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What it takes to make the valley's best burger.

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JEROME COUNTY Former Sheriff's Department employees charged

One accused of assault, disturbing the peace; the other of felony rape

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

JEROME — Two former Jerome County Sheriff's Department employees have been charged, respectively, in separate cases with felony rape and misdemeanor assault, being intoxicated in public, and disturbing the peace.

"It's an embarrassment," Sheriff Jim Weaver said Tuesday. "It's tough. It's just difficult to find good deputies."

Joe Hawk, 24, a former jailer, is scheduled to be tried April 25, on felony rape charges. The charges stem from a Jerome city police officer's allegations that Hawk raped her with a knife on May 17, 2006, in the bedroom of her home. The alleged crime happened after Hawk had quit working for the sheriff's department, Weaver said.

Hawk, who could not be reached Tuesday, could be sentenced to life in prison if convicted.

Coleman Price Nelson, 25, a former deputy, was charged March 20, with misdemeanor assault, being intoxicated in public, and disturbing the peace. He is accused of assaulting a group of pedestrians on Super Bowl Sunday, stumbling through traffic and belittling profanities within earshot of children in downtown Jerome.

Nelson, who could not be reached, resigned after criminal charges were filed. A pre-trial conference is scheduled for April 20.

Neither Nelson nor Hawk were arrested. Despite the severity of his charges, Hawk, the former jailer, was summoned to court rather than arrested or returned in cuffs to his former place of employment.

That was Minidoka County Prosecuting Attorney Jason Walker's call. Walker was called in to prosecute Hawk's case to avoid conflicts of interest within the Jerome County city system.

"Ninety-nine percent of rapes we issue an arrest warrant for," Walker said.

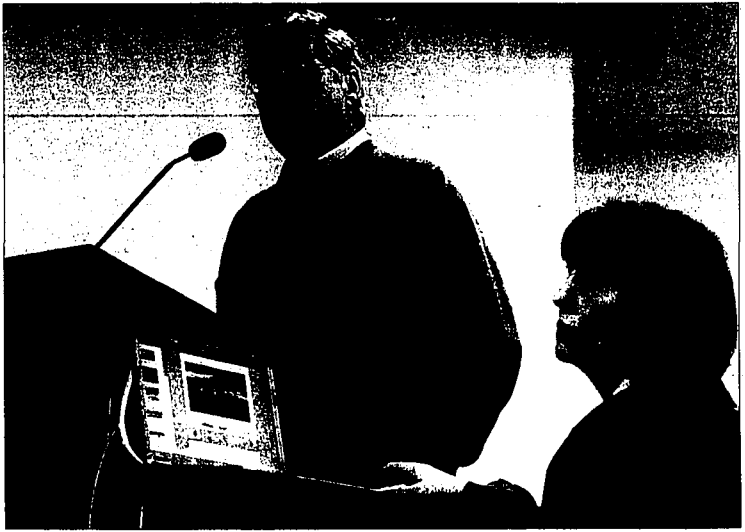
But by Dec. 5, when charges were filed, Walker had not yet contacted the officer or begun looking closely at his case. By not issuing an arrest warrant Walker thought he might get the defendant to volunteer for a polygraph.

Hawk refused.

Walker said that jailing Hawk, who may be facing a kidney transplant, could force the burden of that

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Permission granted



Paul Smith, a Wal-Mart representative, and Larisa Alexander, a Twin Falls resident, listen to Twin Falls City Council members as they ask questions about Wal-Mart's plans for signs, drive-through services, tire and lube services, and light emissions for the proposed building on Pole Line Road and Washington Street in Twin Falls.

Commissioners give OK to Wal-Mart requests

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It was standing room only Tuesday night as the Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission narrowly approved Wal-Mart's request for modifications to building restrictions despite organized opposition from several neighborhood groups.

Residents gathered to voice their concerns about Wal-Mart's request for modifications to the North Haven Public Unit Development Agreement.

Wal-Mart submitted a request

to the
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mission
to operate
a drive-
through
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macy and garden center, as well as an all service center in the future superstore, which will be built on Washington Street North and Pole Line Road. Wal-Mart also requested a variances for 24-hour operation.

But residents living near the site said the agreement was set in place to prevent these kinds of

Inside

P&Z approves
height variance for
canyon rim project.
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— J. Dee May, a representative of the North Pointe Subdivision

operations. "We know what the PUD was for and we know that it wasn't put together willy-nilly," said J. Dee May, who represented the North Pointe Subdivision. "It took a lot of time to do and there is no need to change it at all."

But some residents said the agreement is outdated as facilities, such as a new hospital and

high school, are slated for construction in the North Haven area.

"When they announced that they were going to build a hospital near my home, I was worried that I would have helicopters flying over my house all day and night," said Earl Williamson, who

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Local soldier seriously injured in Iraq

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

KIMBERLY — Army Spc. Andrew Ryan Pike of Kimberly was seriously injured Monday when his platoon, part of the 82nd Airborne, engaged with enemy forces during a routine patrol in Iraq.

Pike, 21, is being treated for injuries at a military hospital in Iraq. His parents, Robin and Twin Falls Police Capt. Brian Pike, stayed by their phone Tuesday night, waiting for updates on his condition. A military spokesperson who called them after 9 p.m. Monday offered little information.

"Andrew's going to make it," said Twin Falls Police Chief Jim Mann, a close friend of the family. "He's a tough kid. The

family's goal is to get with him and be with him."

Shortly after Pike graduated Kimberly High School he enlisted

In the Army with hopes of becoming a paratrooper, a goal he since has achieved. Pike visited the Magic Valley in February on leave from his duties in Iraq.

As of press time Tuesday, the family had arranged to meet their son, whom they expect to be moved from Iraq to a military hospital in Germany. The military spokesperson did not say where Pike would be sent to in Germany or how

soon his transfer would happen. The severity of Pike's injuries also was unclear.

"One of the biggest struggles for the family is not being able to ask questions," Mann said.

Pike's older brother, Daniel, is a petty officer second class in the Navy. He is stationed in Seattle, but has come home to be with his parents.

"The family requests prayers for Andrew Pike's health and appreciates the support they have received from the community," Mann said.

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Pike

Water summit set

Burley will host much-anticipated April conference

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

BURLEY — There's no place like home for a water summit.

Magic Valley — epicenter of the state's water woes — will host a much-anticipated water conference, Gov. Butch Otter announced Tuesday in a statement he wrote and released to the press.

The event, which many

hope will facilitate a deal between senior and junior water-rights holders, will be April 17 in Burley.

The announcement follows a particularly eventful year for water users. A recent Supreme Court decision upheld the state's method — conjunctive management — for distributing water between senior and junior users, and a preliminary aquifer management plan was presented to the Legislature.

But many close to the issue are disappointed that neither the ruling nor the aquifer plan does much to slow a

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Idaho Education Board unanimously approves junior college plan

Move clears way for vote to create community college district in Boise area

The Associated Press

BOISE — The state Board of Education has given its unanimous approval to a plan to create a community college district in the Boise region.

The board's approval Monday clears the way for a vote in Canyon County that could create the College of Western Idaho Community

College District.

"I'm thrilled that we are moving forward," board President Laird Stone said. "There is significant need for a community college in this area of the state and we hope the good people of Ada and Canyon counties embrace this opportunity to help their children and grandchildren for years to come."

Community college supporters gathered 3,200 signatures on a petition seeking to create the community college district in southwestern Idaho. Commissioners in Canyon County, the likely site of a new college, announced Monday that they would meet this

week to set a date for an election to form the district. Voters would have to approve the proposal by a two-thirds margin.

Together, Ada and Canyon counties make up one of the largest metropolitan areas in the country without a community college, according to the board.

Campaign co-chair Skip Oppenheimer said a community college would encourage economic growth by providing highly trained workers for local businesses.

"This has been needed in the community for some time," said Rod

Lewis, a Board of Education member from Eagle and Micro Technology Inc.'s vice president of legal affairs. Micro is a primary backer of the campaign.

If voters approve the district, the state board will appoint five trustees to make decisions about the college and its cost.

The college would operate essentially the same as Idaho's two other community colleges, the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls and North Idaho Community College in Coeur d'Alene, state board spokesman Mark Browning said.

TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS		
Today	Tonight	Thursday
High 46	Low 27	49 / 29

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Morning snow showers and windy throughout the day. Highs in the lower 40s.
Tonight: Clearing skies and breezy conditions. Lows in the middle 20s.
Tomorrow: Partly to mostly sunny and milder. Highs in the lower 50s, lows near 30.

Complete weather report: See page B4

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Magic Valley Medical Assistants monthly meeting, with Deborah Burr speaking on "Use of Herbal Medications and Vitamin Supplements," 6 p.m., College of Southern Idaho Aspen building, Room 126, C. S. I. campus, Twin Falls, 732-3255.
South Central District Board of Health meeting, 1:30 to 3:15 p.m., Katz Conference room, Twin Falls, 734-5900.

FAMILY

Beginning of eight-week series of parenting classes: Family class for children under age 13 and their parents, and Nurturing Parenting class for parents in substance abuse treatment or recovery, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays, YMCA building, Twin Falls, \$1 per class (scholarship provided), 420-9208 or 490-0800.
"Fam Jam," a family-value production that uses music, drama and storytelling for children in fifth grade and younger accompanied by their parents or guardians, 6:15 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. for activities, Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Drive N., Twin Falls, \$3 to \$4 for the meal, 733-6128 or visit www.ftfc.org.

Party Activities for all ages, including music, dance, foosball, card games, board games, ping pong, beach ball volleyball and more, 4 to 6 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m., Golden Heritage Senior Center, 2421 Overland Ave., Butley, \$2 (bring snacks), 878-7937.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Hayburn City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 941 18th St., 679-8158.
Twin Falls School Board, 7 p.m., administration office, 201 Main Ave. W., 733-6900.

HEALTH

College of Southern Idaho's Over Sixty and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m., at several Magic Valley locations: CSI gym, Jerome Rec Center, Shoshone High (old gym), Rupert Civic Gym and Blaine County Campus Gym; and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at CSI Butley Outreach Center Gym, no cost, 732-6475.

To list an event, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by e-mail, sbrowne@magvalley.com; or fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days before the event.

COMING TOMORROW

INSIDE TNT

- Celtic Tenors in Twin Falls
- Four Freshmen return
- Surprises at Wild Fire Cafe
- Josh Turner at fair
- Ricky Bobby on ice



OPINIONS MINI EDITORIAL

No hecking the referees

Yes, there will be disappointment today at Beacon Burger & Brew — as there was at the 14 other restaurants that were eliminated from the Burger Bracket competition. But football is a fair fight, and I don't want to hear any grumbling from Beacon devotees. That includes my co-workers.

— VIRGINIA HUTCHINS, features editor

Want to submit a Mini Editorial? Send it by e-mail to mini@magvalley.com. Include the writer's name, address and daytime telephone number. Mini Editorials can be up to 50 words in length and are subject to verification. Writers may publish one Mini Editorial and one letter per month.

TV's top 10
 ratings for the top 10 words in length and are subject to verification. Writers may publish one Mini Editorial and one letter per month.

Rank	Show	Network	Share	Millions of People
1.	American Idol	FOX	26	30.0
2.	American Idol: Wed.	FOX	24	27.1
3.	Grey's Anatomy	ABC	19	22.3
4.	Dancing with the Stars	ABC	18	21.8
5.	CSI: Miami	CBS	17	17.7
6.	CSI: NY	CBS	14	15.7
7.	Criminal Minds	CBS	13	15.2
8.	7th Deadly Sin	FOX	13	14.9
9.	Deal or No Deal	NBC	12	14.2
10.	Colo. Cash	CBS	12	13.9

One rating point represents 1 million TV households. "Share" is the percentage of total television sets that a given show has.

Overall network ratings

7.4	6.8	5.9	4.6
AP			

YOUR MORNING BRIEFING

MAGIC VALLEY



FootHill Burger beats all the rest

HANSEN — The FootHill Cafe in Hansen has won the Times-News' Burger Bracket for the tastiest, most sophisticated burger in Magic Valley. The FootHill Burger boasts bacon, avocado, cheddar and a half-pound of hand-formed beef, all stacked together in the right proportions for a true taste phenomenon. As the field narrowed from 16 to two, the FootHill Burger proved that its rank as a top seed was well-earned.

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Chamber to take over downtown management

TWIN FALLS — The Business Improvement District approved a contract Tuesday morning to hand over its management responsibilities for downtown Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

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OBITUARIES

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- Donis E. Howard, 83
- Martha Gunderson Grew, 97
- Randy Dean Hill, 42
- Eva Ann Stadler, 83
- Robert Ray Luttrell, 89
- Christal G. Bossart, 49

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CORRECTIONS

The Shoshone school honor roll published March 24 in the community news was an old honor roll due to incorrect information provided to the Times-News. A correct honor roll will run at a later date.

The photo credit with the Miss'Minico High photographs in the community news on March 21 was incorrect. The photographer was Andy Schenk.

The Times-News regrets the errors.

IDAHO/WEST

House passes 3% pay increase for teachers

BOISE — The House approved a 3 percent pay increase for state teachers Tuesday, despite a plea from opponents that they should receive a 5 percent merit-based raise like other state employees. The bill passed 47-21. The bill, which passed 47-21, saw opponents, who were mostly Democrats, argue that additional money should have been allocated for teachers to adjust for the growing cost of living. "It's hard to listen to the debate in how teachers are being treated in these bills without feeling there is a message being sent to teachers," Rep. James Ruchti, D-Pocatello, said.

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Community college district gets OK

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Congress to vote soon on aid to counties

WASHINGTON — The Senate was expected to vote soon on a Democratic plan to extend payments to rural counties hurt by setbacks in federal logging. The plan, pushed by Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore. and other Western senators, would authorize about \$2.8 billion to extend the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act through 2011. Another \$1.9 billion would be directed to rural states through a proposal to fully fund the Payments in Lieu of Taxes program, which reimburses states and local governments for federally owned property.

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Housing fallout not as severe in Mini-Cassia

In the past year, few issues have caused more concern among economists in the United States than the bursting of the housing bubble. But the news isn't as bad in Mini-Cassia. Those involved in real-estate say Mini-Cassia has not been completely immune to the nation's real estate fallout, but it has been largely shielded due to the area's growing economy and stable housing inventories. "It will affect my business. There's no doubt about it. It will affect business nationwide," said Mike Manning, owner of the Riverside Mortgage in Rupert.

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Senate supports Iraq withdrawal plan

WASHINGTON — Defying a veto threat, the Democratic-controlled Senate narrowly signaled support Tuesday for the withdrawal of U.S. combat troops from Iraq by next March. Republican attempts to scuttle the non-binding timeline failed on a vote of 50-48, largely along party lines.

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Torture suit against Rumsfeld dismissed

WASHINGTON — Former Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld cannot be tried on allegations of torture in overseas military prisons, a federal judge said Tuesday in a case he described as "lamentable." U.S. District Judge Thomas E. Hogan threw out a lawsuit brought on behalf of nine former prisoners in Iraq and Afghanistan. He said Rumsfeld cannot be held personally responsible for actions taken in connection with his government job.

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Britain may publicize proof in Iran dispute

LONDON — Prime Minister Tony Blair warned Tuesday that his government could make public evidence that a British navy crew was in Iraqi waters when it was captured by Iran, saying he was prepared to take the standstill to a "different phase" if diplomacy fails to win their release. Blair said the 15 British sailors and marines were being treated well, but refused to say where they were being held, or rule out the possibility that they could be brought to trial for allegedly entering Iranian waters.

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U.S. holds war games as warning to Iran

ABOARD THE USS JOHN C. STENNIS — U.S. warplanes scream off the deck of two aircraft carriers in the Persian Gulf in a major show of force. The Navy says the war games were not organized as a direct response to Iran's capture of 15 British sailors — but made clear they were intended to send a warning to Tehran.

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Federer, Sharapova fall in Florida

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SPORTS



Tennessee cruises to women's Final Four

DAYTON, Ohio — Candace Parker years to win a national championship. Now she and Tennessee are just two games away from ending the Lady Vols' nine-year drought. With Parker dominating at both ends and the talented Lady Vols getting contributions from almost everybody else on the roster, they rolled over Mississippi, 98-62, and into their 17th Final Four on Tuesday night.

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Boylan 'jacked' to take over at Utah

SALT LAKE CITY — Jim Boylen's enthusiasm won over Utah athletic director Chris Hill and helped the longtime assistant land his first head coaching job. Boylen demonstrated quickly he was every bit as gung-ho as Hill, shortly after being introduced Tuesday as the new Utah coach. He worked as an assistant in college and the NBA for 20 years, and comes to Utah and the Mountain West Conference from Michigan State of the Big Ten.

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WEB READER REACTION

On the letter, 'Coulter's hate shows she doesn't belong in print'

JOSH WALLIN: "... I think talking heads should be outlawed on all sides of the political divide. We spend too much time discussing what this person or that person said... instead of real issues and solutions. So here is my short list of things to fight the ship, so to speak: 1. Get an honest account-

able, hopefully well-spoken leader who realizes that "staying the course" on a failing plan doesn't make it work all the while the solution. 2. A reworking of the political scene so that issues like this are not as dominating in headlines... Let's focus on more pragmatic means for change, to improve life for all of humanity. 3. Instead of incessant fighting and bickering, let's start at the middle and see how much we all agree with. I think it would surprise all of us as to how much that is."

