 31. An indicator of peak snowpack.

BE IT RESOLVED

The Times-News asked a number of Magic Valley residents and others about their new year's resolutions. Here are the responses:

"Mine is so obvious: that the economy improves, that those that are out of work can get back to work. I've just had enough of this economy, thank you."

—Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome

"I don't normally make (new year's resolutions). I found that most people don't tend to keep them. I make them from time to time, but I don't usually do them around New Year's."

—Terrell Donicht, superintendent of Twin Falls School District

"To be a better neighbor. You get caught up in work and the things in your life, and you forget about the people around you. You need to reach out to them. We've become too self-centered. We need to become more involved."

—Ted Lawson, 53, Twin Falls High School government teacher

"My new year's resolution is to not make a new year's resolutions, knowing full well that I won't keep them."

—Dave McAlindin, 52, economic development director of the city of Twin Falls

"It's been difficult times in the past year. My new year's resolution is that during the tough times I'm going to stop and smell the roses more."

—Jerry Meyerhoeffer, 64, president of the College of Southern Idaho

"I'd like to learn more about my community. There's a lot to learn. I made a lot of friends, and I'd like to continue to get to know more members of the community. I think the airport is a great public facility and a great public asset. I'd like it to be the best airport it can be for Magic Valley residents."

—Bill Carberry, 42, manager of the Twin Falls airport

"To be more tolerant of others."

—Guy Beach, 38, coach of CSI men's basketball team

"I resolve to do everything I can to revitalize the Magic Valley economy, particularly the economy that's being severely impacted by the loss of jobs in the Mini-Cassia area. We'll do whatever we can to work with the governor and other public officials to attract new industry to our economy area."

—John Evans of Burley, former governor

"Continue our quest to see if we can bring some business to Idaho, which desperately needs it. I'm talking to companies and seeing what we can do. As a private citizen, it's a little bit harder."

—Alan Blinken, 65, former candidate for U.S. Senate who lives near Sun Valley

"I never do that. You do what you can. I just take it one day at a time."

—Jody Bruffen, 40, resident care coordinator at St. Benedict's Long Term Care in Jerome

"After the amount of time and effort involved in my statewide campaign, my resolution is to refocus on the family and children, to spend more time with them while still staying involved in education reform."

—Tom Luna of Nampa, 44, former candidate for state superintendent of public instruction

"I realized I haven't taken time out for everything I should. So I'm going to take time out for the little things, no matter how small they are."

—Jessica Hartley, 16, Twin Falls High School sophomore

"I really haven't made one yet. I just know when I do, I fail anyway."

—Max Excell, superintendent of Shoshone School District

"I would like to take art lessons of some kind, whether it be pottery or painting."

—Camille Barigan, 30, CSI community education center

"I set goals instead of new year's resolutions. As a pastor, my goal is to focus on church growth. And for the city, we're doing well economically, business is good, hopefully keep that going."

—Elaine Steele, former mayor and current Twin Falls City Council member as well as pastor of the Methodist Church in Paul

"I resolve to not make new year's resolutions, because I can't keep them."

—Teddie Morton, captain of Rock Creek Rural Fire Department

Looking ahead 2003 2003 2003

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Motel owner sues over tax

SANDPOINT (AP) - The owner of two motels is challenging the legality of a new resort city tax, saying a select few merchants have to shoulder the burden.

The city expects to raise \$90,000 from the 1 percent tax, which would be levied only on occupancy in hotels, motels, short-term condominium and vacation home rentals, and bed and breakfasts within Sandpoint.

The tax idea was floated primarily as a means of raising money for the next phase of downtown's upgrade, a town square.

Sand-Ida Services Inc. has sued

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The city adopted the ordinance Dec. 4, a month after voters passed the tax with 89 percent in favor. It expires after five years.

Sand-Ida's owner, Adrian Cox, fought the measure, claiming it targets a small group of business owners. Motels in Sandpoint have a tough time competing with out-of-town lodging in the nonsummer months, he said.

In the lawsuit, Sand-Ida says it will not pay the ordinance under protest, but is entitled to relief by way of a refund. The company estimated its damages to be more than \$10,000.

It also seeks a declaratory judgment against the Idaho statute that made the tax possible, saying it also is vague and unenforceable.

Court up

HELENA, Mont. (AP) - A state regulation prohibiting non-tribal members from hunting on Indian reservations is unconstitutional because it is a rational method of preserving wildlife for hunting by American Indians, the Montana Supreme Court has ruled.

The restriction fulfills the state's obligation to recognize tribal hunting privileges established in law and treaties between the tribes and the federal government, the unanimous court said Monday.

The decision rejected an appeal from Sandra White Shook, who was caught poaching a whitetail buck on private property within the Flathead Reservation in November 1997.

She pleaded guilty and admitted she knew the area where she shot the animal was closed to nontribal hunters by the state Fish, Wildlife and Parks Commission. She then challenged the constitutionality of

the regulation. She argued that the regulation violated the state's obligation to recognize tribal hunting privileges established in law and treaties between the tribes and the federal government.

The state said the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes and several other long upheld laws based on tribal membership are a valid political, not racial, distinction.

The state's high court also ruled that upland laws giving Indians special treatment as long as those laws can be tied rationally to the fulfillment of the unique federal obligation toward Indians.

Federal law regarding the rights of Indians is binding on the state and most treaties creating Montana's seven reservations reserve some hunting and fishing rights to the respective tribes, the court said.

The regulation Shook challenged addresses the state's obligation to recognize those rights by simply banning hunt-

SERVICES

George W. Mendenhall of Kimberly, service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Kimberly 2nd Ward LDS Chapel, 222 Birch St. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls and one hour before the service Thursday at the church.

Donald F. Youtz of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Thursday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

JR Dixon of Buhl, memorial service at 11 a.m. Thursday at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl, 130 N. Ninth, Buhl.

Chase Travis Swenson of Gooding, service at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Glenns Ferry High School; viewing from 12 p.m. Thursday at the high school.

Ethel C. Martin of Shoshone, service at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Shoshone First Baptist Church with burial in the Shoshone Cemetery (Demary's Shoshone Chapel).

Betty Ann McDowell of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. Thursday

at the First Church of the Nazarene, 1231 Washington St. N., Twin Falls; interment will be at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 3-5 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

Steven Harrison of Heyburn, service at 11 a.m. Friday at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St.; burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Thursday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley and from 10-10:45 a.m. Friday at the church.

Woodrow 'Woody' Barlow of Burley, service at 2 p.m. Friday at the Burley West Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2420 Parke

Ave.; burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Thursday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley and from 1-1:45 p.m. Friday at the church.

Cindy Lee Climer Roberts of Reno, Nev., memorial service at 2 p.m. Friday at the Kimberly 1st Ward LDS Chapel.

Vanita May Josephine Helms of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E., Twin Falls; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Monday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home; interment will be at the Soldier Mountain/Mt. View Cemetery above Fairfield.

DEATH NOTICES

Elmira Roberson RUPERT - Elmira Roberson, 88, of Rupert died Monday, Dec. 30, 2002, at her home. Arrangements will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel

Justin Dean Fries DECILO - Justin Dean Fries, 21, of Declo died Monday, Dec. 30, 2002. Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

OBITUARIES

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

JEROME



Eldon Paul (E.P.) Martin Eldon Paul (E.P.) Martin, 76, of Jerome, died Wednesday, December 25, 2002, at St. Barnard's LTCU.

He was born August 14, 1926, at Twin Falls; the son of James T. and Nellie Cron Henry Martin. He was raised and educated at Edon and following graduation he joined the Army and served in the European Theater of operations.

Following his discharge he farmed and raised registered Herefords, with his father, on the Northside Herford Ranch west of town.

The family move north to the Wood River Valley, where he purchased the Sun Valley Taxi Service, consisting of one car. He mounted the box rack to put skis on the back of the cabs. Over the holidays he had five cars on the road. His father, brother and sister-in-law, Ari and Colleen Martin and his long time Marvin Balis were his drivers. In 1955 E.P. and his father purchased the farm northeast of Jerome, where his son Lloyd and he family still reside. They worked side by side removing the sagebrush. Years later they purchased the Grant place. Some of this farm was in a sagebrush, which was removed along with the rock pile.

He was a member of the Jerome Elks Lodge, American Legion and the Jerome County Search and Rescue. He married Laura Lee Higginbotham and they later divorced.

Survivors include his children, Lloyd (Barbara) Martin, Russell (Cheryl) Martin, both of Jerome and Kay Ledford of Manassas, Virginia.

Also surviving are his grandchildren, Marsha (Jeremy) Fort, Kim (Philip) Bright, Paul Martin, Sean Hale, J. Martin, Jessica Mann, and his great grandchildren, Grace Fort, Kylie, Megan and Emilia Bright, Shane, and Misty Hale.

E.P. was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, one nephew and a grandchild.

At E.P.'s request no services were to be held. Funeral arrangements and cremation were under the direction of the Howe Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. Family suggest memorials to the Elks Rehabilitation Center in Boise.

JEROME



Harvey Jake Walter Harvey Jake Walter, 81, of Jerome, was called into his eternal glory on Sunday, December 29, 2002, with his family at his side.

Harvey was born November 17, 1921, in Murco, Colorado, the son of Jake H. and Lydia Burn. He served in the Navy from March 30, 1944, until April 23, 1946, on the U.S.S. Sarcotia. Harvey was awarded four medals and three stars for his service. After returning from the Navy, he married the love of his life, Frances A. Alvors on September 8, 1946. They were married in a double ceremony with Marlin Ruiter and Margaret Alvors. Harvey and Frances were married for 55 years.

Harvey farmed his entire life, retiring in 1987. He also worked at the Amalgamated Sugar Company as a mechanic for 38 years, during the campaign season.

He enjoyed fishing with his wife and family, playing his harmonica and playing cards with family and friends. Harvey was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church for 63 years.

Survivors include his two daughters, Barbara (Lloyd) Martin and Cheryl (Larry) Garay and six sons, Larry (Lynne) Walter, Stan (Cindy) Walter, Gerald (Becky) Walter, Mark (Wendy) Walter at of Jerome, Gary (Barb) Walter of Cascade and Rev. Cary Walter of McGill, Nevada.

Also surviving are 20 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, a brother Alvin Walter of Boise, a sister Elmira Sidsbottom of Sacramento and several nieces and nephews.

Harvey was preceded in death by his wife Frances, one brother and one sister and his parents.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, January 3, 2003, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church with the Rev. Baldwin Cairn officiating. Burial will follow at the Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel Thursday evening from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. The family suggests memorials to the Lutheran Care Center of Jerome.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome, Idaho 83338.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

Sherry Montgomery Reese

Sherry Montgomery Reese, 53, passed away Sunday, December 29, 2002, in Salt Lake City, Utah. She was born June 16, 1949. She was the daughter of Billie Barton and Nelda (Bair) Montgomery. She received her schooling in Minidoka County, graduating from Minico High School. She attended Rick's College for one year. She then moved to Salt Lake City, Utah. She married Hayden Reese March 10, 1969, in Nevada. They had two sons, Clayton and Vernon. She was preceded in death by her husband, her father and grandparans.

She is survived by her sons, Clayton (Rhonda) Reese and Vernon, both of Salt Lake City, Utah; Nelda Montgomery, Burley, two brothers, Gene Barton (Sherry) Montgomery and Rick Alan (Gracie) Montgomery; one sister, Billie James; several uncles, aunts, cousins, nieces and nephews in the area. Services are pending.

BUHL

Shirley B. Uptain

Shirley B. Uptain, age 74, of Buhl, passed away Saturday, December 28, 2002, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center after a long struggle with cancer. She was born in Schuyler, Nebraska on February 21, 1928, the daughter of Wilford and June Wagoner.

As a young girl, Shirley moved with her family to the Castleford/Buhl area where she attended and graduated from Buhl High School in 1946. Soon after graduation, she went to work for Mountain States Telephone Co. and stayed more than 10 years. On February 7, 1947 she married Clinton Uptain. Shirley was a devoted wife, mother and homemaker. For many years she worked as a seasonal employee for Hewens, Rangens and Shields. Shirley enjoyed being with her close family, especially going to her grandson's basketball, football and baseball games. She was a dedicated member of the United Methodist Church where she served as secretary/treasurer for more than 25 years.

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents Wilford and June Wagoner. She is survived by her husband Clinton Uptain, daughter Cheryl Ringenberg, her husband Arnold, son Craig K. Uptain, his wife Marcella, two grandsons Jason and Jacob Ringenberg, sister Donna Ward and brother Robert Wagoner.

Friends and family may visit at Farmer Funeral Chapel 130 N. 9th in Buhl on Thursday, Jan. 2, from 1-7 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Friday, January 3, 2003, at 2 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Buhl. Interment will follow at the West End Cemetery, Buhl. Family suggests that donations be made to the Buhl United Methodist Church.

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Firm offers reward for stolen files

PHOENIX (AP) - A government contractor posted a \$100,000 reward Tuesday in the theft of Social Security numbers and other personal records of 500,000 military service members and their families, including some from Idaho.

TriWest Healthcare Alliance, which provides managed health care to the military in Arizona and 15 other states, has no indication that any client's information has been misused, said chief executive officer David McIntyre Jr.

If the information is misused, however, the Federal Trade Commission said the Dec. 14 break-in at the Phoenix-based company could become one of the largest identity thefts on record.

Thieves stole computer hard drives containing names, addresses, phone numbers, medical claim histories and Social Security numbers for beneficiaries. TriWest serves about 1.1 million active-duty personnel, their dependents and retirees.

TriWest's 16-state area includes Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming, and western Texas.

As many as 100,000 Arizona residents had information stolen in the theft, McIntyre said.

Authorities haven't yet identified the culprits.

"We are considering all motives and possibilities," said U.S. Attorney Paul Charlton, declining to detail possible motives.

Charlton said there is nothing to indicate the crime was tied to terrorism.

A person couldn't get into a secure area of a military base with the stolen information, he said.

While declining to comment on the company's security during the break-in, McIntyre said TriWest has since improved its protection of client information.

The theft hasn't disrupted the company's services to its clients, McIntyre said.

Utah agency shuts down SLC gay bar

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - After undercover agents discovered what they claim is lewd behavior, state regulators pulled the liquor license from a downtown gay bar.

The reported violations included having a nude person serve alcohol, as well as displaying public sex acts.

An attorney for Club Blue says he plans to appeal the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control's decision to the 3rd District Court.

Club managers say the behavior in question happened when someone had rented the club out for an invitation-only private party in October.

But undercover state investigators say they had no trouble getting into the private function, and what they reportedly saw troubled state liquor commissioners.

"I've been on this commission for 11.5 years and this is by far the most egregious violations that have ever come before this commission," chairman Nicholas Hales said.

DECISION LOOMS



George Ray, of Niland, Calif., in the Imperial Valley, listens to comments from the Imperial Irrigation District Board members Monday in El Centro, Calif. California's poorest county found itself under enormous pressure to sell a portion of its Colorado River water from desert farms to cities, or trigger an immediate cut in the state's water supply.

Deadline nears for California county to sell or lose water

EL CENTRO, Calif. (AP) - The board of a rural irrigation district met privately Tuesday under pressure of a year-end deadline to decide whether to revive a deal to transfer water from farms to cities and avoid a cut in California's draw from the Colorado River.

The Bush administration gave the water board in Imperial Valley until midnight to sell some of its water or have it taken away - an ultimatum underlying efforts to woo California from overuse of the Colorado and ensure shares for six other states.

The river's water is the underpinning of \$1 billion worth of agricultural production in Imperial County, a desert region in the southeastern corner of the state. The stymied deal was intended to transfer some of that water west to growing San Diego.

Before entering the Imperial Irrigation District's closed-door meeting, board President Stella Mendoza said she would ask members to delay a vote for 90 days.

"I believe it's prudent to take some time out," Mendoza said.

Mendoza said the latest plan to revive the transfer deal brought Imperial very close to approval but she would not let threats from the federal government make her act hastily.

"I have to be really concerned when we're signing away the headline of our county," she said. No other board members would speak before the meeting, but district general manager Jesse Silva said he believed the board was close to approving the transfer.

"Everybody is making a concerted effort," Silva said. "I think we are very close."

Imperial County has what everybody in the thirsty West wants. It gets more than a trillion gallons of water a year from the Colorado River, turning desert into a rich farm belt.

Three weeks ago, Imperial's water board narrowly rejected a deal that was the cornerstone of a broader agreement to reduce California's overdependence on the Colorado.

Board members said the deal's main flaw was that it failed to address its concerns over the Salton Sea, a 376-square-mile lake accidentally formed by a canal breach in 1905. They said they feared it would quickly become too salty for fish and birds if it weren't for water running off farm fields in the Imperial Valley.

Tuesday's board meeting was scheduled after weeks of intense discussion with other Southern California water agencies.

In recent days, negotiators for four California water boards came up with a proposal to ease Imperial's concern about losing the water and resulting environmental problems.

The proposal involved hundreds of millions of dollars in state funds and loan guarantees to cover the cost of environmental mitigation.

ISU axes 11 positions, may need to trim more

POCATELLO (AP) - Idaho State University is laying off 11 full-time teachers and may cut more jobs in the coming year.

The university could also increase student fees by as much as 10 percent next school year, said university president Richard Bowen. The cutbacks are in anticipation of a lean appropriation from the state Legislature.

"This is something we do only under stringent conditions," Bowen said. "We prefer to keep these people, but we have to prepare."

