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THE HEADLINES

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Oxygen regeneration system causes odor, scare on space station

A problem with an oxygen regeneration system caused an alarming situation Monday, Sept. 18 on the world's sole civilian-orbital station as an alarm went off, Russia's space agency said. It was initially feared that smoke had emerged on the International Space Station after a short circuit, but the press secretary for the Federal Space Agency played down the concerns. "An unpleasant smell on board the ISS appeared after an oxygen regeneration system, Elektron, was activated," Spokesman Igor Panarin said.

Panarin also said the system had been switched off and the situation was under control, and the crew had turned off the system Sunday after the U.S. space shuttle Atlantis undocked from the station. When Russian Cosmonaut Pavel Vinogradov and American Jeffrey Williams reactivated the system Monday, they smelled an unpleasant odor and switched it off again. This is not the first time the oxygen regenerating systems have failed on the ISS.

Williams and Vinogradov had to replace a hydrogen disposal valve during their first spacewalk. This was necessary to ensure an uninterrupted generation of oxygen for crew members and the disposal of hydrogen used in the process.

shakeups, second-guessing and open wallets, federal power remains both limited and complex. Top regulatory positions remain unfilled. There are multiple federal agencies with overlapping responsibilities coping with a hodge-podge of at least 30 different laws touching on food safety. And, as shown in a recent failed effort to open a new food-safety center at the University of California at Davis, political impediments can be stubborn. "There's always a need for these things to be reviewed," Rep. Sam Farr, D-Calif., said. "With this kind of crisis, it's probably a good thing to be checking in."

Unlike some lawmakers, Farr (whose district includes the Salinas Valley fields where the tainted spinach was grown) does not want a wholesale overhaul of federal regulatory efforts. He does want more money so that scientists can track how the E. coli bacteria, usually found in animal intestines, made its way into fresh-cut spinach. "In terms of the emergency response, there's enough money for the short term," Farr said. "I don't think there's enough funding for the long term." By the numbers, food safety regulation is already big business. The major federal regulatory agencies devote some \$1.7 billion annually and roughly 15,000 employees to enforcing food safety. They do not all wear the same uniform. The Agriculture Department handles meat, poultry and some eggs. The National Marine Fisheries Service handles seafood. The Environmental Protection Agency oversees pesticides.

The Food and Drug Administration is responsible for fruits and vegetables, so it is investigating the contaminated spinach traced to the Salinas Valley. It's familiar territory: Last month, citing the "recurring outbreaks of E. coli" that have included at least 20 episodes since 1995 linked to spinach or lettuce, the FDA unveiled its "Lettuce Safety Initiative." It includes visits by FDA officials to farms, cooling and packing facilities. The agency, however, lacks the power to recall tainted produce. Nor do the different federal agencies all follow the same rules. The Agriculture Department, for instance, inspects canning facilities daily if the plant produces

canned beans with meat or chicken. If the canned beans lack meat or chicken, the FDA will inspect the plant for at least a year and possibly every five years.

Overall, 76 million U.S. residents become sick annually from food-borne illnesses. More than 325,000 people are hospitalized and 5,000 people die. With so many problems, some lawmakers have previously tried to reinforce existing food safety efforts.

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BSU student club earns national honors again

The Boise State University chapter of Pi Alpha Alpha, a National Honor Society for Public Administration, has been chosen to receive the 2006 Pi Alpha Alpha Award of Excellence.

This is the sixth year the award has been presented and the second time Boise State's chapter has been chosen (it was also honored in 2002). In addition, Jan Mills received the Award of Excellence for Advisors last year. This year's award will be presented on Oct. 20 at the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration luncheon in Minneapolis, Minn. Professor Patti Fredericksen will represent the department at the award ceremony.

The purpose of the award is to recognize excellence in programming and chapter management in pursuit of Pi Alpha Alpha's goals of scholarship, leadership and excellence in graduate education, public affairs and administration.

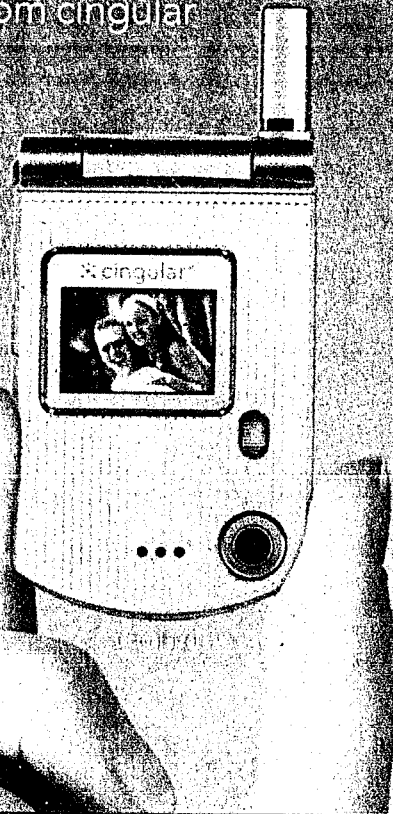
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New law to support officer safety



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Drivers are required to yield to emergency vehicles. Failing to do so may result in a fine.

BY CASSIE GUTIERREZ
News Writer

A new Idaho traffic law went into effect July 1 that requires drivers to slow down and change lanes, when possible, upon seeing flashings lights on police and emergency vehicles. Motorists who break this law could receive a \$62 fine.

Boise police officials said they want to educate motorists of this new law not only for their own safety but for the safety of all drivers.

"I think it's good for the safety of officers and motorists," Boise

Police Department Sergeant Dave Hambleton said. "As we look around the country, there are officers killed every year."

National statistics show that 63 officers have died in traffic accidents in the last year, 16 by passing vehicles while they were working.

"I think it's a fantastic law," Boise Motorist Officer Kyle Christensen said. "If you get working some place on the freeway and people are going 65 to 75 miles per hour, it's easy to get side swept."

According to Hambleton, when people do not pull far enough off

of the road it poses a threat to officers. "When the officer has to make the two trips between [his/her] car and the violator's car, each one of those trips is a safety hazard," Hambleton said.

"There are officers killed every year from people on the road," Christensen said. "We would love motorists to give us safety."

FBI statistics show that more police officers have died in traffic accidents than in any other line of duty.

According to Christensen, this law has not yet been heavily enforced. "So far, we're not seeing a lot of com-

pliance in this new law. We haven't taken much enforcement action because people are not yet educated about this new law."

The Boise Police Department is making an effort to educate drivers about this new law, whether it may be by pulling over violators or just through word of mouth.

"We're going to enforce this law," Hagler said. "We'll be working in teams looking for drivers that do violate this. It's just common sense."

Boise State student Laura Madison said she believes this new law to be necessary, despite it being common sense.

"If you know how to drive, you should know to avoid people and avoid obstacles while driving. It's kind of annoying that they had to create a law and make people pay fines for something that people should already be doing anyway."

"It's all part of defensive driving," Hambleton said. "It's all part of the law."

"I think it's a good law," Boise State student Kathleen Connor said. "People should slow down when there are people on the side of the road, whether they are police or not."



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Kustra discusses 'Mountains Beyond Mountains' with students

BY CASSIE GUTIERREZ
News Writer

President Bob Kustra spoke to approximately 25 students on Monday, Sept. 18 about the book "Mountains Beyond Mountains" by Tracy Kidder in Driscoll Hall.

This year was the start of the First Year Reading Program at Boise State, a program in which first year students are to read a book before the start of school and be able to discuss it with their peers.

"Our goal is to become a metropolitan university, but we have a lot of work to get there," Kustra said. "One of the steps along the way is engaging our own students and our faculty and our community in every way across the region."

Through the new First-Year Reading program, first-year Boise State students were asked to read

"Mountains Beyond Mountains" before the fall term started.

At the Monday meeting, Kustra talked about some of the themes in the book while giving students a chance to talk about their ideas and opinions. "I was impressed," Boise State student Candice Roth said. "Kustra clearly cares a lot about improving our university and increasing student interaction."

Boise State student Mikhail Zhukalin was also impressed with Kustra's words.

"I'm very fond of Kustra and I really liked the book, so hearing him speak about it was an event I couldn't miss," Zhukalin said. "Kustra raised a lot of questions about the book and we had a very good discussion about it."

Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice Administration Jeremy Ball found the evening to be of impor-

ance as well.

"I thought it was really important for students to interact with a university administrator like Dr. Kustra because they don't usually get to do that," Ball said.

The First-Year Reading Program's goal is to encourage students to read more and be better prepared for their years at Boise State.

"I think it sends a strong message to our incoming students," Kustra said, "that we think highly enough of the importance of the learning process that we are going to begin it before class even starts."

"I'd like to help students develop a habit of reading and I think this program is the way, not just to preach and teach, but to help students to develop a habit of reading outside of their assigned coursework that will last them their entire lives."

ASBSU

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His GPA is high enough," Wilson said.

Sawmiller is ineligible because he failed to meet the requirements of the ASBSU constitution. As of the 10th day of school, he was not taking enough credits.

"He has the opportunity to increase his credit load when he returns," Wilson said.

ASBSU President Wyatt Parke indicated he would put Sawmiller at

the front of the list to become a senator as soon as he returned.

"Without public comment, without consulting senators until after the fact and with some administration - they didn't say who - [they] removed him from the Senate," Wilson said.

If a senator fails to meet the requirements of the constitution, there is no process, no argument, nothing. He or she is simply removed.

When asked to comment Tuesday, several ASBSU senators declined until they were better informed of all the facts. Before Meyer briefed Sen. Wilson, no one on the Senate

knew Sawmiller was breaking a rule. Wilson opines that Sawmiller is getting railroaded out of the Senate without due process.

"I don't know if this has anything to do with his conservative views but it sure looks like it," Wilson said. "There should have been a movement to impeach him if he was not meeting the standards. He was meeting the standard."

Wilson stated he would turn in his resignation September 19. If he was to resign, the ASBSU constitution gives Acting Senate Pro Tempore duties to the Assistant ASBSU Senate Pro Tempore Katie Jo Rupert.

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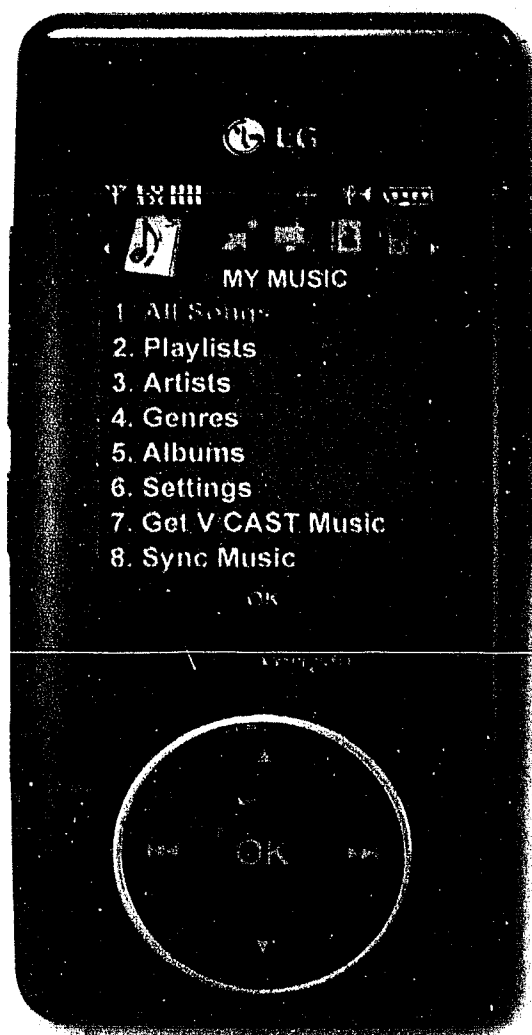
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The way we see it ...

ASBSU policy needs revamped; Sawmiller deserves his seat

The Associated Students of Boise State University met its first obstacle of the semester Tuesday. It was not a troubling piece of legislation, no controversial statement made by a senator nor was it an accusation made by a senate guest. It was much more simple and complicated than that.

After Tuesday's Senate meeting in the Forum, Senate Pro Tempore Greg Wilson was approached by Associate Director for Student Activities Rob Meyer, who informed him that a member of the Senate was ineligible to sit at the table.

That senator, Jonathan Sawmiller, is not currently enrolled in enough credits to fit under the classification of a full-fee paying student.

Sawmiller has a pretty damn good excuse for not attending classes. He has been serving in the Idaho Air National Guard since May. He has been on a tour of duty in Iraq. Sawmiller plans to fill his course load and become a full-fee paying student when he returns to Boise tonight around 11 p.m.

ASBSU waited to remove Sawmiller because BSU cannot determine whether a student is taking a certain amount of classes until 10 days after the first day of school. That is the cutoff date for an existing member of student government to fit the requirements, which are more stringent than those of other student organizations. Senators must have at least a 2.5 GPA and need to be enrolled in at least eight credits.

So, now that Sawmiller is ineligible, there is nothing he can do about it until he meets the requirements of the ASBSU constitution. If he takes the proper number of credits and re-applies, ASBSU President Wyatt Parke said he would re-appoint Sawmiller in an instant.

"He was a good senator," Parke said. "We are bound by the constitution. I think this will blow over. Even if he does get removed, I'll stick him right back in."

The problem with this muddy story is that the process is rushed, complicated and the only thing Sen. Sawmiller can do is wait to be told he isn't a senator, sign up for some more classes when he gets back and reapply to be a senator again.

There should be some stipulation in the ASBSU constitution making it legal for a senator to serve his or her country and return to a role serving the university as well. A similar precedent has been set before in the case of firefighters.

This isn't a question of quality. This isn't a blatant buddy-buddy battle for an opinion writer on The Arbiter staff. This is a question of principle.

The university waved the 10-day rule for firefighters battling blazes in Idaho this semester. If they weren't able to make it to the first 10 days, that was acceptable; they could still participate in extracurricular activities.

There should be a blanket provision in place to protect American service members who are battling insurgents in a foreign county.

This is not a statement declaring support for the war in Iraq. This is a statement declaring support for American soldiers fighting in that war. We support Sen. Sawmiller for choosing to give a summer of his life in the Idaho Air National Guard.

We do not support removing a senator from office without speaking to him, two days before he is set to return from a tour of duty.

Not all of the members of this panel will always agree with Sen. Sawmiller's political views. But we agree he is a good student and a good senator. He deserves a seat at the ASBSU table.