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House speaker says he supports closing lobbyist 'revolving door'

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Republican House Speaker Lawrence Denney said Tuesday he'll co-sponsor a bill to make state legislators wait a year before working as legislative lobbyists after he was criticized for helping a prominent former lawmaker find work as a hired gun.

It's likely too late this year for full hearings — the Legislature may adjourn Thursday — but GOP leaders said they'll back the measure next year. Democrats support the plan.

The Associated Press reported last week that the lobbyist, ex-Rep. Julie Ellsworth, R-Boise, was hired at the recommendation of Denney, R-Midvale, after he said, California developer Foursquare Properties Inc. should dump its existing lobbyist, Jerry Decker. Decker had supported Denney's rival in the race for House speaker.

Denney conceded the circumstances of Foursquare's hiring of Ellsworth were "not ideal" but said he was ousted in the Nov. 7 election, could arouse suspicion that Capitol relationships benefit some and punish others. As a result, new limits are in order to boost public confidence, he said.

"I'm still not sure it's necessary, but in this business, perception is reality," he told the AP.

The House speaker's support for lobbying limits pushes Idaho a step closer to join-



ing at least 26 other states with "revolving door" rules forcing lawmakers to undergo a cooling-off period before returning to lobby by their ex-colleagues in state capitols.

Of legislators who departed after the 2006 Legislature, only Ellsworth and former House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, registered as lobbyists during the 2007 session. The bill backed by Denney would not limit former executive branch officials or their employees from lobbying.

"If it doesn't pass this year, Rep. Rich Willis, R-Glenns Ferry and chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, where the bill was introduced Tuesday, said it will likely be resubmitted next year with bipartisan backing.

"It'll be right up there on the docket," Willis told the AP. "I'm not going to say there has been anything done wrong, but we need to make sure we don't have that perception. The bottom line is, we want to make sure actually we are covering all the bases."

Foursquare dumped Decker and hired Ellsworth to push a bill sponsored by Denney to allow the company to be reimbursed from state sales taxes for the cost of building a freeway inter-

change at its shopping mall at Post Falls. The company wants the interchange to lure Nebraska-based Cabela's Inc. to a put a store in the mall.

Decker had backed Rep. Bill Deal, R-Nampa, in his unsuccessful race in December against Denney to be House speaker. After that, Denney said he indicated Foursquare's bill would fare more favorably with House leadership if the company found a new lobbyist.

Decker severed his ties to Foursquare Feb. 12. Ellsworth registered as its lobbyist Feb. 20.

The bill died in committee last year.

After Ellsworth's hiring, a new version cleared the House and Senate, it was signed by Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter on Monday.

Ellsworth didn't immediately return phone calls seeking comment on the lobbying limits backed by Denney.

At Tuesday's Ways and Means hearing, co-sponsor and House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, said the idea to enact lobbying limits has been a topic of discussion at the Idaho Legislature at least since 2005. Idaho's neighbors Washington and Montana are among states with similar laws, with limits of up to two years.

Jaquet has said the appearance of political contribution in the Foursquare case heightens the need for changes.

Otter vetoes fifth bill, on state worker benefits

BOISE (AP) — Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter announced another veto Tuesday, his fifth of the 2007 Legislature, saying a bill to boost state employee benefits violated Idaho's policy of concentrating on boosting wages.

The bill would have increased the formula limiting unused sick leave that could be transferred to a state employee's retirement account to pay for insurance premiums to 400 hours, from 320 hours. The plan would have cost nearly \$400,000.

Otter killed it, arguing the state should be directing its attention to boosting wages, not the benefits package for state employees.

"Since state employee benefits approximate those of the average competitor while state employee pay is 15.6 percent behind the market, our focus should be on increasing state salaries and narrowing the gap rather than incrementally increasing benefits and widening the gap," the governor wrote in his veto message. Otter has also vetoed a \$32 million plan to boost the grocery tax credit; a ban on smoking in bowling alleys; a bill to require insurance companies to offer underinsured motorist coverage; and a bill to allow tax seizure notices to be sent via first-class mail, instead of certified mail.

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Water

Continued from page A1 century-long string of lawsuits, water calls, finger pointing and frustration. They see Otter's summit as a chance for hands-on management, not just another round of talks.

"We're looking forward to finding solutions for a dilemma that's been going on forever," said Vince Alberdi, head of the Twin Falls Canal Co. "It's not the thing to do, but what we really want to happen is the administration of water. It's time for action."

In his statement, Otter emphasized the importance of addressing a water solution that he cautioned, "It is critically important that the summit not be seen as an end in itself, but rather as an important starting point to a

continuing process." Several lawmakers, including Sen. Chuck Coliner, R-Twin Falls, have indicated the summit could last several days.

The Idaho Department of Water Resources is helping Otter develop a list of potential stakeholders and negotiators, said Mark Warbis, a spokesman for the governor. He said Otter will be at the meeting for at least the first part of the conference, when he'll set the agenda.

During his fall campaign, Otter pledged to host a summit that would get to the root of the struggle over water. Warbis said Otter is concerned about "endless litigation and debate" over who has rights to Idaho's limited

water supply. "Water is a public policy issue," Warbis said. "We now have the legal guidance (from the Supreme Court) and a better handle on the science to shape public policy."

In the statement, Otter said he'd take a hands-on approach to ensure the summit's success and emphasized the meetings' significance.

"You might say April 17 will be a watershed day in the history of Idaho water policy," Otter said.

Times-News staff writer Matt Christensen covers national resources. He welcomes comments at 735-3243 and at matt.christensen@lee.net. Staff writer Jared Hopkins contributed to this report.

Wal-Mart

Continued from page A1 lives near the site of the future store. "The way I see it, Wal-Mart will have a minimum impact compared to the hospital."

The city and neighbors to the future store were concerned that traffic, noise and light from the businesses drive-through operations and lube service center would aggravate nearby homeowners.

Residents in the North Haven area pleaded with the commission to uphold the PUD agreement, which would have prevented Wal-Mart from operating many of its services.

"I have to give some weight to the neighbors because they were there first, and also because they have been working with Wal-Mart," said Commissioner Karen Stroder. "The neighbors have worked really hard to make a compromise, but Wal-Mart has said they want to make these changes."

By the end of the night, commissioners approved the modification to the PUD agreement. The approval was made with the addition of staff recommendations.

Charged

Continued from page A1 operation onto Jerome county taxpayers. "That was a huge factor," he said in deciding not to sue Hawk.

These circumstances, and not Hawk's background as an officer, are what kept him from being arrested, Walker said.

Weaver said he holds his sworn officers to a higher standard of conduct than private citizens. Officers are required to abide by a code of ethics on and off duty. They must complete about 10 weeks of post-training during their first year in law enforcement.

"If Nelson did (commit the crimes), it's completely out of line," Weaver said. "Betraying that oath is inexcusable."

Weaver would not comment on Hawk's case, because the

allegations concern an incident that occurred after Hawk left the department.

These charges against Hawk and Nelson come on the heels of a state Attorney General's investigation of the department that found poor behavioral but never resulted in formal charges.

Because no action was taken as a result of the state investigation, Weaver said the accusations were baseless.

The number of allegations directed at his department, however, have hurt him, his county, and caused some embarrassment, Weaver said.

"People slip through the cracks. It happened and we are going to move on," he said.

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Britain says it may publicize proof that detained crew was in Iraqi waters

LONDON (AP) — Prime Minister Tony Blair warned Tuesday that his government could make public evidence that a British navy crew was in Iraqi waters when it was captured by Iran, saying he was prepared to take the "standoff to a different phase" if diplomacy fails to win their release.

"Iran said the 15 British sailors and marines were

being treated well, but refused to say where they were being held, or rule out the possibility that they could be brought to trial for allegedly entering Iranian waters.

"I hope we manage to get them to realize they have to release them," Blair said in an interview with GMTV. "If not, then this will move into a different phase."

Blair's spokesman said the

prime minister was not hinting either at the possible expulsion of Iranian diplomats or military action, but that Britain may have to make public evidence proving the Britons were seized in Iraq — not Iranian — waters, if there is no swift release of the sailors.

Releasing such evidence could have "an upside and a downside" because it could

show the Iranian ships strayed into Iraqi territory and provoke a diplomatic row between the neighbors, the spokesman said on condition of anonymity in line with policy.

Britain and the United States have said the sailors and marines were intercepted Friday after they completed a search of a civilian vessel in the Iraqi part of the Shatt al-

Arab waterway, where the border between Iran and Iraq has been disputed for centuries.

There were fears in Britain that the fate of the 15 could

get caught up in the political tensions between Iran and the West, including the dispute over Iran's nuclear program and accusations of Iranian help to Shiite militants in Iraq.



Flight deck sailors push back an F/A 18 C plane standing on the flight deck aboard the USS John C. Stennis Tuesday, while sailing in Persian Gulf waters.

U.S. Navy shows off military might in Persian Gulf, flexing muscles as warning to Iran

By James Calderwood and Jim Krane
Associated Press writers

ABOARD THE USS JOHN C. STENNIS — American warplanes screamed off two aircraft carriers Tuesday as the U.S. Navy staged its largest show of force in the Persian Gulf since the 2003 invasion of Iraq, launching a mammoth exercise meant as a message to the Iranians.

The maneuvers with 15 warships and more than 100 aircraft were sure to heighten tensions with Iran, which has frequently condemned the U.S. military presence off its coast and is in a faceoff with the West over its nuclear program and its capture of a British naval team.

While they would not say when the war games were planned, U.S. commanders insisted the exercises were not a direct response to Friday's seizure of the 15 British sailors and marines, but they also made clear that the flexing of the Navy's military might was intended as a warning.

"If there is strong presence, then it sends a clear message that you better be careful about trying to intimidate others," said Capt. Bradley Johanson, commander of the Stennis.

"Iran has adopted a very escalatory posture with the things that they have done," he added.

Meanwhile, oil prices shot nearly 8 percent in a matter of minutes in afterhours trading Tuesday, topping \$60, as rumors spread that Iranages had fired at a U.S. ship in the Persian Gulf and that Britain had taken action to free the captives.

But both the U.S. military and the British government denied the rumors.

Lt. Cmdr. Charlie Brown of the U.S. Navy 5th fleet told The Associated Press that all ships in the Gulf had been checked and the rumors were untrue. Britain's Foreign office said its military had not taken any action.

"The exercises began four days after Iran forces allegedly being in Iranian territorial waters near the northern end of the Gulf," U.S. and British officials insist the team was

properly searching cargo vessels inside Iraqi waters.

F/A-18 fighter jets roared off the Stennis' flight deck all day, mounting a dozen rapid-fire training enemy ships and aircraft. A second task force with the carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower also took part in the drills.

"These maneuvers demonstrate our flexibility and capability to respond to threats to maritime security," said Navy Lt. John Perkins, 32, of Louisville, Ky., as the Stennis cruised about 80 miles off the United Arab Emirates after entering the Persian Gulf overnight.

"They're showing we can keep the maritime environment safe and the vital link to the global economy open."

At the headquarters of the Navy's 5th Fleet in Bahrain, Cmdr. Kevin Aandahl said the maneuvers would last several days. He said U.S. warships would stay out of Iran's territorial waters, which extend 12 miles off the Iranian coast.

None of America's naval coalition partners in the region joined the maneuvers.

A French naval strike group, led by the aircraft carrier Charles de Gaulle, was operating just outside the Gulf in the Arabian Sea, but the French ships were supporting NATO forces in Afghanistan and not taking part in the U.S. maneuvers, Aandahl said.

At the Pentagon, spokesman Bryan Whitman said the Navy routinely conducts exercises when its forces are deployed near each other.

"The exercise should reassure our friends and allies of our commitment to security and stability in the region," Whitman said. "We are not interested in confrontation in the Gulf."

The war games involve more than 10,000 U.S. personnel mounting simulated attacks on enemy aircraft and ships, while hunting submarines and looking for mines.

"What it should be seen as by Iran or anyone else is that it's for regional stability and security," Aandahl said. "These ships are just another demonstration of that. If there's a destabilizing effect, it's Iran's behavior."

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Study spotlights prenatal beef consumption

By Thomas H. Maugh II
Los Angeles Times

Sons born to women who ate a lot of beef during their pregnancy have a 25 percent below-normal sperm count and three times the normal risk of fertility problems, researchers reported Tuesday. The problem may be due to anabolic steroids used in the United States to fatten the cattle, Dr. Stanna H. Swan of the University of Rochester Medical Center reported in a new journal of Human Reproduction. It could also be due to pesticides and other environmental contaminants, she added.

If the sperm deficit is related to the hormones in beef, Swan's findings may be "just the tip of the iceberg," wrote biologist Frederick vom Saal of the University of Missouri in an editorial accompanying the paper.

In daughters of the beef-eaters, those same hormones could alter the incidence of polycystic ovarian syndrome, the age of puberty and the postnatal growth rate, he said. "It's a small effect, but it's a significant effect," said Dr. Ted Schettler, an environmental health specialist at the Institute for Global Communications in San Francisco. "It's not surprising. The more you look at dietary factors, the more you turn up interesting information about how diet during pregnancy affects lots of aspects of human health."

Six growth-promoting hormones are routinely used in cattle production in the United States and Canada: the natural steroids estradiol, testosterone and progesterone, and the synthetic hormones zeranol, trenbolone acetate and melengestrol acetate. At slaughter, not all of these hormones have been metabolized.

Diethylstilbestrol was also used in the U.S. between 1954 and 1979, when it was banned after tests showed that minks fed chicken waste containing DES became infertile.

The Food and Drug Administration sets limits on how much hormone residue is permissible in beef. Those limits may need to be re-examined if Swan's findings can be confirmed, vom Saal said.

The use of these hormones in beef was banned in Europe in 1988, and there has been an ongoing dispute between the European Union and the United States about the EU's attempts to ban imports of U.S. beef containing hormones.

Studies in rodents have shown that even a tiny amount of estrogen present in the uterus from food can affect the sperm count of male offspring, but no one has previously attempted to study the question in humans.

Swan and her colleagues studied 387 partners of pregnant women in five U.S. cities. Each of the men provided a sperm sample and their mouths were filled out a questionnaire about their food consumption during pregnancy.

Senate backs troop withdrawal timeline

By Noam N. Levy
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Setting the stage for a direct confrontation with President Bush over the war in Iraq, the Senate on Tuesday for the first time backed a timeline for withdrawing U.S. troops.

The 50-48 vote turned aside a Republican bill to strip the timelines from a \$122 billion emergency spending bill being sought by the White House to pay for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

With Republicans unexpectedly giving up plans to block the bill, the closely divided Senate appears poised to pass the bill and its controversial timelines as soon as Wednesday.

With the House having approved its own timelines last week, the closely divided Democratic House now close to presenting the president with a stark choice: veto the essential



Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., center, speaks during a news conference, as Sen. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., left, and Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., right, watch after Republican attempts to scuttle the non-binding timeline of Iraq troop withdrawal failed on a vote of 50-48 on Capitol Hill in Washington, Tuesday. AP Photo

war funding or negotiate directly with war critics in a way he has never done.

"He doesn't get everything he wants now, so I think it's time that he started working with us," said Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., a chief architect of the

Democratic campaign to pressure the president to alter his war policy. "The president must change course."

The Senate bill would require the president to begin pulling out combat troops within 120 days of the measure's enactment and would

set a "goal" of completing the withdrawal by March 31, 2008.

Bush has repeatedly rejected timetables, criticizing them for tying the hands of military commanders in the field. On Tuesday, the White House reiterated a veto threat that the president personally delivered

last week after the House approved its version of the war funding bill, which would mandate a withdrawal of most U.S. troops no later than August 2008.

"The president is disappointed that the Senate continues down a path with a bill that he will veto and has no chance of becoming law," deputy White House press secretary Dana Perino said in a statement.

In the three months since Democrats assumed the majority on Capitol Hill, the White House has been able to count on Republican lawmakers to back up those warnings with legislative action.

Senate Republicans, weathering accusations that they were preventing debate on the most important issue facing the country, twice last month successfully filibustered non-binding resolutions criticizing the president's plan to deploy additional troops to Iraq.

Judge dismisses torture lawsuit against Rumsfeld

By Matt Apezo
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Former Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld cannot be tried on allegations of torture in overseas military prisons, a federal judge said Tuesday in a case he described as "lamentable."

U.S. District Judge Thomas F. Hogan threw out a lawsuit brought on behalf of nine former prisoners in Iraq and Afghanistan. He said Rumsfeld cannot be held personally responsible for actions taken in connection with his government job.

The lawsuit contends the prisoners were beaten, suspended upside down from the ceiling by chains, urinated on, shocked, sexually humiliated, burned, locked inside boxes and subjected to mock executions.

Lawyers for the American Civil Liberties Union and Human Rights First had argued that Rumsfeld and top

military officials disregarded warnings about the abuse and authorized the use of illegal interrogation tactics that violated the constitutional and human rights of prisoners.