Bowen said he does not expect the budget to be cut, but that university leaders have to find money to cover increasing health care and utility expenses and provide faculty raises.

The cuts went to second-year

faculty members in the colleges of Health Professions, Engineering, Technology and Arts and Sciences. The university has until March 1 to notify first-year professors of any additional layoffs.

"This is not a good thing for the institution," Bowen said. "The university will be smaller and less able to carry out its mission."

He said fewer students will be able to attend Idaho State University. Last year student enrollment dropped by several hundred when 27.5 faculty positions were trimmed.

Jonathan Lawson, vice president for academic affairs, said the university is trying to prepare itself for any possibility. "We're doing this in anticipation of who knows what," he said. "We don't know what will happen."

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Report questions the value of migrant camp

MONITOR, Wash. (AP) - A state-subsidized camp for migrant farm workers cost nearly \$300,000 this year while sometimes housing fewer than 20 people a day.

From early June to early November, about 10,000 migrants stayed at the Wenatchee River County Park, most of them during the three-week cherry harvest in north-central Washington.

The state spent \$495,639 to operate the camp and improve the park's water and sewer systems this year. The camp generated about \$33,400 in revenue from bed rentals, laundry fees and soft drink sales.

The operational costs and use during the various fruit harvests should be reviewed in the coming years, camp manager Donn Etherington said in a report to Chelan County commissioners earlier this month.

"In terms of purely the economic value, one would have to question the costs of the camp," he said.

"But it was a needed service that was provided by the state. Arguably, even at its lowest numbers, those 15 people needed a place to live. From the perspective of providing a service, it was positive."

No one knew exactly how many people would use the camp because it was the first year that the state made it available all the way from cherry season through apple season, said Ray Price, assistant state housing director.

One-time capital expenses, such as improving water and sanitation and installing trailers, drove up the total cost this year, he said.

The camp's population peaked at 320 per day during the three busiest weeks of cherry harvest, Etherington said. During the summer pear harvest, the population dipped to around 20 per day and then jumped to between 50 and 60 a day during the fall apple harvest.

Between harvests, the number of workers staying at the camp generally hovered between 15 and 20.

Chelan County signed an agreement with the state Department of Community Trade and Economic Development last month to operate the labor camp at Monitor for the next five years, with an option for five more years.

The state will pay \$127,000 to lease the park next year, a cost that will rise about 1 percent in each of the subsequent years. In addition to the lease, the state will pay for expenses such as security, management, operations and any improvements that are needed.

The state provided housing for migrant workers at the park in 2000 and 2001 only during the cherry-picking season.

"We had to leave it open the full harvest season this year so that we could get a handle on the full need," Price said.

State housing officials must now decide whether they will keep the camp open for five consecutive months next year, or only open it when demand for migrant housing is the highest.

"There is definitely a need for the camp, and the Monitor park seems to work well," Price said. "We still need to evaluate this in year's numbers so that we can make adjustments in the future."

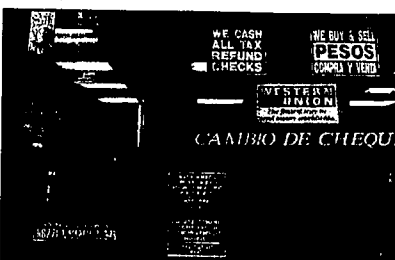


Alfonso Morales, left, smiles at Poplar Cash Express #2 in Los Angeles Monday after counting out money she and her son, Hector Gonzalez, are sending to Mexico. Morales sent \$650 to a friend in a small village in Oaxaca as a New Year's gift.

Hispanic immigrants return record sums

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Rodolfo Hernandez Villaseor, an East Los Angeles iron caster, walked into the branch of a Mexican bank recently and unfolded a neat stack of \$150 cash to send home to his mom and five siblings.

Hernandez, who migrated to the United States 26 years ago, performs the task every two months. But this month, when many Hispanic immigrants traditionally send a little extra home to help pay for holiday gatherings, he was scrambling to meet a deadline.



Martin Hurtado, 3, plays in the window of Poplar Cash Express #2, where people can transfer funds to Mexico and other countries in Los Angeles Monday.

The money, carefully extracted from his monthly \$1,000 salary, was needed to help pay for tamales, hot chocolate and other fixings for the family's Christmas and New Year's Eve meals, which Hernandez has not attended in three years.

"They will use it to pay for a little dinner to get the whole family together," said Hernandez, 53, whose family lives in the Mexican state of Michoacan.

This was just one of millions of such transactions this year in the United States.

Money transfers from Mexican immigrants working in the United States to relatives back home increased to a record \$10 billion in 2002, according to the Pew Hispanic Center in Washington, D.C. This year's amount is up \$800 million from the previous year.

"The transfers, or remittances as they are officially known, are Mexico's second-largest source of income behind oil exports. Workers say their cross-border transfers increased this year because the Mexican economy was in even worse shape than the U.S. economy, leaving many Mexican families desperate for income.

The average wire transfer sent by Hispanic immigrants is between \$200 and \$300.

"Our economy is not doing so well, so we expect less to be

sent," said Cecilia Conrad, professor of economics at Pomona College. "But there is also another force at work - and that is that the Mexican economy is not doing so well, either."

Jose Aguilina, 43, a tire company salesman from Los Angeles, said his holiday remittances included \$250 to his mother and \$125 to be shared by his five sisters, who also live in Michoacan.

"No matter what you send, the economy in Mexico will still be bad," he said.

Remittances to all of Latin America from the United States doubled in size during the second half of the 1990s.

The amount sent to Mexico, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua - nations that receive nearly half their money from remittances - is expected to total \$14.2 billion by year's end, according to the Pew report.

Economists say the transfers don't hurt the U.S. economy. "It's a mistake to think of it as a drain without thinking that they are also going to be using that money in Mexico to be buying goods and services that are

coming from the U.S.," said Conrad, the economics professor.

Among the forces driving the increase in remittances are a 60 percent rise in the U.S. Hispanic population during the 1990s and the declining cost of wire transfers, partly caused by increased competition among banks and transfer services such as Western Union. The average remittance fee is about 10 percent of the amount sent.

"Some of it has to do with the simple fact that the banks are counting the money better," said Lindsay Lowell, director of research for the Pew Hispanic Center.

Tighter immigration controls after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks also have made it harder for many Mexican laborers living illegally in the United States to deliver money in person.

"You can't just walk across the border with presents," Conrad said.

Lorenzo Escalona, a 29-year-old fish market vendor from

The numbers

An estimated 47 percent of all Hispanics born outside the United States regularly send money to their country of origin. Among those who do:

- 59 percent have not completed high school.
- 57 percent make less than \$30,000 a year.
- 47 percent have arrived in the United States in the last 10 years.
- 45 percent say they plan to move back to their home country.
- 43 percent do not have bank accounts.

Source: Pew Hispanic Center/Kaiser Family Foundation

Huntington Park who sent \$300 to his parents and nine siblings in Mexico City, said he won't risk going home for the holidays.

"I'd rather take the money home in person," said Escalona who came to California seven years ago and has applied for a green card. "I have to wait for my immigration status to be resolved."

Some immigrants are sending more money because they have less to spend on travel costs and are planning for a future back home, said Manuel Orozco of the Inter-American Dialogue in Washington, D.C., a policy group that focuses on Latin American issues.

He estimated that 10 percent of remittance money is saved or invested in businesses or farming. The rest is spent to pay for rent, food, health care and other everyday expenses.

Hernandez is an example of that. He said if he doesn't care for his 78-year-old mother in Mexico, nobody else will.

"My mother is very old now and we have to help her," Hernandez said.

Canyon County might test vehicle emissions

CALDWELL (AP) - A divided Canyon County Commission has voted to require vehicles to meet emission standards if the cities of Nampa and Caldwell impose emission testing.

The commission approved the air-quality initiative late Monday, and Commissioner Matt Beebe said the ordinance will be presented to those city councils as well as the councils in the county's smaller cities.

Although Beebe indicated support for some kind of alternative to testing, he sided with Commission Chairman Todd Lakey in favor of the ordinance. Commissioner Pat Galvin opposed it, arguing that vehicles

already have pollution controls.

Neither the Nampa nor Caldwell councils have considered the issue, but Nampa Council President Lynda Clark said this is pretty clear that air quality doesn't know jurisdictional boundaries.

The fastest growing region of the state could face problems on any industrial expansion if it develops serious air quality problems.

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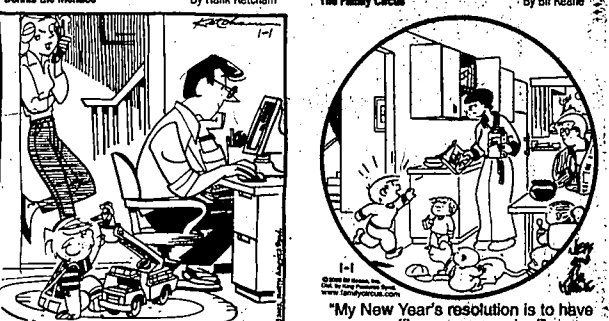


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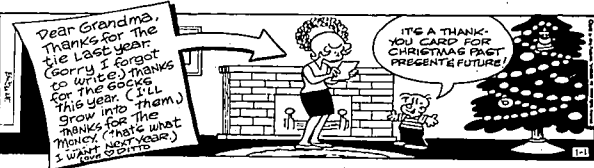
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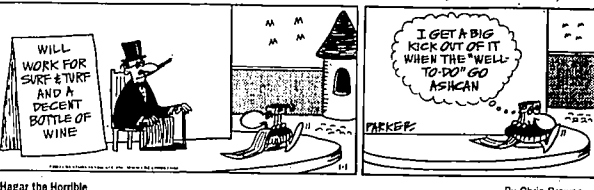
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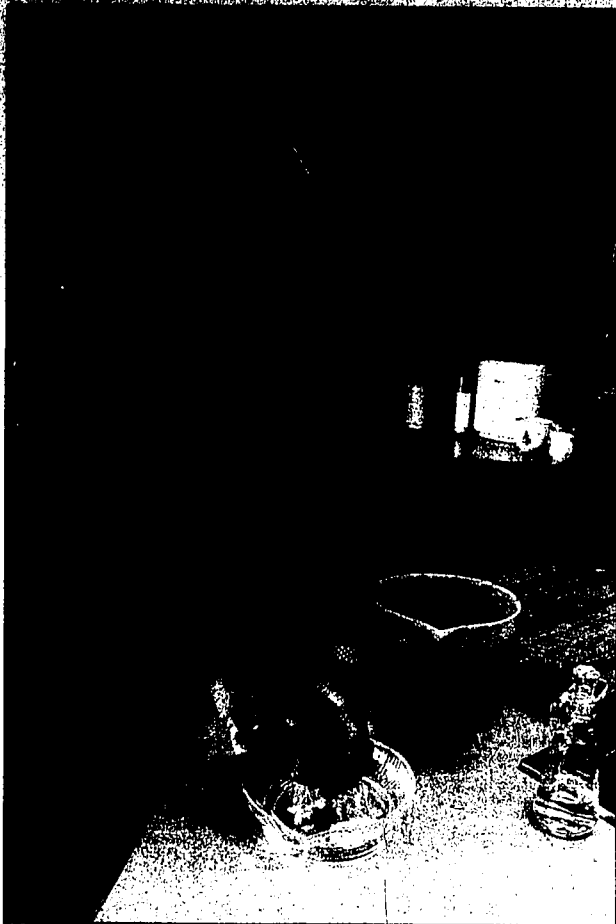
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Forward of winter grilling



Cooking enthusiast Bob Veeh prepares a horseradish cocktail sauce for his office holiday party.

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Weather won't stop T.F. man from firing it up

 By **Oldie Thomas Reale**
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - The Polar Bear Club has nothing on this self-taught cook, who uses his gas grill summer or winter.

Neither snow nor wind nor rain will stop Bob Veeh when he wants to use one of his three gas grills. He puts on a jacket, fires up the deck heater and throws on the steaks. Veeh also likes to use wood chips with his grills, particularly hickory, mesquite and alder.

Veeh has enjoyed cooking since high school. He taught himself to cook and has perfected his skill by trial and error. He is a main-dish sort of cook. But he likes to try new recipes, and cooks anything and everything - except baked foods and desserts.

"The simpler the recipe, the better the food," Veeh said. "Sometimes recipes get way too complicated and it only adds to the confusion. It doesn't make the food any better."

Veeh likes to cook with wines and spices. His kitchen is designed for convenience, serious cooking and visiting while cooking. Five people can sit around his breakfast bar preparation area. He has four ovens, including the microwave, and six burners on the stovetop.

An owner/broker with Irwin Realty, Veeh has been married to Betty for 40 years. They have three grown children and four grandchildren. The Veehs moved to Magic Valley from Colorado about 30 years ago.

They have been to Europe several times, and Veeh has gathered recipes along the way. In Spain, he particularly liked the strong-flavored cheeses and frequently makes a Spanish tortilla with potatoes and eggs for lunch.

BOB'S RECIPES
PEPPERED BEEFSTEAKS WITH JACK DANIEL'S SAUCE

Serves 2
 2 tablespoons shallots, minced
 1 tablespoon red wine vinegar
 3 1/2 teaspoons black peppercorns, cracked
 2 cups beef broth
 1 cup chicken broth
 2 (8 ounce) beef tenderloin steaks or New York steaks
 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme, crumbled
 1/2 teaspoon dried rosemary, crumbled
 1/2 teaspoon dried marjoram, crumbled
 1/4 cup olive oil
 1 tablespoon Jack Daniel's whiskey

Boil shallots, vinegar and 1 1/2 teaspoon pepper in saucepan until almost no liquid remains in pan, about 1 minute. Add both beef and chicken broths and boil until reduced to 1/2 cup, about 20 minutes. Sauce can be prepared a day ahead. Cover and refrigerate. Place steaks in baking dish. Rub remaining 2 teaspoons pepper and herbs onto both sides of steak. Pour oil over; turn to coat. Cover and let stand 1 hour at room temperature. Remove meat from marinade. Grill over medium-high heat to desired doneness. Bring sauce to a boil as steaks finish cooking. Add Jack Daniel's to boiling sauce and cook for about 1 minute. Spoon over steaks and serve.

SHOUCROUTE GARNIE

Serves 6
 2 pounds sauerkraut, soaked in water
 3 medium onions, chopped
 2 medium apples, peeled and chopped
 6 peppercorns
 10 juniper berries or 1/4 cup gin
 2 1/2 cups wine, white (Riesling)
 12 bratwurst links, boiled and browned (Veeh prefers Adells chicken and apple sausages)
 6 sliced cooked ham, diced into 1/4-inch squares
 6 lean pork chops
 Soak the sauerkraut in cold water for 15 minutes. Squeeze dry between hands. Meanwhile saute onions in oil until tender. Add sauerkraut and toss with a fork. Cook for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add apples, peppercorns and juniper berries. Pour in white wine. Cook on low, covered, for 1 hour. In the meantime, boil the sausage for 10 minutes in a saucepan. Then brown all meats in

a skillet and drain on paper towels. Add the meats to sauerkraut. Cook covered for 30 minutes longer. Discard peppercorns and juniper berries. To serve, spoon out meats onto plate. File sauerkraut in center of large platter. Arrange meats and sausages over top. This can be prepared beforehand and reheated.

CHICKEN CHILI VERDE SOUP

Serves 4
 3 chicken breast halves without skin, diced
 1 medium onion, diced
 44 ounces fat-free chicken broth
 1/2 medium green pepper, diced
 14 ounces canned green chilies, diced
 1/2 cup green tomato sauce, salted verde sauce
 1/2 cup cilantro, chopped
 1/2 teaspoon cumin
 1 cup mushrooms, sliced
 1 can hominy, drained
 1 can tomatoes, drained and chopped
 Boil the diced chicken breast for 15 minutes in 1 1/2 cups water. Put in remaining ingredients. Bring to a boil, reduce heat. Cook for 45 minutes or until done.

BLACK BEANS AND RICE

Serves 6
 1 pound dried black beans, washed and drained
 6 cups water
 1 cup onions, chopped
 1 medium pepper, chopped
 1 clove garlic, minced
 1/2 cup olive oil
 2 bay leaves
 2 teaspoons salt
 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 1 1/2 pounds ham, diced
 1/4 cup wine vinegar
 Cooked rice
 Vinaigrette dressing:
 1 cup vinegar
 1 teaspoon basil
 Salt and pepper
 1 medium onion, chopped
 3/4 cup olive oil
 1 teaspoon oregano
 Parsley, chopped
 2 medium tomatoes, chopped
 Cover beans with water. Bring to a boil and boil for 2 minutes. Cover pan and let stand for 1 hour. Sauté chopped onion, green pepper and garlic in olive oil for 5 minutes. Add to beans with bay leaves, salt, pepper and ham. Bring to boil and simmer, covered for 2 hours, adding more water if needed. Add wine vinegar. If broth is too thin, mash a cup of the beans and stir back in. Serve with rice and garnish with vinaigrette dressing.

There are simple steps to a 'new you' for the new year

Family features

Millions of Americans vow each year to kick a bad habit, eat more sensibly or strive for a balanced lifestyle. From starting an exercise program to a fat diet, resolutions are tough to stick with, particularly when goals are too high. However, there are simple ways to improve your lifestyle without making drastic changes or sacrificing great taste.