The way we see it is based on the majority opinions of The Arbiter editorial board. Members of the board are Drew Mayes, editor-in-chief; Marcus Hackler, business manager; Heather English, production manager; Dustin Lapray, managing editor; Brandon Stoker, opinion editor; and Sheree Whiteley, lead copy editor.

Boise State is too great for hate and sedition

BY JUAN TRUJILLO
Guest Opinion

If you have recently wandered into the Cultural Center, you probably saw a calendar for Latino heritage month advertising a politicized event about immigration called "Rights on the Line, Vigilantes at the Border" about Minutemen on the United States/Mexican border. But what you will not find on the calendar is a presentation on the new movement of Latino racism known as "La Raza" or "MEChA." As a second-generation American, this movement disgusts me.

Organizations like MEChA support a blatantly racist agenda and should be banned from our campus.

MEChA's motto is "Por La Raza todo. Fuera de La Raza nada," which means, "for the race everything; for everyone outside the race, nothing."

MEChA followers like to euphemize the word "raza," which in reality means "race."

Last Spring a racist "mechista" tried to convince sympathizers that "raza" means "family." That is a blatant lie! I speak fluent Spanish and assure you it does not mean "family"—not in any context.

The only Spanish word for family is "familia." But, let's say hypothetically that it did mean "family"—even though it does not—how much better would this be? "For my family everything; for everyone outside my family,



nothing." Sounds extremely intolerant, discriminatory and hateful to me regardless!

Furthermore, let me remind everyone what MEChA stands for: Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan, which means, "Mexican-American Student Movement of Aztlan."

What is Aztlan? It literally means "place of origin" referring to "lost Mexican territories," now the southwestern United States.

The MEChA national constitution

praises a "bronze continent" and contains conquistador-esque propaganda such as this: "Chicano and Chicana students of Aztlan must take upon themselves the responsibilities to promote Chicano-ism within the community, politicizing our race with an emphasis on indigenous consciousness to continue the struggle for the self-determination of the Chicano people for the purpose of liberating Aztlan."

Their main goal and purpose is to conquer or "reclaim" the southwestern United States, which they term

"Aztlan."

Their logo is an Eagle holding a machete and a stick of dynamite.

These anti-American activists live with the fantasy that they are racially discriminated against while completely dismissing the possibility that it is their racially charged doctrine and conquest that is inciting defensive retaliation.

Their ideologies are iterated in another document known as "El Plan de Aztlan," in which Caucasians are referred to by extremely derogatory terms, such as "gabacho" and "gringo."

MEChA has been linked to various hate crimes over the years, including a 1993 riot at UCLA in response to the rejection of a proposed Department of Chicano Studies, damages exceeded \$500,000.

They have also been involved in the banning of American flags in some California schools and counties.

So who funds this disgraceful organization?

Well, you do.

A portion of your student fees is allotted to student organizations such as MEChA through student government, the Cultural Center and campus "diversity" boards.

Other universities have rightfully stood up to these racists and booted them off campus.

Let's celebrate Latino heritage month by doing the same.

Globalization only helps the top-hat tier

BY MICHAEL J. MCLASKEY
Opinion Writer

Since the most recent round of trade talks in Doha fell apart, the G20 group of developing nations is calling for fresh negotiations, and they should be.

After all, member states such as the G8 are not going to call for new talks; they don't need them because they already have what they want—agricultural subsidies for non-farming "farmers."

Once again, the rich countries are ignoring the little ones. Global trade is a sticky issue. When the World Trade Organization held a summit in Seattle in 1999, there were riots on the street, shops were smashed and protesters were gassed by the

police. At every meeting of the G8, protestors loom nearby.

Apparently, there must be something wrong with global trade policy for developing nations to call for a change in the status quo.

When the United States joined the WTO and signed on to NAFTA (North America Free Trade Agreement), it was hard to see what effects it was going to have.

No one knew that the United States would overcharge Canada \$5 billion in softwood lumber imports, despite Canada's protests.

No one knew then that a large portion of our textiles production market would go overseas.

Now we have empty factories from coast to coast, and an average

\$100 billion annual trade imbalance with China.

It's all about outsourcing in the end, giving domestic companies tax breaks by allowing them to set up shop in countries with more relaxed laws; Malaysia is how Nike can get away with paying children starving wages to make \$100 sneakers.

This is the hypocrisy of free trade—it does not improve global standards of living, it does not make trade between countries simpler, and it does not help out the little guy.

It is a scheme for the richest nations to keep their wealth and dominance in markets where they are not even trying, such as the United States' and EU's farm subsidies.

If we want to live in a world free from

hatred, we need to have global trade policy in place that closes the gap between the rich and poor, rather than increasing the haves at the expense of the have-nots.

Just imagine: if corporations were to pay those children stitching sneakers more than mere cents a day—say \$3 a day, which our corporations can well afford—it would do wonders for developing nations. And just imagine a world where the rich care more about the plight of the poor than the interests of the shareholders.

That, my friends, is a world of fiction, which is why we live in a world of trade imbalance and social inequity, governed by the vested interests of the world's most powerful people and companies.

It really is a small world after all

BY LINDSEY WRIGHT
Arbiter Staff

It astounds me how the cliché phrase "it's a small world" really does describe the world. There are over six and a half billion people on this planet, yet my life never ceases to amaze me.

I moved to Boise this fall to experience a new place. I left my small town of Shelley, Idaho to get away from the 3,500 people there and meet the 18,500 students here at Boise State. Three kids from my senior class of 130 students came to Boise State, including both me

and my roommate. Theoretically, you can be whoever you want to be when you start a new year at college. No one will ever know about that one time when you peed your pants in the first grade.

The reason I say this world is so small even though the numbers are so big is because in my first week here at school I had three "small world" experiences.

First, I was sitting by my lonesome in the cafeteria when a guy asked if I was sitting alone and if he could eat with me. After a minute of talking with this guy Andy, I find out that our hometowns are separated by a mere 10 miles.

Soon thereafter, a friend of my former co-worker, Tyler, came to eat with me. Interestingly, Andy and Tyler pretty much grew up with each other, but hadn't seen each other in years.

Later that same day, I was on MSN messaging my friend Brandon, who lives in Oregon. He said that a kid he graduated with, Kye, was going to Boise State. My friend gave me Kye's email and told me to get a hold of him.

Not only does Kye live only one floor above me in the same dorm, but it turns out we unknowingly found new jobs with the same employer.

And of course, Myspace, always has a hand in everything. My older brother's friend moved to Boise a few years back. He looked me up on Myspace when he had found out I was attending Boise State. He and his girlfriend both sent me messages with their phone numbers inviting me to float the river.

So really, you can't get away. Eventually, your mother's best friend's nephew, who lives down the street from your new pad, will nark about your party'n days. It's nice to find a friendly face, make new friends and remind yourself a bit of home.

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The consequences of choice: A mother's view on the flip side of abortion

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I once had a conversation with a 15-year-old girl which still haunts me as I try to make sense of the society that helped her become the ghost that sat in front of me that day. My head and my heart are still trying to deal with the details of this young woman's life. I'm still haunted by the cold, desperate look in her eyes.

"Jane" had an abortion when she was 14 years old. "I never want to get married or have a family," she said. "I just don't see the point."

Jane's eyes were defiant and empty. She shifted in her chair and stared back at me and started to brag about all the parties she has been to, the amount of beer she can drink and how much more mature she is compared to other girls in her group. Jane's choices were affecting her in ways that she was still too young to see, but as a woman 11 years her senior, I could see them.

Jane's story is so familiar to me that as I look into her eyes I see flashes of the girl I was at her age. I didn't have an abortion but there was a time that I stood inside of an abortion clinic and contemplated the fate of my unborn child. I was terrified, ashamed, humiliated, and I felt so utterly alone. I had dreams and aspirations of what I wanted to do with my life and I was so angry that I was pregnant. I couldn't believe that it had happened to me.

As I stood there and contemplated my choices I listened to the receptionist of the clinic describe to me the process of having an abortion. I remember everything about the clinic in great detail; the way it smelled, the picture of the sailboat on the wall, and pink tinge in the lights that illuminated the page that outlined the procedure I was contemplating having done. Most of all I remember the receptionist's words. "In the procedure we suck out the product..." she said.

I felt myself about to become ill, dropped the literature she had given me and ran out of the clinic crying. I chose not to have an abortion and six years later I have a healthy, intelligent, beautiful son, who I love more than I can express in words because of my choice.

However, when I looked into Jane's eyes and saw the pain she was in and listened to the things she put both her mind and her body through, I related to her on every level because I had experienced it myself, even though our choices were different.

I wanted to comfort her, I wanted to tell her that everything was going to be OK but the truth was, I knew that she still had many years to deal with the consequences of her choice just as I have.

There's been nothing more humiliating to me than having to apply for welfare and live in a subsidized apartment after my divorce.

I had always been able to take care of myself and I had always had this image of single Moms on welfare being lazy and promiscuous; popping out kids left and right to get a bigger welfare check.

Now that I am also a single Mom on welfare I have a completely different view.

It only took me one week of sleepless nights wondering how I would feed my children and support myself before I swallowed my pride and applied for assistance.

Now my choice is not only my responsibility but the responsibility of my country to put food on my table, finance my education and pay for my daughter's emergency room visits until a time I am able to do it on my own again.

I get angry now when I hear people argue about sex education in schools and say that not talking to kids about sex is somehow going to keep them from doing it.

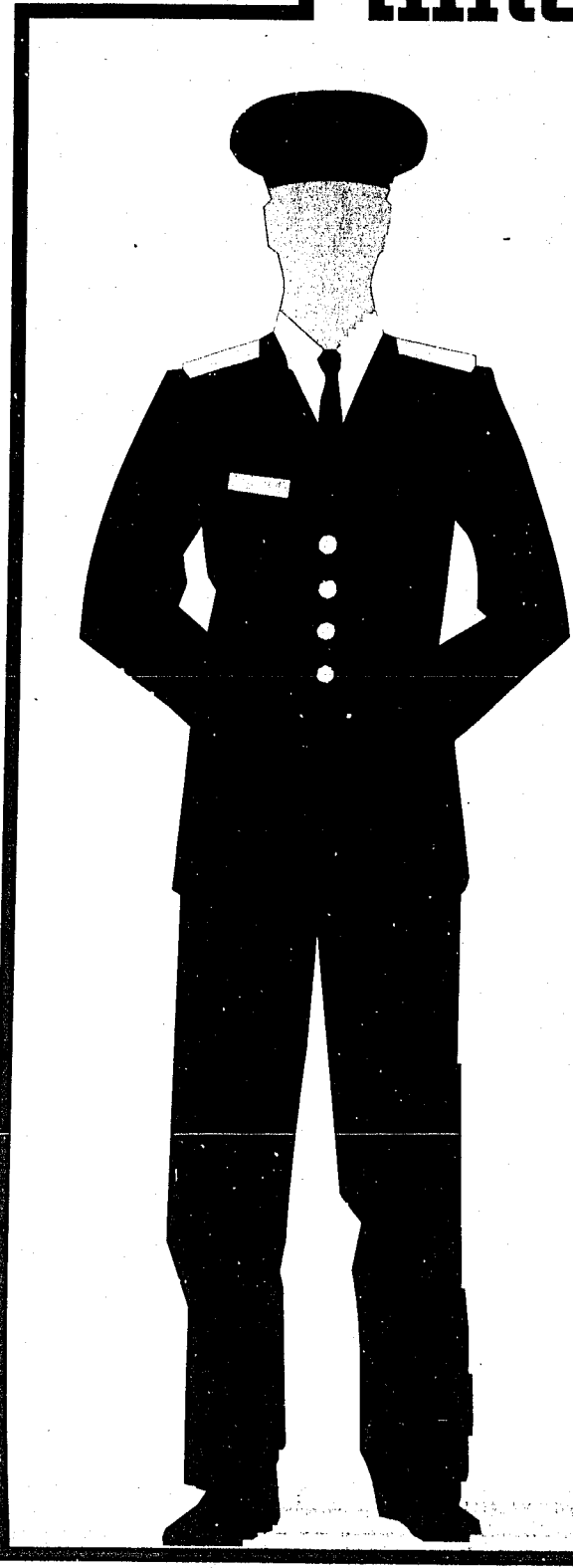
Or that keeping birth control alternatives like Plan B, also known as "The Morning After Pill," away from teenagers is somehow going to make Jane's life better or her choice easier.

I wonder, if Jane had known about "the morning after pill" and been able to take it, would she be the ghost she is today, having had to go through the procedure of "sucking out the product?"

I wonder if I had known about the pill if I would be a single Mom on welfare today or if I would have been able to wait and have my son at a time I was ready and could provide for him on my own.

I don't have the answers to these questions, but I know that I would have liked to have had the choice and I'm quite certain Jane would have also.

Military uniform a target for hate on campus



BY MARCUS LYONS
Arbiter Staff

For those who do not know me, I am in the Army ROTC program here at Boise State. I love the program, but I will save that for another article.

Today I write in regard to an experience I had wearing my uniform on campus.

Thursday morning I awoke and went through the morning routine. But this day was different — I wore my ROTC uniform for the first time to school. Sure I had worn it to a lab one day, but I changed into it shortly before lab.

Thursday I decided to wear it for the full day because I would not have time to change.

My entire day was completely booked with classes and meetings with clients.

Putting on the uniform took forever. There are more buttons than you could possibly imagine. I am used to a zipper for a fly, not buttons. There are two layers to the uniform as well, so I was glad it was overcast and cold on Thursday.

My experience wearing the uniform brought mixed reactions from those around me, making my walk around campus an interesting experience.

I was greeted with awkward stares wherever I went. Some people were not obvious about it, but others clearly displayed disgust in their eyes.

I walked with Shannon Morgan to her

class in the Multi-Purpose Building — what can I say, I'm a gentleman — and on the way there we talked about different things.

As we walked I began to notice the looks I was getting, and how people would talk in softer tones when I came around. It is strange how a uniform can change how you are seen.

Later on, before my first class, I had a meeting with the ASBSU attorney who gives legal advice to students for free.

Walking through the Student Union Building was another interesting event.

There were more stares and hushed speech, but it was in the SUB that I started to hear the anti-military comments.

To tell you the truth, I don't care — it doesn't upset me to hear any of that. I hate to hear anything bad about the military, but personally I could not care less about those opinions.

It's something I love and one day you will pay me to do my job. That's right, you. Where do you think your taxes go?