Hogan appeared conflicted during arguments last year. On one hand, he said he was hesitant to allow allegations of torture to go untried. On the other hand, he said the case was unprecedented.

"This is a lamentable case," Hogan began his 58-page opinion Tuesday.

No matter how appealing it might seem to use the courts to correct allegations of severe abuses of power, Hogan wrote, government officials are immune from such lawsuits. Additionally, foreigners held overseas are not normally afforded U.S. constitutional rights.

"Despite the horrifying torture allegations," Hogan said, he could find no case law supporting the lawsuit, which he

previously had described as unprecedented.

Allowing the case to go forward, Hogan said in December, might subject government officials to all sorts of political lawsuits. Even Osama bin Laden could sue, Hogan said, claiming two American presidents threatened to have him murdered.

"There is no getting around the fact that authorizing monetary damages remedies against military officials engaged in an active war would invite enemies to use our own federal courts to obstruct the Armed Forces' ability to act decisively and without hesitation," Hogan wrote Tuesday.

Had the Rumsfeld lawsuit been allowed to go forward, attorneys for the ACLU might have been able to force the Pentagon to disclose what officials knew about abuses such as those at Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq and what was done to stop it.

Cancer returns for press secretary Snow

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — When President Bush asked Tony Snow to become his press secretary last year, Snow didn't agree until his doctors told him there were no signs of the colon cancer for which he had been treated in 2005.

Based on that assurance, he accepted one of the most demanding jobs in

Washington. But early Tuesday morning, Snow told Bush that the cancer had returned — and had spread to his liver and elsewhere. The report of the recurrence saddened the White House staff.

"He is not going to let this whip him, and he's upbeat," Bush told reporters in the White House Rose Garden on Tuesday morning.

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EDITORIAL

State needed to apply brakes for teen drivers

The road to full driving privileges for Idaho teenagers just became a little tougher in 2007. State lawmakers are sending a practical, and even life-saving, message to young drivers...

Our view: Teen drivers need tighter supervision and limits in their early years behind the wheel. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

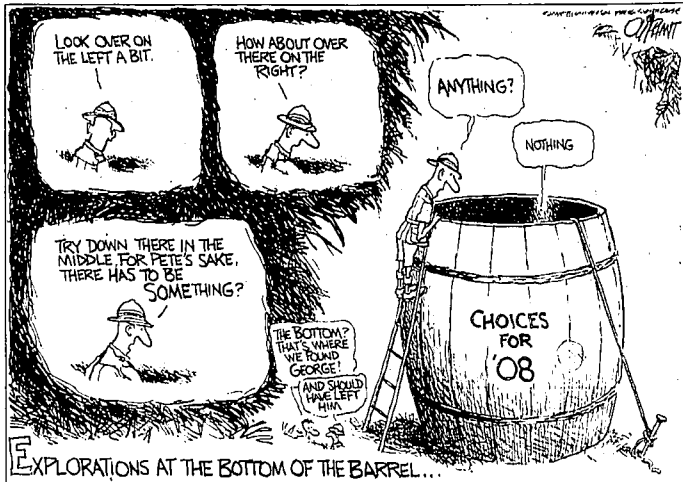
Under a new bill that easily passed the Senate and House, that 15-year-old minimum wouldn't change. But it would place tougher restrictions on teen drivers using the applicable instruction permit...

That's not a bad idea at all, considering how much young drivers lose focus when the seats are full and the car stereo is blaring. For those first six months, teens should be required to keep an eye on the road and not the social surroundings.

The legislation also strengthens the ability to cancel a youth instruction permit when the young driver violates alcohol consumption laws.

Recent studies show Idaho's drivers between the ages of 15 to 17 make up just 3.3 percent of all licensed drivers, but they accounted for 8.5 percent of all fatal and injury crashes in 2005.

Ten drivers can only gain driving privileges by showing responsibility and awareness. The new statutes should help them make those qualities more of a habit behind the wheel.



The fall replacements

FRED HIATT

So will we have two presidential campaigns this quadrennium, as some politicians now seem to hope? The first would have started, oh, several eons ago and will wrap up sometime this summer...

grimly determined to walk on. Partly, you like to think, the grimmness is a consequence of the constant pressure to calibrate between principle and polls.

And that demands the early state. Gingrich, no slouch on political tactics, bids to differ. He points out that it took not all that much time for Obama to go from mentioned to phremon to leading candidate.

And who knows — maybe even the candidates who essentially allowed themselves to be defeated by the demands of the first cycle of the presidential campaign will return, rested and unbloodied.

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Social Security benefit falls short of equity Dealing yard work in this beautiful weather has given me lots of free time to just think. One thing that comes to me — how can Social Security benefits not be here for the generations that are paying into it now?

ing enough money to pay the generations that are expecting Social Security benefits? LOUISE PERRY / Jerome Butch rolls gutterball on smoking ban Someone once described Butch Otter to me as a \$50 haircut on a \$5 head. He rolled the smoking ban in bowing alleys, he upheld the rich tradition of legislation from right-wing Republicans in Idaho. GARY STRODER / Twin Falls Write to us The Times-News welcomes letters from readers. Please limit letters to 300 words.

A new George with war credibility



The best indicator that the Bush family political dynasty might survive George W. Bush comes from the news that George P. Bush, the president's nephew, has joined the Naval Reserve. That's not quite frontline service for the younger Bush although, of course, he could eventually find himself in a hot zone.

Americans have been brutally reminded that wars don't always go so well on the battlefield as they do during the PowerPoint presentation in the White House situation room. And yet this President Bush, ex-National Guardsman that he is, doesn't seem capable of motivating and mobilizing the nation.

quickly. But, had either of them stretched out, that President Bush would have had the personal credibility with the American people to sustain long fighting and to command real sacrifice. Sadly, that's what's needed today. Americans have been brutally reminded that we don't always go so well on the battlefield as they do during the PowerPoint presentation in the White House situation room.

One man's quest to write the perfect quote for a Starbucks cup

JOEL STEIN

As a writer, it's very difficult to reach people because it means they have to read. So, in this splintered world of headline skimmers, I had to change my goals. I no longer dreamed of writing a bestselling literary novel or syndicated column nationwide. I wanted to be on a Starbucks cup.

Starbucks started printing quotes on its cups three years ago, and every time I got a chat, I seethed with rage — partly out of jealousy and partly because you have to look as tough as you can when you're drinking chat.

So I called Seattle headquarters and asked about the process. And by "asked about the process," I meant I begged them to let me write on a cup.

Thomas Provell, Starbucks' senior copywriter, assured me that I was not the first writer

pathetic enough to call. Rick Warren, the minister who wrote "A Purpose-Driven Life," was so angered by paleontologist Louise Leakey's cup-quote about Darwinism that he wanted to respond — creating the first epistolary feud channeled through baristas.

I sent Provell 15 ideas, including: "If your mom is drunk at 3 a.m., squirting you and your sister with a water pistol, you're either very rich or very poor."

"Treat each breath like it's a gift. He the person you always wanted to be right now? It's just kidding. I don't care what the hell you do. I just wanted to be on a cup."

But the one Starbucks went with was something I had said

to my wife, Cassandra, one night, making her laugh before bed. She may have been a little drunk. And trying to get out of bed.

It reads: "Heaven is totally overrated. It seems boring. Clouds, lightning to people play the harp. It should be somewhere you can't wait to go, like a luxury hotel. Maybe blue skies and soft music were enough to keep people in line in the 17th century, but Heaven has to step it up a bit. They're basically getting by because they only have to be better than Hell."

I discovered last week that my cup was being used at stores when I started to get e-mails from angry Christians that were angrier than my usual e-mails from angry Christians.

Excited, we went to our local Starbucks. When Cassandra

asked Coffee Master Rachel Jones if she liked my quote, Jones said that they never read the cups.

"We prefer drawing things," she said, pointing to her doodles, which, in my opinion, were not at all cup-worthy. When I forced Jones to read it, she said it was in the top half of the cups she had ever read, and much better than North Jones. When I begged about being on the big cup, she said, "That's because it's such a big idea."

She also said it was more entertaining than my only vent rival, geographer/ethnobotanist Maria Fadiman, whose line — "After years of unusual work in exotic places, I realize that it is not how far off I go or how deep into the forest I walk that gives my life meaning — it is the most thingy yelled bragging I've ever heard from a

geographer/ethnobotanist. No one at the store seemed as impressed as I had hoped. Jones offered to put one guy's vent I dropped into one of my cups. But he chose the see-through plastic one instead.

Undeterred, I started stacking Fadiman's cups under to read it. I made a name and was about to ask if I should autograph some when Jones picked up a grande and laughed a laugh that she didn't laugh when she read mine.

It was by David Shore, creator of the TV show "House." It reads: "People don't read enough. And what reading we do is cursory, without absorbing the subtleties and nuances that lie deep within — Wow, you've stopped paying attention, haven't you? People can't even read a coffee cup without drifting off."

It was clearly the best thing

I'd ever read on a cup, ever. I hated David Shore with every word inside my writerhood.

I called him to vent, and it only got worse. He was surprised that writers could even approach Starbucks, because they contacted him. I hated him more when he said he only had to turn in two quotes. And I hated him when he said that a barista had begged for his autograph. But basically I hated him because he makes a whole lot of money.

Shore tried to make me feel better.

"I want to be on the vent," he said. "That's the glamour cup. You're up on the big screen."

We both knew it just meant I was worthy.

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Abdullah's chance for moderate Arabs

Is Saudi Arabia becoming the new Egypt?

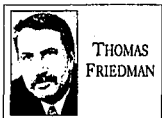
This is a question you hear more and more these days in Arab circles, as Saudi Arabia's King Abdullah becomes more diplomatically active and Egypt, the traditional leader of the Arab world, becomes more diplomatically passive.

In recent months, we've seen Saudi Arabia publicly blast Hezbollah for launching an unprovoked war on Israel; we've seen King Abdullah forge a cease-fire between Hamas and Fatah in Gaza; we've seen him try to tame Iran's president, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, and there are rumors that a top Saudi official met with Israel's prime minister, Ehud Olmert.

That meeting was apparently in preparation for the Arab summit in Riyadh, March today and Thursday, which King Abdullah will be hosting to revive his February 2002 peace overture to Israel of full normalization of relations in return for full withdrawal from the occupied territories.

Since Egypt, for now, seems to be drifting, and the Saudis seem to be aloof in the new era, it's not surprising to see Saudi Arabia becoming more assertive. It could have real benefits — given the Saudis' standing in the Muslim world — provided that the leader of Saudi Arabia is ready to do what the leader of Egypt did when it comes to making peace with Israel.

What the moribund Israeli-Palestinian talks need most today is an emotional breakthrough from another Arab declaration, just reaffirming the Abdullah initiative, won't cut it. If King Abdullah wants to lead — and he has the integrity and credibility to do so — he needs to fly from the Riyadh summit to Jerusalem and deliver the



THOMAS FRIEDMAN

offer personally to the Israeli people. That is what Egypt's Anwar Sadat did when he forged his breakthrough. If King Abdullah did the same, he could end this conflict once and for all.

I would humbly suggest the Saudi king make four stops. His first stop should be to Al Aqsa Mosque in East Jerusalem, the third holiest site in Islam. There, he, the custodian of Mecca and Medina, could reaffirm the Muslim claim to Arab East Jerusalem by praying at Al Aqsa.

From there, he could travel to Ramallah and address the Palestinian parliament, making clear that the Abdullah initiative aims to give Palestinians the leverage to offer Israel peace with the whole Arab world in return for full withdrawal. And he might add that whoever decided the Palestinians cut with Israel regarding return of refugees or land swaps — so some settlements might stay in the West Bank in return for the Palestinians getting pieces of Israel — the Arab world would support.

From there, King Abdullah could helicopter to Yad Vashem, the memorial to the 6 million Jews killed in the Holocaust. A visit to the new world seal that will serve Israelis and affirm that the Muslim world rejects the Holocaust denialism of Iran. Then he could go to the Israeli parliament and formally deliver his peace initiative.

Of course, I have no illusions

about this. But it is in any more illusory than thinking that the incrementalism of the last seven years is going to get anywhere? Now that's a fantasy. Yes, al-Qaida would denounce King Abdullah. What else is new? The Saudi ruling family is going to have to decide: Is it going to stand the test of its days lip-ticking around al-Qaida, or is it going to confront it — ideologically — head on? Many more Muslims would applaud the Saudi king for such an overture. And I have no doubt that Israel's majority, which was ready to evacuate Gaza for nothing, would demand that the Israeli government respond positively to an Abdullah initiative delivered in this way.

This would also be a vehicle to let Hamas to put up or shut up. It is one thing for Hamas to reject the Oslo peace accords. But how could it reject a peace overture to Israel presented by Saudi Arabia?

If the Saudi king just wants to score some points, he will hold the Arab summit, re-issue the peace plan and go home. If he wants to make history and make peace, he will hold the Arab summit, re-issue the Arab summit, re-issue the peace plan and deliver it in person.

Thomas J. Friedman is a columnist for The New York Times.

LETTER

State must pay its dues on depleted aquifer

Idaho must accept responsibility for the deplorable condition of the Snake River Plain Aquifer. It is a well-known fact that the water supply in the aquifer was over-subscribed

by the Department of Water Resources under the direction of Karl Dreher. Though the water in the aquifer was declining, the department continued to issue permits for drilling more wells and development of more land.

When officials finally decid-

ed to take action, it was too late. Now we are faced with almost certain shutting down of junior rights to the water and drying up of prime farmland and disruption of the economy of the entire region.

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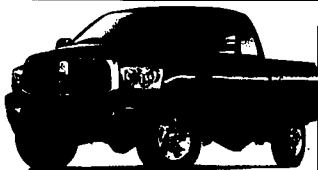
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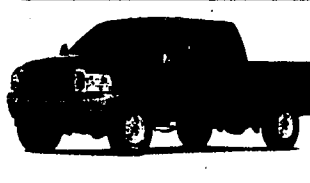
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2007 NCAA WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

Volunteer labor

Tennessee cruises to women's Final Four

By Rusty Miller
Associated Press writer

DAYTON, Ohio — Candace Parker yearns to win a national championship. Now she and Tennessee are just two games away from ending the Lady Vols' nine-year drought.

With Parker dominating at both ends and the talented Lady Vols getting contributions from almost everybody else on the roster, they rolled over Mississippi, 98-62, and into their 17th Final Four on Tuesday night.

"I really wanted to make it to the Final Four," said Parker, selected as the Dayton Regional's most outstanding player. "Tonight I wanted to do whatever I could for my team, whether it was playing defense or giving energy at either end. That was my goal tonight."

Ole Miss coach Carol Ross has been a head coach for 16 years in the Southeastern Conference, so she has intimate knowledge of almost all of Tennessee and coach Pat Summitt's six national titles. She said the current Lady Vols have what it takes to win the program's first title since 1998.

"Pat's the best at getting her team to postseason play," Ross said. "She had them ready to go. They looked every bit as good as any Tennessee championship team I've ever seen."

By winning the Dayton Regional, top-seeded Tennessee (32-3) moves on to play either Purdue or North Carolina in the national semifinals in Cleveland on Sunday. LSU (30-7) and Rutgers (26-8) meet in the other game.

"I felt like this was our best game of the tournament, without a doubt," Summitt said. "One thing we had talked about was against Marist (in the second round) we had played well the first 20 minutes but then had lots of lapses in the second half."

"If we're a team who wants to win a national championship, we can't take possessions off," Parker scored 24 points and had 14 rebounds, but she dictated the game in many ways. She hit 10 of 14 shots from the field and also had three assists, three steals and five blocked shots in a virtual highlight film of a game.

She might have posted even grander numbers if Summitt hadn't rested her at the end of the first half and for the final 12:10 of the game.

"Candace is a player who is extremely hungry to win a championship," Ross said. "It's been well documented that she doesn't want to be compared with other great Tennessee players until she wins a championship. Her talent has always been there, and always will be, but her



Tennessee forward Candace Parker, right, and head coach Pat Summitt cheer during the final minutes of their NCAA women's regional final game against Mississippi Tuesday, in Dayton, Ohio. Tennessee beat Mississippi 98-62.

ability to inspire her teammates for a national championship is a credit to her desire to be a champion."

Shelby Spencer had 16 of her 22 points in the second half. Shannon Bobbit had 14 points, including 10 of Tennessee's first 24 in a fast

start. Alberta Augustine added 12 points. Arminite Price dazzled for 30 points for seventh-seeded Ole Miss (24-11), which has been within a game of the Final Four five times and has lost every time. Ashley Awkward clipped in with 14 points.

Tar Heels roll past Boilermakers

By Jaime Aron
Associated Press writer

DALLAS — Once again, Ivory Latta was headed to the locker room way too early in a late-round NCAA tournament game. North Carolina's hopes possibly going with her.

Only this time, Latta came back. And the Tar Heels never wavered. Latta limped off a few minutes before halftime, but returned to help Eriana Larkins lead a strong start to the second half that top-seeded North Carolina rode to a 84-72 victory over Purdue in the finals of the Dallas Regional on Tuesday night, clinching a spot in the Final Four for the second year in a row.