Establishing small, realistic goals is key to developing positive habits. For example, according to the American Heart Association, brisk walking done most days of the week for at least 30 minutes improves the fitness of the heart and lungs. In addition, going meatless one day a week may help you begin a healthier diet.

"It's important to remember that little things like parking the car farther away to fit a quick walk in and going to the dentist twice a year are easy, feasible ways to improve your health," said Janet Hahn, registered dietitian. "As another simple way to help achieve a better lifestyle, Boca Foods is challenging America to eat meatless every Monday in January with the Meatless Mondays program."

Boca Foods' Web site, www.bocafoods.com, offers meatless recipes.

ON-THE-GO BREAKFAST SANDWICH

Layer a toasted multigrain English muffin with tomato slices, scrambled egg substitute and heated Boca Meatless Breakfast Patties. Sprinkle with shredded reduced-fat cheese; cover with top half of muffin.

Tip: Season with freshly ground black pepper. Wrap sandwich in foil for easy holding if you are on the go.

TASTY TACO FIESTA

2 cups frozen Boca Meatless Ground Burger
 3/4 cup salsa
 1 teaspoon chili powder
 1/4 teaspoon ground cumin
 6 tortillas (flour, corn or whole



Heart Warming Chili will warm a cold night.

Photo courtesy Boca Foods

wheat), warmed
 Shredded lettuce, chopped tomato, onion, shredded cheese and cilantro (optional)
 Heat and stir meatless ground burger, salsa and seasonings in skillet on medium heat 6 to 8 minutes or until thoroughly heated. Fill tortillas with ground mixture and desired toppings. Makes 6 tacos.
 Tip: Use hot salsa for spicy tacos. Try taco ground mixture to make nachos.

SALSA FRESCA BURGERS

1 medium tomato, chopped
 2 tablespoons chopped yellow or green bell pepper
 1 tablespoon chopped onion
 1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro
 1 teaspoon minced jalapeno pepper
 1/4 teaspoon ground cumin
 Mix all ingredients. Season with salt and pepper, if desired. Serve as a topping on any variety meatless burgers (see package directions). Makes 4 servings (about 1 cup).

HEART WARMING CHILI

2 bell peppers (red, yellow or green),

diced into 1-inch pieces
 1 medium onion, chopped (about 1/2 cup)
 2 cloves garlic, minced
 2 teaspoons oil
 1 box (12 ounces) frozen Boca Meatless Ground Burger
 1 tablespoon chili powder
 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
 1 can (4 ounces) chopped green chilies, drained
 1 can (14 1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes
 1 can (15 ounces) black beans, drained
 1 can (15 ounces) chili beans in sauce
 1 can (15 ounces) tomato sauce
 Cook and stir peppers, onion and garlic with oil in large saucepan on medium-high heat about 3 minutes. Add remaining ingredients. Bring to boil; reduce heat. Simmer 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Serve with chopped tomato, green onion, reduced-fat shredded cheese, light sour cream, hot pepper sauce or other favorite toppings, if desired. Makes 8 (1-cup) servings.
 Tip: Add 1 cup frozen kernel corn with remaining ingredients.



Salsa Fresca burgers are a New Year's treat.

FOOD & HOME

High soil pH can bother plants

Iron chlorosis is a two-bit word for the pale leaves and weak plants we see too often in high desert gardens. OK, it's two bits. It means that plants aren't getting enough iron in their diets. Leaves turn pale between green veins and blooms often don't look as colorful as they should. The whole plant looks puny.



GREEN THUMBPRINTS
Cathy Walworth

Gardeners add iron products to their soils with varying results. Without adding a sulfur at the same time to acidify the soil, the added iron is a waste of time and money. So here's the scoop on iron: Always add sulfur at the same time.

As long as we're on the subject, here's a list of other little-known facts about iron from the Idaho Nurseryman's Association newsletter, "Taproot":

• Stained concrete. Sprinkled on concrete, a lot of iron formula-

tions look like rust. It does not wash off. You can either be more careful where the stuff lands, or make a solution and stain the rest of your patio to match.

• Iron products made from waste materials sometimes contain hazardous products. Read the label to see what you're buying.

• Some products claim a high level of iron. Nice, but if it isn't available from don't buy it. The percentage of iron doesn't mean much.

• Available iron can become inactive in soil - unless you add the mechanism to jump-start it (that's right, sulfur).

• Fertilizers might not contain iron, yet you'll see leaves green up. That's because the product is acidifying the soil so plants can take advantage of iron in the soil.

• If Aunt Tillie told you plants

need as much iron as nitrogen, gently call her in just nice. If the percent of iron is less than nitrogen in a "complete formula" something is wrong with the source of iron.

• Plants need around 250 times more nitrogen than iron.

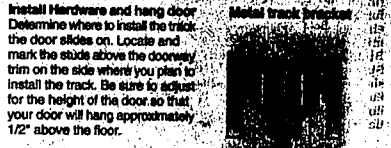
• Iron chelate is not always what it seems. Some are not true chelates. Take a deep breath and copy this down: Most plants want iron EDDHA (ethylenediamine dihydroxy acetate) or iron EDDHMA (ethylenediamine dihydroxy methyl acetate). For turf, use iron DTPA (diethylene triamine penta acetate).

• Read the label.

What's bugging your garden? Write to Cathy in care of this newspaper or e-mail her at: cwaw@pm.org



Install drywall over the door pocket using construction screws. 2. Install 1-in. nails or screws. Speculate over the fasteners that secure the joints.



Determine hardware and hang door. Locate where to install the track. Mark the door sides above the doorway trim on the side where you plan to install the track. Be sure to adjust for the height of the door so that your door will hang approximately 1/2" above the floor.



Secure the door plates to the top of the door; put the two 4-wheel hangers in the track. Then hang the door on the two hangers and use the adjusting nuts to adjust the door for height and plumb. You can also install the door handle or latch at this point.

Stan Kohler/Special to the ID

Tuckahoe is nostalgic and attractive

Fieldstone effects add a great deal to house's charm

The Tuckahoe's fieldstone chimney and wainscoting are at once nostalgic and attractive. Crafted by the forces of nature, no two stones are alike. Nonetheless, together they provide a cohesive visual framework for an updated Craftsman home with all the charm of its predecessors.

Guest designer Steven Duarte has included a full front porch. It's pleasant to imagine relaxing here on an old-fashioned cushioned porch swing, hung at either end of the porch. The gently sloped gable at center is echoed by a slightly wider gable above. Inside, soft light washes into the living room, dining room, entry and stairway through slender sidelights and decorative glass in the living room door panel. The entrance brings you directly into a living room with a fieldstone fireplace flanked by windows.

More windows face the street, and on the other side of the entry their mirror glow brightens the dining room. These windows need little artificial light during the day throughout most of the year.

A sunny eating nook with built-in seating nestles into an alcove between the dining room and kitchen. This cozy space invites conversation when shared, but is an equally delightful spot for savoring a cup of something warm, reading a newspaper, or

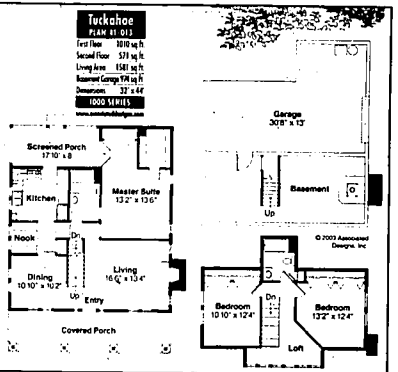


A stone chimney gives Tuckahoe a nice touch.

At a stone chimney gives Tuckahoe a nice touch. It works a crossword puzzle in blissful solitude. The kitchen is roomy for a small home, and opens into a screened porch, ideal for outdoor dining on warm days. Access to the screened porch is also possible through double doors in the Tuckahoe's master bedroom. This space boasts two closets, one of them a large walk-in.

On the upper floor, light spills into a wide loft through a parade of windows. Two more bedrooms share a bathroom.

For a review plan, including scaled floor plans, elevations, section and artist's conception, send \$25 to Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Drive, Department W, Eugene, OR 97402. Please specify the Tuckahoe 41013 and include a return address when ordering. A catalog featuring more than 350 home plans is available for \$15. For more information, call (800) 634-0123.



New toilets balance water efficiency with effectiveness

DEAR JIM: Our old toilet looks bad. I would like a new stylish one that saves water, but I read the new ones don't flush effectively. What type of efficient toilet saves the most water but still flushes well?



SENSIBLE HOMIE
James Duley

-PAM G.

DEAR PAM: There are toilet designs available that use no water or just a pint per flush, but you are probably looking for a more traditional toilet design. By law, all toilets sold today cannot use more than 1.6 gallons of water per flush (gpf). Your old one probably uses five gallons or more.

The dollar savings on your water bills, not to mention the environmental benefits, from installing a new low-water-usage toilet can pay back its cost in several years. People don't realize how often toilets are flushed. Toilets can be the greatest water consumer in a typical home.

Your old toilet uses a gravity flushing method. When you flush it, the water flowing down from the tank, not through the bowl, creates a suction to draw liquids and solids out of the bowl and down the drain. This worked great with five gallons, but is not

always effective with only 1.6 gallons.

Although most reasonably priced toilets still use the gravity method, and some flush satisfactorily, there are other more effective flush methods. These often do not cost much more to buy and look like regular toilets.

Pressure-assisted toilets use the normal water pressure to flush better. There is a small tank within the standard tank. When this fills with water, it compresses the air inside. When flushed, the water flow is more forceful. They flush fast, but are slightly noisier than a standard toilet.

Another somewhat similar, traditional-looking toilet design uses a vacuum assist. When flushed, the water rushes out of the tank and creates a vacuum. This lower-pressure area is connected with passages inside the toilet to the water flow path. It increases



Self-contained composting toilets use no water, and produce clean compost.

For convenience with children, consider an automatic flushing toilet. Powered by two D-size batteries, it flushes when the toilet seat is closed.

Write for Update Bulletin 631 - buyer's guide of 13 water-saving toilet manufacturers listing flush methods, gpf's, colors, styles, features, illustrations, prices, and a water/sewage savings chart. Please include \$3 and a business-size SASE. Write to James Duley, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244.

Another design is a composting toilet that uses zero to a pint of water. Through a natural composting process, wastes become soil and fertilizer. Some models resemble an ordinary toilet and several toilets can be connected to one composting receptacle. With venting, there are no odors.

For convenience with children, consider an automatic flushing toilet. Powered by two D-size batteries, it flushes when the toilet seat is closed.

Write for Update Bulletin 631 - buyer's guide of 13 water-saving toilet manufacturers listing flush methods, gpf's, colors, styles, features, illustrations, prices, and a water/sewage savings chart. Please include \$3 and a business-size SASE. Write to James Duley, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244.

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Today's top recipes

Pastry

100% Oatmeal Raisin Flour Bread
 1 1/2 cups oatmeal
 1 1/2 cups flour
 1/2 cup yeast
 1/2 cup salt
 1/2 cup sugar
 1/2 cup warm milk
 6 egg yolks
 3 whole eggs
 4 cups (about) unbleached flour
 1/2 pound unsalted butter at room temperature
 1 egg yolk beaten with 1 tablespoon water
 1/4 cup sliced almonds
 1 tablespoon honey stirred with 1 teaspoon warm water
Custard filling:
 2 eggs
 2 egg yolks
 1 and 1/2 cups sugar
 2/3 cup flour
 2 cups boiling milk
 4 tablespoons butter
 2 tablespoons vanilla extract
For the brioche: The day before serving, sprinkle yeast over warm water. Add a pinch of sugar and stir well. Let stand until the mixture foams, about 5 minutes. Pour into a large mixer bowl with the sugar, salt, milk, and egg yolks. Mix well. Add a cup of the flour and the butter. Beat well. Slowly add two or more cups of flour, beating until a very soft dough forms. Turn dough onto a lightly floured surface. With floured hands, knead dough until it forms a glossy ball with no stickiness. The dough will be sticky at first, but avoid adding flour if possible. Place dough in a lightly greased bowl. Cover and let rise in a warm place until doubled in bulk, about 1 and one-half hours. Punch down and return to bowl. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate overnight. Remove dough from refrigerator and punch down. Divide in half. Roll each piece into a 10-inch circle. Fit into the bottom of 10-inch springform pans. Cover with a dish towel and let rise until almost doubled in bulk. Brush tops of loaves with the egg-water mixture. Sprinkle sliced almonds over tops. Bake at 425 degrees for about 20 minutes, or until golden brown. Cool in pans, then remove sides of pans. Brush tops with the honey mixture.
For the custard: Beat eggs and yolks with an electric mixer, slowly adding sugar until mixture is pale yellow and forms a

thick, creamy mass. Beat in milk in a very thin stream. Pour into a heavy-bottomed saucepan. Cook over medium heat over medium heat until mixture coagulates. Remove from heat and whisk rapidly until smooth. Over low heat, cook 2 to 3 minutes to cook the *fidiv*. Remove from heat and beat in butter and vanilla. **To assemble:** With a serrated bread knife, cut loaves in half horizontally. Fill each with half of the chilled custard. Cut into wedges to serve. Makes two loaves. Store in refrigerator.

TANDOORI CHICKEN
 2 tablespoons oil
 1 large onion, chopped
 2 cloves garlic
 1 cup chopped cilantro leaves
 1 teaspoon garam masala or tandoori masala
 1 teaspoon paprika
 1/2 teaspoon turmeric
 1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger
 1 cup sour cream (or very thick yogurt)
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 2 ounces sliced almonds, ground fine
 6 pounds chicken pieces
 Heat oil in a large skillet. Cook onions until they are transparent and begin to brown. Scrape into a food processor with the garlic and cilantro leaves. Puree until almost smooth. Add spices, ginger, sour cream and salt and pulse to mix. Pour into a large bowl and stir in almonds. Remove skin and all fat from chicken. Place chicken in sour cream mixture, coating on all sides. Cover and refrigerate several hours or overnight. Remove chicken from marinade, allowing marinade to cling to meat. Arrange on a baking sheet with sides. Spoon more of the marinade over the chicken. Bake uncovered at 375 degrees for 1 hour, or until tender. If chicken begins to release too much juice, raise the heat to 400 degrees until juices evaporate. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

GARAM MASALA
 1/2 cup cumin seeds
 2 tablespoons coriander seeds
 4 cinnamon sticks, each 2 inches long
 10 to 12 green cardamom pods, slightly crushed
 4 to 5 black cardamom pods, slightly crushed
 10 whole cloves
 1/2 nutmeg, broken
 1 tablespoon black peppercorns
 4 whole star anise
 5 bay leaves
 Place all spices in a dry, non-stick skillet over very low heat. Cook until spices begin to give off a fragrance, shaking pan occasionally. Cool slightly, then grind finely in a coffee mill or electric blender. Store in an airtight bottle.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY PINE NUT PASTA
 2 cups dry penne pasta
 1 (3-ounce) package sun-dried tomatoes
 1/3 cup pine nuts
 1 (6-ounce) jar marinated artichoke hearts
 1 cup crumbled feta cheese
 Cook pasta in boiling water until al dente. Meanwhile, pour boiling water over tomatoes and let stand 8 to 10 minutes to soften. Toast pine nuts in a dry skillet over medium-high heat, shaking occasionally, until light-

ly browned. Chop artichoke hearts and mushrooms, reserving marinade. Chop softened tomatoes. Drain pasta. Place feta cheese in a large, deep skillet and stir over medium heat. When cheese begins to melt, add pasta and continue stirring to coat noodles. Stir in remaining ingredients, including the marinade from the artichokes. Makes 4 servings.

SZECHUAN BROGLANTS
Sauces:
 2 tablespoons hoisin sauce
 1 tablespoon dark soy sauce
 2 tablespoons dry sherry
 2 tablespoons cider vinegar
 2 tablespoons sugar
 1/2 teaspoon roasted and crushed Szechuan peppercorns
Stir-fry:
 1 teaspoon cornstarch dissolved in 1 tablespoon water
 1 teaspoon sesame oil
 1 and 1/2 pounds small eggplants
 4 tablespoons vegetable oil
 1 tablespoon Chinese chili oil
 1 large clove garlic, minced
 4 quarter-size pieces of ginger, peeled and minced

1 green onion, chopped
Combine sauce ingredients in a small jar or a bowl, mix well and set aside (to roast peppercorns, place in a dry skillet over high heat, shaking occasionally, until they become fragrant, about 3 to 4 minutes). In a custard cup or small bowl, dissolve cornstarch in water and stir in sesame oil, set aside. Rinse and dry eggplants and cut off stems. Do not peel. Quarter them lengthwise, and cut each quarter into 2-inch wedges. Heat a wok or large, heavy skillet over high heat for 30 seconds. Stir in the vegetable and chili oils and heat. Stir-fry the garlic, ginger and green onion for 15 seconds. Add eggplant and stir and flip for 2 minutes. Turn heat to medium, cover and steam for 2 to 3 minutes. Stir, add a couple of tablespoons of water, cover and cook until soft but not mushy, 3 to 4 minutes longer. Turn heat to high. Stir seasonings and add to pan. Stir-fry for 30 seconds. Stir cornstarch mixture and add to pan. Toss briefly, until sauce has thickened. Makes 4 servings.

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James Dixon, market manager at Sawyer's grocery store in Little Rock, Ark., holds a hog jowl Monday.

How about a tasty holiday hog jowl?