Part of taxes pay the military. So right now I want to thank all of you for the money I will be making in the future.

I am still amazed by the reactions I received that day. Idaho is supposed to be a pro-military state. At least that's what I thought.

Then again, this campus is not Idaho — BSU is a special place without a doubt.

I am still awed at how open-minded students on this campus are. Oh that's right, they aren't.

A+ students don't get any love

BY JON BILLS
Guest Opinion

There are eight different grading systems currently being employed by colleges and universities throughout the country. Six of these systems grant varying quality points based on a plus/minus scale.

The two-fold purpose of a plus/minus system is to give professors a finer tool with which to evaluate student performances, while giving students the opportunity to better distinguish themselves from their classmates.

However, the particular plus/minus grading system that Boise State is implementing fails to fulfill its purpose.

Last Spring Professor David Saunders said, "This system allows Boise State faculty to reward our most diligent students with a grade with a plus attached, and the increased quality points associated with it."

Spoken like a true politician — a real spin-artist.

The most diligent students would earn an 'A+' which has no increased quality points associated with it.

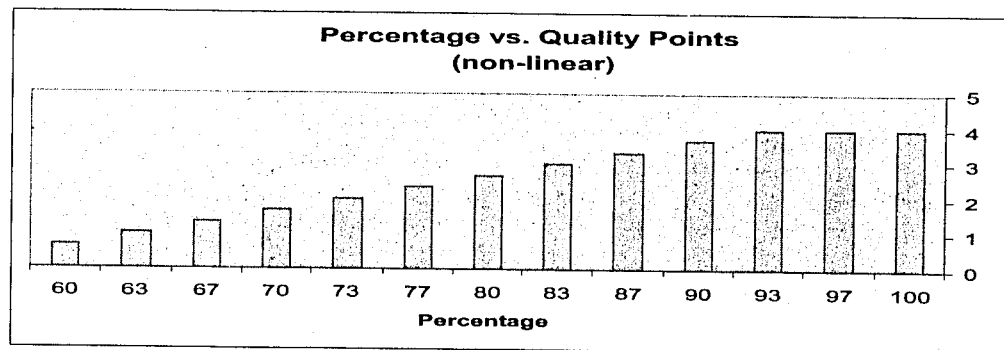
Furthermore, Professor Saunders failed to mention that the system includes more weighted minuses than pluses, skewing the linearity and balance of the quality points awarded and creating an unfair system.

As a result, there will be a decline in the student body's GPA, making our students less competitive when applying for graduate school or job hunting.

Boise State's grading system recognizes the A-, B-, C- and D- with quality point deductions where as only the B+, C+ and D+ are acknowledged with increased quality points. That's right, the 'A+', the king of all grades, goes unrewarded.

How is this possible? If BSU was serious about academic excellence they would support and reward students earning an 'A+' with 4.3 quality points.

Not only would that maintain a linear quality point distribution,



but it would inspire students to exert higher-quality work.

Think about it. In previous semesters students knew that a 90 percent was an 'A' (4.0 quality points). Likewise, a 97 percent was also an 'A.'

Therefore, students aimed to achieve a 90 percent grade, not a 97 percent grade. There was no incentive to work toward a 97 percent because they yielded the same result.

Now, with the newly implemented plus/minus system, students know to shoot for a 93 percent for an 'A'. However, there is still no

incentive for students to achieve a 97 percent (A+) and truly dominate the curriculum. If you want students to excel you must give them a reason to do so.

Awarding the 'A+' with 4.3 quality points would also spur competition and real academic excellence. Competition inspires creativity and innovation, despite what socialists would have you believe.

In fact, there are several notable universities that have taken these concepts to heart and revised their respective plus/minus grading systems to award the 'A+' with 4.3

quality points.

These schools include Stanford, Cornell, Carnegie Mellon, U. of Maryland, U. of Cincinnati, Arizona State U., U. of Iowa, U. of Oregon, U. of North Carolina Chapel Hill, U. of North Carolina Greensboro, North Carolina State, Concordia, U. of New Haven, St. Mary's University, half of American law schools and nearly all Canadian universities.

A few of these schools have capped the cumulative GPA at 4.0 to maintain the same scale integrity, while allowing an 'A-' and 'A+' to wash to an 'A', which is fair and logical.

COEXIST: My bumper sticker of choice

AMY BOWMAN
Opinion Writer

As a traveler, I have been to 40 states and abroad. Thus far, I have never seen a place so highly dedicated to bumper stickers as Boise, Idaho. I admit I have an entire folder crammed full of them — mostly about peace, inequality and the Earth.

However, though I adore their bold messages, I feign to display them on my bumper. I agree with everything in my folder.

I also realize everyone has a different metaphorical folder, and I don't want to piss off any war mongers or people with "rifle targets are my peace sign" stickers.

About a year ago, I noticed a bumper sticker that didn't denote the "up yours if you don't agree with me" attitude — it read COEXIST.

In each letter was a symbol, and all the symbols fit together in perfect equanimity. "Coexist," I said aloud. What a beautiful thought.

Finally, a small, rectangular plea for tolerance and understanding; it was the only sticker I've seen that doesn't convey rigidity, but acceptance.

The following symbols spell out coexist: the star and crescent, the peace sign, an E with the Mars and Venus signs, the star of David, the dharma wheel, a Yin and Yang and the cross.

Allow me to clarify their meaning

— the star and crescent are recognized as a symbol for Islam. It was historically associated with the use of a cyclical moon calendar and the Ottoman Dynasty, coming to symbolize Islam by association.

The peace sign was designed by artist Gerald Holtom in Britain for the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament. It first showed up in the form of 500 lollipops in an anti-nuclear march in 1958 in London and was quickly adopted by Martin Luther King Jr. during the Civil Rights Movement.

The "E" with Mars and Venus symbols protruding from it symbolized gender equality, with "E" representing general equality. The star of David is the primary symbol of

Judaism, an ancient symbol of one of the oldest documented religions.

The "I" represents the Buddhist dharma wheel, or dharmachakra. "S" is transformed into yin and yang, the Taoist symbol of the interplay of forces in the universe, conveying a universal equilibrium.

Finally, the "T," or Latin cross of Christianity, symbolizes Christ's crucifixion. The original cross was the Greek cross, which looks like a plus sign, and represents the four directions of the earth, signifying the intention to spread the gospel in all directions.

Aside from the peace sign, most of the symbols represent the major religious traditions in the United States. Most are easily recognizable,

though the majority that ask for clarification recognize the "I" and "S" as symbols of eastern traditions.

Interestingly, more people ask me about the meaning behind the "E" than any other.

The "E" is the most important symbol, and in dire need of attention. Religious tolerance is an amazing concept, but what about the "E?"

What about gender equality? Religious coexistence is great. However, the bigger issue is gender inequality and it's institutionalized form embedded within some of these religious traditions.

And don't you Christians dare point your finger at Islam before examining yourself!

NO ONE'S INNOCENT



Even Hooters patrons (duh)

BY HADLEY RUSH
Culture Columnist

Last year when I was working for The Arbiter as a culture writer, my section editor approached me with a story idea. She asked if I'd be willing to cover a food review on a local restaurant in Boise. I willingly accepted. I soon found out that the establishment was as "delightfully tacky" as it was "unrefined."

When I entered the restaurant, I felt as if I'd stepped into another realm - a realm of hot wings glazed in tangy red sauce served by long-legged girls in hunter-orange shorts with sparkling white high-top sneakers. I was ready to review the Hooters of Boise.

I approached the hostess and asked demurely, "Could I speak to the manager?" (It's commonplace for writers to talk to management before conducting reviews - this oftentimes leads to compensated food, substantial service and uninhibited interview quotes). The Hooters girl smiled, looked me up and down and said, "Honey, you're hired." I frowned.

"I don't think you understand," I started. "I'm here to review the restaurant. I write for the paper." She scratched her little brunette head. A bouncy curl fell over her shoulder.

After clearing up the confusion with the general manager and taking a seat at a nearby table, the G.M. approached me.

"So, are you interested in working here?" A cheesy smile seized his lips. I drew in a deep breath and replied, "Sure, what the hell?" I started a few weeks later, if for no other reason than to give birth to my mother's worst fear, give daddy the makings for a heart attack and generate future writing material (plus I always thought this would make an interesting chapter in my memoirs someday).

Upon employment I was given a pair of atrocious orange hot shorts, two spandex white shirts, a pair of severely discolored "tan" pantyhose and I was informed to invest in a pair of white Sketchers tennis shoes. After I'd found my niche in the fanciful hot orange world of Hooters, I began to make moderately good tips.

One day, when my section was sparsely seated, I was working one Hooters patron particularly hard. After he'd eaten his \$35 meal, the legendary YMCA song faded in over the stereo.

Every Hooters girl in the restaurant simultaneously rolled their eyes.

This was a unanimously-disliked song among all the girls because of the mandatory accompanying dance. If at anytime the YMCA song came on, the girls were expected to gather into a cluster with plastered-on smiles and join together in an embarrassingly un-choreographed dance. If they refused, the manager would force them to stay late filling ketchup and hot sauce bottles, sometimes until after midnight.

Tonight I didn't feel like YMCA-ing. I hated my customer, and I began to feel the degradation of my Hooters girl career set in. After I danced with minimal participation, Hooters patron made his way toward the door, but not before stopping to offer some sound advice. "Next time," he started "you should dance with NO clothes," he said from under his grimy truck-driver hat. I was seething.

"Oh and here's your tip," he said flinging a single dollar bill toward me. "How much for the whole night?" He said with a greasy smile.

I narrowed my eyes. "Keep your filthy dollar, slime bag," I said, turning around just as my manager walked up.

"We don't talk to our patrons like that," general manager said to me. I threw my apron at him.

"Well I do," I said. "And I quit." Hooters patron was not polite. Hooters patron was not innocent.

No one is innocent.

'Chicago' brings 'All that Jazz' to Boise

BY FRANCY MARCOTTE
Culture Writer

On Sept. 26 the musical "Chicago" will open at the Morrison Center.

The show comes to Boise with an impressive resume. It won six 1997 Tony Awards including Best Musical Revival, Best Director (Walter Bobbie) and Best Choreography (Ann Reinking). To top it off, an Oscar-winning film version was released in 2002.

The show contains two acts and 21 jazzy song-and-dance numbers. The music, dancing, costumes and characters represent late 1920s Chicago culture.

For cast member Christophe Caballero, performing "Chicago" in Boise hits close to home. Caballero grew up in Caldwell before moving to Salt Lake City to pursue a dancing career.

"I've had such a different kind of career," said Caballero, whose credits include numerous Broadway shows, a role on the 1980s television series "Fame" and cartoon voice-overs.

Caballero said he first became interested in theatre at the age of 10 when he performed in a high school production of "Oliver." He went on to become involved with school orchestras, choirs and dance teams.

Toward the end of high school, Caballero was offered a scholarship with Salt Lake City's Ballet West. He also performed with the American Ballet Theatre in New York City.

He worked on his first Broadway show with renowned choreographer Jerome Robbins. Entitled "Jerome Robbins' Broadway," it featured highlights from classic Broadway musicals.

In 1997, Caballero moved to Paris to perform in a production of "Beauty and the Beast." He was also cast in "Chicago" there.

"The show is great for people who are actors, dancers and singers," he said. "We all have different moments where we get to shine."

"Chicago" features Caballero as a member of the jury.

"It's essentially a one-man show," Caballero said of his part. He went on to explain that his character adds comic relief to the show. He said he enjoys expressing himself onstage and making the audience laugh.

Though performers like Hugh Jackman and Emily Skinner inspire Caballero, his main influences aren't star-studded or glamorous.

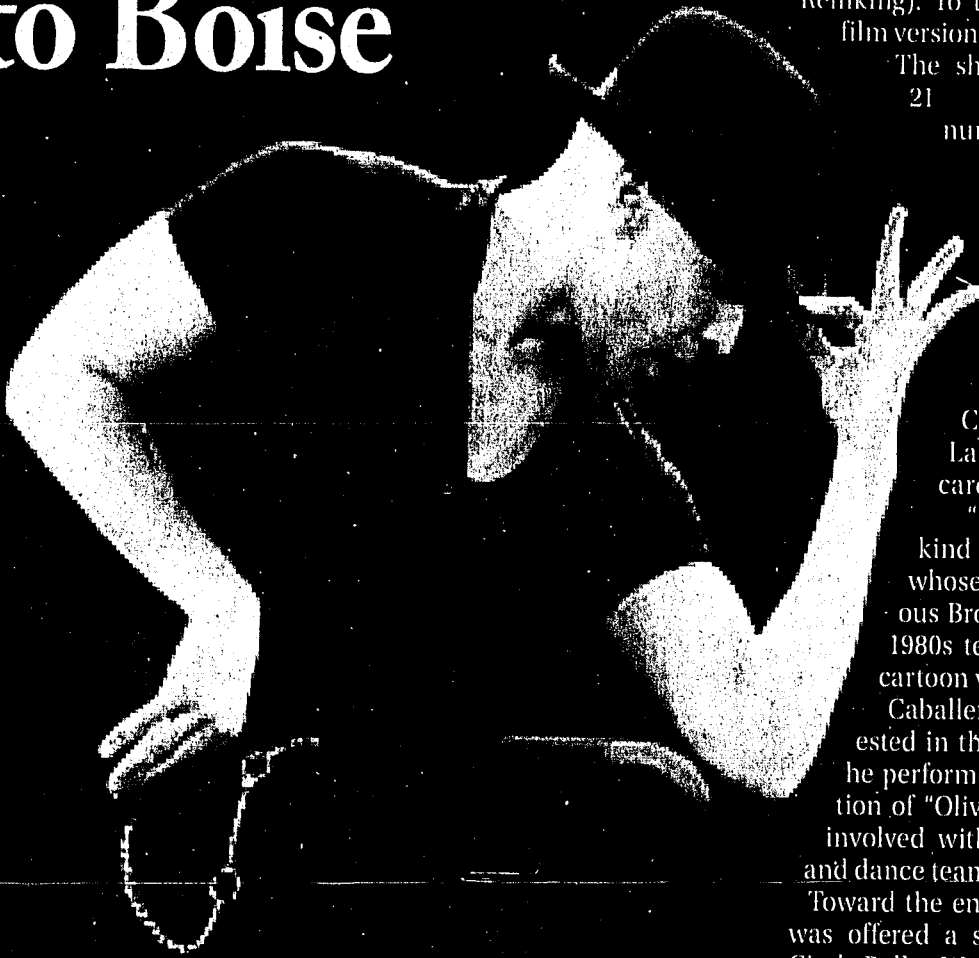
"For acting, you're very inspired by life and experiences of everyday people," he said.