Last year's title shot was ruined when Latta hurt her knee early in a loss to Maryland in the national semifinals. Now a senior who has vowed to do whatever it takes to go out with a championship, she'll have a few days to recover before facing fellow No. 1 seed Tennessee in Cleveland on Sunday.

"It was only a cramp," Latta said. "Everything's all good." Larkins had a career-high 29 points and 10 rebounds as the Tar Heels (34-3) set a school record for wins and kept alive their chances for a second crown. Latta had 21 points, her most this tournament, plus her usual leadership and spunky attitude — or "Latta-rude," as it's called in Chapel Hill.

"It feels good," said Latta, wearing her regional championship T-shirt and hat while signing autographs for fans as her team took court down the net. "Purdue's a great team. This was a big win." The Boilermakers (31-6) were within 64-60 with 6:47 left when star Katie Gearlds fed Jodi Howell for a layup, forcing a timeout and drawing a scream and an exultant



North Carolina guard Ivory Latta (12) takes a shot as Purdue forward Lindsay Wisdom-Hyton (32) tries to block it during the second half of their regional championship basketball game at the NCAA Women's Division I tournament in Dallas, Tuesday.

job from Gearlds. After Latta missed a 3-point shot on the other end, Gearlds put up a 3 of her own and got nothing but air. She couldn't help but laugh and pat her chest, saying "My bad" as she looked at the bench.

North Carolina answered with a 7-0 rally led by Larkins. She started it with a 3-point play, then assisted on two more baskets as the Tar

Heels turned away Purdue's hopes of getting to the Final Four in its first season under coach Sharon Versyp.

Larkins, who was named the most outstanding player of the regional, scored eight of UNC's first 10 points in the second half and Latta hit a jumper for the other. The lead peaked at nine before the Boilermakers made things interest-

ing, although they never regained the lead.

"We weren't going to quit," said Gearlds, who scored 20 points. "We showed a lot of character ... We forced us out of our comfort zone."

Purdue only was in control during an 11-2 stretch midway through the first half. North Carolina had a 15-2 spurt right after, but the final basket in that run was when Latta came away limping, a hand on her left hip. She went to the locker room with 2:06 left in the half.

A group of Tar Heels fans leaned over the tunnel to slap hands with players as they came out for the second half. Latta kept up the suspense by being the 11th of the 13 players to come out.

The Boilermakers missed their last shot and Latta caught the rebound. Looking up to see only 10 seconds remained, she never budged, her smile growing as the clock neared zero. She began screaming and pumping her arm for the final ticks, then hurled the ball skyward after the buzzer.

Gearlds walked to the bench slowly, the front collar of her jersey pulled over her mouth. She'd tied the school single-season record for points, but could've used more from her teammates in this one.

"I left it all out there, but I didn't do enough for my team to win," she said. "It hurts."

Lindsay Wisdom-Hyton was the next-highest scorer with only 14 before she fouled out. Erin Lawless had 10 before she also fouled out in her final college game. "To get to the final eight is very special for this group, having a whole new coaching staff coming in," said Versyp, herself a former Purdue star. "Obviously our goal was to get to the Final Four, but I've never been so proud of a group of young women."

Boylan 'jacked' to take over Utah hoops

By Doug Alden
Associated Press writer

SALT LAKE CITY — Jim Boylen's enthusiasm won over Utah athletic director Chris Hill and helped the longtime assistant land his first head coaching job.

Boylan demonstrated quickly he was every bit as gung-ho as billed shortly after being introduced Tuesday as the new Utah coach.

He worked as an assistant in college and the NBA for 20 years, and comes to Utah and the Mountain West Conference from Michigan State of the Big Ten.

"I don't think it's a mid-major," Boylen said in a room packed with reporters, boosters and his new players at the Huntsman Center.

"It's a big major to me. If it's not, then we're going to be."

Boylan, an assistant at Michigan State the past two years, repeatedly said how "pumped" and "jacked" he was to take over a program that has struggled the last two years.

"I feel in my heart we could be great here in Utah," he said. Boylen sounded a bit more like he was coming to coach football rather than basketball.

"We have to improve our toughness, and we have to improve our competitive edge," Boylen said. "Those two things have to improve. That's my job."

"People might play," he said, "but tough people win." Boylen, who turns 42 in April, inherits a team that went 11-17 this season but had just one senior. He replaces Ilay Giacolletti, who resigned under pressure after three seasons.

Boylan has worked for some of the most successful coaches in basketball. He worked for Tom Izzo at Michigan State and assisted Rudy Tomjanovich with the Houston Rockets, where he was part of back-to-back NBA championships.

Boylan, wearing one of his big, gold NBA title rings on his left hand, said his jewelry never hurts him when it comes to recruiting. "It speaks about the mountain top. Getting to the mountain top is what it's all about," he said. "You've got to believe it before you do it and I believe it."

Boylan has a five-year contract for \$575,000 a year. Hill said Boylen answered most of his questions before they were asked when they met last week in San Antonio.

"I thought he was cheating — he had a crib sheet or something," Hill said. "I love his enthusiasm. I love his commitment."

Boylan said he became familiar with the area when he coached Houston's NBA summer league teams in Salt Lake City.

"I think it's a great place to live and compete at the highest level," he said. "Those kind of combinations are hard to find."

Who is Jim Boylen?

Some background on Jim Boylen, Utah's new basketball coach:
BORN: April 18, 1965, East Grand Rapids, Mich.
HIGH SCHOOL: East Grand Rapids
COLLEGE: University of Maine, bachelor's degree in business, 1987; averaged 24 points per game as player
WIFE: Christine
CHILDREN: Ashton Clare, 2; Lyla Blu, 5 months
EXPERIENCE: Michigan State assistant coach, 2005-07; 1989-92; graduate assistant, 1987-89; NBA assistant at Houston, Golden State and Milwaukee, 1992-05.

NFL: Replay here to stay

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press writer

PHOENIX — Replay is here to stay in the NFL. Or at least as permanently as any rule can be in pro football.

League owners voted 30-2 on Tuesday to make the video replay system a permanent officiating tool. All but three NFL stadiums will be equipped with high-definition equipment and will be re-sealed before the upcoming season, at a cost of as much as \$300,000 per club. The stadiums being replaced in Irving, Texas, Indianapolis and East Rutherford, N.J., will not get the updates.

"It's a long time coming," said Atlanta Falcons general manager Rich McKay, co-chairman of the competition committee that recommended the change. "It made sense to



SPORTS

Filer boys, Buhl girls win at Muni

TWIN FALLS — The Filer boys and Buhl girls golf teams met at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course on Tuesday, playing only nine holes.

recored a five-inning no-hitter against the Filer Wildcats for a 12-0 win on Monday.

The senior right hander struck out eight and the Wildcats had two outs only four times either by error or hit batter.

championship gross, shot the low round of 66 at the event.

Results
All Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course
Team scores: 1. Deer 140, 2. Coeur d'Alene 135, 3. Magic Valley Christian 215, 4. Olathe 215, 5. Buhl 215

Jerome 12, Filer 0, five innings
Jerome: 12, Filer: 0
Runs: 0, Hits: 0, Errors: 0

Results
All Century Square Golf Course, Twin Falls
Championship Nine Hole
1. Tom Barnes 194-138
2. Jeff Haggard 194-138
3. Matt Haggard 194-138

Kimberly boys win meet
KIMBERLY — The Kimberly boys golf team won a home meet at Pleasant Valley Golf Course on Tuesday with a team score of 168.

Professional golf
Hoffand, Hamblin, Hollister place in top five
TWIN FALLS — Travis Hoffand of the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course and partner Jeffrey Thyler of StarVing Country Club took runner-up at the Rocky Mountain PGA Snake River Chapter Spring Pro-Pro at the Muni on Monday.

Championship nine hole
1. Mike Baranco 168-111
2. Dan Peterson 167-111
3. Dan Haggard 167-111

Weather hampers golf teams
GLENN'S HERBY Uncooperative weather halted a golf meet hosted by Glenn's Terry at Canela Vineyards on Tuesday.

Late Sunday
Merritt wins gross at Canyon Springs Amateur
TWIN FALLS — Troy Merritt shot in the high 60s to win the championship Eight gross of the Canyon Springs Amateur with a 136 at Canyon Springs Golf Course on Sunday.

First flight gross
1. Ted Barnes 72-78-148
2. Jeff Haggard 70-75-150
3. Matt Haggard 70-75-150

Late Monday
Baseball
Jerome 12, Filer 0, five innings
FLIER — Jerome pitcher Travis Cooley

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2. Dan Peterson 74-80-154
3. Dan Haggard 74-80-154

LeBron, Cavs punish Pacers

INDIANAPOLIS — LeBron James led 26 points, seven rebounds and six assists, and the Cleveland Cavaliers beat the Indiana Pacers 105-94 on Tuesday night to clinch a playoff berth.



Cleveland Cavaliers forward LeBron James, left, gets shots on Indiana Pacers James Durringer in the second quarter Tuesday's game in Indianapolis.

game road trip and won its seventh straight overtime. The Mavericks already became the first NBA team ever to notch three winning streaks of 12 games or more in a season, and they're past halfway on their way to another one.

Mavericks 105, Hornets 89
OKLAHOMA CITY — Josh Howard had 25 points and 10 rebounds, and Dallas beat the Hornets for the 21st straight time.

last loss in the series came on Nov. 17, 1999, in Charlotte.

SuperSonics 114, Timberwolves 106

MINNEAPOLIS — Rashard Lewis scored 21 of his 35 points in the fourth quarter, Earl Watson set a career high with 24 points, and Seattle overcame a 25-point second-half deficit to beat Minnesota.



West Virginia's Frank Young (21) celebrates with West Virginia's Jamie Stansbury after an end of Tuesday's National Invitation Tournament game at Madison Square Garden in New York.

Nichols' 3-pointer lifts Mountaineers in NIT

NEW YORK — Darris Nichols hit a buzzer-beating 3-pointer to lift West Virginia to 63-62 victory over Mississippi State in the semifinals of the NIT at Madison Square Garden on Tuesday night.

seen by the officials. After Nichols hit a buzzer-beating 3-pointer to lift West Virginia to 63-62 victory over Mississippi State in the semifinals of the NIT at Madison Square Garden on Tuesday night.

NFL

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this year to do it. Instant replay is an accepted part of the game. It's what we are. There's not really much discussion about it.

conference tie games.
"We wanted to make sure that coaches on Super Bowl teams didn't feel it was a disadvantage," McKay said.

can spike since 1997 in how many teams won overtime games after also winning the coin toss. That percentage went from 55.9 from 1994-97 to 64.6 for the next four seasons. And after it dropped to 60 percent for 2002-05, it went up to 63.6 last season.

Ace carded at Jackpot GC

JACKPOT, Nev. — Travis Thompson shot his first hole-in-one on No. 7 at Jackpot Golf Club.

Late Saturday Amateur golf Scramble results announced

RUPERT — A five-person scramble was held at Rupert Country Club on Saturday. Results follow.

UCLA banking on D

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Add a "D" to UCLA.
The Bruins play defense as well as they do on the court, and now comes their biggest challenge — defending champion Florida and its multifaceted offense.

Clemson 68, Air Force 67

NEW YORK — K.C. Rivers scored 19 points as Clemson held on to beat Air Force and advance to the National Invitation Tournament championship with a 68-67 victory Tuesday night.

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they'll be up to that challenge."
The Bruins finished second in scoring defense in the extremely competitive Pac-10 this season, limiting foes to an average of 59.5 points. The improvement on that in the NCAA tournament, holding all four teams to 55 or fewer points.

UCLA banking on D

UCLA also leveraged 7.5 steals, led by Darren Collins' 2.3 — and 3.5 blocks.
One plus the Bruins have going for them this year is Josh Shipp, a 6-foot-5 swingman who missed all but four games in the 2005-2006 season after having hip surgery. He's provided a big boost on both ends of the court.

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Team	W	L	Pct.
Detroit	18	10	.646
Chicago	17	15	.529
Baltimore	17	15	.529
LA Angels	16	17	.485
Minnesota	16	17	.485
Seattle	15	18	.455
San Diego	15	18	.455
Texas	15	18	.455
Washington	15	18	.455
White Sox	14	19	.423
Yankees	14	19	.423
Oakland	13	20	.397
Los Angeles	13	20	.397
Arizona	12	21	.364
Cleveland	12	21	.364
Colorado	12	21	.364
Florida	12	21	.364
Houston	12	21	.364
Kansas City	12	21	.364
MLB Average	14	19	.423

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.
St. Louis	19	11	.633
Arizona	18	12	.597
Atlanta	18	12	.597
Chicago	18	12	.597
Cincinnati	17	13	.563
Cleveland	17	13	.563
Colorado	17	13	.563
LA Dodgers	17	13	.563
Los Angeles	16	14	.530
Minnesota	16	14	.530
NY Mets	16	14	.530
Philadelphia	16	14	.530
Pittsburgh	16	14	.530
San Diego	16	14	.530
San Francisco	16	14	.530
Seattle	15	15	.500
St. Petersburg	15	15	.500
Washington	15	15	.500
White Sox	15	15	.500
Yankees	15	15	.500
MLB Average	16	14	.530

HOCKEY

NHL

Team	W	L	Pct.
Philadelphia	23	10	.697
San Jose	22	11	.667
Washington	22	11	.667
LA Kings	21	12	.633
St. Louis	21	12	.633
Buffalo	21	12	.633
NY Rangers	21	12	.633
Atlanta	20	13	.606
Chicago	20	13	.606
Colorado	20	13	.606
Florida	20	13	.606
Los Angeles	20	13	.606
Minnesota	20	13	.606
Montreal	20	13	.606
Ottawa	20	13	.606
Pittsburgh	20	13	.606
San Jose	20	13	.606
Seattle	20	13	.606
St. Louis	20	13	.606
Washington	20	13	.606
Winnipeg	20	13	.606
Yankees	20	13	.606
MLB Average	20	13	.606

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 Burley at Jerome, 4 p.m.
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 Minico at Gooding, 3:30 p.m.

TENNIS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
 11 a.m.
 ESPN - Preseason, Atlanta vs. N.Y. Mets, at Port St. Lucie, Fla.
NBA BASKETBALL
 8 p.m.
 ESPN - Houston at L.A. Clippers
HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL
 7 p.m.
 Spokane, Pocatello, Twin Falls, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Kelso, Lewiston, Orofino, Prineas, Shoshone, Teton, Twin Falls, Wainwright, and Woodbury.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

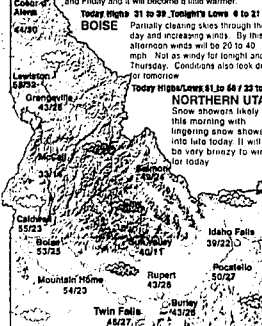
Today: Windy throughout the day with possible morning snow showers and flurries. Highs middle 40s.
Tonight: Decreasing clouds and winds. Lows in the upper 20s.
Tomorrow: Partly to mostly cloudy skies and breezy southwest winds. Highs upper 40s, lows upper 20s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Morning snow showers and windy throughout the day. Highs in the lower 40s.
Tonight: Clearing skies and breezy conditions. Lows in the middle 20s.
Tomorrow: Partly to mostly sunny and milder. Highs in the lower 50s, lows near 30.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Light to moderate snow will continue for this morning before tapering off in the afternoon. A few to several inches of new snow is possible.
BOISE Today Highs in the 40s, Lows in the 20s.
PARTIALLY CLEARING SKIES THROUGH THE DAY AND INCREASING WINDS. BY THE AFTERNOON WINDS WILL BE 20 TO 40 MPH.
TODAY HIGH 46, LOW 27.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 7 columns: Today, Tonight, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Yesterday's Weather. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

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Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes sunrise and sunset times.

MOON PHASES

Table showing moon phases from April 2 to April 24.

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Table showing moonrise and moonset times for various days.

U.V. INDEX

Table showing UV index levels from Low to High.

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Table showing pollen counts for various allergens.

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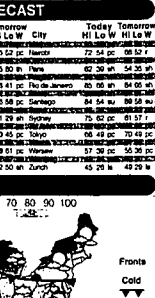
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"As long as you don't forgive, who and whatever it is will occupy rent-free space in your mind."

CANADIAN FORECAST

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Serena smacks Sharapova

KEY BISCAIÑE, Fla. (AP) — Bernabenes became repeats. Tuesday for Roger Federer and Maria Sharapova.
Both lost.
Guillermo Canas upset the top-ranked Federer for the second time this month.



Serena Williams hits the ball back to Maria Sharapova during their match at the Sony Ericsson tennis tournament in Key Biscayne, Fla., Tuesday.

tic superstitious," she said. "I'm working toward getting to be the best. It's an uphill battle."
Seeking her fourth Key Biscayne title, No. 13-ranked Williams will play No. 8 Nicole Pietrangeli in the quarterfinals Wednesday.
Sharapova, who lost the No. 1 ranking last week to Justine Henin, has yet to win a tournament this year. Her biggest problem is Williams, who has won 24 of the 29 sets they've played in 2006.

became the first women's semifinalist by beating No. 15 Li Na 4-6, 7-5, 6-2.
Sharapova beat Venus Williams in the third round Sunday but lasted only 58 minutes against the younger sister.
She was struck with her serve, once a strength.
Hitting aggressively, she double-faulted eight times and won only four of 16 points on her second serve.

the upset ended Federer's bid for a third successive Key Biscayne title, what Canas improved to 3-0 this far against top-10 players. He was ranked as high as No. 8 before serving a 15-month doping suspension, and he had to qualify for the Key Biscayne draw.
Williams, who defeated Sharapova 6-1, 6-2 in the Australian Open final, this time won even more easily. She brushed when asked if she expected such an easy match.