Pig's jaws are traditional New Year's treats in South

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — There's the Thanksgiving turkey, the Christmas ham and — in parts of the South — the New Year's hog jowl.

Pronounced either "jissall" or "jowl," this New Year's Day food looks like a hunk of unsliced bacon, is traditionally served with black-eyed peas and is referred to as either "hog jowl," "smoked Joe," or just "Joe."

"It's the side of the pig's jaw," said James Dixon, market manager at Sawyer's Affiliated Food Store in Little Rock. "You gotta have it every year — if you don't have your beans and Joe (black-eyed peas and hog jowl) you won't have good luck."

Dixon estimates he'll sell about 500 pounds of jowl by New Year's Day. He said it's typically cooked in a pot of black-eyed peas as seasoning for the legumes, but that some people will eat it.

Dixon said jowl commonly comes in smoked, salted or fresh cuts and its flavor is most similar to bacon (though jowl has a higher fat content).

Pine Bluff resident James Pierce said jowl is part of the New Year celebration for him and his wife.

"We eat black-eyed peas and hog jowl every New Year's Day,"

Pierce said. "We've done it for about a hundred years, all our lives."

Susan Dosier, the executive food editor at Southern Living magazine based in Alabama, said tradition is an integral part of Southern cuisine.

"What we've learned is that what people eat on New Year's Day is highly influenced by where they grew up," Dosier said. "There is an incredible diversity in the South and there are some strange differences from place to place."

Dosier said some South Carolinians eat "Hopplin' John," which is a mixture of black-eyed peas or field peas, rice and ham. She said some West Virginians will boil cabbage with a penny for good luck, while some Texans will eat pinto beans and jalapeno corn bread with beef brisket.

Despite the differences, which Dosier attributes to ethnicity and economic status, Southern states share some common themes.

"Pork seems to be high on the list because of the role it plays in Southern food in general," Dosier said. "And there is typically some kind of green food, which represents monetary success."

New martini glass

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Those lingering leftovers

Don't leave those holiday leftovers in the refrigerator for too long. The American Dietetic Association says you should throw out or freeze cooked turkey or chicken after three or four days. Leftover stuffing and gravy should be used within one to two days.

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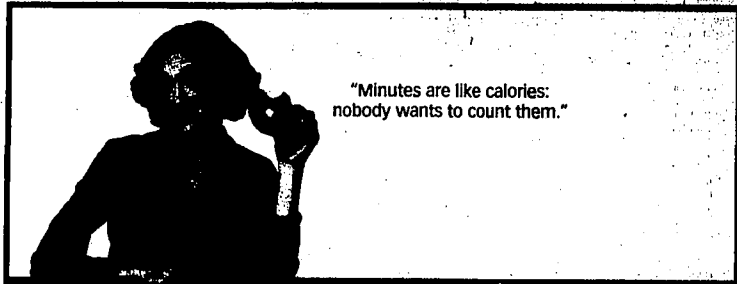
Hearty soup for winter's cold

What could taste better on a

cold day than a bowl of hearty soup? The soup is made with turkey, carrots, celery, onion, and potatoes. It's a comforting meal for the winter months.

Look for more recipes in our next issue.

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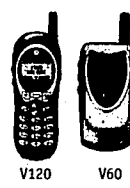
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Salmon, seasoning make great meal

By Carol Mighton Haddix
Chicago Tribune

Salmon's rich flavor can hold up to many different glazes, sauces and seasonings. Pick from your favorite ethnic flavors. You might choose a Middle Eastern rub of minced garlic, paprika, cumin and cilantro. Or try the classic dill sauce made with yogurt.

OVEN-ROASTED SALMON WITH ASIAN FLAVORINGS AND BABY BOK CHOY
Yield: 4 servings
4 fillets salmon, 6 ounces each
3 cloves garlic, minced
1 piece (1-inch long) ginger root, peeled, minced
1/4 cup white wine or sherry
1 tablespoon tamari or soy sauce

Freshly ground pepper
8 heads baby bok choy (if you can't find it, a whole stalk of romaine bok choy can be substituted)

ed; simply chop it into pieces before steaming)

2 tablespoons peanut oil
Heat oven to 400 degrees. Place salmon fillets in baking pan. Sprinkle garlic and ginger over fillets. Add half of the wine and the tamari. Turn fillets to coat all sides. Marinate 10 minutes. Heat oil in large, oven-safe skillet over high heat. Add fillets, skin side up; sear 2 minutes. Turn; sear 2 minutes. Sprinkle tops with pepper to taste. Place skillet in oven. Roast until salmon is cooked to desired doneness, about 8 minutes for medium. Meanwhile, heat 1 inch of water in a steamer or a boil. Place bok choy in steamer insert; steam until crisp-tender, about 4 minutes. Remove to platter. Place salmon on top of bok choy. Stir remaining wine into hot liquid; cook 30 seconds. Pour liquid over fillets.

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 1/2 teaspoon salt
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 3 eggs
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 2 tablespoons boiling water
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 1/4 cup dark rum
 1/4 cup-sliced almonds (optional)
 1 (8-ounce) bar semisweet chocolate
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 Whipped cream (optional)
 Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Generously grease a 5-cup fluted or plain tube pan and dust lightly with flour. Stir together flour, baking powder, 1 teaspoon cinnamon and salt in a bowl. In another bowl, cream butter with 3/4 cup sugar until fluffy, then beat in eggs one at a time. Dissolve the cocoa powder in the boiling water and add alternately with flour mixture to creamed mixture, beating just long enough to combine. Turn mixture into prepared pan. Bake 1 hour and 15 minutes, or until cake is well risen and begins to shrink from edges of pan. Carefully turn out onto a wire rack. When cake is cool, combine remaining sugar and 2/3 cup water in a saucepan. Add 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon and heat gently, stirring to dissolve sugar. Bring to a boil and cook 5 minutes. Remove from heat and carefully stir in rum. Let cool to lukewarm. Place cake on serving plate. Spoon syrup on top, letting it soak in and run down sides without pooling on the plate. Gently press almonds on top of cake. Set aside 2 hours. Melt the chocolate over low heat. Careful spoon over cake, spreading to give it an even coating and letting it drizzle down sides. Let harden. Melt white chocolate and drizzle over the cake. Refrigerate at least 3

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RECIPE FINDER

By Ellen Havka
 The Baltimore Sun

This recipe is from the Relay Elementary School PTA Anniversary cookbook from Debbie Massmini.

CREAM OF CRAB SOUP
 1/4 cup butter
 1 cup chicken broth
 Pepper, to taste
 5 cups whole milk
 1/4 teaspoon Old Bay seasoning
 1 pound crab meat, shelled and picked carefully
 Melt butter in a large stockpot, then stir in flour slowly and whisk until smooth. Slowly add broth and pepper. Simmer for 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Slowly add milk. Stir until slightly thickened. Do not boil. Add Old Bay and crab meat. Heat through and serve hot. Serves 6.

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FOOD & HOME

SPINACH AND FINGERLING POTATO SALAD WITH WARM BACON DRESSING
 Yield: 6 servings
 1/2 pound each: fingerling potatoes, thick-cut bacon
 2 large shallots, minced
 1/2 cup olive oil
 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
 2 tablespoons maple syrup
 2 teaspoons minced orange zest
 1/2 teaspoon each: salt, freshly ground pepper
 1/2 pound baby spinach
 1/2 cup pine nuts, toasted, see note

Heat a large pot of salted water to boiling; add potatoes. Cook until potatoes are tender, 10-15 minutes. Drain; let cool until just warm. Cut into 1/4-inch slices; set aside. Cook bacon in a skillet over medium-low heat until just crisp, 8 minutes. Drain bacon on paper towels; let cool. Chop or crumble into bits; set aside. Pour all but 1 tablespoon fat from skillet; wipe clean. Turn heat to medium-high. Cook shallots until golden, 1 minute. Mix bacon, oil, shallots, vinegar, maple syrup and orange zest in a small bowl. Season with salt and pepper. Heat in microwave until warm, about 30 seconds. Toss potatoes and spinach in large bowl with dressing. Garnish with pine nuts.

Note: To toast pine nuts, place in a dry skillet over medium-low heat. Cook, stirring nuts occasionally, until golden brown, 1-2 minutes. Watch carefully to avoid burning.

ter and salt into a stainless-steel bowl; toss until thoroughly coated. Place on cookie sheet; bake until golden brown, about 10 minutes. Do not overbake. Cool. Scoop ice cream into 6 bowls. Top with about 1/2 cup of the butterscotch sauce, a few candied pecans and whipped cream.

JELLY-FILLED DOUGHNUT-MUFFINS
 Yield: 12 muffins
 1 cup milk
 2 tablespoons canola oil, plus more for coating
 1/3 cup sugar
 1/4 cup light cream cheese
 1 teaspoon salt
 2 large eggs
 3 cups flour, plus more for kneading
 1 package active dry yeast
 1/2 cup jelly (raspberry and cherry work well)
 1 cup confectioner's sugar
 2 teaspoons water
 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
 Microwave milk on high until fairly hot, about 1 minute. Mix bacon, oil, shallots, vinegar, maple syrup and orange zest in a small bowl. Season with salt and pepper. Heat in microwave until warm, about 30 seconds. Toss potatoes and spinach in large bowl with dressing. Garnish with pine nuts.

1/4 cup sugar
 1 egg yolk
 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
 1 cup plus 2 tablespoons flour
 1/8 teaspoon salt
 Lemon cream:
 1 cup sugar
 Zest of 4 lemons, finely chopped
 4 eggs, lightly beaten
 3/4 cup fresh lemon juice
 2 1/2 sticks (1 1/4 cups) butter, softened, cut into small pieces
 Meringue:
 3 large egg whites
 3/4 cup granulated sugar
 1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar
 For dough, beat butter with sugar in bowl of electric mixer until fluffy. Mix in egg yolk and vanilla. Slowly mix in flour and salt just to combine. Remove dough to floured surface; knead dough by hand briefly until flour and butter are fully combined. Wrap tightly with plastic wrap. Chill dough at least 1 hour. (The dough can be frozen up to a month. Let thaw in refrigerator overnight before using.) Heat oven to 350 degrees. Roll out the dough 1/8-inch thick on a lightly floured surface; place in 10-inch tart pan. Trim any overhanging edges. Place in the freezer at least 15 minutes. Prick the surface with a fork; line with greased aluminum foil. Fill the shell with weights

and Maria's pattern of peas and peas.
 spoon. Flaky meringue is light until meringue is lightly browned, about 2 minutes.
 This recipe was developed by Mark Gratian in the Chicago Tribune test kitchen for a story about the upscale return of macaroni and cheese.
MACARONI AND CHEESE WITH BACON AND TOMATO
 Yield: 8 servings
 3/4 cup bread crumbs
 1 package (1 pound) cavatappi or penne pasta
 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
 3 tablespoons flour
 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
 1 quart milk
 1/2 teaspoon each, or to taste: salt, freshly ground pepper
 1/2 pound each, shredded: Gruyere, cheese, processed cheese (such as Velveeta)
 1 pound bacon, cooked, crumbled
 3 ripe plum tomatoes, diced
 2 tablespoons olive oil
 Generously butter a 1 1/2-quart baking dish. Add 1/4 cup of the bread crumbs; shake to coat dish evenly. Heat large pot of salted water to a boil. Cook pasta until al dente, about 7 minutes. Drain. Place in large bowl. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Melt butter in large saucpan. Whisk in flour; cook, stirring, 2 min-

utes. Add nutmeg; cook 1 minute. Whisk in milk all at once. Heat to boil; simmer, stirring, 5 minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Remove from heat; stir in cheeses until melted. Add sauce to pasta, mix well. Spoon 5 of the mixture into prepared baking dish. Add bacon and tomatoes in an even layer. Top with remaining macaroni mixture. Combine remaining 1/2 cup bread crumbs with olive oil in small bowl. Sprinkle over macaroni. Bake until golden and bubbly, 45 minutes.
 This rich mushroom soup recipe is from the "The Big Book of Soups and Stews," by Maryana Volsted.
CREAM OF MUSHROOM SOUP WITH PECANS
 Yield: 6 servings
 1/4 cup butter or margarine
 1 yellow onion, chopped
 1 leek, white and light green parts only, sliced
 1 pound white mushrooms, finely chopped
 1 clove garlic, minced
 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
 1/4 cup flour
 3 cups chicken broth
 1 1/2 cups half-and-half or whipping cream
 2 tablespoons dry sherry or white wine
 1/4 teaspoon each: salt, dried thyme
 1/8 teaspoon ground white pepper
 1/4 cup chopped pecans
 Melt butter in a soup pot over medium heat. Add onion and leek; saute 3 minutes. Add mushrooms, garlic and lemon juice; saute until vegetables are soft, about 5 minutes longer. Add flour; stir until bubbly. Add

1 1/2 cups whole or low-fat milk
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1 bay leaf
 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh oregano
 2 teaspoons finely chopped fresh thyme
 1 cup (4 ounces) grated Gruyere cheese
 Coat a 1 1/2-quart gratin or baking dish with the softened butter. Spoon in 2 tablespoons of the bread crumbs; tilt the dish to coat the buttered surface. Slice the chard stems and leaves into 1 1/2-inch pieces. Wash in cold water; drain in a colander but don't dry them. Heat the olive oil in a 6-quart Dutch oven or soup pot over medium heat. Add the shallot and garlic, cook, stirring constantly, until softened but not browned, about 1 minute. Add the chard. Sprinkle with salt. Cover tightly. Steam until chard has wilted to half its original volume, 2-3 minutes. Uncover; cook the chard, turning occasionally with tongs, until all the water in the pan evaporates, 5 minutes. Season with pepper; set aside. Heat oven to 400 degrees. For the sauce, melt the butter in a small saucpan over medium heat. Whisk in the flour; cook, whisking, until mixture bubbles up and turns lighter in color, about 1 minute. Pour in the cold milk all at once; whisk vigorously. Add salt and bay leaf. Heat, whisking, until it boils and thickens, about 5 minutes. Reduce the heat to low; simmer 2 minutes. Stir in nutmeg, oregano, thyme and 1/2 cup of the cheese. Remove from heat; discard bay leaf. Mix cooked chard and sauce; spoon into prepared pan. Sprinkle with

This unusual but delicious grilled meat loaf is adapted from a recipe from Chicago's Weber Grill restaurants.

HOME-STYLE BBQ MEAT LOAF
 Yield: 6 servings
 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
 1 Spanish onion, peeled, chopped
 2 pounds ground beef, 80 percent lean preferred
 1/2 cup dry bread crumbs, such as croutons or panko
 1/3 cup bottled barbecue sauce
 2 large eggs
 3 tablespoons ketchup
 1 tablespoon steak sauce
 2 teaspoons salt
 1/2 tablespoons hickory smoke barbecue sauce
 Heat oven to 325 degrees. Heat oil in a heavy skillet; add onion. Cook over medium-heat until onion softens and begins to caramelize, about 10 minutes. Transfer onion to large bowl. Add meat, bread crumbs, 1/3 cup barbecue sauce, eggs, ketchup, steak sauce and salt. Mix ingredients until thoroughly blended. Pack into an 8-by-4-inch loaf pan. Smooth the top; brush with a thin layer of the hickory smoke barbecue sauce. Place loaf in a baking pan to catch any overflow; cook in oven until center reaches 155 degrees on instant-read meat thermometer, about 40 minutes. Remove from oven; let cool. Refrigerate at least 2 hours or overnight. Prepare grill. If using charcoal, start the fire in the center of the grill. When coals are covered with ash, separate into 2 equal piles on either side of the grill. If using gas, heat the grill with all burners on medium; then turn off middle burner. Remove loaf from pan; slice crosswise into 6 equal slices. Place slices directly over coals; grill 2-3 minutes. Turn; grill 2 minutes. Move slices to center of grill; brush lightly with hickory-smoked sauce. Grill 2-3 minutes to glaze.

