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# Bush takes mission to Britain

## Protesters are expected to stage a series of demonstrations during four-day visit

The Washington Post

LONDON - President Bush arrived here Tuesday night for a four-day state visit with plans to tell skeptical Europeans that they must join the United States in spreading democracy, by force if necessary.

Prince Charles greeted the president and first lady at Heathrow Airport, a quiet beginning to a visit that will proceed under extraordinary security and the expectation of about 100,000 demonstrators protesting Bush's policies.

### More on Iraq - D5-6

Bush flew by helicopter to Buckingham Palace, where he is staying as a guest of Queen Elizabeth, guarded by several thousand police officers.

A Scotland Yard spokesman said the officers were there because of fears of terrorism as well as to keep track of street demonstrations, which began Tuesday evening with a march to the U.S. Embassy to protest the Bush administration's policies.



Right, President Bush walks with Prince Charles after his arrival Tuesday at Heathrow Airport in London. At left, anti-war protesters march through London the same evening.

## HUNKS FOR BUCKS



Mr. Twin Falls High School Pageant contestant Carl Ott walks across the stage Tuesday night at Roper Auditorium. The boys competed in eveningwear, talent, sportswear and impromptu questions during the fundraiser for the high school's Business Professionals of America chapter. Brian Scott was crowned Mr. Twin Falls High School while Ott was selected first runner-up and Lars Hogdahl finished second runner-up. Anthony Patterson was chosen the nonfinalist talent winner while Diamond Isham was selected Mr. Personality and Ott won the People's Choice award.

# Water users plan to sue over Snake dams

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Idaho water users turned the tables on environmentalists and announced Tuesday that they have threatened to sue the federal government over operation of its Upper Snake River dams.

The Coalition for Idaho Water has filed a 60-day notice of intent to sue, according to a

news release received by The Times-News late Tuesday night.

"We did not make the decision to fight over Idaho water in the federal courts - the environmentalists did. Now that we have been forced onto that path, we must fight and we must fight aggressively," Norm Semanko, water coalition president, said in the news release.

The threatened lawsuit copies

a tactic employed by environmentalists in September when they threatened to sue the same federal agencies - the Bureau of Reclamation and NOAA Fisheries. The water users also are threatening to sue U.S. Secretary of Commerce Donald L. Evans.

Sluiceway breaching four lower Snake River dams in Washington state, the salmon

advocates wanted more Upper Snake River water to help sweep endangered salmon and steelhead to the Pacific Ocean.

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, stepped in to lead settlement talks. Those have stalled, although environmentalists agreed not to sue for more water beyond that already approved

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Agents kill wild elk drawn to domestic herd in case of ...

## Fatal attraction

The Times-News

HAZELTON - A wild bull elk's amorous intentions turned out to be fatal for the animal this week. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game euthanized the elk after it came into contact with domestic elk near Hazelton.

It's mating season for elk, and the bull wasn't to be deterred from returning to the ranch, said Dave Parrish, Fish and Game regional supervisor. There have been elk living in corn fields on the edge of the desert near Hazelton.

The bull elk was shot with a rifle Monday out of concern for preventing wild and domestic herds from mixing.

"We just didn't want to take any chances," Parrish said.

The ranch elk didn't show signs of disease. But the prospect of wild game approaching fenced animals and rubbing noses or otherwise mixing with

them is chief among wildlife managers' concerns over the potential for diseases in domestic herds to spread to wild populations. And it's a public relations issue for elk ranchers.

Diseases could include chronic wasting disease, brucellosis and tuberculosis. It's the first time in this area that Fish and Game has euthanized a wild elk for mixing with domestic elk.

"It's a big concern, especially with the number of elk ranches in the Magic Valley," Parrish said.

Domestic elk, fallow deer and reindeer can be raised in Idaho and are regulated as a livestock industry by the Idaho Department of Agriculture. There are 89 such farms licensed in Idaho, including a total of 15 in Jerome, Twin Falls, Elmore, Cassia and Minidoka counties. The farms range in size from a couple of animals to several hundred.



Easthampton, Mass., residents Joo McCoy, left, and his partner Stan Chagnon attend a rally celebrating the ruling.

## Ruling backs gay marriage

The Associated Press

BOSTON - In the nation's most far-reaching decision of its kind, Massachusetts' highest court declared Tuesday that the state constitution guarantees gay couples the right to marry - a ruling celebrated with a popping of champagne corks and the planning of spring weddings.

"Without a doubt, this is the happiest day of our lives," said Gloria Bailey, who with her partner of 32 years was among the seven gay couples who had sued the state in 2001 for refusing to issue them marriage licenses.

In its 4-3 decision, the Supreme Judicial Court gave the Legislature six months to rewrite the state's marriage laws for the benefit of gay couples.

Although courts in other states have issued similar rulings, some legal experts

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Block schedule details - A2

## School takes schedule to town

By Karln Kowalski  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Representatives of the Twin Falls School District and its schedule committee presented the proposed "blended block" schedule for Twin Falls High School to a receptive crowd of parents, students and community members Tuesday night.

The audience of about 50 applauded three people who spoke during the question and answer session to praise the district's efforts to develop a new schedule.

"There is no perfect schedule, but this is what we came up with," said Reed Harris, a parent on the schedule committee.

Michael Pepper, a consultant working with the scheduling committee, presented both positive and negative aspects of the proposed schedule, which combines 90-minute and 52-minute classes around a long, flexible lunch hour.

One of the main drawbacks is the number of hours of instruction offered in the blended block schedule, he said. What students gain in class choice, they may lose in total instructional hours.

In the current schedule, which has 55-minute classes meeting 180 days a year, each class will give 165 hours of instruction. In a plan with 52-minute so-called "skippy" classes, there would be 153 hours of instruction. In a 90-minute block class that met on an AB or 4-by-4 schedule, there would be 135 hours of instruction over a year or a semester. Harris said there is a tradeoff, but he did not see many other options.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny, breezy to windy and comfortable
Highs near 57
Tonight: Becoming cloudy with increasing shower chances
Lows near 34

Tomorrow: Falling temperatures with increasing rain and snow shower chances. Highs near 45.

BURLEW/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy, breezy at times and pleasant. Highs in the middle 50s
Tonight: Increasingly cloudy and breezy at times. Lows in the middle 30s
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and much cooler with periods of light rain or flurries becoming more likely. Highs in the lower to middle 40s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
Mostly dry, breezy and fair today. Falling temperatures coupled with scattered snow showers taking shape Thursday through Saturday. Winds will remain brisk at times.

Today Highs 32 to 50 Tonight's Lows 24 to 34
BOISE
Sunny, mid, dry and breezy today. Showers tonight with increasing cloud chances. Thursday through Saturday will give way to much colder temperatures and an almost daily chance of rain or snow.

NORTHERN UTAH
Mid, windy and mostly dry today. Sunny skies give way to clouds and falling highs on Thursday. Much colder with snow likely on Friday.

Map of Idaho with weather forecast data for various cities including Boise, Idaho Falls, and Pocatello.

Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 63 at Lewiston. Low: 24 at H4 City.
Weather keys: S=sunny, p=partly cloudy, m=mostly cloudy, c=cloudy, in=intermittent, sh=showers, r=rain, sn=snow, B=bursts, W=wind, M=misting

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Forecast table for Twin Falls showing conditions for Today, Tonight, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

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Almanac data including Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, Moon Phases, Moonrise and Moonset, and U.V. Index.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table for cities including Boise, Burley, and Pocatello.

NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table for cities including Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, and New York.

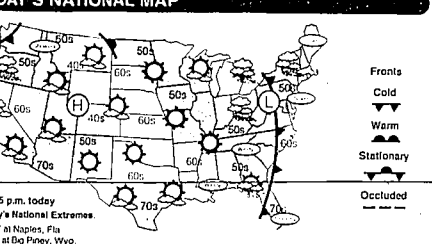
WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table for cities including London, Moscow, and Sydney.

CANADIAN FORECAST

Canadian forecast table for cities including Calgary, Edmonton, and Vancouver.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



House OKs energy measure

WASHINGTON (AP) - The House approved a far-reaching energy bill Tuesday that would provide billions of dollars in tax incentives for oil, gas and coal production and give a boost to corn farmers by requiring a doubling of ethanol use in gasoline.
It also would impose federal reliability rules on operators of high-voltage power lines for the first time, to reduce the likelihood of another cascading blackout like the one last summer.
Republicans called the bill far-sighted and a key to improving America's energy security by expanding energy choices. But Democrats said the tax breaks amounted to giveaways to oil, gas and coal industries that don't need the help. They also said the legislation fails to focus on ways to conserve energy and develop renewable fuels.
The House passed the bill by a vote of 246-180, sending it to the Senate for final approval, probably later this week.
Despite the wide margin of victory in the House, the bill could run into snags in the Senate over a provision that would shield the makers of a gasoline additive from liability lawsuits.
The massive bill, covering more than 1,100 pages, was crafted during weeks of largely closed-door negotiations between House and Senate Republicans and Democrats in a late-night exercise that just before midnight Monday despite Democratic protests.
The first overhaul of the nation's energy priorities in a decade, the legislation would provide \$25 billion in energy-related incentives over 10 years, or nearly three times as much as the White House had said earlier this year it would accept.

Gay

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said this one goes further in its emphatic language and appears to suggest that gay couples should be offered nothing less than marriage itself - and not a lesser alternative such as civil unions, which are available in Vermont.
In London, President Bush criticized the ruling and said he would work with Congress to "defend the sanctity of marriage."
"Marriage is a sacred institution between a man and a woman," Bush said in a statement released shortly after he arrived in London for a state visit.
Bush has said in the past that he supports strengthening the federal definition of marriage as a solely man-woman union. But he has declined to endorse a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage and his statement Tuesday gave no specifics of how he believes that stronger definition should be accomplished.
Courts in Hawaii and Alaska have also ruled that states do not have a right to deny marriage to gay couples. In those two states, the decisions were followed by the adoption of state constitutional amendments limiting marriage to heterosexual couples.
The Hawaii case led Congress to pass the Defense of Marriage Act in 1996, which defines federal recognition of same-sex marriages and allows states to ignore same-sex unions allowed elsewhere.
Republicans want to be sure that federal courts don't come to the same conclusions that state courts have.
"Whenever you have a runaway judiciary, as we obviously have, that has no consideration for the Constitution of the United States, then we have available to us through that Constitution (a way) to fix the judiciary," said House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas.
The ruling was another milestone in a year that has seen a significant expansion of gay rights around the world, including a U.S. Supreme Court decision in June striking a Texas ban on gay sex.

The debate over gay marriage

In the nation's most far-reaching decision of its kind Massachusetts' highest court declared Tuesday that the state constitution guarantees gay couples the rights of marriage. The Supreme Judicial Court gave the Legislature six months to rewrite the state's marriage laws for the benefit of gay couples.
Doesn't have laws specifically prohibiting same-sex marriage
Laws prohibit recognition of marriage between same-sex couples
Same-sex marriage legal with full rights of a heterosexual marriage
Government employers offer some domestic partner benefits
SOURCES: Candidates for Equal Marriage; Human Rights Campaign Foundation; Lambda Legal; Mexican Consulate
AP

Classes

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Some community members, such as Jim Fischer of Twin Falls, came to see how their tax dollars would be used.
"Like to see that money is efficiently spent," Fischer said. Before the meeting he called the schedule a poor solution to the district's problems.
After the presentation, 14 committee members took questions. Principal Ben Allen was asked about the mock registration that the school held using 100 students to represent the student body. In that group 24 did not get all their first choices for classes. In the school's current system, about 30 percent of students don't receive their first choice for a schedule, he said.
Principal Allen also provided examples of classes that might be offered as skinnies. Those include

video production, art, business, economics, health, Spanish, U.S. history, health occupations, body development and possibly others.
Mark Gabica, a junior and member of the schedule committee, reported on his presentation to the O'Leary Junior High School ninth grade students that morning. He said they were receptive to the schedule and they wanted to know if they would still have late start Fridays.
Superintendent Wiley Dobbs addressed the question of how the district would be able to afford the approximately \$187,591 to hire four teachers needed to implement the schedule. Dobbs' hope is that the schedule will help the district increase attendance and receive more funding dependent on average daily attendance. If that does not work out, the district will be using some of its reserves, Dobbs said.

Glossary of terms:

- AB: 90-minute classes that alternate every other day over a two-week cycle for one year.
• 4-by-4: 90-minute classes that meet every day for half a year.
• Skinning: A 52-minute class that would meet every day all year and be held during the optional zero and after hours, and before and after the lunch period.
To learn more:
• Another session will be held from 7 to 9 p.m., Thursday in the Robert Stuart Junior High School cafeteria.
• A student information session will be held from 9:45 to 10:40 a.m., Thursday in the Twin Falls High School auditorium.
Dick Tanaka is a parent and vice president of the junior class on a parent teacher organization who has attended the schedule meetings since the 4-by-1 block was proposed last year. He has gone from opposing the 4-by-1 plan to supporting the proposed schedule. He explained his support saying, "This will work because the teachers will make it work."
The schedule committee also took written comments at the meeting and will incorporate the feedback before taking the schedule before the School Board in December.

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"We declare that barring an individual from the protections, benefits, and obligations of civil marriage solely because that person would marry a person of the same sex violates the Massachusetts Constitution," Chief Justice Margaret Marshall wrote.
The dissenting justices argued that the court was treading on lawmakers' territory. "Today, the court has transformed its role as protector of rights into the role of creator of rights, and I respectfully dissent," Justice Francis Spina wrote.

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The decision prompted complex legal questions about the nation's first gay marriage licenses will be issued, if ever.
Republican Gov. Mitt Romney denounced the ruling but said there is little the state could do beyond pursuing a constitutional amendment.
"I agree with 3,000 years of recorded history. I disagree with the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts," he said. "Marriage is an institution between a man and a woman - and our constitution and laws should reflect that."

Correction
State filed lawsuit in District Court.
An article in Saturday's newspaper contained incorrect information about the filing of a lawsuit against Blaine County Coroner Russ Mihal by the Idaho attorney general's office.
The initial lawsuit was filed in District Court, but it was then assigned to Magistrate Court. The case was transferred to District Court on Friday.
The Times-News regrets the error.

# Report: Lax rules led to blackout

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A U.S.-Canadian report on the massive blackout of Aug. 14, due to be released today, will pinpoint multiple causes, not a single triggering event. But the investigation by a joint U.S.-Canadian government task force on the blackout will document a single, overriding reason for the cascading outage that knocked out electricity from New York to Toronto to Detroit, energy experts predict: No one was in charge of the sprawling, heavily loaded and trouble-prone part of the transmission grid running around Lake Erie.

The portion of the Midwestern grid centered in Ohio has long worried industry regulators, and the energy bill now before Congress would create operating rules to lessen the risk of blackouts. But the legislation does not overcome the region's fragmented lines of authority, where control is shared by 23 different power and transmission companies.

Some close to the inquiry say it will target grid operators. FirstEnergy Corp., the Akron-based utility where the outages began. FirstEnergy has already been criticized by Michigan regulators for failing to monitor its part of the grid and for not warning surrounding utilities about deteriorating conditions as a series of power lines tripped out, increasing overloading on remaining lines.

## Probe lays Wellstone plane crash on pilot

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pilot error caused the plane crash that killed Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., and seven others just before the 2002 election, federal safety officials said Tuesday. They recommended tighter scrutiny of charter airlines.

The twin-propeller King Air A100 carrying Wellstone, his wife, daughter and three campaign workers stalled when the flight crew slowed it too quickly on its approach to Eveleth-Virginia Municipal Airport in northern Minnesota on Oct. 25, 2002, investigators told the National Transportation Safety Board.

# Bush

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administration's environmental policies.

The Stop the War Coalition and its allies plan to march past the Downing Street office of Prime Minister Tony Blair while Bush is visiting on Thursday afternoon, and then tear down a makeshift "statue" of Bush in Trafalgar Square, mimicking the toppling of a statue of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad in April.

The goal, said the coalition's Andrew Murray, was to demonstrate that Bush "is the most unwelcome visitor to these shores since William the Conqueror," the Norman nobleman who invaded in 1066.

A poll published in Tuesday's Guardian newspaper reported that 43 percent of those surveyed welcomed the Bush visit, while 36 percent opposed it. Sixty-two percent agreed that the United States is "generally speaking a force for good, not evil, in the world."

A top Bush aide who briefed reporters aboard Air Force One said the demonstrators and antiwar public opinion would not stop the president from arguing today for his aggressive foreign policy during what is being billed as the major address of his trip.

She said the president would "challenge all of us not to turn inward," adding, "History has shown that there are times when countries must use force to defend the peace and to defend values. And he will say that we have to recognize that times will come when the use of force is necessary."

Asked if Bush believes that promoting democracy is a reason to go to war, the aide responded: "There are times when it is necessary, when other means have not brought results."

