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Here comes West Nile

Mosquito-borne virus is more dangerous for animals than humans

The Times-News and The Associated Press

Threat is not high, but here are a few tips - A2

TWIN FALLS - The likelihood that West Nile virus will reach Idaho this year is high, experts say.

The virus is spread by certain mosquitoes that have bitten infected birds. Humans are susceptible, as are horses. In rare cases, the virus has been confirmed in some dogs or cats, but they do not appear to be at serious risk.

Health officials report that the virus traveled across most of the country in 2002 and that it probably will be detected in each of the lower

48 states this year. It was first discovered in the United States in 1999 in New York but is most commonly found in parts of Europe, Asia and Africa.

Two cases were reported in Idaho in fall 2002, but state disease detectives weren't able to confirm whether the virus was contracted within Idaho's borders. An Ada County man who had traveled to the East Coast was reported to have the virus and was recovering. A Canyon

County horse that had been transported outside the state also was diagnosed with the virus and was recovering.

"I think it's safe to say, we'll probably see it in the state this year," said Tom Shanahan, spokesman for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

There is no human vaccine, but an equine vaccine is available and recommended by the Idaho Department of Agriculture. Horses are reported to be highly susceptible to the virus. By Dec. 31, 2002, a total of 14,717 cases of equine West Nile

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The spread of West Nile

The mosquito-spread West Nile virus made an amazingly fast march across the United States. The first case was reported in 1999 in New York state. By 2002, the virus had sickened more than 4,000 and killed 274 people.

Counties with human cases
States with no human cases



Total human cases

1999	62
2000	21
2001	66
2002	4,071

Months cases reported

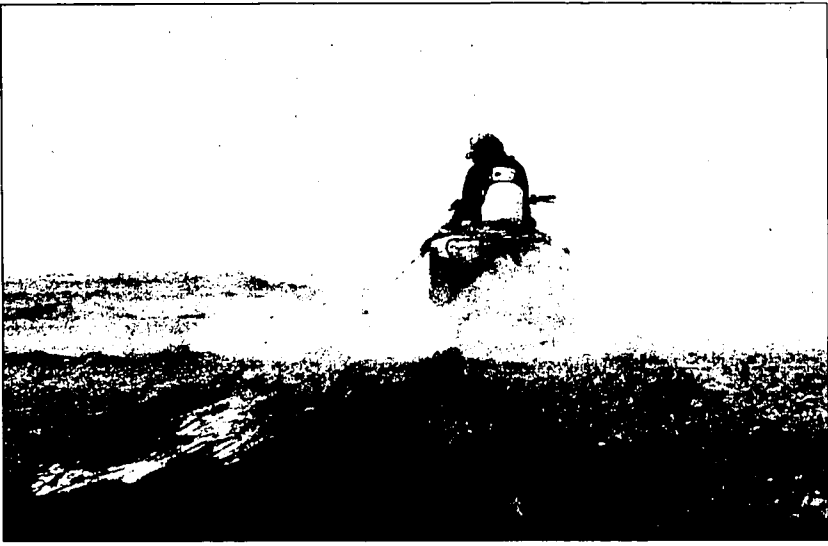
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SOURCE: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

LIGHTING UP



Dan Denton takes advantage of spring-like weather and temperatures in the 60s to burn stubble off one of his fields south of Twin Falls on Tuesday. The National Weather Service predicts temperatures in the high 60s to low 70s by Thursday.

Counties, cities to discuss 911

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

BOISE - During Elaine Steele's five years on the Twin Falls City Council, conflicts with the emergency dispatch system to which the city is a partner have been chronic, she says.

Disagreements over costs and management have abounded since the four-county Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center opened in the mid-1990s.

"And now we're at a stalemate," Steele said in a telephone interview Tuesday.

The stalemate amounts to letting the emergency-dispatch bills for Twin Falls police and fire departments go unpaid to SIR-COMM since the beginning of the fiscal year in July, said City

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Blaine County commissioners' anti-war resolution stirs debate

By Karen Bosack
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - As the nation continues its march toward war with Iraq, Blaine County commissioners are caught up in a little firestorm of their own concerning that very subject.

The commissioners set off the war of words when they passed a resolution calling on President Bush to give peace a chance by pursuing diplomatic solutions.

The action prompted a volley of letters to the editor in local newspapers protesting the action. And it continues to be the subject of hot debate at cocktail parties.

"They certainly don't speak for me or many of the people I know in this county," said Guy Lombardo of Hailey. "They should hold a referendum before they speak to critical national issues without our consent."



Dennis Wright

no longer be dependent on Iraqi oil, said Hailey resident Arne Ryason.

The two-page resolution, penned by commission Chairman Dennis Wright, states that commissioners don't believe an imminent threat to the United States exists. It decries America's youth being put at risk except as a last alternative. And it declares that war could have enormous economic ramifications and further

fuel hatred of the United States.

The commission is the only governing body of its type to take such a stand, although it is the only one in Idaho. To date 131 cities, counties and state legislatures have passed resolutions opposing pre-emptive war. Dozens more are pending.

The list of those making formal protests includes Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, Los Angeles, Oakland and San Francisco, Denver, Baltimore, Newark, N.J., Bloomington and Gary, Ind., Boston, Lansing, Mich., Syracuse, N.Y., Cleveland, Ohio, St. Paul, Minn., Seattle and Tacoma, Providence, R.I., Milwaukee, Wis., and Springfield, Ill.

In Maine, the state legislature approved a resolution supporting the Gulf War in 1991. This year the Maine Senate and House came out against efforts to re-

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U.S. pilots expanded no-fly zone missions beginning six months ago

Knight Ridder News Service

DOHA, Qatar - The air war over Iraq has begun.

Fighter jets now bomb Iraqi targets almost daily and the Air Force has dropped more bombs and missiles in the past three months than in the previous three years.

The U.S. Central Command has announced air strikes on nine of the last 10 days, targeting more than 20 individual locations. At least 16 of those were described as

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"military communication" sites. The others were a surface-to-air missile system and various radar systems.

U.S. pilots on Tuesday used precision-guided weapons to bomb three unmanned, underground military communication sites southeast of Baghdad. The attack followed two Monday strikes in

southern Iraq.

Since November, there have been more than 120 air strikes, compared with 110 in the previous 34 months, according to GlobalSecurity.org, a Washington nonprofit group focused on defense issues.

"While, officially, no decision has been made on a recourse to military action, the air campaign part of the war really started months ago in all but name," said

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Suspect's computer had plane photos

Attorneys debate significance in UI student's hearing

The Associated Press

BOISE - A computer used by a University of Idaho student arrested for alleged visa violations held scores of photographs, including the World Trade Center towers before and after the 2001 terrorism attacks, an FBI agent testified Tuesday.

But a computer professor mentoring Sami Omar Al-Hussayen said those images could have collected unintentionally in his computer memory as he surfed the Internet.

A detention hearing was held in federal court to determine if the Saudi Arabian national could be released on bond after being arrested Feb. 26 at his home in Moscow. The 11-count federal indictment accused him of visa fraud and making false statements on student visa applications to enter the country and study in Idaho.

The detention hearing before U.S. Magistrate Mikel Williams continues today. Al-Hussayen has pleaded innocent to the charges and faces an April 15th trial before U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge in Boise.

Prosecutors worked to connect international terrorism to use of the Internet to Al-Hussayen. He is accused of helping set up Web sites to gather money for violence against the United States.

"The computer not only is a tool for mass communications, but also a weapon," FBI Special Agent Michael Gnecko testified. He said Al-Hussayen had access to classified information in his studies.

"This is purely to sensationalize," defense attorney David Nevin replied.

According to the search war-

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Sami Omar Al-Hussayen



Aircrew prepare to launch a Navy F-18 fighter aboard the USS Theodore Roosevelt Monday in the eastern Mediterranean sea.

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EDITORIAL

Don't tinker with plan to rename city streets

Twin Falls city leaders acted boldly - but wisely - in agreeing to rename downtown streets.

That, however, was the easy part. The real controversy awaits them in choosing the specific names.

Some residents are grumbling about the names proposed by a Historic Old Towne Committee. The issues are numerous:

Should the names be alphabetical?

Does the list include a suitable number of women and ethnic groups?

Are some of the names tongue twisters?

And does a historical figure need to be a saint to have a street named after him?

Sadly, the dispute seems driven partly by jealousy and long-held grudges. And the grumbling is drawing attention away from the main goals of the grid change: simplicity and historical recognition.

City Council members would be wise to adopt the committee's recommended plan, which meets both goals.

If leaders open the plan to tinkering, the debate could outlast the city's second century.

The renaming project aims to solve a century-old problem with the baffling numerical grid, in which west is north and south is east. The committee's plan isn't perfect.

Shoshone Street, lying between Guisasa and Harder streets, will disrupt the alphabetical arrangement. So will I.B. Perrine Street, because most people will simply call it, "Perrine."

And speaking of Perrine, some have found this to be a good time to dig up old bones on the city's founder. Others ask, why name a street after him when his name is already attached to a bridge and local school?

But if critics want spotless historical figures for centennial street names, they're headed down a dead-end road. Perrine may have had faults, but he was no Jesse James. Naming a downtown street after him is still an appropriate act for our centennial.

Our view: Twin Falls leaders should accept the street renaming plan as recommended.

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

Some thing goes for Santa Guisasa Bilbao. Throwing out that name because of its pronunciation

would needlessly foster ill feelings among the Basque community. Besides, if Idahoans can pronounce Kamiah, Kootenai and Pahsimeroi, they can learn to say Guisasa. (Try this: "GEESSE. Ah. So. La." Was that so hard?)

But if the City Council can't weather the objections to some of the names, here's an alternative: Abandon the idea of naming streets after people. Instead, choose names that celebrate the heritage, economic history and natural environment of the Magic Valley. Eagle. Homestead. Irrigation.

Disputes over street names will be a poor prelude to the city's centennial celebration. In our view, the committee's list is fine. But if city leaders feel obliged to alter the committee's recommendation, they should cling to the twin goals of simplicity and honoring the city's heritage.

World should end the politics of appeasement

If Sept. 11 taught us anything, it is that Americans can no longer deny that we live in a dangerous and unpredictable world. We cannot deny it, because 19 terrorists literally drove the idea into our living rooms 18 months ago.

ALVIN WILLIAMS

Last week's events in the Korean Peninsula should therefore come as little surprise. When the North Korean government of Kim Jong Il decided once again to flout international law by reacting to a five megawatt nuclear reactor at Yongbyon, the world raised an eyebrow. And after a squadron of North Korean MIGs harassed a U.S. intelligence aircraft on a routine mission, we professed outrage.

After nearly a decade of diplomacy, treaties and international aid (some might even call it appeasement), the United States and the world community have been rewarded with intransigence and the threat of nuclear conflict from the North Korean government. Is it scary? Yes. Is it surprising? No.

Anti-war activists and politicians - including several Democratic presidential candidates - wonder then, given North Korea's nuclear ambitions and escalating aggression toward the United States, why President Bush insists on marching into Iraq in a "jingoist" just war? They argue that North Korea, not Iraq, presents the clear and present danger to the United States, and that we should adjust our policy accordingly.

In one respect they are correct. North Korea may already have a nuclear weapon that can reach our western shores, and Kim Jong Il undoubtedly possesses weapons of mass destruction that are capable of unleashing terror throughout the Far East.

However, our policy options for dealing with a nuclear North Korea are few and far between. Having potentially developed the ultimate equalizer in international affairs, Kim Jong Il is more dangerous today than ever before. He cares little for the suffering of his starving citizens, resides in a tricky neighborhood



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between major world powers, and seems quite content plunging his nation into economic chaos. All of which makes negotiating with his regime impossibly complex.

Saddam Hussein, on the other hand, is not yet a member of the nuclear club. And although he strives to become its next charter member, the Iraqi dictator lacks the technology and wherewithal to gain admission.

But if we turn our backs now, as we have for the last 11 years, Saddam will continue to tap his vast oil wealth and one day realize his dream of creating the "Islamic Bomb." And on that day he will transform Iraq into the most dangerous nation in the Middle East.

For this reason alone the president must focus U.S. military strength on the task of disarming Iraq. The world cannot allow Iraq to become the next North Korea - regardless of what France, Germany and other appeasement-loving nations portend. Weapons inspectors and the last remaining vestiges of the containment regime will never prevent Saddam from developing the weapons of mass destruction he

craves; only stern military strength will force the Baathist regime to disarm.

One need only examine our post-Gulf War experiences in Iraq to learn why. Since accepting a humiliating defeat at the hands of Coalition forces in 1991, Saddam has engaged the United States in a tit-for-tat game of brinkmanship. Sometimes he blinks, and sometimes he does not. But through each dust-up with the international community, Saddam eventually emerges with his regime - and vast stockpile of weapons of mass destruction - firmly in place.

Opinion-page treatises cover the litany of such encounters on a day-to-day basis, and hardly need vetting. However, it is always worth repeating that Saddam Hussein remains the only leader alive that is guilty of using weapons of mass destruction against his enemies and citizens alike.

And while systematically murdering thousands of Kurdish and Shiite citizens in the north and the south, one should not forget that Saddam has rewarded international humanitarian efforts by

flooding the Middle East, France and Russia with billions of dollars in unregulated oil outside the U.N. "oil for food" program. While the world staves off Iraqi starvation, Saddam continues to live off the fat of the land while feeding his insatiable lust for weapons of mass destruction.

No diplomatic program, be it Oil For Food, UNSCOM, UNMOVIC or UNMOVIC II will ever prevent him from pursuing these goals. And while every American would like to see a peaceful resolution to the Iraq saga of the past 12 years, it is time to live in the real world.

If we back down now, and allow Iraq to continue dismantling the containment regime, we will soon be forced to live with a nuclear-armed Saddam. We let Kim Jong Il slip through our fingers already; we should make sure Saddam does not have the same opportunity.

Alvin Williams is president and CEO of Black America's Political Action Committee. Readers may write him at: BAMPAC, 2029 P Street NW, Suite 202, Washington D.C. 20036.

LETTERS

Union dues legislation won't help state budget

I am writing this letter in response to *The Times-News* editorial on March 6. I am a teacher at Sawtooth Elementary and serve as the membership chairman for the Twin Falls Education Association. HB 329, the bill that would ban voluntary payroll deductions for political action, saddens me. In a time where our legislators have so much on their plate in trying to balance the budget and do what is right for Idaho, I don't understand why such a bill would be introduced.

Idaho is a right-to-work state, and membership in the professional organization is voluntary. Not all the teachers in Twin Falls choose to be members of the Twin Falls Education Association. The teachers who choose to be members also choose whether or not they want to make contributions to the political action fund. Several of our members choose not to donate to this fund. Contrary to what was stated in the editorial, the "teachers union" doesn't have a special privilege. Each year when I do my taxes, I am asked if I want to donate to the presidential campaign. It is my decision to do so or not, just as it is my decision to donate to the political action committee, and my decision to choose what method I would use in making the contribution.

You said that these bills "should receive lawmakers' attention as possible ways to improve Idaho's budget picture" and your view was that "these legislative bills affecting teachers aim for the budget, not teachers' heads." How could this bill make a difference in the budget? It only affects the teachers and firemen who belong to their associations and who choose to donate to the political action committee. The time spent on this bill to negatively impact a very small number of people could have been spent on something that would benefit the entire state.

Please ask your legislators to oppose HB 329 and get back to the real work that needs to be done.

PEGGY HOY
Twin Falls

Shelters are no match for horrors of a big bomb

I have some things on my mind regarding two letters to the editor of Friday, March 7:

In response to Mike Matthews' letter, the anti-nuke crowd was very definitely wrong. Not to say I am pro-nuke, but there are always survivors. But what are survivors going to survive to?

I lived in occupied Japan as a child with my Navy family and was taken to Hiroshima. The rebuilding had started but there was still enough destruction, which I can still see when I close

my eyes. I can remember returning to this country and being in an elementary classroom when the teachers would tell us that should you sense a bright, intense light flash, not to look at it (you might blind yourself) but to duck and cover and put a piece of paper over your head to keep the fallout from striking you. I can remember having enough one day and standing up and saying, "duck and cover" would not help much, just wave good-bye to all you hold dear because you'll either be dead or worse.

Duct tape and plastic certainly will not help today. When I first heard last month about a "run" on them, I just laughed out loud. I can remember the civil defense drills and signs of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Washington and Norfolk and taking shelter but always asking myself what if this is the real thing? What to survive to?

The other thing on my mind is Lindsay McIntosh's of Boise letter regarding France. I have been to France and seen how they actively dislike Americans! It never bothered me terribly. I just always thought they must be ignorant; they are so dirty over there. My husband was in the Navy and served in France for nine weeks - a pipe and oil man - from June 6, 1944, to mid-August 1944. He always told me how pro-Nazi the French were and how little help they were to the liberating American forces. He told me every time he saw a

French national around close, he always made sure he was well-armed - both sidearm and rifle. Maybe Jay Leno was right - first Iraq, then France. That grave yard above Omaha Beach brings tears to an American's eyes! My husband was not the only one to tell me about France. I heard it from many others. Has to have some truth to it!

ANN RIDGELEY
Twin Falls

Tax increases offer only way to meet education needs

Attention Governor and Idaho legislators: Many of us in Idaho don't want any more cuts to "education."

I can't understand how you think we can meet the needs of every child in "education" with the money you have taken from our schools and now want to cut more.

The only fair way to meet the financial deficits in our state is to pass a law that raises "sales taxes" and taxes on "cigarettes and liquor." With this increase, we all have a "choice." If you don't want to buy a new car or choose to buy hamburger instead of steak you can at least have a choice. If you don't want to smoke or drink liquor, that's your choice!

Before you pass a law with more cuts, talk to the people who voted you into office and "give us a choice."

JEAN EMERSON
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LETTER

Use multiple names to help with street confusion

For some time, I have been following the saga of re-name the streets of Twin Falls.

One thing that I have yet to see addressed is the U.S. Post Office and what happens when a forwarding order expires.

We all know that there is no human element left in the post office and it is all done by machines. As a business owner with a mailing list, I know the nightmare of address changes - one digit, one letter, one anything off and the correspon-

dence is kicked out. There is a simple solution to this for all.

How about a commemorative sign with the new name placed on top of the existing sign? Many streets and roads are known by more than one name.

Example, the road I live on is known by Champlin Road, the Shoshone Falls Road or 3300 East.

This would be one way you could have your cake and eat it, too, with a great deal less expense for all involved.

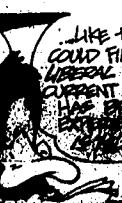
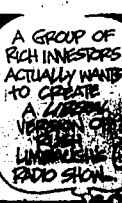
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By Garry Trudeau

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"This action today is a small but symbolic effort to show the strong displeasure of many on Capitol Hill with the actions of our so-called ally, France," said Rep. Bol-

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The White House sharply criticized Moran Tuesday. Talking early this month about the likelihood of war with Iraq, Moran said, "If it were not for the strong support of the Jewish community for this war with Iraq, we would not be doing this."

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Section B

AROUND THE VALLEY

District plans meeting on block schedule

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls School District plans a public information session tonight at 7 at the high school's Roper Auditorium to focus on the school's proposed schedule change.

Seeking to improve graduation requirements, officials say the current six-period day is insufficient. Thus, faculty members approved to change to a block schedule. Rather than the A/B schedule in use in the district's junior high schools and various area high schools, the school is going for what is called a 4-by-4 schedule. As proposed, the school day would be made of four 90-minute classes nine weeks in duration. Two of those nine-week blocks would make up a semester.

The plan has opposition. Such a schedule would make it difficult on classes that are more efficient in small 50-minute periods daily, such as band, foreign languages and weightlifting. But most complaints surround student "release time" - the proposed schedule will interfere with student religious instruction taken during the middle of the day.

Tonight school officials will be on hand for public comment. School Board members will vote on the topic March 31 at a special board meeting.

Boy killed in motorcycle accident was 6 years old

JEROME - A boy killed in a motorcycle accident Monday was 6 years old, not 10 as the Idaho State Police initially reported.

Jared Lee "Fudd" Johnson of Hazelton died after suffering neck injuries when he drove his motorcycle in a dirt parking lot at 990 South, 2352 East between two posts with a chain hanging between them and hit the chain.

Jared, son of Gary and Michelle Johnson of Hazelton, was a kindergarten student at Valley School. His family said racing his motorcycle was one of the activities he enjoyed.

Dinner, auction will benefit St. Benedicts

JEROME - The St. Benedict's Foundation will hold its second annual St. Patty's Family Fun Night from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday at the Messersmith Building located at the Jerome County Fairgrounds.

Proceeds will help buy new cardiac stress testing equipment for St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. The dinner menu will include corned beef and cabbage, fresh trout, dessert and beverages. A loud and silent auction will be held along with the chance to win a treasure chest full of activities from Magic Valley communities. There will be special games for children, with prizes and balloons.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under, or \$25 for four adults and \$30 for a family of six. For more information, call Dennis Maughan at 324-1122, Ext. 3242, or e-mail Maughan at dennmaughan@bmc.org.

Homeless advocacy group will meet Thursday

TWIN FALLS - Safe Harbor will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the First Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St.

Discussion will include information on the group's March 25 kickoff banquet and an April fund-raiser. An advisory board member will share his experience of "living on the street" in order to gain insight into what impact that situation has on homeless people.

The public is welcome. For more information, call Phyllis Berg at 735-8787.

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Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season pack **
Upper Snake River	93%	70%
Salmon Falls	69%	53%
Osley	90%	82%
Osley	64%	49%
Big Wood	62%	50%
Little Wood	94%	83%
Henry Fork/Teton	81%	70%
Big Lost	99%	75%
Little Lost	77%	62%

As of March 11.

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T.F. third-graders lead region

Students close in on state reading goal

By Robert Mayer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Third-graders in Twin Falls schools are closing in on the state's goal of having 85 percent of them able to read at grade level.

Seventy-nine percent of Twin Falls third-graders could read at grade level in January, according to newly released Idaho Reading Indicator test results. That's the best performance among third-graders in 21 south-central Idaho

school districts. It's up from 71 percent last year and 66 percent the year before.

Richfield third-graders were furthest from the 85 percent goal in January, with only 36 percent reading at grade level.

The IRI test shows the reading development progress of Idaho students in kindergarten through third grade. The state has set a goal of having 85 percent of Idaho third-graders reading at grade level by 2006.

The statewide average remains

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well short of that goal, but it shows an upward trend. This year, 62 percent of Idaho's third-graders are reading at grade level, an improvement over 58 percent last year and 53 percent the year before.

Generally, Twin Falls, Hansen and Castleford performed well above the state average. Glenns Ferry and Shoshone struggled considerably.

Here's a breakdown of the individual districts:

Camas County

Given the small class sizes - seven students - results from kindergarten and third grade were not released. The small number of students makes it easier to identify individual test takers based on the class score.

First grade showed a large jump from last year, 70 percent from 50 percent reading at grade level. But it was still below the state average.