Vanilla ice cream is, for many of us, "a lifelong obsession, a romance that never gets stale," wrote Renee Emma, an assistant food editor. That includes this deliciously decadent recipe from Heather Terhune, executive chef at Atwood Cafe in Chicago.
BUTTERSOTCH PRALINE ICE CREAM SUNDAE
 Yield: 4 servings
 1 stick (1/2 cup) unsalted butter
 1 1/4 cups packed brown sugar
 3/4 cup light corn syrup
 3/4 cup whipping cream
 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 Candied pecans
 12 ounces whole pecans
 4 tablespoons granulated sugar
 4 tablespoons butter, melted
 1 teaspoon salt
 Ice cream:
 1 quart premium vanilla ice cream
 Whipped cream, optional
 Heat oven to 350 degrees. For sauce, put butter, brown sugar, corn syrup, cream, vanilla and salt into a heavy-duty saucpan over medium heat. Cook, whisking constantly, until it boils. Boil, uncovered, 2 minutes. Cool to room temperature, whisking occasionally so butter doesn't separate. (Sauce may be made ahead and refrigerated for up to 1 week.) For pecans, put nuts, granulated sugar, but-



Chicago Tribune

Here is a new year's gift for you, a reprise of our favorite recipes from 2002, all tested in the Chicago Tribune kitchen. It

was a bountiful year, filled with outstanding dishes and plenty of calories. By our reckoning, the test kitchen staff has tested more than 400 recipes this year.

flour mixture slowly to the milk mixture, beating on low speed until smooth. Beat in the remaining 1 cup flour to make a soft dough. Turn dough onto a well-floured surface; knead until smooth and elastic, 5-8 minutes. Place dough in a large mixing bowl that has been lightly coated with canola oil. Turn the dough over to coat the entire surface. Let rise in a warm place until doubled, about 1 hour, 15 minutes. Add about 1/2 teaspoon of canola oil to the bottom of each of 16 muffin cups. Push down dough; divide into 16 equal balls. Press each ball into a circle; spoon about 1 1/2 teaspoons jelly into the middle of each one. Bring up the sides of the dough to wrap up the jelly; squeeze the dough ends together to seal. Place each ball in a muffin cup; roll the ball around to cover the entire surface with oil, place the muffin ball seam side down. Let rise in a warm place until almost double in size, about an hour. Heat oven to 375 degrees. Bake until top is nicely browned, about 15 minutes. Meanwhile, combine confectioner's sugar, water and vanilla together in a small bowl; stir cream until almost double in size, about an hour. Heat oven to 375 degrees. Bake until top is nicely browned, about 15 minutes. Meanwhile, combine confectioner's sugar, water and vanilla together in a small bowl; stir cream until almost double in size, about an hour. Let cool briefly on a rack.

or dried beans. Bake 5 minutes. Remove the weights and foil; return to the oven until a light golden brown, 7 minutes. Let cool.
 For lemon cream, place the sugar and zest in a double boiler set over simmering water; stir to mix. Heat until aromatic, about 2 minutes. Add egg and lemon juice. Heat, stirring constantly, until temperature reaches 175 degrees and mixture is thick, about 10 minutes. Remove from heat; let cool, stirring occasionally, to 140 degrees, about 10 minutes. Transfer mixture to container of a blender or food processor. Turn on the blender; add the butter a couple of pieces at a time. Blend 3-5 minutes to fully emulsify. Use at once or store in the refrigerator for up to 4 days or in the freezer for one month. Refrigerate in bowl 4 hours or overnight.
 For meringue, combine egg whites, sugar and cream of tartar in a stainless-steel bowl of electric mixer; place over a pan of simmering water. Do not let the water touch the bottom of the pan. Whisk the eggs constantly until sugar melts completely and whites are frothy and hot to the touch, about 3 minutes. Remove from the heat; whip on high speed until the whites are glossy and hold stiff peaks. Reduce speed to medium; whip until the egg whites have cooled to room temperature, about 5 minutes. Heat broiler. Fill the cooked tart shell with lemon cream; smooth the surface. Spread meringue over the surface in a thick, even layer, making sure that the meringue covers all of the lemon cream and attaches to the crust to form

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 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1 bay leaf
 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
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This recipe, perfect for a lunch or light dinner, illustrates the many guises of coleslaw. It is from Michael Altenberg, chef of Campagnola in Evanston and Bistro Campagne on Lincoln Avenue.
NAPA SLAW WITH CHARRED SALMON
 Yield: 4 servings
 3 shallots, coarsely chopped
 3 tablespoons Champagne or white wine vinegar
 2 tablespoons dark brown or turbinado sugar
 1/2 teaspoon sea salt
 Cracked pepper, three-color peppercorns preferred
 1 each, cut into matchsticks: red, yellow bell pepper
 1/2 white onion, peeled, cut into matchsticks
 1 head napa cabbage, thinly sliced
 1 bulb onion or 4 green onions (white only), chopped
 1 fillet (8 ounces) salmon
 1 to 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
 2 tablespoons olive oil
 Combine shallots, vinegar and sugar in a blender; puree until smooth. Add salt and pepper to taste. Combine with vegetable matchsticks and cabbage in a large bowl; toss. Season with salt and pepper. Set aside. Preheat a grill or heat a grill pan or grill. Season salmon with salt, and pepper. Grill 4 minutes; turn; grill 3 minutes; brush thin film of mustard on fillet with a pastry brush. Turn; cook about 45 seconds. Brush other side with mustard; cook until medium-rare and lightly charred, about 1 minute. Spread slaw on a serving platter. Flake salmon; scatted over the slaw. Drizzle olive oil

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DEAR ABBY
Abby Howard

...take to heart.

And now, because my New Year's Day would be complete without Dear Abby's out-reach to New Year's resolutions, I offer these, based on the original credo of Al-Anon - with a few variations of my own:

Just for today, I will live through this day only. I will not brood about yesterday or obsess about tomorrow. I will not set far-reaching goals or try to overcome all my problems at once. I know that I can do something for 24 hours that would overwhelm me if I had to keep it up for a lifetime.

Just for today, I will be happy. I will not dwell on thoughts that depress me. If my mind fills with clouds, I will chase them away and fill it with sunshine.

Just for today, I will accept what is. I will face reality. I will correct those things I can correct, and accept those I cannot.

Just for today, I will improve my mind. I will read something that requires effort, thought and concentration. I will not be a mental loafer.

Just for today, I will make a conscious effort to be agreeable. I will be kind and courteous to those who cross my path, and I will not speak ill of others. I'll improve my appearance, speak softly, and not interrupt when someone else is talking. Just for today, I'll refrain from improving anybody except myself.

Just for today, I will do something positive to improve my health. If I'm a smoker, I'll quit. If I'm overweight, I'll eat healthily - if only for today. And just for today, I'll get off the couch and take a brisk walk, even if it's only around the block.

Just for today, I will gather the courage to do what is right and take responsibility for my own actions. One and all, a happy, healthy New Year!

Love, ABBY

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All is well in my nephew's world. Thank you for letting me share our joy, Abby.

- HAPPY IN HOMEWOOD

DEAR HAPPY: What an uplifting letter to receive as we begin 2003! It appears Homewood is a community that embraces even its youngest citizens, and demonstrates the good neighbor policy in daily living. It's a lesson we can

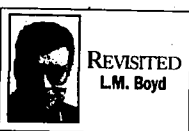
Moths hear through their hair; starfish have no brains

Every language known has numerous words for "dunk."

The professional woman who wears low-cut dresses expects to marry success. The professional woman who wears tailored suits expects to succeed on her own. So conclude those who interpret business costumes. Bit obvious, what? Our Love and War man doesn't buy it. Says he: A smart professional, woman or man, just appears appropriate for the time and place.

Q. You said cows hate spinach, barn owls snore, and spiders can't chew. But you forgot that female goats have beards?

A. Quite so. Do remember, though, that elephants get fat feet, moths hear through their



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hair, and starfish have no brains. Also I recall yaks give pink milk.

Clement of Alexandria required women to wear clothing to conceal their bodies entirely. This, to prevent arousal, male aggression, moral decay of the realm. Chief Pongo of Nigeria ruled wives were not to wear more than loin cloths. This, "because clothing encourages immorality." Who was right? Clement or Pongo?

You sometimes come across the phrase "lonely widow" as though the two words belong together. They don't, evidently. Surveytakers report the great majority of widows say, in effect: "If I have a choice, I prefer to live alone."

Age of the average Old West cowboy was 24, time spent in that line of work, seven years.

A student of political assassinations says his studies show assassins tend to be extremely hard spellers. He's looking for the significance, if any.

English Ladies founded the Wimbledon Croquet Club, and barred men from same. Men wouldn't let them play in lawn bowling matches, that's why. In the early 1900s, this. But eventually, those men, the rascals, wormed their way into the ladies' group, and turned it into the Wimbledon Tennis Club.

Writes a precise client: "If I showed you a picture of the Eiffel Tower, and asked you what you were looking at, undoubtedly, you'd say, 'The Eiffel Tower.' Wrong! You should say, 'A picture of the Eiffel Tower.' You are so impressed with the Eiffel Tower, how long does it take the caffeine from a cup of coffee to wear off?"

A. About 3 1/2 hours.

15 JANUARY 1ST IS YOUR BIRTHDAY - you are creative, an original thinker and are sensitive to "love-making." Although you are tender, you are also passionate in expressing feelings. You do best when you don't follow others. Your own way is the right way for you. Leo, Aquarius persons play active roles in your life, could have these letters in names: A, S, J. Your most memorable, romantic and profitable months will be January and October of 2003.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): You will be organizing facts connected with a world crisis. People will look to you for valid news and information. Your judgment is considered "the final word."

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20): Obtain universal views, dig deep for information previously hidden. You could be part of a sensational expose. Finish what you start. Blend humanitarianism with facts, figures.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your ideas are bright, but those in authority are reluctant to accept them. Hold your fire; meantime, imprint style and make special appearances. Leo plays dramatic role.

CANCER (May 21-July 22): Questions concerning marital status will loom large. You will discover suitable living quarters; there might soon be an addition to family.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Entertain and be entertained; you make people smile if even through moments of grief. Accent versatility, intellectual curiosity and knowledge concerning the "fashion world."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will be dealing with the "nuis and

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...of a building effort. Be ready to handle the brass tacks situation; it could be startling, but the unvarnished truth sets you free.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Keep options open; you will receive last-minute instructions concerning direction and motivation. Read, write. Take notes and meditate on symbolic meaning of last night's dream.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Attention revolves around where you live and with whom. Focus on marital status, creative endeavors. Current relationship lends spice, but you should have more information. Libra involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): What appears on surface may not be sufficient for taking direct action. You know from experience that all that glitters is not gold. Element of deception exists. Virgo involved.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You uncover facts that at first are startling; later, organize priorities and proceed with confidence. Relationship intensifies, could lead to partnership, marriage or both.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You win friends and influence people; your unorthodox procedure will intrigue and prove profitable. You win contest, especially by sticking with number 9.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Promotion surprises; your value is acknowledged. Take it in stride, highlight independent thinking and exude confidence. Relationship could get too hot not to cool down.

Michigan man takes direct approach to finding a bride

CEDAR SPRINGS, Mich. (AP) - Steve Horowitz's quest for a wife is no secret.

For the past few months, it has been advertised on a large, portable sign - simply reading "WIFE WANTED" - in front of his home.

But after hearing from about 60 women and going out with three, the 53-year-old says all he's looking for now is a second date with one. So the sign has come down.

Horowitz says he was so taken with one woman after their lunch date that he wrote her with a video of his friends' testimonials on his behalf.

The woman, who declines to be identified pending future dates, says she is "intrigued" by Horowitz, columnist Tom Rademacher wrote in The Grand Rapids Press on Monday.

She describes herself as about a decade younger than her suitor, college-educated, childless and never-married.

She says she's "open to the idea of a relationship."

But Horowitz is a bit bolder in his assessment: "I think this really could be the one."

Horowitz's dating methodology didn't come as a big surprise to many in his hometown of Cedar Springs. They know the retired teacher for his sense of humor, eclectic tastes and admitted eccentricities - such as sleeping



Steve Horowitz stands Nov. 20 next to a sign he put in front of his Cedar Springs, Mich., home. The sign has since come down, as Horowitz seeks a second date from one of the women he dated.

in his living room on a pair of mattresses stacked atop a dining room table.

Married years ago for just six months, Horowitz says that until that fateful lunch, he hadn't had a date since 1994.

Some of the 60 women from around the state who responded to his plea for a partner wrote eloquent letters, he says. One arrived at his post office addressed only "To the man who wants to get married; Cedar Springs, Michigan."

"It's a bizarre way to meet somebody," Horowitz said, "but I never would have met this woman otherwise."

The second date was set for New Year's Eve.

Madison Square Garden turns into campground for Phish fans

NEW YORK (AP) - Hundreds of Phish fans camped out at Madison Square Garden Tuesday in the hope of landing seats to the jam band's first concert in more than two years.

"We're dying for tickets!" said Matt Lambert, a 21-year-old college student from Binghamton, N.Y., who'd been waiting for six hours. "Their energy is totally different. It's beautiful. It's what life's about."

Phish has long attracted a devoted following that's willing to travel thousands of miles to hear them play.

Tuesday's event was a huge draw. Phish is known for its New Year's Eve shows, and the Vermont-based rock quartet hadn't performed in concert since

October 2000.

Tickets sold out almost immediately at \$49.50. Those waiting outside Madison Square Garden were hoping to buy one from scalpers or Phish fans with extras.

Lambert was visiting with his friend Hollie Dilley, 22, a snowboard teacher who traveled from Lake Tahoe, Nev. Dilley wore a placard around her neck: "Who Has My Golden Ticket?"

Sean Mazza, a 20-year-old college student from Irvine, Calif., paid a scalper \$500. He considered himself lucky to buy it, 12 hours after positioning himself outside the Garden.

Chris Lynch, a 42-year-old patent attorney from Spokane, Wash., who already had a ticket,

explained the band's allure.

"They're theatrical. They're exciting. They're total quality. Other rock shows are muddled garbage compared to this," he said.

Michael Allen Howard, a 40-something who traveled from Los Angeles, said he was willing to pay \$300.

Phish, "the best band on the planet," Howard said. "It grabs your soul. And sometimes, it spins you so you're disoriented. It's like drugs without drugs."

Justin Wier, a 20-year-old from

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Boise takes third H-Bowl

Iowa loses three starters to bad grades



Boise State wide receiver Jay Swille, top left, falls over one of his teammates as he's tackled by Iowa State linemen Jeremy Lloyd during the second quarter of the Humanitarian Bowl on Tuesday in Boise.

Forshey scores three TDs in 34-16 rout

By John Dorr
Times-News writer

BOISE - Leave no doubt. That was the rallying cry for Boise State University in a strong third quarter after struggling in the first half helped lift the Broncos over Iowa State, 34-16, to claim their third Humanitarian Bowl title in four years.

The win capped a 12-1 season for the Broncos.

"This was an awesome season," Boise State coach Dan Hawkins said. "I told the players 'If they are going to start something, finish it.' We finished it."

After being off their game in the first half, the Bronco offense pulled out all the stops after the break scoring two touchdowns in the first 10 minutes while the defense was stingy.

The Broncos recorded the program's first win over a major conference opponent since joining Division I-A in 1996.

While both teams were better known for their offensive prowess, the game was defensive struggle. In fact both game Most Valuable Players were defensive players - Anthony Forest of ISU and the Broncos' Bobby Hammer.

Brock Forshey scored three touchdowns to lead the Broncos. Boise State (12-1) won the Western Athletic Conference in a romp, going 8-0 and winning those games by an average of 37 points. The Broncos did stumble in their only game against an opponent from a major conference, turning the ball over seven times and giving up seven sacks in a 41-14 loss at Arkansas.

The Cyclones started the season...
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By John Dorr
Times-News writer

BOISE - Three Iowa State starters, including both safeties, were ruled ineligible for the Cyclones' game with No. 18 Boise State in the Humanitarian Bowl on Tuesday.

Safeties Ja'Maine Billups and Marc Timmons and offensive guard Collin Menard made the trip with the team but did not dress for the game. Iowa State spokesman Tom Kroschell made the announcement about 90 minutes before kickoff, saying the three were ineligible because of "Big 12 regulations."

Backup safety Nik Muser also was declared ineligible for the game for the same reasons.

Iowa State coach Dan McCarney said missing the three players didn't factor into Tuesday's loss.

"We let the players know last night. I didn't make a big deal of it and it didn't affect the game," he said. "It wasn't any major disruption."

Under a Big 12 rule that went into effect this season, a player must get a C in at least six hours of coursework to be eligible for a bowl game.

Billups, a junior from Omaha, Neb., switched from running back to safety this season and became one of the Cyclones' top defenders. He led the team's defensive backs with 97 tackles, intercepted a pass, recovered two fumbles and blocked two kicks.

Timmons, a junior, made 36 tackles and intercepted a pass. Menard, a 6-foot-3, 306-pound junior, became a starter this season after transferring from Iowa Central Community College.

Freshman Steve Parris and...
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Purdue rains on UW

The Ticker

EL PASO, Texas - First Wisconsin, then Minnesota and now Texas Tech.

The Boilermakers became the third underdog from the Big Ten Conference to win a bowl game this month, rallying from an early 17-point deficit to defeat Washington, 34-24, in the Sun Bowl.

Linebacker Gilbert Gardner's 19-yard fumble return for a touchdown late in the third quarter highlighted the comeback as Purdue roared back from a 17-0 first-quarter deficit with 34 straight points.

The Big Ten improved to 3-0 in bowl play and has four more teams in action over the next three days, including No. 2 Ohio State, which faces top-ranked Miami in the national championship game on Friday in the Fiesta Bowl.

At the other end of the spectrum is the Pac-10 Conference, which dropped to 1-4 in bowl play. The Pac-10 has two teams - Southern California and Washington State - involved in BCS bowls.

Making its second straight Sun Bowl appearance,

Purdue (7-6) avenged a loss to Washington in the 2000 Rose Bowl and defeated the Huskies for just the second time in 10 all-time meetings (2-7-1).

Washington (7-6) appeared ready to turn the game into a blowout as Cody Pickett tossed a 7-yard TD pass to Patrick Reddick, but Marquis Cooper returned a fumble 31 yards for a score and John Anderson kicked a 39-yard field in the first 11 minutes.

Washington outgained Purdue 94 yards to minus-8 in the first quarter, but the Boilermakers' defense settled down. The Huskies' next seven possessions resulted in five punts, an interception and a fumble.

Purdue got on the board on Kyle Orton's 7-yard TD toss to John Standford with 5:09 left in the second quarter, then closed to 17-14 when wide receiver Ray Williams recovered Brandon Jones' fumble in the end zone with 35 seconds left in the half.

Following a 22-yard field goal by Ben Lavecic early in the second half, the Boilermakers took the lead for good on Jones' 10-yard run with 3:33 left in the third quarter.