Bush's state visit was announced months ago, when the administration expected it would be able to celebrate victory in Iraq with the

“ History has shown that there are times when countries must use force to defend the peace and ... values. ”

— a planned speech by President Bush

principal U.S. war ally. But the continuing insurgency in Iraq and the failure to find Saddam or weapons of mass destruction have bolstered opponents of the war.

White House officials counseled against expecting significant developments during Bush's visit. They said there would be no agreements announced to end trade disputes or to settle a controversy over the handling of nine British citizens who are among alleged terrorists being held by the United States at a U.S. naval base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Officials say Bush and Blair are likely to discuss at length the plan to accelerate the transfer of power in Baghdad to Iraqi authorities by July 1, and the possibility of a new U.N. resolution to back U.S. policy in Iraq.

Bush, in his speech at the government's Banqueting House — the scene of the execution in 1649 of King Charles I — will talk about the benefits of "effective multilateralism," the aide who briefed reporters on Air Force One said, adding that Bush will acknowledge that democracy cannot be imposed solely "out of the barrel of a gun."

The aide likened Bush's speech here to President Reagan's remarks to Britain's Parliament 21 years ago, when Reagan argued

that communism would end on the "ash heap of history." Calling that speech a "conscious precedent," the aide said it is the job of American presidents "to call everybody to their better beings, to their higher angels, to challenge and to motivate the great alliance of democracies to be active and to act and to not turn inward or to try and sweep problems under the rug, but to really be active."

As many as 5,000 police will protect Bush during the visit, at a cost of nearly \$9 million. London Mayor Ken Livingstone, an outspoken critic of Bush, said outgoing costs would add two British pounds — more than \$3 — to each city taxpayer's annual bill. "I think most Londoners would be happy to give four pounds for him not to come," Livingstone said at a news conference Tuesday morning.

Several thousand protesters packed the Friends Meeting House in central London to hear playwright Harold Pinter pour invective on Bush and Blair. "They are both liars, they are both God-fearing Christians and they are both murderers," Pinter said.

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# Galapagos snail, riverine rabbit near extinction

GENEVA, Switzerland — The Galapagos snail — once collected by Charles Darwin — and South Africa's riverine rabbit are among 12,259 known plants and animal species facing extinction, according to the 2003 Red List of Threatened Species released Tuesday.

The snail and the rabbit, with fewer than 250 breeding pairs, were reclassified from endangered to critically endangered — one step before being considered "extinct in the wild."

The list by the World Conservation Union also revealed that the variegated spider monkey and the Mekong giant catfish are fighting for their future.

The turtle-like Seychelles fresh water terrapin lost its battle this year and is gone forever according to the group, which is known as IUCN.

The group found 12,259 known plants and animal species that fell into the Critically Endangered, Endangered or Vulnerable categories.

Conservationists think the current extinction rate is 1,000 to 10,000 times higher than it should be under natural conditions. That means that in the first decades of the 21st century, many creatures may disappear.

The primary reason: humans. Everything from expanding cities to deforestation, agriculture and fishing pose a significant threat to the planet's biodiversity, IUCN says.

**Scott Peterson will stand trial for deaths of wife, son**  
**MODESTO, Calif.** — Scott Peterson will stand trial on two counts of murder for the death of his wife, Laci Peterson, and her unborn son, charges that could bring the death penalty, a judge ruled Tuesday.

Stanislaus County Superior Court judge Al Girolami said prosecutors presented enough evidence over 11 days of testimony to show probable cause that Peterson killed his pregnant wife and dumped her body in San Francisco Bay.

Prosecutors presented a loose-knit web of circumstantial evidence that pointed toward Peterson from the moment he phoned his in-laws after returning home from an impromptu fishing trip on Christmas Eve last year. An investigator testified earlier Tuesday that more than 240 calls were made between Peterson and his girlfriend, Amber Frey, during the weeks before and after Laci disappeared. Peterson and Frey spoke as often as 16 times a day between Nov. 19 and Feb. 19, including calls on Christmas Eve, when Peterson said his wife disappeared while he was fishing, and on Valentine's Day.

**Former crematory operator asks for defense funds**

LAFAYETTE, Ga. — The former operator of a crematory where more than 300 corpses were discovered last year said Tuesday that he has no money and needs the government to pay for experts in his case.

Ray Brent Marsh, 30, said he has

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not worked since he was arrested in February 2002 after investigators found decaying bodies that were supposed to have been cremated at the family business. Superior Court Judge James Bodford said he will make a decision about indicting Marsh after a court official reviews Marsh's finances.

When investigators first searched the crematory property on Feb. 15, 2002, they found bodies spilling out of a storage shed and scattered around the crematory building and surrounding woods.

## Hague war-crimes tribunal indicts Croatian Serb leader

THE HAGUE, Netherlands — The U.N. war crimes tribunal issued an indictment Tuesday against former Croatian Serb

leader Milan Babic on five counts of war crimes for a campaign of ethnic cleansing in parts of Croatia early in the Balkan wars.

Babic, 47, is accused of seeking to drive ethnic Croats and other non-Serbs from parts of Croatia that prosecutors say he wanted to make into a "new Serb-dominated state." He was joined in the plan by former Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic, then the president of Serbia, the indictment said.

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# Public financing of elections grows steadily weaker

First, it was President Bush, scoring public financing of his pre-convention campaign and unleashing his fundraisers to collect something close to \$200 million for a head start on the bid for a second term. Then former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, with his Internet army of small donors, opted out of the limits attached to public financing and declared he would try to match Bush dollar for dollar. And then Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts, married to the wealthy heiress of the Heinz fortune, announced he would reject the taxpayer subsidies as well.



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are unreasonably low, the state-by-state spending ceilings are so impractical they invite evasion, and the taxpayer check-off that provides the financing is badly in need of expansion.

The chances of any or all of these changes being approved in a Republican-controlled Congress are not great; most GOP senators and representatives have been skeptical about publicly financed campaigns and some are outright hostile to them.

So what exactly has been lost if the presidential nomination campaigns are stripped of their element of public financing?

Not that much. Public financing has two rationales — reducing corruption or the appearance of corruption and equalizing the playing field among the contenders.

The current system, which offers federal matching for up to \$250 of individual contributions, provides a healthy incentive for seeking and giving small contributions — and a reward that could be

almost one-third of the \$45 million allowed for the primary campaign. But it does not and cannot even out the resources available to contestants for the nomination. Early on, Kerry with his establishment support, and Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina, a favorite of his fellow trial lawyers, far outdistanced their rivals in collecting campaign cash. When Dean developed his Internet appeal to woo Democrats, he seemed past both of them. But serious rivals such as Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri and Sen. Joe Lieberman of Connecticut are at a serious financial disadvantage, and would remain so even if Dean and Kerry stayed inside the system.

You cannot equalize financial support in the primaries any more than you can equalize speaking ability or television appeal.

What about preventing corruption? Dean has an irrefutable answer. He has collected an average of \$77 from over 200,000 donors. No one can suppose he is in hook to any one of them — or any clique. Kerry is in a position to tap his personal wealth and to borrow against joint property held with his wife, Teresa Heinz, an advantageous situation but not a corrupting one.

Bush presents a harder case, because he has organized an efficient system for collecting the

maximum \$2,000 individual contributions allowed by current law. But the best answer to the practice of "bundling" high-dollar gifts is to identify the key collection agents. Ruth Marcus, The Washington Post editorial writer who has made a specialty of campaign finance, has pressed all the campaigns to identify their fundraisers — the people to whom a candidate might best feel obligated. The Bush campaign has complied, and Marcus has made headway among the Democrats as well, with Kerry, Dean and retired Gen. Wesley Clark all cooperating.

War, Bush has indicated he will once again accept full public financing of his general election campaign and indications are that the Democratic nominee will do so as well. That spurs them the necessity of fund raising in September and October, when campaign time is better spent on stumping the country.

But no one should think it assures equality or ends the potential for big contributors' influence. The parties can raise money on their own, and since the McCain-Feingold law has limited the size of gifts they can receive, a variety of semi-official vehicles have sprung up to take big-dollar contributions. Liberal financier George Soros has pledged up to \$15 million to two avowedly anti-

Bush political movements. In a nation as open as this one, with the constitutional guarantee of free expression we enjoy, it is virtually impossible to shut down the flow of money from the private sector to the political world. The effort to do so leads only to frustration.

David Broder is a Washington Post columnist.



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## LETTERS

### Abortion is a waste for families waiting to adopt

All over America, loving couples are crying to adopt babies. It is sad that some people who don't deserve babies have them, and some people who would love them unconditionally can't have any.

Couples are disappointed again and again when they hear that they might get their baby. They try foreign adoptions, long, tedious and often resulting in no baby. How ironic that a premature baby has every effort made to be kept alive, yet a fetus of the same number of months of gestation is murdered. Animals are treated more humanely than aborted babies — torn from limb-to-limb, strangled in saline solutions, etc. View "The Silent Scream."

Don't make the womb the tomb. Let those babies be adopted and loved.  
MARGE HOLLEY  
Filer

### Coverage of Wendell city issues is lacking

Since I have been working in Wendell, I have seen *The Times-News* reporter numerous times, sometimes at our council meetings.

We always talk about a variety of issues on our agenda, and I never see anything positive printed about our meetings. In fact, it is very rare to see anything positive about the town of Wendell. I wonder why that is; we have positive happenings going on all the time, negative happenings once in a while, but boy do we hear about the negative!

Our mayor and most of our council are working all the time for the city, but do we hear about that? No! The mayor once asked me if we had talked about anything other than the old dump site north of the transfer station, and I replied that, "Yes,

we did talk about other things." "Then where is it in the paper," he asked. I just shrugged my shoulders and replied, "beats me!"

When the reporter is called to attend our council meeting, all that gets reported is what certain people want her to report, then she leaves.

What happened to good news? Doesn't anyone get tired of reading about only negative news? She knows when our meetings are held every month, but she is hardly ever there. Maybe *The Times-News* should have someone else do the reporting for our area.

As a matter of fact, we don't have that much negative news, but it sure does make the paper. Hey, how about some positive news once in a while, hm-mm?  
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(Carol Bourdeau is the city clerk for the city of Wendell.)

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Section B

## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Suspect in burglaries faces arraignment

**TWIN FALLS** - A suspect in a wave of burglaries that unraveled the Presidential streets neighborhood last month was arraigned in 5th District Magistrate Court Monday.  
Christyan K. Mace, 16, of Twin Falls, was arraigned on five counts of burglary, one count of grand theft and one count of theft by receiving/possessing stolen property.  
Items stolen in those burglaries include guns, jewelry and a DVD player, according to an affidavit.  
Evidence collected from the scenes of the crimes include a smelter footprint in the dirt and the plastic grip of a BB gun left in a victim's house.  
Mace posted bond and is scheduled at a preliminary hearing Dec. 1.

### Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist speaks at CSI

**TWIN FALLS** - Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Albert Scardino will be the keynote speaker at the College of Southern Idaho's annual Snake River Symposium at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Fine Arts Auditorium.  
This year's topic has been "World at the Crossroads: A Dialogue of United Nations Perspectives." It has consisted of three weekly discussions that started Oct. 30. Scardino's address is titled "If Only We Could See Ourselves."

The Snake River Symposium is sponsored each year by CSI's Honors Program. Jamie Shetler, program coordinator, said this year's discussion was planned to give students and the public an opportunity to discuss the role of the United Nations and America's role in world politics.  
Scardino is a nationally renowned journalist, New York Times columnist and former president of the Georgia Gazette Publishing Co.

### Jerome Family Clinic offers flu shots for \$13

**JEROME** - The Jerome Family Clinic is offering flu shots for \$13. The next vaccine will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 28 at the clinic located at 132 W. Fifth Ave. Senior citizens are especially encouraged to get the vaccine, according to a news release from St. Benedict's Family Medical Center.  
Medicaid and Medicare patients are asked to call 324-5286 so the clinic can record their information before they come in for the vaccination. Walk-ins, however, are welcome.

### Volunteers recycle 13,000 pounds of waste

**KETCHUM** - Environmental Resource Center volunteers recycled 13,000 pounds of waste during its second Special Events Recycling Program this summer.

That doesn't include all the articles and volunteers picked up following the Willie Nelson concert outside the River Run Lodge.

Volunteers collected bottles, aluminum cans and plastic water bottles at a variety of events, including the week-long annual Alive concerts held in Forest Service Park and the Wagon Days parade.

The 134 volunteers were able to recycle about half of the waste generated at these events, reducing disposal costs, saving landfill space and reducing the country's dependence on imported oil and other natural resources, Executive Director Craig Barry said.

### Judge moves Rupert man's sentencing date

**RUPERT** - A Monday sentencing in 5th District Court in Minidoka County for Philip McClary was continued.  
Minidoka County Prosecuting Attorney Jason Walker asked for a special prosecutor to be appointed in the case because his private law firm had represented another defendant in the incident in which McClary is charged. McClary, 18, is scheduled to be sentenced Nov. 24 by District Judge John Melanson.  
McClary has pleaded guilty to a charge of using a destructive device or bomb stemming from a May 26 incident at Lake Walcott State Park. Two other men have been sentenced in connection with the incident.

### Planning Thanksgiving meal? Let us know about it

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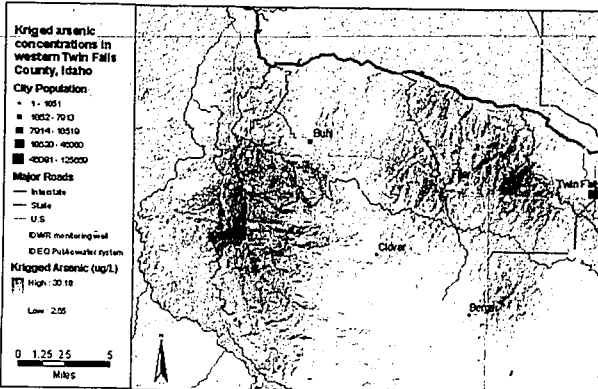
## Castleford leads in arsenic cause

### City launches letter-writing campaign

By Sandra Wisecaver  
Times-News correspondent

**CASTLEFORD** - The City Council has launched an aggressive letter-writing campaign that transcends state boundaries, seeking political help to solve an arsenic dilemma that will affect small cities across the West.  
"The Association of Idaho Cities, the governor's office, our congressmen need to be leading the charge on this," Castleford City Attorney Mark Guerry said. "It's too late to do anything about this standard, but not too late to appropriate money to fund the technology and help towns in the West."

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## BREAKING BARRIERS



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Magic Valley High School senior Nicci Thompson, right, laughs and talks with fellow seniors Yasmin Ibarra, center, and Daniel Martinez during "Mix It Up Day" Tuesday. Students and faculty members worked on breaking down barriers by eating lunch with people they normally don't and participating in other mixing activities throughout the day.

## Students 'mix it up,' celebrate diversity

By Loretta Burkhart  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** - Hallways, corner nooks and a small cafeteria played host Tuesday to students and members of the faculty at Magic Valley High School as they celebrated national "Mix It Up Day."

With the idea that social boundaries exist in schools, Teaching Tolerance magazine set aside Nov. 18 as a day to celebrate differences.

And the idea is catching on. In an effort to help dissolve social borders, some 300,000 stu-

dents in schools across the country have incorporated curriculum strategies and activities they hope will promote unity and eliminate the conditions that keep students of different backgrounds from associating with one another.

As part of that effort, 125 MVHS students took the time to share a meal and conversation with a new set of classmates during a lunch-hour break.

But at the local level, the celebration was taken a step higher when more than one-third of the students got involved in making a weeklong plan, including their

first-ever luncheon to exemplify diversity.

"We're including different music and cultural foods" in some of the activities, said Jennifer Miller, the teacher responsible for bringing the fresh idea of "mixing it up" to the students at the alternative high school.

Much depended on the way the cards were stacked.

Before lunch, students and faculty members chose cards. Those with corresponding numbers ate their meals at designated areas "with someone they don't normally associate - with someone of

a different race or gender," Miller said.

And barriers were broken. "It wasn't as scary as I thought," said 18-year-old Lorena Fregoso, who spent her lunch with seven people whom she knew but had had no prior association.

Along with student-led discussions, the daily curriculum included an "All-School Write" that focused on breaking social barriers.

In an essay, Adam Winn's social concerns involved the bullying that transpires at schools, and he

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## House speaker expects watery session

By Julie Pence  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Look for the 2004 legislative session to run short, and expect the dominant issue to be the controversies surrounding Idaho's water, says House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley.

"The one big issue - water issues," Newcomb said Tuesday. At the center of it all is salmon, he explained. Environmentalists are suing to make sure there is enough water for successful salmon reproduction. The Nez Perce Tribe wants all of the Snake River water in order to save Idaho salmon and spawning habitat. Idaho Power Co. is involved in those talks. Dams are caught up in the controversy



Bruce Newcomb  
R-Burley

because flow and water temperature is altered when water is backed up for irrigation and hydroelectricity. And adding a sense of urgency to finding a solution with which all parties can live is the ongoing drought.

