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A group of inner-city students from a Los Angeles church discover an unexpected fit in the Gem State.

As China builds its academic infrastructure, a growing number of faculty are strengthening ties through research and collaboration.

What do you love about Boise State? Here are 10 things on our list.
In today’s competitive educational environment, many students find themselves focusing on the destination rather than the journey. As these students and alumni demonstrate, taking time to enjoy and explore can lead to new passions or a total change of course.

Boise State was named a military friendly school by G.I. Jobs magazine for embracing veterans as students. About 1,750 military service members or veterans are enrolled at Boise State, about 9 percent of the total student body.

A team of engineering students and recent graduates hopes to break a land speed record using recycled vegetable oil for fuel.

A yearlong celebration will recognize the contributions and passion of former professor and musician C. Griffith Bratt.

Bill “Action” Jackson is turning scrap metal into student support through an innovative scholarship fundraising project.
Not all that long ago in the scope of human experience, mastery of the classics — languages, history, philosophy, music, art, law and religion — was the sole mark of the educated. Today, such a “liberal arts” education often stands in sharp contrast to the specialized degrees sought by future scientists, business executives and engineers to make themselves employable in this 21st century economy.

Yet, at Boise State, art and science are two sides of the same coin. Even as we invest in and grow our increasingly impressive research and academic portfolio in science, technology, engineering and math, we are turning our eye toward those timeless disciplines that explore and express the human experience — the arts and humanities.

With the help of key faculty members from the departments of history, art, philosophy, music, English and others, we are developing the concepts and framework for a new Arts and Humanities Institute at Boise State. In fact, the Arts and Humanities Fellows appointed last spring are an early success of this endeavor (see page 7).

As Idaho’s largest university, we have a responsibility to our students and society to nurture and strengthen the cultural awareness that can only come from the spirit of inquiry and the mastery of creative thought and artistic practice.

In many ways, our Arts and Humanities Institute is a return to the wisdom of the ancients, who recognized little difference between lines of poetry and the equations that determine the paths of stars. This brick and mortar landmark is where the ideas of Aristotle and the interpretation of dance will merge to infuse Boise State’s research agenda with the beauty and meaning of being human.

— Bob Kustra, President
Daejon Moore, Ryan Crutchfield, Deacon John Wilson and Charles Sims take a moment to relax during New Student Orientation.

ONE IS A DAREDEVIL WHO LIKES EXTREME SPORTS AND PLANS TO MAJOR IN PSYCHOLOGY. THE OTHER IS A SELF-DESCRIBED COMPUTER GEEK WHO PLAYED BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL IN HIGH SCHOOL.

While they may seem to have little in common, both hail from the same West Los Angeles church congregation, and both are a little surprised to find themselves at Boise State, in a city they once would have had trouble finding on a map.

“I watch college football, so I had seen the team play,” said outdoor enthusiast and psychology major Daejon Moore. But he admits he didn’t know anything about the school until encouraged to take a closer look by an unlikely advocate, Deacon John Wilson III of West Angeles Church of God in Christ.

Wilson was instrumental in getting both Moore and computer science major Ryan Crutchfield to consider Boise State as a viable college option. In fact, the two are among seven incoming freshmen and four returning students from the huge Protestant church known for its dynamic ministries and a membership that includes Stevie Wonder and Denzel Washington.

Wilson heads the church’s higher education ministry that encourages young members of the congregation to attend college. The program includes actual visits to campuses throughout the United States, tutoring and mentoring help for college entrance exams and admission packets, and outreach in the form of periodic visits to all the colleges and universities where the students are placed.

Wilson discovered Boise State while on a tour of western out-of-state schools and was blown away by the friendliness of the staff, the ongoing construction — which he saw as a sign of positive growth — and the school’s small-town feel and huge heart. “Boise State was the outstanding school that I visited,” he says. “I didn’t believe what I saw.”

Uneasy if African American kids from Los Angeles would feel the same, he decided to gather 10 of his “pickiest” students, including his own daughter, for a site visit. “Nine of them loved it,” he says.

Students appreciated the school’s laid-back feel and slower pace, its quality programs and the river running along the northern edge of campus. Parents were impressed with community safety and affordability.