Camas second-graders ranked the lowest in the region, with only 30 percent reading at grade level.

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THE MAGIC OF BOOKS



Nine-year-old Raven Mabey reads to 4-year-old Samantha Hanson at Burley Head Start Tuesday morning as part of a special activity for Week of Readers. "I had a lot of fun," said Mabey. "Mostly what I enjoyed was the stories." Mabey and her classmates, who also read, are from Eddi Morris's third-grade class at Mountain View Elementary School.

Burley Head Start students focus on reading

By Amie Thompson
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY - Sixteen pairs of eyes lit up when third graders from Mountain View Elementary School came to read to preschoolers Tuesday morning as part of Week of Readers activities at Burley Head Start.

"I liked them walking around with me, and we read three books," said 4-year-old Samantha Hanson. "I like the Santa one better... Then we read about the

big blue house."

The Mountain View Elementary students, from Eddi Morris's class, were excited to be out on a field trip as well.

"I just like reading," said 9-year-old Zach Searle. He only read one book, but it was a thick one - "The Cat in the Hat Beginner Book Dictionary."

The third-graders read to two classes of Head Start students, 38 in all.

"It gives them interaction

with older kids," Head Start center supervisor Laura Loya said.

"And we have been invited out to visit their class, too."

Each Head Start child got to take a book home Tuesday. The center is given books three times a year from the Burley Kiwanis and twice a year from the Reading is Fundamental organization.

This week, Burley Head Start has two more special events planned. Susanna Rodriguez will

visit the classes today dressed as Mother Goose, and Joyce Evans, also known as Grandma Joy, will come dressed up to read on Friday.

Loya stressed that the special reading week isn't the only time Head Start has guest readers.

"We encourage parents and community members to come in and read," Loya said.

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INEEL asks to bring in nuke waste in order to conduct research project

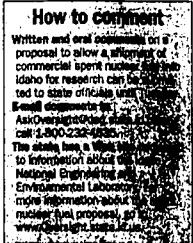
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IDAHO FALLS - Argonne National Laboratory-West officials want the state to make an exception to the rule against nuclear waste entering the state so they can conduct a research project.

The request for a waiver is the first since Idaho resolved its 1995 lawsuit to stop spent nuclear fuel from being permanently stored at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory near Idaho Falls.

Argonne, operated by the University of Chicago for the U.S. Department of Energy, needs a waiver to bid on work for nuclear fuel manufacturing company The Framatome Corp. and the Electric Power Research Institute.

"It's not a done deal by any stretch," Argonne spokeswoman Paul Pugmire said. "But it's gotten to the point where they're



serious about us, so we need to know whether this is a possibility."

State officials are asking for public comment by Tuesday and expect to make a decision by the end of March.

The research involves examining the fuel rods from a commercial nuclear power plant and determining why and how the

nuclear fuel failed. That work will take about 18 months.

After the tests are completed for the company, researchers want to use the fuel to test whether new pyroprocessing techniques will work on commercial nuclear fuel. The process extracts unused nuclear fuel from fuel rods so it can be recycled and then binds the waste in ceramic so it can be disposed of more easily.

While the project will not bring new jobs to Argonne, it is important work, Pugmire said.

"These are research projects that really speak to the future of nuclear energy in this country and in the world," he said.

The Idaho nuclear watchdog group Snake River Alliance is opposed to the waiver.

"We think it's a dangerous precedent," said Gary Richardson, the alliance's executive director.

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Local senior Olympian touts fitness for elderly

By Daniel Pulliam
States News Service

WASHINGTON - Drawing attention to the importance of fitness and nutrition for the elderly at a Senate Special Committee on Aging hearing Tuesday, football legend Lynn Swann and Twin Falls Senior Olympian Alfred Maguire encouraged elderly Americans to become more physically active.

While Swann, 51, encouraged all Americans to improve their lifestyles by eating healthier and exercising, Maguire, 75, testified to the benefits extensive physical activity brings even to seniors. Maguire has participated and won awards in five National Senior Games.

Maguire, who swims, has competed in the 50-meter and the 100-meter breaststroke, the 200-meter individual medley and the 50-meter butterfly. He has



U.S. Sen. Larry Craig, left, and Twin Falls Senior Olympian Alfred Maguire pause following Maguire's Tuesday testimony before the Senate Special Committee on Aging in Washington, D.C.

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Burley plant expects no more layoffs

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

BURLEY—Burley can breathe easier.

Boise Cascade Corp.'s 700 planned layoffs, announced this week, will not affect the company's corrugated-container plant in Burley, the local manager said Tuesday.

"I don't anticipate any additional (layoffs) from what we've already done," said Doug Pasley, general manager in Burley. "I'm happy to tell you that."

The Boise-based forest products maker, which operates under the trade name Boise, cited weak markets, high pension and energy costs and global

political uncertainty in this week's announcement. Executives said the layoffs will cause a per-share loss of 28-38 cents for the January-March first quarter.

The company's immediate pay freezes for salaried employees and the severe restriction of hiring—both announced this week—do apply to the Burley plant, said Ralph Poore, media relations manager. Union employees' pay is covered by collective bargaining contracts.

And Boise's Burley plant did lay off eight people last month, a move also driven by the nation's economic troubles but otherwise unrelated to the 700-job reduction companywide.

Effective Feb. 1, the Burley plant switched from a seven-day production schedule to just five days a week, Poore said.

"Essentially what it did was eliminate one of the four shifts of operation," he said. "That was in response to the sluggish economy and weak demand for corrugated containers."

The eight affected employees remain in layoff status but are eligible for recall until Aug. 1 if market conditions improve, Poore said.

The Burley operation now has 113 hourly workers and 14 salaried ones, Pasley said. All jobs are full-time.

Weakness in demand for corrugated containers isn't specific to

the Magic Valley, he said. The Burley plant supplies customers that depend on the national economy's health. But some of those customers are in an industry that also has Magic Valley players.

"We're heavily dependent on the potato industry and the food industry in this area," Pasley said.

That whole market segment has been weak, I think everybody knows that."

He didn't want to name Boise's local customers.

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Embezzlement case moves toward trial

The Times-News

BURLEY—A trial is scheduled to begin April 7 in 5th District Court in Cassia County for a Heyburn woman charged with embezzling \$144,196 from her employer.

The trial had been scheduled to start Jan. 6, but Judy Lynette Mort waived her right to a speedy trial. The trial comes after 5th District Judge Monte Carlson denied a motion by Mort to dismiss the charge or remand the case to magistrate court.

Mort is accused of stealing the money from Double L Trucking Co. between 1998 and 2000.

In March 2001, Double L Trucking owners Lloyd and Linda Coulter told Cassia County Sheriff's Office deputies they thought Mort had stolen money from their business, which resulted in the trucking company filing for bankruptcy.

Mort worked as a secretary for the company, starting her job in 1996.

According to the sheriff's office report, the Coulters said Mort wrote checks to herself and also wrote checks for fictitious truck repairs, and kept that money.

The trial had been scheduled to start Jan. 6, but Judy Lynette Mort waived her right to a speedy trial.

In January 2002, Mort met with Cassia County Sheriff's Office Sgt. Tim Little about the accusation. In his report, Little wrote that Mort told him she had stolen money from Double L Trucking.

In an April 2002 interview with Little, Mort said she had written some checks to herself, some to drivers who she never gave the checks to and some to a repair company which didn't exist. Mort admitted she did not have permission from the Coulters to write or cash those checks, Little's report states.

The Coulters told police they tried to reach an amicable settlement with Mort, but that couldn't be worked out, leading them to complain to police.

Mort is bound over to District Court last May after waiving her preliminary hearing in magistrate court. She has pleaded innocent to the charge of grand theft by unauthorized control. She faces a maximum penalty of 14 years in prison and a \$50,000 fine.

Mort was jailed for a time, but was released after she posted \$50,000 bond on May 3, 2002. Her bond had been reduced from \$50,000.

Panther shares nutrition message at Paul school

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

PAUL—Eat smart. Play hard. That was the message from the Power Panther to West Minico Middle School students on Tuesday.

Power Panther is the "spokes-animal" for the food and nutrition services division of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He visited West Minico as part of National Nutrition Month. As students ate chicken nuggets, green beans, pears and milk, Power Panther gave high fives and hugs and handed out pamphlets on good nutrition and staying active.

Food services employee Phyllis Bean said about 375 of the 450 students at West Minico eat hot lunch at the school each day.

West Minico Middle School celebrated National School Breakfast Week March 3-7. Middle School Coordinator Sandra Miller said students who ate breakfast entered daily drawings for prizes donated by local businesses.

On average, 215 students ate

breakfast at school each day during the week, up from the daily average of 105, Bean said. Even without prize incentives, students eating breakfast increased to about 155 per day this week.

During breakfast week, daily announcements were made about the importance of eating breakfast, Miller said. Throughout the month students will hear other nutrition messages about eating a variety of foods, eating more fruits, vegetables and grains, eating lower-fat foods and getting plenty of physical activity.

Miller said students will be treated to a Hawaiian luau lunch on March 21. Healthy treats including fruit kabobs and pina colada smoothies will be served. That same day students will be treated to physical activity during a boys versus faculty basketball game.

About 25 students are part of the school's Team Nutrition Club and will have nutrition information available at Burley's family fair in April, Miller said. The club makes nutritious snacks available in the school's snack bar such as granola bars, yogurt, popcorn and a variety of juices.

Bond issue would allow for school science facilities

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT—Science teachers at East Minico Middle School can't stress the importance of laboratory facilities enough.

"I would hate to be without it," sixth-grade teacher Gwen Leone said. "We use it all the time."

East Minico Middle School has four science rooms, complete with sinks, storage space and electrical outlets.

If Minidoka County School District voters approve a request to change a \$9 million lease option loan to \$10 million in bonds on March 18, science lab facilities at West Minico Middle School could be brought up to the standard East Minico already enjoys.

Seventh-grade teacher Diane Paulson points out the advantages of her East Minico classroom. The room itself is spacious, she said. Along the edges are 15 sinks and work areas, allowing a class of 30 students the necessary room to conduct experiments.

Electrical outlets allow micro-

scopes to be out and ready for use, and a display case in the front of the room holds specimens and student projects.

"It's just awesome to teach in here," Paulson said.

The sinks and storage space are invaluable, Leone said. She could run to the bathroom to get water for lab activities, but that wastes valuable instruction time. It is more efficient to have items readily available in the classroom.

Efficiency is also created with extra storage space labeled with containers, Leone said. Students know exactly where to go to get supplies and be ready. Storage also is important because many science projects take longer to complete than a single class period.

At West Minico Middle School, science lab facilities are not quite the same.

West Minico eighth-grade teacher Shari Miller likens the seventh-grade science room to a shoe box and said she was rolling in the dough with two sinks in her classroom.

Castleford

Castleford, too, had overall strong test results. All grades were well above the state average.

First-graders tied with Dietrich and Richfield for the best first-grade results in the region. 100 percent could read at grade level. Second grade scored a strong 83 percent reading at grade level, 20 percentage points above the state average.

East grade demonstrated marked improvement from the previous year's results.

Murtaugh

First-graders had the strongest performance at Murtaugh Elementary School, with 93 percent reading at grade level. Second graders were above average, too.

At the other end of the spectrum, kindergarten students struggled the most, with only 39 percent at level.

Because only nine students tested in the third grade, those results were not released.

Buhl

Results in Buhl were mixed. Kindergarten and second grade outperformed the state average, but first and third grade fell short.

First graders showed the highest success rate—73 percent at grade level. Seventy-one percent of second-graders read at grade level, 8 percent above the statewide average.

Filer

Superintendent Bill Feusuhrens will depart a district that features students performing higher than the state average. More than 80 percent of first-graders can read at grade level. Third grade tied the state average with 62 percent at grade level.

In addition, all but kindergarten marked improvement over the previous year's results.

Kimberly

Grades 1-3 performed above state averages, while kindergarten students performed below. All grades featured better results than last year.

First-graders showed the strongest results, with 88 percent reading at grade level.

Blaine County

All grades performed below state averages. Kindergarten students performed below last year's winter results.

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Shoshone

Shoshone students struggled with the IRI, with all grade levels performing well below state average. Among kindergarten, Shoshone tied with Bliss for the lowest in the region.

Superintendent Max Excell said kindergarten who enter school unprepared make it an uphill battle.

"We pick them up pretty low," he said. "It's really a struggle for us."

Excell is trying to get parents to read at least 20 minutes a day with their kids. Such efforts would help but seem to be lacking, he said. Kindergartners have showed little improvement from fall 2002 results, he said.

"I wish we had some way to get the word out to parents."

Cassia County

Cassia elementary students performed just a touch below state average. But results were generally higher than the previous year.

Third grade showed a 9 percent jump, 69 percent at grade level compared with last year's 60 percent, making it the only Cassia grade to perform above the state average.

Glenns Ferry

All grade levels except second showed improvement over last year's results. But Glenns Ferry performed well below the state average.

Kindergartners struggled the most, with only 25 percent reading at level by this point in the year.

Only 40 percent of Glenns Ferry second- and third-graders were at level, some 20 percent lower than the state average.

Dietrich

While Dietrich kindergarten students fell below average, first- and second-graders performed the best in the region. Both classes feature 100 percent of their students reading at grade level.

Richard Dykes, school counselor and testing coordinator, said that while he praises his teachers' efforts, the strong results are a question of small classes.

"With only 12 first-graders and second-graders in class, it's easy to offer greater individualized instruction. But the percentage are easily skewed, too."

There are one teacher very bright and another that needs a lot of work," he said.

Often there's little consistency

in the caliber of class from one year to the next.

"You just don't know what's going to happen," he said.

This year's second-graders performed exceptionally well on last year's IRI when they were first-graders, he said.

They fared well in the fall 2002 IRI, too. Good for the students but a detriment to the school. With so many students performing well early in the school year, the state Department of Education found it unnecessary to fund Dietrich's summer school program, he said.

With new arrivals needing help, summer school becomes necessary. The district will pick up the entire tab this summer, he said.

Gooding County

Results were generally above state average at Gooding Elementary School. Only first-graders underperformed, with 40 percent at grade level.

Wendell

While Wendell performed generally above state average, results varied greatly.

Nearly perfect, first-graders had 96 percent of the class reading at grade level. Yet only 29 percent of kindergartners had that distinction.

Kindergarten was the only Wendell grade below state average.

Richfield

Like Wendell, Richfield generally performed above the state average but featured a wide range of results.

One-hundred percent of Richfield's first-graders read at grade level, tying for best in the region. Yet in the same school, only 36 percent of third-graders can read at grade level, a region-wide low.

Richfield has Principal Theo Perkes scratching his head.

"I wish I knew," he said. He speculates that much of the first-graders' success stems from teacher Terry Holland, a transfer from the Gooding School District who brought her own reading program.

Other Richfield teachers have been sent to Salt Lake City to undergo training in the same reading program.

"Hopefully next year, we'll see if it works," he said.

Hagerman

Hagerman K-3 students performed below state average. All but first grade showed improvement over last year's results. That same first grade had the best

results among Hagerman's grades, with 68 percent at grade level.

Bliss

First- and second-graders at Bliss School beat the state average. Bliss kindergarten students, however, fared for the lowest kindergarten performance in the region, with only 22 percent reading at grade level. That's a 21 percent drop from the previous year. Third-grade results were unavailable.

Valley

Valley kindergartners were the school's only students to beat the state average. Grades 1-3 fell below the state average. In addition, the same grades showed decreased performance compared with last winter's results.

Minidoka County

Minidoka kindergartners nearly tied the state average—53 percent at grade level. But the rest of the grades fell below.

Still, all grades except third improved from the previous year. Only 48 percent of third-graders read at level.

Twin Falls

Twin Falls results were among the strongest in the region overall. All grades tested well above the state average, with third-graders scoring the highest among Magic Valley schools.

Twin Falls first-graders performed 20 percent higher than the state average.

Hansen

Along with Twin Falls, Hansen students overall tested the highest among their peers. In fact, Hansen kindergartners tested highest in the area's 21 districts.

"We were very proud that we did so well," Principal Tom Standley said.

Much of that success stems from implementing a full-time kindergarten program, a departure from the half-day program featured at most districts.

The key, Standley said, is filling that extra time with intentional instruction, not activities "just to fill time."

That kindergarten success is transferring to the first grade: 97 percent of first-graders are reading at grade level.

It's all about dedicated teachers, innovative programs and early intervention, Standley said. "They appear to be paying off," he said.

Fitness

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three national ribbons for placing the top eight in his competition level.

"At 64, I determined that I was going to have a new body," said Maguire, who plans on competing this June in the National Games in Hampton Roads, Va. "I swim at least three times a week for one hour, and I will soon increase it to five times a week and then seven times a week."

Maguire, who moved about the Senate committee room like a young man, said he missed winning a medal last year by less than a second.

"After I complained, everybody told me to stop crying," Maguire said with a laugh.

Swann, who is chairman of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, said while Congress can't pass a law to make Americans healthier, moderate physical activity could result in significant health benefits. He challenged the senators at the hearing to be physically active at least 30 minutes a day.

"I'm a professional athlete, and I love to work out," said Swann, a

Hall of Fame wide receiver for the Pittsburgh Steelers. "But you don't need to sweat in a gym, run a marathon or play sports to gain the health benefits of an active lifestyle."

Even Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, who chairs the Senate committee, gave personal testimony to the benefits of exercise after the hearing. He spoke of how he was overweight as a child, and even when coming to Congress in 1990, he was 60 pounds heavier than he is today. Craig said he now does 45 minutes of exercise five to six days a week to stay in shape.

"You have to do it by example," Craig said. "It's not something you can legislate."

Congress spokesman Jeff Schrade said Craig will introduce legislation in a couple of weeks that will "address the need to expand Medicare" to include nutrition therapy.

"One of the things Sen. Craig wants to provide for senior citizens is access to people who can help them with their diets—sound, scientific diets that can help people," Schrade said.

Hospital

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the design phase, which would last another five or six months. The final phase will be construction.

There are no price tags as yet on the second and third phases of the project, but hospital officials will get a better idea of what the construction costs would be when the master planning is complete, Schultz said. He said design costs are typically 8 percent to 11 percent of the cost of the entire project.

The hospital is able to opt out of the contract after Phase 1 or Phase 2 if it chooses to, Schultz said.

One of Tuesday's missions was to recruit up to 30 employees to serve on the Vision 2020 Employee Committee. Their job would be to help create the vision of what Magic Valley Regional should look like and what changes should be made to provide for future growth.

"This is your facility, and everyone here needs to be actively involved," said Mike Vela, HKS architectural project manager.

While contractors, engineers and architects examine facilities, strategic planners will be looking at the community as a whole, examining everything from demographics to traffic patterns to what kinds of medical services are offered in the area.

"What kinds of health needs do people have?" asked Howard Gershon of PSI Arista. "Are they going out of town for services?"

The Planning and Community Relations Committee recently conducted a study and discovered several services the hospital might be able to offer down the road, including open-heart

surgery, neurosurgery and dialysis. The possibility of adding those services must be considered in the long-term plan.

"We're trying to get some idea of what the health care market will look like and see how we best fit into that," Schultz said.

Hospital Board member Bill Block was the lone "no" vote when the board approved the contract with the design-build partnership last month.

Block said he had no problem with the partnership chosen; in fact, he called it an "excellent" choice. But he would have rather waited until the master plan was complete before requesting proposals on the design and construction phases of the project.

"I felt they put the cart before the horse," Block said Tuesday. "I wanted to have public meetings so they can see what the plans are," Block said. "We need to determine what's affordable and how we can provide the best care for the dollars spent."

Health care costs keep going up and up and up. It's got to be quality, but it's got to be affordable. I want to make sure the public is involved and has input. After all, it's a county hospital."

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Idaho Reading Indicator gauges reading abilities

Here are winter 2003 scores on the Idaho Reading Indicator, which gauges the reading abilities of children in kindergarten through third grade.

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Suzanne and Jim Shemwell of Boise share a moment Tuesday at Saint Alphonsus Hospital in Boise.

Idaho couple survives five days in wilderness

BOISE (AP) - It would take a miracle to save her marriage, Suzanne Shemwell confided to friends. After 23 years together, she and Jim had drifted apart. Suzanne did not know if the two could last another year, living together in uncomfortable silence.

The miracle would come, twofold: In what was planned to be a three-hour snowmobile trip, Suzanne and Jim got stranded, then lost, for five days on a freezing mountaintop. Though they only had a snack-size package of sausage and a Please see SURVIVE, Page B6

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Killed in House

H1072 (Education) - Allows military recruiters access to high school directories for recruiting purposes. Sent to Governor.

H1151 (Local Government) - Permits planning and zoning board members to serve more than two terms with approval of two-thirds of the body.

H1225 (Revenue and Taxation) - Clarifies that broad-based investment tax credits can be transferred only by the person earning them.

H21 (Newcomb) - Clarifies board examination fees.

H204 (Transportation and Defense) - Revises the definition of all-terrain vehicle.

H1175 (Business) - Sets time limit for paying proceeds from a life insurance policy.

H1176 (Business) - Sets minimum non-forfeiture amount for individual deferred annuity contracts.

H12 (Newcomb) - Sets out remedies for violation of federal law under the Residential Mortgage Practices Act.

H29 (Newcomb) - Updates the definition of the Federal Consumer Credit Protection Act.

H120 (Newcomb) - Removes barber shops and other related businesses from jurisdiction of the Health and Welfare Department.

H126 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) - Sets maximum license renewal fees for certified shorthand reporters.

H253 (State Affairs) - Sets penalties for violation of Parks and Recreation Department rules on ATV use.

H56 (Newcomb) - Designates special funds for repayment of loans to the Idaho Water Resources Board.

H124 (Resources and Conservation) - Clarifies viable investment vehicles for

surplus irrigation district funds.

Introduced in Senate

S1152 (Finance) - Allocates \$1.5 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Commission on the Arts. Introduced in House.

S1053 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$5.3 million to the State Board of Education for operations in 2003-2004.

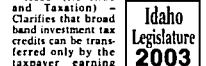
S1054 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$33.9 million to the Department of Lands for operations in 2003-2004.

S1055 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$9 million to the state's seven public health districts for operations in 2003-2004.

S1056 (State Affairs) - Prohibits smoking in all public buildings except bars, taverns, cabarets, bowling alleys or single owner-operated businesses.

S1057 (State Affairs) - Limits releases from escrow accounts in Idaho's Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement.

S1059 (Education) - Establishes a system of performance-based teacher pay for teachers with fewer than five years experience.



Hospital releases

Cenarrusa after crash

BOISE (AP) - Retired Secretary of State Pete Cenarrusa was released from a Southern California hospital on Tuesday after suffering minor injuries in a one-car accident the day before.

The Idaho Secretary of State's office reported that Cenarrusa was on his way to work when he was driving west out of Boise and rolled several times on a highway, ending in a ditch. Cenarrusa, 65, retired in January after a record 35 years in the job.