UFC owners buy rival Pride Fighting

NEW YORK (AP) — The majority owners of Ultimate Fighting Championship have agreed to buy their biggest mixed martial arts rival, Pride Fighting Championships, in a deal that will establish megafights among the outfit's titlholders and possibly attract huge pay-per-view audiences.
Company executives declined to comment on the sales price, but a person familiar with the negotiations told The Associated Press that brothers Lorenzo and Frank Fertitta will purchase the Japan-based Pride for less than \$70 million. The person was not authorized to speak to reporters and spoke on condition of anonymity.

roster of fighters, from Dream Stage. The Fertitta brothers, who own Las Vegas-based Zuffa LLC, the parent company of UFC, intend to keep the well-known Pride name and promote fights under that brand.
The acquisition marks a new phase in the brothers' quest to dominate the burgeoning world of mixed martial arts since they bought the struggling UFC in 2001.
"This is really going to change the face of MMA," Lorenzo Fertitta said. "Literally creating a sport that could be as big around the world as soccer. I liken it somewhat to when the NFL and AFC came together to create the NFL."
The deal allows the Fertitta brothers to broker the biggest MMA fights possible in the near future, increasing their influence in this sports entertainment business.

financial blow.
Major sponsor Fuji Television Network Inc. dropped Pride in June after a tabloid linked it to the Japanese mob — something Sakakibara has denied vigorously. To help bolster Pride, the company staged two PPV fights in Las Vegas. Neither was a financial success. The fights gained exposure for Pride but lost money, making the sale of Pride more likely.
"I think it certainly weakened their position," Lorenzo Fertitta said. "One of our goals is to get back on a major platform back here in Japan."
Lorenzo Fertitta said he'll be looking to expand Pride internationally.
Buying Pride is the latest in a series of acquisitions that the brothers have made in the last six months. Zuffa snapped up World Extreme Cagefighting and World Fighting Alliance last year.
Similar to Pride, buying WFA gave UFC the rights to a popular fighter named Quinton "Rampage" Jackson. Jackson will face UFC's most popular fighter, Chuck Liddell, the current light heavyweight champ in Las Vegas, on May 26 on PPV.
Thanks to a surge in popularity, the brothers' investment in UFC and MMA in general has begun to pay off.
The sale gives UFC an estimated \$200 million in PPV revenue, putting it on par with World Wrestling Entertainment Inc.

Phelps rules the pool



Michael Phelps celebrates after winning the men's 200m Freestyle final with a new world record of 1 minute, 43.66 seconds at the World Swimming Championships in Melbourne, Australia, Tuesday.

tainly Natalie followed up well; it had to do something."
That's how Kate Ziegler felt, too.
The 18-year-old female swimmer won the 1,500 freestyle for the Americans' fourth gold of the night. She was under world-record pace throughout, crossing 1,000 meters of the non-Olympic event.

Phelps rules the pool

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Michael Phelps got the Americans rolling by smashing Ian Thorpe's world record in the 200-meter freestyle at the world championships. His teammates didn't let him down, either.
On a night when Phelps asserted himself as the over-achieving successor to the retired Aussie star, a couple of other Americans reminded everyone they're pretty good in their own specialties.
Fans at Rod Laver Arena had barely settled into their seats when Phelps opened Tuesday night's finals by trouncing Pieter van den Hoogenband of the Netherlands in the 200 free. He won by 2.32 seconds, setting an unheard-of margin in a sport separated by mere hundredths of a second.

That was probably the single most incredible record in the books," backstroker Aaron Peirsol said. "He put it to rest."
Then Phelps' teammates got busy.
Natalie Coughlin jumped in for the 100 backstroke and lowered the world mark for the first time in five years, going under a minute for the fifth time.

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FOOTHILL BURGER BEST IN THE VALLEY

Beacon Burger & Brew ousted in upset

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

HANSEN — Drive up to the Foothill Cafe in Hansen, and you're greeted by a muddy parking lot and rustic farm implements spelling out "Foothill."
Go inside, and get the tastiest, most sophisticated burger in Magic Valley. The Foothill Burger boasts bacon, avocado, cheddar and a half-pound of hand-formed beef, all stacked together in the right proportions for a true taste phenomenon.

As the *Times-News*' Burger Bracket field narrowed from 16 to two, the Foothill Burger proved that its rank as a top seed was well-earned.

With a recipe of soul and passion to bring it through five weeks of grueling competition, Foothill is now champion.

As cafe owner Kim Wilson said: "We're the best-kept secret in Magic Valley, until now."

Making the valley's best burger

Bun

"I see a lot of the burgers out there that have humongous buns," said Foothill Cafe owner Kim Wilson. "I don't think the burger's about the bun, I think the burger's about what goes between the buns, so I tend to use a smaller bun."

Wilson buys her seeded white Eddy's brand buns at Costco Wholesale, then toasts them on the grill with margarine.

Lettuce, tomato, avocado, onion

The vegetables arrive at Foothill Cafe courtesy of S & G Produce; they're grown at different places depending on the time of year. This week, the tomatoes are from Florida, avocados from Chile and lettuce from California. Though her current onions were grown in Mexico, Wilson believes some of the onions she buys during the year are the produce of local farmers, many of whom come to the cafe for lunch. "I wouldn't be surprised if their onions end up in my restaurant," Wilson said. Not visible in this photo are pickle chips from Costco.

Bacon

Wilson goes with Hormel brand bacon, which she fries up on the griddle before topping the charbroiled meat with it. Hormel achieves the right balance of crispy and flexible, Wilson said.

Beef

The cafe uses Midwestern corn-fed fresh-ground beef for all its burgers, including the half-pound Foothill Burger. The staff hand-forms about 20 pounds of beef each morning, adding a blend of spices and seasonings — but no fillers — that Wilson won't reveal. "I don't want to give out all my secrets," she said. The beef takes about seven minutes to charbroil.

Cheese

It's all about Washington state's Tillamook cheddar for the Foothill Burger. Wilson said she chooses a medium cheddar, so the flavor doesn't overwhelm the burger. Other cheeses are available on request, but Wilson believes the recipe balances best with cheddar. The cheese is added to the burger about a minute before it is removed from the grill, just long enough for it to melt.

Sauces

It takes Best Foods mayonnaise to create the valley's best burger, but no other sauces are added before the burger gets to the table. There, you can add ketchup or yellow mustard, and fry sauce is available if you ask.



Photo Provided by Foothill Cafe/Hansen

How Foothill took the championship

Both teams came into the finals with their reputations firmly established.

Having bested three other worthy contenders, the Beacon Burger & Brew's cheeseburger brought skills at both offense and defense. Topping the beef were sliced iceberg lettuce, a thick, flavorful tomato slice and zippy cheddar, all held together with a choice of white or wheat bun, with crisply cooked thin-cut fries on the side.

So what were this team's weak-

nesses? The star player (the beef) and teamwork.

The meat just wasn't flavorful enough, and it was a little on the chewy side. The whole burger simply failed to come together into as cohesive or complex a taste experience as its competitor.

Beacon has been making its cheeseburger since about 1980 but shifted to real cheese, apple-smoked bacon and a choice of buns last fall. Though switching in these players probably proved the difference

between being a contender and being a finalist, it wasn't enough to earn the gold.

The Foothill doesn't have the Beacon's pedigree, as the Hansen restaurant opened in May 2003. But the team was deeper from the beginning, with an inventive ingredient roster full of players that comple-



Kim Wilson

mented each other.

Cafe owner Kim Wilson chooses the highest-quality ingredients, she said, because she and her husband believe in putting out a paramount product.

"The burger is very tasty; we put it together the best we can," she said. "Our prices are reasonable for what we're serving. I don't think we can be beat."

Her customers seem to agree. Before the *Times-News* Burger Bracket, half the burgers she sold

each day were Foothill Burgers (\$6.75).

Now, with curious diners ordering the burger they've read about and regulars ordering it to support her, the namesake burgers are closer to eight out of 10. Wilson is thrilled by the interest.

"The people who are coming in here rooting for us, it's amazing," she said. "It warms your heart, it makes it worth it."

— Ariel Hansen, features writer

INSIDE: A *TIMES-NEWS* WRITER TICKLES THE TASTE BUDS AND THE FUNNY BONE WITH APRIL FOOL'S DAY-INSPIRED FOOD
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FOOD & HOME

Reasons to leave behind the tank

DEAR JIM: We have a typical family of four. Both my wife and I work, and the kids go to school. Our water heater started leaking, and we need a new one. Will one of the new efficient tankless models be a good choice?

— BILL G.



SENSIBLE HOME
James Dulley

DEAR BILL: When a standard tank-type water heater starts to leak water, there really is not much you can do other than replace it. For most families, installing a tankless water heater yields a substantial savings on their utility bills, and some gas/propane models qualify for a \$300 energy tax credit. No standard tank-type models qualify for the credit.

Tankless water heaters are not new at all. They have not been popular in American homes but are common almost everywhere else in the world.

It is a proven technology, and you will never have a flooded-out tank to replace. Tankless water heaters are small and are usually just hung on the wall or recessed (gas models) in a wall outdoors.

Much of the cost of heating water with a standard tank-type water heater results from heat being lost through the walls and top of the tank.

During summer, this heat loss to your home makes your air conditioner run longer, so it is a double cost. During winter, it does heat the air, but it is usually in a utility room or basement where warmth is

not needed.

A tankless water heater has very high output burners (gas) or heating elements (electric) to heat the water only as it is needed. If you do not use any hot water overnight, the unit does not come on. In contrast, a tank-type model may come on several times to replace the heat lost from the tank.

In addition to the savings, a tankless water heater can supply enough hot water for endless showers, whereas a tank-type water heater can run out of water by the third long shower. If you have just washed the dishes or done the laundry, the hot water may run out by the second shower.

The only drawback to a tankless water heater is the instantaneous hot water output is limited by the heating capacity of the unit.

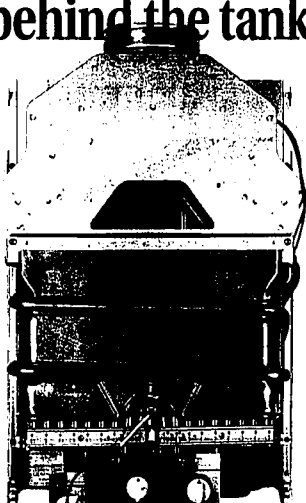
Depending upon the heating capacity of the unit you install, you may not be able to simultaneously take two showers while running the clothes washer.

This is a minor inconvenience to stagger the high hot water usage tasks a bit.

Gas models have the greatest instantaneous hot water output, up to six gallons per minute. Since you seldom use straight hot water from the faucet, this is more than adequate.

If you are replacing an electric water heater, you will need additional circuits and wiring to a tankless unit. No matter which type you need, select one with modulating heat output for more steady hot water temperatures.

The following companies offer tankless water heaters: Bosch Water Heaters, (800) 503-5026, www.boschwaterheater.com; Kaltech, (800) 999-4320, www.kaltech-inc.com; Noritz, (866) 766-7489.



The interior of a gas tankless water heater, showing the copper heat exchanger and copper tubing for the water to be heated.

www.noritz.com; Rheem, (800) 621-5622, www.rheem-tankless.com; and Innova, (800) 621-9419, www.forever-hotwater.com.

DEAR JIM: I am in the design stages of a new house. I was wondering if it would make sense to install a solar-powered attic fan along with reflective foil under the roof. The roof will have a standard ridge vent.

— Dave B.
DEAR DAVE: If you are building a new house with the option to install any type of attic vent system, select a

combination of a continuous ridge and soffit vents. This will be adequate with the reflective foil.

Solar-powered attic fans work well, but with their higher cost, they are most feasible on existing homes currently without adequate attic vents.

They are particularly effective where there is significant sun exposure.

Send inquiries to James Dulley, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244 or visit www.dulley.com.

When to buy a fresh fish

The Washington Post

Q. I've heard one shouldn't buy fish (fresh fish, not the canned/frozen or children's fish product "foods") on Sundays and Mondays. Is that true?
A. I like to at least start my weeks healthily, so these are the days I'm most likely to be out searching for fresh food to prepare that night.

Jeff Nelken says most reputable supermarkets and fish stores have access to fresh seafood every day of the week, with the exception of Sunday, when wholesale markets are closed.

But no matter what the day, it's best to select whole fish with clear eyes, a fresh aroma and a bright red color in the gill region.

Fish fillets should never appear slimy or smell of ammonia.

A. Food safety consultant

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Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Salt Lake City chef and culinary arts instructor Penny Moline will teach a cooking class titled "A Chef's Easter Supper" next week in Twin Falls.

It's set for 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at Rudy's — A Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W. Cost is \$35.

Moline will teach techniques and tips for an easy yet elegant meal. The menu is perfect for Easter or a spring supper: Grape and Blue Cheese Truffles; Tangerine and Sage Glazed Ham; Asparagus with Citrus Vinaigrette; Sea Salt and Herb Roasted Potatoes; and Lemon Mousse.

Moline is in her fifth year of teaching culinary arts at Davis Applied Technology College and as an adjunct teacher at Salt Lake Community College. After attending an American Culinary Federation-accredited program in Salt Lake City, she took pastry classes at Le Cordon Bleu in Paris.

She was executive pastry chef at the only fine-dining restaurant inside the media center during the 2002 Winter Olympics.

To sign up, call Rudy's at 733-5477.



Chef Penny Moline, pictured with two of her students, will teach an Easter cooking class in Twin Falls next week.

Simple, delicious poundcake

By Julie Rothman
Special to The Baltimore Sun

Mary McDonald of Hermitage, Pa., was looking for a recipe for a cream-cheese poundcake.

She is 40 and used to make this cake often but has lost her recipe.

Pat Holahan of Fayetteville, N.C., sent in a recipe she likes for Philadelphia Cream Cheese Poundcake.

This simple cake is chock-full of butter, cream cheese and eggs and is anything but low-calorie.

It is, however, rich, dense and delicious.
Dust the top with powdered sugar and serve it with fresh strawberries or sorbet for a classic dessert everyone is sure to enjoy.

PHILADELPHIA CREAM CHEESE POUNDCAKE

- 1 1/2 cups (3 sticks) unsalted butter, softened
- 8 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 3 cups sugar
- 6 eggs
- 3 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon lemon extract
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Cream butter and cream cheese until well blended. Add sugar and mix until smooth. Add eggs one at a time and mix until fluffy. Blend flour into mixture. Add lemon and vanilla extracts.

Pour batter into a greased and floured bundt pan. Bake for 1 hour and 15 minutes or until done. Serves 12.

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Say 'April Fool' with food

Tickle your taste buds and funny bone

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

I'm not a big one for practical jokes, but there's something appealing about the idea of serving food that looks like one thing but tastes like another.

So I was excited to try a recipe for french fries made of sugar cookie dough. The photo that accompanied the recipe online was fairly convincing, with the "fries" in a checked paper boat just like they were from a greasy burger joint. I was going to surprise some co-workers with the fake fries and hope they took the bait.

Turns out, the joke's on me. Maybe I picked the wrong kind of refrigerated dough (Pillsbury), but my fries went into the oven perfectly formed and came out looking like ladyfingers, all thin and rounded.

What a disappointment: I couldn't pull my joke on anyone, and now I had a couple of dozens funny-looking cookies to get rid of.

Fortunately, my co-workers helped me out. Apparently, when it comes to cookies, taste matters more than appearance.

But my quest for April Fool's food ideas wasn't over.

I turned again to the trusty Internet, where I found a recipe for a "cake" made of meatloaf, leed with mashed potatoes and topped with cherry tomatoes in place of cherries. It seems like a lot of work to make mashed potatoes resemble piped icing, but the result looks extremely cake-like. For the ambitious only.

A trick much simpler to pull off is mixing up fruit-flavored gelatin (like strawberry Jell-O) and letting it set in a tall glass with a straw. When your intended mark tries to sip the "juice" from the straw, hand over a spoon with a "Happy April Fool's!"

Or, to bring a smile to a child's face, use an apple corer to dig a deep hole into a shiny apple. Poke in a gummy worm



The joke's on the joker. This attempt to make fake french fries out of sugar cookie dough resulted not in deceptive fry shapes, but in ladyfinger-shaped cookies.

and wait for an "Eeeww" or a laugh.

For more ideas, type "April Fool's food" into an Internet search engine, look around for some inspiration, then let your imagination run wild.

And cooks who aren't prone to playing jokes have an alternative on April 1. They can make an English fool, a dessert made by layering peeled fruit with whipped cream. Traditionally, the fool is made with gooseberries, but other fruit can be substituted — like the branded peaches in the recipe that follows. For additional recipes, type "fool" into the search boxes at epicurious.com or foodnetwork.com.