“When parents hear ‘Boise,’ they have questions,” Wilson says. “Even if their kids are excited about it, they want to come and check it out.”

Because of that, Wilson often arranges for parents to come and see the campus, and he visits students every couple of months to provide support, answer questions and make sure they are fitting into campus life.

“The students love the feel on campus and notice the friendliness right away,” Wilson says. “Inner-city kids can feel if someone is just patronizing them. Here they feel a legitimate desire to offer the education they need in a fair way.

“Even when a student says they miss home, when they come home they can’t wait to get back to Boise State.”

From the Inner City to the City of Trees By Kathleen Tuck

Wilson III of West Angeles Church of God in Christ.

On the Rise

A record enrollment of 19,993 students marks a 5.6 percent increase over fall 2009 and is the state’s largest enrollment for higher education institutions. Boise State’s enrollment has grown 21 percent since 2000 and 48 percent since 1990.
Three faculty members have been named as the first honorees in the new Arts and Humanities Research Fellows Program.

The university-wide initiative fosters and supports faculty research in disciplines dealing with human thought, relations and creative expression.

Honorees are Barton Barbour, professor in the Department of History; Cheryl Hindrichs, assistant professor in the Department of English; and Larry McNeil, professor in the Department of Art.

The program is expected to be a central component of a larger Arts and Humanities Institute being developed to inform and enrich our understanding of the art, ideas, history and diverse cultures of the world.

Work done through the Arts and Humanities Research Fellows Program will be shared with the campus and greater community through workshops and lectures, public exhibitions and performances, technical demonstrations and collaboration with community partners. Recipients will give back to the program by mentoring those who continue its legacy.
Learning Imitates Life at Sim Center

By Mike Journee

Landing a jet is something that you just cannot practice in real time. So for decades, the aviation industry and the military have trained pilots using simulators, giving inexperienced and experienced aviators a better feel for the hot seat without the dangers and consequences of on-the-job training in a real cockpit.

Seasoned health care professionals will tell you that caring for a patient whose life depends on precise, clear-eyed action, often amid turmoil and high emotion, requires the cool hand of a fighter pilot. One of the places the Treasure Valley’s health care community turns to give their professionals the assured skill sets they need is the College of Health Sciences’ Simulation Center at Boise State.

“It is far too risky to hone your skill set with the well-being of a patient hanging in the balance,” says Patricia Johnson, director of education for St. Luke’s Health System. “Boise State provides a safe environment for them to practice their craft so they ensure the best possible care experience for our patients.”

The Simulation Center provides Boise State nursing students with a state-of-the-art facility for incorporating skills, knowledge and decision-making into the context of taking care of a “real” patient. It’s a boon to local health care providers such as St. Luke’s, the Family Medicine Residency of Idaho and the Boise V.A. Medical Center as well, giving their professionals an opportunity to stay sharp.

High-tech simulation manikins allow students to respond to a variety of patient situations in a controlled environment.

The fully wired six-bed hospital suite features high-fidelity manikins that talk, have pulses, exhibit symptoms and give birth to baby manikins who do the same. With instructors and peers watching via screens in nearby debriefing rooms, participants focus on communication, collaboration, and crisis management to develop skills and teamwork behaviors that are best learned actively under realistic conditions.

“Assessing the cooperative patient, completing procedures and making decisions might seem easy in a quiet environment,” says Becky Bunderson, simulation specialist and coordinator for Boise State’s School of Nursing. “But add a dangerously ill or confused patient and an upset spouse and the situation can become difficult even for the experienced nurse. Our scenarios help students master many of the real situations they might face as practicing health care professionals.”
Distinguished Alum Earns International Science Honors, Still ‘Bleeds Blue’

Alumnus William Laurance (B.S., biology, ’82) has become one of the foremost ecologists in the world, winning the discipline’s Nobel Prize equivalent in 2009 and garnering more international distinctions in 2010.

Known for his research and advocacy concerning the integrity of tropical forests, Laurance recently was named the Prince Bernard Chair in International Nature Conservation at the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands. He will occupy the endowed chair for five years, spending one month a year in Europe conducting research and sharing his knowledge with European conservationists, students, scientists and policymakers.