Then there is the latest wrinkle in the pile of water problems: the recent call for water through a lawsuit against the Idaho Department of Water Resources by Clear Lakes Trout Co. Talks among environmental groups,

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the state, water users and the Legislature become more complicated because the state is being sued. That prevents lawmakers from getting information from the state attorney general's office, Newcomb said.

Without information from the state, lawmakers won't be able to fashion a vehicle "where everyone can become privy to everyone's proposal and try to get a buy-in without negotiating everyone down," Newcomb said.

Kimberly Republican Laird Noh, who chairs the Senate Resource Committee, said she expects there will be plenty discussion about water issues, but

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## Former clerk faces sentencing

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - A former county clerk today will finally find out whether he'll spend time behind bars for taking money from the county coffers.

Meanwhile, Twin Falls County officials continue to put more checks and balances in place to prevent such things from happening again.

Former County Clerk Bob Fort faces one to 10 years in prison, a fine of up to \$50,000 and prohibition from holding any office, after pleading guilty in August to one felony count of misusing more than \$50,000 in public funds.

### Sentencing Fort

Former Twin Falls County Clerk Bob Fort will be sentenced on one felony count of misuse of public funds by 5th District Judge Monte Carlson at 1:30 p.m. today at the Third Ward Judicial Building, 427 Shoshone St. The hearing is open to the public.

Fort used his county credit card to take 114 cash advances between January 1998 and June 2003. The advances peaked in 2002, with more than \$21,000 in cash advances and transaction fees - more than \$3,300 during April alone.

Neither Fort nor his attorney, Roger Harris, returned calls to The Times-News Tuesday.

According to county credit card records obtained by The Times-News through a public records request, Fort wasn't the only county official who used his county credit card to take out cash advances. Former County Coroner Gene Turley took out two cash advances during his tenure, one for \$150 in October 2001 and another for \$260 the following month. However, Turley immediately reimbursed the county on his own on the days after taking out the cash advances. County Commission Chairman Gary Grindstaff said.

County Prosecutor Grant Loebis wouldn't comment on the specifics of Turley's actions, but he did point out that Turley had broken no laws.

"In general, given there was no policy against cash advances, although it was obviously a foolish practice, I could not have criminally prosecuted anyone who took cash advances unless it could be proven they were taking the money and converting it for personal use," Loebis said Monday.

County commissioners appointed Turley to the coroner's post in 1993 to replace resigning coroner Cal Edwards. Turley was elected to the position in 1994 and again in 1998. Turley resigned in December 2001 to accept a position as the lead investigator with the county public defender's office. He no longer works for the county.

Turley said he did not wish to comment on the situation, except to say, "I feel I left on good terms."

Grindstaff said shortly after Turley resigned, new County

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## Panel mulls translating handouts into Spanish

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

**JEROME** - A newly revived Committee on Minority Relations is exploring the possibility of getting a grant to finance the translating of city handouts, brochures, applications, meeting agendas, bills, and Jerome's Web site into Spanish.

The committee had lost momentum over the summer and seemed to be in fading relevancy until several recently appointed members brought new ideas and enthusiasm to the committee's meeting Monday.

Jerome City Administrator

Travis Rothweiler told the committee it would be a significant investment of time and money to perform the translations, but he noted it would be a bigger disservice to the community to fail to do them.

"If you don't dream big you can't accomplish big things," Rothweiler said. The city administrator also said the committee could encourage downtown merchants to include translations of their signs in both Spanish and English to entice both Hispanic and Anglo customers.

Committee member Tom Kuntz discussed the possibility of a

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Drought prompts grazing reductions across Nevada

RENO, Nev. (AP) - Federal land managers are reducing grazing on public lands across Nevada to deal with what they call the driest conditions in 15 years.

The latest closure of portions of seven allotments in Elko County in northeast Nevada along the Utah state line affects four sheep ranches from Utah.

standing and agreed with the steps, BLM officials said. In Elko County, ranchers are working with the agency to remove or reduce the size of their herds, or to find other winter pastures.

Labor Dept. delays hurt job-assistance programs

WASHINGTON (AP) - A federal program touted as the answer to helping displaced workers find new jobs has been bogged down, with assistance delayed for months, congressional investigators report.

left businesses that are laying off employees or closing operations." Instead, the help often is held up more than three months, or it never materializes, Congress' General Accounting Office reported this month after surveying the state.

The Labor Department disputed the length of delays in a letter to GAO, contending they averaged 53 days.

OBITUARIES

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Spencer Osborne Moore Sr. - Jerome

Spencer Osborne Moore Sr., 94, of Jerome, died peacefully Nov. 14, 2003, at his home.

During WWII, Spencer worked at Lockheed Aviation as maintenance foreman. Thereafter, he pursued his true calling in real estate, working briefly as a broker.

his home there with his son, Jim, for the balance of his long and full life.

Dale L. Taute - Twin Falls

Dale L. Taute, 85, of Twin Falls, passed away Monday, Nov. 17, 2003, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.

He served on the various church boards in the past. He was a charter member of the Twin Falls Monarchs Lions Club and charter president.

grandchildren, Shanda Askew (Sam) Chappo of Paul, Idaho, and Erin Askew of Nampa, Idaho; and four great-grandchildren.

Loretta Winterholler-Lierman - Nampa

Loretta A. Winterholler-Lierman, 58, of Nampa, died Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003, at a Nampa hospital.

She is survived by two sons, Joe Brown of Mackay, Idaho and Lonnice Brown of Caldwell, Idaho; a daughter, Tina Brown of Salt Lake City, Utah; her father, Bill

Winterholler of Kimberly, Idaho; a sister, Debbie Lattin of Kimberly, Idaho; two brothers, Eric Winterholler of Boise, Idaho, and Boyd Winterholler of Parma, Idaho; and grandchildren, Ashley and Melinda Brown of Kimberly, Idaho, and Jaimee and Amanda Brown of Caldwell, Idaho.

Idaho price decline lags nation's

BOISE (AP) - Gasoline prices around Idaho have continued to decline in the past month but much more slowly than for the rest of the country.

three cents a gallon below the price a month ago. While 19 cents below the record high in early September, the price was still the eighth highest state average in the nation, where unleaded self-service gasoline was selling at just over \$1.50 a gallon on Tuesday.

DEATH NOTICES

Raymond Jones JEROME - Raymond Jones, 80, of Jerome, died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2003, in Twin Falls.

Corey James Fairchild RUPERT - Corey James Fairchild, 29, of Rupert, died Friday, Nov. 14, 2003, in Rupert.

John J. Miltenberger TWIN FALLS - John J. Miltenberger, 62, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003, at his home in Twin Falls.

16, 2003, at her home in Twin Falls. The service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, 2003, at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls. Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2003, at the funeral home.

Orvind 'Pete' Peterson BURLEY - Orvind "Pete" Peterson, 90, of Burley, died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2003, at the Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Idaho Falls.

William S. DeWalt TWIN FALLS - William S. DeWalt, 84, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2003, at the

for the Idaho Chapter of AAA, said the lack of competition was responsible for higher rural prices and higher Idaho prices overall.

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Demaray's Gooding Chapel

Charles Lafayette 'Lafe' Harris RUPERT - Charles Lafayette "Lafe" Harris, 96, of Rupert, died Friday, Nov. 7, 2003, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital Extended Care in Rupert.

Arrangements will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Twin Falls - Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls is in charge of arrangements.

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Michael 'Mike' Inchausti of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Valley Christian Center in Hazelton; friends may call from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.



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# Calendars show BLM director held numerous meetings on Utah issues

WASHINGTON (AP) — As director of the Bureau of Land Management, Kathleen Clarke made repeated commitments not to take part in matters affecting her previous employer — the State of Utah.

Despite those assurances, Clarke's official calendars show that she was involved in nearly three dozen meetings on Utah matters, including a Utah land swap that fell apart after BLM whistleblowers complained it amounted to a potential \$117 million rip-off of federal taxpayers.

The substance of the meetings — or even if she actually attended the meetings — is impossible to discern, but many appear to have involved natural resources issues that she had specifically said were off-limits. Her role in the Utah land exchange in apparent violation of her recusal is the subject of an ongoing investigation by the Interior Department's inspector general.

The calendars and recusals were obtained through Freedom of Information Act requests filed by The Associated Press.

BLM spokesman Bob Johns said the department policy does not permit comment on ongoing inspector general investigations.

"Kathleen is firmly and fully committed to the highest standards of ethical conduct and believes that when the inspector general does complete its review that she will be found to have fully upheld the spirit and the



Kathleen Clarke  
Worked for the State of Utah

letter of the recusal," Johns said. An order issued by former President Bush in 1990 states that administration employees are to avoid the appearance of any potential conflict of interest that would call into question their ethical standards.

Beginning in September 2001, Clarke signed a letter stating that she would resign her position as head of the Utah Department of Natural Resources and the Utah Quality Growth Commission and would not participate in any matters involving the agencies if confirmed to head BLM.

She was confirmed in late December of that year and began work in January 2002.

Immediately, the meetings began on Utah issues and with key Utah officials — at least five in January alone, including meetings on Utah's lawsuits against the Interior Department.

Her first formal recusal on Utah issues, mirroring her earlier

statement, was filed in February. After stories about the land exchange began to appear she orally amended her recusal and in November 2002 filed a written amendment, removing her from a role in considering Utah land exchanges.

Despite the statements, Clarke's calendar reflects meetings on issues relating to wilderness management in the state, grazing inside the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, a proposed tortoise preserve in southern Utah, meetings with then-Gov. Mike Leavitt and several briefings on the San Rafael land exchange.

The land swap was intended to consolidate federal land in Utah's picturesque San Rafael Swell, a maze of redrock slot canyons and bluffs, to ease Leavitt's request that President Bush declare the area a national monument.

But BLM appraisers in Utah told the AP last year that the deal amounted to a giveaway of as much as \$117 million in valuable federal mineral reserves.

In July, the Interior Department's inspector general confirmed that department officials had negotiated away valuable resources, did not properly appraise the land and sought to conceal the terms of the deal from department heads and from Congress.

The inspector general's inquiry into Clarke's role in the land swap and her recusal is ongoing.

# Haystack fire reveals pot-growing operation

LEWISTON (AP) — Two men are charged with felonies after a haystack-blaze led firefighters to a marijuana-growing operation worth at least \$200,000.

George R. Velikanje, 59, of Colville, Wash., and John A. Reese Jr., 64, of Lewiston, were arrested early Monday following the fire in the Lewiston Orchards area.

Firefighters called to douse the haystack also found 200 marijuana

plants and several thousand dollars worth of equipment.

The plants were located in a barn. A generator which powered the hothouse lights was housed in a nearby plywood box surrounded with hay bales to muffle the generator noise.

Both men were charged with

manufacturing marijuana and conspiracy. Velikanje was also wanted on a federal warrant for selling marijuana.

The fire crew doused the fire before flames could reach a 55-gallon drum filled with gasoline, which was the generator's fuel source.

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# Hispanic inmate claims attorney, court foiled appeal

BOISE (AP) — An Hispanic man convicted of murder during a 1996 bar fight claims his poor English and an apparently indifferent trial attorney and judge foiled his appeal.

The attorney for Antonio Meza-Sayas told the Idaho Court of Appeals on Tuesday that 3rd District Judge James Morrill was wrong when he dismissed the initial appeal, called a post-conviction relief petition, because Meza-Sayas had filed it well after the one-year deadline had passed.

Deputy Attorney General Ralph Blount defended Morrill's decision, citing the time constraints state law imposes on post-conviction relief petitions.

The three-judge panel is expected to rule on the case in the next several months.

Meza-Sayas, 40, of Wilder, pleaded guilty to first-degree murder for the Sept. 8, 1996, shooting death of owner Anticeto Betancourt, 64, in Chetco's bar in Wilder as Betancourt's son watched.

Meza-Sayas was sentenced to life in prison without possibility of parole until September 2026.

Because he was not competent in English, he got another inmate to write two letters that were sent to his trial attorney asking for his case file so he could apply for post-conviction relief. Meza-Sayas said the file was never sent.

Meza-Sayas eventually got a new public defender and the petition was filed in 2000, claiming Meza-Sayas' plea was not voluntary and that he acted in self-defense.

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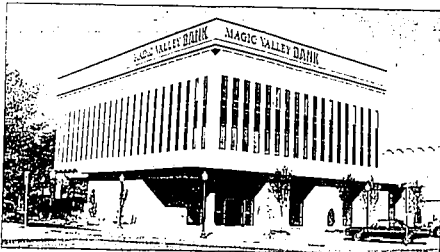
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# Budget crunch prompts four-day weeks

Two school districts try to save money

BOISE (AP) - Shorter school weeks are music to a kid's ears. But officials trying the experiment in two of Idaho's cash-starved school districts are trying to give their budgets, not students, a break.

Two of Idaho's 115 school districts have gone to four-day weeks to accommodate reduced cash from the state and tougher economic times, locally, but officials say it's too early to tell whether the moneysaving move will affect student learning.

The results could affect schools across Idaho.

"Our major concern has to be that there is no loss in education, and I think we're going to know until we get to the spring

and see what our test scores are," Orofino District Superintendent Al Arzen said Monday.

Both Orofino and Challis school districts lengthened the school day by nearly an hour and cut Friday from the school week, leaving students with the same amount or more classroom time than they had in previous years.

The switch is expected to save more than \$150,000 in Orofino, Arzen said.

"Most of that is on the backs of the uncertified employees, such as aides, secretaries, custodians, and on things like school lunches," he said.

Other school districts are paying attention to see how the shorter week goes, said State Department of Education spokeswoman Allison Westfall. The department has received calls from several districts asking

how the Orofino and Challis districts were making the switch and how much money they expected to save.

"Whether any districts are going to pursue it, they haven't indicated to us," Westfall said.

"But school boards make decisions based on budgets every year, on how they can best use dollars without limiting education. It appears that what is driving this is the budget issue, not necessarily what's best for teaching and learning in the district."

School schedules already vary throughout the state, Westfall noted. Some schools take time off for the potato harvest, while others hold school year-round.

The shorter week has offered some other advantages, Arzen said.

"We've been able to do some things that we couldn't do

before," he said. "Teachers still come in two Fridays a month, and that gives us time for collaboration. We can do a better job of inservice days because we no longer have to dismiss school or do just a portion of the staff at a time while bringing in substitutes."

Longer class periods have also helped in some high school subjects like chemistry, science and shop, Arzen said, because it gives students more time to work.

But concerns brought up when the district was considering the plan seem to be holding true as well, Arzen said.

"The long school day is probably the number one worry, particularly with the younger kids in kindergarten through third grade. Teachers are saying those kids are just tired, they're not with you," he said.

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# ACLU takes anti-Patriot Act campaign to Idaho Legislature

POCATELLO (AP) - The American Civil Liberties Union of Idaho will press the state Legislature this winter for a declaration opposing the USA Patriot Act.

ACLU Director Jack Van Valkenburgh said the attempt to change, if not repeal, the sweeping law passed in the weeks following the 2001 terror attacks needs support not only from local governments but also from states if it's to win congressional approval.

Van Valkenburgh, at Idaho State University on Monday night to debate U.S. Attorney Tom Moss on the law, has been part of a group called the Boise Patriots, which spans the political spectrum in its opposition to the law.

The loose-knit organization won a declaration from the conservative Idaho County Commission in September against what the commission majority sees as invasive authority given to federal agents by the law.

Since then, Idaho's two U.S. senators and Rep. Michael Simpson have joined Rep. Butch Otter in calling for revising or drastically revising provisions allowing so-called "sneak-and-peek" warrants, wiretaps, surveillance at libraries and multi-jurisdiction warrants.

All three voted for the law initially while Otter was one of only three Republicans to oppose it from the start.

"We've really gotten some momentum," Donna Yule, a member of the Boise Patriots, said Tuesday.

"We were always going to go to the Legislature but we were not very hopeful before. Now we are."

During the debate at Idaho State, Van Valkenburgh warned

students that just participating in a protest demonstration could be determined a terrorist act under the federal law, which he also said permits federal scrutiny of personal e-mail and secret searches of personal homes.

But Moss complained that critics of the law have overreacted.

"Soon people blame everything on the Patriot Act," he said. "I have a neighbor who blames his carburetor not starting on the Patriot Act. I'm convinced the sky is not going to fall."

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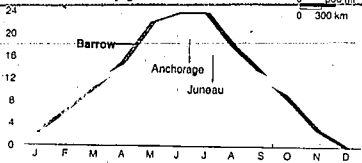
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**Darkness falls on the city**

About 330 miles from the Arctic Circle, residents of Barrow, Alaska, began a two-month stretch of darkness Tuesday. The sun will not rise above the horizon again until Jan. 23.

Average hours of daylight



SOURCES: Alaska Climate Research Center; Associated Press

**Sun sets on Alaskan city until January 23**

BARROW, Alaska (AP) - The sun is setting on America's northernmost city and won't be seen again for two months.