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Survive

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candy bar, they made it home against all odds. And the team-work they relied on to survive renewed their strength in each other.

Jim Shemwell, 45, had invited a friend to go snowmobiling March 5 with he and 43-year-old Suzanne, but after a last-minute cancellation the couple headed to Pilot Peak alone. The mountain—nearly 7,000 feet above sea level and about 40 miles outside of Boise—was covered in fresh powder.

"It was going to be a three-hour tour, just like Gilligan's Island," said Jim Shemwell from his bed at St. Alphonsus Hospital. "We went down into a bowl to play with the snowmobiles, but the powder was so soft and the slope was so steep that we couldn't get up."

After taking a careful look at the rough terrain, Jim and Suzanne Shemwell decided to drive the snowmobiles farther down the mountain and then work their way back to the pickup.

But the deep snow was hiding dangerous obstacles. First Jim drove into a creek, and Suzanne had to wait while he dug free. They tried winding along a steep hill, but Suzanne's snowmobile slid into a tree, twisting her knee and ankle.

It was nearly 3:30 p.m. by then, and the couple made a decision: They would camp for the night, and ride Jim's snowmobile out at first light.

The Shemwells are practical people. Their youngest daughter, 8-year-old Taryn, was at a day-care center and they knew the owner would alert family when no one came to pick up the girl.

By the time Suzanne had used her 10 years experience as a Girl Scout leader to build a snow cave and Jim had gathered enough firewood for the night, phone calls were alerting friends and family that the two were missing.

The Idaho Mountain Search and Rescue team began organizing the search effort and found the Shemwells' pickup by 11:30. Daughters Dorinda Shemwell, 26, and Micaela Dingledein, 20, notified family and nervously waited as a blizzard began to rage on the peak.

And Suzanne's mother MaryAnn Ford prayed to God that the couple would find their way. Her husband died in January of 1963, when he became stranded after a car crash and lost both feet to frostbite. The crash occurred within a few miles of the where the younger Shemwells got stuck last week.

"We had some shop rags that we tore up and used to start the fire, and Suzanne stayed up that first night to keep it going," said Jim. "Our first snowcave was too small to fit both of us, so she was curled up next to the fire and I was curled up right behind her."

They had shared part of a package of Little Smokies sausages. Both expected to be home within 24 hours.

Thursday morning they climbed on Jim's snowmobile, but the steep terrain and soft powder burned out the clutch.

"It took us five hours to get as far as we could have walked in 15 minutes," said Jim. "We abandoned both machines and decided to walk to where we could follow some snowmobile tracks."

That evening they had found no tracks. Again, they camped for the night. If it thinned out, not hard enough, the handle broke on the tiny shovel-and-saw combination tool they needed for fire and shelter.

The last shop rag was wrapped around the saw blade so Jim could continue to cut wood for heat.

"The nights felt pretty long. The cold would cramp your muscles and it was not comfortable," he said.

They took turns keeping the fire alive, talking about what they would eat when they got home and how they would make it there.

"Jim is not a man of many words," said Suzanne. "But he kept me going. I got a little whiny sometimes, and once I got pretty frantic. But he calmed me down, helped me along."

Friday passed just like Thursday, except it marked the end of the Little Smokies. They could see the high dome of Pilot's Peak and crawled along the steep slope toward the top, where they knew they would find their snowmobiles.

The couple took turns yelling and blowing Suzanne's whistle, and prayed for salvation from the snow.

On Saturday, they thought their prayers were answered. First a fresh snow overhead, then a hail-

knew no one had seen them.

"We were both in tears, crying, saying, 'We're going home,'" said Jim. "When they didn't come, Suzanne was starting to get some doubts. But I told her we were going to the top of the mountain, and we were getting out of there."

Sunday morning was the hardest, Jim said.

"I knew we were close to not making it. I have prayed more during those five days than ever in my life, and I just felt we had to

proceed on," he said.

Malnutrition and physical stress was wearing on the couple. Both had frostbite on their feet. Suzanne's big toes were blackened by the cold.

Meanwhile, Rod Knopp, coordinator for the Idaho Mountain Search and Rescue effort, regretfully suspended the search. There had been several avalanches in the 50-square-mile area where they believed the Shemwells were stranded, and they could not risk

any more lives until conditions got better.

On 11 a.m. Monday, Suzanne and Jim found what they had been looking for—a thin ribbon in the snow marking the tracks of a snowmobiler. Despite the danger, some volunteers had not given up. Using the last bit of battery in their two-way radio, they finally contacted searchers Scott Marquart and Julio Eiguren.

Minutes later they were feasting on beef jerky, granola bars

and protein shakes while tears streamed down their cold cheeks. By 3:30, they were on their way to St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, shouting messages of love and goodwill to friends and family gathered in the parking lot.

Both survived the ordeal intact—doctors say Suzanne won't even lose a toenail despite the frostbite.

As she recovered Tuesday, a friend stopped by her hospital room to wish Suzanne well and ask her about the ordeal.

Jim and Suzanne's marriage had been struggling. They weren't sharing with each other anymore, and Suzanne often wondered if it was just a matter of time.

Surviving the Idaho wilderness for nearly a week may not solve all their problems, Suzanne said, but she whispered softly to her friend during a hug. "Everything happens for a reason."

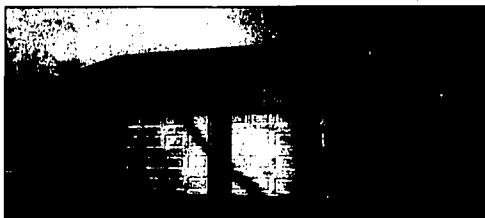
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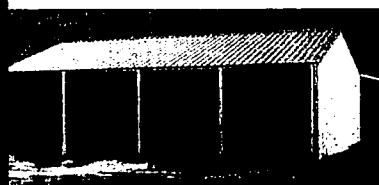


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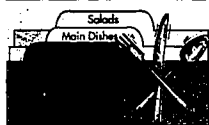
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Section C



Certainly no pressure on the men

Well men, it's that time of year when you need to start thinking about getting back in to your swimsuits. Now, we women aren't the ones putting pressure on you; we know that this really matters to you men. All we really want is for you to be happy. And you aren't happy with your oversized bellies hanging over your trunks, and we don't know why you spend so much time in front of the mirror agonizing over your appearance. It's certainly not pressure from us.

When Tom Cruise is scaling a cliff face or fighting unknown foes with all those rippling muscles, we're just admiring, not comparing. We like looking at Russell Crowe's pecs and abs in "Gladiator," and we don't care if they're not real. But don't worry, you look okay, too.



VALLEY
COOKING
Rebecca
Tateoka

With your concerns in mind, we'd like to encourage you with some recipes that you could try. They're pretty low in fat, and they shouldn't make your love handles into an inflated inner tube, or make your chest dangerously near to needing a bra.

But you look fine.

CHICKEN BALSAMIC

4 (4-ounce) chicken breasts, skinned and boneless
2 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil
2 small cloves garlic, finely minced or pressed
1/2 pound fresh mushrooms, quartered
2 1/2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
1/2 cup low-sodium chicken broth
1/4 teaspoon dried thyme, crushed
1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, or to taste

Chopped fresh parsley for garnish
Coat a 10-inch skillet with nonstick vegetable spray. Heat over medium heat. When hot, add chicken and cook until light brown, about 3 minutes on each side. Transfer chicken to a plate. Add olive oil to pan. Sauté garlic and mushrooms briefly, being careful not to burn garlic. Return chicken to pan, add vinegar, chicken broth, thyme and pepper. Reduce heat, cover and simmer for 15 minutes or until chicken is cooked. Juices will run clear when meat is pierced in its thickest part with a fork. Transfer to serving dish and top chicken with mushrooms and pan sauce. Sprinkle with chopped parsley.

-From www.jennyraig.com/healthyrecipes

RAVIOLE IN BROTH WITH VEGETABLES

-1 13-ounce package frozen jumbo cheese ravioli
1 1/2 to 1 3/4-cup reduced-sodium chicken or beef broth
1 medium carrot, cut into match-stick-thin strips
1 small zucchini, diced
2 teaspoons grated, peeled fresh ginger
1/4 bunch watercress, tough stems removed

Prepare ravioli as label directs; drain. Cover to keep warm. Meanwhile, in a 3-quart saucepan, heat broth and carrot strips to boiling over high heat. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 5 minutes. Stir in diced zucchini and grated ginger; heat to boiling over high heat. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 5 minutes longer, or just until vegetables are tender. To serve, place watercress sprigs in 3 shallow bowls. Place ravioli in bowls with vegetable soup. Spoon broth with vegetables over ravioli.

-From "The Good Housekeeping Step-by-Step Cookbook"

TACO PIE

2 pounds extra-lean ground turkey
2 tablespoons taco seasoning mix
2 tablespoons cold water
1/2 cup salsa
1/2 cup shredded cheddar cheese
1/2 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
1/2 cup shredded black olives (1/2 can)
1/2 cup shredded green onions (1/2 bunch)
1/2 cup shredded red onions (1/2 bunch)
1/2 cup shredded jalapeños (1/2 bunch)
1/2 cup shredded cilantro (1/2 bunch)

Even rookies can keep cut flowers fresh

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

JEROME - A rose is a rose is a rose is a rose ... except.

"Check out the foliage," said Arlene Jackson, owner of Arlene's Flowers. "If it has brown spots or feels dry or withered to the touch, this rose isn't going to last long."

Jackson and florists like her deal in upwards of \$3 billion in cut flowers a year, and that's just a fraction of the U.S. market. Most of the blooms that florists handle are domestically grown, but a majority of the cut flowers sold in America these days are imports - many from Colombia and Ecuador.

Of those, most have been out of water for at least four days before you plopped them into vases on your kitchen table. So how is a layman supposed to tell what he or she is buying?

"Cut flowers are a temporary pleasure," said Nona Mock, who owns Fox Floral in Twin Falls. "You buy them to be enjoyed in the moment, but flowers are being bred to last longer and longer. And if you know what to look for - and care for them properly once you get them home - they will last."

Start with the understanding that a cut flower is a dead flower.

"When I was a girl, I used to go out in the yard and cut lilacs, and by the time I got them back in the house, they were withered," Jackson said. "I was so disappointed. But what I didn't know then is that flowers start to coagulate seconds after they're cut."

Which is to say, a flower stem reacts to being cut just like your finger would.

"The stem closes off," Jackson said. "From the point of the cut, it won't take up water. That's why flower stems have to be cut back before you put them in water."

Now let's pretend that stem belongs to a rose harvested in South America last Friday.

"From there, they go into a warehouse through a process called dry-pack," Mock said. "They're packed together, treated with a refrigerant, and shipped to Miami. In Miami,



Photos by BRUCE SHELLEN/The Times-News

Flowers are a thing of beauty, but their freshness determines how long they will look good in your home.



Left, Robin Routt designs a floral arrangement at Fox Floral in Twin Falls. She says plants with tiny blossoms, like heather, last longer than those with large blossoms, like tulips.

they're purchased by a broker, who sends the flowers all over the United States."

Including, perhaps, to a refrigerated showcase in a supermarket in the Magic Valley, where that Ecuadorian rose cut last Friday will arrive today.

"It's very advanced technology, but the fact remains that flowers still need water." Please see FLOWERS, Page C8

Above, squeezing the nub at the base of a flower is a good way to test for freshness. An old flower will feel mushy.

Let your creative orange juices flow

By Russ Parsons
Los Angeles Times

ORANGE CAKE RECIPE

Marian Wilke notes that her original recipe called for processing the orange and raisins in a meat grinder; that gives you an idea of the size of the chunks that are necessary. She also notes that it should be baked in a metal pan rather than glass, which tends to burn the cake.

OLD-FASHIONED ORANGE CAKE

1 orange
1 cup raisins
1 cup granulated sugar
1/2 cup shortening
2 eggs
3/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons buttermilk, divided
2 cups cake flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup chopped walnuts
1 cup powdered sugar
Heat the oven to 325 degrees. Grease a 13-by-9-inch baking pan. Scrub the rind of the orange well. Remove both ends of the orange and cut it into large chunks. Set aside. Place the raisins in a food processor, and pulse 6 or 7 times until coarsely chopped. Add the orange chunks and pulse 5 or 6 times to reduce them to evenly sized small pieces. Empty into a

small bowl and set aside. Pulse the granulated sugar and shortening together in the food processor 4 or 5 times to combine, scraping down the sides of the bowl. Add the eggs, one at a time, and process in between, scraping down the sides. The mixture should be smooth, light and fluffy. Add three-fourths cup buttermilk and process to combine. The mixture will be very liquid and may look slightly separated. Sift together the flour, baking powder, baking soda and cinnamon and add to the processor. Pulse just to combine into a smooth batter. Add all but 2 tablespoons of the orange-raisin mixture and pulse once or twice. Add the walnuts and pulse once; do not over-process. Pour the batter into the pan; bake until the sides have begun to brown and pull away from the pan, 35 to 40 minutes. The cake should still be a little moist in the center.

Whisk together the remaining 2 tablespoons of buttermilk and the powdered sugar until smooth. Whisk in the reserved 2 tablespoons of the orange-raisin mixture and spread it over the hot cake.

Serve at room temperature.



Fragrant citrus permeates this moist, rich old-fashioned California orange cake.

FOOD & HOME

When planting, don't go too deep

Green Thumbprints

My good friend, Ed Hume, owner of the pretty face on television's "Gardening in America" and Hume Seeds, says he knows why your seeds didn't grow last year.

He says that most people plant seeds too deeply. Think about it: How does Mother Nature plant a seed? When a seed matures, it simply drops onto the ground. If it isn't gobbled up by a hungry bird, it might get scuffed around a little, rain might beat upon it a little - but it is deposited on top of the soil.

Like magic, it sprouts the following spring.

Ed's right. When we make a mistake in the garden it's usually because we didn't imitate Mother Nature. In a nutshell, here's how to plant seeds outside, or direct sow them:

- Work up your soil.
- Wait until it warms up enough to plant. Get a soil thermometer to tell you when the soil is 55 degrees. Or just wait for Mother's Day, our "It's officially spring day."



GREEN
THUMBPRINTS
Cathy Walworth

- Sprinkle your seeds where you want them to grow.

• Water. Let them think a gentle rain falls upon them every morning. In a couple of weeks, you should see green sprouts.

Indoors, follow Ed's special directions on the seed packet. Hume Seeds are chosen especially for our short season climate, and his tips will get you through. Starting your seeds earlier, indoors, will give you a leg up on the season. Here are some indoor sowing tips:

- Fill the small pots almost to the brim with extra-fine, seed-starter soil mix. Make sure you've pre-moistened the mixture. Adding water to a dry pot of soil mix doesn't work well. The stuff is hard to moisten the first time.
- Buy a parmesan cheese shak-

er. Fill it with the seed-starter mix and shake on a fine dusting on top of the seeds.

- Borrow the mister from your ironing board and mist the seeds with plain water. Don't drown them.

• Cover the pot with clear plastic for a few days until the seeds sprout, then take the plastic off to allow air circulation.

Because you filled the pot almost to the top with soil mix, air can circulate across the top of the soil and around the base of the fragile seedlings. This is important, because that little step might save your sprouts from the dreaded damping off disease.

TIP OF THE WEEK: If you're planting summer bulbs, dig up one big hole and plant a lot of bulbs in it. Ed says that if you dig a 2-foot wide hole, you can plant 18 gladioli. In that same sized hole, you'd want to put only three lilies or one or two dahlias.

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

Cook

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1/2 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Combine turkey, seasonings and water and press in the bottom and up the sides of a 9-inch pie plate. Combine sour cream, salsa, black olives and tortilla chips in a medium bowl and spread over the turkey crust. Sprinkle the cheese over the top and bake for 40 minutes.

-From
www.3fatchicks.com/cookbook

CHOCOLATE CHIP
CHEESECAKE

Crust:
12 50-percent-less-fat Oreo cookies

1 tablespoon chocolate instant pudding powder

Batter:
24 ounces nonfat cream cheese

8 ounces Neufchatel cream cheese

1 1/2 cups nonfat sour cream

2 cups white sugar
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1 teaspoon butter extract

2 tablespoons butter, melted
2 tablespoons cornstarch
3 large egg whites

4 ounces milk chocolate chips
Topping:

1 1/3 cups nonfat sour cream
2/3 cup white sugar

5 teaspoons baking cocoa powder

1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 300 degrees F.

Spray a 10-inch springform pan with vegetable oil. Using a food processor, finely grind the cookies.

Mix the cookies crumbs with the pudding powder. Gently distribute

crust in the bottom and 1/2-inch of the sides of the springform pan. Place in the refrigerator until needed.

Using a food processor, coarsely grind the milk chocolate to the size of mini-chips. Using a stand mixer, cream nonfat and Neufchatel

cream until smooth. Add the sour

cream, and thoroughly blend. Add the sugar, extracts, melted butter and cornstarch to the cheese. Blend well with the mixer. Using a rubber spatula, stir to thoroughly combine

the egg whites and chocolate into the cheese mixture - do not beat.

Once blended, pour into prepared crust. Cook the cheesecake at 300 degrees F until almost set (middle is not quite firm, but middle isn't too fluid either, top is not yet browned), about 70 minutes.

Remove cheesecake from oven for 15 minutes.

Mix topping. Spread over cheesecake after the 15 minutes. Return

cheesecake to oven and cook for an additional 20 minutes. Once done, remove from oven. Chill cheesecake for 4 or more hours.

-From www.cookinglowfat.com/lowfatrecipes/cheesecakeresipes.htm

Rebecca Tateoka welcomes comments on recipes. You may e-mail her at tateoka@pmt.org

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The Rosemont is a large and handsome home. Lap siding, stone veneer wainscoting and multipaned windows give its exterior textural variety, while the strong lines provided by gables, arches and a hipped roof add to the visual appeal. With the exception of a loft and unfinished bonus room, it is basically a single-level plan.

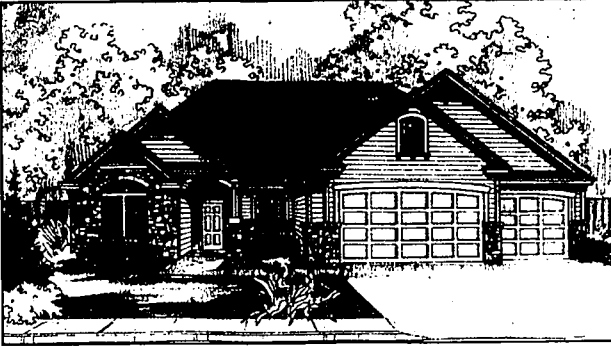
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Standing at the kitchen sink, you face into this large, bright space, and can also appreciate the changing seasons outside. An eating bar rims one section of the angled work island.

Other conveniences include a pantry, wine cooler, and built-in appliances.

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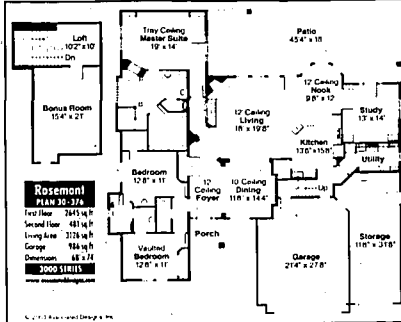


ever suits.

The master suite is appropriately luxurious, with a walk-in shower, spa tub, and a huge walk-in closet.

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Pork recipe is tasty with pepper jelly sauce

The Seattle Times

PORK SCALOPPINE WITH PEPPER JELLY SAUCE
 4 to 6 servings
 1 can (14.5 ounces) chicken broth

1/2 cup red or white wine
 1/2 cup red pepper jelly
 1/2 teaspoon arrowroot, dissolved in 1 teaspoon water
 2 teaspoons lemon juice
 Freshly ground black pepper to taste

2 pork tenderloins, cut into 1/2-inch slices

2 tablespoons flour
 Pinch salt
 4 teaspoons olive oil
 Put the broth and wine into a medium saucepan. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat slightly and cook at a low boil until reduced to about 3/4 cup. Add the pepper jelly and cook, stirring, until incorporated. Whisk the arrowroot into the boiling sauce; whisk in the lemon juice and pepper, set aside. Put the pork slices between sheets of plastic wrap and pound with a meat mallet to 1/8-inch thickness. Combine the

flour and salt on a plate. Dredge the pork in the flour, shaking off the excess. In a large heavy skillet, cook the pork in 2 batches, using 2 teaspoons olive oil per batch, about 2 minutes per side, or until cooked through. Remove from the pan and keep warm. Pour the sauce into the hot pan, scraping up any caramelized pork juices from the bottom of the pan. Cook down the sauce until thickened. Spoon over the pork and serve.

—Adapted from "Relax! It's Only Dinner" by Cheryl Mesner

These peas come with pancetta

The Seattle Times

PEAS WITH PANCETTA
 4 servings
 1 ounce pancetta or bacon, diced
 1 package (10 ounces) frozen baby peas, defrosted
 2 tablespoons water
 About 1/8 to 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
 Freshly ground black pepper to taste

1 teaspoon olive oil
 In a 10-inch nonstick skillet over medium-low heat, cook pancetta

or bacon, stirring often, until golden brown and cooked through, about 2 minutes. If using bacon, remove pan from heat. Drain bacon on a paper towel-lined plate and pour off fat. Put bacon back in pan. (Pancetta will not need to be drained.) Add defrosted peas and water, stirring to combine. Cook about 5 minutes, or until peas are heated through. Add salt and pepper to taste. Drizzle with olive oil and serve.

—From "Cooking Thin with Chef Kathleen" by Kathleen Duilemans

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Electric fireplaces brighten homes

DEAR JIM: I like to sit by a fireplace, but I hate all the hassles of it. I want to use it year-round. Do complete electric log fireplace/mantel kits really have realistic flames and sound? Do they produce much heat?

-PAT W.

DEAR PAT: If you have not seen electric fireplaces recently, you will be amazed at how well the new technologies produce realistic-looking flames. Some even produce the sounds of real crackling logs. It takes about 10 minutes to take one out of the box, plug it in, and be sitting in front of a fire.



SENSIBLE HOME
James Dullea

If you are a year-round fireplace worshiper, you can operate the flames and sound in the fireplace without switching on the built-in heater. There just is a small light bulb or two, a tiny motor and a fan that use very little electricity so operating it won't increase your air-conditioning bills.

Since an electric fireplace is plugged into a standard wall outlet, the heat output is limited to about 5,000 Btu, similar to most electric space heaters. It won't do a lot to heat up a large room, but when you are sitting in front of it, the heated air will keep you toasty warm. If you have an existing fireplace, you can just install an electric log/heater unit in it. For the most attractive fireplace, it is better to install a complete kit with a fireplace surround and mantel. These are made to be freestanding, so you can move them



Today's electric fireplaces produce realistic-looking flames. Some even emit the sounds of real crackling logs.

around like a piece of furniture. The surrounds and mantels for electric fireplaces are often more attractive than for real wood or gas logs because concern for high heat is not a factor. Hand-polished wood and lacquered brass trim can be closer to the opening. Some complete space-saver fireplaces are only eight inches deep.