Laurance, who recently left the Smithsonian Institution for a position as a distinguished research professor at the James Cook University School of Marine and Tropical Biology in Australia, also received one of that country’s most prestigious science awards — the Laureate Fellowship. Australian Minister for the Environment Peter Garrett presented the award, which includes $3.2 million in research funds and a salary boost of $100,000 a year for five years.

While these awards are significant for Laurance, the Distinguished Alumni Award he received from Boise State during the 2010 Homecoming celebration has its own deep meaning (see page 28).

“I’ve received various professional honors, but this one truly resonates with me. Being recognized by your friends and former peers and in your hometown — well, it’s just really special,” Laurance says. “I could be in the Amazon or Borneo, but I’m still a diehard Boise State fan. Cut me and I bleed blue!”

External Research and Grant Awards Exceed $50 Million

Boise State’s external funding increased by greater than 35 percent in fiscal year 2010, thanks in large part to the university’s innovative spirit.

“No one knows what America’s next big idea will be. But thanks to the efforts of Boise State faculty and students to expand the borders of their disciplines in the creation of new knowledge, I firmly believe that their research and creative endeavors will play a role in that innovation,” says Boise State President Bob Kustra.

Funding for external research and grant awards jumped from last year’s $37 million milestone to more than $50 million. Awards from the National Science Foundation (NSF) and National Institutes of Health (NIH) rose dramatically in FY10. NSF contributions increased 40 percent to $6.8 million while NIH awards essentially tripled to $6.1 million.

In addition to marking the biggest year-to-year rise in school history, the total also broke records regarding support from key federal entities, patents issued and impacts to local and state economies.
MAJOR DIFFERENCE:

WHEN THE UNEXPECTED PATH IS THE RIGHT ONE

By Erin Ryan

From military history to the culinary arts, Anthony Sherwood studied just about everything before deciding to save the world through conservation biology. Here, he examines insect specimens.
BY BASIC DEFINITION, EDUCATION IS ANYTHING THAT HAS A FORMATIVE EFFECT ON AN INDIVIDUAL. IT’S NOT A TEST SCORE OR AN AWARD OR EVEN A DEGREE. IT’S AN EXPLORATION.

But when it comes to paying for college, meeting expectations and pursuing careers in a climate more competitive than ever before, many students are allowing the pressures to overshadow the experience. While there is no right way to make the most of it, the following Boise State alumni and undergraduates can vouch for the power of surrendering to the journey rather than the destination.

ANN KEPPLER, B.S., PHYSICAL EDUCATION, ’85

If it hadn’t been for one of her students, Ann Keppler might never have become a teacher. She was an adult swim instructor at the downtown Boise YMCA, and a student did more than encourage her to take her skills to the next level.

“She registered me for my first class at Boise State,” Keppler says. “I wanted to take everything.”

In addition to maintaining a work-study job and a heavy course load, Keppler swam laps with history professor Pat Bieter in the campus pool every morning. But it was another venerable Basque professor who changed her life.

“My very last class at Boise State was Education of the Exceptional School Child with John Beitia,” says Keppler. “I had worked with special needs students through work-study, but to do that every day as a teacher — I suddenly knew it was what I wanted to do forever.”

Upon graduating, Keppler returned to school to get certified in special education. Over the next 20 years she wove her passion for it with her love of physical education, teaching adaptive PE in Florida and coaching Special Olympians.

“There was only one good teaching job in Miami, and I had it,” she says. “Special needs students are the total example of unconditional love. They live in the now and love whatever you do for them. What could be more rewarding?”

Three decades after enrolling as a Boise State freshman, Keppler is retired in Seattle. She does a little substitute teaching for fun and is back at school herself, this time for a degree in horticulture to augment the garden design company she recently started.

Keppler insists that at whatever age, students need to be open to the unexpected.

“Let yourself explore,” she says. “Discover something that really gets you going.”