The sun rose at 12:33 p.m. Tuesday and set just one hour and 18 minutes later at 1:51 p.m., according to the National Weather Service in Barrow. After that, the sun will not be seen again until Jan. 23.

"I'm sad to see the sun go, and I look forward to its return next year. It will be great to have it with us again as we move toward spring," said Marie Adams-Carroll, who has lived in Barrow all her life.

She said she and her husband Geoff Carroll have a sled dog team, and even the dogs can be affected by the dark and the cold.

George Cowan, who lived in Barrow for 17 years before moving to Seattle, was back for a visit and reflecting on life in

Alaska's northernmost town.

"It's a bigger deal when it comes back in January after being down for all that time," he said.

"One time, when it was due to return, I walked to the Barrow airport to get a nice picture of the sun when it came up. Then when it happened, I missed taking the picture because both the camera and my fingers had frozen up."

Bob Bolger, who works with computers, said he wasn't that concerned about being thrown into darkness for more than two months.

"The sun is greatly overrated," he said.

To mark the occasion, Barrow was planning a "Goodbye to the Sun" two-mile fun run. The event, which was to begin at 12:15 p.m., was timed so participants could soak up the last few rays, weather permitting.

**Smith'sTix sells tickets to phony reggae tribute concert**

WEST VALLEY CITY, Utah (AP) - Smith'sTix officials say only two tickets have been sold for a Saturday-concert-tribute-to-reggae superstar Bob Marley.

Good thing. The "concert" appears to be a hoax perpetrated on one of the state's largest event ticket distributors.

According to the Smith'sTix Web site, \$35 tickets were listed for sale last week for a concert titled "A Tribute to Bob Marley," scheduled for next Saturday at the Utah Cultural Celebration Center in West Valley City.

But center executive director Ross Olsen said no such concert was on the schedule. Olsen said a group contacted the Cultural Celebration Center to put on the concert for Marley, who died of cancer in 1981. "We had some folks approach us for this very event, but we had no contact with them or any sort of agreement," he said.

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**3-year-old dies in an apparent shooting accident**

WEST VALLEY CITY, Utah (AP) - A 3-year-old boy is dead after apparently being shot by his 4-year-old brother at a home in this Salt Lake City suburb.

The shooting occurred about 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, KUTV reported. Police found a 9 mm pistol at the home.

The children's mother was the only adult at the home when the shooting occurred, police told the television station. Other details of the shooting were not released.

Calls to police by The Associated Press were not immediately returned.

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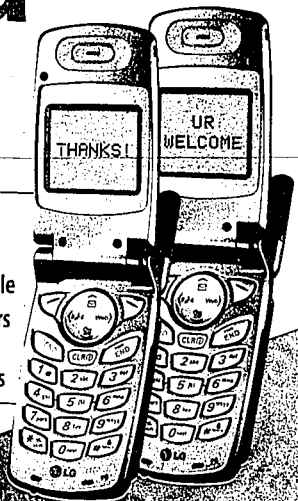
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## Blending the old and the new

Holiday home decorations can include tradition and new style

By Becca Tateoka  
Times-News correspondent

Each family has its own traditions for celebrating Christmas. The same is true when it comes to decorating the home for the holidays.

Some decorations have immense sentimental value, and incorporating sentimental pieces into decorating can enhance the celebration of the holiday.

In the Magic Valley, several local shops are adapting to that reality. Nona Mock, owner of Fox Floral in Twin Falls, said, "People are wanting to bring their traditions home. That might mean they're bringing out their old ornaments."

If your heart is turning toward the glass ornaments your grandmother handed down, there are ways to incorporate the old and the new into your decorations.

Mock's theory behind a traditional Christmas involves using the senses, including smell.

"Someone might bring in their older, artificial wreath. I can add fresh greens, lots of berries, to make it more natural and add that smell they remember," she said. "We're going back to gingerbread, too, because that's what people remember, I think."

Shirley Noble, who works in decorating and merchandising at Kelley Garden Center in Twin Falls, said this type of approach can also bring a more personal touch to the holidays.

"One gal I know brought in a Lenox china piece that we did up in fresh greens and made something unique," she said. "It's your own personal feeling, what you like to do."

Then, each year, you can add to what you already have.

"Maybe someone will bring in a bird house, and we can decorate that for Christmas," said Mock, who noted that you just add to an item for the holidays and then change the Christmas wreaths and bows and use that same object the rest of the year.

Mock believes this approach to holiday decorating "has real class, but with that comfortable, lived-with look."

Teresa Roach, manager at the Garden Gate Gift and Garden Shop in Kimberly Nurseries, keeps everything simple in order to help customers finish their holiday decor. She chooses items for display that are versatile



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Lots of people use white in holiday decorations, because white gives the appearance of more light.

enough to fit with any decor — and she says berry garlands and berry wreaths go with all themes.

The reason berries are so versatile, Mock explained, is "you'll see every shade of red you can imagine, and lots of shades of green with it."

Red is the true Christmas color, Roach said. For that reason, she decided to decorate a tree all in red as one of the featured trees at the garden shop. Inside the store, not all the reds are the same shade.

"There are all types of berry garlands, from glass beads to traditional wood beads," said Roach, all in different shades of red, and it's okay to mix and match to your heart's delight.

Noble mentioned that poinsettias are great in red, in various shades and styles.

Another simple idea is to use lots of white in decorations, because white gives the appearance of more light, Roach said the newer acrylics are adding to this theme.

"Acrylic items are popular, maybe because they're very

durable and lightweight," she said. "They're good for live or cut trees, because those branches need lighter weight items."

The acrylic pieces also can be hung as icicles or snowflakes in a doorway or around eaves, and they come in freestanding objects like Nativity or nature scenes that can be used in addition to what you have.

Roach said Christmas decorating can be functional, too. In fact, she pointed out a theme tree to demonstrate this idea: "We have a gardening theme tree with a hose wound through the tree (for a garland) and different gardening items for decorations."

The tree sports gloves, seed packets and garden shears along with many other "ornaments" that can double as gifts.

And don't forget that functional decorations help wildlife.

"You can cover pine cones with peanut butter and roll them in birdseed," said Noble. "You can make your own, and we sell a lot of them here, too. You just hang them along your eaves."



Theme trees in traditional Christmas colors, like this one at the Garden Gate Gift and Garden Shop at Kimberly Nurseries, are popular this year.

## Cranberries come out for the holidays

The entrance of the home provides guests with a first impression, so make it warm and inviting this holiday season. A bit of greenery with pine cones or cranberries intertwined, a few candles, a simple red bow — all of this can create a subtle, but spirited festive look.



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Versatile fruit works in recipes and decorations

By Sharon Thompson  
Knight Ridder News Service

A bag of cranberries has more uses than Betty Crocker has recipes. Those ruby-red berries appear only from September through December, and 20 percent of the more than 400 million pounds we consume each year are used during Thanksgiving week.

Because cranberries are plen-

tiful during the holidays, you also can use them as colorful decorations. To make a cranberry candle float, fill a punch bowl or other wide-mouthed low bowl with water. Add cranberries, and float lit candles amid the berries.

To prepare cranberries for cooking, sort out bruised, discolored or shriveled berries, then rinse them in cold water. Tightly wrapped, fresh cranberries can be stored in the refrigerator for as long as two months. Cranberries can be frozen for nine months. Just pop them in your freezer for later use (don't wash before freezing). When ready to use, rinse them but do not thaw them. Follow recipe directions using frozen berries.

Gingerbread with warm cranberry compote

- 1 14.5-ounce package gingerbread cake mix
  - 2 cups fresh cranberries
  - 3 cups pineapple chunks, cut in half
  - 1 cup brown sugar
  - 1 teaspoon cinnamon
  - 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
  - Whipped cream, optional
- Prepare gingerbread as directed on package. Cool com-

pletely. Combine remaining ingredients, except whipped cream, in a medium saucepan. Bring mixture to a boil and cook it just until the cranberries begin to pop, stirring frequently. Cool sauce slightly. Spoon warm compote over each serving of gingerbread. Top with whipped cream, if desired. Makes 9 servings.

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# Decorate with pumpkin pizazz

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

If you're trying to spice up your Thanksgiving decorating, colorful pumpkins offer a wealth of possibilities.

Here are some tips from Lowe's:

- Create colorful topiaries to frame your front door. Stack three pumpkins of various sizes. Drill a 1/2-inch hole vertically through the center of the two largest pumpkins and through the bottom of the smallest pumpkin. Anchor a steel rod to a 4-inch square wooden block, and place the block in a planter that is smaller in diameter than the largest pumpkin. Add dry concrete mix around and over the wooden block to a depth of six to eight inches. Add water and allow concrete to set. When it is dry, slide the pumpkins onto the rod, beginning with the largest pumpkin. To hide any exposed wood, pack Spanish moss around the planter's edge. Follow these steps to make a second topiary, and place one on either side of your front door.

- Arrange a variety of fresh fall flowers in a vase filled with water. Place the vase in a hollowed-out pumpkin and use leaves, pinecones and twigs as accents.

- Fill smaller pumpkins with potpourri for your bathrooms or kitchen.

- Use smaller pumpkins and gourds as candleholders. Cut a circle out of the top, sprinkle on cinnamon and nutmeg and place a tealight inside. As the candle burns, the aroma of the spices will fill the room.

- Use smaller pumpkins as place-card holders. Cut a name card, or paint your guests' names directly on the pumpkins.

- Use hollowed-out pumpkins as serving bowls. After scooping out the seeds and pulp, line a pumpkin with orange cellophane or a decorative cloth napkin and pack it with chips, crackers or candy. Or use a large pumpkin as a tureen for warm pumpkin soup and smaller pumpkins as soup bowls. If you're having a party, consider using a large pumpkin as an ice bucket or a serving bowl for hot spiced cider or punch.



Small pumpkins, and other fruit, can add the perfect festive touch to the Thanksgiving table. Photo courtesy Reynolds Kitchen

# Poinsettia: Give it a little pinch

Poinsettias flew off store shelves last week. I saw people "snugging" up the plastic sleeves over their holiday plants to help keep our winds from chilling the red-leaved prizes. And that's good. Inverting a big, roomy brown paper bag over the top would be even better.

Poinsettias, given their druthers, would rather be growing as a thick, healthy hedge in a tropical climate, such as Guam. Cold winds and temperatures under about 55 degrees do not amuse them. When you decide to buy yours, take it home immediately. It does not want to sit around in a cold car while you dawdle through every store in town.

Once home, rip off the pretty foil and plastic. Poinsettias need all the light and air they can get and that stuff will kill off leaves faster than you can say "Kris Kringle." Set the pot on a deep saucer to catch extra water, then drain the saucer after each watering so the roots can air out. You can always slip the colored foil back over the pot just before company comes if you feel you really need it to complete your holiday look.

Put the poinsettia where it can catch some rays at least six hours every day. Near a window with sheer curtains would be ideal, since they are easily sunburned.

They don't like a draft, either. Keep the plant off the TV (too much heat - it would really prefer the room to be around 70 degrees, thank you), away from furnace ducts (too much moving air) and away from outside doors.

While your poinsettia is in bloom, it won't need to be fertilized. Now you've got to learn



which part is the bloom. The big, showy red things are really leaves. The branches they grow on are called bracts. The tiny yellow things inside the red centers are the actual blooms. You can see the bright yellow pollen. When those dry up and fall off, the poinsettia blooms are done for.

While poinsettias are NOT poisonous (somebody started an awful rumor many moons ago, and it hung on forever), some people are allergic to them while they're in bloom. Make your home an easy-breathing zone during the holidays: Pinch off those tiny yellow flowers. You'll get pollen and some of the sticky sap on your fingers as you do this little chore, but the reward is worth it. The plant will not suffer and your guests won't have stuffy noses. Check in a couple of days - not all the flowers open up at the same time, and you'll probably have to pinch some more out.

Poinsettia sap contains some latex - that's what makes it so sticky. And it can cause a mild rash in those who are sensitive. Wash your hands with soap and water after handling your poinsettia. And enjoy your big, beautiful symbol of Christmas.

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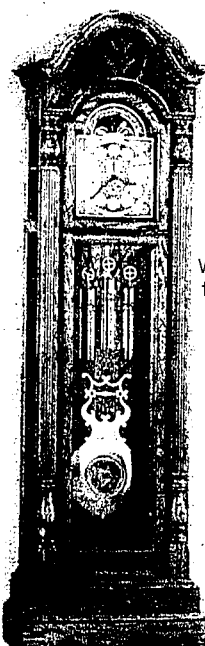



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# Cheese ball variations are tasty, fun

By Laura WorlIn and Annie Rush  
Knight Ridder News Service

This cheese ball is the essence of holiday entertaining - so wintry and so satisfying.

There is, of course, the quintessential cheddar and walnut cheese-ball-made-famous-by-Hickory Farms of Ohio. But today, cheesemakers themselves are getting in on the act - in the form of an ash-coated goat cheese and christened "Wabash Cannonball" by Cannonball Cheese Company owner Judy Schud of Indiana. Or Bingham Hill Cheese Company of Colorado rolls its creamy Poudre Puff in herbs and changes the cheese's name to Tumbleweed.

The newest version of "The Joy of Cooking" contains straightforward recipe drawings on cream cheese for the base and enhancing it with parmesan, onions, carrots, celery, horseradish and mayonnaise to hold it all together. The ball is

then rolled in chopped walnuts. A variation on this theme utilizes white cheddar rather than parmesan, and sour cream instead of mayonnaise. It's modernized by the addition of currants and pine nuts.

Other ingredients to consider are olives - cheese-balls with sun-dried tomatoes, goat cheese, herbs, chopped dates or any other flavor enhancer that's seasonal or simply strikes your fancy. To make it, all you need is at least one creamy cheese, such as cream cheese, fromage blanc, ricotta or goat cheese (or a combination of any of these), and usually another harder, cheese that's grated. Combine those, along with just enough sour cream, creme fraiche or mayonnaise, to hold the cheese together, and add the rest of your ingredients. But don't stop there. A cheese ball must have a beautiful coating - nuts, dried fruit or just a light dusting of paprika.

## Cheese ball recipes

From Betty Watson's "Encyclopedia of Cheese & Cheese Cookery," this recipe beams "holiday entertaining." Move over, popcorn ball.

**RED AND GREEN CHEDDAR BALLS**  
Makes 24 small balls  
1/2 pound cheddar, shredded (2 cups)  
4 tablespoons (1/2 stick) butter, softened  
2 tablespoons medium sherry or beer

Paprika  
Minced parsley  
Combine cheese and butter, beat until smooth; gradually beat in sherry or beer. Form into tiny balls. Roll half the balls in paprika and half in parsley. Chill. Serve alone or on round crackers.

**BASIC CHEESE BALL**  
Makes one 7-inch ball  
2 8-ounce packages cream

cheese, softened  
1/3 cup grated parmesan cheese  
1/4 cup mayonnaise  
2 tablespoons finely chopped onions

2 tablespoons finely chopped carrots  
2 tablespoons finely chopped celery  
1 teaspoon drained horseradish  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 1/4 cups chopped walnuts (optional)

Place the mixture on a large piece of plastic wrap. Bring up the edges of the wrap and form the mixture into a ball. Place in a small deep bowl to help it hold its shape and refrigerate for at least 1 hour. If desired, when firm, roll the cheese ball in chopped walnuts. Press the nuts to make them adhere. Serve with crackers. The cheese ball can be stored in the refrigerator for up to 3 days.  
-From "The Joy of Cooking" (Simon and Schuster, 1997)

# Let America not forget its culinary roots

By Allison Askins  
Knight Ridder News Service

Becoming a fast-food nation isn't just bad for our health. It's also causing us to lose our culinary memory. Soon, an entire generation of Americans will grow into adulthood without the foggiest idea about how to prepare a fresh green bean.

Here, we hope to preserve some of that knowledge. Let's start with sweet potatoes: You can bake them, fry them, mash them and create delicious pies with them. Few vegetables are as versatile as the sweet potato. Or as packed with nutritional value.

The sweet potato is not a variety of potato. It is a root from the morning glory family. While many think sweet potatoes and yams are interchangeable, they are not. The yam is a type of sweet potato imported from the Caribbean. It, however, has far less beta

## Sweet potato recipes

**BAKED SWEET POTATOES**  
4 servings  
4 small to medium-sized sweet potatoes  
1 to 2 tablespoons vegetable oil

After washing potatoes, pat dry and rub with vegetable oil. Place on cookie sheet and bake at 350 degrees for about 45-50 minutes or until fork tender. Potatoes also may be cooked in the microwave at different times depending on the strength of your microwave. Can be topped with butter, salt and pepper; butter and cinnamon; brown sugar and butter; salsa; or cinnamon-flavored applesauce.

carotene than the sweet potato and is typically rough and scaly in appearance.

**SWEET POTATO SOUFFLE**  
8 servings  
6 medium sweet potatoes, cooked and mashed  
3 cups sugar  
1 stick margarine  
3 eggs  
2 teaspoon orange flavoring  
1 small can evaporated milk  
1 cup pecan pieces, toasted  
1 cup miniature marshmallows

Mix all ingredients except pecans and marshmallows. Place in casserole dish sprayed with cooking spray. Cover with marshmallows and pecans. Cook for 35-45 minutes at 350 degrees.