The types of controls vary among the models. The best ones allow you to vary the appearance of the fire from lazy flames to a raging fire by turning a knob. Thermostatically controlled heat and a multi-speed blower improve comfort.

Some even have TV-type hand-held remote control units. There are many ingenious design methods used to create realistic flames. One unique method uses a frosted glass screen with dancing lights projected on the back of it from reflective ribbons and a fan. Another design uses a rotating lens in front of multicolored light bulbs. Some logs sets are made of real wood logs instead of imitation painted ceramic ones.

Other simple-to-install complete fireplace kits use natural alcohol-based fuel made from grapes or corn to produce realistic wood flames. The alcohol is

available gelled or very thickened to use, but produce heat, so they are not the best to use during the summer. No local codes ban alcohol models as some do for vent-free gas fireplaces.

Write for instantly download - www.dullea.com Update Bulletin No. 787 - buyer's guide of 11 electric and alcohol-fuel logs and fireplace kit manufacturers listing heat outputs, styles, wattages, features, prices, and a cost-to-use chart. Please include \$3 and a business-size SASE. Write to James Dullea, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244.

Fruit scones put more Irish into St. Patty's Day

By Linda Cicero
The Miami Herald

This is my favorite scone recipe, adapted from "An Irish Farmhouse Cookbook," by Mary Kinlessa, which was published by Apple Tree Press in Belfast 20 years ago. I make the scones with dried cranberries, blueberries, apricots and/or raisins, and even with the priciest dried fruits you won't spend anywhere near \$5. An added plus is that they're a lot more Irish than corned beef and cabbage to celebrate St. Patrick's Day!

FRUIT SCONES

2 cups all-purpose flour (see note)
1/8 teaspoon salt
3 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 1/3 cups raisins or other dried fruit
1/2 cup plus about 2 tablespoons milk

Heat oven to 400 degrees. Lightly grease a baking sheet. Whisk flour and salt together in a bowl. Cut in butter with 2 knives, or pulse with food processor until mixture clumps in pea-size bits. Stir in the sugar, baking powder and fruit. Stir in 5 cup milk plus additional if needed to form a soft dough. Turn out onto a floured board. Knead lightly. Pat into a circle about 8 inches wide. Cut into 8 wedges with a sharp knife dipped in cold water. Place on baking sheet about an inch apart and bake 20 to 25 minutes, until lightly browned. Makes 8 servings.

NOTE: If substituting whole

Cook's Corner

wheat flour, increase the milk by 1 tablespoon.

This recipe is from Chef. Mun "Mike" Song at Artichoke's, an eat-theatre restaurant in North Miami Beach. I've made it quite a few times since we published it in May 1990. Usually I substitute four or five fresh diced red or yellow tomatoes for the tomato sauce, toss in a few fresh basil leaves and serve the chicken on top of the sauce.

ARTICHOKE'S CHICKEN WITH SPINACH, GARLIC AND TOMATO SAUCE

4 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves (about 2 pounds total)
8 to 12 cloves garlic, minced
2 tablespoons olive or vegetable oil

6 cups washed, loosely packed spinach (about 1 1/2 pounds)

1 cup tomato sauce or diced plum tomatoes

2 teaspoons tamari or soy sauce
1/4 cup white wine

Grill chicken breasts for 5 minutes on each side, until cooked through but not dry. Meanwhile, lightly brown the garlic in the oil in a nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add the spinach and cook, tossing gently, just until leaves are wilted. Add the tomato sauce, tamari and wine. Toss well until coated and thoroughly heated. Place spinach mixture on top of cooked chicken breasts. Makes 4 servings.

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For vegetarians: Turn over a new leaf with cabbage

By Steve Petrucci
South Florida Sun-Sentinel

Baby vegetables owe elegance. Slender green beans shine with sophistication. Eggplant is a sexy, glamorous member of the nightshade family. Then there are the workhorse vegetables - carrots, onions and celery - we all grew up with. They perform without glory in soups, stews and soups as well as thousands of ethnic dishes. Potatoes show up baked on a plate or underneath loads of cheese and sometimes disguised as a puree or mash with butter.

Then there's cabbage. What a loser in the eyes of the other members of the vegetable community - and some diners. It's big and ugly with no finesse at all. Farm animals eat it in many parts of Europe. Let's face it, cabbage stinks when you overcook it and doesn't turn any heads in the produce section.

But looks are deceiving. Cabbage is abundant and feeds cultures from the Mediterranean, to Asia and the Middle East. This veggie thrives in cold climates and through the ages, people who had little else to eat welcomed this inexpensive vegetable onto their dinner tables. Also one of the cancer-fighting cruciferous vegetables, it is rich in nutrients and vitamin C. It contains significant amounts of indoles or disease-fighting nitrogen and fiber.

We use mostly green, red and the saucy or curly leaf varieties. Try it raw in salads such as ubiquitous coleslaw. Try it in soups, braised in stews and stir-fried in wonderful Asian dishes. Cooking cabbage quickly will virtually

VEGETARIAN RECIPE

You can use any brand of soy "meat" for the filling - Boca, Light Life or Gimme Lean. You can cook the rice a few days before stuffing to save some time. These rolls freeze wonderfully.

CLAIRE'S SWEET N' SOUR MEATLESS STUFFED CABBAGE ROLLS

Stuffed Cabbage:

Water
1 large head green cabbage, very outer leaves discarded, core removed

1 cup basmati rice
2 cups soy burger mixture
2 teaspoons Italian seasonings
Salt and fresh-ground black pepper, to taste

Sweet N' Sour Soup:
1 (28-ounce) can diced tomatoes in juice
1 (6-ounce) can tomato paste
4 cups water

3/4 cup cider vinegar or lemon juice
1 cup light brown sugar or Florida Crystals mild cane sugar

5 sprigs fresh thyme
2 bay leaves
1 clove garlic, minced

1/2 teaspoon lemon pepper spice
To make cabbage: Bring a large pot of water to a boil for blanching cabbage leaves. Have

a large bowl filled with ice and water next to stove for cooling and "shocking" leaves. Blanching makes them soft enough to roll. When water boils, add whole head of cabbage and let cook until outer leaves fall off. Using tongs, place these leaves in ice water to cool and repeat this process until most outer green leaves are removed and blanching. You will get 15 to 18 leaves depending on size of head. Remove remaining cabbage from pot, cool and chop into small pieces; set aside for soup. Place 1 cup water in a saucepan and bring to a boil over high heat. Add rice, stir and cover saucepan; bring to a simmer and cook 20 minutes until water evaporates. Rice will still be hard, only half-cooked. Place on a plate until it is cool enough to handle. When rice is cooled, mix it with soy meat, Italian seasonings, salt and pepper. Drain cab-

bage leaves and lay flat on a work surface. If there are large stems or veins at bases of leaves, remove them. Place about 1/4 cup filling near center and bottom of each leaf. Fold in sides and roll from bottom to top to form a small package. Place rolls, seam side down, in a 10-quart saucepan or Dutch oven, stacking them gently if necessary to make them fit.

To make soup: Mix all ingredients including chopped cabbage heart in a nonreactive large bowl; pour over cabbage rolls in pan. Bring to a boil, reduce heat, partially cover and simmer 50 minutes until rice in filling is cooked and a soupy sauce forms. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Per serving: 258 calories, 13 percent calories from fat, 12 grams protein, 48 grams carbohydrates, 7 grams total fiber, 4 grams total fat, .58 gram saturated fat, no cholesterol, 386 milligrams sodium.

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Busy Americans cherish quick cooking

By Marilyn Marter
The Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — Whether your workday is spent in an office, in a shop or at home mending and doing chores, there's only so much time left to get a meal on the table for a hungry family.

Recent chats about day-to-day meal planning with home cooks revealed that they typically spend 30 to 45 minutes preparing dinner. But they also treasure the 15- to 20-minute meals they've mastered. Their behavior reflects the findings of a national survey of eating habits conducted by NPD Group, a market research firm in Port Washington, N.Y.

Seventy-six percent of all meals are cooked at home, NPD found, but Americans are spending less time than ever in the kitchen making those meals. For the year ended February 2002, half of all meals were prepared in 30 minutes or less.

The survey also shows only 35 percent of meals being made "from scratch," compared to 41 percent a decade earlier.

BUSY COOKS RECIPES

ITALIAN GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICHES

Makes 4 servings
4 (1-inch-thick) slices Italian bread
4 slices mozzarella cheese
3 large eggs
1/2 cup low-fat milk
3/4 teaspoon Italian seasoning
1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
2/3 cup Italian-seasoned bread crumbs

Cut a 3-inch pocket into each slice of bread. Place a slice of mozzarella in each pocket. In a bowl, beat the eggs, milk, Italian seasoning and garlic salt until blended. Soak bread in egg mixture for 2 minutes on each side. In a shallow pan, coat each slice of bread in the bread crumbs. Grill sandwiches on a greased hot griddle until golden brown on both sides and cheese is melted.

— From "The What's-for-Dinner Cookbook," by Kathleen Botta and Claire Mendonca

SAUSAGE BEAN SOUP

Makes 4 to 6 servings

3/4 pound bulk Italian sausage
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 clove garlic, minced
1 (15-ounce) can black beans, rinsed and drained
1 (15.5-ounce) can butter beans, rinsed and drained
1 (14.5-ounce) can diced tomatoes, undrained
1 (14.5-ounce) can beef broth
1 tablespoon minced fresh basil
2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese

In a large pot, cook the sausage, onion and garlic over medium heat until sausage is browned. Drain excess fat. Add the beans, tomatoes, broth and basil. Cover and simmer for 10 minutes. Serve sprinkled with grated cheese.

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BEEF STEW CASSEROLE

Makes 8 servings
2 pounds beef (for stew), cut into bite-size cubes
1 1/2 cups thickly sliced carrots
2 onions, coarsely chopped

4 to 6 potatoes (about 2 pounds), peeled and cubed
1 cup chopped celery
2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon pepper
1 (10.5-ounce) can condensed cream of mushroom soup
1 cup burgundy wine
1/2 cup water
1 dried bay leaf, crumbled fine

Combine the beef, carrots, onions, potatoes, celery, salt and pepper in a 4-quart, oven-safe casserole or baking dish. Stir together the mushroom soup, wine, water and bay leaf. Pour over beef-vegetable mixture. Cover tightly. Bake in a preheated 250-degree oven for 5 hours.

This dish can be assembled in advance in 15 to 20 minutes, then put in the oven midway to be ready for dinner. It also can be held at 250 degrees about an hour past the cooking time without drying out if kept tightly covered.

— Adapted from "The Ultimate Casserole Cookbook: 175 Great One-Dish Recipes," by Barbara C. Jones

Frozen chicken breasts give great start to dinner

By Andy Badeker
Chicago Tribune

That package of frozen chicken breasts offers a convenient starting point for any number of dishes — provided you remember to take it out of the freezer the night before. For those other forgetful cooks out there, this bright-colored, creamy soup is one way to salvage victory. The chicken can thaw in the simmering canned broth, where the meat will boost the liquid's flavor. The addition of rice thickens the soup after a trip through the blender; Julia Child suggests the technique as a still-satisfying substitute for true cream soups.

GREEN-LIGHT CHICKEN SOUP

Yield: 4 servings
1 tablespoon each: oil, butter
1 onion, chopped
1/2 cup white wine, optional
1/2 cup uncooked rice
2 cans (14.5 ounces) chicken broth plus 1 can water
1 pound boneless chicken breasts or chicken tenders
1 bag (5 ounces) fresh baby spinach
1/2 cup sour cream or whipping cream, optional
Pinch ground nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon salt, freshly ground pepper

Heat oil and butter in large saucepan over medium heat. Add onion, cook, stirring occasionally, until translucent, 3 minutes. Stir in wine; cook until almost evaporated. Stir in rice; cook 1 minute. Add broth, water and chicken; heat to simmer, prodding chicken occasionally to help the breasts separate. Simmer until chicken and rice are cooked through, about 15 minutes. Remove chicken; let stand until cool enough to pull into shreds. Meanwhile, stir spinach into broth; cook until wilted, about 2 minutes. Add

cream. Transfer to blender in batches, blend until uniformly thickened, keeping blender lid slightly ajar to allow steam to escape. Return to saucepan; stir in chicken. Heat through.

Nutrition information per serving: 205 calories, 34 percent calories from fat, 8 g fat, 2.6 g saturated fat, 8 mg cholesterol, 1,005 mg sodium, 26 g carbohydrate, 8 g protein, 1.4 g fiber

NOTE: The test kitchen prepared this soup two ways: Processing in a standard blender produced a bright green puree, while an immersion blender inserted in the pot produced a thinner soup. Tasters rated both versions delicious.

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FOOD AND HOME

Cooking team goes the distance for traditional Italian cuisine

By William Rice
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — A few weeks ago, a covey of black limousines pulled into the parking lot of a modest shopping center in Arlington Heights, Ill.

The passengers, dressed in tuxedos, emerged into the early-evening chill, took a quick look around and ducked into a modest storefront with a sign reading "Arenella Ristorante." They emerged, several hours later, smiling and patting their stomachs. A meeting of the mob? Not at all. The diners belong to a society, the Renaissance Club, whose membership is dedicated to dining and tied together by a shared love of food and wine—specifically Italian food and wine.

Nonetheless, they were not visiting one of their accustomed haunts. To most of them, the spit-roasted lamb or white truffles were more familiar than Neapolitan stuffed peppers or salt cod with tomatoes and garlic.

The adjustment was made easily, however. Their hosts, the brother-and-sister chef team of Mario and Nunzia (Nancy) Longobardi, have been cooking southern Italian classics—and developing highly satisfying recipes of their own—here since Arenella's opened in 1988. It ranks as one of the very best traditional Italian kitchens in the Chicago area, in good part because the Longobardi's approach to cooking is as fresh as their ingredients.

"I love change," says Nancy. "Every time I make a recipe I try to make it a little different, a little better."

Here's a place to order mussels, clams (have them together with spaghetti and zucchini, if you wish), broiled whole snapper or grilled tuna, sliced thin in the Neapolitan style. Pasta choices fill an entire page on the menu. Mario's veal Arenella (with prosciutto, tomato sauce, fontina cheese, mascarpone and asparagus) is a long-running hit, as are Nancy's Southern Italian-style appetizers fashioned from eggplant, spinach, rice and other vegetables. Her desserts tend to be luscious and there is an active, dramatic cult among regular customers.

As for preparing a meal for the distinguished group, Mario was not concerned.

"I've been cooking since the day I came to Chicago in 1975, so cooking for important people doesn't intimidate me," he said. "By now I know I do it pretty good."

ITALIAN RECIPES

ARENELLA'S STUFFED PEPPERS

Six servings
6 red bell peppers
3 slices salami, chopped
3 slices prosciutto, chopped
3 slices mozzarella, chopped
3 slices fontina cheese, chopped
1 egg, beaten
Salt and pepper to taste
1/2 cup olive oil, extra virgin preferred
Heat an oven to 375 degrees. Roast the peppers until the skin blackens. Remove from the oven and let them rest for 25 to 30 minutes. Peel the skin off the peppers. In a medium bowl combine salami, prosciutto, mozzarella, fontina and the egg. Add salt and pepper lightly. Stuff each pepper, using the entire mixture to fill them evenly. Pour a little oil over them, place in a baking pan that will hold them in a single layer and bake until heated through, about 12 minutes. Let cool to warm before serving.

preferred

2 cloves garlic, chopped
2 small hot red peppers
2 fresh plum tomatoes, cut into 1/4-inch slices
1 1/2 pounds small clams or mussels, rinsed but not soaked
1/4 cup chopped parsley
Salt and pepper to taste
Cut the zucchini into a medium dice. Heat 2 tablespoons oil in a saute pan, add zucchini and cook over medium-low heat, turning occasionally, until golden brown, 7 to 8 minutes. Remove zucchini to paper towels; drain oil. Return pan to heat, add remaining 2 tablespoons oil, garlic, and hot peppers. Cook until garlic is golden, add sliced tomatoes and cook until softened, about 5 minutes. Add the clams and cook, stirring occasionally, until open, 8 to 10 minutes. (Discard any clams that do not open.) Reheat zucchini with clams, add parsley and stir, season with salt and pepper. Serve at once.

ARENELLA'S SPAGHETTI WITH CLAMS AND ZUCCHINI

Six servings
6 small zucchini, washed and dried, stem end trimmed
1/4 cup olive oil, extra virgin

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FOOD & HOME

Jell-O salad recipe is a hit at family gatherings

By Ellen Hawks
The Baltimore Sun

Dana J. Shinholt of Columbia, Md., supplied this recipe, "a favorite dish my grandmother served at our family gatherings. Nana would make a large Jell-O mold for the adults to share and individual cups for each of the grandchildren. She has been gone now for almost 15 years, and it took a little bit of searching to track down her recipe book."

MARIE'S JELL-O SALAD

1 3-ounce package orange

Recipe finder

Jell-O

1 3-ounce package cherry Jell-O
1 3-ounce package lime Jell-O
1 cup pineapple juice
1/4 cup sugar
1 3-ounce package lemon Jell-O
2 cups Cool Whip
Make orange, cherry and lime Jell-O packets separately, using only 1 1/2 cups of water per package. Pour each flavor into a 10-inch by 13-inch pan and refrigerate until completely set.

Combine pineapple juice and sugar and heat until sugar has dissolved. Add lemon Jell-O packet and 1/2 cup of water. Refrigerate until it begins to thicken. In the meantime, cut the other Jell-O into 1/2-inch cubes. In a large bowl, mix together the slightly thickened lemon Jell-O mixture and the Cool Whip. Add all Jell-O cubes and fold gently until thoroughly combined. Turn into a lightly oiled bowl or mold. Refrigerate overnight and turn out onto a plate just before serving.

NOTE: "The overall effect of this Jell-O mold is not unlike a stained-glass window, with all the shimmering, colorful cubes held together with a pale yellow cream."

Don't be rough with the Jell-O cubes, as they will break apart and mess up the overall look of the mold. Use a soft rubber spatula to incorporate the cubes into the Cool Whip mixture.

This can be garnished with additional whipped cream or pineapple cubes.

Actor Ted Danson puts oceanfront home up for sale

By Ruth Ryan
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES - Ted Danson and Mary Steenburgen have put their oceanfront Malibu home on the market at just under \$9.8 million. The celebrity couple leased the house in August 2000 and then purchased it for \$4 million, Malibu sources said. It has been refurbished and redecorated under Steenburgen's supervision.

The Cape Cod-style house has five bedrooms and six bathrooms in about 3,500 square feet. The two-story home also has a room with a media system; a large, updated kitchen; and an oceanfront master suite with a fireplace and a sun deck. The house was built in 1930.

Danson, 55, stars in the CBS series "Becker." Steenburgen, 50,

Hot property

has appeared on London and Los Angeles stages as well as on Broadway, and she won a best supporting actress Oscar for her role in "Melvin and Howard" (1980).

PITCHER'S NEW DUGOUT IN THE HILLS: Barry Zito, the Oakland A's left-handed pitcher who won the Cy Young Award last fall, has purchased a Hollywood Hills home for \$2 million.

Zito, 24, bought in the L.A. area because his family lives here. He grew up in San Diego but was drafted by the A's at the end of his college career at the University of Southern California.

Zito also has a home in the Marina area of San Francisco.

His new home has four bedrooms and 4.5 bathrooms in 4,800 square feet. The contemporary-style home, built in 1990, also has walls of glass with mesh shades that automatically drop when the windows reach a certain temperature. The home has some magnificent views, including one from the San Gabriel Mountains to downtown L.A. The two-level house is on a hillside with a pool.

MUSICAL COUPLE SELLING GATED HOME: Grammy-winning singer-songwriter Pat Benatar and her husband, guitarist-songwriter-producer Neil Giraldo, have listed their Malibu home, behind gates, at just under \$5 million. The bluff-top, recently remodeled

home has three bedrooms and 3.5 bathrooms in about 3,400 square feet.

There is a main house and a detached guest studio with a bathroom. The home, on nearly an acre, also has a grassy yard with a spa and stairs leading to a sandy beach. The house, which has walls of glass and vaulted ceilings, was originally built in 1958.

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Keep with St. Patty's tradition

By Liz Atwood
The Baltimore Sun

St. Patrick's Day is on a Monday this year, but even if you have to work, you can still keep with culinary tradition. Here's a recipe from the National Cattlemen's Beef Association that lets you cook your corned beef in a slow cooker so you can feast when you get home: Cut 3 stalks of celery lengthwise and chop 2 medium onions and place them in a slow cooker. Top with 2 1/2 to 3 pounds boneless, corned beef brisket, corned beef seasoning packet (if included) and 3 1/2 cups water. Cook on low for 9 to 10 hours or until brisket is fork-tender. Remove brisket, set aside. Cut a 1-pound green cabbage into 3-inch wedges and cut 1 pound of red potatoes into 2-inch pieces. Place cabbage, potatoes and 6 to 8 small, trimmed carrots in a microwave-safe dish along with 1/2 cup water and microwave on high for 15 minutes. Drain vegetables, add 2 tablespoons melted butter and

salt and pepper to taste. Carve brisket and serve with vegetables.

Makes 6 to 8 servings.

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Updating a bath has one of the highest returns of any home remodeling project. So tear down that old wallpaper, rip out that tired medicine cabinet, remove the particleboard cabinet and start anew.

Start by determining how much money you can afford to spend on the project and stick to that budget. There are lots of ways to get a high-end look without spending high-end dollars. Be a savvy and resourceful shopper. Color is usually the first step. Think about the colors that make you happy and relaxed. Once you've made a decision on color, think about the walls.

Are you looking for a bathroom with an Old-World feel or do you prefer a more modern look? Antique dressers fitted with sinks are popular, taking the place of standard cabinets, while a contemporary pedestal sink gives a sleek impression. For large families or even a husband and wife, double vanities are practical. Vanity fixtures can range from chrome to brass to baked-on enamel or gold plate. These can be brushed, polished or matte. Shapes, sizes and prices vary.

Flooring options are numerous. Laminated flooring is very durable, easy to clean and can be installed over an existing floor. Ceramic and stone tiles are water and stain resistant as well as elegant. Hardwood floors have that warm look but are vulnerable to moisture. Carpet is warm and comfortable but can mold and mildew. The choice is not an easy one. Once you have selected the major components in the room, consider the finishing touches.

Mirrors add dimension to a bath and reflect light. Include framed artwork or a favorite drawing of one of your children made in school to personalize your bath. Plants also add a nice soft touch to a bath. They help to balance a room with many hard surfaces.

Creating the bath of your dreams may take some time, but if you use quality materials and pay special attention to details, you can achieve the results you desire. Oh, and don't forget to add that telephone.

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“In Denver, the Broncos are convinced they are one quarterback from a Super Bowl. In Chicago, the Bears are one quarterback from having 11 men in a huddle.”