ANTHONY SHERWOOD, BIOLOGY

Anthony Sherwood’s path has been as winding as the historical landmark that enthralled him as a child. Raised by his grandparents in Ohio farm country, he played around the ancient Serpent
Mound effigy, and hearing bedtime stories about WWII and the Great Depression stoked his growing fascination with the past.

“I always enjoyed history, mainly because I was raised around it,” he says.

His grandfather’s war stories affected Sherwood deeply, and he joined the U.S. Coast Guard after earning a culinary degree from the Art Institute of Washington. Over 14 years he ran port dining facilities in Florida, Virginia, North Carolina, California, Haiti, Alaska and Washington D.C., envisioning a long military career. When an injury led to his honorable discharge, Sherwood’s wife encouraged him to return to school.

They enrolled together at Boise State. Sherwood focused on business, never imagining the science requirements he thought he hated would be the foundation of a new dream. He did well in biology but had trouble connecting to the coursework until a volunteer stint at the MK Nature Center and a trip to the World Center for Birds of Prey opened his eyes to the allure of fieldwork. He decided to take one more biology class taught by professor Merlin White.

“That was supposed to be it, but I admired how Dr. White approached biology and teaching. He got really excited about fungus, and it got me excited. I started looking things up on my own time,” Sherwood says.

The seminal moment came when graduate student Micah Scholer took Sherwood on a research trip into the Boise National Forest. The pair spent hours collecting data on owls, and Sherwood was hooked.

“My legs were so sore after the first day, but being out there brought me back to where I grew up,” he says. “I enjoy nature, and I feel like we’ve lost a lot of respect for it. I want to do conservation work with wildlife in America. We’re such a pop culture society we don’t really look at what’s happening in our own backyard.”

Now majoring in biology with an ecology emphasis, Sherwood hopes to earn an additional degree in secondary education and a minor in history before tackling a master’s program. Achieving all of that will require serious time and dedication, but Sherwood welcomes the challenge.

“So often there’s just enough concern and discomfort involved to make someone not reach,” he says. “I plan to immerse myself in as many things as possible.”

“Derrek Woodbury always wanted to be a teacher — that is, until he learned an 11-syllable word that inspired him to pursue a career in medicine.”

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breadth of his experience helped him get into medical school, as did a promise he made to his best friend.

“We went through physics together, talked about being docs. I was there when he went through the application process,” Woodbury says of fellow alumnus Furman Borst (AS, respiratory care, ’01), who earned a medical degree from the University of South Carolina and now is a resident in a radiology program in Memphis, Tenn. “We made a deal with each other to go for it.” Having recently passed his first board examination and received honors on his first clinical rotation review, Woodbury is on track to graduate from Touro in 2012.

“I’ve assisted with limb amputations, been first assist on a surgery patient with HIV and part of a team that’s lost someone — so many things I never thought I would do,” he says. “A few people told me if I didn’t have a 4.0 I wouldn’t even get looked at for medical school. Others were extremely supportive, and their ability to see my potential helped me see it too.”

Beth Layton, graphic design

Beth Layton is an artist in two mediums, both discovered by chance.

Her first love is music, though she joined choir in the sixth grade only because she wanted to go on a field trip. In junior high, she continued because of the social perks. Then, at Borah High School, she experienced the rush of competition.

“That’s where I learned I had a real passion for it,” she says. “Our director demanded excellence, and at that higher level of performance, where you give so much of yourself, it brings your soul alive.” Afraid that hanging her professional hopes on music would sap some of the joy, Layton was hesitant to make it her major. So she pursued an associate’s degree in general studies from BYU and took a graphic design elective because it sounded fun.

“I got really into theory and design principles and was fascinated by mixing paint with my hands, how light works with color,” Layton says. “It made sense and came naturally.” Enrolling full-time at Boise State helped Layton take the crucial step. She was accepted into the competitive graphic design program and the Vocal Jazz Ensemble, and she has painted with a broad brush in both.

“Looking at a great piece of art or design gives me the same feeling as a great piece of music. It makes me want to create. I’m drawn to it not because it’s beautiful but because it speaks,” she says. “I never in my life expected I would be an art major, but part of life is figuring out who you are and what you love. Enjoy the journey.”