Always select well-shaped, firm sweet potatoes. Also, be sure potatoes are free of blemishes and

fairly even in color. Keep them in a cool (55 to 60 degrees), dry place and enjoy them all year. Do not refrigerate uncooked sweet potatoes. The extremely cool temperatures can damage the vegetable.

You can eat sweet potatoes many different ways:  
• Simmer chips of sweet potato in a skillet with apple jelly, cinnamon and a dash of salt. Or with brown sugar and butter.  
• Substitute white potato chunks with sweet potato chunks in stews and soups.  
• Slice into very thin slices, lightly coat with olive oil and salt. Bake at 400 degrees until done through and crispy on edges.  
• Use shredded sweet potatoes in a slaw mixture.  
• Stuff baked potato skins with mixture of mashed white and sweet potatoes. Top with cinnamon.  
• Serve raw, cut into sticks, with a dip.

# There's a way to get children to eat Brussels sprouts

By Craig LaBan  
The Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA - So many small children pass through tiny Barchus Market in Philadelphia's Filer Square that owner Tracy Wolfson has become something of an expert on feeding Brussels sprouts to kids. Her principal strategy is not to lie, per se, but simply to communicate another version of the truth: Just tell them sprouts are "baby cabbages." Tiny, plxie, cute cabbages - marbled

sized nuggets of tightly coiled leaves so sweet and nutty and oh-so-delicately bitter that they need only a gentle cooking at most. Boil them whole for no more than 10 minutes in salted water (8 minutes if you slice them in half). Shave them into shreds and stir-fry for a minute. I've also enjoyed Brussels sprouts at home plain; steamed and tossed with butter, bread crumbs, and a squeeze of lemon; or glazed with a little walnut oil as a perfect tonic to their gentle bitterness.

**BRUSSELS SPROUTS WITH WALNUT OIL**  
Makes 4 side-dish servings  
1 tablespoon unsalted butter  
1 1/2 tablespoons walnut oil  
2 tablespoons chopped Italian parsley  
2 tablespoons thinly sliced chives  
1 pound small Brussels sprouts  
Salt and freshly ground pepper  
Put the butter, walnut oil, parsley and chives in a serving bowl; set aside. Trim the ends from the Brussels sprouts. Bring

a large pot of salted water to a boil over high heat. Add the sprouts and cook until just tender, about 10 minutes. Drain; return sprouts to pot. Reduce heat to low and cook sprouts briefly, shaking the pot, until any water has evaporated. Transfer sprouts to the serving bowl and season well with salt and pepper. Toss until butter melts and seasonings evenly coat the sprouts.  
-From "Fresh From the Farmers' Market," by Janet Goldberg

# Here's the complete recipe for that pumpkin pie cake

In a recipe printed in the Nov. 13 Valley Cooking column in the Food & Home section, a step was omitted. Here is the correct recipe.

**PUMPKIN PIE CAKE**  
1 1/2 cups sugar  
1 teaspoon salt  
2 teaspoon cinnamon  
1 teaspoon ginger  
1/2 teaspoon cloves  
4 large eggs  
1 29-ounce can Libby's Pure Pumpkin  
2 12-ounce cans evaporated milk  
1 box yellow cake mix (white works, too)  
1 cup butter, melted  
1 pint heavy whipping cream  
Preheat oven to 350. Mix sugar, salt, cinnamon, ginger and cloves in small bowl. Beat eggs in large bowl. Stir in pumpkin and

sugar/spice mixture. Gradually stir in evaporated milk. Pour into a 13-by-9-inch pan; sprinkle the cake mix evenly over the pumpkin pie mixture. Pour melted butter over the cake mix, as evenly as possible. Bake for 50 to 60 minutes or until a knife inserted into center of the cake comes out clean. (Just like with the pies, it sets up as it cools.) Cool for at least an hour or two before serving. Whip the whipping cream, adding sugar, if necessary, for taste. Serve each cake piece with dollop of whipped cream.

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# Clothes dryers are getting better

New machines have more accurate controls than their predecessors

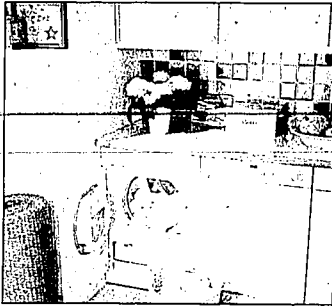
**DEAR JIM:** My old electric clothes dryer is noisy and the clothes are often still damp or too dry with wrinkles. I need a new efficient one with more accurate and convenient controls. What do you suggest for me?

-JUDY D.

**DEAR JUDY:** The quality of controls (cycles, times, temperatures, dryness sensors, etc.) separate a high-quality dryer from a poor one. Your old dryer may be well-made, but the accurate high-tech electronic controls and soundproofing materials in new ones were not available when your old one was built. Dryers are simple devices with a blower to suck heated air through the clothes and a rotating drum to tumble them. The operating cost (efficiency) is a function of good controls which run for the shortest time at the ideal temperature for thorough, wrinkle-free drying. Instead of a standard dryer which is vented outdoors, consider a no-vent condensing dryer which you can locate anywhere in your home where sound will not be a problem. Some models are combina-



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James Dulley



In addition to more attractive controls, new dryers tend to be quieter.

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tion washer/dryers. You put in dirty clothes and take out clean dry wrinkle-free clothes and hour or two later. No-vent dryers plug into any standard 110-volt wall outlet. Heated air flows through the wet clothes and absorbs the moisture which dries them. This warm moist air goes through a condensing heat exchanger where the water drips into a pan. During winter, this keeps heat inside your home.

Some new vented models use special sound absorbing materials so they should be adequately quiet. Most importantly, select one with a true electronic dryness sensor. This is a small sensor located inside the drum area. It touches the clothes as they tumble to get a precise measurement of their dryness. Look for it inside the drum or check the product specifications. Many top-quality dryers use a polished stainless steel drum instead of enameled steel. Stainless steel is durable (no paint to chip), easy to clean and easy on the fabrics as they tumble against it.

Some of the dryers with stainless steel drums have capacities as high as 7.3 cubic feet. A reversing rotation feature enhances drying and reduces wrinkles. Every several minutes, the dryer reverses rotation to keep clothes untangled and improve air flow through them. Another convenient feature tumbles the clothes every minute after they are dry until you remove them. A high-temperature antibacterial feature to kill germs can be used on cottons. Digital control panels are the easiest to use on full-featured models. A dirty lint filter warning light or alarm is a help-

ful reminder. With nine or more preset cycles on some dryers, you can usually find one to match the load type. Selecting a preset cycle provides the most efficient drying.

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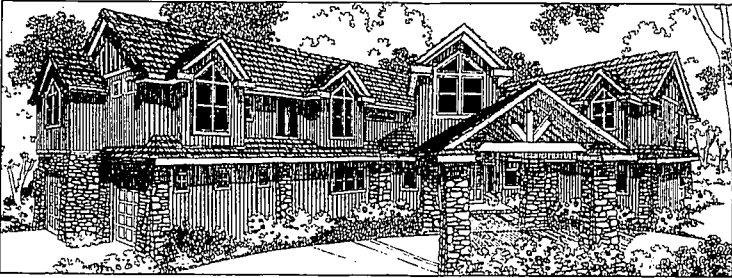
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on the left. Two sets of double doors here offer access to another, even larger, patio. Windows fill most of the dining room's rear wall. Pocket doors open to reveal a large country kitchen with a bayed nook. A third patio is just outside the nook. A broom closet and walk-in pantry line the short hallway to the garage and back stairway.

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FOOD & HOME

# Meatloaf dinner comes together fast

By Linda Gassenheimer  
Knight-Ridder News Service

My secret for making a quick meat loaf is to bake it on a baking sheet, which allows hot air to circulate around the meat for quick cooking. Don't be put off by the 16 garlic cloves in the recipe; they are boiled and add a pleasant, mild garlic flavor.

**MEAT LOAF**  
1/4 cup thinly sliced onion  
1/2 medium carrot thinly sliced (1/4 cup)

2 teaspoons dried sage  
2 teaspoons dried thyme  
1/2 cup plain bread crumbs  
1/2 pound ground lean beef (sirloin or chuck can be used)  
1 egg white  
Salt and freshly ground black pepper  
1 large tomato, sliced  
1/2 cup onion to 400 degrees  
Spray small nonstick frying pan with vegetable oil spray, add onions and carrots and saute 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Mix

with sage, thyme and bread crumbs. Add ground beef. Add egg white, and salt and pepper to taste. Mix well. Line baking tray with foil and shape meat into a loaf, about 4 by 6 inches. Bake 10 minutes. Serve with the potatoes and sliced tomatoes. Makes 2 servings.

**Garlic Whipped Potatoes:**  
1 pound russet potatoes  
1/2 medium cloves garlic, peeled  
5 tablespoons water (cooking water from potatoes)  
Salt and freshly ground pepper

Wash potatoes, do not peel, cut into 1-inch pieces. Place in a large saucepan and add cold water to cover. Cover with a lid and bring to a boil; cook 10 minutes. Add garlic cloves and continue to boil 5 minutes. Remove 5 tablespoons cooking water, reserve and drain potatoes. Pass them through a potato ricer or food mill. If using a food processor, process only until just blended, about 5 seconds. Whisk in reserved water. Add salt and pepper to taste.

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# Recipe conjures memories from American past

By Linda Cicero  
The Miami Herald

This recipe is from a Kraft promotional brochure of the 1950s. I love the term icebox, used to label desserts which require no baking - it conjures up thoughts of lovely old oak and brass iceboxes.

**PINEAPPLE CREAM CHEESE ICEBOX PIE**  
1 (8-inch) baked pie shell or graham cracker crust  
1 (20-ounce) can juice-packed crushed pineapple  
1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, softened  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 cup heavy cream

**Cook's corner**  
Drain the pineapple, reserving the juice. Thoroughly beat the cream cheese with the sugar and 2 tablespoons of the reserved pineapple juice, then beat in the pineapple. In a separate bowl whip the cream until stiff and fold into cheese mixture. Fill pie shell and refrigerate thoroughly. Makes 8 servings.

Arlene Tepper of North Miami Beach asked for help finding a recipe for intershulgena, a creamy, comforting potato soup - her husband

yearned to taste again.

**INTERGOSHULGENA (CREAMY POTATO SOUP)**  
4 medium-size potatoes, peeled and cut in small pieces  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 onion, peeled  
1 egg yolk  
1 tablespoon milk  
1/2 cup sour cream  
Place the potatoes and 2 cups water in a 2-quart saucepan. Add the salt and the whole onion; bring to a boil. Reduce heat to simmer and cook for 30 minutes, until potatoes are tender. Remove from heat; discard onion. Beat the egg yolk and milk together. Pour a little of the pota-

to cooking liquid into the yolk, stirring briskly to keep egg from curdling. Whisk back into the soup. Repeat this process with the sour cream, pouring a little of the cooking liquid into the cream as you stir briskly, then stirring the mixture thoroughly into the soup. Serve warm. Makes 4 servings.

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# Consider quick cauliflower pickles

Los Angeles Times

**QUICK CAULIFLOWER PICKLES**  
1/4 cup olive oil  
2 onions, coarsely chopped  
1 clove garlic, smashed  
1 1/4 pounds (about 6 cups) cauliflower florets  
2/3 cup white wine  
2/3 cup white wine vinegar  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 bay leaf  
4-6 sprigs fresh thyme  
1/2 teaspoon whole black peppercorns  
1/4 teaspoon dried red pepper flakes

1 cup pitted green olives  
Zest of 1/2 lemon  
Heat the olive oil and onion over low heat in a large saucepan or straight-sided saute pan. Cook until the onion becomes translucent, about 3 minutes. Add the garlic cloves and cook until they begin to soften, 4 to 5 minutes. Add the cauliflower, white wine, white wine vinegar, salt, bay leaf, thyme, whole peppercorns and red pepper flakes. Cook until the cauliflower is tender but crisp, about 5 minutes. With a

slotted spoon, remove the cauliflower to a bowl; set aside. Add the green olives and lemon zest to the pan, increase the heat to high and reduce the liquid to a thick syrup, 5 to 8 minutes. Remove the bay leaf and pour the syrup over the florets. Cover tightly and refrigerate at least a couple of hours before serving. The cauliflower will keep for several weeks if refrigerated. Servings: 12.

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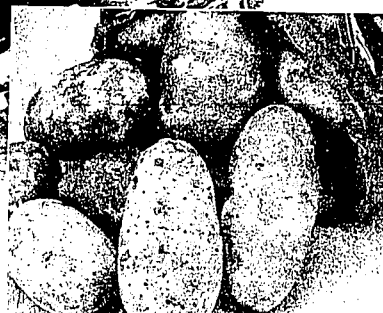
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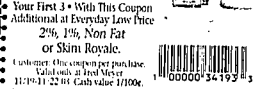


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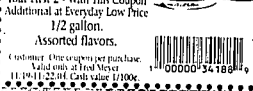
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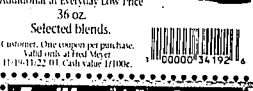
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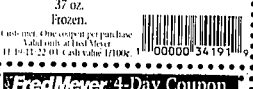
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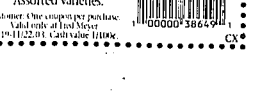
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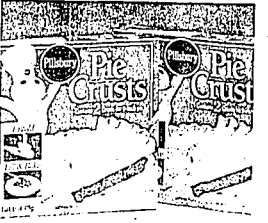
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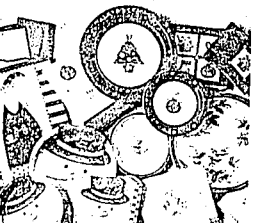
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# Neiman Marcus restaurants offer recipes

By Liz Atwood  
The Baltimore Sun

In the late 1940s, Neiman Marcus founder Herbert Marcus Sr. was tired of the food in downtown Dallas restaurants so his son, Stanley, arranged for food to be brought to the store. A few years later, his son opened the Zodiac Room in the Dallas store. To mark the 50th anniversary of that, the company has published recipes from its 43 restaurants.

Kevin P. Garvin, vice president of Neiman Marcus Restaurants, and cookbook co-author John Harrison let Neiman Marcus fans in on a few secrets in "The Neiman Marcus Cookbook: 50 Years of Recipes" (Clarkson Potter/Publishers). The trademark strawberry butter for popovers and monkey bread is simply a mixture of butter and good-quality strawberry preserves.

The most famous recipe is for chocolate-chip cookies. Despite an urban myth that Neiman Marcus charged a woman \$250 for the recipe, the company denies that. In fact, there wasn't a recipe until the 1990s, when one was created to refute the legend.

**NEIMAN MARCUS CHOCOLATE-CHIP COOKIES**  
 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, softened  
 1 cup light-brown sugar  
 3 tablespoons granulated sugar  
 1 large egg  
 2 teaspoons vanilla extract  
 1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour  
 1/2 teaspoon baking powder  
 1/2 teaspoon baking soda  
 1/2 teaspoon salt  
 1 1/2 cups semisweet chocolate chips  
 1 1/2 teaspoons instant espresso coffee powder

Preheat the oven to 300 degrees. Place the butter, brown sugar and granulated sugar in the work bowl of an electric mixer fitted with a paddle attachment. Beat on medium speed about 30 seconds, until fluffy. Beat in the egg and vanilla for 30 seconds longer, until well combined. In a mixing bowl, sift together flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Add to

the mixture, beating on slow speed. Beat about 15 seconds, stir in the chocolate chips and espresso powder and mix 15 seconds longer. Prepare a cookie sheet with about 2 tablespoons of shortening (or use a nonstick spray). Using a 1-ounce scoop or 2-tablespoon measure, drop the dough onto the sheet in dollops about 3 inches apart. Gently press down with the back of the

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### MORNING LINE

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#### IN BRIEF

### Hagerman man shoots under his age

**BUHL** - John LeMoine, 80, of Hagerman shot a round of 79 on Tuesday at Clear Lake Country Club in Buhl. The witnesses included his wife Peg and John Crawford, Neal Dehn, Fred Walmsley and Phil Smith.

### T.F. rec coaches get into Bruins games for free

**TWIN FALLS** - All youth coaches who show their Twin Falls Parks and Recreation volunteer pins will be admitted free to all Twin Falls High School boys and girls home basketball games this season.

### High schools schedule boys hoops jamboree

**GOODING** - There will be a boys basketball jamboree Saturday, Nov. 29 at the Gooding High School Gymnasium starting at 6 p.m. The Gooding, Wood River, and The Community School varieties will take part.  
Admission is \$4 for adults and \$3 for students.

### Burley Golf Course announces winter rates

**BURLEY** - Winter rates of \$5 per nine holes walked and \$10 per nine holes including a golf cart are now in effect at the Burley Golf Course. The pro shop is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and tee times are first come, first served. Call ahead at 878-9807 to make sure the course is playable.