Chicago Tribune columnist Don Pierson after Jake Plummer chose the Denver Broncos over the Chicago Bears.

TRIVIA

QUESTION: What is Michael Jordan's career-high in turnovers in a game?

...answer below

IN BRIEF

North, South split 2A/1A all-star games

HAZELTON - The Northern girls and southern boys ran away double-digit victories in the Class 2A/1A all-star game Tuesday at Valley High School in Hazelton.

Raysa Parker and Katie Wood each contributed 10 points for the North in its 57-47 victory, while Cooper Bates' 19 points led six players in double-figure scoring for the South in its 103-78 win.

“There was a real good turnout and both the girls and the guys put on a good show,” Valley coach Brian Hardy said.

Box scores

North 57, South 47
1st 19 14 12 12
2nd 18 12 12 12
3rd 12 12 12 12
4th 12 12 12 12

South 103, North 78
1st 25 25 25 25
2nd 25 25 25 25
3rd 25 25 25 25
4th 25 25 25 25

Bauer lifts Jerome to season-opening win

JEROME - Cory Bauer fired a best-of-the-day 70 to lift the Jerome Tiger golf team to a first-place finish Tuesday in the season-opening golf event at Jerome Country Club.

Minico's Jenny Studer shot an 89 to lead the Spartans to a victory in the girls competition.

“I was really happy with how Cory played,” Jerome coach Dale Mowrer said. “I feel that my two and three (Jerome Black and Costa Paulos) could have both shot two or three strokes better. But I feel we should be pretty strong.”

Mowrer also pointed out that Century should improve greatly since Tuesday was the first day the Diamondbacks had been on a course since their home course hasn't yet opened.

The Tigers will also host the Outback Steakhouse Jerome Invitational, with 45 teams in the field.

Team scores - 1. Jerome 21 (2nd Century and Minico 22, 4. Century 23, 5. Jerome 24, 6. Century 25, 7. Century 26, 8. Century 27, 9. Century 28, 10. Century 29, 11. Century 30, 12. Century 31, 13. Century 32, 14. Century 33, 15. Century 34, 16. Century 35, 17. Century 36, 18. Century 37, 19. Century 38, 20. Century 39, 21. Century 40, 22. Century 41, 23. Century 42, 24. Century 43, 25. Century 44, 26. Century 45, 27. Century 46, 28. Century 47, 29. Century 48, 30. Century 49, 31. Century 50, 32. Century 51, 33. Century 52, 34. Century 53, 35. Century 54, 36. Century 55, 37. Century 56, 38. Century 57, 39. Century 58, 40. Century 59, 41. Century 60, 42. Century 61, 43. Century 62, 44. Century 63, 45. Century 64, 46. Century 65, 47. Century 66, 48. Century 67, 49. Century 68, 50. Century 69, 51. Century 70, 52. Century 71, 53. Century 72, 54. Century 73, 55. Century 74, 56. Century 75, 57. Century 76, 58. Century 77, 59. Century 80, 60. Century 81, 61. Century 82, 62. Century 83, 63. Century 84, 64. Century 85, 65. Century 86, 66. Century 87, 67. Century 88, 68. Century 89, 69. Century 90, 91. Century 92, 93. Century 94, 95. Century 96, 97. Century 98, 99. Century 100.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Nine, matched in Tuesday's victory over Orlando.

Mesa, Vizquel feud turns ugly

The Associated Press

CLEARWATER, Fla. - Philadelphia Phillies closer Jose Mesa is angry at former Cleveland teammate Omar Vizquel.

“If I face him, I'll hit him,” Mesa said for a story published in Tuesday's edition of the Bucks County (Pa.) Courier Times. “I won't try to hit him in the head, but I'll hit him. And if he charges me, I'll kill him.”

“If I face him 10 more times, I'll hit him 10 times. Every time,”

Mesa said.

The two were teammates on the Indians from 1992 to 1998, and on Tuesday they were on the same field for the first time in 2003. The teams are not scheduled to play during the regular season.

Last year, Vizquel criticized Mesa in his autobiography, say-



Jose Mesa



Omar Vizquel

wanted to let the fans know a little about what's going on out on the field.”

ing the reliever blew Game 7 of the 1997 World Series. Vizquel now says he didn't mean to insult Mesa in print.

“I didn't mean to do anything bad,” Vizquel said. “I just hands, so I don't know. It would be flyweight vs. heavyweight.”

Mesa says he'll never forgive Vizquel.

“If he comes to apologize, I will punch him right in the face,” Mesa said. “And then I'll kill him.”

Mesa is 6-foot-3 and 225 pounds. Vizquel is 5-foot-9 and 165 pounds.

“If that would make him happy, I will fight him,” Vizquel said of Mesa. “Anything can happen. Everybody says I have soft hands, so I don't know. It would be flyweight vs. heavyweight.”

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MARCH MAYHEM



Left, Georgia has suspended head coach Jim Harrick with pay and the team will not play in SEC or NCAA tournaments because of academic fraud, school says. Center, St. Vincent St. Mary guard LeBron James, left, looks to pass after getting past Akron Central Hower's DeJuan Dennis Saturday, in Canton, Ohio. With college basketball in scandalous upheaval, maybe James has the right idea to jump straight into the pros. Right, on Sunday, St. Bonaventure's board of trustees placed coach Jan van Breckla Koff on administrative leave, pending a review of the program as the university tries to sort out a growing scandal in the men's basketball program.

Madness runs rampant in college basketball

By Paul Newberry
The Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga. - Need a quick A? Enroll in “Coaching Principles and Strategies of Basketball” at the University of Georgia - no attendance required.

Having trouble getting into school? Take a look at St. Bonaventure, where a smooth jumper and a welding torch are

enough for admission.

Need to make a long-distance call? Check out Villanova, which offers the unbelievably low rate of zero cents a minute after they hook you up with the (wink-wink) secret code.

Maybe LeBron James has the right idea, after all. If this is the state of college basketball, he's better off jumping straight to the pros.

March Madness? You bet. Instead of talking seeds and brackets, the sport is reeling from scandal and outrage. During the last two weeks, the seedy side of college sports has been exposed - and it's not pretty.

Georgia, St. Bonaventure and Fresno State pulled the plug on their seasons because of academic malfeasance, while Villanova

suspended 12 players who allegedly made unauthorized phone calls using a school access code.

And don't forget Michigan, which already had barred itself from this postseason after a booster admitted lending hundreds of thousands of dollars to players.

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TOOLS OF IGNORANCE?

Former catchers catch on as managers

The Associated Press

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. - Gary Carter wants to manage someday, and he almost got hired this winter - by the New York Yankees' organization, no less.

Carter said he came within “an eyelash” of the job at Triple-A Columbus, and is no wonder he was considered. He's got Hall of Fame credentials and a winning personality, plus he's well positioned: When it comes to managers these days, plenty of former catchers are catching on.

“It makes sense,” said Carter, now a New York Mets’ moving instructor. “What you do behind the plate translates well into what you have to do in the dugout.”

“Must be. Of the 30 big league teams, nearly half - 14 - have managers who caught in either the majors or minors.”

“That's high, but it doesn't surprise

Of the 30 big league teams, nearly half have managers who caught in either the majors or minors.

me,” said new Seattle manager Bob Melvin, who caught for seven major league teams. “If you think any one position would be the leader, it would be the catcher.”

Besides, it's hard to argue with success.

The last seven World Series champions all were managed by ex-catchers. Mike Scioscia steered Anaheim to the crown last October, Bob Brenly won with Arizona the year before, Joe Torre took the New York

Yankees to four titles, and Jim Leyland, who caught in the minors, won with Florida in 1997.

“It's been that way,” Leyland wondered. “That's quite a streak.”

Bobby Cox is the last non-catcher to guide a club to the championship, doing it in 1995 with Atlanta.

Ned Yost caught for 14 seasons before coaching under Cox for another dozen years. Now he'll try to impart some of that knowledge as Milwaukee's new manager.

“As a catcher, I think you're so involved in the game,” he said. “You have to know the opposing team's strengths and weaknesses, what pitches they can hit, what pitches they can't hit.”

In situations, what are their strengths? Where do they hit? Do they steal? Do they run? Do they bunt? You're always watching your defense,” he said. “And then you've

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Calling the shots

Of the 30 major league teams, 14 current managers have been former catchers in either the major or minor leagues.

Manager	Current team (yrs.)	Career
Joe Torre	N.Y. Yankees (8)	1,579
Bruce Bochy	San Diego (9)	630
Jeff Torborg	Florida (2)	618
Bob Boone	Cincinnati (3)	325
Mike Scioscia	Anaheim (4)	256
Bob Brenly	Arizona (3)	190
Lloyd McClendon	Pittsburgh (3)	134
Grady Little	Boston (2)	93
Clint Hurdle	Colorado (2)	67
Tony Pena	Kansas City (2)	49
Ken Macha	Oakland (1)	-
Bob Melvin	Seattle (1)	-
Eric Wedge	Cleveland (1)	-
Ned Yost	Milwaukee (1)	-
Boone	-	-
Scioscia	Brenly	McClendon
Little	Hurdle	Pena
Macha	-	-

SOURCE: Associated Press

AP

SPORTS

Wizards battle down Magic with 106-105, win

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tracy McGrady outscored Michael Jordan 42-33 in their final regular season matchup. The victory, however, went to Jordan.

In a thrilling game between two determined competitors, the Washington Wizards made 30 of 32 free throws and broke a two-game losing streak Tuesday night with a 106-105 victory over the Orlando Magic.

Jerry Stackhouse, who complained about his role in the offense after Sunday's loss at New York, scored 31 for the ninth-place Wizards, who desperately needed the win to make up ground in the Eastern Conference playoff race.

Jordan matched his career high with nine turnovers, but he made 10 of 18 shots, including a driving layup for Washington's final field goal. The Wizards upped their three-point streak to nine games.

Hornets 81, Pacers 71

INDIANAPOLIS — Baron Davis scored 20 points in his first game in over six weeks and the New Orleans Hornets extended their winning streak to nine games.

The Hornets avoided a four-game season sweep by Indiana and gained a game on the Pacers in the Central Division. The Hornets haven't lost since Feb. 18.

Thomas hits two more homers against Mariners

By The Associated Press

The Big Hurt is swinging a big bat again. Frank Thomas homered twice and drove in four runs as the Chicago White Sox beat the Seattle Mariners 9-4 Tuesday.

The two-time AL MVP went 3-for-3 and has three homers in two days since coming back from wisdom tooth surgery.

"I'm not real excited about (the home runs)," Thomas said. "It's still spring training. I was more impressed with the line drive base hit."

The 34-year-old Thomas is hoping to regain the swing that made him one of the most feared hitters in baseball throughout the 1990s. He won MVP awards in 1993 and '94.

Thomas had a big season in 2000 but has not made the All-Star team since 1997. He played in only 20 games because of injuries in 2001 and had 28

College

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Who's to blame? How much blame? There are the presidents, preaching academics but in some cases more concerned with winning games than GPAs. There are the coaches, doling out scholarships to kids who have more in common with the pros than the college game. There are the parents, pushing their kids to get to class. And there are the so-called student-athletes, happily getting something for nothing as long as they can still get the cash.

"You can't legislate integrity," Clark Kellogg, an analyst at CBS Sports, said Tuesday. "It's a societal issue. It's a character issue. It's a heart issue. Do you want to be the right or do you want to get beyond winning what's wrong? Do you want to buy a trophy or do you want to earn it?"

From the looks of things, plenty of schools are willing to take the moral low road. Look what happened at Georgia.

President Michael Adams notes the academic strides made by his school, where the last freshman

Catchers

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got to know your pitchers' strengths. You've got to know what can be done in certain situations. Can he do certain things? In reality, what can he do? So it's just that you're into all phases of the game and it just sets you up for managing."

Former catcher, Tony Pena, Jeff Torborg and Bruce Bochy are among those who made the jump. Maybe that's why every AL team and most NL clubs have at least one catcher on their staff, and some have two or three.

Rick Dempsey and Elrod Hendricks both caught a lot of years for Baltimore before becoming coaches; with the Orioles, Hendricks served as a coach to the transition because it's important to the management.

Bob Feller said, "You're never really a catcher until you've been a coach."

pushing them into contention for first place in the Eastern Conference.

The Pacers, losers of five straight and 10 of 11, were playing their first game at home following a disastrous 0-4 West Coast trip.

Heat 77, Cavaliers 75

CLEVELAND — Mike James made two free throws with 0.4 seconds left and the Miami Heat snapped a four-game losing streak despite scoring just 10 points in the fourth quarter.

James hit his free throws after being fouled by Cavs guard Ricky Davis, who got faked into the air and fouled James as the Heat guard was attempting a 3-pointer.

James intentionally missed his third attempt, and the final horn sounded before the Cavs could get off a shot.

Grizzlies 87, Knicks 85

NEW YORK — Jason Williams scored 15 points and hit the game-winning shot with 1.4 seconds left.

With the game tied at 85, Williams missed a jumper with 19.7 seconds left, but got the rebound after Pau Gasol tipped it out. Williams shook Howard Eisley and hit an off-balance jumper to win it.

Alvin Thornton missed a 3-pointer as time expired.

homers and 92 RBIs last year — but he batted only .252.

After criticizing White Sox management and teammate Paul Konerko early in spring training, one of the most important things Thomas has done since is patch things up with manager Jerry Manuel.

"Sure, I think I can get back to the MVP level," Thomas said. "The dedication is there, the focus is there. But it won't be a selfish thing anymore. Magglio Ordonez is behind me, and he's one of the greatest young hitters in the game. Maybe (having Ordonez behind him) will make it easier for me to get back to where I was."

Also, 16 members of the White Sox were ready to refuse a drug test Tuesday in hopes of making steroid testing mandatory.

The players ultimately decided to take the test after consulting with Gene Orta, the No. 2 official of the players' union.

It was clear if Thomas was among the players who considered refusing the test. But he has said several times that he wants to see mandatory testing.

At the time, however, Georgia had gone through two dismal seasons on the court and Harrick was clearly one of the nation's top coaches, winning a national championship at UCLA in 1995.

More concerned with turning things around than an impeccable reputation, Adams hired Harrick and looked the other way on the state's anti-nepotism law, allowing the coach to hire his son as an assistant.

Just four years later, those decisions came back to haunt the Bulldogs.

A former player, Tony Cole, accused Jim Harrick Jr. of paying off bills, performing schoolwork and teaching a bogus class on coaching. Cole also claims he bought a television with a credit card provided by the elder Harrick.

Harrick now acknowledges he made a "huge mistake" recruiting Cole, who had bounced around numerous high schools and junior colleges before winding up in Athens.

His academic credentials were suspect. His character was troubling. But Georgia needed a point guard, so Harrick took a chance. He wound up kicking Cole off the team for repeated violations.

Cole struck back by going public with his allegations of wrongdoing.

As it turned out, Harrick Jr. was fired, his father was suspended with pay and the program was left in shambles.

Georgia, ranked No. 21 in the latest AP poll, was a lock to make the NCAA tournament — until the

Stromile Swift had his fourth double-double in a row with 20 points and 14 rebounds, and Gasol added 17 points and 11 rebounds for the Grizzlies, who have won four in a row.

Spurs 105, Bucks 102

MILWAUKEE — Malik Rose scored a career-high 34 points, including 10 in the fourth quarter, and Tim Duncan added 25, including four free throws to seal the victory.

Duncan grabbed 15 rebounds and Tony Parker had 13 points as the Spurs snapped the Bucks' six-game winning streak against them.

San Antonio has won 15 of its last 17.

Heat 77, Cavaliers 75

CLEVELAND — Mike James made two free throws with 0.4 seconds left and the Miami Heat snapped a four-game losing streak despite scoring just 10 points in the fourth quarter of a 77-75 win Tuesday night over the Cleveland Cavaliers.

James hit his free throws after being fouled by Cavs guard Ricky Davis, who got faked into the air and fouled James as the Heat guard was attempting a 3-pointer.

James intentionally missed his third attempt, and the final horn sounded before the Cavs could

"Obviously, there are some players out there using that stuff," he said. "Hopefully, the game won't be embarrassed by it. But until we officially test the game names out there, we'll never know who it is."

"Hopefully, (names) will come out in the future and guys on it can be helped off," Thomas added. "We need this game to be played on an equal playing field for everyone. Guys are taking things now that can kill them, so it is a problem."

In other games:

At New York, the Brooklyn Nets defeated the Philadelphia 76ers 101-94. The Nets won their first game since Jan. 13.

At Atlanta, the Atlanta Braves defeated the New York Yankees 5-4. The Braves won their first game since Jan. 13.

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get off a shot.

Bulls 116, Lakers 99

CHICAGO — Jamal Crawford scored a career-high 24 points with 10 assists, and Eddy Curry added 20 points and six rebounds Tuesday night as the Chicago Bulls stunned the Los Angeles Lakers 116-99.

Jalen Rose added 27, Donyell Marshall had 13 points and nine rebounds, and Tyson Chandler had 12 boards for the Bulls, who have now beaten the Lakers in three of their last four meetings.

Kobe Bryant had 36 and Rick Fox scored a season-high 23, but they didn't get much help. Shaquille O'Neal was held to 13 points and 10 rebounds as the Lakers were outscored 45-38.

Nuggets 85, Raptors 87

DENVER — Juwan Howard had 24 points and 11 rebounds, helping the Denver Nuggets beat the Toronto Raptors 85-87 Tuesday night to snap a seven-game home losing streak.

Howard scored 17 points in the first half as the Nuggets built a 54-32 lead.

Vince Carter had 11 points early in the third quarter to spark a Raptors comeback that cut the deficit to 13. But the Nuggets pushed the lead back to 25 points with 5:22 remaining before a late Toronto rally trimmed it to eight.

One game went 34-34 with a late home run and a tie-breaker shot by Paul Phillips. The game was tied 34-34 with 1:14 left in the fourth quarter. Phillips hit a home run and scored the winning run.

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Sens, Bonk recover to upend Bruins, 4-3 in OT

OTTAWA (AP) — Radek Bonk scored two seconds into overtime as the Ottawa Senators held on to their lead atop the NHL standings with a 4-3 victory over the Boston Bruins on Tuesday night.

Zdeno Chara scored with 7:47 left in the third period to tie the game before Bonk scored on a breakaway through goalie Jeff Hackett's legs as Ottawa recovered from blowing a two-goal lead.

The Senators, who have 96 points, won their fourth straight game to maintain one point ahead of Dallas.

Karel Rachunek and Curtis Leschynski scored first-period goals as defensemen accounted for all of Ottawa's goals in regulation.

Joe Thornton scored a pair of special-teams goals early in the second and P.J. Axelsson scored midway through the third as the Bruins scored three straight after falling behind 2-0 in the first.

Thornton scored with a short-handed effort on a breakaway 1:43 into the second half, tying it at 4:27 with his 34th goal.

Atlanta scored the next three goals to build a 3-1 lead.

Stars 2, Blue Jackets 0

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ron

Final hours see flurry of trades

By Ira Podell

AP Sports Writer

In the final 24 hours before the NHL trade deadline, all 30 teams got into the act, making it one of the busiest deadline days in league history.

All but three clubs made deals Tuesday, when 46 players and at least 16 draft picks were swapped in a flurry of 24 trades before the 1 p.m. deadline.

The NHL said it was the most number of deals and players moved since at least 1981.

On Monday, eight trades were made, including deals involving

LPGA

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Will other players get tired of talking about Stenstrom at every stop?

"Some will," Votaw said. "Some will have a harder time seeing the forest through the trees. That happens on any issue."

The LPGA Tour has a dynamic crop of rookies, starting with Lorena Ochoa of Mexico. Beth Bauer and Natalie Gulbis, both 30, are coming off strong years, giving the tour hope that the brightest young stars won't have to carry a passport.

The Solheim Cup will be played in Sweden. The major championships are played on outstanding courses — Pumpkin Ridge for the U.S. Women's Open, Royal Lytham & St. Annes for the Women's British Open.

Still, the only thing on anyone's calendar is the last week in May, when Stenstrom will become the first woman in 58 years to compete on the PGA Tour.

Last June, she got more media coverage than when Stenstrom became the first woman to shoot 59 in 2001, or when she won 13 times around the world last season, the most by a golfer in nearly 10 years.

Votaw doesn't think it's fair, but he doesn't have his head in the sand.

"If this is what captures the public's imagination, if this is what brings more eyeballs to the LPGA, then anyone who questions how good this is for

women's golf is being shortsighted."

The LPGA will have its players' meeting on Monday in Phoenix, and Votaw plans to bring a book "The Size of the New York City Yellow Pages" crammed with articles written in January and February about Stenstrom and her decision to play in the Colonial.

"We didn't play any tournaments in January or February," he said. "I'm going to place it with a loud thud on the table at the meeting — the point being, people are talking about the LPGA, and we should all be thankful."

Votaw sees progress in other areas.

The LPGA Tour is in the second year of a five-year plan. Attendance was up 12 percent last year (the goal is 15 percent every year), but television viewers increased 20 percent and the Web site had traffic increases, too.

The average purse is \$1.27 million, the highest in history.

The real spike comes over the next two months. The LPGA Tour has eight tournaments before the Colonial, and Stenstrom is playing in six of them.

Attention on the LPGA Tour figures to be higher than ever. The question is how long it will last after Stenstrom's PGA Tour debut.

Doug Ferguson covers golf for The Associated Press.

Feud

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"The best way to stop this is to not provide a setting where something can happen," Phillips general manager Ed Wade said Tuesday.

Wade discussed the issue with Mesa but did not issue disciplinary action. Mesa refused comment Tuesday.

Mesa pitched to Vizquel once last June, and hit him in the middle of the back during a game in Cleveland, earning a \$500 fine from the commissioner's office.

He also hit Vizquel while pitching for Seattle in 1999, triggering an on-field shouting match.

That has created a shoulder to be taken at face value, Phillips manager Larry Bowa told the Courier Times.

"Joe doesn't mean what he says," Bowa was quoted as saying. "Joe just had his pride hurt and he was angry."

Omar, it's just out of anger."

Bowa declined comment Tuesday.

For several years, Mesa and Vizquel have been at odds.

"We were tight," Mesa said. "He took my kids to school. We talked on the phone."

Strains began during spring training 1998, when Vizquel celebrated an intrasquad homer late in the game by doing a cartwheel while crossing home plate.

Enraged at being shown up, Mesa vowed revenge. A year later, Mesa, then with Seattle, threw at Vizquel during a game, and the players had words.

Last June, "Omar My Life On and Off the Field" was released and Vizquel criticized Mesa for failing to hold a 2-1 ninth-inning lead in Game 7 of the 1997 World Series. Cleveland lost to Florida 5-3 in 11 innings.

But the feud was not focused on every move he

made," Vizquel wrote.

"Unfortunately, Jose's own eyes were vacant. Completely empty. Nobody there. You could almost see right through him."

Jose's pitch bounced five feet in front of the plate, and as every Cleveland Indians' fan knows, things got worse from there. Not long after I looked into his vacant eyes, he blew the save and the Mariners won the game."