The joy Beth Layton finds in music was a surprising motivator to apply her artistic expression to a degree in graphic design.
From the cars we drive to the toys our children play with to our computers and smartphones, China is becoming more and more a part of our daily lives. No longer a sleeping dragon, the Asian powerhouse has become the global leader in manufacturing.

China boasts the fastest-growing economy in the history of the world. That means that whatever happens there, especially events and initiatives that influence its vast work force, inevitably affects the West.

A growing number of faculty at Boise State are taking note. At a time when economic realities are forcing budget cutbacks at universities across the United States, China is investing unprecedented resources in higher education. Many faculty are taking advantage of opportunities to study and travel to China, and U.S.-China relations was the topic of a recent public affairs conference hosted by the university’s Frank Church Institute.

The country currently is home to almost 1.4 billion people – compared to a population of about 308 million in the United States. Given that one in eight people on the planet are Chinese farmers, the importance of advancing one’s lot in life through education is not lost on the average Chinese citizen.
“In the last 20 years China has seen the largest migration in human history, from rural to urban and from west to east,” says Shelton Woods, a Boise State history professor and expert on Asia who is teaching a class on 21st century China. “Because there are so many people in China, if you are one in a million, that means there are 1,400 people just like you.”

Excelling in academics, particularly science and engineering, is the best way to stand out from the competition. “Students who get a shot at an education don’t want to blow it and end up as agricultural workers,” says Woods.

For a number of Boise State instructors and researchers, China’s interest in higher education is a boon for their own academic portfolios.

“The government of China is pouring a lot of money into universities,” says professor of health sciences Uwe Reischl. “They believe education is the future of China — economically, politically and socially. As a result, (academic) salaries are very attractive and there are many resources available for research.”

Reischl has worked on several projects in China over the past few years, including research on formaldehyde levels in newly constructed homes and the long-term effects of foot binding on aging Chinese women. In addition, the medical doctor has visited the country as part of a delegation looking at occupational health facilities, and again as an adviser to a group of students interested in the Chinese medical system.

Currently, he is working at Boise State with Ravindra Goonetilleke, a visiting professor from Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, on a number of projects, including the development of a vest that reduces heat stress for agricultural and construction workers by blocking radiation from the sun.

Reischl is not alone in teaming up with Chinese colleagues. Biology professor Marcelo Serpe has been collaborating with researchers in Xinjiang in western China for two years.

Serpe was invited to China by Zhang Yuanming of the Xinjiang Institute of Ecology to study the functions and restoration of biological crust soils in the region. Because the area’s climate is so arid, research on the types of mosses and lichens that thrive in desert conditions is vital to attempts to stabilize the soil.

“They want to see how we do research outside of China, particularly in the U.S.,” Serpe says. “On the flipside, doing research in that area increases my knowledge in terms of understanding desert organisms in other parts of the world.”

The collaboration also has helped him better understand how similar Americans are to their Chinese counterparts. It is that quest for cross-cultural understanding that motivated management professor Mike Bixby to teach a course in Shanghai in 2008 for the University Studies Abroad Consortium.

Bixby says that not only do visiting scholar programs help Chinese students understand western culture, they also allow American faculty members to expand their worldviews.

“I learned a lot about Chinese customs and a lot
about the country,” Bixby says. “Through programs like this, Boise State professors gain some understanding of the different cultures, ways of education and ways of doing business in China that they can share with their students.”

Bixby especially appreciated the opportunity to experience firsthand the interplay between traditional Chinese culture and Communism mixed with free market principles.

“China is a world player in business and politics, and many markets are influenced by what is happening there,” he says.

While China may seem to be calling many of the shots on the world stage, there are opportunities to influence what is happening in China through collaborative efforts at all levels, and across all disciplines, of education.

Educators in Boise State’s Department of Nursing are reaching out to their Chinese counterparts in an exchange of eastern and western philosophies. As China’s population grows, so does its need for more trained doctors and nurses. Many of those professionals are looking for ways to mesh traditional eastern medicine with a more clinical western approach.