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**TWIN FALLS** - The winter golf rates are reduced at Candleridge Golf Course in Twin Falls. Starting Saturday through Feb. 29, the cost is \$5 for nine holes and \$10 all-day.

### Rupert rec basketball registration continues

**RUPERT** - Registration for the Rupert Recreation Department's high school basketball and youth boys' basketball programs will run through Dec. 12.  
All boys grades 7-6 and 9-12 are welcomed to register at Rupert City Hall between 9-5.  
The cost is \$15 per player if registered by Dec. 12 and \$30 thereafter.

The season will start in January and run through February. Call 434-2100 for more information.

Compiled from staff reports

#### TRIVIA ANSWER:

Walter Payton, 368 yards.

# Soccer phenom joins D.C. United



Freddy Adu trains prior to a U17 World Championship match Aug. 20.

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** - Spurning overtures from some of the world's greatest clubs, 14-year-old American soccer phenom Freddy Adu signed a six-year deal with MLS. He will join D.C. United next season.  
Adu is expected to become the youngest player for a U.S. professional top-level team in more than 100 years - since 14-year-old Fred Chapman debuted for Philadelphia of major league baseball's American Association in 1887.  
MLS will take full advantage of its signing coup by formally introducing Adu at New York's Madison Square Garden on Wednesday. The player whose tal-

ents have brought comparisons with Pele - and who just might be the player who puts pro soccer in the popular mainstream in the United States - will then appear on the "Late Show With David Letterman."  
"He is widely considered the best young soccer player in the world," commissioner Don Garber said Tuesday. "And we believe that playing in his home country, in MLS, will further develop him as a player and, most importantly, as a person."  
Adu was courted extensively by Manchester United and other blue chip European teams. He chose to remain near his home in Potomac, Md., where he and his family have lived since immigrating from Ghana in 1997.

"We wanted to allow Freddy to pursue his dreams and develop his God-given talents," said Adu's mother, Emelia. "As he makes this next step at the age of 14, it was best for Freddy to stay in America and sign with MLS."  
Adu will be a Project-40 player - an MLS program designed to accelerate the development of top young Americans while awarding them college scholarships for use in future years. He will be eligible for January's draft.  
Adu's development has been watched closely for years. He was a high school All-American as a freshman and attended the U.S. Under-14 boys' national team camp in 2001. He began playing for the U.S. Under-17 team last year at age 13, scoring 22 goals in

2002 and a team-leading 29 goals in 46 matches this year.  
He led the U.S. team to the quarterfinals of the Under-17 world championships in Finland in August, scoring three goals in the opening match and the winning goal in the second game.  
Born June 2, 1989, Adu currently trains with the Under-17 team in Bradenton, Fla., where he is also expected to receive his high school diploma in May - just days before his 15th birthday.  
"I grew up watching MLS, and I look forward to the challenge," said Adu, who was undergoing a league physical exam Tuesday night. "This league will help me develop as a player, and I hope I can leave my mark as soon as possible."

# Bonds wins third MVP in a row

That makes it six total for the S.F. slugger

By Ronald Blum  
Associated Press writer

**NEW YORK** - This one was for Dad. Barry Bonds won a record sixth National League MVP award Tuesday, becoming the first player to capture the honor for three consecutive years.  
His thoughts immediately turned to Bobby Bonds, his three-time All-Star father who died in August.  
"This award is more special to me than any award I've ever received because it's dedicated to my father," said the San Francisco outfielder, who has won twice as many of these awards as any other player.

"He has been my hitting coach my entire life, ever since I was a little kid. I miss him dearly. It's a really emotional time for me right now."  
And a controversial time, too.  
Bonds and other athletes have been subpoenaed to testify by a federal grand jury investigating the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative, a nutritional supplements lab. On Monday, a lawyer for Bonds' personal trainer, Greg Anderson, confirmed his client is a target of the probe.

Bonds declined comment on BALCO, citing his lawyer's advice. But he did welcome the start of steroid testing with penalties in baseball next season. The testing was triggered when more than 5 percent of tests this year came back positive in an anonymous survey.  
"I am glad there is going to be testing," he said. "I am glad that, hopefully, it will diminish a lot of every-one's speculation, and everyone can just move on."  
Bonds defended his withdrawal from the Major League Baseball Players Association's licensing program starting next season, meaning the union can no longer make deals to use his image on souvenirs.

Bonds wants to control his likeness as he approaches Hank Aaron's career home-run record of 755. Bonds is fourth with 658, also trailing Babe Ruth (714) and Willie Mays (660), Bonds' godfather.  
By going on his own, Bonds said he will be able to give back to the community and fund projects.  
"I felt I've really been misrepresented. Please see BONDS, Page D4



San Francisco Giants' Barry Bonds connects for a solo home run on a pitch from Colorado Rockies starting pitcher Darren Oliver in the fourth inning in Denver July 10. Bonds won his record sixth National League MVP award Tuesday becoming the first player to get the honor in three consecutive years.

# U.S. team takes Presidents Cup matches more seriously

By Doug Ferguson  
Associated Press writer

**GEORGE, South Africa** - The photo on the front page of the Cape Times sent a strong signal to captain Jack Nicklaus that the Americans were not taking this Presidents Cup lightly.

There was Tiger Woods, dressed in shorts and sneakers, hitting balls on the range two days before the U.S. team was scheduled to arrive on the Links Course at Fancourt.

"We have two great teams that both want to play well and want to do well," Nicklaus said Tuesday. "I know that when I see that Tiger Woods showed up early, and Charles Howell III, Chris DiMarco and Jay Haas.

"They all four were here a day before anybody was supposed to be here to play the golf course and get ready for it. You knew they wanted to play well."  
The Presidents Cup has always featured two of the best teams in golf.

The only other time it was played outside the United States, it seemed only one of them wanted to play well.

The Americans suffered their worst defeat ever in team competition, 20-5. Please see GOLF, Page D4



American golfers Tiger Woods, right, and Charles Howell III walk together during a practice session for the Presidents Cup Golf Tournament, at Fancourt Golf Estate in George, South Africa on Monday.

# She's the only female boy's H.S. soccer coach in Idaho

By Mitch Worthington  
Idaho Falls Post Register

**IDAHO FALLS** - It happens all the time. Before every Teton High School boys soccer match, the referees approach the Redskins' sideline before the game to get the rosters from the coaches.

More often than not, they head straight for Lance Fuisting. Which is all good and well, except Fuisting isn't the coach.

Fuisting, who coaches the Teton girls and assists with the boys, just sort of grins, points at the blond woman standing next to him and says, "You need to talk to coach Brown."

After the deep-in-the-headlights look subsides, the referees turn to a smiling Kathryn Brown and begin apologizing.

"Pardon their mistake because Brown is the lone female boy's soccer coach in the state. She's also the only woman that coaches any boys' team sport in Idaho."

"We just kind of smirk, because it's expected," Brown said. "We just kind of take it in stride and step up to it."  
The novelty of Brown as the lone woman in the boys' game

quickly wears off when you watch the Redskins, who went 7-6-2 this year and have made the state tournament both years Brown coached.

"She's had both great success here," Teton athletic director Kent Patterson said, "and I think she'll continue to have success."

That is high praise for Brown, who didn't even play soccer growing up. Brown played basketball and ran track at Skyline High School, but was first turned onto soccer on an LDS mission in Argentina in 1994-95.

"It's kind of like watching kids in America at recess playing basketball," Patterson said. "Down there, it's soccer. On the days of the big soccer matches, the people get all psyched up for it. They get into their soccer for sure."

Brown received a degree in physical education from Idaho State University in 1998, and began teaching Spanish at Teton the following year. She started coaching soccer in 2000, the first year the sport was sanctioned in Idaho, because the school district couldn't find anybody else to fill the job.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Rivers becomes season's first coaching casualty

PHOENIX (AP) - The worst start in the 15-year history of the Orlando Magic coach Doc Rivers...



Doc Rivers

Only a few hours after Rivers talked to reporters about his management has stuck behind him, he was fired and replaced by assistant coach Johnny Davis.

General manager John Heil and Gabriel Dellaportero called the news late Monday night at a meeting at the team's hotel in Salt Lake City...

Much of their troubles stem from the loss of Grant Hill, limited to just 47 games in three-plus seasons because of a stress fracture in his left ankle.

His huge contract is also a massive impediment to Orlando's salary cap situation. The team signed him and Tracy McGrady in 2000, believing the tandem could lead the Magic to the top of the East.

Davis, a former head coach of the Philadelphia 76ers, was given a two-year contract. He had been a Magic assistant since Rivers became coach.

Success for him." Rivers was named NBA coach of the year in his first season after directing a team that had four non-drafted starters to a 42-42 record.

"I thought the management and team were both great, I couldn't ask for anything more."

Orlando has the third-youngest team in the NBA, and Westbrook felt Davis would be better at teaching the younger players.

Mets fire Slinger in wake of racially insensitive comment

NEW YORK - Bill Slinger was fired by the New York Mets on Tuesday, a week after the newly hired special assistant made racially insensitive remarks to a group of reporters.

At the general manager's meetings in Phoenix, Slinger reportedly asked Dodgers assistant general manager Kim Ng questions about her background and later spoke in gibberish, making fun of the Chinese language.

Slinger was hired by Mets general manager Jim Duquette on Nov. 6 after spending the 2003 season as a special assistant to the GM of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

A's looking to ship Long, Hernandez, to San Diego

OAKLAND, Calif. - The Oakland Athletics and San Diego Padres were working on a trade Tuesday that would send All-Star catcher Ramon Hernandez and disgruntled outfielder Terrence Long to the Padres for outfielder Mark Kotsay.

The trade would give San Diego a topflight catcher for the first time in recent years, further boosting the organization has plans to be a contender for the long-term downtown ballpark opens in April.

The deal wouldn't save much money for the penny-pinching A's. Kotsay will make about \$16 million over the next three years - roughly the same amount Hernandez and Long will make.

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SPORTS

USC coach offers no complaint on ranking



Southern Cal coach Pete Carroll looks at the scoreboard during first half action against Notre Dame Oct. 18 in South Bend, Ind. The USC Trojans slipped to No. 3 in the BCS rankings, are more concerned this week with winning the city championship than a national title since they face rival UCLA.

Says that's the way the system works, focuses on winning.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Southern California coach Pete Carroll has no complaint about his team's BCS ranking, although he would prefer a different system to determine college football's national champion.

Despite beating Arizona 45-0 last weekend, the Trojans dropped to third in the BCS rankings and, for the moment, out of the national title picture. Ohio State, which defeated Purdue 16-13 in overtime, vaulted over USC and into the second spot behind Oklahoma.

Carroll said Tuesday his feelings about the BCS rankings haven't changed.

"This is a system that will come into play at the end of the year. It's really fun and topical for everyone to talk about, and there's some drama with it," he said. "This is the system that we live with. It is what it is. We know all the conversations will come, but we also realize it doesn't have anything to do with what we are doing on the football field.

"The best thing we can do to give ourselves the best chance is obviously to play real well."

USC (9-1) has scored 43 or more points in each of its last five games, all lopsided victories. The Buckeyes (10-1) have won three times without scoring an offensive touchdown, including their victory over Purdue. Five of Ohio State's wins were by a touchdown or less.

Teams

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For the boys, seniors Chad Hazzler and Andy Weigel made the second team. The Bruin boys went 0-2 at the state tournament this fall after taking the No. 2 seed out of District Four-Five-Six.

Weigel led the team in goals. "Chad played sweeper in the first half of the season but when I stepped up he moved into the middle where he started to have his game come together," Felton said. "When the team began to reel, he was crucial to that and the other coaches noticed."

The boys coach of the year was Nick Josten of Idaho Falls. The Most Valuable Player award went to senior forward George Josten of Idaho Falls while the offensive player of the year honor went to senior forward Greg Brown of Idaho Falls. Defensive player of the year went to sophomore goalie Jack Nukava of Skyline.

The girls coach of the year was Carl Milligan of Skyline. The defensive player of the year was senior Kate Rippel of Skyline

Bonds

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throughout my career as a bad guy, bad person," Bonds said. "This gives the licensee an opportunity to really know me."

Bonds, the only player to win more than three MVPs, hit .341 with 45 homers and 90 RBIs, leading the major leagues in slugging percentage (.749), fourth base percentage (.529) and walks.

The 12-time All-Star received 28 of 32 first-place votes and 426 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

St. Louis outfielder Albert Pujols, second with three first-place votes and 302 points, Atlanta outfielder Gary Sheffield got the other first-place vote and

was third with 247 points. Among the four major North American professional sports, only the NHL's Wayne Gretzky has more MVP awards, with nine. The NBA's Kareem Abdul-Jabbar also won six MVPs.

"To be able to say you've won this award six times, there's no words for it," Bonds said. "If he maintains his home-run pace, Bonds would reach Aaron's record in 2005 or 2006.

"I feel that Hank Aaron's record is the greatest single record in all of sports," Bonds said. "It's going to be a very difficult task to do, but I'm prepared for the challenge. I just don't know if it's reachable." Bonds has reached 45 homers in

while the offensive honor went to Tia Gardner a senior from Highland.

A full list of honorees follows:

- First team - Carl Ott, senior, Twin Falls, goalkeeper; Craig Lewis, senior, Idaho Falls, defense; Alan Martinez, sophomore, Pocatello, offense; ...

The Trojans' lone defeat was a 34-31 triple-overtime loss at California on Sept. 27. The Buckeyes lost 17-10 at Wisconsin on Oct. 11.

USC is ranked No. 2 in the polls, with Ohio State at No. 4. The Trojans are more concerned with winning the city championship than a national title this week because they play cross-town rival UCLA.

Although he was more interested in talking about the upcoming game against the Bruins than the BCS, Carroll did say he would like a different format.

"No one has ever asked me to change the system, but if they did, I have some viewpoints on that, not the system itself but the format at the end of the season," he said. "If this isn't the right system and there is a better one, then someone should endeavor to figure that out. Right now, this is the system and I'm not complaining about it."

Asked what he might change, Carroll said he preferred the old setup, like the Rose Bowl's agreement matching the Pac-10 and Big Ten champions each year.

Then, he said, a championship game could follow. "I really love the traditional matchups of the bowl games and I would love to see us playing the Big Ten every year," he explained. "I know I'm old-fashioned, but I love that matchup. I wish that's what happened and then at the end of it, let's play the thing off."

"The problem with that is that you still have to have some sort of selection process and maybe this is the best process. You can't play forever in a playoff system. You can't have March Madness."

Golf

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11.5, five years ago at Royal Melbourne in Australia.

Most of them complained about having to travel so far with the holidays approaching. Some players spent the days leading up to the matches shopping online for gifts.

Now, they know what's in store for them — an international team that Nicklaus called the favorite, a links-styled course with humps and mounds from tee to green, and thousands of people pulling for the other side.

"When we went to Australia in '98, we did not play our best," Phil Mickelson said. "So, we're looking at it as a real challenge for us to bring out the best game and put up good matches. We very much want to keep the cup."

"We've only lost it one time. We'd like to keep it that way." The '98 Presidents Cup was played two weeks before Christmas, and a month after the PGA Tour season ended.

Nineteen players from both teams were in the season-ending Tour Championship just two weeks ago. Justin Leonard and Jim Furyk arrived Monday night after trying for fifth in the World Cup at Kinloch Island, S.C.

"We're going to give a much better effort," Davis Love III said. "This time, it's closer to our golf season. In Australia, it was a strange feeling playing that kind of a big competition that far away from the season."

"Hopefully, we can do a better job for Jack than we did last time."

It still might not be that simple. The Links Course at Fancourt Hotel and Country Club Estate was designed by International captain Gary Player and only opened three years ago.

Ernie Els, who has a summer house along the beach, is the only player who knows it well. The rest might feel as though they have been taken back in time four months to the British Open at Royal St. George's.

The fairways have so many humps and mounds that they seem better suited for a motocross bike race, or perhaps a freestyle skiing moguls' competition if the Southern Cape ever got any snow.

The rough is thick, and not difficult to find. Some of the greens have more contours than Augusta National, and the 18th green features a 4-foot shelf.

More daunting than the course is the international team.

Els has won seven times around the world this year and is inspired by playing before a home crowd in the biggest golf tournament South Africa has seen.

Vijay Singh is playing better than anyone in the world, having just won the PGA Tour money list with four victories and 18 finishes in the top 10. Masters champion Mike Weir skipped the World Cup so he would be fresh for the Presidents Cup.

If the international team wins back the Presidents Cup, don't expect any excuses from the Americans. This time, they can't say they didn't care.

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Coach

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"She got kind of pushed into it," said former Teton athletic director Dwight Richins, now at Shelley. "It's pretty tough to coach soccer at Teton, because the parents are very involved.

"I got up on it Sunday afternoon, and it's basically one big soccer game in downtown Driggs. But she has done a good job," he said.