FOOL FRIES

It didn't work for me, but it might for you.

One package refrigerated sugar cookie dough (not Pillsbury)
Granulated sugar
Seedless strawberry jam

April Fool's food ideas

www.cookingvillage.com; search for "April Fool's"
www.familyfun.go.com; search "April Fool's"
www.discoversun.com/pranks/food.html

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Roll out the refrigerated dough until it is 1/4 inch thick. Cut into strips 1/4 inch wide and 3 inches long. Sprinkle with granulated sugar. Bake 8-10 minutes, until golden brown. Serve with jam in place of ketchup.

— From [cookingvillage.com](http://www.cookingvillage.com)

BRANDED PEACH FOOL

2 cups peeled and sliced peaches
1/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup brandy
2 cups whipped cream
4 thin peach slices

In a saucepan, combine the

peaches, sugar and brandy. Cook over medium heat until peaches become tender, about 10 minutes.

Remove peaches from the heat and refrigerate until completely cooled. Fold cooled fruit mixture into whipped cream.

Refrigerate for several hours. Serve in chilled brandy snifter glasses. Garnish with a few sliced peaches.

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'Wallpaper' offers beautiful ideas

Newsday
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Filled with bold, innovative design, this book would serve as a great addition to any design lover's coffee table.

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Basic bread, only better

By Amy Scattergood
Los Angeles Times

Few things are as satisfying as pulling a loaf of freshly baked bread out of the oven.

The earthy smell of grain and yeast, the rush of heat, the burnished crust — the ancient heart is alive and well in your 21st-century kitchen.

Baking your own bread is quite easy. The rewards are stunning: Hot, crusty loaves from your oven just can't be replicated any other way, even if you happen to have a good bakery or a Parisian boulangerie close by.

This recipe is a simple one. It's what I make when I want bread I can knock together quickly and vary at will — a plain batard, rosemary baguettes, a dozen ciabatta rolls — the possibilities are endless. No overnight rising, no sourdough experiments. This basic bread is so easy that you won't even need the recipe after you make it a few times. Once you get the simple chemistry, it becomes second nature.

Start early in the morning for a late-morning baguette, or begin mid-afternoon so you want warm bread for dinner.

In a large bowl, mix warm water, dry yeast, a little sugar and 1 cup of flour. Let it sit for 10 minutes to make sure the yeast activates. Though it's rare for yeast to activate, you make it so by adding as much as a half of dough remain inert for hours.

After the yeast mixture begins to bubble, add your ingredients. Olive oil gives a flavor dimension, plus a more pliant dough — one that won't dry out quite as quickly as a dough made without any fat.

Wheat germ adds depth of flavor and the nutrients that you would ordinarily get with whole-wheat flour — which this recipe doesn't call for. Dough made with unbleached all-purpose flour is lighter and more elastic than a whole-wheat dough, and therefore easier to work with.

After you've mixed the dough for a few minutes to incorporate the ingredients — you can do this with a spoon, spatula, or your hands — add the salt. Salt slows down fermentation and, added directly to yeast, can kill it. You can also add herbs, roasted garlic or a sprinkle of fennel seeds and lemon peel at this point, if you want to jazz it up.

Knead the dough for about 10 minutes, until it's light and elastic. You can do this in a mixer fitted with a dough hook. But kneading dough by hand is a therapeutic experience. It gives you time to reflect on your day, on the bread you're making and why you're making it.

You'll need to add flour to your work surface as you knead, but resist the temptation to add it too fast. Incorporate flour in increments of about 1 tablespoon — or what you can pick up with your fingertips. Decrease the amount you add as you get closer to the right texture; until you're just lightly dusting the surface. Like slightly dusted bread, it's easier to put more in than take out.

Once the dough is elastic and pliant, test to see if it's ready. Poke a flour-coated finger in it — if the dough bounces back, it's done. Or try the "windowpane" method. Stretch a piece of dough between your fingers. If it tears easily, knead it more.

Once you're done kneading, form the dough into a ball and let it rise, covered. You can do this in your oven if your oven has a "proof" setting or can be set very low (ideally about 80 degrees), or in a counter-top if your kitchen is warm.

This first rise is the most important, when flavor and texture develops; it will take about 1 1/2 hours until the dough has about doubled in size. The time required can vary depending on



Photo by ALAN L. GOODMAN for Los Angeles Times

A few additions take loaves, baguettes and rolls to greater heights.

the temperature and your method of achieving it. Lilia Chifalà, for example, let her dough rise in the back of her car while she went on errands.

After the first rise, punch down the dough and let it rise again, although for a shorter duration. Why a second rise? Because each rise further develops the complexity of the dough — and the flavor and texture of your finished loaf.

Next, form your dough into the shapes you want. Simplest is a batard, which is a long, free-form loaf that rises on a baking sheet without any special pans. Or you could fashion a baguette, which both proofs and bakes in a perforated metal baguette pan.

Or try a boule, the classic French round that gets its gorgeous floured spirals from a hameter, the porous basket in which it rises. Or form the dough into a dozen rolls. Or get creative and make a focaccia, slashing a flattened piece of dough and pulling the holes apart into interesting shapes.

With each shaped loaf, be sure to cover the bread for the final rise, called "proofing." Uncovered, the dough will form a light crust and not rise properly.

At the last minute, dust your bread dough with flour and slash the top.

Slide your bread into the oven, and immediately spritz the sides of the oven with a water spray bottle. This gives you the steam you need for a good crust. Do this again after five minutes, then let the bread bake.

Rotate the bread once, about halfway through the baking, for color and even cooking. Resist the urge to open the oven doors any more than necessary. You want the heat and steam inside your oven to do the work.

When the bread's done, the crust should just begin to darken into a rich brown. Take it out, let it cool on a rack, and resist the urge to cut into it right away. Like a steak that needs to rest after you pull it from a sizzling pan, a just-baked loaf of bread needs some downtime.

So cool your heels as well as your bread. Brew a pot of espresso, find your blackberry jam, close your eyes and breathe in the glorious smell emanating from your kitchen.

Then break your bread — or slice it. The crack of the golden crust, the aromatic mally interior, or the crumbs that will soon be strewn across your plate like fairy-tale evidence: There's a particular taste borne by accomplishment, and you can't buy it at any store.

DAILY BREAD

2 cups warm water
1 (1/4-ounce) package

- instant dry yeast
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 5 cups to 5 1/2 cups all-purpose flour, divided, plus extra for forming and dusting
- 2 tablespoons olive oil, plus extra for coating
- 1/4 cup wheat germ
- 3 teaspoons kosher salt

In a large mixing bowl, stir together 2 cups of warm water (120 degrees to 130 degrees), yeast, sugar and 1 cup flour. Let sit 15 minutes. If the yeast doesn't activate, you have to throw this out and start over, although this rarely happens.

With a wooden spoon, bread cutter or your hands, mix in the olive oil, wheat germ and 3 cups flour. Gradually add salt and more flour, letting the dough come together.

Knead dough on a floured board or table, adding the rest of the flour as needed; be careful not to get the dough too dry. If using herbs or other flavorings, knead them in at this point, adding more flour if the dough gets too sticky. Once the flour is incorporated, knead dough for about 10 minutes, until elastic; test by sticking your floured finger into the dough to see if it bounces back.

Shape dough into a round and put it into a bowl coated with about 1/2 teaspoon olive oil (coat the dough's surface, too). Cover with plastic wrap and let rise, 1 1/2 hours. Punch down the dough, shape it back into a ball, and let it rise for the second fermentation, about 1/2 hour.

Punch down the dough again, divide into two portions, and shape each portion into a batard. Press the dough into a rectangle, roughly 10 inches by 7 inches. With the long side of the rectangle facing toward you, grasp the upper corners of the dough and fold them to meet in the center of the dough, creat-



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The basic Daily Bread recipe makes enough for 2 boules, or 1 boule plus 3 baguettes, or 1 boule plus 1 focaccia, or 1 boule plus 4 dozen rolls, or any combination thereof.

The instructions here are for 1/2 of the basic Daily Bread recipe.

Baguette

Divide dough into 3 portions; cover 2 portions until ready to use. Press the dough into a rectangle, then fold the bottom of the dough up a little past the center mark. Fold the top portion down to overlap slightly, then press the folded edge along the center to seal the edges. Fold the dough in half again lengthwise, pinching the edges together at the new seam as you go.

Roll the dough back and forth, stretching it until it's about 2 inches long. Press along the seam with a rolling pin. Place the stretched dough in an oiled baguette pan. Repeat for the other two portions, cover and let rise — about 20 minutes. Dust with flour, slash with a sharp knife or razor, and bake.

Boule

Flatten dough into a circle, kneading it with your fingers to deflate any air pockets. Fold the edges of the dough into

Bread shapes

the center and pinch them together, then turn the ball over so that the pinched part is underneath. With both hands cupping the ball, fold the dough, move it around in a circle on an unfloured surface until you feel the dough tightening. Then put the dough into a floured banneton, pinched side up, cover and let rise until it is about 1 inch below the top of the basket — 30 to 40 minutes. Invert the basket onto parchment paper, slash the loaf with a sharp knife or razor, and bake.

Focaccia



Stretch dough into a rectangle, an oval or a tombstone, roughly 10 inches by 6 inches.

With a sharp knife or a dough cutter, cut slits in the dough to form the desired shape: 4 (4-inch) horizontal slits for a ladder, for example, or 2 (3-inch) vertical slits in the center of the dough, then 2 sets of 3 (3-inch) diagonal slits — one on either side of the vertical slits, fanning outward. The cuts should never get closer than an inch apart, so you'll need to allow enough dough to remain connected. With floured hands, enlarge the cuts so that the openings are 1 inch to 2 inches wide. Cover the dough and let it rise, about 30 minutes. Dust with flour and bake.

Rolls

Divide dough into 12 portions. Cover portions with a cloth or piece of oiled plastic while shaping the flour on the rolls. Using only one hand, form the dough the same way you would a large boule, rolling the portions around in a circle on an unfloured surface until they tighten and form a taut ball. Place them on parchment paper a few inches apart — give them room to rise — then cover and let rise, about 20 minutes. Dust with flour, slip an "X" into the tops with a pair of scissors (optional), and bake.

VARIATIONS

Each of the following additions is enough to flavor half a recipe of bread.

- Add the flavoring to the dough while kneading; adjust the flour as needed.
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh rosemary
- 1 teaspoon fennel seeds and 1 tablespoon finely grated lemon peel
- 1 clove roasted garlic, cooled and finely chopped
- 2 tablespoons cured black olives, finely chopped
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon and 2 tablespoons currants (substitute melted butter for olive oil)

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Under pressure, this cooker saved the day

By Stephanie Witt Sedwick
Special to The Washington Post

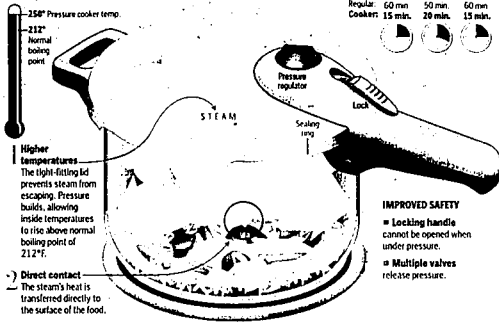
It took Martha Stewart, veal breast and my own foolishness to almost ruin a Christmas Eve dinner. It took a pressure cooker to save it.

A few years ago, a pre-press, pre-comeback Martha was celebrating her birthday at Le Pain Quotidien in Manhattan and sharing the experience with TV viewers at home. The main course, Braised Veal Breast and Vegetables Alain (named for chef Alain Coumont), looked irresistible. I love veal breast but had prepared it only stuffed and roasted. Here was a recipe that elevated it to an entire worthy of Martha's birthday. Normally I'm the first to warn against trying new recipes when company's coming, but reason took a vacation. I had to make it.

The meat and vegetables were supposed to cook slowly in the oven until the meat was tender and flavorful, a little over 2 hours. Never happened. After 2 1/2 hours, the oven was clean, the appetizer, salad and dessert ready and the meat no closer to being tender than my shoes. The guests were barely an hour from arrival but my mother-in-law, with whom I have successfully shared holiday meals, was hoping. Maybe another 30 minutes. I was despondent. Thirty minutes? We needed three hours. Then it hit me. My mother-in-law had a pressure cooker.

I pulled it out and transferred the veal and some of the cooking liquid to the pot. After 15 minutes at high pressure, the meat was meltingly tender. I placed it back with the vegeta-

Two factors allow pressure cookers, which now have improved safety features, to cook faster than conventional pots.



COOKING TIMES (approximate)	
Whole chicken	1 1/2 hours
Brown rice	50 min
Black beans	60 min
Regular Cooker:	20 min
	28 min
	15 min

bles in the oven to stay warm. If my husband, in-laws and children hadn't witnessed the panic, no one would have known the difference.

The pressure cooker not only saved dinner, it became the only way I cook veal breast — and is now a go-to vehicle for chicken thighs and chuck, too. Every time, I'm amazed at how quickly it transforms tough to tender. Now I'd sooner give up my food processor than let that pressure cooker go. It came through in a crisis, and a friend like that should always be kept close. Who knows when reason might fail me again?

BARLEY RISOTTO WITH MUSHROOMS
4 to 6 servings

This pressure-cooker preparation has a couple of things to recommend it besides its rich flavor: There's no constant stirring, and the use of barley instead of rice avoids foam-ups. Adapted from "Whole Grains Every Day, Every Way" by Lorna Sass (Clarkson Potter, November 2006).

- 1 1/3 cup dry sherry or red wine
- 3 cups low-sodium chicken broth or vegetable broth
- 3 to 6 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan or Romano cheese, to taste, plus more for garnish
- 3 tablespoons minced flat-leaf parsley
- Salt
- Freshly ground black pepper

BY STEPHANIE WITT SEDWICK FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

- Rinse the mushrooms and place them in a heatproof glass measuring cup. Pour the water on top and set aside.
- In a 4-quart or larger pressure cooker, heat the oil. Add the leeks and fennel seeds and cook for 4 minutes over medium-high heat, stirring constantly, until the leeks have softened. Add the barley and stir

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Fewer Americans own pressure cookers these days. The market research firm NPD Group gave us some statistical perspective on our cookware choices: Fourteen years ago, for example, 21 percent of those surveyed said they owned a pressure cooker; in 2005, it was 14 percent. But slow-cooker ownership is on the rise: 76 percent in 1993, 81 percent in 2005.

It appears that most of us would rather "set it and forget it" than "lock on the lid." We asked food luminaries what they would use to cook 10 days of weeknight meals.

SLOW COOKER

- Shirley O. Corrier**, food sleuth and author of "CookWise: The Secrets of Cooking Revealed": At one time I had five teenage children at home. I was working back on, on my feet all day. There's no way I would have survived without it. In the morning I would throw a number of packages of chicken in, with cans of soup, a handful of thyme and a dash of Worcestershire sauce. It was all that saved me.

- Betty Fussell**, chef and author of "The Story of Corn": Because pressure cookers were designed to cook soft food fast, I use them in every way. I slow Foodie. Time is one of the essential ingredients of cooking, as in flavor blending, as in texture manipulation, as in fermentation of grain or grapes. And how about shredding the chicken and keeping it warm?

- Andrew Zimmerman**, host of "Bizarre Foods" on the Travel Channel: Considering my acute levels of performance anxiety, my predisposition to all things taken at a snail's pace and my insatiable prominent technophobia, I would take a slow cooker every night of the week, even if the week was 10 days long. Slow cookers provide 12 to 16 hours of moulting, aromatics and offer simple one-touch culinary solutions to complex problems.

PRESSURE COOKER

- Christopher Kimball**, editor of Cook's Illustrated: Cooking under pressure not only vastly reduces cooking times but is great for stewing and braising, often in less than an hour. You can also make risotto, great chicken stock for soup, and also cook legumes and grains quickly if you are careful.

- Marcel Vigneron**, second season

- B. Smith**, style guru and owner of B. Smith's restaurants: I own one slow cooker and three pressure cookers. It's easy to knock out 10 meals and freeze over a weekend. Shopping and chopping is the most work. I do it all at once and place in (resealable plastic food storage bags). I would give a pic, as a wedding gift with recipes and 2 hours of my time for show and tell!

— Bonnie S. Benwick

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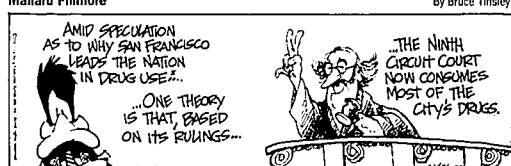
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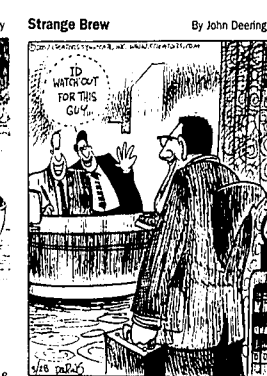
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Try to be more consistent, Aquarius

IF MARCH 28 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You might feel sharp as a tack during the next several weeks and can make a point of running your life like a well-oiled machine. Lay out a game plan for the future so you can swiftly reach your goals in the year ahead. No one will give you a free ride — but no one will bar the way, either. Make progress under your own steam. Be advised that November is a month in which you may be forced to take control of a distasteful matter or be burdened with extra duties. Avoid making important changes or adding to your debt load then.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Be an action hero. Work up a little perspiration by acting on an inspiration. Loved ones might challenge you by being unpredictable so prepare to roll with the punches.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Follow your own light. It may be difficult to judge who, or what, is detrimental to your interests. It is time to concentrate on what will make you happy and simply follow through.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Throw the dog a bone. It doesn't need to be a bone of contention. As today's birthday gal

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Jeraldine Saunders

once said, "To succeed in life you need three things: a wishbone, a backbone and a funny bone."