Nursing faculty have made several visits to Hangzhou Normal University in eastern China, with which the university has a memorandum of understanding. Boise State also has hosted several faculty visitors from HNU, and researchers from both universities recently completed a collaborative study on incivility in the classroom.

“Working with colleagues in other countries provides opportunities to learn about other cultures and other systems of health,” says associate professor of nursing Barb Allerton, who has taken the long plane ride to China several times.

While Boise State faculty have shared tips on western teaching methods and clinical study, they in turn have been treated to greater insight on Chinese herbal remedies and other holistic treatments.

“It’s been a mutually beneficial relationship,” Allerton says, and one that is essential not only to greater academic understanding, but also to a positive economic and political reality.

It is clear that the waking dragon is both an important ally for the United States and a serious competitor. Partnerships such as those forged by Boise State faculty will play an increasingly crucial role in future diplomacy and in the development of shared technology and innovation.

“We need to make sure we do not make the mistake with China of not understanding its worldview,” says Woods, adding that disagreements between the two countries are inevitable. “We either can work together to make the world a better place, or we can be at odds with each other. I’m excited that Boise State can be involved and can help make the world a better place.”
ICONS TO IMPACTS:

10 THINGS WE LOVE ABOUT BOISE STATE

By Erin Ryan

It’s thousands of football fans bleeding orange and blue and one student playing Bach on a brand new Steinway. It’s the youngest generation learning engineering basics and the oldest generation learning views on the soul. The things we love about Boise State are ever evolving, a mix of its essential educational mission and the charming minutiae of its life. Read on for a few of our favorites.
1. Undergraduate Research
For undergraduate students, research is a vivid window on the “real world” as well as passions and talents waiting to be unearthed. Shoulder to shoulder with faculty in the field, the studio or a state-of-the-art laboratory, students in every discipline have the opportunity to explore and make discoveries that affect our world. At the 2010 Undergraduate Research and Scholarship Conference, more than 500 presented their work. That’s a lot of brainpower, and they’re just getting started.

2. Educational Zoo
The Biological Sciences Department is home to a world of fascinating creatures, from a preserved golden eagle donated by celebrated conservationist Morley Nelson to fossilized mammoth tusks dating back 20,000 years and a collection of deactivated pathogens helping researchers fight modern epidemics. With the combined expertise of 22 full-time doctors of science, this is not your everyday zoo.

3. Carillon
Every hour on the hour campus rings with the chimes of the carillon. High in the Administration Building, the classic instrument is a series of cast bronze bells popular in medieval times and used to signal everything from storms and wars to births and weddings. Boise State’s carillon was silent for many years before being repaired and rededicated for the 75th Diamond Anniversary in 2007. While it doesn’t sound the alarm or the joyous occasions of faculty and staff, it does keep perfect time.

4. Buster’s Backup
Since 1965, Boise State fans have enjoyed the sight of a live horse and rider taking a victory lap around Bronco Stadium after every touchdown or field goal. Over the years the animals have been provided and cared for by students, alumni and local ranchers, with names like Big Blue, Gold Dust and Boogers Hustler. While a cannon full of glitter is nice to celebrate points on the board, nothing compares to the sight of this dynamic duo brandishing the blue and orange.

5. Green Ethos
On a campus with one of the smallest carbon footprints in the nation, green efforts include solar-powered streetlights and geothermal-heated buildings; reusable to-go containers in campus eateries and a student-run organic garden planted with local produce; a Bike Barn where commuters can park and an annual Community Bicycle Congress that promotes alternative transportation; and a host of faculty research projects, student clubs and programs that focus on the most pressing environmental concerns of the 21st century.

6. The Idaho Review
Boise State’s literary journal is a sanctuary and showpiece for some of the best writers on the planet. Featuring unknowns and giants alike, its first 10 issues include pieces that have been reprinted in “The Best American Short Stories,” “Prize Stories: The O. Henry Awards,” “The Pushcart Prize: Best of the Small Presses” and more. It is literary fiction at its best — short, sweet and under a cover that ranges from understated script to a whimsical Godzilla.