He also said that performing calls for hard work and dedication. "Chicago" will hit several cities before it debuts in Boise.

"The most difficult part is keeping it fresh every night," Caballero said.

But he said the hard work pays off.

"Just doing that choreography is the dream-come-true," Caballero said.



"Chicago" will open at the Morrison Center Tuesday, Sept. 26 with follow-up performances Wednesday, Sept. 27 and Thursday, Sept. 28. All three shows start at 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices range from \$30-\$55 and can be purchased through the Morrison Center website or Select-a-Seat.

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Meet the gritty knitters of 'Bitch and Stitch'

BY MEL TROUTH
Culture Writer

Those who believe knitting to be their grandmother's pastime would be wise to open their eyes. Between radical local knitting groups and teen-oriented knitting books and magazines, knitting is one vintage trend modern guys and dolls are more-than-willing to pick up.

While knitting isn't a new fad to those who have always had their hand in the textile arts, books such as "Stitch and Bitch: The Knitters Handbook" and "Stitch and Bitch Nation" by Bust Magazine editor Debbie Stoller have inspired many younger hipsters to pick up the trade. Stoller's books focus on fun fashions that can be worn by the contemporary girl or boy without looking too spinster-esque. Patterns range from the basic scarf to a skull-and-crossbones printed

sweater, to a Wonder Woman inspired bikini. With such a variety in designs, it's wonder that Stoller would motivate so many to knit and other companies to come out with their own teen-centric knitting books and magazines.

Of all the newer knitting magazines out there shaking up the craft world, "Vogue Knitting" is among the top. Created by "Vogue" magazine, whose main intent has always been to sell high-class designer duds to upper-crust city women, "Vogue Knitting" is a strangely non-consumerist fashion-oriented publication. While the focus is no longer on selling under the guise of fashion advice, "Vogue Knitting" still appeals to the fashion gods with trendy "bobo chic" and "modern English" inspired designs. It offers those who wouldn't be caught dead in last year's trends a chance to create something that hasn't even

been featured during this year's Fashion Week.

However, knitting isn't just a solitary activity. All over the country, knitting groups are popping up for men and women to express themselves with like-minded folks. The Boise Bitch and Stitch group is one such organization. Created by Jen' in 2001, the small group joined outside the NeuroLux to chat and knit. The group has since moved to Thomas Hammer Coffee last winter to beat the tricky Idaho weather and allow their younger crafting comrades to join in their activities. In fact, the Boise Bitch and Stitch group attracts a wide range of knitters from high school students to moms in their 40s. However, most attendees fall within the late 20s to early 30s range.

Jennifer Replogle, a frequent attendee of the group, believes that the popularity of knitting lies in the

satisfactory feeling one gets when they are active in creating something for themselves or loved ones. "It's so hard to purchase unique items. There's a sense of yourself in the things you create," Replogle said. Heather Nehrig, knitting guru and "list mother" of the Boise Bitch and Stitch online group, agrees with Replogle's assertion. "We're so visually stimulated," Nehrig said, also stating that she finds the tactile nature of the craft a welcome retreat from the more sight-based bombardments in everyday life.

While the "stitch" part of the group emphasizes knitting as the most prominent needlecraft, attendees are welcome to bring their crochet, cross-stitch or embroidery projects as well. The "bitch" aspect is equally diverse with open-ended conversations from sharing knitting tips to complaining about work. However, there are some

knitting groups whose focus goes beyond simply hanging out and meeting new people.

The Yarn Harlots meet every Thursday at 5 p.m. at the Boise State Women's Center to get crafty and "solve the world's problems one stitch at a time." This group is a new addition to Boise State and was created by Jaime Hansen and Whitney Johnson as a means to give students a calm evening to work on their projects and share new ideas. Topics are primarily personal matters, but no discussion is banned from the table.

Both the Boise Bitch and Stitch and the Yarn Harlots meetings are open to the public and encourage people from all facets of life to join in on the fun. In addition, the Boise Bitch and Stitch group can be reached online at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/boise_bitch_and_stitch/.



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The Bronx plays Big Easy Thursday

BY TERESA ARENZ
Culture Writer

Thrashing, throbbing punk band The Bronx will be ripping through Boise's Big Easy Concert House this Thursday, Sept. 21.

The foursome - Matt Caughthran (vocals), Joby J. Ford (guitar), James Tweedy (bass) and Jorma Vik (drums) - call themselves The Bronx, but they actually originated on the opposite coast in Los Angeles in 2002. Their sound mixes elements of 70s garage rock, punk, grunge, and alt-metal to produce something that is raw and original.

Their first album, produced by Gilby Clark of Guns-N-Roses, is a 28-minute long epic of uncut, intense sound landscapes. In fact, the band's recording process consisted of a three-take rule. "Why would you want to make an album that doesn't sound like your band?" Ford asked. "I thought that would be weird if we did that, because we're not that good. Why would you record anything that you couldn't play live?"

Although their attitude screams of anti-establishment, their first demo attracted nine label offers from the LA entertainment industry. However, their desire to remain indie was strong. After signing with Island Def Jam, they insisted on self-releasing their full-length debut and promoting it on the road



for two-and-a-half years. Their second self-titled effort marked their major label debut for Island in 2006. Critics didn't have the same enthusiasm for their second album, claiming the passion and anger seemed forced, and that the overall sound was directionless. Yet others praise the quartet on their air-tight performance.

The album starts out strong with songs like "Small Stone" and "Shitty Future." Their lyrics are explicit with disgust for cultural norms and the expectations of society.

"Welcome you to your shitty future/Fucking fusion food and assisted suicide where everything's accepted and nothing works/All those cinematic promises of hoverboards, molecular transport and slave-robots have sold you short."

The Bronx haven't been to Boise since 2003, so if your ears are craving some ferocious ringing, head on down Thursday for what promises to be a rocking, raging event. Opening acts include hardcore metal band Mastodon and punk-metal band Converge.

Talking with mouths full

BY JULIA C. ARREDONDO
Culture Writer

She has two names: one given to her by her English-speaking parents and the other given to her at the age of five when she became part of the deaf community and culture.

Sherbear (Sherry for the English speaking) is a sophomore ASL student at BSU. She tutors and is president of the organization Hand Talk.

Every Friday afternoon Hand Talk meets at the Culture Center and has their weekly silent lunch. It's an opportunity for the organization to practice its mission statement. Hand Talk promotes positive relations between deaf, hard-of-hearing and hearing individuals.

They provide a forum for signers of all levels, educate on deaf cultural issues and promote the use of American Sign Language.

Before students begin to trickle into the Center, Sherbear shares a lot of information and is eager to relate as much as she can about the deaf culture.

Sherbear is a mother. Her daughter is twelve-years-old and will have a great opportunity to become a translator when she gets older. ASL is the first language Sherbear taught her.

"By kindergarten she was already reading," Sherbear said.

Sherbear explained how children of the deaf can learn to communicate earlier in life and how they are quieter and might seem better behaved because they can use their

hands to ask for milk or to go to the "potty" even before their voices have developed.

"The only thing deaf can't do is hear," Sherbear said, quoting I. King Jordan, a hero among the deaf culture.

She spoke of how many students feel lucky and happy about the ASL program at BSU.

Sherbear grew up learning SEE - signing the English alphabet, and she relates how tiresome the process is of having to spell everything out.

BSU is the only university in the state of Idaho that teaches ASL as a language with its own program. ISU only teaches SEE.

Sherbear explained how when the organization Hand Talk started it had only four members, but now can boast a member list of over 100.

About twenty individuals showed up at their most recent meeting and participated in the silent lunch.

Although most of the members that show up are English-speaking, they sometimes resort to writing messages on a piece of paper and passing it back and forth across the table when they can't seem to understand each other. There is only one truly fluent member in the club, and the others do their best and use what they know about the language.

"Probably one of the best things... you can talk with your mouth full," Sherbear said in regard to the benefits of being able to speak sign language, while enjoying her lunch.

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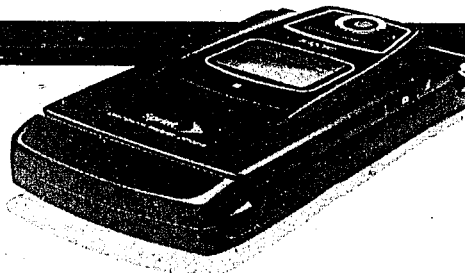
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What's coming to the movies

BY KATRINA L. SAVITZ
Assistant Culture Editor

September 22, 2006

All the King's Men

Based on the novel by Robert Peen Warren, Jude Law plays journalist Jack Burden, who becomes completely captivated by the life of Willie Stark (Sean Penn).

Willie Stark is a young rural politician, whose goals seemingly appear to benefit and protect the good of the people, but that all changes once he's elected as the governor of Louisiana.

Critics predict Sean Penn will a nominee for an Academy Award. The cast includes Kate Winslet, Anthony Hopkins and Mark Ruffalo.

Fearless

"Fearless" is the story about Huo Yuanjia, the famous master of Chinese Martial Arts.

Jet Li plays Yuanjia in his last film debut as he beats the odds and wins the title of the best fighter in China back in the late 1800s.

Flyboys

"Flyboys" is a romantic war story about a team of American fighter pilots out of Lafayette, Lou., who join France's Air Force during World War I prior to the United States' involvement.

The romance begins when one of the pilots (played by James Franco of the "Spiderman" trilogy) falls in love with a local French female (played by Jennifer Decker).

Jackass: Number Two

The sequel to "Jackass the Movie," this film incorporates all the wild and sick stunts that made these

jackasses famous.

Insiders have mentioned that this film is much more outrageous and foul than ever before.

It would probably be best not to eat before or during this film. Friendly warning.

DVD Releases

September 26

Factotum

Matt Dillon plays the darker side of author Charles Bukowski as he works dead-end jobs to support his habits, which include girls, girls and more girls.

Lili Taylor and Marisa Tomei join the cast as Dillon's objects of affection.

This is a sexy and comedic film, great for anyone looking for a good time.

Confetti

This is a hilarious comedy that follows three couples that have all entered a magazine contest.

The contest is for "most original wedding of the year," so you can imagine the characters that are up for the running.

One of the couples enjoys nudity.

Couple number two is a pair of pastel sweater-wearing tennis buffs, and the last couple would love to sing and dance their way down the aisle.

The Devil and David Johnston

This documentary follows the life of David Johnston, a man who is battling severe depression while

trying to stay focused on the things he loves: singing, writing music and creating art.

Hard Candy

This film is about Internet pedophiles.

Since the numbers of people visiting chat rooms to pick up on kids continues to grow and media coverage maintains its interest in profiling stories involving obviously sick men and women, "Hard Candy" adds to the worries of nearly every parent.

When a 14-year-old girl meets a 32-year-old man on the Internet, she decides to expose his atrocity by showing up to his home.

She uses manipulation to trap him in a circumstance that even viewers will find shocking.

Stick It

A rebellious teen finds herself back in gymnastics camp after she has a run-in with the law.

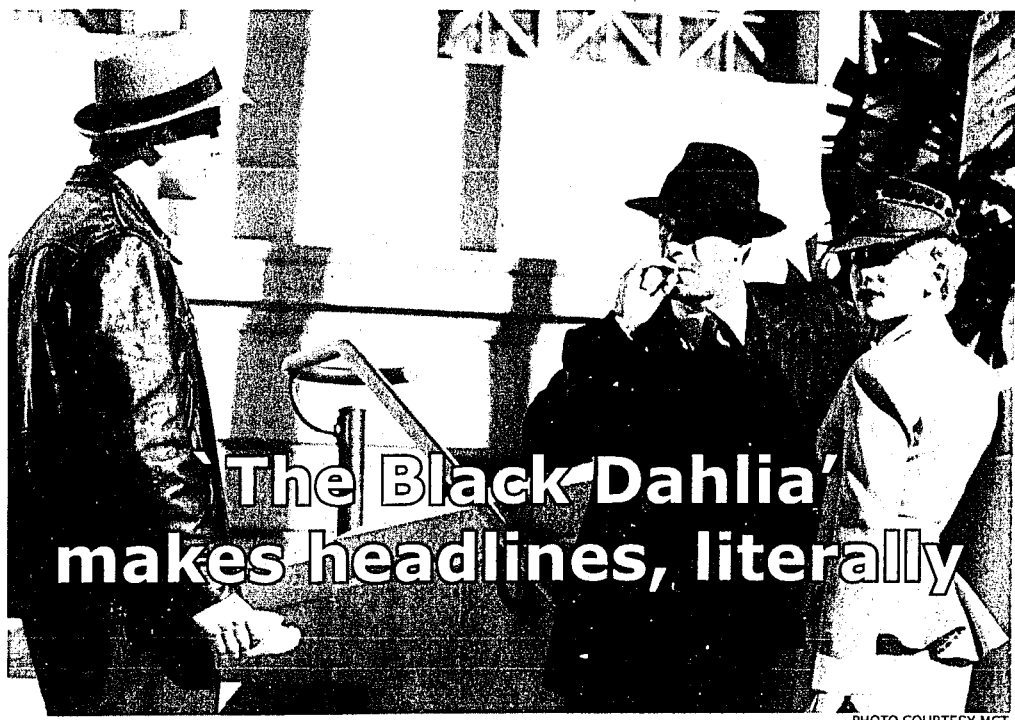
Her attitude and insistence on defying everyone, including her coach (played by Jeff Bridges) prompts the team to use her behavior as a tool to succeed as gymnasts. This film was written by Jessica Bendinger of "Bring it on."

Stay Alive

This film is about a video game that turns deadly.

Similar to "The Ring," once you play this game and die, you suffer the same real death as in the video game.

When their friends notice this trend, they realize the only way to "Stay Alive" (also the name of the game) is to beat it.



The Black Dahlia makes headlines, literally

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BY PHILIP WUNTCH
The Dallas Morning News

"The Black Dahlia" changes hues too often.

Director Brian De Palma splashily probes one of the most savage slayings in crime history, a murder that remains unsolved. In 1947, the body of starlet wannabe Elizabeth Short was found cut in half, gutted and horribly mutilated.