With the large Hispanic population in the Teton School District, Brown was the natural choice because of her extensive background in Spanish and the Hispanic culture.

"It's helped quite a bit," Brown said of her Spanish fluency. "It's nice to be able to yell out in Spanish about soccer plays, but it's also been a great advantage to helping the kids in school."

Earning the respect of the parents, many of whom had been playing since they could walk, was another issue. She had to learn the games, learn to coach kids weaned on "the beautiful game."

She had to be real. "I read a ton and got on the Internet," Brown said. "(The kids) had the natural ability and the natural skills to know what was going on. But I think coaching any sport, boys or girls, it doesn't matter how much experience you have playing."

Success came quickly. During her two years as coach — in 2000 and again this year — she amassed a 16-14-3 record and the respect of her players.

"I have even more respect for

her," said Oscar Barboza, a junior forward/midfielder and one of the team captains. "She's a woman, going into (what's traditionally thought of as) a man's sport. She's taught us a lot, and she's been keeping us together as a team since school started."

Brown admits that it's unique

four straight seasons, hitting a record 73 in 2001.

At 39 years, 3.5 months, Bonds became the second-oldest MVP, trailing Pittsburgh's Willie Stargell, who was about 4.5 months older when he tied for the award in 1979.

"I feel 29 right now," Bonds said. "But during the season, I feel 49. That day in and-day out grind is very difficult."

Bonds, who has set records for walks and intentional walks, hopes the Giants add another slugger to support him in the lineup.

Pujols hit a major league-high 359 with 43 homers and 124 RBIs and led the major leagues with

137 runs. He became just the 10th player to finish second in consecutive MVP votes, the first since the Dodgers' Mike Piazza in 1996 and 1997.

San Francisco players have won the award four straight times, with Jeff Kent winning in 2000, when Bonds finished second in the voting for the second time. The Yankees accomplished that feat twice with Yogi Berra (1954-55) and Mickey Vernon (1956-57), and Roger Maris (1960-61), Mantle (1962) and Elston Howard (1963).

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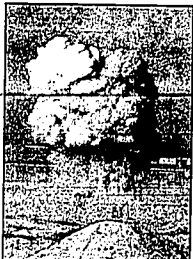
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# U.S. blasts insurgent positions in central Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.S. jets and helicopter gunships launched the biggest air operation in central Iraq since active combat ended, blasting suspected ambush sites and hideouts with 500-pound bombs on Tuesday. Explosions rocked western Baghdad as American troops mounted fresh attacks against insurgents.

While the military stepped up its campaign to put down anti-U.S. guerrillas, it also claimed progress on another front — preventing foreign fighters from entering Iraq from neighboring nations to carry out attacks on American forces.



This image released by the U.S. Air Force Tuesday shows the destruction of a strategic target near Tikrit, Iraq, Monday.

Maj. Gen. Charles H. Swannack Jr., commander of the 82nd Airborne Division, said the number of U.S. soldiers in Anbar province, bordering Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia, has been tripled in the past two months to 20,000. That, he said, has curbed infiltrations.

"We are not fighting foreign fighters coming across the border in significant numbers," Swannack said. "We are fighting mostly 'locals' loyal to Saddam Hussein's ousted regime."

Insurgents struck again Tuesday, wounding two U.S. soldiers with a roadside bomb in the northern city of Mosul, the military said. The military also said a U.S. civilian contractor was killed Monday by a land mine near Baghdad.

The air activity Tuesday was centered around Baquba, 30 miles northeast of Baghdad. U.S. jets and Apache helicopter gunships blasted abandoned buildings, walls and trees along a road where attacks have been so common that troops nicknamed it "RPG Alley" after the rocket-propelled grenades used by insurgents.

Fighter-bombers dropped 500-

pound bombs and battle tanks fired their 120mm guns at suspected ambush sites, the military said.

Elsewhere, F-16 fighter aircraft bombed insurgent targets near the town of Samarra, about 60 miles north of Baghdad, the military said.

The stepped-up military operations followed an escalation in insurgent attacks over the past three weeks. In response, the U.S. military announced "Operation Iron Hammer" aimed at striking at suspected rebel targets before insurgents have the chance to attack.

The strategy appeared aimed at showing U.S. resolve as Washington prepares to hand over political power to a new Iraqi provisional government by the end of June. However, the heavy hand risks further alienating an Iraqi population already chafing under foreign military occupation.

# Legislators visit troops, seek change

WASHINGTON (AP) — When the House voted to stop charging wounded soldiers for their hospital food, it had a lot to do with what Rep. Bill Young's wife heard during a bedside visit with the troops.

And after talking with a Marine blinded in one eye, Rep. John Murtha, a hawkish Pennsylvania Democrat who had supported President Bush on Iraq, urged Bush to fire advisers who helped set U.S. policy there.

Hospital visits have become a wartime rite of passage for many in government, a way for lawmakers to see the effects of their policies.

They go to give comfort or thanks, and often leave with a determination to turn the emotional encounters into action, as Young did, or with their views of the war reinforced or even changed.

For lawmakers, seeing the wounded brings the war "a little bit closer to home," said Charles Joyner, a 34-year-old supply sergeant from Lincoln, Kan., who was hospitalized for a skin parasite picked up during his service in Iraq. "It just makes you appreciate to how lucky we have it over here, so it's very important that they see that."

Some lawmakers said their visits reinforced their opinions of the war.

Rep. John Carter, a freshman Republican from Bush's home state of Texas, said he was and remains fully supportive of the president and the "duty we had to liberate Iraq."

"I think history is going to prove very shortly that this is going to be one of the shining lights in American history," said Carter, a regular at Walter Reed Army Medical Center where he visits Pfc. Alan Babin, 23, an Army medic from Round Rock, Texas, in his district. Babin was shot in the stomach in March while helping a wounded comrade on the Iraqi battlefield.

Rep. Brian Baird, D-Wash., who did not support sending U.S. troops into Iraq without broader international support, is accustomed to seeing bodies that have been battered and broken by war. He is a clinical psychologist who worked in a veterans' rehabilitation clinic before coming to Congress.

"When you see these horrifically injured people who fought with courage and professionalism and you ask yourself, 'Did they really have to be there?' or 'Could we have found another way?' it's a deeply troubling question," Baird said.

Other lawmakers see the visits as part of the job, believing that it's important for them to take the time to personally thank the young men and women for serving their country.

# THE ONES LEFT BEHIND



Army Major General Thomas Romig, center, consoles William Swartworth Jr. during a funeral for Swartworth's mother Monday at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. Sharon Swartworth, a chief warrant officer, is the first female soldier killed in Operation Iraq Freedom to be buried there. Second from right is the widow, Navy Captain William Swartworth.

# Destruction of homes near Tikrit is 'within rules of war,' spokesman says

Knight Ridder News Service

Israeli actions.

TIKRIT, Iraq — The decision to destroy at least a dozen homes belonging to family members of guerrilla suspects in and around Tikrit was "within the rules of war" and was approved by the commander of the 4th Infantry Division and probably by the overall commander for U.S. forces in Iraq, a spokesman for the division said Tuesday.

But some military officers acknowledged that the tactic had caused debate over whether it would inflame opposition rather than tamp it down. One officer referred to the demolitions as "unprecedented."

The destruction of the homes is a sensitive issue because the tactic resembles a controversial Israeli practice of destroying the homes of families of suicide bombers in the West Bank and Gaza. The U.S. State Department previously has denounced the

U.S. forces destroyed the homes on Sunday and Monday, after evacuating women and children, as part of an aggressive crackdown on anti-U.S. guerrilla forces. Those forces have shot down at least two helicopters in recent weeks and planted scores, if not hundreds, of roadside bombs in the area known as the Sunni Triangle.

Military officials on Tuesday lowered the number of houses destroyed to 12 from 15. There was no information on whether more houses had been destroyed Tuesday as U.S. forces pressed their offensive.

Division spokesman Maj. Gordon Tate said Tuesday's operations included F-15 and F-16 jets dropping a dozen 500-pound bombs on targets around Baquba, northeast of Baghdad, in the heaviest bombardment in north-central Iraq since President Bush declared an end

to major combat on May 1. "There have been numerous raids, numerous strikes and several aerial attacks," Tate said. U.S. soldiers attacked other targets with Apache helicopters, artillery, Paladin howitzers and mortars. It was the fiercest display of firepower in the three days of the crackdown so far.

"We don't just destroy their homes for no reason," Tate said. "I don't want to say they (military commanders) are cold-hearted. But if your house is used to make IEDs (homemade roadside bombs) or house Saddam loyalists, that's within the rules of warfare."

Tate described the destruction of the houses as a policy "shift" approved by division commander Gen. Raymond Odierno. Odierno was not available for comment. Tate said he assumed the overall commander in Iraq, Gen. Ricardo Sanchez, had approved the demolitions since a change in policy "would have to come from him."

# Saudis use TV to campaign against Muslim extremism

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Using prime-time TV in their campaign against extremism, Saudi officials interrupted a popular comedy show to air footage of a jailed Muslim cleric renouncing his calls for Islamic militants to attack the West.

Saudis have heard similar calls from preachers and government-approved clerics in recent months. But Monday's broadcast appeared to be a new tactic — though some extremists may question whether the cleric was forced to recant.

Appearing on Saudi state television, cleric Al-Khudair said of his previous fatwas, or religious edicts, calling for attacks on the West: "If I had the choice I would not have said them. I hope that, God willing, I have time to correct them."

Al-Khudair, who has a following among militants, also said the Nov. 8 suicide bombing of a residential compound housing foreign workers — most of them Arabs — in Riyadh was "the work of criminals." Saudi and U.S. officials have said al-Qaida, the Muslim militant terror network accused in the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States, may have been behind this month's Riyadh bombing and a similar attack in the capital in May.

Al-Khudair, looking relaxed in a traditional white Saudi robe and red-checked headress, was interviewed in a television studio for about 50 minutes by another cleric, Ayed al-Qarni. Three times during the interview, al-Khudair swore to God he had not been coerced into recanting.

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# Italy holds state funerals for 19 killed in suicide bombing



An Italian Army official comforts a relative of one of the 19 slain Italians as she touches a casket, covered in the Italian flag, during the state funerals inside St. Paul's Basilica in Rome on Tuesday.

ROME (AP) - Italy paid final tribute Tuesday to 19 Italians killed in Iraq, holding a wrenching state funeral on a national day of mourning - an outpouring of solidarity that underscored how a country divided by war had united in grief.

Tens of thousands of people gathered at a Roman basilica for the funeral-Mass, while others lined the procession route three days and wept or clapped as the coffins passed under thousands of flags draped from windows, balconies and flagpoles.

"We will never forget our dear heroes," said a banner on the Fori Imperiali boulevard near the Colosseum, where the funeral procession began.

Another read, "Before, 19 Italians on Earth. Now, 19 angels in heaven."

The funeral capped an extraordinary week of mourning following the Nov. 12 suicide truck bomb attack in the southern Iraqi city of Nasiriyah that killed 19 Italians - the nation's single worst military loss since World War II - and 14 other people.

The country's ever-bickering politicians fell silent, and young and old alike seemed to take the loss of 19 strangers personally.

Columnist Sergio Romano, writing in the Corriere della Sera daily newspaper, said the outpouring of grief was not just

"Latin emotion" but evidence that underneath Italians' taste for quarreling lay "an old and profoundly rooted national identity."

Schools and the Milan Stock Exchange paused for a minute of silence, some shops and bars shuttered their windows for a few minutes and state-run Rai television, among the channels broad-

casting the funeral live, was commercial-free.

Movie theater marquees were dark and the Colosseum lights went off after dark as a sign of respect. In Nasiriyah, the Italian military held a brief commemoration and observed a moment of silence.

In Rome, a joint news conference by Premier Silvio Berlusconi

and visiting Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon was cancelled.

"We are expressing solidarity with the families of the victims because they are full of grief after their sons and fathers died," said Diana Petrusi, manager of the downtown Habana clothing shop, which closed and turned off its lights for 15 minutes.

## Militants attacked synagogues, says official

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) - Two Turkish suicide bombers and their Turkish accomplices who sympathized with and may have worked for the al-Qaida terrorist network carried out weekend synagogue attacks, Turkey's foreign minister told The Associated Press.

"It will be determined whether these people worked directly with al-Qaida or are just sympathizers," Abdullah Gul said by telephone from Stockholm, Sweden.

"The first impression is that these people seemed to have the same mindset of al-Qaida, they have the same concept, they are from the same school."

Gul confirmed that two Turks drove the explosive-laden trucks that blew up Saturday outside the Neve Shalom and Beth Israel synagogues in Istanbul, killing 23 people and the two drivers.

Two Turks carried out the suicide attacks, but there were other Turks involved, too, Gul said.

Gul said results from DNA tests on the remains of the two suicide bombers would be released soon. Gul declined to identify the suspects.

Private NTV television reported Tuesday that DNA tests verified one of the suicide bombers was a Turk named Mesut Cabuk. Media reports have said Cabuk, a 29-year-old, spent a year in Iran in 2001 and may have received bomb training there.

## U.N. refugee agency pulls staff out of parts of Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) - The U.N. refugee agency began pulling foreign staff out of large swaths of southern and eastern Afghanistan on Tuesday in the wake of the killing of a French worker, a decision that could affect tens of thousands of Afghan returnees.

Some 30 foreign staff members were being withdrawn, and refugee centers in the Afghan provinces of Nangarhar, Paktia, Khost and Kandahar were being closed, said Filippo Grandi, the chief of mission in Afghanistan at the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

"We are taking today a painful decision to temporarily reduce staff in the eastern and southern provinces," Grandi said. "We will review the situation after two weeks."

The withdrawal of international staff follows a series of attacks on the United Nations in recent days, including the drive-by killing of Bettina Goslard, a 29-year-old UNHCR worker, as she traveled through a bazaar in a clearly marked U.N. vehicle in the city of Ghazni, 60 miles southwest of the capital.

That same day saw a bomb attack on a U.N. vehicle in eastern Paktia province.

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MONEY

Construction company reports increased Q3 profits

BOISE (AP) - Washington Group International Inc. posted a \$12.8 million profit for the third quarter...

large projects and the lost cash from the sale of the Electro-Mechanical Division a year ago...

"A number of global events over the next decade could create market pressures which will generate tremendous demand for the types of professional services we deliver," Hanks said in a statement.

by known Morrison Knudsen Corp., which built the Hoover Dam, the Golden Gate Bridge, Grand Coulee Dam and the Trans-Alaska Pipeline...

mess in 1996 by merging the company with his own construction firm.

Stocks drop despite good earnings

NEW YORK (AP) - Wall Street retreated again Tuesday, extending its losses into a fourth session...

Broadband

Continued from E1. Association, with \$10,700 in grant funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture...

access options for residents or businesses. Pickren's study uses the term "high-speed Internet access" to mean a download of 200 kilobits per second...

ings and job losses to not have the tools available with broadband Internet access for skills development, job searches, work-at-home and Web-based businesses," Scott said.

work being done on implementing community-owned systems that are customized for each town's needs.

that a cooperative could charge lower subscriber fees than a for-profit company would. And if the community supports the cooperative by subscribing, the broadband service could be made affordable and available to anyone in the community, he said.

Are you on the list?

Lyle E. Luke owns property he might have forgotten. So do lots of other folks. This week's list features people and businesses whose last known addresses are in Wendell and elsewhere.

New York Stock Exchange

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg. Lists various stocks like AIG, AXP, BAC, etc.

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Summary table with columns: NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ. Includes Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and Diary.

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MARKETS

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CLOSING FUTURES

Table of closing futures prices for various commodities including soybeans, corn, wheat, and oil.

BEANS

Table of bean prices for various types such as navy beans, pinto beans, and lima beans.

GRAINS

Table of grain prices for wheat, corn, and soybeans.

POTATOES

Table of potato prices for different grades and varieties.

SUGAR

Table of sugar prices for various grades and origins.

LIVESTOCK

Table of livestock prices for cattle, hogs, and sheep.

FOSSIL FUELS

Table of fossil fuel prices including oil, natural gas, and coal.

METALS/CURRENCY

Table of metal and currency prices for gold, silver, and various currencies.

CHEESE

Table of cheese prices for various types like cheddar and mozzarella.

Continued from E1. Of course, you can add to the account - though you shouldn't make a standing promise to your teen that there's a 24-hour-a-day Visa and/or card sponsor.

Visa and other card sponsors emphasize that prepaid cards are not credit cards and have plenty of parent controls that, among other things, allow you to monitor where the card was used and how much money was spent down to the penny.

That's all by good and true. But I'd be leery of turning a teen loose with plastic - any piece of plastic - until there's first been a discussion about how to manage money responsibly.

Janet Bodnar, an executive editor at Kiplinger's Personal Finance magazine, goes one step further. She thinks kids need to see they can manage money responsibly before they're handed cash. If they can't handle hard currency, there's no point in moving to plastic currency, she said.

Here are some other pointers: Explain to your teen how the...