Just 85 seconds later, Gardner stripped Pickett, scooped up the fumble and went the distance to make it 31-17.



Washington kicker John Anderson (15) and Tim Galloway make a touchdown saving tackle as Purdue's Anthony Chambers returns a kickoff 53 yards during the third quarter of the Sun Bowl Tuesday in El Paso, Texas.

Lady Eagles prepare for second half

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The Scenic West Athletic Conference basketball season resumes Thursday as the College of Southern Idaho men and women host Colorado Northwestern Community College.

Both CSI teams return to face College of Eastern Utah on Friday.

For the Lady Eagles (6-9, 1-1 SWAC), it's a chance to build upon a surprising 1-1 start to the conference, which included a 63-61 shocker at 13-2 Salt Lake Community College.

First-year coach Randy Rogers said he's looking for nothing less than a pair of wins this week.

"CEU poses the biggest threat, but I feel so much more comfortable playing (Eastern) than Colorado," he said.

Rogers said the games will be a contrast of styles, with CNCC "kind of scrambling" while Eastern Utah will be zoning and pressing from start to finish.

Colorado brings a 3-10 mark to Thursday's game, including a 107-73 thumping of Northwest College of Powell, Wyo., on Dec. 14.

CSI basketball

Thursday's Games vs. Colo. NW, 6 and 8 p.m.
Saturday's Games vs. Eastern Utah, 6 and 8 p.m.



Coming Thursday - The men's side

The same Lady Trapper team also blasted CSI 78-51 at their tournament in November.

Rogers said the key Thursday will be defense and dominating inside against the smaller Spartans, who's leading scorer is 5-foot-7 Tiffany Campbell with 11.2 points per game.

"(CNCC is) going to try and come in and turn it into a mess and we've got to take good shots, make good decisions and play good defense," he said. "And we've got to take control of the game early. I don't want to stay into this game into the second

half. It needs to be over by half time."

Rogers said he wants to get his posts active around the glass while keeping the game uptempo.

"I really expect our post players to step up this next month," he said. "CNCC reminds me of a team like North Idaho... scrappy, go-for-broke. I worry about these guys just as much as Dixie just because of the unknown factors: They have nothing to lose, they can just go out there and turn the game into a scramble-type mess just to try and stay into the game."

Rogers hopes to counter that type of helter-skelter play with staunch defense, perimeter play and hustle.

"We've got to take good shots, make good decisions and play good defense," he said.

CSI is giving up just under 16 points less than the Spartans but is only scoring 7.1 more points per outing.

Eastern comes in Saturday with its pressing, 3-point shooting, brand of basketball.

Though the Golden Eagles of Price, Utah have played two less games, they've put up 98 more 3-

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Sources: Parcels' deal could be done Thursday

ESPN.com

The mating dance between Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones and two-time Super Bowl-winning coach Bill Parcells remained unconsummated Tuesday, but there continues to be indications the marriage will be sealed by Thursday.

Sources said they anticipate Parcells will be introduced as the successor to Dave Campo by the end of the week and cited Thursday as the target day for completing what is expected to be a four-year contract worth about \$17 million.

Those same sources reiterated, though, that Parcells has not officially agreed to a contract. "It's probably going to take one more conversation," said one league source with knowledge of the negotiations.

Sources said Parcells continued to raise "some hypotheticals" he wants to have answered before ending his three-year hiatus from the sideline. Given his track record, there is some reason for paranoia among Cowboys officials, but most feel the deal

will indeed be completed.

It is believed at least two assistants from Campo's former staff will be retained by Parcells.

League officials continued Tuesday to insist tampering charges filed by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers will not be a deterrent to completing an agreement between Parcells and the Cowboys. The Bucs will be permitted to argue their claim for compensation, but neither Parcells nor his agent, Jimmy Sexton, will be required to attend the hearing.

The Dallas Morning News reported Monday that Parcells had agreed to an \$18 million, four-year deal and would be introduced as the team's sixth coach Tuesday. The story was based on an unnamed source close to Parcells and Jones.

"It will come to an end pretty quickly," Parcells said in Tuesday's editions of The New York Times. "We've been proceeding toward that end." Parcells also told the New York Daily News that he has had "productive conversations" but "nothing is imminent."

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Which school holds the Pacific record for net rushing yards in bowl game?
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CSU moves CNCC games to Thursday

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho announced it has moved Friday's scheduled men's and women's home basketball games with Colorado Northwestern to Thursday due to a scheduling conflict.

CSI will also host the College of Eastern Utah on Saturday.

Tip-off times remain the same for both nights at 6 and 8 p.m.

Former MVS racer dies from injuries in accident

POCATELLO - Darel Jay Anderson, 34, passed away Dec. 24 from injuries received in an automobile accident.

Anderson drove the No. 2 Grand National Sportsman car at Magic Valley Speedway during the 2002 racing season.

Boise State sells 2002 football season DVD

BOISE - To celebrate one of its best seasons ever, Boise State University is selling a 2002 Bronco Football Commemorative DVD.

Features will include individual game highlights, player and coach interviews, player profiles, Humanitarian Bowl highlights and a Top 10 plays of the year.

Order forms for the DVD are available online at www.broncosports.com.

Hockey streaker case reaches court

CALGARY, Alberta - The case of a man who climbed naked over the glass at a Calgary Flames hockey game then tumbled onto the ice and knocked himself out, has started its way through the courts.

Tim Hurlbut, 21, is charged with interfering with public property, a subsection of the mischief charge of the Criminal Code.

Hurlbut did not appear in court Tuesday but his lawyer asked that the case be put over until Jan. 31.

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EILER - An incorrect day was reported for the Filer Wildcat Basketball Camp.

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For more information, call Anala at 404-9637.
Compiled from staff and wire reports.

VIA ANSWER:

CLIA, 423 yards, in the 1986 Sedon Bowl game against Stan Young.

SPORTS

Good guys, bad guys and changing perceptions

O.J. Simpson strolls onto the football field at an Orange Bowl practice and finds himself welcomed by the USC coach and players like a prodigal son come home.

Handshakes and hugs. Autographs and photos. Friendly banter and wide-eyed hero worship.

And an unseemly thought comes to mind: Is this the start of Simpson's public rehabilitation? Is his next stop the broadcast booth?

It's his school, and the guys were excited to see him," USC coach Pete Carroll said. "He's a legend. At SC, our guys hold a Heisman Trophy winner in high regard."

What about a guy who may have gotten away with double murder? A criminal who was acquitted of major charges but found liable by a civil jury in the 1994 slaying of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman?

At Southern Cal, all that seems ancient history. Or irrelevant. For Carroll and his fawning players, the only thing that matters is that Simpson was a great tailback for the Trojans and won the 1968 Heisman Trophy.

"The first time I got a football uniform, I wanted No. 32 to be like 'The Juice,'" said tailback Justin Fargas, who took Simpson under such invitation.

The sports world is filled with good guys and bad guys, and sometimes it gets confusing. The years change and so do people and perceptions.

Pete Rose was a good guy as a player, then he was a bad guy as a manager for betting on baseball, and now maybe he'll be a good guy again, restored to major league respectability or, at least, Mike Tyson fame eligibility.

Mike Tyson was a bad guy growing up, then he was a good guy when he became a champion, then he was a bad guy who went to jail for rape, and a crazy guy who bit off an ear in the ring. And still fans pay millions to see him fight.

There are crimes and misdemeanors, issues that make a difference and those that simply disappear.

What should we make of U.S. Olympic Committee chief executive officer Lloyd Ward?

Smart and polished, he came into office baggage-free 14 months ago amid the Salt Lake City bidding scandal. He seemed nice and spry when he stood up as a member of Augusta National Golf Club and called for the admission of women.



Southern California quarterback Carson Palmer talks to former football great and former USC player O.J. Simpson after practice in preparation for the Orange Bowl game Saturday in Davis, Fla. Simpson strolled onto the football field at an Orange Bowl practice, and the USC coach and players treated him like a prodigal son come home.

The sports world is filled with good guys and bad guys, and sometimes it gets confusing. The years change and so do people and perceptions.

ward is ineffective in my role," the newspaper quoted him as saying. Ward also faces tough negotiations on renewing Olympic sponsorships, and this issue is certain to upset sponsors.

Maybe Ward did nothing wrong and he will be able to save his job and spare the USOC further embarrassment. The last thing the Olympics need is another scandal, small or large, or another high-profile resignation. The USOC has suffered through dysfunction in its top ranks for more than a decade.

In 1991, president Robert Helmick resigned after being accused of using his position for personal gain.

Time passed and last year Helmick emerged from his Olympic exile and was appointed by Baldwin to the USOC's International Relations Committee. Eight months later, Baldwin was gone.

There are bad guys and good guys, and sometimes it's hard to keep score.

Steve Wilstein is a national sports columnist for The Associated Press. Write to him at wilstein(at)ap.org.

Now comes a report Monday in the Los Angeles Times that Ward directed his staff to help his brother's company try to land a multimillion dollar deal to provide power generators for the 2003 Pan American Games in the Dominican Republic. The paper also said Ward did not disclose his affiliation with his brother's company in a conflict-of-interest statement in July.

USOC president Marty Mankamer said the allegations are "serious and disturbing," adding that the organization is "held to a high standard."

The USOC ethics oversight committee has looked into the issue, Mankamer said, and the executive committee will hold a special meeting Jan. 13 to discuss the findings and decide what action to take.

Second Rose Bowl trip will be last for Price at WSU

By Owen Canfield Associated Press writer

PASADENA, Calif. - Mike Price's second trip to the Rose Bowl will be his last as Washington State's coach, something he's trying not to think about.

Price, whose seventh-ranked Cougars play No. 8 Oklahoma today, is leaving after 14 years as head coach to take over at Alabama, where he was hired Dec. 17.

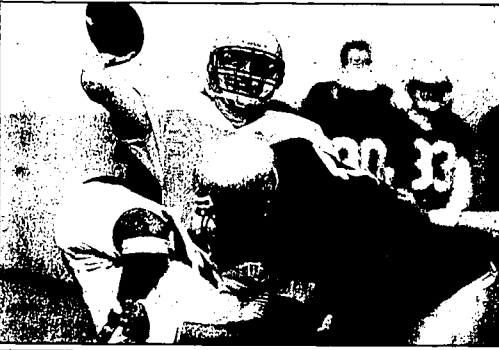
"I want to concentrate on this game, the strategy of this game, and be calm, cool and collected," Price said. "After the game, I'll be a blubbering idiot, probably."

Price has spent 20 years at Washington State. He became head coach in 1989 and has led WSU to its only three 10-win seasons. His dedication to the program is one reason his players are glad he was allowed to stick around for the bowl game.

"We've been playing all year long with this guy. We want him to be here for this game as well," quarterback Jason Gesser said. "Everything's the same - he's here, we want him to be here, we want him to coach, we want to play for him."

Head coach Colin Henderson said the Cougars "need every single resource possible" for this game.

"I can't imagine a better resource, a better coach, a better piece of the puzzle than coach Price on us said."



Washington State quarterback Jason Gesser throws the football during practice Saturday at the Coliseum in Los Angeles. Washington State plays Oklahoma at the Rose Bowl today.

ROSE BOWL GAME
Who: Washington St. (10-2) vs. Oklahoma (11-2)
When: 2:30 p.m. MST (ABC)

Jowa left the Rose Bowl without its traditional Pac 10-Big Ten matchup. Before last season, when the Rose Bowl was host of the BCS national championship game, champion of the Pac 10 and Big Ten had met in this game every year since 1947.

"I do believe there are those that are concerned that someone else was able to put together a Pac 10-Big Ten matchup and we weren't able to do that, but that's not the Tournament of Roses' position," said Mitch Dorgier, the group's CEO. "The Tournament of Roses' position is that we're members of the BCS, we followed the BCS rules and we got a great matchup between Washington State and Oklahoma."

The teams are pretty evenly

matched. Oklahoma averaged 39 points per game during the regular season, Washington State 38.8. Both teams have solid defenses - Oklahoma gave up 15.5 points per game, the Cougars allowed 21.8.

The teams have different styles, particularly on offense. Gesser makes the Cougars go, having fought through injuries to throw for 3,169 yards and 27 touchdowns. Washington State will try to spread Oklahoma's defense and hit big plays when possible.

"I think we're going to have to try to misdirect a little bit and try to use their aggressiveness against them," offensive coordinator Mike Levenseller said. "And we have to be able to run the football."

The Cougars' leading rusher is Jermaine Green, who averaged 65 yards per carry and 5.5 yards per carry. Oklahoma counters with a defense that allowed just 11.5 yards per game rushing.

The Sooners like to throw the ball, too, but they will look first to establish their ground game. Quentin Griffin ran for 1,700 yards this season, the first 1,400 yard back in Bob Stoops' four years as Oklahoma's coach.

"He's an explosive little back," said Ryan Long, Washington State's defensive tackle. "He's strong, he breaks tackles. We've got to have guys going to the ball and wrap up, because give him any little crease and he's gone."

Price's decision to leave for Alabama was another in a series of distractions for the Cougars. Injuries have resulted in 44 players starting at one time, or another. Long was suspended one game for breaking team rules on a road trip. Another player was suspended after breaking a teammate's checkbook in a locker room scuffle. And Gesser has battled rib and ankle injuries.

"That's why I did it - to give them some adversity," Price laughed. "It's all a master plan."

Price and defensive coordinator Bill Doba, who will become head coach when Price leaves, were in good humor on the eve of the game. Doba wasted no time when he was asked who would be missed most next year, Price or Gesser.

"Jason Gesser," Doba said, smiling.

"Price's reply?"

"No question."

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Staphomere Anthony Forrest started safely for the Cyclones. Matt Becker, a 6-foot, 280-pound junior, replaced Menard.

Odds and Ends
Iowa State quarterback and one-time Heisman candidate, Seneca Wallace, made Chris Berman's ESPN Top 10 Plays of the Year with an across-the-field scramble earlier in the season.

The Broncos tied their own mark for least penalties in the Humanitarian Bowl with five. The Cyclones tallied just six.

Iowa State has 40 of its top 48 players returning. Only seven of the seniors play a significant minutes.

A new attendance mark was set with 30,446 paid tickets for the game. That, along with a national television broadcast, should keep the bowl alive.

CSI

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pointers (349-251) than their namesake counterparts.

That "quantity over quality" mindset has only resulted in 10 more baskets from beyond the arc.

"They're a quick team, an athletic team, they put up a lot of outside shots and they shoot more 3s than we do, which is amazing," Rogers said.

Price leads the Eagles with an 11.8 scoring average and Rose Hamilton adds 9.2 points.

But CEU also brings an intense pressure defense that forces a league-leading 19.15 steals a game.

BSU quarterback Ryan Dinwiddie didn't play in enough games to qualify for the NCAA passing efficiency statistics. Otherwise, he would lead the nation.

Four of Iowa State's late losses were to Top 25 teams on the road. The loss to Boise State makes five.

The Cyclones handed in-state rival Iowa, which plays USC in the Orange Bowl, its only loss of the season.

Pep rallies for both teams on Monday night were canceled due to inclement weather. Nearly an inch of rain fell on Boise area in a 24-hour period.

Despite the poor weather, umbrellas were not allowed in Bronco Stadium - an NCAA rule since they could be considered a weapon.

- The Associated Press contributed to this report.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

TCU women set record, hold opponent to 16 points
FORT WORTH, Texas - TCU held Texas Southern to 16 points, setting an NCAA Division I record for fewest points allowed in a women's basketball game.

The Lady Frogs beat Texas Southern 76-16 Monday night, topping the mark set in 1983 when Prairie View lost 81-19 to Jackson State. The NCAA started keeping women's basketball records in the 1981-82 season.

In women's Division III, Vassar beat Bard 67-4 in 1997. The NCAA Division I men's record - since the advent of the shot clock in 1985 - is 21 points. Coastal Carolina defeated Georgia Southern 61-21 in 1997.

TCU also set a school record with 16 blocked shots and out-rebounded Texas Southern 62-34.

Houston Fans sing song for Rockets center Ming
HOUSTON - A song inspired by Yao Ming is sweeping the city. No wonder - it's simple, has a peppy beat and is easy to dunk to.

Houston Rockets fans have been singing the infectious "It's a Ming Thing" for weeks.

You can, too. Just chant "Yao Ming, Yao Ming, Yao Ming, Yao Ming, Yao Ming" to the tune of the soccer-fan anthem "Ole, Ole, Ole."

The song was penned before the 7-foot-6 Yao even signed a contract with the Rockets and the No. 1 pick in the draft. And it's getting into people's heads, especially now that the coach, Rudy Tomjanovich, is blossoming just two months into his NBA career.

The song was written by Chance McClain, a real estate appraiser, and Kevin Ryan, a graphic artist.

Lions keep president Millen, coach Mornhinweg
ALLEN PARK, Mich. - President Matt Millen and coach Marty Mornhinweg got another chance to turn around the Detroit Lions, keeping their jobs Tuesday despite a 5-7 record over two seasons.

"It's ugly. It's worse than that," Millen said. "But we fight it, we move forward with conviction. And, of course, you've got to get some players and do a better job of coaching."

The Lions went 3-13 this season, losing their last eight games. The club's winning percentage of .156 over the last two seasons is the worst for such a span in franchise history.

Mornhinweg's record matches Cleveland Browns coach Paul Brown's 1959-60 showing with the Cleveland Browns as the worst two-year stretch for a new coach since the NFL went to a 16-game schedule in 1978.