Such a heinous crime would seem ideal for the man who gave us "Scarface," but De Palma uses the murder as a springboard for pretentious social commentary and garish exercises in camp. Considering that era's corrupt Los Angeles politics, the social commentary is understandable if heavy-handed. But the camp outings almost capsize the enterprise.

A visit to a lesbian nightclub introduces a major character but lingers needlessly on the assumed titillation. Many 21st-century filmgoers are not going to be shocked by an all-woman soiree. Even worse, a climactic dinner scene involving a literally filthy rich L.A. family is so outrageously campy, it borders on 1930s screwball comedy. The movie never fully recovers.

Despite a quartet of strong lead actors, two of which give provocative performances, "The Black Dahlia" is too much a director's movie. With camera angles almost

operatic in grandeur, there's never any doubt that you're watching a De Palma movie. Or more to the point, there's never any doubt that you're watching a movie. Emotional involvement in such a grisly murder case is difficult under any circumstances, and De Palma's self-aware direction adds yet another barrier.

Josh Hartnett and Aaron Eckhart play Bucky and Lee, two former boxers who have become L.A.'s most celebrated cops. The film's first chapters, while atmospherically directed, spend too much time establishing their boxing credentials. The Black Dahlia murder, as the media dubs the "Betty" Short slaughter, enters into the proceedings rather tardily.

Bucky and Lee share a curious relationship with Lee's apparent girl friend, Kay (Scarlett Johansson), who, like all the plot's major players, has her share of secrets. Lee's growing obsession with the 22-year-old murder victim alienates both Kay and Bucky.

When rich dragon lady Madeleine (Hilary Swank) enters the scene, she proves provocative to Bucky in several ways. She may hold a key to the crime, but she's not about to reveal it quickly. She's also a temptress who knows how to use her wiles.

The movie's plot involves several other layers. Like the current "Hollywoodland," which treats another case of Hollywood noir, "The

Black Dahlia" juggles too many storylines.

As cited earlier, two of the starring foursome give strong performances. Swank has less footage than her co-stars but also the best lines. She handles them with the bully confidence of a two-time Oscar-winner. Eckhart's intensity grows more impressively primitive in each scene.

Hartnett is effectively nurturing in scenes with his addled father but bland in other segments. Bucky is a morose character, and Hartnett falters at registering melancholia without boredom. Even less impressive is Johansson. Kay is an unfortunate young woman accustomed to playing a role; even so, the actress strikes too many annoying poses.

Among the vast supporting cast, Mia Kirshner brings a poignantly sweet look to the doomed Betty Short, while Fiona Shaw is off the charts as Madeleine's mad momma.

So, is "The Black Dahlia" watchable? Yes, although you'll probably close your eyes in scenes of explicit blood-spurting, blood-soaking and blood-draining. Is it memorable? Sorry, but it lacks the unity of a memorable mystery. Neither failure nor triumph, "The Black Dahlia" will find its most responsive audience among those who thrive on lurid details.



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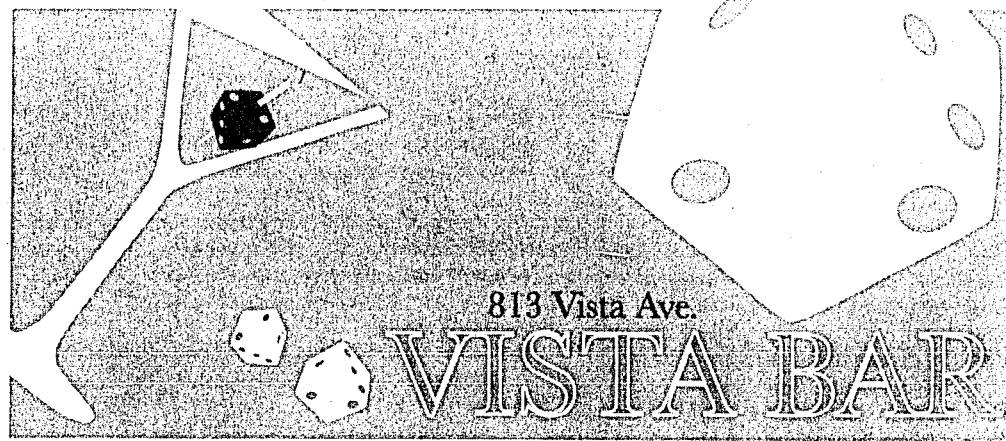
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Golf finishes first
at tournaments

The Boise State University mens golf team concluded their first tournament of the 2006 fall season with an 11th place finish at the Purple and Red Invitational.

The team shot an 882 to finish 19 shots off the pace set by the University of Hartford (863) and were just two strokes away from eighth place. The Broncos finished ahead of Western Athletic Conference rivals Utah State and the University of Idaho.

Boise State was led by juniors Troy Merritt and Matt Hastings, who both finished in the top 20.

Merritt shot a team best 216 (E), to par the course for the tournament and capture sole possession of 14th. This was his first competition as a Bronco after transferring from Winona State.

Hastings finished in a tie for 15th after posting a shot score of 217 (+1). This was the second time in as many years Hastings has finished in the top 15 at the Purple and Red Invitational. Last season he finished tied for tenth with a score of 216 (E).

Mens golf will travel the Moscow, Idaho Monday Sept. 25 to compete in the Vandal Fall Classic.

The Boise State women's golf team completed their first tournament of the 2006-07 season Tuesday, with the conclusion of the Salbasgeon Suites Invitational.

Seniors Katie Street and Lindsey Huebert were the top finishers for the Broncos with each shooting 230 to finish 14 strokes over par to tie for 35th in the tournament.

Huebert posted an even-par 72 in the second round Monday to register the best single round for a Bronco at the tournament.

As a team, Boise State shot a combined team score of 929 to finish in 13th place.

The Broncos will next travel Denver Oct. 2-3, to compete in the Heather Farr Invitational.

Boise State volleyball
opens conference play

The Boise State volleyball team travels for their first two weeks of Western Athletic Conference action. This week Boise State opens with a match Thursday, Sept. 21 versus Louisiana Tech. Then Sat., Sept. 23, the Broncos will play at New Mexico State.

Louisiana Tech is 5-11 overall and 0-0 in Western Athletic Conference action.

The Lady Techsters are led by Shannon Phillips (3.97 kills and 3.98 digs) and KC Clayton (2.58 kills and 1.36 blocks).

The Broncos' second opponent this week is undefeated New Mexico State. The Aggies just broke into the CSTV/AVCA Top 25 this week: coming in at No. 24. New Mexico State is 14-0 overall and 0-0 in WAC play.

The Aggies are led by Alice Borden (3.71 kills, 0.54 aces, 1.83 digs) and Amber Simpson (3.46 kills, 0.38 aces, 1.42 blocks).

After the first four weekends of play, Cameron Flunder averages 3.36 kills and 0.75 blocks; Jeanette Jenkins is at 3.41 kills; and Arlee Tamietti averages 3.36. Mandy Klein averages 9.69 assists per game. Elise Ardron averages 0.96 blocks while Robyn Hewitt is at 0.79. Jackie Stroud averages 4.64 digs and Jamie Claussen backs her up with 2.72 digs per game.

Flag Football Scores

Blue team scores

9-14-06

Team Manny 30, Return of the Donkey 12

Team Slayers 20, The Penguins 28

9-17-06

Bonafide 58, Hallmark 0

Return of the Donkey 0, The Anators 45

Orange team scores

9-12-06

Barking Spiders 6, Going Deep 29

AKL 18, Da Beers 54

9-17-06

AKL 34, the Team 52

Going Deep 24, Millers Lite 29



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BSU club soccer is back and looking to improve from its fluctuating existence in recent years. The team is recruiting players in preparation for winter and spring competition.

BY ANDREAS KREUTZER
Sports Writer

The Boise State Soccer Club is looking to expand their role from a recreational club to a competitive team.

The club's president, Antonio Teruel Matheu, is looking to recruit more players and raise money to enter the club into competitions.

The Club was officially founded several years ago, but has been on and off ever since.

A year ago it was finally re-established in the form that it is in now.

Since then, the team has played in two indoor-soccer tournaments, finishing third and second.

The club has not entered a league yet, but plans to do so in the Spring.

"We didn't have enough money and players willing to play on a competitive level last year," Matheu said.

"We want to change that for next year.

We've had a lot of students asking for a competitive team. We are using this semester to build the team, get money through fundraisers, dues, donations and sponsorships and want to enter competitive play in the next semester. We are also trying to get into the NIRSA (National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association) Collegiate Soccer Sport Club Championship Tournament to give our players some competition this year."

The tournament features a total of 72

teams. There will be 24 men's and 16 women's teams qualified to compete in the Championship Division.

The BSU Soccer Club is trying to get a spot in the Open Division that will host 16 men's and 16 women's teams on a first-come first-served basis.

Games will be held in Tempe, Ariz. starting Nov. 16.

"It took a long time to put together a competitive team, but now we're looking forward to playing other clubs," German international student Nils Klemann said. "We don't expect to win every game, but we're sure we will have a lot of fun going into real competition."

Many international students such as Klemann and the Guatemalan Club President Matheu inquire about the soccer club when they come to BSU. The club offers the opportunity to keep playing the sports they play in their home countries.

"It's a great place to meet people from other cultures," Soeren Moeller, a Danish player for the soccer club, said. "It's a good opportunity to make new friends and have a lot of fun."

Even though there is no affiliated men's soccer team at Boise State, Club President Matheu wants to integrate men's soccer as a permanent part of the BSU sports offering.

"There have been many locals and out-of-state students asking about competitive soccer at BSU," Matheu said. "We want to give those students the opportunity to come to our club and com-

pete. Our goal is to set the basis for an official men's soccer team in the future."

The soccer club also offers recreational indoor play in the Student Recreation Center. Students meet there every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9-11 p.m. to play pick-up games.

"That's the way our club was shaped," Matheu said.

"We started out with the recreational indoor play in 2002. We played twice a week at the beginning and expanded to three days a week after more and more students wanted to play. The games are open, so everybody who wants to play some soccer can come and play."

The club wants to keep this structure intact. The recreational indoor play will still be offered when the outdoor team starts playing in a league.

"We want people that are motivated, that love soccer and that show commitment to the club for our competitive team," Matheu said. "But we will keep playing on a recreational basis indoors."

The club president is looking to give his team a special highlight at the end of the year.

"We want to play the BSU women's soccer team," Matheu said. "We want to try to organize a friendly game after their season ends. If BSU Soccer Coach Steve Lucas could find an opportunity to play us, it would be a great way to keep our players motivated until the league competition starts next semester."



BY KYE JOHNSON
Assistant Sports Editor

I've grown tired of listening to Pac-10 teams whine about how East Coast college football teams get more media attention and how the polls are biased toward them. It may be true, but there is a solution.

Look at the most prominent conferences in college football, the SEC and the ACC, and up until very recently the Big-12. What do all of these power conferences have in common? They have 12 teams. They have two divisions split up within their conference, and the winner of the divisions play for the Conference Championship at season's end. Well Pac-10, the door is open for you to become one of those elite conferences. Here's my proposition: Add Fresno State and Boise State to the Pac-10 and create a 12-team conference out here in the West for us. Because the Pac-10 really does get spit on when it comes to polls and media attention and this is its chance to gain a little more notoriety.

To add onto that, Boise State and Fresno State have proven that they are plenty capable of playing with and beating Pac-10 opponents. Remember the unstoppable force of USC over the past few seasons? Well Fresno State made them sweat it out until late in the fourth quarter last season, before finally falling to the eventual runner-up national champions 42-50.

This season too, Fresno State played at home against the number 20-ranked University of Oregon and lost by seven on a late touchdown. Or how about their 2005 battle against the Ducks, a game played at Autzen Stadium in Eugene, Or., where they lost another heartbreaker 34-37.

Needless to say, Fresno State has proven their worth among Pac-10 teams. But even more than Fresno, Boise State has completely obliterated Oregon State twice in Boise, and played two games that came down to the wire against the Beavers in Corvallis. Since 2002, Boise State and Fresno State have a combined record of 5-8 against Pac-10 opponents, Boise State going 2-2 and Fresno State going 3-5.

Interestingly enough, in those 13 games played between the Pac-10 and Fresno/Boise, the WAC schools have outscored the Pac-10 schools 377-369 - average of 28.3 to 29 points-per-game. Even more note-worthy is that seven out of the eight losses suffered to those Pac-10 teams have been by eight points or less. Now you tell me, are they worthy of Pac-10 play? I think so.

There are many possibilities for how to set up the conference if Boise and Fresno were to be added. The most logical may very well be to split the conference up into North/South divisions. With the South division including Arizona, Arizona State, USC, UCLA, Fresno State and Stanford and the north division taking in California, Oregon, Oregon State, Washington State, Washington and Boise State. Now people will look at those divisions and claim that the south is lopsided with much better teams than the north. Let's look back to 2000 when the co-champions of the Pac-10 were Oregon, Oregon State and Washington. Plus, USC was a non-contender for a good chunk of time until Carson Palmer's senior year in 2002. My point is that the talent goes in cycles.

So the winner of the North and South divisions would play each other for the Pac-10 Championship at the end of the season for an automatic berth to a BCS game, just like the SEC, ACC and Big-12.

Credit is needed where credit is due and given the track record of Fresno and Boise State over the past five years against those Pac-10 teams, they can bring that credibility to the table for the Pac-10.

Even if that means getting whooped on by those former WAC teams.

BSU adopts swimming and diving

BY BRIAN LUPTAK
Sports Writer

In May, Boise State announced a plan developed by the Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee (IAAC) to add four women's sports to varsity athletics over the next 15 years. This academic year marks the beginning of this process with the addition of swimming and diving.

Other athletics on the horizon include softball in the fall of 2008, lacrosse in the fall of 2012, and a sport to be announced for the fall of 2017.

As women's skiing was suspended last spring, their funds will be dedicated to the swimming and diving team this fall.

A month after the initiation of this new plan, Kristin Hill was hired to be the head coach of the newly-acquired swimming and diving program.

Hill is a graduate of the University of Puget Sound where she was a NAIA All-American on the Loggers'

swimming team. She has many years of coaching experience and most recently was the assistant coach for the nationally-ranked team at Texas A&M.

In her six years as a member of the Aggies coaching staff, Hill contributed to accumulating a record performance of 53-18 in dual meets. In 2006 the Aggies achieved an eighth place rank nationally and an 11th place finish at the NCAA Swimming Championships.