Mesa is still angry about the book.

"Anybody who watched knows I was trying to do my job," he said. "I was giving 100 percent. Coming out of him, that hurt me because he knows how hard I work."

Vizquel admits he went too far.

"It did come out a little bit harsh, but it's too late now," he said. "I guess you really should read a book until you're sane."

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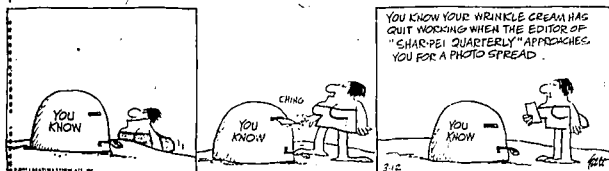
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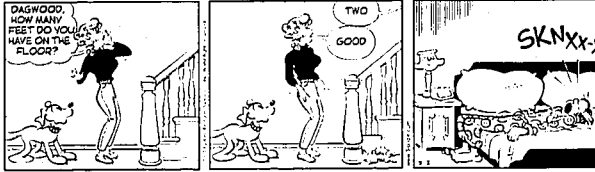
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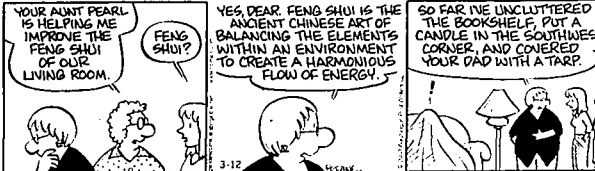
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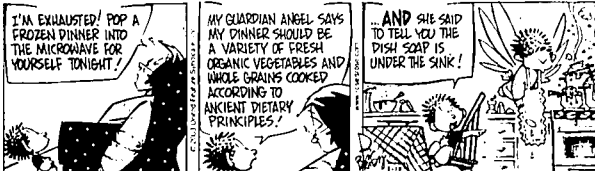
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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

MasTec posts major fourth-quarter loss

BURLEY - Miami-based MasTec Inc. posted a fourth-quarter net loss of \$108.5 million on revenue of \$189.5 million, compared with a net loss of \$18.2 million on revenue of \$252.9 million a year ago.

Since mid-2000, MasTec has owned Burley-based Renegade of Idaho Inc., a telecom infrastructure service provider.

Net losses per share were \$2.26 and 38 cents for the quarters that ended Dec. 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

In the most recent fourth quarter, MasTec incurred a number of one-time charges.

For the year, the company's net loss was \$128.8 million (\$2.59 per share) on revenue of \$838.1 million, compared with a net loss of \$92.4 million (\$1.93 per share) on revenue of \$1.22 billion for the prior year.

"We have cut our costs, made our operations more efficient, and are well positioned to continue providing high-quality service to our customers," Austin J. Shanfelter, MasTec's president and chief executive, said in a statement.

MasTec expects earnings per share in the first quarter to range between break-even and a 3 cent loss. The company blames bad weather in January and February and project delays by customers.

It expects revenue and profits to accelerate in the second and third quarters, its seasonal peak. Revenue for 2003 is expected to range from \$750 million to \$850 million and earnings per share to range from 18 cents to 28 cents, executives said.

Heinz earnings fall 24.8 percent for latest quarter

PITTSBURGH - Food giant H.J. Heinz's profit fell 24.8 percent in its third quarter, due mainly to charges related to the spinoff of its tuna, pet food and domestic baby food brands.

The Pittsburgh-based ketchup maker reported Tuesday that earnings fell to \$151.6 million, or 43 cents per share, in the three months ending Jan. 29, compared with \$201.7 million, or 57 cents per share, in the same period a year ago.

Excluding one-time costs, Heinz earned \$191.5 million, or 54 cents per share, in the latest quarter, beating analysts' expectations by 2 cents a share.

Heinz took \$81.5 million in charges in the third quarter, including \$72 million from the \$1.2 billion sale of its StarKist tuna, 9 Lives cat food and Kibbles 'n Bits dog food brands to Del Monte Foods Co.

Revenues grew to \$2.1 billion, up 1 percent, from \$1.9 billion a year ago.

But sales volume was down 1.9 percent as Heinz continues to retool the company on 15 brands, led by its flagship ketchup that generates 30 percent of sales.

Delta expects negative cash flow for first quarter

ATLANTA - Delta Air Lines expects negative cash flow from operations this quarter due to concern over potential war with Iraq.

The nation's third-largest airline did not give an estimate of its anticipated loss. Analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call expect the company to lose \$3.04 per share.

Delta said it expects to fill 1.5 percent fewer seats than during the first quarter of 2002, instead of a 0.5 percent to 1 percent increase.

"Bookings for the quarter are down, and we expect this to continue," said M. Michele Burns, Delta's chief financial officer. "Changes to capacity and additional fuel hedging agreements continue to help us manage through these difficult times. Delta remains committed to aggressively reducing costs and maintaining the flexibility to quickly adjust to changing market demand."

SkyWest Airlines is the Delta Connection carrier operating at the Twin Falls airport, and for now it's the only commercial airline flying to Twin Falls.

Compiled from staff, wire reports

Best Buy plans store in Twin Falls

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - One of the nation's leading specialty retailers aims to claim a piece of the Magic Valley market.

"We are slated to open up a store in Twin Falls in early fall," said Mollie Juellich, public relations manager for Minneapolis-based Best Buy Co. Inc.

But the megaretailer of consumer electronics, personal computers, entertainment software and appliances is still negotiating on its Twin Falls site of choice, so Juellich said Tuesday she couldn't disclose the address.

The 30,000-square-foot store will employ between 80 and 150 people, both full and part time, she said.

"But 100 is probably a safe number," Juellich said.

Details on the planned store were scarce. Best Buy typically doesn't announce a grand-opening date until two weeks ahead, because of uncertainty in construction progress.

"Since we don't have a (site) contract signed, that's really all I can provide," Juellich said.

Best Buy rang revenue of \$22.71 billion during the past fiscal year, up 16 percent from the year before. For the

increase, the company credited new stores, the acquisition of Future Shop and a comparable-store sales gain of 1.4 percent.

The company's stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol BBY.

Best Buy already has a Magic Valley presence, with Sam Goody music stores in Twin Falls and Burley.

On March 1, the end of its fiscal year, the company operated 548 U.S. Best Buy stores, eight Best Buy Canada stores, 104 Future Shop stores, 19 Magnolia Hi-Fi stores, 76 Media Play stores, 736 Sam Goody stores and 383 Suncoast stores -

nearly 1,900 in all.

Best Buy is the second large-format retailer to reveal Twin Falls intentions this year.

Sportsman's Warehouse, a Midvale, Utah, chain selling hunting, fishing, and camping products, also aims to bag a store site in town. Sportsman's Warehouse looked at a number of properties in Twin Falls and was negotiating for a particular one, Stu Utgaard, chairman and chief executive, said in late February.

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SHOE-STORE SHAKE-UP

Brown Shoe shifts to more fashionable styles

The Associated Press

CLAYTON, Mo. - Behind the staid walls of Brown Shoe Co. Inc.'s brick and glass building lies a fashion lover's dream: showrooms featuring hundreds upon hundreds of shoes that have yet to hit store shelves.

There are wedge heels in a rainbow of colors and animal-print ankle straps and open toes. There are even updated Dr. Scholl's sandals dressed up with a black patent leather finish.

"We're going to be fashion relevant to today's consumer," said Beth Fagan, a Brown spokeswoman.

Brown Shoe, founded 125 years ago, has long been known for comfortable women's footwear and its Buster Brown shoes for children. Now it's heading in a trendier, more fashionable direction - so fashionable that one of its styles has been worn by Sarah Jessica Parker's shoe-crazed character in the TV series "Sex and the City."

Brown's new strategy includes a fresh attitude for three of the company's brands for women: its flagship Naturalizer, its flashy Carols by Carlos Santana line, and an expanded offering of Dr. Scholl's shoes, including the wooden-soled sandal that gained popularity in the 1970s.

Brown does about \$1.8 billion a year in business through its 1,300 Naturalizer and Famous Footwear stores worldwide and sales in department stores across the country. One of its Famous Footwear stores is in Twin Falls.

The company's updating started in fall 1999, when it decided to reposition Naturalizer.

"It had become outdated. We decided to give the brand an image makeover," said Jennifer Reeves, Naturalizer's senior marketing director, as she showed a reporter the company's new styles.

Reeves grabbed a mauve suede heel and pointed to the cutout stripes across the toe basket and the scalloped detailing on the insole. "It gives it a little eye candy appeal on the shelf," she said.

Naturalizer has also updated some of its stores and launched a black-and-white photo ad campaign in fashion magazines including Vogue and Vanity Fair. The pictures also are appearing in stores and Naturalizer catalogs.

Customers have noticed.

Toby Kraus, 61, of the St. Louis suburb of Creve Coeur recently visited a new Naturalizer store in a west St. Louis County mall. She looked around the store and noticed the new store design: the blown-up photos on brightly painted walls and a black pattern rug in shades of orange, red and fuchsia.

"It makes me think they're more 'in step' with fashion," she said. Kraus said both she and her 37-year-old daughter shop at Naturalizer, mainly for comfortable shoes, and she admired some of the styles. But her head hasn't been turned entirely; she said she still looks elsewhere for high-fashion, special occasion shoes.

The changes at Brown go past its shoe designs. The company underwent a significant restructuring in recent years, closing underperforming stores, cutting back on staff to streamline operations and making inventory changes.

Analyst Juli Niemann with R.T. Jones Capital Equity said Brown has made some wise decisions. Among them, she said, Brown has been working to retain loyal customers while trying to reach a younger consumer with some brands. "They're catering to both ends, and improving their profit margins," she said.

Brown officials were particularly pleased that from August to December, the company's share of the department store market increased to 6.4 percent from 5.2 percent, spokeswoman Fagan said. Net income for the

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Autumn Green, manager of a new Naturalizer shoe store in Town & Country, Mo., straightens shoes Feb. 28. The store is the first of a new design concept to appeal to a younger, more fashion-conscious crowd.



A giant shoe greets visitors to the Brown Shoe corporate offices in Clayton, Mo.

Wells Fargo refuses to join in paying reparations

Los Angeles Times

To the surprise and disappointment of Belgium's Jewish community, San Francisco banking giant Wells Fargo & Co. is refusing to pay a \$267,000 war-reparations claim under a settlement reached in Belgium last year.

Wells is the lone holdout among 22 banks that were assessed a total of 53 million euros - around \$50 million - in compensation for Jewish-owned bank deposits seized during the German occupation of Belgium in World War II, according to a U.S. official familiar with the case.

Wells - which also does business from Magic Valley branches - doesn't dispute the claim's legality. But believes it shouldn't be held responsible for the actions of a bank to which it has only a tenuous connection, spokeswoman Mary Trigg said this week.

Antwerp diamond dealer Eli Ringer, a Jewish-community representative involved in fashioning the settlement, said people in Belgium were "shocked" by Wells' refusal to pay.

"It was not such a big amount," Ringer said in a telephone interview. "Everyone was sure that a big American bank would not be the last to participate."

Wells inherited the liability through its 1996 takeover of Los Angeles-based First Interstate Corp. A long-defunct corporate predecessor of First Interstate, Union - California Bank International, in the 1950s had acquired a small Belgian bank known as the Credit Union of Brussels, which in turn held the Jewish-owned deposits in question.

A reparations commission headed by Belgian researcher Lucien Buisse traced the complex trails of custody of war-era bank accounts to the 22 present-day banks, including New York-based J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., AEN AMRO of the Netherlands, Germany's Deutsche Bank and France's Societe Generale and Credit Lyonnais.

The panel's findings, released in 2001, were the basis for lengthy negotiations between the Association of Belgian Banks, an industry trade group, and the Belgian Jewish community. Their \$3-million-euro settlement last summer was incorporated in a Belgian law passed in

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Conference teaches anti-mold techniques

The Times-News

Idaho Builder's Conference

- In Boise: Tuesday, at the Double Tree Riverside, 2900 Chinden Blvd.
- In Idaho Falls: March 19, at the Shilo Inn, 780 Lindsay Blvd.
- Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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market high-performance homes," Brink said. Mark LaLiberte, a national expert on moisture and mold in residential structures, will speak at the conference. LaLiberte teaches, consults and speaks around the country on issues

such as using innovative building techniques to prevent moisture and mold in homes.

Mold and moisture problems have continued to surface in homes around Idaho and have become an area of new home-

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Book on kids and money is entertaining, effective



KIDS AND
BUSINESS
Steve Rosen

Many of the growing batch of books on kids and money that land on my desk are about as entertaining as the basic economic textbooks I slog through in college.

Necessary reading, but pass the coffee pot, please.

Then there's "The First National Bank of Dad: The Best Way to Teach Kids About Money," by David Owen. It's one of the most humorous and chatty books on the topic I've read in some time.

But it is more than just a fun read. The 190-page book (Simon & Schuster, \$19.95) is filled with anecdotes, insights and commonsense advice aimed at encouraging parents to help their off-

spring develop good money management habits.

Owen, 48, now lives in Connecticut and is a staff writer for The New Yorker magazine. As the father of two teen-age children, he and his wife have had plenty of experience with all kinds of kid and money issues. "The First National Bank of

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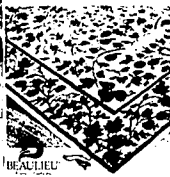
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How you prepare a room for a laminate install depends on the flooring and subfloor you already have. If your existing surface floor is warped, broken or damaged, it's usually best to remove it first. Repair the subfloor below if necessary.





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12"x12"
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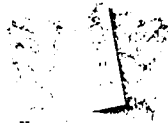
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12"x12"
Golden Nugget Mosaic



12"x12"
Explorer Voyager



12"x12"
Illusione Caramel

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8"x8"
Pietra Alabaster



12"x12"
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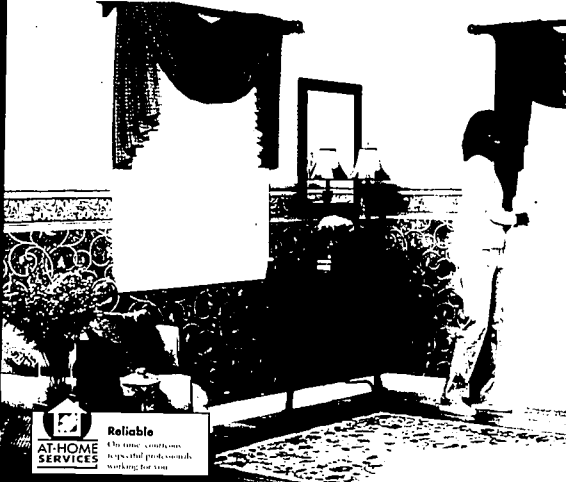
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Whether of the Arles or to make a great tile look even better, try installing it with a colored grout. The Home Depot has many different colored grouts to choose from. For an even more interesting look, try mixing a dark-colored grout with light tile or vice versa -- the possibilities are endless.



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On the wall, we used Ralph Lauren's Country Petticoat, a refreshing, matte color, to complement Scroll Acanthus Leaf wallpaper and coordinating border by Seabrook.

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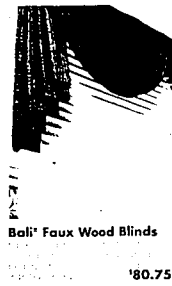
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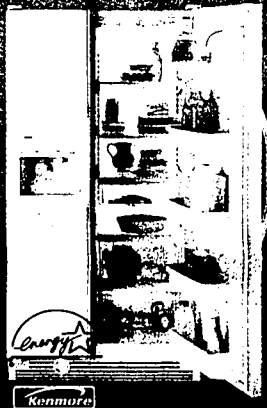
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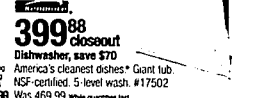
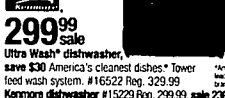
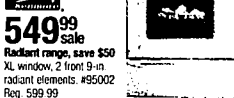
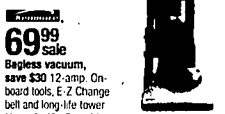
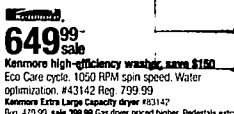
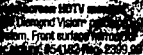
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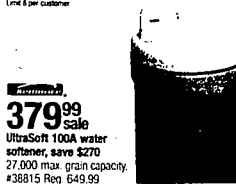
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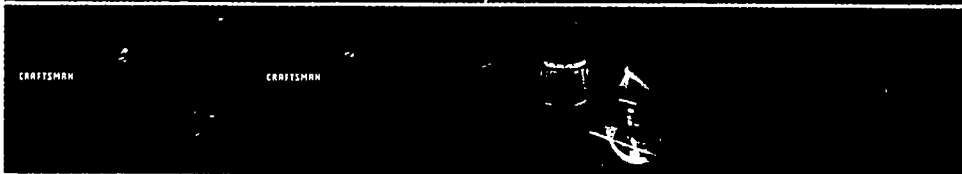
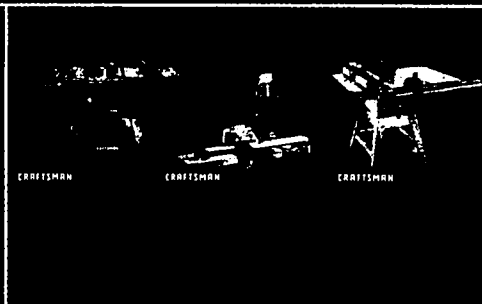
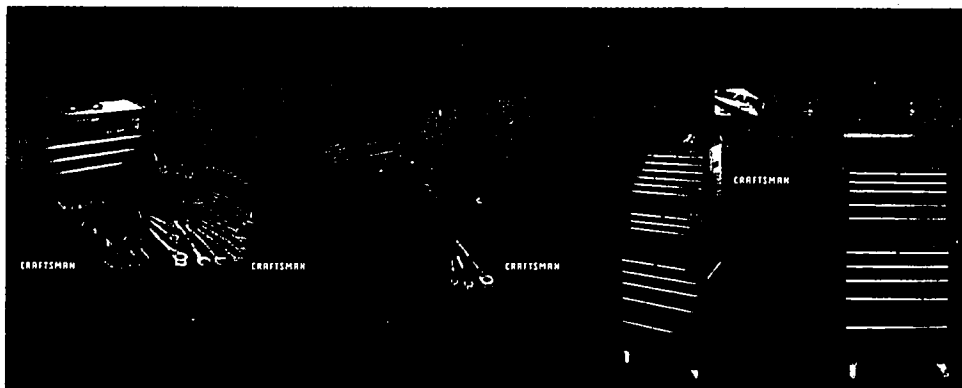
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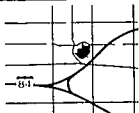
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Boise, ID - Automobile loan closures and seizures are extremely common in today's world. These types of automobiles are wanted throughout auction houses and dealers alike due to the ability to purchase them at a low price. Normally these vehicles are acquired only by licensed dealers and auction houses, but current trends in the market have caused an abundance of these vehicles to become available to the public. Dennis Dillon Suzuki is hosting an offsite event at the Boise Towne Square Mall - sponsored by United Auto Liquidators of North America and Dollar Rent-A-Car, to sell off seized, bank closures, lease return, rentals, and factory program vehicles at prices significantly lower than you might expect.

This Wednesday, March 12 through Sunday, March 16, Dennis Dillon Suzuki will be coming to the Boise area to discharge their current inventory. There will be over 150 vehicles available for this discharge sale at **THOUSANDS BELOW NORMAL RETAIL PRICES**. All of these vehicles will be available for a \$29 Documentation Fee, and then start making payments. "These vehicles are great deals, and prices may never get lower," said Bob Murphy, event coordinator. He

went on to say, "SUV's, compact cars, trucks, luxury sedans, basically any type of vehicle you are looking for will be available for discharge, most still under warranty."

Financing is the other bonus to this sale. Lenders from all over specializing in below average credit, will be on hand to help as many people as possible. "We can usually find financing for anyone," Mr. Murphy said, "and we chose these financial institutions specifically for their ability to provide credit to below average customers." There will be over \$8 million dollars in credit available from all of these financial institutions combined. "Past credit problems don't count here," Mr. Murphy said "These institutions have tremendous credit rebuilding programs for those in need."

The Boise area was carefully chosen from many different sites based on demographics and other criteria that will aid in making this a successful sale. This is a once in a lifetime sale, and your area may never see a sale like this again. The location site is at the Boise Towne Square Mall, 350 N. Milwaukee, Boise, ID. Any questions may be directed to (888) 288-7679.

*With approved credit \$29 plus tax title & fees. Example: XU505668 99Hyundai Accent 39540 • TTAL \$29 down & TTAL \$79/mo. 60 mos. 7.25% APR IVA C. \$29 prepossession fee. \$0 down/payment for a total of \$29 down plus tax. Amount of down payment may vary with credit worthiness. Negative trade equity will be added to amount financed. See dealer for details. UAL, Inc. 2003.

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Cinnamon
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***When you buy
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\$11⁹⁹

**Specialty or up to
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Scratch & Sniff!

10 irresistible sticks!

***Now with cinnamon and sugar
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And rich icing perfect for dipping!

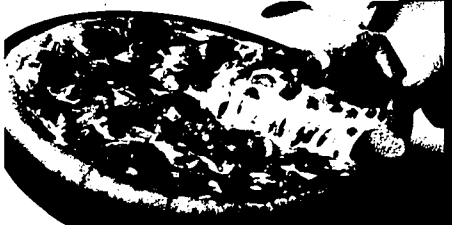
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SEE BACK FOR OVER \$25 IN SAVINGS

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PIZZA HUT® GIVES YOU MORE.



LARGE SPECIALTY PIZZA

\$12.99

Choose from:
Supreme, Veggie Lover's®,
Hawaiian, Pepperoni Lover's
or Meat Lover's®

\$13.99 Super Supreme
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Not valid on The Big New Turkey Pizza
Expires April 30, 2003 Code 16-17

DOUBLE DEAL!

\$12.99

Two Medium
2-Topping Pizzas

Does not Carryout/Delivery

Expires April 30, 2003 Code 41

TWOFOR TUESDAY!

Buy Any Large Or
Medium Pizza
At Regular Menu Price
And Get Any Second
Pizza of Equal or
Lesser Value
For **\$2.00!!**

Does not Carryout/Delivery
Offer Good On Tuesdays Only
Not valid on The Big New Turkey Pizza or
Stuffed Crust Pizza

Expires Tuesday April 29, 2003 Code 15

99¢ PERSONAL PAN

99¢

1-Topping
Personal Pan
Pizza!!!

Does not Carryout/Delivery

Expires April 30, 2003 Code 42

FREE CHEESE BREADSTICKS!