Earnings

For its fourth quarter, which ended Sept. 30, that's up 7.3 percent over year-over earnings of 41 cents, which have been restated to include employee stock option expense.

Advertising revenue increased 3.1 percent to \$121 million, and total operating revenue rose 2.7 percent to \$165.0 million. Operating income decreased 5.6 percent to \$32.6 million.

At the 16 newspapers owned and operated by the company, circulation volume remained level and Sunday circulation grew 0.3 percent in the six-month period.

Share directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 18 cents per share, a 10 percent increase from the previous quarterly dividend of 17 cents - payable on Jan. 2 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 1.

Times-News Business Editor Virginia S. Hutchins contributed to this report.

Something missing?

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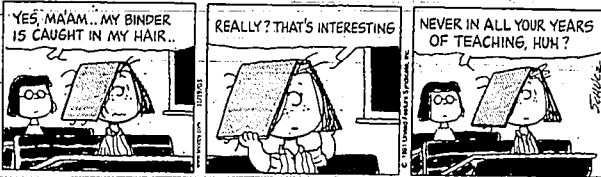
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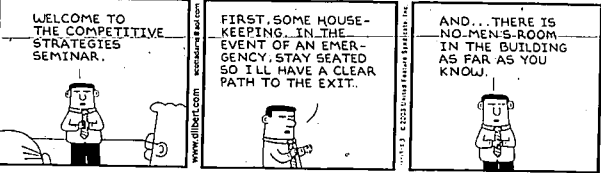
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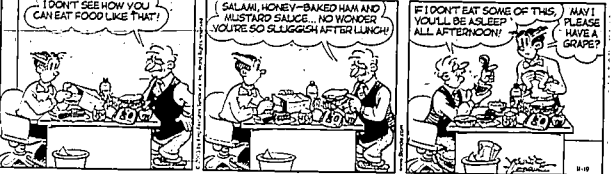
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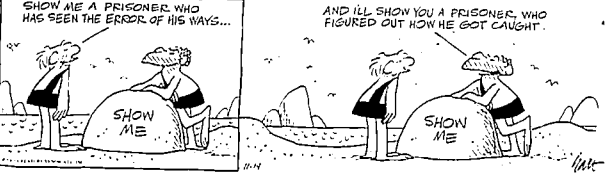
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B.C.

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Pickles

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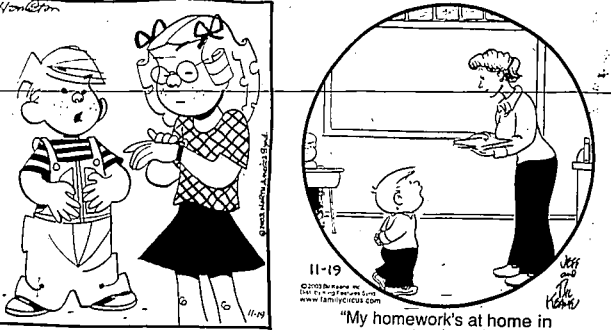


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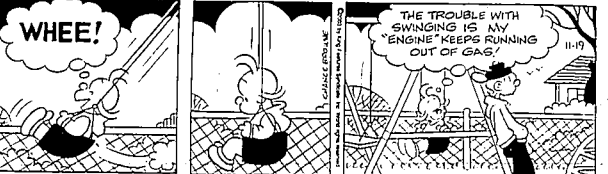
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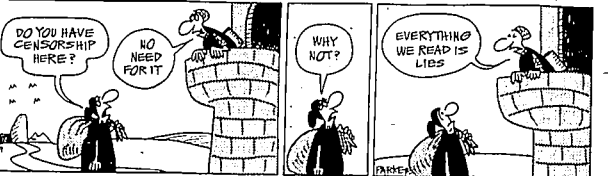
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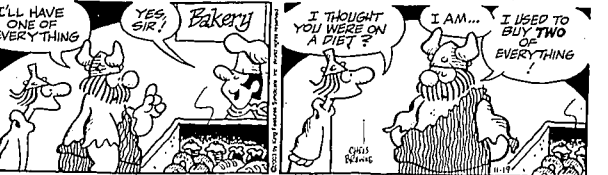
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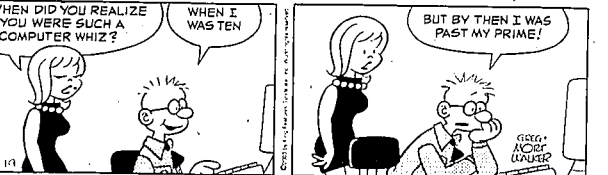
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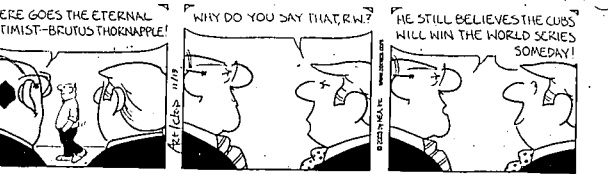
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By Bob Thaves



The Bom Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



Rose Is Rose

By Pat Brady



Zits

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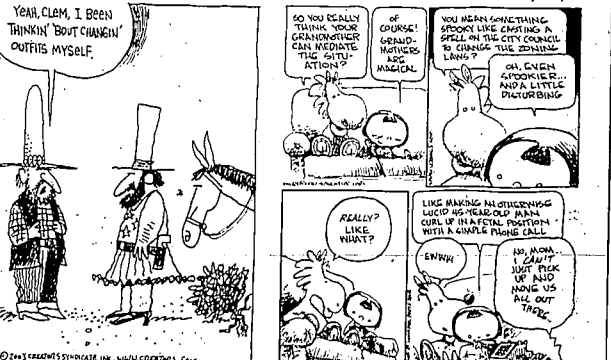


Strange Brew

By John Deering

Non Sequitur

By Wiley







MORNING BREAK

**ACROSS**

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- 6 Doubtful day of baseball
- 10 In good health
- 14 Declared frankly
- 16 Gift of the Shadow
- 16 Creative thought
- 17 Dilemmas
- 18 Decree
- 20 Compeller
- 21 Final straightaway
- 23 HST follower
- 24 Three-way junction
- 25 Feminine pronoun
- 26 Plunk
- 30 In, in Madrid
- 32 Crisp on scarf
- 34 Runs easily
- 36 Enulates
- 36 Lipinski
- 41 Standing by
- 42 Powerful G.C.
- 43 Lobby
- 43 Online letters
- 44 Unseats
- 45 Winsinger
- 47 Big... CA
- 48 Fr. holy woman
- 50 Follow material
- 51 Looking at
- 52 Noting at?
- 54 Put in position
- 55 Labor
- 58 Yield
- 59 Most impulsive
- 65 Thick pornographic
- 66 Essentially strung instrument
- 68 box
- 69 Lauder of cosmetics
- 70 Medicine
- 71 Ore
- 72 Oracles
- 73 Life of exile

**DOWN**

- 1 Challenge
- 2 Tied
- 3 Storage place
- 4 Water pitcher
- 5 Reconspice
- 6 Chaiting
- 7 playfully
- 7 ACB's replacement
- 8 Excrete
- 9 Lounge
- 10 Marriage partner
- 11 Plashes prose
- 12 Livid
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- 14 (In essence)
- 22 Stank
- 26 Trudge
- 27 Actress
- 28 Jefferson
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- 29 Rings
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- 37 Man from Massachusetts
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- 49 Gots around
- 51 Top points
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Tuesday's Puzzle Solved 11/19/03

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 UOAT REAR EDEN  
 DELTA SNUG REERO  
 STILEL EDGE YAKIS

# Dorm couple gives roommate eyeful

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a freshman in college and live in a dorm with one roommate, "Mary." Mary has had a boyfriend for two years. I'll call him "John." John goes to school a couple of hours away and visits Mary on weekends once or twice a month. This usually isn't a problem for me, as I can plan ahead to go home for the weekend, or go out with friends so Mary and John can have the room to themselves for a few hours.



**DEAR ABBY**  
 Abigail VanBuren

Yesterday, on short notice, Mary told me that John was spending the night. I frantically tried to make plans to be "elsewhere," but nothing worked out. I told Mary I'd camp out in our dorm lounge, but she said not to worry because John was dead-tired and wanted to go to sleep right away. After he arrived, I sat at my desk doing homework on my computer and listening to music with headphones while Mary and John watched TV in bed.

her boyfriend "going at it" 5 feet away. When I woke up this morning, they were doing it again. I pretended to be asleep until they went to breakfast.

Mary has never done anything to embarrass me before. Talking about the incident would make me extremely uncomfortable, but I know something needs to be said before John visits again. Should I talk to Mary — or just pretend this nightmare didn't happen?

When I glanced over at them a half-hour later, they were having sex. I didn't know what to do. I tried to ignore them and continue "studying," but it was very distracting to have my roommate and

It's your room, too, and what your roommate did was inappropriate and disrespectful.

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a 17-year-old boy, and I have finally found the girl of my dreams. "Lisa" is sweet, kind and very cute. She's my first love. I always want to make her happy and I never want to be without her.

There is only one problem. I'll be 18 in a few months. Lisa is only 15 and won't be 16 until next year. I'm afraid people will make us separate because I will soon be an "adult." This just hit me and I'm out on a limb. I love her so much. Is there anything I can do?

**DEAR SHOT IN THE HEART:** Since Lisa's parents have not yet objected to the age difference, the chances are they will not do a "180" when your birthday arrives. However, if you are concerned about this, the wisest thing to do would be to talk to her parents about it. Sometimes when you confront a problem head-on, it's not as insurmountable as you fear.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been mar-

ried to my husband for 30 years. He's been a wonderful stepfather to my three children — always a good "dad" and a loving and generous grandfather to their kids.

My husband's older sister died last summer, and four months after that his brother passed away. I felt strongly that my children should have shown their sympathy and respect by sending their stepdad flowers, or at least a card in his time of grief. None of them did anything — not even a phone call.

Abby, am I wrong, or were they? What is the proper action for adult stepchildren to take under these circumstances?

**- FEELING HURT IN GEORGIA**  
**DEAR FEELING HURT:** Your children should have telephoned their stepfather and extended their condolences. If they live close by, they should have come to you and offered assistance. If travel was a problem, they should have written a condolence letter or sent a card. To have ignored their stepfather's loss was insensitive.

## Romans had three kinds of kissing

"Kissing" in ancient Rome was of three kinds: "basium" between acquaintances, "osculum" between close friends and "suvium" between lovers. Ask your old Latin professor to explain the differences in detail.



REVISITED  
 L.M. Boyd

Roman brides carried wheat sheaves, not flowers.

Those who heed Good Luck and Bad Luck: Never whistle aboard a naval vessel, in a newspaper city room or backstage at a theater.

Sindbad the Sailor was an Iraqi. I've seen underwater film sequences that prove sharks roar ...

A. They burp. To regulate their depth. But they don't roar. So says an expert.

Fast-Food Drive-In, Law No. 81B: "Anybody can get home with all the burger, but nobody can get home with all the fries."

Q. How does a fighting cricket trainer make a cricket fight?

Widow's outnumber widowers 5 to 1; 52 percent of the widowers marry within 18 months of the first wife's death, but more than half of those marriages break up. These statistics make elders exceedingly cautious about late-life marriages. Still, our Love and War man says, there remains a minority of highly-successful-silver matchups, so add that line on how hope springs.

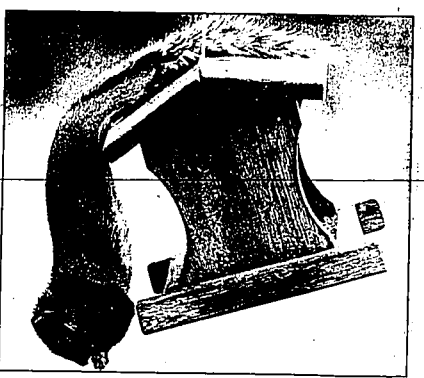
A. Tickle its antenna.

Telling off your boss is not the quickest way to get fired. It's third quickest. Second quickest is doing the irresponsible, like closing down without locking up.

Q. How does a super sin, stealing, playing cute with petty cash and the like. That's what personal researchers say.

To become an "oligochaetologist," study earthworms.

## KEEP YOUR HEAD DOWN



An acrobatic squirrel enjoys the contents of a feeder in Bainbridge, Ohio, Friday.

## Virgo: Luck smiles on you

**IF NOVEMBER 19 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY**... you are distinguished in many ways; with a strong eye for details, you possess legal talents and could be a lawyer, journalist or teacher. Even politics would suit you. You enjoy travel and foreign places.

**HOROSCOPE**  
 Jeralaine Saunders

**BESIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Ever since Jupiter entered the sector that deals with health, wellness and work, you've been aware that your health needs nurturing — especially as you're pushing yourself to the maximum.

calm. Keep in mind that timing is crucial.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20-May 20): You have questions and want answers. In getting free of restrictions, you encounter unexpected problems hitherto not taken into account. Just do what you can and relax.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Though further debate about a business arrangement or contract is auspicious as the moon progresses into the high point of your chart, remain wary and collected as there's deception afoot.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): An agenda you find appealing may be beset with obstacles that block your aspirations. However, the moon entering your sector of opportunity makes your problem manageable.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): The efforts you've put into a relationship appear worthwhile on the surface. Ask yourself if you're being taken for granted. Better yet, wait to broach the issue. Flexibility is one way out.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Your communication skills are reaching out to a larger audience. No telling who the next will be next on your agenda. A curious Aries may be salivating.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You might have taken on more than you can handle. But throwing in the towel could really upset your appetite. Borrow on your reserves and prove that it's just a piece of cake.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Someone who gives willing support is the one you need. There are some changes to come that take you by surprise, but they will prove to be beneficial.

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**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your busy, working inner self is being tested. Can you get the message across? Someone is showing you a loving side you didn't know existed. Luck is smiling for you.

**RADIO-RONDEVOO**  
 COUNTRY CHRISTMAS  
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 10 AM - 7 PM  
 Saturday, November 22  
 10 AM - 5 PM  
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**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): The moon entering your sign this morning solves a riddle you've been trying to fathom. A tact understanding between workmates shows warmth and awareness that surprises you.

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**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You discover a new side to a loved one or friend. This has you decide how to handle the relationship. Although progress is sporadic, you must persevere to get the desired results.

**Celebrating a birthday doesn't just have to be a piece of cake.**

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Although things are going your way, you feel restless and agitated, appearing abrupt at a time when you should be looking confident and

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 Elf on 7:15 - 9:30  
 Heather Peart on 7:00 - 9:15  
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 Mystic River on 6:45 - 9:30  
 Chilled on 7:00 - 9:30  
 Texas Chainsaw Massacre on 7:30 - 9:55  
 The Matrix Revolutions on Shows on 7:00 - 9:15, 9:30 - 9:45, 9:55

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 Runaway Jury on 7:30 - 9:55  
 Scarface on 7:30 - 9:50  
 Radio on 9:30 - 9:45  
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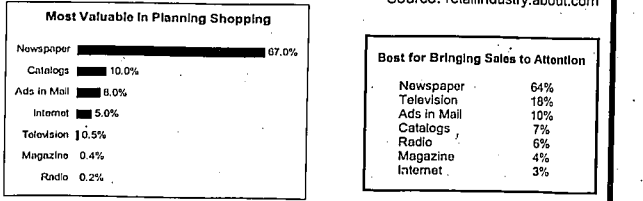
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AN ORDINANCE REPEALING TWIN FALLS COUNTY CODE TITLE 8 SECTION 8-7.7 ACTION BY COMMISSION, AND ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A MINIMUM STANDARD RELATING TO CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

LEGALS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO AND IN THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

LEGALS

The petitioner's father is living. A public hearing will be held at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on December 18, 2003, at the Twin Falls County Courthouse.

LEGALS

PUBLIC NOTICE Actions planned and taken by your government are contained in this notice. They are part of your right to know and to be informed of what your government is doing.

AMENDED TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

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LEGALS

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LEGALS

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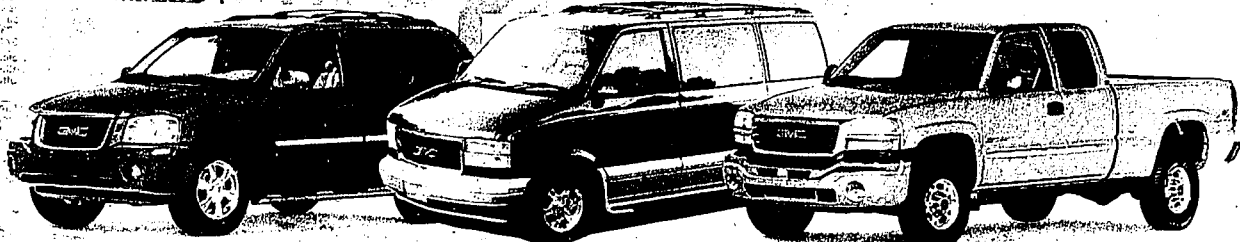
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Rob's Price **\$34,087**  
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