Being a first year program, Hill certainly has her hands full. With being hired on such short notice, it has been an interesting process to build a program that is equipped to compete beginning this October.

"I was hired at the end of June to start a program this fall," Hill said.

"It was a little bit late to go out and recruit student athletes. Most of the girls that comprise the team this year are people that were already coming to Boise State without knowing that we had swimming and diving."

So far the team roster consists of 14 members: two divers and 12 swimmers.

Only one of these athletes has experienced the sport of swimming at the collegiate level. A transfer from Northern Iowa and previously New Mexico State, LiAnne Choitz is a junior this year at BSU.

"She's definitely our most experienced and I would say most talented at this point," Coach Hill said.

However, Hill feels the entire team has made exceptional progress in the little time they have had together training for their upcoming season.

"We've only been in the water three weeks, but the improvement from the first day to [this week] was incredible," Hill said.

"I would assume that we're going to place in the bottom of the WAC but I think we'll surprise some coaches with what we've been able to do with the girls that came in."

An interesting factor for the

Broncos this year is that the program has no previous seasons to build on.

Everything accomplished this season will be a building block for the future and everything achieved will be positive growth for the program. Hill sees this as an encouraging position for an inexperienced team to be in.

"Everyone on the team has some potential to really make improvements," Hill said. "Each of their potentials is kind of unknown right now. Whoever swims the first 50 freestyle, the first 100 freestyle, the first 100 breaststroke; they're going to have the team record. Then it will be theirs to be broken."

The team's season will begin next month and last until February.

The Broncos will officially make their entrance into Boise State athletics Oct. 27th when they will travel to Greeley, Colorado and compete against Northern Colorado and San Diego State in their first meet of the season.

Duquesne player: 'I still can't believe what happened'

BY MICHELLE KAUFMAN
McClatchy Newspapers

Stuard Baldonado left his family in Bogota, Colombia, three years ago in search of a better and safer life in the United States.

Everything was going according to plan for the 6-7 basketball player until 2:15 a.m. Sunday, when he and four teammates were shot as they left a campus party at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh.

Baldonado, a junior college All-American at Miami Dade College the past two seasons, was one of five players sprayed by bullets near their dormitory on the campus of the tranquil, Catholic university. A bullet entered his left elbow, went into his side, grazed his fifth vertebrae, and remained lodged in his back.

He was upgraded to fair condition at a Pittsburgh hospital late Monday

after surgery to repair a severed artery in his arm, and is scheduled to have the bullet removed from his back this morning.

His teammate, Sam Ashaolu, a cousin of former NBA star Hakeem Olajuwon, was shot in the head and is fighting for his life. Three other players were also shot: Kojo Mensah (shoulder), Shawn James (foot) and Aaron Jackson (hand), but their injuries were less serious.

"I'm doing a little better today," Baldonado said by phone Monday from his hospital bed. "I got up and walked a few little steps, so that made me feel more optimistic. I still can't believe what happened. It was very scary. Nobody can imagine what we went through. We weren't even doing anything bad, and all of a sudden, we were all diving for the ground."

According to Baldonado and campus authorities, the play-

ers had just left a student union dance, and the gunman, who was not a student, had become disruptive when a girl he was with began chatting with one of the players. He followed a few players as they walked toward their dorm and shot them from behind.

When teammates came to the aid of the victims, they, too, were shot. The gunman remained on the loose Monday evening.

One of the teammates who jumped in the fray helped save Baldonado's life by pulling off his belt and making a tourniquet for his arm, which was bleeding heavily. More than 300 students gathered for a Mass on campus Monday to pray for their classmates.

Art "Pilin" Alvarez, a Miami AAU coach who helped Baldonado come to the United States and acts as a surrogate parent, had the unenviable task of calling the play-

er's mother, Santarita Martinez Baldonado, in Colombia to break the news. He said his hands were shaking as he placed the call.

"In all the years I've been helping kids, I've never had to do anything as hard as making that call," Alvarez said.

University of Miami assistant basketball coach Butch Estes, who coached Baldonado at Miami Dade the past two seasons, was stunned when he heard the news.

Baldonado averaged 19 points and 10 rebounds for Miami Dade last season, and had just transferred to Duquesne this season.

"This is a kid who made a lot of personal sacrifices to chase his dream," Estes said.

"He's a warrior on the court, gave 100 percent all of the time, and had improved so much in the past few years, both on the court and academically.

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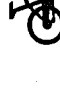
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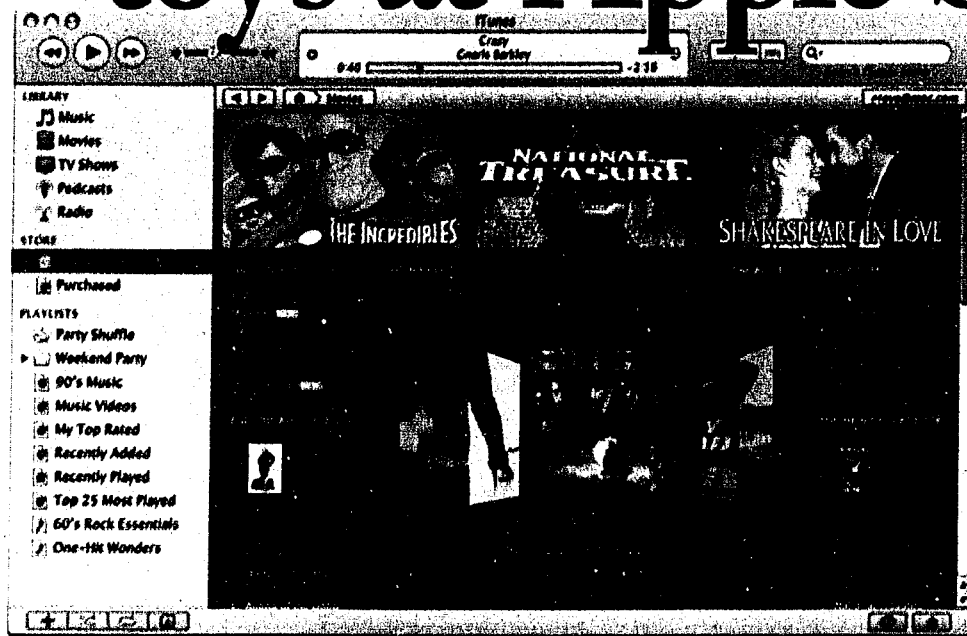
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BY HARSH MANTRI
Arbiter Staff

It's that time of the year again folks when everyone waits in anticipation for Apple's Chief Executive Officer Steve Jobs to showcase the latest and greatest innovations in the digital and media world. Apple debuted the iPod nano this time last year. People have been waiting with much fanfare in anticipation of whatever Apple would release next.

Last week Apple held a special event for the media and press — announced somewhat secretly as the "Showtime" affair — at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Theater in San Francisco, Calif. Steve Jobs walked out on stage in his usual jeans, but this time with a black shirt instead of a turtleneck.

He started out the event by exclaiming, "What do you say, let's get started!" The new iPod was the first topic of the day. Over 60 million iPods have been sold and almost 70 percent of the 2007 car models sold have some sort of iPod connectivity.

The Nike iPod sports kit, launched just recently, has already sold

around 450,000 units in less than 90 days. Jobs also mentioned that the iTunes music store has an 88 percent share of the legal United States' downloading market.

The sixth-generation iPod was introduced, now featuring impressive video capabilities. It features a 60 percent brighter screen and a much better battery life — up from two hours to nearly 4.5 hours while viewing video, which is almost a 75 percent increase from the last edition. Jobs mentioned that most of the sixth-generation iPods feature gapless playback which works with MP3, AAC, Apple Lossless format and other uncompressed music files. Another new feature introduced is the instant searching, where the click wheel is used to input letters to do a live search of the iPod contents.

Apple also introduced a new set of games for all versions of the iPod. While you don't have to throw out your shiny black Sony PSP, the iPod plays all of today's popular games like Bejeweled, Mahjong, Pac-man, Tetris, Texas Hold 'Em, mini golf and others, all of which have been designed to work with the iPods click-

wheel interface.

While these games don't come pre-installed on the iPod, they can be bought from the iTunes store online for \$4.99 a game.

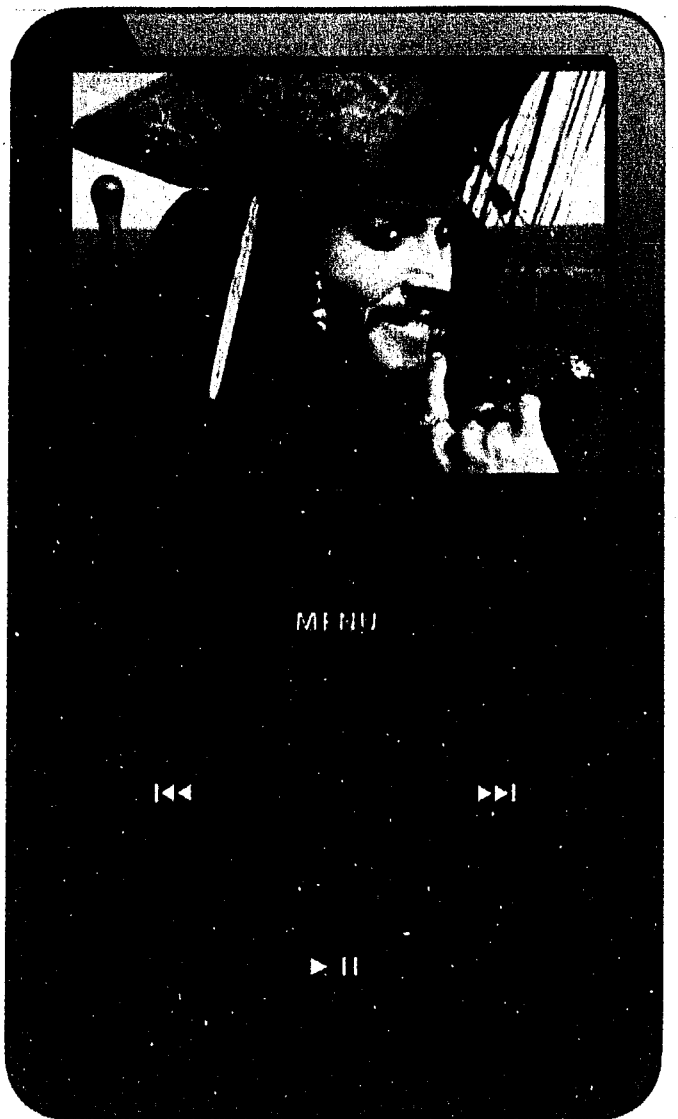
It has long been rumored that Apple has been working on a new design for the headset that comes with the iPod. Jobs introduced the design for the new-and-improved iPod headphones — a product that has taken Apple 18 months to develop.

At first glance they appear similar to the old design: white in color, contoured to fit the ear on separate connection lines. However, it is under the hood that Apple made new innovations. They now boast better sound quality and more tone definition.

Two new iPod video models have also been introduced. The 30 GB and the 80GB models, which are available in both black and white.

The 30GB model sells for \$249, while the 80GB model is available for \$349. Both models are less expensive than the previous versions.

Apple's new iTunes gives you access to movies, television, music and games.



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Chairman of the Cato Institute to speak at 2006-2007 Brandt Foundation Lecture



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Dr. William A. Niskanen, chairman of the Cato Institute, will speak at BSU on Monday, October 16, at 7:00pm in the Jordan Ballroom. Admission is free.

BY CHARLOTTE TWIGHT
Boise State Economics Department

On Monday, Oct. 16, the Brandt Foundation will feature distinguished guest lecturer Dr. William A. Niskanen, chairman of the Cato Institute. The topic of his address will be "Constitutional Anarchy in America."

The event will be held in the Jordan Ballroom with doors opening at 6 PM for the 7 PM lecture. Admission is open to the public and free reserved parking will be provided

near the Student Union Building off University Drive and Michigan Avenue.

Dr. Niskanen has been chairman of the Cato Institute since 1985, following service as a member and acting chairman of President Reagan's Council of Economic Advisers. He has been described as one of the most highly regarded microeconomists in the nation.

Dr. Niskanen previously served as director of economics at the Ford Motor Company, professor of economics at the University of California at Berkeley and Los Angeles, assistant director of the

federal Office of Management and Budget, a defense analyst at the Rand Corporation, the director of special studies in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, and the director of the Program Analysis division at the Institute of Defense Analysis. He was one of the founders of the National Tax Limitation Committee and has written on many public policy issues including corporate governance, defense, federal budget policy, regulation, Social Security, taxes, and trade.

Niskanen's 1971 book, "Bureaucracy and Representative Government," is now considered a

classic. Business Week named his

1988 book, "Reaganomics: An Insider's Account of the Policies and the People," one of the year's ten best works. His most recent publications include "After Enron: the Lessons for Public

Policy and Autocratic, Democratic," and "Optimal Government: Fiscal Choices and Economic Outcomes."

Dr. Niskanen holds a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Chicago and a B.A. from Harvard. The University of Chicago recently honored him with a lifetime professional service award.

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Consequences of credit: Part 2

BY SANYIKA CALLOWAY BOYCE
Young Money Magazine

The job market is bouncing back but students with credit problems may find that some companies are not willing to hire them.

As I mentioned in Part 1 of the series, it wasn't my intention to allow my credit cards to get so out of control but when it happened the consequences were far more damaging than that just bad credit.

Everyone makes mistakes and most people learn from them. The painful part of making a big mistake is often not in the "original sin" but the ripple effect that comes along with it.

For instance, you know that drinking and driving is not only a big mistake but very dangerous as well. But one night after having a little too much to drink you convince yourself that you can still drive.

You get pulled over and if that's not bad enough; you're summoned to appear in court where you get a hefty fine, your license is suspended and your car insurance rates go through the roof!

Long after the alcohol wears off

you're still buzzing from the after shock.

So, imagine my surprise and remorse when after earning all of my college credits a full semester early, getting good enough grades to put me in honor society, completing several internships AND attending networking events; all of the things I was "supposed" to do to set myself up for post-college success — I still couldn't get a job!

For me, college was my ticket to a better life. Growing up I was told to get good grades and focus on education and I'd be successful. From my perspective, this was good advice because successful people were well educated, well spoken and well dressed.

The problem was that I tried to "look the part" while working toward being successful.