Purchase a
Large
One Topping
Pizza
for only
\$9.99

Not valid on The Big New Turkey Pizza or Stuffed Crust Pizza
Expires April 30, 2003

LARGE DEAL

\$4 off

Any
Large Pizza

Does not Carryout/Delivery
Not valid on The Big New Turkey Pizza
Expires April 30, 2003 Code 31

LARGE PEPPERONI

\$8.99

Large
Pepperoni
Pan Pizza

Does not Carryout/Delivery

Expires April 30, 2003 Code 24

LARGE SPECIALTY PIZZA

\$12.99

Choose from:
Supreme, Veggie Lover's®,
Hawaiian, Pepperoni Lover's
or Meat Lover's®

\$13.99 Super Supreme
or Taco Pizza

Does not Carryout/Delivery
Not valid on The Big New Turkey Pizza

Expires April 30, 2003 Code 15-17

DOUBLE DEAL!

\$12.99

Two Medium
2-Topping Pizzas

Does not Carryout/Delivery

Expires April 30, 2003 Code 41

and receive a
Free Order of
5 Cheese
Breadsticks!

Not valid on The Big New Turkey or Stuffed Crust Pizza
Expires April 30, 2003

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Buy Any Large Or
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At Regular Menu Price
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1-Topping
Personal Pan
Pizza!!!

Does not Carryout/Delivery

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LARGE DEAL

\$4 off

Any
Large Pizza

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Not valid on The Big New Turkey Pizza
Expires April 30, 2003 Code 31

FREE CHEESE BREADSTICKS!

Purchase a Large
One Topping
Pizza
for only **\$9.99**

and receive a Free
Order of 5 Cheese
Breadsticks!

Not valid on The Big New Turkey Pizza or
Stuffed Crust Pizza
Expires April 30, 2003 Code 32

LARGE PEPPERONI

\$8.99

Large
Pepperoni
Pan Pizza

Does not Carryout/Delivery
Not valid on The Big New Turkey Pizza
Expires April 30, 2003 Code 24

Does not Carryout/Delivery
Carryout & Delivery Only
Not valid on The Big New Turkey Pizza

BOULEVARD LOCATIONS:

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1000 S. Main St.

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AUTOMOTIVETIMES

WARNING!!! IF YOU BUY AN AUTOMOBILE SOMEWHERE ELSE THIS WEEKEND, IT MAY COST YOU MONEY!

XPLAN

Mountain Home Auto Ranch Ford Lincoln Mercury in Mountain Home is giving you the chance to take advantage of X-Plan* savings. The X-Plan* is usually reserved for partner companies, fleet customers, marketing partners and select suppliers, but is now being offered to you! For four days only, the general public will have a chance to save thousands on Fords, Mercurys and Lincolns. This is not an ordinary sale... you get the same discount as the X-Buyers. No tricks, no gimmicks, no smoke, no mirrors!

0% APR
ON
SELECT
MODELS

PLUS...DEDUCT ANY AND ALL REBATES FROM THE X-PLAN PRICE!

THIS
FRIDAY
8AM-7PM

THIS
SATURDAY
8AM-8PM

THIS
SUNDAY
12PM-5PM

THIS
MONDAY
8AM-7PM

Employees, Suppliers, Marketing Partner's Pricing Available to the Public For the Next 4 Days Only!!!

- 275 - 300 Vehicles to Choose From
- Savings of up to \$8,915.37 (Like on the Excursion) From Original Retail.
- Need a New Start? All Credit Applications Accepted - EXCLUSIVE TO MOUNTAIN HOME AUTO RANCH



HUGE SELECTIONS OF NEW FORDS

2003 Ford F-250 Crew Cab XLT

Retail \$41,085
With X Plan \$38,081.68
Rebate - \$500
YOU SAVE \$5,483.34

2003 Ford Explorer 4x4

Retail \$28,155
With X Plan \$26,712.18
Rebate - \$2,500
YOU SAVE \$4,942.81

2003 Ford Excursion XLT Premium 4x4

Retail \$42,005
With X Plan \$37,089.63
Rebate - \$4,000
YOU SAVE \$8,915.37

2003 Ford F-150 SC 4x4

Retail \$28,185
With X Plan \$23,215.20
Rebate - \$2,500
YOU SAVE \$5,469.80

2003 Ford Taurus

Retail \$20,230
With X Plan \$19,008.21
Rebate - \$3,000
YOU SAVE \$4,221.79

2003 Ford Escort ZX2

Retail \$14,305
With X Plan \$13,618.58
Rebate - \$2,000
YOU SAVE \$2,686.42

2003 Ford Expedition XLT 4x4

Retail \$37,850
With X Plan \$33,486.53
Rebate - \$2,000
YOU SAVE \$6,463.47

2003 Ford Ranger SC 4x4

Retail \$22,895
With X Plan \$20,812.01
Rebate - \$3,000
YOU SAVE \$4,882.99

2003 Ford Mustang V6 Coupe Premium

Retail \$20,880
With X Plan \$19,242.68
Rebate - \$1,500
YOU SAVE \$2,937.31

VEHICLES AVAILABLE AT X-PLAN PRICING

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|--------------------|------------------------|
| 25 Ford F-150s | 5 Ford Windstars |
| 20 Ford F-250s | 7 Ford Focus |
| 11 Ford F-350s | 10 Ford Mustangs |
| 18 Ford Rangers | 7 Ford Taurus |
| 13 Ford Explorers | 2 Ford Crown Victorias |
| 6 Ford Expeditions | 2 Ford Escort ZX2s |
| 7 Ford Excursions | 1 Ford Thunderbird |

NOTICE

The general public in Southern Idaho & Northern Nevada and surrounding communities that have received this advertisement are eligible to take advantage of this offer by simply bringing in this ad during those 5 days!!

All payments at 7.25% or 3.25% APR. Plus tax, title & dealer doc fee of \$149. Unapproved credit. All new X-Plan pricing on in-stock new transit units only. No dealer trades. Photos for illustration purposes only. ©2004

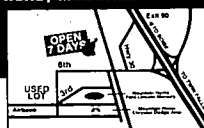
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"We Do Business A Better Way!"
We'll buy your
GAS, LUNCH or DINNER
just to come see!!

580-2600
AIRBASE ROAD, MOUNTAIN HOME



ONLY 23 MINUTES FROM BOISE!

CLEARANCE AISLE

NOTICE

The general public in Mountain Home and Southern Idaho that have received this advertisement are eligible to take advantage of this offer by simply bringing in this ad during these 4 days!!

**OVER 175 USED
VEHICLES TO
CHOOSE FROM AT
UNBELIEVABLE PRICES!
FOUR DAYS ONLY!!**

HUGE SELECTIONS OF QUALITY PRE-OWNED VEHICLES

2000 Ford Ranger SC 4x4



\$14,644

2002 Ford Windstar LX



\$220

2002 Ford F-350 SC XLT 4x4



\$31,476

2001 Ford F-150 SC XLT 4x4



\$285

2002 Ford F-150 SC XLT 4x4



\$311

Pre-Owned Power Stroke Diesels



\$9,995

'01 & '02 Ford Taurus



\$10,999
OR **\$142**

'00 - '02 Ford Escorts



\$5,995
OR **\$99**

'96 - '01 Pontiac Grand Ams



\$4,995
OR **\$99**

2002 Ford Explorer XLT 4x4s



\$22,995
OR **\$298**

1998 GMC Sonoma Ext Cab



\$7,995
OR **\$129**

'00 Dodge Dakota Club Cab SLT



\$16,995
OR **\$220**

'99 GMC 1500 Ext Cab 4x4



\$20,995
OR **\$285**

'00 Dodge 2500 Club Cab 4x4



\$27,995
OR **\$365**

'00 - '02 Dodge Durangos



\$17,995
OR **\$233**

'99 - '02 Dodge Neons



\$5,995
OR **\$99**

'02 Dodge Stratus



\$11,995
OR **\$155**

'02 Dodge Intrepids



\$12,995
OR **\$169**

'02 Chrysler PT Cruiser



\$15,995
OR **\$209**

'01 Chrysler Sebring LXI



\$11,995
OR **\$155**

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MOUNTAIN HOME AUTO RANCH

580-1000 or 580-2600

AIRBASE ROAD, MOUNTAIN HOME

**"We Do Business
A Better Way!"**

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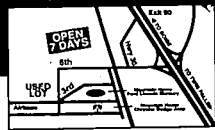
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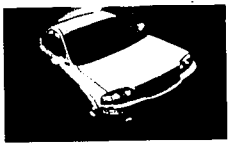
ONLY 29 MINUTES FROM BOISE!

LINCOLN XPLAN MERCURY



2003 Lincoln Town Car Signature

Retail \$44,588
With X Plan \$41,818.48
YOU SAVE \$6,460⁵²



2003 Lincoln LS V8 Premium Sport

Retail \$47,885
With X Plan \$44,315.38
YOU SAVE \$3,369⁸¹

2003 Mercury Mountaineer V8 Premium
Retail \$31,630
With X Plan \$28,382.27
YOU SAVE \$3,247.73

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Retail \$31,630
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YOU SAVE \$3,247.73

MOUNTAIN HOME AUTO WHOLESALE

1997 Geo Metro



4cyl, 5 speed, only 66kmiles.

SALE PRICE \$2,999

1999 Nissan Sentra



Auto, air and more. Low miles.

SALE PRICE \$6,995

1997 Honda Accord



4 door, 4 cyl., auto, air, cassette, low miles.

SALE PRICE \$9,995

1999 Mercury Tracer



4 door, 4 cyl., auto, air, 67k miles.

SALE PRICE \$3,995

1995 Dodge Spirit



4 door, auto, air, cassette.

SALE PRICE \$3,995

1996 Plymouth Grand Voyager SE



Auto, V6, air, 7 passenger, cassette, pw, pl.

SALE PRICE \$7,995

1996 Pontiac Grand Am



Auto, air, pw, pl.

SALE PRICE \$3,995

1997 Chevrolet Venture



7 passenger, V6, auto, air, pw, pl.

SALE PRICE \$4,995

1999 Dodge Caravan SE



V6, auto, air, 7 passenger, pw, pl, cassette, only 40k miles.

SALE PRICE \$8,995

1992 Chevy Conversion Van



V8, too many option to list!

SALE PRICE \$4,995

1997 Geo Tracker 4x4



Soft top, 5 speed, only 43k miles. Little Beauty!

SALE PRICE \$4,995

1998 Mercury Mountaineer 4x4



V6, auto, air, all power.

SALE PRICE \$9,995

2001 Suzuki Esteem



4 door, auto, air, low miles. chosse from 2.

SALE PRICE \$6,995

1996 Pontiac Grand Am



4 door, auto, air, all power, only 47k miles.

SALE PRICE \$4,995

1999 Pontiac Grand Prix



V6, 4 door, auto, all power, alloys, cass.

SALE PRICE \$6,995

1997 Cadillac Seville SLS



Leather, V8, fully loaded, only 79k miles.

SALE PRICE \$9,995

1997 Chevy Camaro\$6,995
Auto, loaded, CD, chrome wheels, sporty
1998 Dodge Stratus\$4,995
Air, cassette, auto, 4 door
1990 Chevy Astro Van\$2,995
7 passenger, V6, auto, air, cassette
1997 Ford Ranger SC XLT\$5,995
Only 55k miles
1996 Chrysler LHS\$5,995
V6 loaded, leather, all power

1995 Dodge Intrepid\$1,995
Cassette, pw, pl, V6
1993 Pontiac Grand Prix SE\$2,995
Auto, V6, pw, pl, cassette, CD, chrome wheels
1992 Plymouth Colt\$995
Air, cassette, gas saver, 5 speed
1998 Chevy Cavalier\$4,995
2 door, 5 speed, air, cassette
1995 Jeep Cherokee\$2,995
V6, 4x4, auto, air, cassette

1996 Ford Bronco 4x4\$7,995
351, V8, leather, loaded
1997 Mercury Sable GS\$3,995
Auto, V6, air, cassette, pw, pl
1995 Ford Festiva\$2,995
4cyl, auto, air, gas saver, only 67k miles
1996 Chevy Corsica\$1,999
Auto, air, cassette, 4 door

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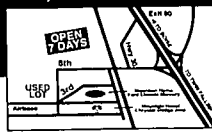
MOUNTAIN HOME AUTO RANCH

580-1000 or 587-4297

AIRBASE ROAD, MOUNTAIN HOME

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X-PLAN

0% APR

ON SELECT MODELS

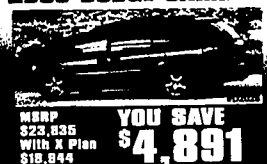
Mountain Home Auto Ranch Chrysler Dodge Jeep in Mountain Home is giving you the chance to take advantage of X-Plan* savings. The X-Plan* is usually reserved for partner companies, fleet customers, marketing partners and select suppliers, but is now being offered to you! For four days only, the general public will have a chance to save thousands on Chryslers, Dodges and Jeeps. This is not an ordinary sale... you get the same discount as the X-Plan Buyers. No tricks, no gimmicks, no smoke, no mirrors!

PLUS...DEDUCT ANY AND ALL REBATES FROM THE X-PLAN PRICE!

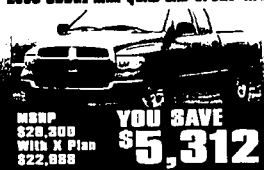
- 275 - 300 Vehicles to Choose From • Savings of up to \$6,202 From Original Retail.
- Need a New Start? All Credit Applications Accepted - EXCLUSIVE TO MOUNTAIN HOME AUTO RANCH Employees, Suppliers, Marketing Partner's Pricing Available to the Public for the Next 4 Days Only!!!

HUGE SELECTIONS OF NEW CHRYSLER, DODGE & JEEP VEHICLES

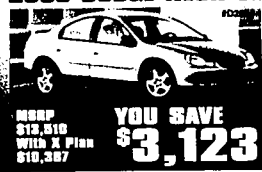
2003 DODGE CARAVAN



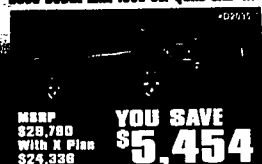
2003 DODGE RAM QUAD CAB SPORT 4X4



2003 DODGE NEON SE



2003 DODGE RAM 1500 SET QUAD CAB 4X4



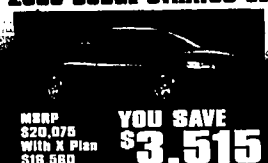
2003 DODGE RAM 2500 QUAD CAB 4X4



2003 CHRYSLER TOWN & COUNTRY



2003 DODGE STRATUS SE



2003 CHRYSLER PT CRUISER



2003 JEEP LIBERTY SPORT



VEHICLES AVAILABLE AT X-PLAN PRICING

15 Dodge Noons

4 Dodge Stratus

3 Dodge Intrepids

9 PT Cruisers

12 Dodge Caravans

3 Jeep Wranglers

3 Jeep Grand Cherokees

7 Dodge Durangos

15 Dodge Dakotas

23 Dodge Ram 1500s

25 Dodge Ram 2500s

9 Dodge Ram 3500s

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Yes, We're OPEN

Mountain Home Auto Ranch Service Department



491 WEST 6TH SOUTH

580-1000

Open 7:30am - 5:30 pm Monday - Friday

Get An Oil Change Everyday For

\$19.95
Plus Tax
Up To 5qts

\$39.95
Plus Tax
Diesel Engines Up To 15qts

All of our oil changes include a 27 point safety inspection with a car wash and vacuum.

We service all makes and models.

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY!!

Custom Spray-In Bed Liner

Several different colors to help keep your truck bed looking new!

\$440 Plus Tax. Expires 3/31/03
Short Box **\$450** Long Box

Wheel Alignment

Check and adjust chamber and toe. Additional parts and labor may be required on some vehicles.

\$34.95 Plus Tax. Expires 3/31/03
2 Wheel **\$54.95** 2 Wheel

Accessory Central

Customize your vehicle today, your way. Get 20% off all accessories, parts & labor, excluding specials and discounted items.

20% off

MOUNTAIN HOME AUTO RANCH

580-1000
AIRBASE ROAD, MOUNTAIN HOME

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LINCOLN Mercury



ONLY IN A Jeep

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ONLY 29 MINUTES FROM BOSCH!

Albertsons®

It's *your* store.

Save Lots O' Green this St. Patrick's Day with  Albertsons



YOUR CHOICE

Fresh Petite Sirloin Steak
Fresh London Broil
 USDA Select • Boneless Beef
 OR
Fresh Pork Loin Chop
 Boneless • Hormel • Always Tender

2.77 lb.
 SAVE UP TO \$2.22 LB.



YOUR CHOICE
Fresh Red Globe Grapes
 OR
Fresh Seedless Grapes
 Red, Green or Black • Chilean Grown

88¢ lb.
 SAVE UP TO \$1.01 LB.



ALBERTSONS
Gallon Milk
 Whole, 1%, 2% or Skim

1.65
 SAVE UP TO \$44



GOOD DAY
Ice Cream
 Assorted Varieties
 Half Gallon
 Limit 2 Total

99¢
 SAVE UP TO \$1.01



ATLANTIC
Salmon Fillet
 Fresh

3.97 lb.
 SAVE \$3.02 LB.



WHITE OR WHEAT
Sliced Bread
 Albertsons
 16 Ounce

3 FOR 99¢
 SAVE UP TO \$1.38 ON 3



BETTY CROCKER
Cake Mix or Frosting
 Assorted Varieties
 12-19.5 Ounce
 Limit 8 Total

79¢
 SAVE UP TO \$1.00



DEL MONTE
Canned Fruit
 Assorted Varieties
 15-15.25 Ounce
 Limit 12 Total

69¢
 SAVE 60¢



GILLETTE
Shave Gels
 Mens or Womens
 7 Ounce

3 FOR 4.98
 SAVE UP TO \$5.19 ON 3

EARN CASH REWARDS

Spend \$250* with your Albertsons Preferred Savings Card and receive **5%** Savings Certificate

Spend \$500* with your Albertsons Preferred Savings Card and receive **10%** Savings Certificate

When you shop with your Preferred Savings Card!

Here's how it works: When you shop at Albertsons using your Preferred Savings Card between March 12th and April 18th you earn credit for every dollar you spend.

Customers spending between:
 \$250 - \$499.99 Earn a one-time 5% savings certificate
 \$500 plus Earn a one-time 10% savings certificate

The savings certificate will print at the bottom of your receipt on your first shopping visit between April 9th and April 20th, 2003. Your savings certificate can be redeemed on any shopping visit between April 9th and April 20th, 2003.

Earn Cereal

FOR EVERY \$30 ACCUMULATED IN CEREAL PURCHASES - USING YOUR PREFERRED SAVINGS CARD

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Premium Beef

Cross Rib Roast
USDA Choice
FREE!
Not Available in All Stores

T-Bone Steak
USDA Choice
7.99
SAVE \$1.50 LB.

Tri Tip Roast
USDA Choice
4.99
SAVE \$1.00 LB.

London Broil
USDA Choice
3.29
SAVE \$1.00 LB.

7 Bone Chuck Roast
USDA Select Beef - Bone-In
1.99
SAVE UP TO 30% LB.

Pork Shoulder Picnic Roast
Hormel - Always Tender
99¢
SAVE UP TO 30% LB.

85% Extra Lean Ground Beef
Any Size Package
2.49
SAVE 30% LB.

Butterball Roasters
99¢
SAVE 50¢ LB.

Boneless Skinless Breasts or Tenderloins
Sundown Farms Small Packs
2.49
SAVE \$1.50 LB.

Johnsonville Sausage
Link Garlic & Other Selected Varieties 19.75 oz.
2.56
SAVE \$2.98 ON 2

HoneySuckle White Ground Turkey Breast
18 oz.
2.99
SAVE \$2.00

Gorton's Grilled Fillet
Garlic or Pepper 7 oz.
3.49
SAVE 50¢

Cross Cut Dinner Entrees
12 Ounce
2.55
SAVE \$1.00 ON 2

Advance Breaded Patties
Selected Varieties 18 oz.
2.99
SAVE \$1.00

Hormel Pork Tenderloins
Marinated
5.49
SAVE 50¢

PACKAGED DELI

Cache Valley Chunk Cheese
Medium Cheddar - 2 Lb.
4.99
SAVE \$2.00

Hillshire Deli Selects
Selected Varieties 6 Ounce
3.56
SAVE \$2.97 ON 3

Chunk or Shredded Cheese
Aldersons 16 Ounce
2.56
SAVE \$3.38 ON 2

Lynn Wilson Homestyle Tortillas
Selected Varieties 20 Ounce
1.79
SAVE 20¢

Stack Pack Lunchmeats
Butterball Selected Varieties 16 Ounce
3.49
SAVE \$1.50

Hillshire Cocktail Smokies
Selected Varieties 16 Ounce
3.79
SAVE 50¢

Albertsons String Cheese
24 Ounce
5.99
SAVE \$1.00

Kraft Soft Cream Cheese
8 Ounce
2.54
SAVE \$1.58 ON 2

Premium Beef Franks
Aldersons 16 Ounce
2.55
SAVE 90¢ ON 2

PHARMACY

Weight Management

Over, Under, or Just Right?

Talk to your Albertsons Pharmacist to find out your ideal weight for optimal health and help you can follow to keep it balanced. Assess your health for free. Log on to www.SavonWeight.com or pick up your free assessment packet at your pharmacy.

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PHOTO PROCESSING

Albertsons Photo Value

\$3.99

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VIDEO & FILM

INSPECTOR GADGET 2

Walt Disney HOME VIDEO

DVD

VHS DVD

14.99 19.99

HOME, HEALTH & BEAUTY

General merchandise items available at most stores.

Scoopable Cat Litter
Felix Cat - 20 Lb. Assorted Varieties
6.99
SAVE UP TO \$4.00

Dep Styling Gel
Assorted Varieties 2.6-12 Ounce
3.56
SAVE UP TO \$2.88 ON 3

Cetaphil Skin Care
Selected Varieties 4-16 Ounce
25% off
Clear Company Care Free

Schultz Potting Soil
8 Quarts
2.56
SAVE UP TO 90¢ ON 2

Assorted Jelly Eggs
Jelly's Assorted Varieties 2.2-24 Ounce
1.99
SAVE 70¢

Arm & Hammer Advance White
4.3-15 Ounce - Assorted Varieties
2.55
SAVE UP TO \$4.18 ON 2

Sunless Tanning Lotion
Cergeline Assorted Varieties 3.2-3.7 Ounce
13.79
SAVE UP TO \$2.20

24 Hour Allergy Relief
Alerent 24 Count
15.99
SAVE \$3.00

Maximum Strength Sinus
Tylenol Assorted Varieties 24 Count
4.99
SAVE UP TO \$1.00

Metabolife 356
90 Capsules
21.99
SAVE UP TO \$4.00

Arrid XX Deodorant
Assorted Varieties 2.6-2.7 Ounce
2.56
SAVE UP TO 90¢ ON 2

Neutrogena Clean Shampoo
Assorted Varieties 18.1 Ounce
20% off
Clear Company Care Free

Gillette Venus Razor
6.99
SAVE UP TO \$1.80

Gillette Mach 3 Turbo Razor
7.99
SAVE UP TO \$2.00

Huggies Mega Diapers
40-60 Count
13.99
SAVE 80¢

QuickSnap Flash Camera
27 Exposure
7.99
SAVE UP TO \$2.00

Centrum Silver Vitamins
120 Count
8.49
SAVE UP TO \$4.50

Moisturizing Body Wash
Oil of Olay Assorted Varieties 18.4-12 Ounce
2.56
SAVE UP TO \$4.00 ON 2

Dial Bar Soap
8.45 Ounce Assorted Varieties
2.58
SAVE \$4.30 ON 2

7 Piece Spring Oushion Set
299.99
SAVE 100.00

18 Inch Umbrella Base
19.99
SAVE 10.00

12 Pack Coke Fridge Pack
Assorted Varieties
12 oz. Cans

3.78
SAVE 71¢

Post Cereals
Fruity Pebbles 17 oz.
Honey-Comb 18.5 oz.
Raisin Bran 25 oz.
Grape-Nuts 32 oz.