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Hold your horses. Sentimental ideas may become an obsession and impede your progress the way cholesterol clogs arteries. If you have developed a habit of being thrifty, don't change now.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't sell yourself short. Promote an aura of mystery and glamour to attract the kind of attention you want to receive. Investigate new information carefully and you may unearth the truth.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Suspicions are only malicious guesses. Fight off a lack of trust unless experience has proved otherwise. Slow and steady growth should be your objective where finances are concerned.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Bring out your hidden bag of tricks. It is tempting to be coldly calculating about your bank account or possessions. The ability to do the right thing for

all people concerned is your greatest asset.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): It might be down to a photo finish. Memories can be faulty, so be sure to have concrete proof on hand. Slacking to the rules might be better than permitting exceptions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Political correctness can turn proper manners into tyranny. If you feel you are being manipulated by the media or by a companion, you are probably right.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Ka-ching! Rack up a few more dollars in your personal cash register. People who like you might send business your way or offer a hefty discount. Remain faithful to your friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Inconsistencies can interfere with your interests. You may be unconsciously excited by the glamour of perils and dangers. Don't make changes in your finances or commitments.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Keep good manners in mind. Remember to say the right thing at the appropriate time, but even more importantly, leave unsaid the wrong thing at the extremely tempting moment.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

YOU DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT MY NEW DRESS!

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IF YOU GET WORRIED JUST GIVE ME A CALL.

THANKS, I MIGHT.

I'LL HAVE THE PHONE BESIDE ME ALL NIGHT

YOU ARE SO GONNA PAY FOR THIS.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

RECENTLY IT HAS COME TO THE KING'S ATTENTION THAT HIS SUBJECTS ARE UNHAPPY WITH THEIR HIGH TAXES...

IN THAT REGARD, HE SENDS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE...

"TOUGH APPLES"

Hf and Lols By Chance Browne

I WONDER WHY MOMMY ONLY LOVES HER NICE TABLE-CLOTH AND CHINA WHEN HER FRIENDS COME OVER.

CRASH

I WANT BE WHY?

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

HAS THE BUS COME YET?

IF THE BUS HAD COME, I'D BE ON IT, AND I'D BE HALF WAY TO SCHOOL. BY NOW AND I WOULDN'T BE HERE FOR YOU TO ASK ME!

CRABBY FLAKES FOR BREAKFAST AGAIN, HUH?

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

ANY SERIOUS CONVICTIONS?

RECRUITING

A JUDGE GAVE ME FIVE YEARS ONCE FOR THROWING A ROCK AT THE KING

HOW COME SO MUCH?

I MISSED HIM

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

"MY DAD USED TO CARRY ME LIKE THAT, TILL I GOT BUBBLEGUM IN HIS HAIR."

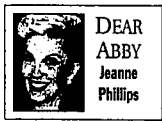
THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bill Keane

"Guess how many pounds of homework I have today."

Marriage of convenience has little chance of success

DEAR ABBY: I have lived with my best friend, "Lance," for five years on and off. Lance is 30, is 24, is late, we have been discussing marriage. The problem is, he is gay, and the marriage would be for convenience only. I am not in love with Lance, nor is he in love with me. He thinks this would be a good idea because of the financial benefits, tax breaks and the like.

I am a little hesitant because I still want the fairytale. I want the little house with the picket fence and kids running around in the yard. We have discussed children, and we know it's possible to have them without having to have sex. What is your opinion?



with my siblings, I have befriended them and tried to do for them, but they are mean-spirited and selfish. My brother has also physically abused me. (He has been jailed several times for hitting his longtime girlfriend.)

When I turned 40 this year, I finally decided that enough is enough. My psychiatrist, my husband and my friends agree that it's time for me to set boundaries and end these toxic relationships. I feel good about my decision.

The problem is that my parents do not. They feel my two daughters, ages 4 1/2 and 20 months, should have a relationship with their aunt and uncle even if I don't. They accuse me of "brainwashing" my children and insist that my girls be allowed to see my siblings regularly and "make up their own minds" on the subject. I say it is my responsibility to protect my daughters and that my decision should be respected.

Last weekend, when my older daughter was visiting my

folks, they invited my brother to visit. They knew this was against my wishes and did it behind my back. Naturally, my daughter told me about it. Moreover, whenever my daughter visits them, they put her on the phone with my siblings and try to forge a relationship between them. Because of all this, I told my folks they may have only supervised visits with my children. Do you think this was going too far?

UNDECIDED IN NEW MEXICO

DEAR UNDECIDED: I recommend against what you have in mind. You and Lance are still young. Your lives are just beginning, and the chances of you both meeting someone you could fall in love with are great. Rather than "settling" in order to take advantage of tax breaks, you would both be happier in the long run if you stay true to yourselves and live your lives as who you really are — best friends, but not spouses.

DEAR ABBY: I have always had a difficult relationship

KAREN IN ATLANTA

DEAR KAREN: It is unfortunate that it came to that, but no, I do not. If I were in your shoes, I wouldn't be thrilled to have my children associate with someone who had been jailed for the inability to control his temper — in addition to having abused me.

Please follow the good advice you have received from your husband, your friends and your psychiatrist. By not leaving the hostility between siblings when you were children, your parents had a hand in the evolution of the situation that has resulted. Sad as it is to say, not all family members are created equal. And before you are finished with therapy, you may need more sessions with your psychiatrist to figure out what you need to do about your relationship with your parents.

Three Mile Island nuclear accident happened on this date in 1979

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, March 28, the 47th day of 2007. There are 278 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight In History:

On March 28, 1979, America's worst commercial nuclear accident occurred inside the Unit 2 reactor at the Three Mile Island plant near Middletown, Pa.

TODAY IN HISTORY

immigrants was a U.S. citizen.

In 1330, the names of the Turkish sultans of Constantinople and Angora were changed to Istanbul and Ankara.

In 1939, the Spanish Civil War effectively ended as Madrid fell to the forces of Francisco Franco.

In 1941, novelist and critic Virginia Woolf died in Leaves, England.

In 1942, during World War II, British naval forces raided the Nazi-occupied French port of St. Nazaire in Operation Chariot.

In 1953, athlete Jim Thorpe

died in Lomita, Calif.

In 1969, the 34th president of the United States, Dwight D. Eisenhower, died in Washington at age 78.

In 1987, Maria von Trapp, whose life story inspired the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "The Sound of Music," died in Morrisville, Va., at age 82.

Ten years ago: A medical examiner revealed that some members of the Heaven's Gate cult who'd committed suicide in a California mansion had also been treated in an apparent pursuit of the group's ideal of androgynous immortality.

Five years ago: The Arab League, meeting in Beirut, Lebanon, agreed on a peace plan that offered Israel a normal relations in exchange for a full withdrawal from war-torn lands and a Palestinian state. Archbishop Juliusz Pietrz of Poznan, Poland, announced his resignation, but also protested his intransigence, following accusations he'd made sexual advances toward young clerics. U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Timothy Woodland was convicted in a Japanese court and sentenced to nearly three years in prison for raping a woman on the southern island of Okinawa.

One year ago: Struggling to revive his troubled presidency, President Bush replaced longtime chief of staff Andy Card with budget director Joshua Bolton. More than 1 million people poured into streets across France and strikers disrupted air, rail and bus travel in the largest anti-globalization protest over a youth labor law. The Kadima Party won Israel's parliamentary elections. Former Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger died in Bangor, Maine, at age 88.

In 1834, the U.S. Senate voted to ensure President Jackson for the removal of federal deposits from the Bank of the United States.

In 1854, during the Crimean War, Britain and France declared war on Russia.

In 1889, the Supreme Court, in United States v. Wong Kim Ark, ruled that a child born in the United States to Chinese

WEST

- ♠ 5 4
- ♥ Q 6 3
- ♦ 7 5
- ♣ J 10 8 4

EAST

- ♠ 10 3
- ♥ A 8 7 2
- ♦ Q 10 3 2
- ♣ 9 3

SOUTH

- ♠ K 17
- ♥ K 10 4
- ♦ A 6 5
- ♣ A K 7 5

Vulnerable: North-South Dealer: South

The bidding:

South West North East
2 NT Pass 3 NT All pass

Opening lead: Spade six

BID WITH THE ACES 03 28

South holds:

- ♠ 5 4
- ♥ 8 3
- ♦ 8 7 5
- ♣ Q J 10 8 4

South West North East
Pass Pass 1 1 2
Pass Pass 1 1 2
?

THE ACES ON BRIDGE Bobby Wolff

"Would it not be true to say that North Americans prefer to use reality rather than to know it?" — Octavio Paz

I rarely play or watch bridge on the internet. I prefer fresh and blood opponents, and I craves physically in my hand, but from time to time I will follow the action from the major events. This deal comes from an invitational pairs tournament.

South was in three no-trump, on the lead of the spade six it was a queen and king. How would you have played?

Five club tricks and two diamonds, plus the spade king already in the bag, make eight tricks. It would appear that South just has to hope, after running the clubs, that West has the heart ace, so cannot profitably continue spades from his side of the table. Alternatively, if East has the heart ace and spades divide 4-4, the defense will only be able to cash four winners.

If you look at the full hand, you will see that neither favorable line exists. Does that mean declarer went down?

South avoided that fate by following a psychological line to increase his chances. On winning with the spade king, declarer cashed the ace and king of clubs, on which West plays high-low to show an even number. Then declarer continued with the heart king from his hand. To East, it looked as if South had a king in clubs. West's echo being consistent with a holding of four small clubs, and South was trying to land a route into dummy. So he ducked his heart ace, and that was declarer's ninth trick.

ANSWER: Bid three clubs. Partner can also return to diamonds if he lacks a club fit. At an advanced level, maybe a call of two no-trump would be taken for the minors, suggesting precisely this pattern. If you had the values to bid no-trump at your first turn, you would already have a route into dummy (on a partnership agreement). Incidentally, double here by you would be penalized. Not responsive.

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FOOD & HOME

Designer cookies made easy

By Justin Rude
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — To me, the finely decorated sugar cookie, full of color and detail, is the province of the professional.

My own attempts have never quite jelled: The baking was never an issue, but I had neither the knack nor the equipment to create masterpieces from my cut cookies (I lean toward Old West themes). All that precision piping seemed way over my head. Not so, says Meghan Mountford, a decorator at Bundles of Cookies in suburban Bethesda, Md. Her new book, "Cookie Sensations: Creative Designs for Every Occasion" (Farrington Hill Press, \$19.99), seeks to open the craft to the Everyman.

"I wanted to demystify the art," says Mountford, 34. "I wanted it to be accessible for everybody."

Checking in at 116 pages, the soft-back, full-color tome covers topics from the history of the decorated cookie to recipes and baking tips. But the bulk of the book is about frosting. With equipment lists, icing formulas, color mixes, technique tips and practice exercises, "Cookie Sensations" takes the art of piping brightly colored sugar seriously.

I whipped up a simple sugar cookie, which was quite good, and a version of royal icing that used meringue powder rather than egg whites.

The upside: Using meringue powder meant the icing didn't have to be refrigerated.

The downside: The dye I used gave the icing a slightly metallic taste (which Mountford duly notes). Its color was vibrant and the consistency sublime, so no complaints there.

And not having to refrigerate it meant it was easily on hand when a party guest noted his cowboy cookie's lack of eyebrows.

Later chapters of "Cookie Sensations" provide decorating templates for different types and themes of cookies, many of which Mountford developed on the job. Bundles of Cookies sees all sorts of requests, she says, including depictions of pets, injuries, UFOs and even cookies deco-



Flower cookies are among the designs shown in "Cookie Sensations."

rated to look like slices of pizza.

Mountford says beginner decorators should start with classic shapes, such as flowers or hearts: "Something with one simple outline and one or two colors to fill in." Her favorites? "I like snowflakes because they are pretty and elegant."

Personally, I'm shopping for a good six-shooter shape.



Learn to make cookies for cocktail hour with the new book 'Cookie Sensations.' 'I wanted to demystify the art,' the author says.



Pastry bags hold an array of brightly colored sugar for the cookie artist.

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Blast your broccoli with chiles and garlic

Newsday

This recipe comes from "West Coast Cooking" and is a good, fast technique for preparing broccoli. Greg Atkinson, the author, also gives a similar method for "blasting" green beans, using olive oil, salt, pepper and balsamic vinegar as the seasoning mix.

BROCCOLI WITH RED CHILES AND GARLIC

- 1 large head broccoli
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 clove garlic, grated on a Microplane grater or minced very fine
- 1/2 teaspoon dried red chile flakes

Preheat oven to 500 degrees. Tear broccoli into florets. (You should have about 4 cups.) Rinse and drain florets. Put florets in a bowl with the olive oil, salt, garlic and chile flakes and toss to coat. Spread the seasoned broccoli in a single layer on a baking sheet and put it in the preheated oven. Bake until edges of the florets are browned and crisp, about 4 minutes. Serve hot. Makes 4 servings.

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THREE-DAY PLANNER

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

March 29

The Four Seasons concert, presented by Kline-Cassidy Community Centers, 7:30 p.m., King Fine Arts Center, Burley, season membership only: \$40 for adults, \$20 for students and \$110 for families, 678-9799 or 678-1798.

March 30

Celtic Tenors, featuring soprano Dierdra Shannon, 7:30 p.m., College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, \$20 for adults and \$15 for children, 732-6288.

March 30

The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary public dance, 8 p.m., the D.A.V. Hall, 459 Shoup Ave., Twin Falls, \$2 donation, 734-5208.

March 31

Area IV Square and Round Dance Association "Shamrock Shuffle," with guest caller Boyd Murdoch (square) and Claire Gill (rounds), 7 p.m., Irish Steve and 8 p.m. dancing, Gill's Hall on Hwy. 25 (across from Rupert Elks), Rupert, bring salad or dessert, 733-1792.

April 1

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center dance, with music by the Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m., at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W., 54, 734-5084.

BUSINESS

March 31, April 1

Monthly Indoor Floor Flea Market, over 25 vendors with community service booth for the local Girl Scout Troops, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (31) and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (1), Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, 50 cents, 312-4900.

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March 31

The Mini-Cassia Craft Fair spring show, with lunch available and door prizes, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Minico High School, 292 W. 100 S., Rupert, \$1 general admission or \$3 early bird special (8 to 10 a.m.), 678-0744 or 670-0660.

HEALTH

March 31

Bone Marrow Donor Registry drive, critical need for medically eligible individuals of diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., College of Southern Idaho Gymnasium, 734-5805.

FAMILY

March 30

Date Night, bring a date and enjoy a musical movie classic and popcorn, 7 p.m., at the Burley Public Library, 1300 Miller Ave., no cost, 878-7708.

March 29, 30

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Senate to take up county payments

By Matthew Daly
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Senate could vote as soon as today on a bipartisan plan to extend payments to rural counties hurt by cutbacks in federal logging.

The plan, first announced last week by Senate Democrats, now has support from at least a half-dozen Republican senators, mostly from the West.

It would authorize about \$2.8 billion to extend the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act through 2011. Another \$1.9 billion would be directed to rural states through a proposal to fully fund the Payments in Lieu of Taxes program, which reimburses state and local governments for federally owned property.

"This legislation will help strengthen America's rural communities by providing funding for vital programs," said Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nevada. Without the amendment, "small counties in the rural West are just going to fall into the Pacific Ocean," added Sen. Ron

Wyden, D-Ore. Republican senators, including Gordon Smith of Oregon, Larry Craig and Mike Crapo of Idaho, and Pete Domenici of New Mexico, also praised the plan, which would authorize about \$425 million in emergency spending in the current budget year.

Spending for the following four years would be paid for by closing a series of tax loopholes, lawmakers said.

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Sub-Prime nightmare has little impact in Mini-Cassia

By Sen Berg
For the Times-News

In the past year, few issues have caused more concern among economists in the United States than the bursting of the housing bubble, but the news isn't as bad here in Mini-Cassia.

Record numbers of foreclosures have forced dozens of lenders to shut down, among them New Century Mortgage Corp., one of the nation's largest mortgage lenders.

Those involved in real estate say Mini-Cassia has not been completely immune to the nation's real estate falloff, but it has been largely sheltered due to the area's growing economy and stable housing inventories.

"It will affect my business. There's no doubt about it. It will affect business nationwide," said Mike Manning, owner of Riverside Mortgage in Rupert. "When the big markets are affected, it usually trickles down to us, because we have the same lenders."