7. Boise River
No image of the Boise State campus is complete without the towering cottonwoods and graceful currents of the Boise River. Walking to class, students may be greeted by rising rainbow trout, great blue herons standing still as reeds or the occasional whitetail deer. Bronco football fans can walk to the stadium along the winding Greenbelt, which also provides quick access to rich cultural and culinary opportunities in Boise’s historic yet chic downtown. In addition to its bucolic beauty, the river provides water for drinking, agriculture and recreation, all components of the Treasure Valley’s famed quality of life.

8. College for Kids
The best educators understand that at every level, learning is more effective when it’s a mix of hands-on challenge and mind-expanding fun. Professors across the Boise State campus are masters of both, especially when it comes to reaching out to the next generation. High school students are invited to examine mock crime scenes and analyze DNA evidence. Preschool children are introduced to chemistry through exploding foam and glowing test tubes. And elementary school kids get a taste for engineering by building rockets and launching them from the blue turf. The people behind these lessons are unsung heroes, volunteering their time and resources, and more importantly, their passion.

9. Great Outdoors
National Geographic Adventure Magazine, The New York Times, Sperling’s Best Places — what do they have in common? All have ranked Boise as one of the best American cities for people who love the outdoors. Boise State’s Outdoor Program taps every last drop of natural splendor with more than 100 adventure offerings every year, including rock climbing, caving, mountaineering, camping, backpacking, rafting, kayaking, canoeing and surfing. On the research side, Boise State’s one-of-a-kind master’s program in raptor biology takes advantage of nearby “ecoregions,” from hawk counts in the Snake River Basin to owl surveys in the Northern Rocky Mountains.

10. Student Body
Boise State is the largest higher education institution in Idaho, with a record enrollment of nearly 20,000 students in 2010. And in this case, quantity is quality. The student body includes Phi Kappa Phi Fellows and Goldwater Scholars, NASA interns and professional musicians. It includes undergraduates bringing Shakespeare to low-income schools in Boise and doctoral candidates researching humanitarian geophysics in Thailand and raptor ecology in Africa. Boise State students come from everywhere, and we believe they can do anything.
In 1962, a New Zealand grandfather named Burt Munro made an offering to the “God of Speed.” Off the line at Utah’s Bonneville Salt Flats on a customized Indian Scout motorcycle, Munro set a world record. Until that moment, no one believed he could.

In 2011, a team of Boise State engineering students and recent graduates hope to stand on the same line, fueled by a similar dream and an everyday substance most people consider waste. They are “Greenspeed,” a new university club dedicated to designing, building and racing the world’s fastest vegetable oil-powered vehicle.

Founder Dave Schenker says the idea caught fire when he and Jozey Mitcham started talking cars. With his background in mechanics and her experience with Bonneville’s race culture, they laid the foundation for a groundbreaking adventure that is sending a message about the power of imagination and renewable resources.

“Since the beginning we have been overcoming challenges and pushing the boundaries of what is possible for clubs at Boise State,” says Schenker, who hopes to repurpose used vegetable oil from University Dining Services. “While the thrill of doing something that has not been done is a huge incentive for us, Greenspeed's purpose is to provide students the opportunity to gain real life experience working in an interdisciplinary environment while contributing to the global conversation about sustainability.”

The club spent the summer researching everything from the chemistry of burning biofuel to fabrication costs and the physical demands of driving a race vehicle. They attended Bonneville’s Speed Week 2010 as “rookies” and plan to return next summer to take a shot at breaking the 215 mph record of a comparable rig in the Diesel Truck category.

“It has been my dream for 15 years to race at Bonneville, ever since I first set foot on the salt,” says Mitcham, who will drive the Greenspeed truck. “It will be awesome to be the first group to bring vegetable oil as a fuel and help open the eyes of the public.”

Club adviser John Gardner, a mechanical engineering professor and sustainability expert, says projects like Greenspeed make education come alive.

“In the classroom, we teach the basics and give the students what they need to implement engineering solutions,” he says. “This project is giving them the opportunity to take that technical knowledge and combine it with leadership, management, presentation skills and just plain hard work to achieve a difficult task over a long period of time. I can’t imagine better preparation for the real world.”