In the end, all potential employers saw was a financially irresponsible applicant—not a smart college grad. Now it would have been easy to cry discrimination; after all, I am an African-American woman who attended a historically black university. But race, age or lack of qualification had nothing to do with it. I simply "didn't know what I didn't

know" and my financial ignorance cost me big time.

Coupled with feeling crushed after receiving several employment rejection letters, my problems with the credit card companies continued to balloon. The pressure of feeling as if I had failed and my mountain of debt caused me a lot of sleepless nights.

Finally, after realizing my dream of moving to New York was quickly turning into a nightmare, I got a full-time job in retail to pay the bills and a part-time job to pay my credit cards. Bad credit isn't just the opposite of good credit; its negative effects reach into the three most important areas of your financial life.

Job Opportunities

Statistics vary on the number of employers who pull credit reports or that do some sort of personal profile check on potential employees, but according to Davis Bushnell, a Globe correspondent, "Twenty years ago, credit checks were conducted mostly for people wanting a job at a bank or credit union. But now, as a result of the recent rash of corporate scandals,

employers in industries from banking to retail are increasingly using credit reports to screen applicants for temporary and full-time jobs." And a Federal Trade Commission consumer alert warns, "Employers often use a credit report when they hire and evaluate employees for promotion, reassignment or retention."

Housing

Landlords and mortgage lenders look unfavorably on late payment, no payments and defaults. After all, if you can't keep up with paying your cell phone or credit card bills on time, what's the likelihood of you paying a much bigger rent payment on time?

The old adage, "If you haven't been faithful with little — who will entrust you with much" rings true with landlords!

Future Savings

My \$15,000 in unsecured debt skyrocketed to more than \$23,000 over the 7 years it took me to repay it after college. That was more than \$8,000 that I couldn't invest in my 401k, personal savings or heck, just keep in my pocket!

“ Employers often use a credit report when they hire and evaluate employees for promotion, reassignment or retention. ”

Federal Trade Commission consumer alert warning

The thing that really stunk was sending in checks for cards that were already closed and purchases that were long forgotten.

In Sanyika's "Consequences of Credit" series she will address the pros and cons of credit; how having bad credit kept her from getting the job she wanted (and was qualified for), how to understand credit card offers and ways to improve your credit score.

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK

Studentfilms.com

BY ERIC GOODWIN
McClatchy Newspapers

As the prices of digital camcorders and movie editing software for home computers falls, video-sharing on the Internet rises, amateur filmmaking has taken off. To preview the Spielbergs and Scorseses of the future, check out Studentfilms.com (<http://www.studentfilms.com>).

Studentfilms.com showcases work created by high school and college students in a range of genres, including action, documentaries and science-fiction. Visitors are encouraged to offer their critiques of the films, ranking them on criteria such as acting and editing. Visitors may also submit constructive criticism to the filmmakers.

Unlike other video-sharing sites whose mission is just entertainment, Studentfilms.com views itself as both a stage and resource for students. Its forums offer advice on filmmaking topics and schools. Many of the visitor reviews offer the kind of critical feedback young directors need to improve their craft.

Studentfilms.com doesn't accept every submission nor is posting a film free. The site charges a minimum of \$10 per year for movies under 10 minutes, then an additional \$1 per minute/per year for films over 10 minutes (with a 45-minute cap). The site will only accept student submissions, and movies containing content that would get an R-rating will be turned down.

Video playback on the site is crisp and clear, far better than what you'll see on other video-sharing sites.

The films themselves vary from filmmaker to filmmaker, but there are some gems waiting to be found (check out the "best reviewed" or "top viewed" sections to find the best picks).

Although the site hosts more than 400 films, its database isn't nearly as overwhelming as similar sites.

If you're ready for something better than the usual amateur fare offered on other video-sharing sites, Studentfilms.com fills the void.

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Sudoku
By Michael Mepham

Level: **1 2 3 4**

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16 Half a dance?
17 Knight's title
18 Dancer Duncan
20 Daggett or Curry
21 Zygomatic structures
23 Small snake
24 Follow
25 Throw into disorder
27 Parts of eyes
30 Unfruitful
31 Beaver's waterproofing
33 Metal scum
34 Life of a region
37 Razor sharpener
42 Gossip press
48 Way of doing things
51 Music master
52 Having a sheen
54 Derived from oils
55 Citrus drink
56 Gourmet
59 Roll-call vote
60 Honshu Island city
61 O.T. book
63 Break bread
64 Sportscaster Berman
65 Negative link
66 "___ alors!"
67 Expected
68 Junk mail, mostly
69 Deity
70 Ecological watchdog grp.
- DOWN**
1 "___ Pinafore"
2 Greek letter
3 Physicist Herzberg
4 Pitchman
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6 Part of U.A.E.
7 Dreamboat
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9 Hidden away
10 Mexican poet Paz
11 Sculptor's equipment
12 Specimens
19 Pentagon grp.
22 "___ kleine Nachtmusik"
24 Sch. in Fort Worth
26 Make a boo-boo
28 Eglin or Lackland, e.g.
29 ___ generis
32 Decay
35 ___-o'-shanter
36 Lawyers' grp.
37 Turned outward
38 Former Canadian P.M.
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43 Bernstein or Nimoy

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- 44 Capital of Norway
45 Make a list
46 Runs out
47 Assn.
49 Thoroughly drenched
50 Dey and Sontag
53 Pen on a farm
57 Phoned
58 Melville's "Typee" sequel
62 One-time link

COMICS

PANEL 1: ALICE, I'M SENDING YOU TO A COMMUNICATION CLASS.

PANEL 2: BECAUSE I'VE NOTICED THAT YOUR WORDS OFTEN SAY ONE THING WHILE YOUR BODY LANGUAGE SAYS ANOTHER.

PANEL 3: FRANKLY, IT'S CREEPY. THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE THE USEFUL FEEDBACK.

PANEL 4: WELCOME TO DOGBERT'S COMMUNICATION SEMINAR.

PANEL 5: TODAY YOU WILL LEARN HOW TO USE YOUR BLACKBERRY WHILE PRETENDING TO LISTEN.

PANEL 6: NOW REPEAT AFTER ME: UH-HUH, YEAH, UH-HUH. WHAT WAS HE THINKING? WOW!

PANEL 7: DOGBERT'S COMMUNICATION SEMINAR

PANEL 8: THERE'S REALLY NO POINT IN LISTENING TO OTHER PEOPLE.

PANEL 9: THEY'RE EITHER GOING TO BE AGREEING WITH YOU OR SAYING STUPID STUFF.

PANEL 10: THAT SHOULD CUT DOWN ON THE QUESTIONS.

HOROSCOPES

BY LINDA C. BLACK
Tribune Media Services

Today's Birthday (09-21-06)
You've got a few puzzles to solve this year regarding your domestic scene. Make changes for the better, as you're cleaning up old messes. You'll emerge a happier person. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)
Today is a 6 _ Put off your playtime until later _ you have important work to complete. You're finishing an important phase, and beginning another.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)
Today is a 9 _ Accept the acknowledgement others give for having achieved your objective. Share it with the others who made it all possible, with your help.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)
Today is a 5 _ Some of the crew may have different opinions about how things ought to be done. You're a good leader, in that you help them figure out what will work best. You decide that, for best results.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)
Today is a 9 _ You could charm the paint off the walls. You won't have to do that, however. You'll be able to get somebody else to do it for you. Never let them see you sweat.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)
Today is a 6 _ Stick with sure things for a while longer. Usually, you're quite lucky, but right now you'll do the very best doing just what you've done before.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Today is an 8 _ Might as well take charge of the situation. This shouldn't be very hard. Once everybody knows what they're supposed to do, you can relax. You'd better write it down.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
Today is a 6 _ Some of the things you worry about are not even worth the bother. Do the reading and you'll find out which are which, in a hurry.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Today is a 9 _ Don't be a fool for flattery. Get used to it. When you're secure in yourself, you

won't let the attention go to your head. If you're not there yet, practice.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Today is a 6 _ Conditions beyond your control have tipped the scales in your favor again. It's up to you to know what you have and can gain, however.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Today is an 8 _ Things are going well, but you should stay close to home. Other people are slightly erratic, and that can cause accidents.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Today is a 6 _ What you're building now is a secure future. And when you want it to last, bricks are better to build with than paper.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
Today is an 8 _ By now, you're right about in the middle of the adventure. Soon, you'll be able to talk about it. Meanwhile, keep paddling.

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Petersen leads Broncos back to top 25

BY JAKE GARCIN
Sports Editor

"Earn national respect." This motivating goal has become a common theme for the Boise State football program since Head Coach Chris Petersen took over as offensive coordinator in 2001.

On Sunday, Sept. 16, Coach Petersen's Broncos garnered that national respect, finding their way into the Associated Press and College Coaches top 25 polls for the fifth consecutive season.

Although 2006 is Petersen's first year in charge of the program, it is clear that the team's progress toward becoming a national power hasn't skipped a beat. After a 3-0 start to the year, Boise State has gotten one monkey off its back, but now faces new challenges to prove it deserves to be in the spotlight.

"I think the bulls-eye is always big now here at Boise State," Petersen said. "I think everyone kind of knows what they're gonna get; we're gonna fight them hard, play hard and play them tough."

So (the bulls-eye) probably grows a little bit, but I don't know if it's that much more than what people

think about coming here to play us on the blue turf anyways."

One of the ultimate goals that remains elusive to Boise State football is a bid to a Bowl Championship Series game in January. One of the new changes to the BCS selection process is an at-large bid by a non-BCS conference team.

With the addition of an extra BCS bowl game, there will be room for one mid-major team, assuming that team finishes higher in the polls than one of the BCS conference champions.

Boise State will have to leap frog Texas Christian University by season's end, as TCU currently sits at number 15 in both polls and would receive the at-large bid if the opportunity came about.

Currently, the BCS is comprised of the Pacific 10, Big 12, Big 10, Big East and Atlantic Coast conferences. Each of these five conferences receives an automatic BCS bid for the champion of their respective conference.

So with plenty of stipulations left to be played out over the next two months, all Coach Petersen can do is take the season one game at a time. A crucial focus for the Broncos

as a very dangerous University of Hawaii team visits Boise Saturday night.

"Everyone always thinks you have to stop the pass (with Hawaii)," Petersen said. "Which you do, but first and foremost you have to stop the run. We've done very well in the past stopping the run game, and I think you have to make sure it's totally one-dimensional to have a chance."

Hawaii came into the 2006 season with little expectations from the rest of the country. The Warriors were voted the No. 4 team in the Western Athletic Conference Preseason Coaches' Poll.

However, with two former NFL coaches running the program and top-level quarterback Colt Brennan, Hawaii comes to Boise as one of the scariest teams BSU has to face this season.

"I wish I was playing against a couple guys that don't know football," Petersen said. "That would crank me up. (Brennan) is one of those guys who has a good feel for the game. His instincts are very good. For me, that's one of those commodities that you can't estimate."

The match-up against Hawaii will be the first WAC game of the season for BSU.

With five consecutive conference championships on the line and the task of proving they deserve a top 25 ranking, the pressure to succeed is apparent for the Broncos.

"I think the competition level that we're starting to play is getting tough-

er and tougher, but I don't think that distracts us. I mean, we've got guys that are fairly mature, and it's something we talked about way back in the summertime. Not getting caught up in rankings. Our record right now is 0-0. It really wouldn't matter what our true record is. We just have to go out each week and play the best we can."

National college football rankings

Week Four Associated Press Top 24

1. Ohio State (59) 3-0
2. Auburn (2) 3-0
3. USC (2) 2-0
4. West Virginia (2) 3-0
5. Florida 3-0
6. Michigan 3-0
7. Texas 2-1
8. Louisville 3-0
9. Georgia 3-0
10. LSU 2-1
11. Virginia Tech 3-0
12. Notre Dame 2-1
13. Oregon 3-0
14. Iowa 3-0
15. Tennessee 2-1
16. TCU 3-0
17. Oklahoma 2-1
18. Florida State 2-1
19. Clemson 2-1
20. Arizona State 3-0
21. Boston College 3-0
22. California 2-1
23. Nebraska 2-1
24. Penn State 2-1
25. Boise State 3-0

Others receiving votes:

Alabama 94, Miami 78, Rutgers 46, UCLA 40, Michigan State 33, Wisconsin 29, Missouri 22, Georgia Tech 19, Texas Tech 16, Texas A & M 9, Arkansas 2, Purdue 2

Dropped from rankings:

Miami 17, Texas Tech 24

Week Four 'USA Today' Top 25

1. Ohio State (60) 3-0
2. USC (2) 2-0
3. Auburn (1) 3-0
4. West Virginia 3-0
5. Florida 3-0
6. Michigan 3-0
7. Georgia 3-0
8. Texas 2-1
9. Louisville 3-0
10. Virginia Tech 3-0
11. LSU 2-1
12. Oregon 3-0
13. Notre Dame 2-1
14. Iowa 3-0
15. TCU 3-0
16. Oklahoma 2-1
17. Florida State 2-1
18. Arizona State 3-0
19. Tennessee 2-1
20. California 2-1
21. Boston College 3-0
22. Alabama 3-0
23. Clemson 2-1
24. Nebraska 2-1
25. Boise State 3-0

Others receiving votes:

Penn State 138, Miami 81, UCLA 60, Rutgers 43, Texas Tech 38, Michigan State 37, Georgia Tech 14, Wisconsin 9, Texas A & M 9, Missouri 7, Purdue 5, Maryland 3, Washington 3, Arkansas 2, UTEP 1, Southern Miss 1

Dropped from rankings:

Miami 15, Texas Tech 22

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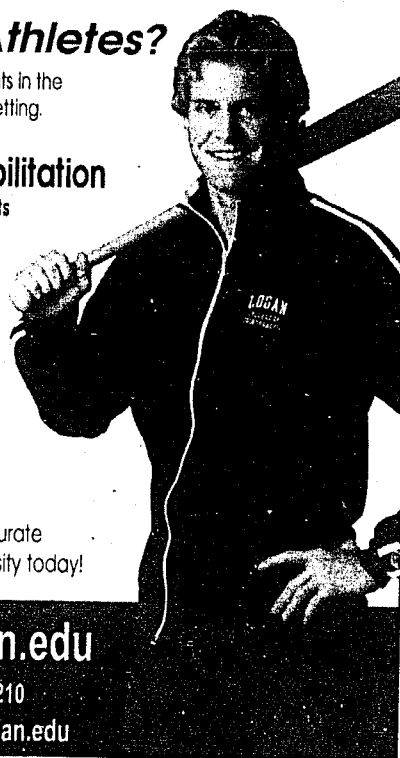


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Hawaii presents multiple threats

BY KYE JOHNSON
Assistant Sports Editor

The University of Hawaii's traditional air-it-out offense has made one thing clear early on in the 2006 season: they're going to keep on airing it out. The Warrior offense has put up big numbers during junior quarterback Colt Brennan's tenure as the team's signal caller and show no signs of slowing down. Brennan led the nation in passing last season with 4,301 yards and completed an impressive 68 percent of his attempts. Through his first two contests this year, Brennan has thrown for 350 and 296 yards with four touchdowns and a completion percentage of just over 68 percent.