Georgia drops Pittsburgh, spoils chance at No. 1
ATHENS, Ga. - Pittsburgh coach Ben Howland would be more upset at the Panthers missing an opportunity to become No. 1 if Tuesday's loss to Georgia were in April instead of December.

The Panthers wasted a chance to reach the top spot for the first time, losing to the Bulldogs 79-67, as Ezra Matthews scored 20 points.

Second-ranked Pittsburgh (9-1) never has led The Associated Press poll. The 1997-98 team also reached No. 2, the only other time the Panthers have been ranked that high.

No. 1 Alabama lost at Utah on Monday night, opening the way for Pitt to move up.

Seahawks relieve Holmgren as GM, will stay on as coach
KIRKLAND, Wash. - Mike Holmgren will continue as coach of the Seattle Seahawks but relinquish his role as general manager of the team, Seahawks president Bob Whittsett said Tuesday.

Holmgren said five assistant coaches had been fired. Whittsett said Holmgren had agreed to step down as general manager of the team - a post he held since 1984 - and left the Green Bay Packers to join the Seahawks four years ago.

Holmgren said defensive coordinator Steve Sidwell, line coach Larry Brooks, linebackers coach Johnny Holland, secondary coach Ken Flajole and offensive assistant and quality control coach Jerry Colquitt had been dismissed.

Whittsett said he did not have a candidate to succeed Holmgren as general manager. He plans to go home to

WHAT'S ON T.V.

State vs. Oklahoma, ABC, 8:30 p.m.
College Sugar Bowl, Georgia vs. Florida State, ABC, 8:30 p.m.
College, Outback Bowl, Florida vs. Michigan, ESPN, 9 a.m.
College, Cotton Bowl, Texas vs. LSU, FOX, 9 a.m.
College, Gator Bowl, H.C. State vs. North Dakota, NBC, 12:30 p.m.
College, Capital One Bowl, Penn State vs. Auburn, ABC, 11 a.m.
College, Rose Bowl, Washington

Area ski report

Area ski report
Skiing conditions are generally good across the region. Snow cover is deep and groomed trails are well-maintained. Skiers should expect good visibility and smooth runs.

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for different sports.

National Hockey League

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for NHL teams.

ATP Tour ExonMobil Open

Table with columns for Player, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for tennis players.

Monday's Late NBA Box

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for NBA games.

Monday's Late NHL Summary

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for NHL games.

BLAUCHOWSKI 2, KINGS 0

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Chicago Blackhawks defeated the Los Angeles Kings 2-0 in a game played in Los Angeles.

SHARPS 2, RIVERS 1

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A game between Sharps and Rivers, with Sharps winning 2-1.

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NBA Game Summary

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National Basketball Association

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ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for Atlantic Coast Conference teams.

PACIFIC-10 CONFERENCE

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for Pacific-10 Conference teams.

SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for Southeast Conference teams.

WEST COAST CONFERENCE

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for West Coast Conference teams.

WESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for Western Athletic Conference teams.

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, PCT, and various statistics for American Conference teams.

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Notes on the economy

Magic Valley report

Salary disbursements

Total wage and salary disbursements in each Magic Valley county in 2001 (given in thousands of dollars), and the change from 2000 disbursements:

Blaine	\$408,157	5.7%
Camas	\$5,324	-3.7%
Cassia	\$211,108	4.1%
Gooding	\$121,480	3.3%
Jerome	\$164,503	3.1%
Lincoln	\$31,205	13.3%
Minidoka	\$188,965	3.7%
Twin Falls	\$724,620	2.9%

The 2001 statewide total of wage and salary disbursement was \$16.855 billion, was up just 1.8 percent from 2000.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Economic Analysis

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Elmer's chain seeks new franchisee for T.F.

TWIN FALLS - A Portland, Ore., restaurant chain said Tuesday it is seeking a new franchisee to revive a north-Twin Falls eatery that closed just before Christmas.

"The Twin Falls Elmer's restaurant was closed on Dec. 23 by mutual agreement between Elmer's Restaurants Inc. and the franchise owner," the Portland chain said in a written answer to a reporter's query. "The franchise owners wish to concentrate on other business interests. We are sorry to see them leave the Elmer's family and wish them well in their endeavors."

Dee Burgess and Judy Robinett owned the Twin Falls restaurant franchise. Originally they had a third partner, Mike Johnson. The three opened Elmer's Pancake & Steak House in November 1994, in what is now a prominent retail and restaurant location near the Snake River Canyon rim.

Elmer's Restaurants Inc. doesn't want to bow out of Twin Falls.

"We consider Twin Falls to be a key market in Idaho," the company's statement said. "Therefore, we are working toward acquiring a new Elmer's franchise owner for Twin Falls. We are hopeful that the restaurant can be reopened in its current location.

A local landlord owns the property.

Franchised Elmer's restaurants typically employ 20 to 30 employees, over half of whom are part-time, the Portland company said.

Bank increases quarterly dividend by 5.88 percent

HAILY - Montana-based Glacier Bancorp Inc. - whose subsidiary Mountain West Bank has branches in Ketchum and Haily - declared a quarterly dividend of 18 cents per share, which is a 5.88 percent increase over the previous dividend. This is the third dividend increase granted to shareholders this year, for a total year-to-date increase of 20 percent. Glacier Bancorp said it has raised the dividend 29 times since going public in March 1984.

The dividend is payable Jan. 23 to owners of record on Jan. 14.

Chamber seeks nominations for annual awards shindig

KETCHUM - The Ketchum/Sun Valley Chamber and Visitors Bureau is seeking nominations for its annual shindig honoring the Citizens of the Year. Arts Advocate, Youth Advocate and Chamber Volunteer. New this year: An Environmental Advocate of the Year award recognizing efforts by a business, organization or individual.

For a nomination sheet, call Erica at 725-2103.

J.C. Penney Co. says sales rose over expectations

J.C. Penney Co. said sales at stores open at least a year will surpass expectations for December, but the post-holiday news from two other leading retailers was more grim.

Federated Department Stores, parent company of the Bon Marche, now says November and December same-store sales will be down 4.5 percent, and Wal-Mart said sales picked up late in the month but will miss projections.

compiled from staff and wire reports

First USA settles with Idaho on telemarketing

The Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. - First USA Bank, the nation's largest issuer of Visa credit cards, has agreed to pay \$1.3 million as part of a settlement with New York, Idaho and 26 other states over the way telemarketing firms sold products and services to the banking company's customers.

First USA, now doing business as Bank One Card Services, also agreed to police its third-party vendors to prevent deceptive telemarketing aimed at its more

than 53 million credit card holders.

The settlement announced Tuesday ends a three-year investigation led by attorneys general in California, Illinois, New York and Vermont.

"As a result of the aggressive efforts by the states, approximately 150 million consumers of two of the most prominent credit card issuers will be provided better protections," New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer said.

A similar agreement was

reached last year with Citibank, the world's largest credit card issuer.

Delaware-based Bank One Card Services, a subsidiary of Chicago-based Bank One Corp., admitted no wrongdoing in the settlement. But the company agreed to pay \$1.3 million to the states for investigative costs.

"We're looking at issues that were raised by these attorneys general more than three years ago," Bank One spokeswoman Calmetta Coleman said. Bank One now notifies customers how

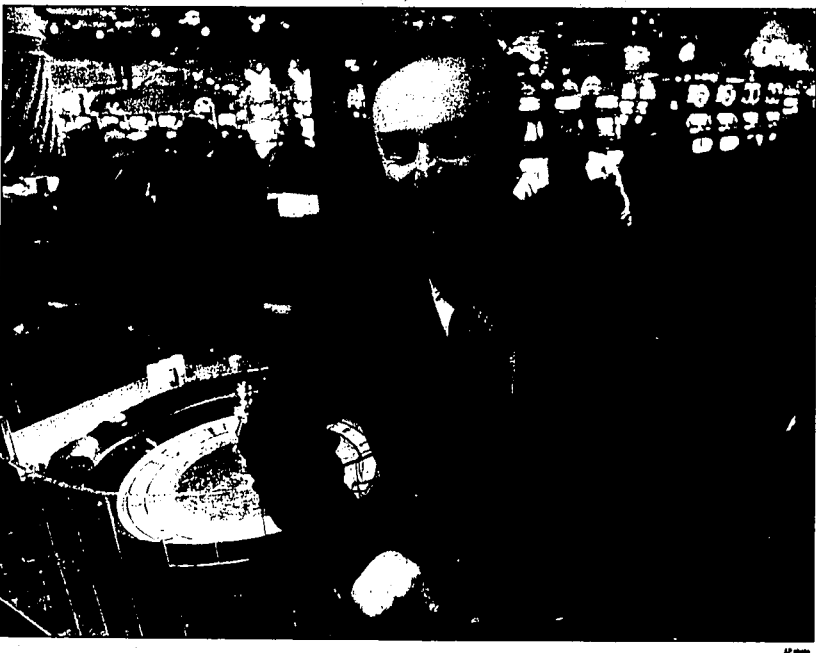
to opt out of solicitations by calling a toll-free number, she said, and works with just one vendor for club memberships.

First USA has contracted with telemarketing firms for years, that sell products and services to its customers. The investigation showed consumers sometimes were charged on their credit cards for products or services they had no idea they agreed to buy, Spitzer said.

Many vendors used free gifts such as airline tickets to induce

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Aladdin makes a wish



Bill Timmins, president and chief operating officer at Aladdin Resort and Casino in Las Vegas, is shown at the casino on Dec. 19. The Aladdin has been in bankruptcy for more than 15 months.

Bankrupt casino improves operations, seeks buyer

The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS - Nobody has to remind Bill Timmins that the Aladdin hotel-casino has been in bankruptcy for more than 15 months.

Each day the company's president and chief operating officer takes the elevator to his suite-turned-office on the casino's sixth floor and does his unenviable job of overseeing a \$1.2 billion property that is mired in debt.

Across the Strip from the Bellagio, which pushes money,

the Aladdin limps along with a work force that has been reduced by 30 percent, trying to draw more gamblers and their money while seeking a savior.

But the tall Scotsman refuses to let the burdens of bankruptcy sink the Aladdin and its 2,800 employees. In the past several months, the casino has taken small steps toward solvency that have helped stave off closure or a desperation sale.

Court records indicate the Aladdin has managed to settle a pivotal lawsuit that threatened to

derail any possible sale, pay back its original post-bankruptcy financing loan and complete several projects that now give people a reason to spend money inside the cash-strapped casino.

"The property is much more competitive than it was when it opened," Timmins told The Associated Press recently. "We've made a lot of headway because we had to."

The Aladdin was hailed as another megaresort that would bolster the fortunes of Las Vegas. But it quickly flopped after run-

ning over its construction budget by about \$400 million and postponing its grand opening on Aug. 17, 2000, because construction delays left no time for its fire safety system to be tested.

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Calendar reminds us managing money is a year-round job

I like to buy calendars, and there's a special one for 2003 that is taped to our refrigerator so my kids will see it.

This calendar doesn't have fabulous color photos of my favorite sports teams or vacation hangouts. Rather, this one has simple artwork. But what really catches your eye is the information - 12 personal-finance principles for young people to learn.

The calendar was created by the JumpStart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy, an organization based in Washington that promotes financial education. The calendar is free and can be ordered by calling the coalition at (202) 466-8604.

As a preview, here are the 12 financial principles for children (and parents, too):

• **January:** Map your financial future. Take time to list your financial goals, along with a realistic plan for achieving them.



KIDS AND BUSINESS Steve Rosen

- **February:** Don't expect something for nothing. Be leery of advertisements, salespeople or other financial offers promising anything free.
- **March:** High returns equal high risks. No one will pay you high interest rates on a sure thing.
- **April:** Know your take-home pay. Before making significant financial commitments, estimate how much income - after taxes - is likely to be available to you.
- **May:** Compare interest rates. Obtain rate information from more than one financial source to get the best value for your money.
- **June:** Pay yourself first. Before paying bills, set aside a certain amount each month designated for short- or long-term savings goals.
- **July:** Money doubles by the "Rule of 72." To determine how long it will take your money to double, divide the interest rate into 72. An account earning 6 percent, for example, will double in 12 years.
- **August:** Your credit past is your credit future. Be aware that credit bureaus maintain credit reports on your borrowing history of repaying loans. Any problems could affect your ability to borrow later.
- **September:** Start saving young. The sooner you start saving, the more funds you will be able to amass over time.
- **October:** Stay insured. Purchase insurance to avoid being wiped out by a financial loss.

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Qwest officials said the cuts in Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Iowa and Utah are in response to weak demand for phone service. Officials said they will try to avoid layoffs before March 30. On that date, the company will use layoffs to reach the target of 320 jobs.

"We've been pretty successful in the past in addressing a surplus situation with normal attrition, transfers to other departments," said Qwest spokesman Steve Hammack.

The contract with Local 7777 of the Communications Workers of America requires Qwest to give the union 90 days' notice of impending layoffs.

What to do

See your name on Idaho's unclaimed property lists? To claim your property, do one of these things:

- Call 1-800-972-7660, Ext. 7623 or Ext. 7627.
- Write to the Idaho State Tax Commission, Unclaimed Property Section, P.O. Box 36, Boise, ID 83722-0410.
- Write to: lostandfound@tax.state.id.us

dominant provider of local phone services in Magic Valley - began seeking volunteers for unpaid leave and voluntary severance. Employees who leave Qwest either voluntarily or involuntarily will receive severance pay.

No nonunion cuts were announced. Last week Qwest confirmed that it had given about 20,000 nonunion managers a 3 percent annual bonus.

Qwest employs about 53,000 people. Some analysts said the company will need to make additional cuts in 2003 unless the economy makes dramatic improvement soon.

"Unless there's a pickup in demand for basic phone service, it could portend more," said Tom Ewing of Janco Partners in Denver.

Union spokesman Lew Ellingson predicted few of the 320 cuts will come through voluntary departures.

Money book Stocks finish 2002 with three-year loss

By [Name] and [Name] (Reporting and short-term teacher) The New York Stock Exchange's first-year loss has been professional...

NEW YORK (AP) - Wall Street ended its third straight losing year on a mixed and dreary note Tuesday as investors' hopes of a resurgent economy in 2002 were stifled by fears of terrorism and a wave of accounting scandals.

In the end, 2002 closed with the Dow Jones industrials down 16.8 percent for the year and 47.5 percent since Dec. 31, 1999. Analysts said a slide in the last days of December showed that investors, demoralized by three years of losses, simply aren't willing to make major bets on a turnaround in the new year.

"It's been a terrible year, particularly on top of 2000 and 2001 being down years. It's really unprecedented territory," said Mike Kayes, chief investment officer at Eastover Capital in Charlotte, N.C.

The Dow rose 8.78, or 0.1 percent, to close at 8,341.63, according to preliminary calculations. The broader market finished mixed. The Nasdaq composite index fell 4.02, or 1.2 percent, to 1,333.52. The Standard & Poor 500 index rose 0.43, or 0.1 percent, to 879.82.

Both the Dow and S&P suffered their first three-year declines since 1939-1941. The Nasdaq posted its first three-year loss since the exchange's inception in 1971.

A disappointing report on consumer confidence Tuesday further dampened the buying enthusiasm typically seen at year's end.

The Conference Board said its consumer confidence index dropped to 80.3 percent from a revised 84.9 in November, offering a disappointing outlook for 2003.

Investors are closing this year in much of the same mood they endured the last 12 months, one of discouragement and concern about factors that are way beyond our control," said Charles C. Crane, strategist for Victory SBFS Capital Management in New York.

Eastover's Kayes said, "Investors have been hurt by the combination of accounting scandals, the lingering effects of the war on terrorism and the lack of leadership. It just takes a long time for investors to unlearn after the really historic bull market run of the 1990s."

It wasn't supposed to be this way. Investors began 2002 with optimism, hoping the economy could rebound from the 2001 terror attacks. But then accounting scandals took center stage, at companies from Enron to WorldCom to ImClone, leaving investors distrustful.

Who knew there was such a profusion? Certainly not Schiff. That's what he's doing: conducting brainstorming sessions with friends and searching for articles and Web sites. He rarely finds what he's looking for.

You can not what you turned up in her new post-essay book, "Old Jobs - Portraits of Unusual Occupations" (Ten Speed Press, \$16.95). It features pictures of a roller-coaster operator at Coney Island.

A condom tester in Trenton, N.J. A funeral-parlor cosmetologist in Brooklyn.

Buckie's own dress designer in El Segundo, Calif. An odor judge with a special talent for armpit-siffing at an odor-testing lab in Cincinnati.

"I had a great experience," says Schiff, who got behind-the-scenes views of about 80 people at work, 65 of whom ended up in the book. Among the photos she likes best:

The photo that has caused the most buzz is a former radio talk-show host who is a sex worker who collects ball stones at a breeding-service company in Wisconsin. "I don't know why they're all so fascinated. I presume it makes for good jokes," she says.

The worker she was proudest to track down was Jennifer Kelley, assistant to a knife-thrower in San Diego. Kelley's boss once set a competition in which he set a world record by outpitching her, "small frame with eight steel hatchets thrown in a mere 30 seconds," writes Schiff. This feat while she was spinning on a wooden board at 30 revolutions per minute.