3 for \$9
SAVE UP TO \$3.37 ON 3

FROZEN

Tombstone Pizza
Selected Varieties
13.6-23.6 oz.

4 for \$10
SAVE 9¢ ON 4

2 Liter Coke
Assorted Varieties

98¢
SAVE 81¢

Tostitos Snack Chips
Assorted Varieties
12.13 oz.

2 for \$5
SAVE \$1.54 ON 2

Pepperidge Farmhouse Bread
Harvest 7 Grain or German Thick Wheat 24 oz.

2 for \$5
SAVE 96¢ ON 2

Campbell's Soup
Chicken Noodle or Tomato 10.75 oz.

2 for \$1
SAVE UP TO 30¢ ON 2

Pillsbury Homestyle Biscuits
Selected Varieties
22.6-26 oz.

2 for \$6
SAVE 40¢ ON 2

6 Pack Coke
Assorted Varieties
5.5 Liter Bottles

2 for \$5
SAVE \$2.34 ON 2

Keebler Grahams
32 Ounce
Save up to \$4.59

BUY 1-GET 1 FREE!

American Beauty Pasta
Selected Varieties
12 oz.

79¢
SAVE 40¢

Dole Fruit-n-Gel Bowls
Selected Varieties
4 Count

2.29
SAVE 20¢

Ore Ida Fries
Golden Fries or Crinkle Cut
32 oz.

2 for \$5
SAVE 96¢ ON 2

Gatorade
8 Fl. - 20oz. Bottles

5.99
SAVE 80¢

Pringles Potato Crisps
Assorted Varieties
5.12 oz.

99¢
SAVE 40¢

C & H Pure Cane Sugar
10 lb.

4.39
EVERYDAY LOW PRICE

Nalley Kasher Dill Spears
24 oz.

2.59
SAVE 40¢

Green Giant Skillet Meal
Assorted Varieties
32 oz.

5.59
SAVE 40¢

Kool-Aid Jammers or Tang
Selected Varieties
10 Pack

3 for \$6
SAVE UP TO \$3.57 ON 3

Albertsons Apple Juice or Cider
1 Gallon

2 for \$6
SAVE 96¢ ON 2

Wish-Bone Salad Dressing
Assorted Varieties
16 oz.

3 for \$6
SAVE \$2.07 ON 3

Krusteaz Pancake Mix
7 lb.

5.49
SAVE 20¢

Michelin's Dinners
Selected Varieties
8 oz.

10 for \$10
SAVE \$2.50 ON 10

Delimex Taquitos
Beef or Chicken
12 oz.

2 for \$7
SAVE 96¢ ON 2

Superior Quality, Value and SAVINGS

Gold Medal Flour
Regular or Unbleached
25 lb.

4.99
SAVE \$1.00

Jif Peanut Butter
Assorted Varieties
18 oz.

2 for \$4
SAVE 96¢ ON 2

Smucker's Grape Jelly or Jam
12 oz.
Save \$2.19 with Card

BUY 1-GET 1 FREE!

Mazola Oil
Assorted Varieties
48 oz.

3.29
SAVE 20¢

Kikkoman Soy or Teriyaki Sauce
20 Ounce

2.79
EVERYDAY LOW PRICE

La Victoria Salsa Suprema
Assorted Varieties
16 oz.

2.19
SAVE 20¢

Nalley Meals for Now
Assorted Varieties
14.75 15 oz.

99¢
SAVE 40¢

Bertolli Extra Virgin Olive Oil
14 oz.

7.88
SAVE \$1.81

SPIRITS

Coors
Assorted Varieties
12 Pack - 12 oz. Bottles

George Killian's
12 Pack - 12 oz. Bottles

7.99
SAVE UP TO \$1.00

Guinness Draught or Corona
Assorted Varieties
6 Pack - 12 oz. Bottles

6.99
SAVE UP TO \$1.00

Mike's Hard Lemonade
Cranberry Lemonade or Red Tan

Sky Blue or Jack Daniel's Hard Cola
6 Pack - 12 oz. Bottles

6.99
SAVE UP TO \$1.00

Beringer Wine
Selected Varieties 750 ml

Blackstone Cabernet Sauvignon
750 ml

8.99
SAVE \$1.00

Redwood Creek Wine
Selected Varieties
1.5 Liter

10.99
SAVE \$1.00

For Your HOUSEHOLD

All or Surf Laundry Detergent
Assorted Varieties
28-100 oz.
Liquid or Powder

3.99
SAVE \$1.00

Cottonelle Bath Tissue
Selected Varieties
12 Single or 6 Double Rolls

2.50
SAVE UP TO \$2.29

Purina Dog Chow
22 lb.

6.99
SAVE UP TO \$2.00

All Fabric Softener
Assorted Varieties
69 oz. Liquid or 120 Cl. Sheets

4.50
SAVE UP TO \$1.49

Scott Paper Towels
8 Roll - 1 lb.

5.50
SAVE \$2.97

Alpo Dog Food
Assorted Varieties
11.2 oz.

59¢
SAVE 20¢

Sun Light Automatic Dishwasher Detergent
85 oz.

3.50
SAVE 20¢

Kleenex Facial Tissue
Selected Varieties
65-160 Count

1.00
SAVE UP TO 80¢

9 Lives Cat Food
Assorted Varieties
4 Count

4 for \$5
SAVE 14¢ ON 4

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8018 Fairview Ave. • 375-7010

FRUITLAND:
903 HW 16 Street • 452-6688

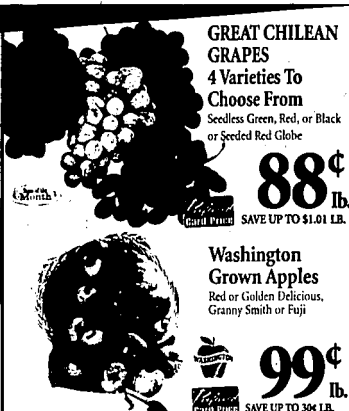
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Chiquita Bananas
38¢ lb.
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GREAT CHILEAN GRAPES
4 Varieties To Choose From
Seedless Green, Red, or Black or Seeded Red Globe
88¢ lb.
SAVE UP TO \$1.01 LB.



Washington Grown Apples
Red or Golden Delicious, Granny Smith or Fuji
99¢ lb.
SAVE UP TO 30¢ LB.



Large Russet Baking Potatoes
Idaho Grown
39¢ lb.
SAVE UP TO 20¢ LB.



Extra Large Slicing Cucumbers
2 for \$1
SAVE 30¢ ON 2




Large Cantaloupes
Sweet & Ripe
79¢ lb.
SAVE UP TO 20¢ LB.

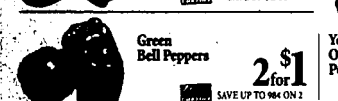


Extra Large Beefsteak Tomatoes
1.49 lb.
SAVE UP TO 80¢ LB.

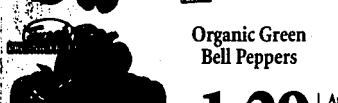
Fresh! PEPPERS




Red Bell Peppers
69¢
SAVE UP TO 30¢



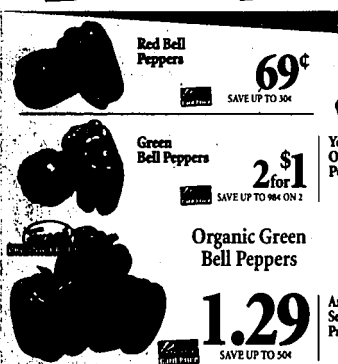
Green Bell Peppers
2 for \$1
SAVE UP TO 90¢ ON 2




Yellow or Orange Bell Peppers
1.99
SAVE UP TO \$1.30




Jalepeño Peppers
Fruity Hot
69¢
SAVE UP TO 30¢ LB.



Organic Green Bell Peppers
1.29
SAVE UP TO 50¢



Anishiem, Yellow Chile, Serrano or Pasilla Peppers
1.29
SAVE UP TO 20¢ LB.



Tri-Color Packaged Bell Peppers
Red, Yellow & Orange
3 Count
2.99
SAVE \$1.00 LB.

Quality! SEAFOOD FROM OUR BUTCHER BLOCK



Halibut Steaks
7.99 lb.
SAVE UP TO \$1.00 LB.



Herb Sauce
1 Onion, 1/2 cup Butter, 1/2 cup Chives, Scallions to taste. Combine all other ingredients in a bowl at 375.



Ahi Tuna
Previously Frozen
8.99 lb.
SAVE UP TO \$1.00 LB.



Sword Steaks
Previously Frozen
4.99 lb.
SAVE UP TO \$2.00 LB.



Orange Roughy Fillets
Previously Frozen
6.99 lb.
SAVE UP TO \$1.00 LB.



Seafood America Crab Cakes
Selected Varieties - 2.5 oz.
99¢ ea.
SAVE UP TO \$1.01 EA.

Fresh! DAIRY



Albertsons Orange Juice
Selected Varieties
64 oz.
1.69
SAVE 60¢



Darigold Milk
2%, 1% or Homogenized
64 oz.
2.09
SAVE UP TO 20¢



Pillsbury Cookie Dough
Selected Varieties
18 oz.
2 for \$6
SAVE 90¢ ON 2



Pillsbury Sweet Rolls
Assorted Varieties
12-13.9 oz.
2 for \$4
SAVE 10¢ ON 2

Fresh! BAKERY



Mini Muffins
Assorted Varieties
12 Count
Save up to \$3.99
BUY 1 GET 1 FREE!



Party Cakes
White or Chocolate
8 inch Single Layer
4.99
SAVE UP TO \$2.00



Hard Rolls
12 Count
1.99
SAVE UP TO 30¢



Chocolate Chip Cookies
Baked Fresh
18 Count
2.49
SAVE UP TO 30¢



Sourdough Squares
24 oz.
2.49
SAVE UP TO 30¢

Fresh! SERVICE DELI



Whole Roasted Chicken
Regular, Lemon Pepper or Garlic
4.99
SAVE UP TO 50¢



Roast Beef, Corned Beef or Pastrami
4.99 lb.
SAVE UP TO \$1.00 LB.



Turkey Breast
Sliced to Order
4.99
SAVE UP TO \$2.00



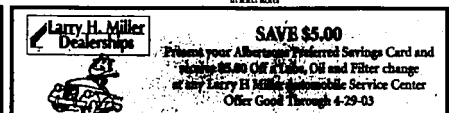
St. Louis Style Barbecue Ribs
9.99
SAVE UP TO \$1.00 EA.
*in select stores



Neptune Crab Salad
Concentrated Fresh
3.49 lb.
SAVE UP TO 30¢ LB.



Albertsons Glazed Donuts
Dozen
3.49
SAVE UP TO 50¢



Larry H. Miller Dealerships
SAVE \$5.00
Present your Albertsons Preferred Savings Card and receive \$5.00 Off a Tune Up and Filter change at any Larry H. Miller Automobile Service Center. Offer Good Through 4-29-03.

AVAILABILITY: Each of these advertised items is required to be readily available for sale at or below the advertised price in each Albertsons store, as specifically noted in this ad. RAIN CHECK: We agree to have on hand sufficient stock of advertised merchandise. If for any reason we are out of stock, a Rain Check will be issued enabling you to buy the item at the advertised price as soon as it becomes available. * We reserve the right to limit quantities. Please, No Sales to Dealers.
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SNACKS
Santitas
California Queso
3.99
SAVE UP TO \$1.00 LB.

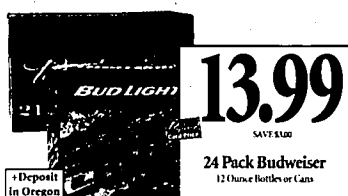
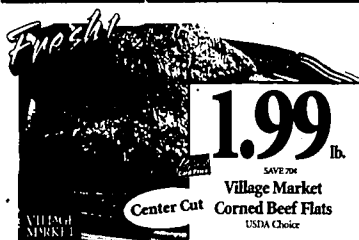
Roasted Sliced Peppers
1 lb.
1.99
SAVE UP TO 50¢

Harmony Snacks
Santitas Queso
Sunflower Seeds - 5 lb.
2 for \$3
SAVE UP TO 90¢ ON 1

Albertsons®

4th Day St. Patrick's Day Sale

Friday, March 14 thru Monday, March 17, 2003



For Your St. Patrick's Day Party



Party Pack Fried Chicken

50 Piece	\$24.99
100 Piece	\$48.99
250 Piece	\$119.99
500 Piece	\$234.99

Save Lots O' Green this St. Patrick's Day with Albertsons®

Albertsons®

Albertsons A+ Springwater
12 Pack
.5 Liter Bottle

3.00
SAVE 99¢

Albertsons Cookies
Selected Varieties
8.5-12.5 Ounce

3 for \$3
SAVE 75¢ ON 3

Albertsons Pudding Cups
Assorted Varieties
4 Pack

3 for \$3
SAVE \$1.47 ON 3

Simply Clean Dishwasher Detergent
Assorted Varieties
75 oz.

3.00
SAVE 29¢

Albertsons Stuffed Sandwich
Assorted Varieties
4 oz.

4 for \$3
EVERYDAY LOW PRICE

Albertsons Fruit Pie
Assorted Varieties
2.75 oz.

15 for \$3
SAVE 75¢ ON 15

Langers 100% Cranberry Juice Assorted Varieties 64 oz.	Hershey's Syrup Selected Varieties 22.24 oz.	Nescafé Fruthe Selected Varieties 8.75 Ounce	Jiffy Corn Muffin Mix 8.5 oz.
2 for \$6 SAVE \$1.18 ON 2	1.79 SAVE 20¢	3.99 SAVE \$1.00	2 for 88¢ SAVE 12¢ ON 2
Comet Wonder Rice Long Grain 42 oz.	Regina Wine Vinegar Red or White 12 oz.	Filippo Berio Olive Oil Selected Varieties 17 Ounce	Snow's Clam Chowder 15 oz.
2 for \$3 SAVE \$1.00 ON 2	1.79 SAVE 20¢	3.99 SAVE 50¢	2 for \$3 SAVE 10¢ ON 2
Giant Goldfish Crackers Hyperdip 1 arm 11.12 oz.	Archway Cookies Selected Varieties 8.5-10.25 oz.	Kid Cuisine Dinners Assorted Varieties 8-10.10 Ounce	Marie Callender's Pot Pies Assorted Varieties 9.5 Ounce
2 for \$5 SAVE 90¢ ON 2	3 for \$4.98 FOR SAVE UP TO \$1.00 ON 3	3 for \$4.98 FOR SAVE UP TO \$1.00 ON 3	3 for \$6 SAVE \$1.50 ON 3
Kashi Go Lean Waffles Assorted Varieties 9 oz.	Birds Eye Baby Vegetables Selected Varieties 14.16 oz.	Birds Eye Vegetables Selected Varieties 8-10 Ounce	Birds Eye Voila! Assorted Varieties 20 oz. Ounce
2.29 SAVE 20¢	2.29 SAVE 90¢	1.69 SAVE 30¢	2 for \$7 SAVE \$2.58 ON 2
Hearty Spoonfuls Soup Bowl Selected Varieties 11.25-11.5 oz.	D'Glorio Rising Crust Pizza Selected Varieties 28.2-32.08 Ounce	Lynn Wilton's Burrito Natural 4.5 Ounce	Gorton's Shrimp Bowl Assorted Varieties 10.5 oz.
2 for \$4 SAVE \$1.58 ON 2	2 for \$9 SAVE \$2.98 ON 2	10.25 SAVE \$1.90 ON 10	3.59 SAVE 60¢
Tollin's Crisp Crust Pizza Assorted Varieties 9.8-10.5 Ounce	Tina's Burrito Assorted Varieties 4.25-5 oz.	Florida's Natural Assorted Varieties 64 oz.	Old Orchard 100% Juice Assorted Varieties 12 oz.
4 for \$5 SAVE \$2.29 ON 4	4 for \$1 SAVE \$2.00 ON 4	2 for \$5 SAVE \$2.18 ON 2	99¢ SAVE 60¢
Menu Del Sol Tostitos Selected Varieties 25.2 Ounce	Stouffer's Lasagna Selected Varieties 96 Ounce	Nabisco Chips Ahoy! Cookies Regular or Warm'n Chewy 9.25-10 oz.	Nabisco Snack Crackers Selected Varieties 12-16 oz.
6.39 SAVE 60¢	9.99 SAVE \$2.00	2 for \$5 SAVE UP TO 90¢ ON 2	2 for \$5 SAVE UP TO \$1.75 ON 2
Nabisco Premium Saltine Crackers 11.5-16 oz.	Ritz Crackers or Ritz Bits Sandwiches Selected Varieties 9-16 oz.	Nabisco Honey Maid Grahams 20.8 oz.	Nabisco Nutter Butter Cookies 16 oz.
2 for \$3 SAVE UP TO \$1.79 ON 2	2 for \$5 SAVE UP TO \$1.88 ON 2	2 for \$6 SAVE UP TO \$2.18 ON 2	2 for \$6 SAVE UP TO \$2.18 ON 2
Friskies Cat Food Selected Varieties 24 Cans	Purina Kibbles and Chunks Selected Varieties 20 lb.	Atta Boy Dog Food 17.6 lb.	Kitty-Pace Cleaner Assorted Varieties 48 Ounce
5.99 SAVE \$4.00	7.99 SAVE \$2.70	6.29 SAVE \$2.70	1.89 SAVE 90¢



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GREAT VALUE & QUALITY

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Albertsons A+ Springwater
12 Pack
5 Liter Bottle
3.00
SAVE 99¢

Albertsons Cookies
Selected Varieties
8.5-12.5 Ounce
3 for \$3
SAVE 75¢ ON 3

Albertsons Pudding Cups
Assorted Varieties
4 Pack
3 for \$3
SAVE \$1.47 ON 3

Simply Clean Dishwasher Detergent
Assorted Varieties
75 oz.
3.00
SAVE 29¢

Albertsons Stuffed Sandwich
Assorted Varieties
4 oz.
4 for \$3
EVERYDAY LOW PRICE

Albertsons Fruit Pie
Assorted Varieties
2.75 oz.
15 for \$3
SAVE 75¢ ON 15

Langers 100% Cranberry Juice
Assorted Varieties
64 oz.
2 for \$6
SAVE \$1.18 ON 2

Hershey's Syrup
Selected Varieties
12.25 oz.
1.79
SAVE 20¢

Nescafé Frothe
Selected Varieties
8.57 oz.
3.99
SAVE \$1.00

Jiffy Corn Muffin Mix
8.5 oz.
2 for .88¢
SAVE 15¢ ON 2

Comet Wonder Rice
Long Grain
42 oz.
2 for \$3
SAVE \$1.30 ON 2

Regina Wine Vinegar
Red or White
12 oz.
1.79
SAVE 20¢

Filippo Berio Olive Oil
Selected Varieties
17.4 oz.
3.99
SAVE 30¢

Spoon's Clam Chowder
15 oz.
2 for \$3
SAVE \$1.18 ON 2

Giant Goldfish Crackers
Pretzels & Jam
10.25 oz.
2 for \$5
SAVE \$1.30 ON 2

Archway Cookies
Selected Varieties
8.5 oz. (2.5 oz. x 3)
3 for \$4.98
FOR SAVE UP TO \$1.80 ON 3

Kid Cuisine Dinners
Selected Varieties
8.5 oz. (2.5 oz. x 3)
3 for \$4.98
FOR SAVE UP TO \$1.80 ON 3

Marie Callender's Pot Pies
Assorted Varieties
9.5 oz.
3 for \$6
SAVE \$1.30 ON 3

Kashi Go Lean Waffles
Assorted Varieties
10 oz.
2.29
SAVE 30¢

Birds Eye Baby Vegetables
Assorted Varieties
18.19 oz.
2.29
SAVE 30¢

Birds Eye Vegetables
Selected Varieties
8.19 oz.
1.69
SAVE 30¢

Birds Eye Vodka
Assorted Varieties
20 oz. (4 oz. x 5)
2 for \$7
SAVE \$2.50 ON 2

Hearty Spoonfuls Soup Bowl
Selected Varieties
11.25 oz. (3 oz. x 3.75)
2 for \$4
SAVE \$1.30 ON 2

DGiorio Rising Crust Pizza
Selected Varieties
28.2 oz. (14.1 oz. x 2)
2 for \$9
SAVE \$2.90 ON 2

Lynn Wilson's Burrito
Assorted Varieties
4.5 oz.
10 for \$5
SAVE \$1.90 ON 10

Gorton's Shrimp Bowl
Assorted Varieties
10.5 oz.
3.59
SAVE 60¢

Totino's Crisp Crust Pizza
Assorted Varieties
9.8 oz. (3 oz. x 3.25)
4 for \$5
SAVE \$1.76 ON 4

Tina's Burrito
Assorted Varieties
4.25 oz.
4 for \$1
SAVE 30¢ ON 4

Florida's Natural
Assorted Varieties
12 oz.
2 for \$5
SAVE \$1.50 ON 2

Old Orchard 100% Juice
Assorted Varieties
12 oz.
99¢
SAVE 60¢

Menu Del Sol Taquitos
Selected Varieties
25.2 oz.
6.39
SAVE 40¢

Stouffer's Lasagna
Selected Varieties
9.6 oz.
9.99
SAVE \$2.80

Nabisco Chips Ahoy! Cookies
Regular or Warm'n'Cheesy
12.25 oz.
2 for \$5
SAVE UP TO \$6.00 ON 2

Nabisco Snack Crackers
Selected Varieties
12.16 oz.
2 for \$5
SAVE UP TO \$6.00 ON 2

Nabisco Premium Saltine Crackers
11.5 oz.
2 for \$3
SAVE UP TO \$1.70 ON 2

Ritz Crackers or Ritz Bits Sandwiches
Selected Varieties
9.16 oz.
2 for \$5
SAVE UP TO \$1.80 ON 2

Nabisco Honey Maid Granahs
28 oz.
2 for \$6
SAVE UP TO \$3.50 ON 2

Nabisco Nutter Butter Cookies
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