But Manning said the future looks good locally. "With our local economy and our local market, I'm positive because we've got a lot more people moving in," he said. "The economic stability of these people is better than it has been."

Experts agree the main culprit behind the housing bubble was a high number of sub-prime mortgages — mortgages with high loan-to-value ratios that are floated to borrowers who have poor credit and low income. There have also been reports of lenders who engaged in unethical practices such as encouraging borrowers to falsify income reports and take on more debt than they can afford.

Jamie Lockwood, a loan officer for Clearwater Mortgage in Twin Falls, said those kinds of practices are unfortunate because they not only hurt the consumer, but damage the reputation of honest lenders as well.

"There are some greedy lenders out there and there are some people out there that have bad habits as far as mortgage brokers go," Lockwood says. "There are people that are out there to make money at any cost. For the most part, the consumer needs to be educated."

Many area bankers say they have always avoided sub-prime loans, precisely because of the risk of foreclosure lawsuits involved.

"We've always been cautious," said Jim Kern, a loan officer with D.L. Evans Bank. "We've always underwritten our own loans to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac standards to the extent that if we feel the loan will be a risk to the bank, we'll probably decline the loan."

Mary Bauscher, a loan officer with First Federal Bank in Rupert, said she expects that following the sub-prime mortgage collapse, banks will further narrow their pool of borrowers.

"People do have credit issues. In the past, people were able to get into homes that they really shouldn't have

and now that's going to tighten up the market."

How much effect that tightening will have on Mini-Cassia remains to be seen. Area real estate agents say they are optimistic the housing market has been spared the worst of the sub-prime fallout. Part of the reason, they say, is that Mini-Cassia was never caught up in the soaring growth some areas in the nation saw in recent years. That industry is paying dividends now, as growth continues despite the nation's struggles.

"It is what it has always been. We don't see the peaks and valleys. This is just steady growth," said Sheila Adams, a real estate agent for Century 21 Riverside Realty in Burley. "Right now, I'm not seeing (foreclosures) any higher than they've been the last four or five years. In fact, last year I had fewer than I had the year before."

Anatomy of a housing bubble

During a housing boom that began in 2002 and continued into 2006 in some areas of the country, prices of homes spiked. Lending values encouraged borrowers to fund more sub-prime mortgages at high risk loans to borrowers with poor credit and little or no money for down payments.

But as housing inventories caught up with and overtook demand, the housing market stagnated.

To make matters worse, many lenders actually accelerated the funding of sub-prime loans to keep profits high despite a slow housing market.

With the rate of homes sagging, many sub-prime borrowers who could not make their mortgage payments found it difficult to sell their houses at a profit to avoid foreclosure. In many cases, they were unable to refinance or open home equity lines of credit that would allow them to maintain their homes, at least temporarily.

This led to record numbers of foreclosures and late payments in 2006, the worst of which was felt in large metropolitan areas. The shock waves of this sub-prime meltdown are now being felt by investors across the spectrum of the financial world.

Curtis Mangus, sub-prime sales manager for Home Mortgage Resources, says the country is just beginning to see the housing bubble's ill effects.

"We're on the front end of this right now. This is going to be a really tough year," he said. "There are 20 percent more houses on the market because of the foreclosures, and there are about 20 percent fewer people who can buy because the rules have tightened. You'll see more foreclosures and more people who are forced to rent."

Mangus said sub-prime consumers will be hit hardest.

"Credit challenged people need money too," he said. "Those sub-prime loans have served a very good purpose for a lot of people, because without them, they wouldn't be able to buy homes."

High and dry



Don Yost poses recently in front of a salmon boat at the Charleston, Ore., boat basin, where he quit as harbormaster rather than impound the boats of financially struggling salmon fishermen. Nearly all salmon fishing was prohibited last year along 700 miles of the Oregon and California coast because of three straight years in which the numbers of spawning salmon returning to the Klamath River were low.

Ailing commercial salmon industry forcing many fishing vessels to be impounded

By Jeff Barand
Associated Press writer

CHARLESTON, Ore. — Don Yost, harbormaster in Coos Bay for the past 18 years, was handed a list of seven salmon fishermen and instructed to seize their boats because they had fallen months behind in paying their mooring fees.

Yost, who knew every man on the list, quit rather than comply.

"I was directed to lock their boats up, put them up on dry land in the shipyard, and effectively end their livelihoods. And I — I drew the line," said Yost, who resigned in mid-February. "That's essentially the last nail in the proverbial coffin for them, and I wasn't going to be the one driving the nail."

Ultimately, the port's management backed off, but the blowup demonstrated how desperate things have become for salmon fishermen on the West Coast.

Nearly all salmon fishing was prohibited last year along 700 miles of the Oregon and California coast because of three straight years in which the numbers of spawning salmon returning to the Klamath River were low.

The state of Oregon came up with \$1 million in emergency relief that helped some fishermen stave off bankruptcy, but California offered nothing, and federal aid never materialized either. Klamath River salmon now appear to be rebounding strongly, and many of the restrictions will probably be eased this spring by the Pacific Fishery Management Council.

But owners of many of the 1,200 boats of the West Coast salmon fleet say they cannot pay for the engine overhauls and safety gear they need to put to sea when the season

opens April 10. Many fishermen said to Cole just one diesel engine breakdown away from bankruptcy.

"Spirits were high" when federal officials announced earlier this month that this could be a good fishing season, said Jeff Reeves, a salmon fisherman and vice chairman of the Oregon Salmon Commission. "Then there was the realization by a lot of folks that they don't have the money to get their boats ready to go fishing."

Over the past two decades, the West Coast salmon fleet has fallen to half what it used to be. Each year more fishermen abandon boats they cannot afford to maintain or keep tied up to a dock. They take jobs as crewmen on other boats or bail out of fishing altogether. Ice plants and shipyards close, making it tougher on the fishermen who hang on. Most salmon fishermen are in their 50s and 60s. Few young ones are breaking in.

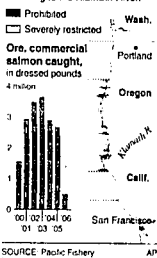
"It's been rough on salmon fishermen," said Dan Tenko, harbormaster for Pillar Point Harbor in Halfmoon Bay, Calif., where four abandoned salmon boats were impounded and dismantled this year. "Just like farmers, it's a feast-or-famine type of industry."

One big reason for salmon fishermen's troubles has been the Klamath River, which flows through southern Oregon and Northern California. It was once the third-biggest producer of salmon on the West Coast, but the Klamath was ravaged by gold mining in the 1800s and heavy logging in the 1900s. Hydroelectric dams cut off 300 miles of spawning habitat. And overfishing and parasites took their toll.

Last year, there were plenty of salmon from the Sacramento and Columbia

Ailing industry

Nearly all salmon fishing was prohibited along 700 miles of the West Coast last year due to low numbers of spawning salmon returning to the Klamath River.



river, but few Klamath chinook. So authorities banned commercial fishing for 200 miles north and south of the river's mouth, catching Charleston in the no-fishing zone. Salmon fishing was severely restricted along an additional 300 miles of coastline.

The total West Coast catch in 2006 was 1,761 tons, or just 12 percent of a typical year, according to the Pacific Fishery Management Council. The U.S. Commerce Department put the losses to fishermen at \$16 million.

A \$60 million aid package in Congress is tied to an Iraq war funding measure that President Bush has said he will veto because it includes a timetable for withdrawing U.S. troops.

The aid from Oregon worked out to \$8,000 for Reeves. That was enough to stave off bankruptcy after his engine broke down, but far from the \$70,000 he normally grosses. A fisherman out of Charleston, Punch Guerin, got just \$1,739.

Market Watch

March 27, 2007

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Industrials 12,397.29

Nasdaq composite -18.20
Standard & Poor's 500 2,437.43

Russell 2000 -4.56
802.36

Stocks of local interest

close change
CPI A 23.75 ▲ 1.3
Dell Inc. 23.75 ▲ 1.3
Lockwood 38.07 ▲ 0.28
Lithia Motors 27.01 ▼ 0.65
Micro 32.04 ▲ 0.23
Supervalu 39.44 ▼ 1.1

Commodities

close change
May Oil 62.93 ▲ 0.2
(Light sweet crude by barrel)
Live cattle 96.83 ▼ 4.23
April gold 662.5 ▲ 1.4

For more, see page E2

Consumer confidence falls again

Rising gas prices, falling home prices, volatile stocks blamed

By Anne D'Amico
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK

Consumers sent up a warning signal in March that rising gas prices, falling home values and a volatile stock market could hurt spending in the coming months, a widely watched index showed on Tuesday.

The New York-based Conference Board said that its Consumer Confidence Index fell to 107.2, down from the revised 111.2 in February. Analysts had expected a reading of 109.

The March index was the lowest since November 2006 when the reading was 105.3. "Apprehension about the short-term future has suddenly cast a cloud over consumers' confidence," Lynn Franco, director of the Conference Board Consumer Research Center, said in a statement.

"The recent turmoil in financial markets coupled with the run-up in gasoline prices may have contributed to consumers' heightened sense of uncertainty and concern. The direction of both components over the next few months bears watching to determine whether this decline is just a bump in the road or something more substantial," she added.

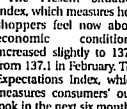
Economists closely monitor consumer confidence because consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of all U.S. economic activity.

Confidence had been climbing, helped by consumers' faith in the job market.

The Sentiment Situation Index, which measures how shoppers feel now about economic conditions, increased slightly to 137.6 from 137.1 in February. The Expectations Index, which measures consumers' outlook in the next six months, declined to 86.9 from 93.8.

Less confident

The consumer confidence index from a survey of 5,000 U.S. households.



SOURCE: The Conference Board

Democrats and administration say progress being made in resolving trade differences

By Martin Cruziger
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Democratic leaders and the Bush administration expressed hope Tuesday that an agreement can be reached that would allow passage this year of President Bush's top trade priorities, including free trade agreements with three Latin American countries and South Korea.

Both sides expressed optimism that weeks of talks between Democrats, who control Congress this year, and administration officials were making

good progress.

"We are on the brink of restoring bipartisanship to American trade policy," White House spokesman Tony Danahy said. "Congress Chairman Charles W. Stenroy and Rep. Sander Levin, D-Mich., unveiled a Democratic proposal that would include more safeguards for workers and the environment in trade deals as well as dealing with other sensitive trade issues such as currency manipulation and providing low-cost drugs to poorer countries."

An agreement can be reached, it could clear the

way for congressional approval of free trade agreements with Panama, Peru and Colombia and an agreement still being negotiated with South Korea.

Bush could also use the agreement to promote congressional approval of fast-track negotiating authority which is set to expire on July 1. This authority is needed for expedited congressional approval of future trade deals known as the Doha Round.

Both sides said more discussions would be needed to resolve outstanding issues.

Small business classes coming up

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Small Business Development Center at the College of Southern Idaho announced two upcoming classes.

"Crafting as a Home Based Business" will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday in Room C-76 of the CSI Evergreen building. The class will cover the basics of running a successful business and is designed with the home arts and crafter in mind.

Participants will learn small-business management, bookkeeping, marketing, wholesaling, buying and selling, pricing, shows, copyrights, and online sales.

"From Recipe to Market" class will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. April 13 in Room C35 of

the CSI Evergreen building. This workshop is designed for those who have a popular recipe they would like to sell. Participants will learn the right way to take the product all the way to a nationally recognized brand. Instructors will discuss business planning, entities, packaging, labeling, pricing, recipe shipping, safety, food handling, positioning, and more.

Cost for either class is \$35 per person. Spouses or business partners can sign up for an additional \$10.

For information about these or any other classes or workshops offered by the Idaho Small Business Development Center, contact Sherry Rust at 732-6455.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 07-02338 Dwy. 000000151-060205N Title Order No. W/370104 Parcel No. RPT0517E272390A The following described property located at 1411 Fairchild Street, Twin Falls, ID 83301, on 07/22/2007 at 11:00 AM, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 02/29/2006 as instrument No. 2005-022017, and executed by Kenneth Reilly and Sandra Reilly, husband and wife, as grantors, in favor of the beneficiary, ReconTrust Company, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Twin Falls County, state of Idaho...

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 07-04683 Dwy. 000000229-00020N Title Order No. W/730158 Parcel No. RFBF8210000IDA The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, in the lobby of Alliance Title & Escrow located at 1411 Fairchild Street, Twin Falls, ID 83301, on 07/22/2007 at 11:00 AM, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 05/10/2006 as instrument No. 2006-011287, and executed by Cory S. Annis, as Grantor, in favor of New Century Mortgage Corporation, as Beneficiary, to ReconTrust Company, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Twin Falls County, state of Idaho: Part of Lot 4 - Mattison's Subdivision, Twin Falls County Idaho filed in book 3 of plate page 3, described as follows: Beginning at a point North 89°57' West 154.0 feet and South 0°03' West 25 feet from the quarter corner common to sections 7 and 8 Township 10 South, Range 18 East, Section Meridian; thence North 89°57' West 75.1 feet; thence South 0°03' West 154.0 feet; thence South 89°57' East 75.1 feet; thence North 0°03' East 154.0 feet to the point of beginning. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of, 165 Midway Street West, Fair, ID 83326 is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a bank or a federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the certain Deed of Trust for which this sale is to be made. Failure to pay the monthly payment due 11/01/2006 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent delinquency at this date on said obligation, plus late charges, plus interest accrued thereon, plus all other amounts due on said obligation, plus interest accrued thereon and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust, together with any unpaid and/or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorneys' fees, Trustee's fees and costs and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefor, the Beneficiary hereby gives notice that this firm is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose, and that the debt may be disputed. The above grantors are named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. Dated: 3/27/2007 Name and address of the Current Trustee: ReconTrust Company, N.A., 1757 TAPO CANYON ROAD, S/W-88 SHIH VALLEY, CA 90028-1821 Phone: (800) 281-8219 ReconTrust Company, N.A. Successor Trustee Charisse Avery, Assistant Secretary ASAP# 83077

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 TSN No. 07-04348 Doc ID 1 00058440272020SN Title Order No. W730152
 Parcel No. RPRK661030015AA The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, in the lobby located at 1811 E. Kesteven Blvd., 1811 E. Kesteven Ave. East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls, ID 83301 on 07/18/2007 at 11:00 am. (Recognized local time) as the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust, recorded 02/21/07, in Book 4 of records at 1811 E. Kesteven Blvd., and executed by Marshall C. Blahop, a single man, as Grantor(s), in favor of Magic Valley Bank, as Beneficiary, to ReconTrust Company, N.A., the Current Trustee of record as to the following real property located in Twin Falls County, State of Idaho: Lots 15 and 16 in block 30, Kimberly Township, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Book 4 of plats, pages 25, 26 and 27 of records at 1811 E. Kesteven Blvd. Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code Section 50-113, the Trustee has to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, 222 Center Street East, Kimberly, ID 83341 is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the site in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without order or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to the property, or a cashier's check drawn pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 11/01/2006 of principal, interest and escrow for the current Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of the date on said obligation is \$77,587.51, plus late charges, and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said real property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. Notice is hereby given that this firm is attempting to collect on this debt, together with unpaid and accruing obligations, and that the debt may be disputed. The above grantors are named to comply with Section 45-1505(i)(4) Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or were, the grantors of the property being sold. Dated: 3/20/07 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: ReconTrust Company, N.A., 1757 Town Canyon Road, Sgvw-68 Sim Valley, CA 95828 1821 Placero (916) 721-2100. Name and Address of the Beneficiary is: Successor Trustee Donna Stinson, Assistant Secretary ASAP 835-4444

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LOST Cat, large male, orange, white, neutered, near Cypress. REWARD. Call 208-734-0741
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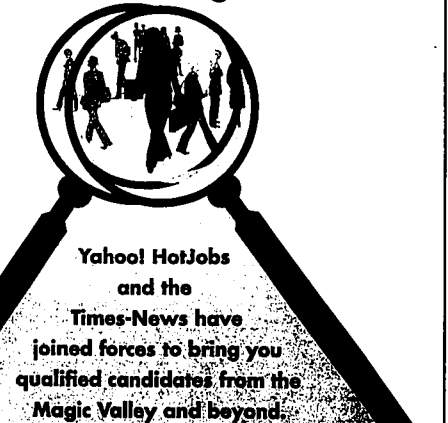
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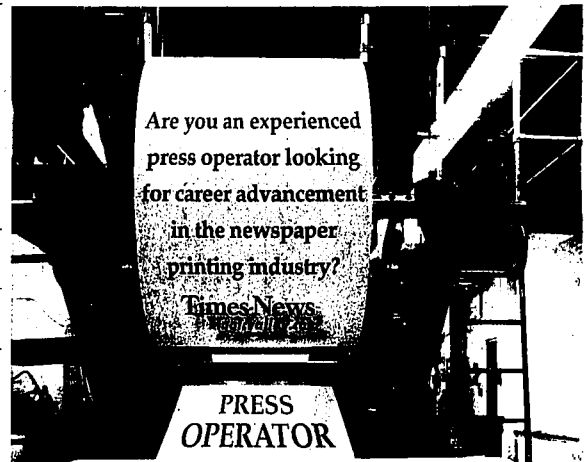
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