Kelley herself, who claims never to have been evened by a knife or hatchet, says of her career choice, "Of course it's a dangerous job. That's part of it. And, 'Sure, I'm aware of the danger, but I block it out.' This former office worker switched careers four years ago when she heard from someone who knew the knife-thrower that he was being assisted. "What a coincidence," said Kelley, 39, not losing a beat. "I'm between knife-throwers!"

Schiff, a native of Larchmont, N.Y., made his own career change in the 1970s (he had been

U.S. Commerce Department and the European Union, respectively, accusing their South Korean competitors of unfair assistance.

"We will continue to object vigorously to these ongoing illegal subsidies," Micron said in a prepared statement.

Creditors approve another bailout for Micron competitor

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - In the latest bailout of a troubled South Korean computer chip maker, creditors on Monday approved a \$4.08 billion debt relief plan for Hynix Semiconductor Inc., officials said.

The plan includes a \$1.58 billion debt-for-equity swap and a roll-over of Hynix's \$2.5 billion debt by 2006, Hynix's main creditors, the Korea Exchange Bank said. The bailout, mainly by state-controlled banks, will likely raise complaints from U.S. and other

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg, YTD, %YTD, 52-Week High, 52-Week Low. Lists various NASDAQ stocks and their performance.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg, YTD, %YTD, 52-Week High, 52-Week Low. Lists various NYSE stocks and their performance.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ. Includes Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and Indices sections.

INDICES

Table showing market indices: Dow Jones Industrials, S&P 500, NASDAQ Composite, etc., with their values and changes.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table listing local interest stocks with columns for Name, Div, PE, Last, Chg, YTD, %YTD, 52-Week High, 52-Week Low.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the NASDAQ National Market and the 100 most active on the American Stock Exchange, all as of 11:15 a.m. Tuesday. Figures in bold changed 5 percent or more in price.

Notes: Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Funds are marked with an 'F' to indicate they appear at the beginning of each letters list. Current annual dividend (DIV) and stock, based on latest quarterly or semiannual declaration unless otherwise indicated.

Paid Members: Name of mutual fund and fund type. Div: Dividend yield. PE: Price-earnings ratio. YTD: Year-to-date change. %YTD: Percent change year-to-date. 52-Week High: 52-week high. 52-Week Low: 52-week low.

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg, YTD, %YTD, 52-Week High, 52-Week Low. Lists various American Stock Exchange stocks.

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ENGLAND FLORAL SOFA & LOVESEAT WITH OAK HI LEG
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HOTPOINT RANGE 30" WHITE
 WAS... \$499⁹⁹
\$249⁹⁹
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PINE CURIO
 STARTING AT... \$349⁹⁹
NOW
\$174⁹⁹
 AS IS

LANE BLUE VELVET SOFA WITH RECLINERS
 WAS... \$1,199⁹⁹
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SERTA QUEEN PILLOWTOP BOX & MATTRESS
 WAS... \$1,799⁹⁹
NOW
\$899⁹⁹

OAK COFFEE TABLE
 REG... \$199⁹⁹
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 REG... \$199⁹⁹
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OAK CURIO CABINET
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LANE BEIGE LEATHER RECLINER
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COMPLETE HOME FURNISHINGS

Enron Implosion

It's a 21st-century 'Love Story' subplot, with corporate sickness instead of disease threatening young love.

It doesn't take long for Craver to suspect there's something rotten in Houston, although Enron and its off-kilter "E" logo (redesigned in the movie for copyright reasons) are standing tall with most investors, politicians and media. There are brief allusions to chairman Kenneth Lay's and Enron's association with President Bush.

A reference to Enron's "virtual assets" gives Craver pause, but he quickly jumps into the brutish competition that demands results, however achieved, and rewards

... paid upfront bonuses of 10-year periods - which his managers themselves have called "insane." Supposedly oversteering the financial circus are in-house Arthur Andersen auditors, who are played for laughs in "The Crooked E."

Other scenes has them intently staring at a computer terminal, they're scrutinizing log swags. In another scene, the auditors shoot at a miniature basketball hoop as Craver wonders how faulty business practices could have been kept hidden.

Top Enron executives Lay, Jeffrey Skilling and Andrew Fastow are seen only in passing, but in infamous vivid

... on the film. Will viewers respond similarly to "The Crooked E?"



Brian Dennehy, right, and Christian Kane star in 'The Crooked E: The Unshredded Truth About Enron,' a CBS movie about the rise and fall of the Enron Corp., which airs Sunday.

Enron's 'The Crooked E'

... When new Enron executive, Brian Craver, arrives, he is greeted by electronic signs "Enron's good..."

... When he leaves eight months later, he is greeted with thousands of co-workers after the company's bankruptcy filing, he sees a message of bitterness. "Enron is greedy... arrogant... deceptive."

... Enron's downfall is depicted through the eyes of Craver, an eager young MBA grad, in the CBS TV movie "The Crooked E: The Unshredded Truth About Enron" airing 7 p.m. MST Sunday.

... The film is based on Craver's 2002 book, "Anatomy of Greed" (Carroll & Graf Publishers, New York), which detailed his brief tenure as part of a startup Enron division that - ironically - tried to limit competition by taking on the potential bankruptcies of their clients.

... Played partly for farce, partly for tragedy, the film nimbly balances a saga of avarice and hubris that seems implausible even from an insider's vantage point. CBS wins points for showing a TV movie with something to say.

... The film, directed by Penelope Spheeris, stars Christian Kane

'Fear Factor' heads to Vegas

LOS ANGELES - NBC's stunt show "Fear Factor" will leave California for the first time in January to tape an episode in the neon glow of Las Vegas.

In addition, the public will be allowed to watch the taping of two stunts for the first time in the show's history. The 50-minute episode is scheduled to air sometime in the spring.

The first stunt will take place in downtown Vegas, with the six contestants headed to the roof of the Flamingo Street Experience - a 90-foot-high canopy of lights over a four-block area in the city's old gambling area. The public can watch the stunt from 8 p.m. to midnight EST Sunday.

Three days later, on Jan. 8, contestants will take part in a stunt at the pyramid-shaped Luxor hotel on the Strip. Bleachers will be set up outside the hotel.

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TV in brief

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'Buffy' characters infest sci-fi top ten list

LOS ANGELES - In a poll commissioned by the science fiction magazine SFx to determine the top 10 sci-fi characters of all time, cult hit "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" made an impressive showing, with Spike, Willow, Angel and Buffy herself taking four of the spots.

Three of the remaining six spots were also taken by TV characters, including "Farscape's" John Crichton and Aeryn Sun.

However, the top spot went to Dr. Who, the eccentric Brit who traveled through time and space in the guise of several actors over the course of 26 years from 1963 to 89.

The Top 10 Sci-Fi Characters of All Time, in order, is as follows:

1. Doctor Who ("Doctor Who")
2. Spike ("Buffy the Vampire Slayer")
3. Buffy Summers ("Buffy the Vampire Slayer")
4. John Crichton ("Farscape")
5. Aeryn Sun ("Farscape")
6. E.T. Han Solo (the "Star Wars" saga)
7. Willow Rosenberg ("Buffy the Vampire Slayer")
8. Darth Vader (the "Star Wars" saga)
9. Angel ("Buffy the Vampire Slayer")
10. Gandalf ("Lord of the Rings")

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FEATURES

'CSI: Miami' tops prime time ratings

By Stephen Battaglio
New York Daily News

Crime pays, families are back, and reality doesn't bite. That's what Nielsen Media Research's ratings are telling network executives about the 2002-03 TV season.

Here's a snapshot of what happened in prime time over the past 13 weeks:

Winners

• **'CSI: Miami'** - This spinoff of "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" quickly became CBS' top-rated 10 o'clock show and the most watched new series of the season. The flagship edition on Thursday is up 24 percent and has become the No. 1 show in prime time.

• **ABC's Family Comedies** - "Eight Simple Rules for Dating My Daughter," "According to Jim" and "My Wife & Kids" have revived a classic dead genre and helped ABC around its ratings fortunes on Tuesday and Wednesday.

• **"24"** - The Fox thriller that plays out in real time is meander and more popular in its second season. It's now the most watched drama on Fox.

• **"Will & Grace"** - Guest stars and a wedding helped pump up the ratings for NBC's other set of Thursday friends - even against a hot time-period competitor, "CSI."

• **"The Sopranos"** - Longtime fans were craving more blood, but Tony & Co. averaged 11.8 million viewers a week on HBO, a record for a cable entertainment series.

• **"The Bachelor"** and **"Survivor"** - Proof that reality shows are here to stay, ABC's "The Bachelor" became a bigger hit in its second go-around. Ratings for CBS' "Survivor" have held up as it heads for its sixth edition.

Losers

• **Old Favorites in New Time Periods** - CBS' "Becker," NBC's "Just Shoot Me" and Fox's "Midpoint in the Middle" saw their fortunes tumble when moved out of their previous comedy time slots.

• **David E. Kelley** - It's hard to apply the term "loser" to someone married to Michelle Pfeiffer. But the once-red-hot writer-producer's "Girls Club" was canceled by Fox after two episodes. Ratings are down for his other Fox series, "Boston Public," and ABC is moving "The Practice" to Monday at 9 p.m. EST, a tough assignment for a slumping, six-year-old show.

• **"The West Wing"** - With the exception of the fading "Just Shoot Me," the Emmy-winning White House drama has lost more viewers than any other NBC series this season.

• **"JAG"** - Viewership for CBS' military drama is down 16 percent compared to last year, which led to a patrician ratings bounce from Sept. 11. The rest of CBS' Tuesday is hurting as a result.

• **"Enterprise"** - The latest "Star Trek" spinoff is losing altitude in just its second season on UPN, especially among youngsters and teens.

Gone and forgotten

- CBS' "Bram and Alice" and "Robbery Homicide Division."
- ABC's "MDs," "Now and Then," "Dinoponia" and "Push, Nevada."
- Fox's "Firefly."
- The WB's "Off Center," "Birds of Prey."
- UPN's "Haunted."

Critic: 'The Bachelor' pounded women

By Brian Lambert
Knight Ridder News Service

You've got to give 'em this: When someone asks for the best and worst of the year in media, there's no shortage of material. The boys and girls of electronic news, show biz and that great burgeoning zone where the real steadily encroaches on the former are always full of amazing moments.

So here, in no particular order, are a few reminders of the way our world has been reported and reflected back at us over the past 12 months.

The best

• **ABC News delivers a nuke to Manhattan**: Taking a chunk of depleted uranium - which, when X-rayed or scanned, looks danged suspicious, if not exactly like the core of an actual nuclear device - ABC News packs the thing in a crate in Turkey and follows it by boat halfway around the planet to New York City. When it is unloaded at the docks in New Jersey in September, we watch with growing astonishment and horror as it is lifted into the back of a truck and driven unnoticed, unexamined and unnoticed ... right into Manhattan. A vivid piece of journalistic theatricality that caused barely a news ripple, with growing astonishment and horror as it is lifted into the back of a truck and driven unnoticed, unexamined and unnoticed ... right into Manhattan. A vivid piece of journalistic theatricality that caused barely a news ripple, with growing astonishment and horror as it is lifted into the back of a truck and driven unnoticed, unexamined and unnoticed ... right into Manhattan.

• **John McCain and Al Gore on "Saturday Night Live"**: The show itself is hurting big time in the wake of the departures of Will Ferrell and Ann Gasteyer, but the two big-name politicians guest-hosted for their enormous credit. Their good-sport silliness kept the ante for candidates who until now thought they could slide by with a quick chat with Letterman or Leno. In other words, can John Kerry dare not to do a hot tub scene?

• **"The Way We Live Now"**: A brilliant satire of ambient greed and a comedy of passively aggressive manners that could have been scripted from boardroom transcripts straight out of Enron or WorldCom, but it actually was set 130 years ago by Anthony Trollope. The high point of the season for "Masterpiece Theater."

• **HBO's staples**: Though it was trendy to complain that "The Sopranos" slumped from its three previous seasons, most of that noise came from fans disappointed in the lack of over-the-top whackings. The rest of us were well-pleased with seeing Ralphie lose his toupee, the cred interludes for drug-addicted Christopher and Carmela teach her flash point. On the other hand, no one complained about "Curb Your Enthusiasm," which fortified its standing as the funniest series on TV. You've got to love Larry offering kryzee-Eyez Killia at a Beverly Hills lawn party.

• **"Faith and Doubt and Ground Zero"**: For the most part, the news media's coverage of the first anniversary of 9/11 was a study in redundancy and cloying excess. But this two-hour "Frontline" film of survivors, victims' relatives and world-class religious thinkers cut deeper to the core of fundamental questions of love, hate, vengeance and the misappropriation of God than credit. Their good-sport silliness kept the ante for candidates who until now thought they could slide by with a quick chat with Letterman or Leno. In other words, can John Kerry dare not to do a hot tub scene?

any 300 featurettes on the PDNYC.

• **HBO's "In Memoriam"** and **CBS' "9/11"**: For the moment, the two standards by which all future films about the attacks will be remembered.

• **"24"**: Fox's superb spy vs. spy vs. spy series miraculously sustained itself all the way through to last spring's climax and then resumed at as high a pitch again this fall. It is necessary to point out how much better this is than almost any "action thriller" you pay \$7.50 to see in a theater?

• **"Push, Nevada"**: Without question the most clever and intriguing new drama of the fall season. A dron, tightly scripted homage to "Twin Peaks," with first-rate cinematography ... that ABC parked on Thursday nights, watched as it was flattened by CBS and NBC's juggernauts ... and canceled after seven episodes. But hey, as concepts go, "The Bachelor" is so much easier to sell.

• **Triumph of the political bloggers**: With mainstream TV news and newspapers grossly underreacting to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott's by-no-means-unusual wistfulness for the good old days of segregationism and (let's call it what it is) white supremacy, it fell to the country's rapidly maturing network of online pundits to spotlight and interpret the incident. It was they who forced mainstream news organizations to smell (and report) a legitimate scandal.

• **"The Man Who Knew"**: Another documentary from PBS' "Frontline," this one was a tale rarely made for Hollywood. Flashy, ambitious FBI anti-terrorist agent John O'Neill was a guy who violated too many of the

agent's clubby, behind-the-scenes protocol for how to take any real-life serious investigation and shove it into a public arena, in public hands, to the tune of a million dollars. The tinsy-binsy investigator who obstructed O'Neill's investigations.

• **"The Worst"**: Contrary to conventional wisdom, not everything is evolving to higher levels of sophistication. The women's movement takes a new hit with each episode of this exercise in dating porn, as modern gal strip down, bed down, pose and continue to get A. more exposure on national TV, and R. a guy.

• **"The Anna Nicole Smith Show"**: See item above, and then wonder aloud at the public fascination with a whining, possibly overmedicated, size-20 former nude model squabbling over doggie habits and her gold digger's payout.

• **Sulpermania: A story?** Absolutely. A big story? No doubt about it. But 95 percent of the 24/7 coverage was pundit nattering of no more relevance or news value than the half-baked biovia-tor at the end of the bar. In sum, another ugly example of herd psychosis.

• **The Wellstone memorial**: By the time it played out, there wasn't any doubt that the absurd overreaction of allegedly wounded conservatives and the thousands of cumulative hours of air time they spent howling about the offense to their delicate sensibilities - far overshadowed the 20 minutes of overdone partisan rhetoric by the late senator's

• **March toward war with Iraq**: Still bunkered in a post-9/11 tuck, fearful of the public's wrath if it actively and consistently plays its role of aggressive skeptic, the American news media (in general) take their daily feedings from the White House and call it a job. How much is BBC News on cable?

• **"Girls Club"**: Big cheese-Hollywood word processor David E. Kelley ("Ally McBeal," "The Practice") whips up another lawyer series, this one based on three drop-dead-gorgeous babes who just can't seem to catch a break. More sci-fi than drama, it crashes and burns after two episodes.

Looking back 2002

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North South really belongs in a partnership. Two no-trump is their best scoring spot, but an aggressive auction such as the one South's was quite reasonable.

North's three-heart bid asked South to bid three no-trump with a heart stop. What would you expect the fate of the contract to be? Clearly, on a spade lead by West, declarer makes at least nine tricks. But, on a heart lead and club shift, or on a club lead at trick one, declarer cannot make more than eight tricks. Agreed?

Now, consider East's problem. If his partner leads a heart to trick one. The obvious solution is to go up with the ace; if no honor appears, shift to clubs and hope for the best. Nice logic, but ...

Opbir Resher of Israel sat South and was treated to a heart lead. Gauging the situation accurately, he called for a low heart from dummy, and East put up the ace, he dropped the queen! East sniffed the air suspiciously for a few minutes, then took the ball and returned a low heart, letting Opbir turn this to dummy's third club trick and all the matchpoints.

Unsuitable North-South Deal: East

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
Pass	1♥	2♦	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
All Pass			

Opening lead: Heart six

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South holds:

▲ A Q
 ♥ 9 7 5 4
 ♦ K Q J 8 7
 ♠ A 6

South West North East

ANSWER: Bid one no-trump. Your point-count is right for that opening bid, and you are not strong enough to reverse by opening one diamond and then bidding two hearts. With high cards in your short suits, opening one no-trump with this shape is acceptable -- if not desirable!

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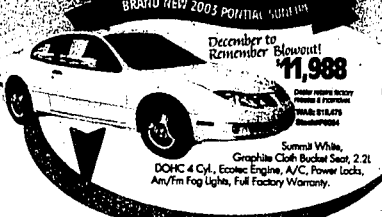
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