In an opening game loss to Alabama, Brennan completed 30 of 44 passes against a stingy Alabama defense and threw two for touchdowns.

Sophomore wide receivers Davone Bess (5-10, 187) and Ryan Grice-Mullen (5-10, 174) have been Brennan's main targets early on this year, which is nothing new to Warrior fans. As freshmen last season, Bess and Grice-Mullen both had more than 1,000 yards receiving, more than 80 catches and more than ten touchdown grabs apiece.

Early this season, those two have continued to be electrifying. Bess was named to the freshman All-American team, a First Team All-WAC selection and the WAC Freshman Player of the Year in 2005. He has had 18 catches for 198 yards and a touchdown through two games this year. Grice-Mullen has grabbed 13 passes for 220 yards and two touchdowns thus far.

It doesn't end there for the Warrior passing attack. Besides Bess and Grice-Mullen, Hawaii returns its third and fourth leading receivers from last year's team as well: senior Ross Dickerson (5-10, 185) who had 51 catches for 725 yards and four touchdowns last year and Senior Chad Mock (5-11, 171). Mock only played in eight games last year, but still managed to finish with 42 receptions for 502 yards and a touchdown. Dickerson has seven catches for 76 yards this year while Mock has two catches for 17 yards.

The Warriors also returned their leading rusher from 2005, Nate Ilaoa (5-9, 248). Ilaoa adds that needed extra dimension to the Hawaii offense. Ilaoa ran for 643 yards and piled up six touchdowns last season as a junior. Interestingly enough, he averaged more than 7.5 yards-per-carry and also caught 36 passes for 274 yards and a touchdown last year.

The Warrior offense has been among the nation's most prominent over the

past decade and appears to be continuing that trend this year.

Head Coach June Jones, who is in his eighth season as the play-caller for Hawaii, knows Boise State's defense will provide a tough match-up.

"They just play football. They hustle. They're very, very well coached," Jones said. "They do what they're told to do, and they play extremely hard. Their coaches obviously do a great job with their players."

To cap off their offensive attack, the Warriors will return a group of offensive linemen that have experience and talent. Three of the five starters were All-WAC players in 2005.

Defensively, the Warriors play a 3-4 defense, allowing their four sophomore linebackers to run and make plays. Inside linebacker Solomon Elimimian (6-0, 224) led the team in tackles last season as a freshman and will be the centerpiece of their line-backing corps this year. The Warrior secondary may be the most suspect group on the entire roster. It only returns one starter - Junior Brad Kalimimoku (5-10, 204). Kalimimoku had 71 tackles last season - the third highest mark on the 2005 team. Surrounding him will be two untested cornerbacks at the division-one level: junior college transfers C.J. Hawthorne (5-11, 165) and junior A.J. Martinez (5-10, 177). Those two will surely be put to the test this weekend as they will match up with an incredibly experienced group of Boise State receivers.

Up front, the Warriors boast three upper-classmen who all have size. Defensive ends Melila Purcell (6-5, 280) and Ikaika Alama-Francis (6-5, 280) are both seniors and both have plenty of game experience. Alama-Francis finished with five sacks last season (the second-highest mark on the team) and Purcell has had more than ten sacks in his collegiate career. Unquestionably, the Warriors' defensive success will largely depend upon the level of play that the young linebackers and experienced lineman provide.

Sophomore kicker Dan Kelly has been consistent during his short time at Hawaii. He does not possess an overly-powerful leg, but connected on 10 of 15 field goal attempts last season with a long of 46 and converted 42 out of 45 extra points last season. Kelly has not missed a single kick in 2006.

The Warriors come into Boise with a 1-1 record. A tough 25-17 loss at Alabama and most recently a convincing 42-13 victory over UNLV have given Warrior fans reason to believe that success in 2006 is quite attainable.

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WAC Play Up Tour stops in Boise

COURTESY WESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

The Western Athletic Conference continues its 2006 Play Up Tour campaign in the Gem state with a conference rivalry.

The second stop is in Boise, Idaho, where Hawaii travels to face off with Boise State University. The BSU Broncos defeated Hawaii last season in Honolulu 44-41.

After a successful tour in 2005, the WAC has continued its promotion of Play Up, announcing its nine football stops.

The Play Up Tour heightens awareness of the WAC and reinforces the association between the conference and the schools involved in it.

The Play Up Tour seeks to improve the public and private perceptions of the WAC and its members through national, local and regional touch points.

Fans can join the WAC at the Boise stop at the Hall of Fame Plaza near entrance one of the BSU stadium.

Alongside the WAC staff will be Bronco great Bart Hendricks. Hendricks will be signing autographs and meeting Bronco fans. Also joining the WAC will be radio stations KBOI and KKGL.

Fans can come by and register to win a helmet signed by Head Coach Chris Petersen.

The WAC will select a winner, who will be announced during the game and become registered for a chance to win a trip for two to the New Mexico Bowl.

After each of the nine tour stops, a winner will be selected from that pool and will receive a trip for two to Albuquerque to cheer on the WAC against the Mountain West Conference on December 23.

WAC affiliates will also be handing out WAC tattoos, t-shirts and footballs. If you are unable to make it in time to get a shirt, you can order one online at wacstore.com.

For more information about when and where the WAC tour will be, please visit their website and click on the Play Up Tour logo.

WAC players of the week awarded



PHOTO BY STANLEY BREWSTER/THE ARBITER

Boise State University cornerback Quinton Jones and punter Kyle Stringer were among those named as WAC Players of the Week after the team's win at Wyoming on Sept. 16.

COURTESY WESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Hawaii running back Nate Ilaoa, Boise State cornerback Quinton Jones and Boise State punter Kyle Stringer were named the Western Athletic Conference offensive, defensive and special teams Players of the Week respectively.

Ilaoa, a senior from Stafford, Va. (North Stafford HS), had nine carries for 104 yards and scored two touchdowns in Hawaii's 42-13 win over UNLV. He averaged 11.6 yards-per-carry and scored on runs of eight and seven yards.

Ilaoa also caught three passes for 32 yards. It was the second 100-yard rushing game for a Warrior back in the last 23 contests.

Jones, a senior from Cerritos, Calif. (Las Alamos HS), had one solo tackle in the 17-10 win at Wyoming, but also picked off a pass and returned it 61 yards for a touchdown to give Boise State a 17-3 lead in the second quarter. The score proved to be the winning margin of victory for the Broncos.

Stringer, a senior from Humble, Texas (Humble HS), averaged a school-record 50.1 yards-per-punt during Boise State's win at Wyoming. He punted seven times for 351 yards with a long of 61 yards.

His efforts enabled Boise State to win the field position battle in the defensive struggle between the two teams. Stringer is now third in the nation in punting with an average of 48.9 yards-per-punt.

Others nominated on offense:

sophomore running back Ian Johnson, Boise State; junior running back Dwayne Wright, Fresno State; junior running back Brian Flowers, Idaho; sophomore running back Patrick Jackson, Louisiana Tech; senior quarterback Jeff Rowe, Nevada and sophomore running back Jeremiah Williams, New Mexico State.

Also nominated on defense: senior strong safety Josh Sherley, Fresno State; junior linebacker Brad Kalilimoku, Hawaii; junior cornerback Stanley Franks, Idaho; junior safety Mark Dillard, Louisiana Tech; senior defensive end Charles Wilson, Nevada and junior defensive back Alex Bernard, New Mexico State.

Sophomore kicker Tino Amancio from Idaho was nominated for special teams.

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Pac-10 suspends officials

BY BRIAN DAVIS
The Dallas Morning News

Pacific-10 Commissioner Tom Hansen issued a one-week suspension for Gordon Riese and Roger Judd, who were the officials in the replay booth for Saturday's Oklahoma-Oregon game.

Hansen also apologized Monday to Oklahoma officials for two blown calls that resulted in the Ducks' 34-33 win in Eugene. However, that wasn't enough for the Sooners.

"You discern whether a one-game suspension is appropriate for those individuals," Oklahoma Coach Bob Stoops said. "That's not for me to decide what's appropriate. But I think it's fair to say a one-game suspension, compared to the way our season now is altered - I don't know if that fits the situation."

In a statement, Hansen said an Oregon player illegally touched an onside kick inside of 10 yards with 1:06 remaining. Oregon's Allen Patrick also recovered the loose ball.

Yet Riese reviewed the play and upheld the call on the field that the Ducks recovered it at their own 48-yard line.

The ball should have been awarded to Oklahoma, Hansen said. The Sooners,

who were leading by six points at the time, could have run out the clock.

Riese also decided there was not indisputable video evidence that an Oklahoma defensive end tipped a pass when Darien Williams was flagged for pass interference. Oregon was awarded a first down at Oklahoma's 23-yard line and scored the go-ahead touchdown on the next play with 46 seconds remaining.

Pac-10 Spokesman Jim Muldoon said Riese and Judd were both former game officials. Riese was moved to the replay booth last season.

Riese could not be reached by The Dallas Morning News. He told The Associated Press, "I feel so bad I missed that call, it's driving me crazy."

Oklahoma President David Boren went to the extreme Monday. He wrote a letter to Big 12 Commissioner Kevin Weiberg saying the replay official should be suspended for the season and that the game should be recorded as neither a win nor loss for either team.

"It is truly sad and deeply disappointing that members of our football team should be deprived of the outcome of the game that they deserved because of an inexcusable breakdown in officiating," Boren said.

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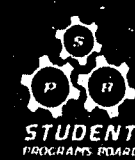
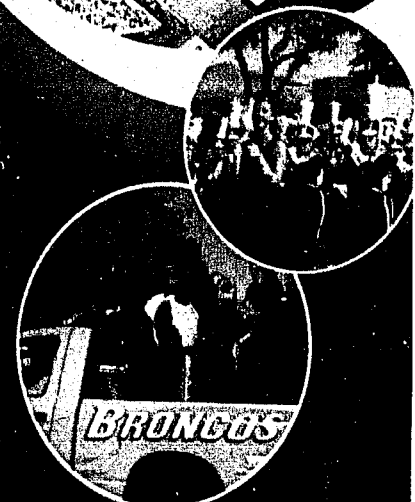
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JUNIOR
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Boise State Statistical Leaders

	Season				Career			
Quarterbacks								
	Passing Yards	Completions/Attempts	TD/INT		Passing Yards	Completions/Attempts	TD/INT	
Jared Zabransky	402 yards	31-53	3/0		6,071	450-745	35/29	
Taylor Tharp	31 yards	4-4	0/0		302	25-38	1/2	
Running Backs								
	Rushing Yards	Carries	Yards Per Carry	TD	Rushing Yards	Carries	Yards Per Carry	TD
Ian Johnson	448 yards	58	7.7 yards	7	1,111 yards	177	6.3 yards	11
Brett Denton	53 yards	15	3.5 yards	0	121 yards	35	3.5 yards	1
Wide Receivers								
	Receiving Yards	Catches	Yards per Catch	TD	Receiving Yards	Catches	Yards per Catch	TD
Drisan James	141 yards	7	20.1 yards	1	1,201 yards	86	13.9 yards	5
Legedu Naanee	67 yards	8	8.4 yards	2	595 yards	46	12.9 yards	8
Jerard Rabb	67 yards	7	9.4 yards	0	638 yards	45	14.1 yards	5
Defense								
	Tackles	Solo Tackles	Sacks	INT	Tackles	Solo Tackles	Sacks	INT
Korey Hall	27	13	1.5	1	310	147	9	6
Colt Brooks	17	6	1	1	147	67	9.5	2
Marty Tadman	17	11	0	1	132	66	1	7
Kyle Gingg	17	10	1	0	26	13	1	0

U of H Offense

- 88** **Chad Mock**
SENIOR
HONOLULU, HI
5-11 / 171
- 82** **Ross Dickerson**
SENIOR
WAIPAHU, HI
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- 72** **Dane Uperesa**
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HAU'ULA, HI
6-5 / 331
- 55** **John Estes**
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STOCKTON, CA
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- 64** **Samson Satele**
SENIOR
KANE'OHE, HI
6-3 / 311
- 65** **Hercules Satele**
JUNIOR
LONG BEACH, CA
6-2 / 302
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SENIOR
HAU'ULA, HI
6-4 / 295
- 4** **Nate Ilaoa**
SENIOR
STAFFORD, VA
5-9/248
- 15** **Colt Brennan**
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SENIOR
BOISE, ID
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- 25** **Korey Hall**
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GLENN'S FERRY, ID
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ST. LOUIS, MO
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- 8** **Orlando Scandrick**
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MISSION VIEJO, CA
5-11 / 182
- 2** **Gerald Alexander**
SENIOR
RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA
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- 23** **Quinton Jones**
SENIOR
CERRITOS, CA
5-9 / 177

Team Statistical Comparisons

Team Statistics	Offense		Defense and Special Teams	
	Boise State	Hawaii	Boise State	Hawaii
First Downs	58	48	Tackles	182
Total Offense	1080	955	Sacks	11
Total Points	104	59	Sack Yards	49
Points per Game	34.7	29.5	Interceptions	5
Rushing Yards	647	236	Punts	16
Rushing Attempts	125	46	Punt Average	48.9
Yards per Rush	5.2	5.1	Return Average	9.2
Rushing Touchdowns	10	3	Touchdowns	0
Passing Yards	433	719	Kick Returns	4
Attempts/Completions	59/35	89/63	Return Yards	94
Yards per Game	144.3	359.5	Return Average	23.5
TD/INT	3/0	4/3	Longest Return	36
Passing Efficiency	137.75	146.74	Touchdowns	0
3rd Down Conversions	12/33	9/21	Records	
4th Down Conversions	3/3	0/4	Overall	3-0
Time of Possession	29:15	28:06	Conference	0-0
Turnovers	2	7	Non-Conference	3-0



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