Greenspeed also includes John Pasley (promotion), Adrian Rothenbühler (electronics), Adam Spiegelman (suspension), Jason Brotherton (planning), Brett Keys and Cory Sparks (biofuel).

“I’m here to undertake a project so large and complicated that the majority of people would find it infeasible,” Spiegelman says. “I believe with this team we’ll be able to do it.”

Learn more about Greenspeed and watch a video at http://greenspeed.me.
Mr. Bratt's Opus: A Yearlong Celebration
By Sherry Squires

C. Griffith Bratt was the face of Boise State's Department of Music for 30 years. At age 95, he's more than a living legend. Students enrolled this fall in music composition classes taught by his son, music professor Wallace Bratt, will experience first-hand his passion for music and his heart for teaching.

“Grif” Bratt was hired in 1946 by President Eugene Chaffee to head the music department for Boise Junior College. Until 1970, he served as chair of the department where he taught music theory, originated the Meistersingers choral group and was named Composer in Residence by the National Music Federation. He successfully led the department through the transition to a four-year program before retiring from the university in 1976.

Wallace Bratt has organized a yearlong tribute to his father that will include a new generation of students learning and performing Grif Bratt's original music, former students returning to campus to give concerts, and a possible revival of the pipe organ that Wallace and Grif helped install years ago in the Hemingway Center. Father and son have 67 years of combined service to Boise State.

“I'm most proud of my students,” he says, delineating all of their recent performances, recordings and accomplishments in the music world. “Boise State has turned out a great deal of talent over the years.”

For more information on planned activities to honor Bratt, visit the department's website at www.boisestate.edu/music.
Bill “Action” Jackson encouraged young music students not to let financial downturns or difficult situations derail their educational plans during a luncheon this summer recognizing students who received scholarships to attend Boise State’s Chamber Music Camp.

“Find the wherewithal to make it happen,” he said.

That’s just what he’s done. The John William Jackson Fund that he and his wife, Jackie, founded along with Italy residents Pat and Marcus Meier and local friends has provided more than $45,000 in scholarships to Boise State students since 2003.

In 2007 — a time when fundraising was particularly challenging — Jackson devised an innovative “green” strategy. He works with contractors to place scrap metal collection containers at major construction sites around the valley, including Boise State’s Environmental Research Building under construction along University Drive, and the recently completed Aquatics Complex at the Student Recreation Center.

The fund promotes environmental stewardship in Idaho and coordinates with Pacific Steel & Recycling to pick up scrap metal construction materials and properly recycle them. The contractor receives a tax-deductible receipt and the fund uses the money to help students achieve their dreams.

“I’ve made a commitment to Idaho youth to help raise money for their education and help young students understand that getting an education is the key to their future success in life,” Jackson says.

“Thanks to the generosity of many community partners, the Idaho Youth Education Recycling Partnership has been a huge success.”

The John William Jackson Fund, part of the Idaho Community Foundation, was set up to honor Jackson’s son, John, a 1994 Centennial High School and 1998 Georgetown University graduate. He died in 2000, along with his climbing partner, Shou-Te from Taiwan, in a climbing accident in Central Asia. At the time of his death, he was conducting graduate research at the University of Montana.

Armed with the enthusiasm, passion, contemplation and enterprise that John Jackson exhibited, the fund has given more than $163,000 to help Idaho youth. More than $60,000 of it has been raised through recycling.

Bill “Action” Jackson has managed to gather financial support for Idaho students from sources in 49 states and six foreign countries. In addition to providing scholarships, the fund supplies musical instruments to rural Idaho schools and local school districts, introduces children to symphony music and opera and funds outdoor sporting opportunities for Idaho youth.

“Education is the single most important gift we can impart to our children and all of the children of Idaho,” Jackson says. “There’s a role for all of us to play.”

For more information on Jackson’s endeavors, visit www.johnwilliamjacksonfund.org.
Boise State Faculty and Staff Donations Top $1.8 Million

Gifts and pledges made by current and former university employees total more than $1.8 million since the start of the Destination Distinction campaign. Thanks to the dedicated efforts of the employee giving campaign committee, the percentage of employees making a gift to the university has risen from 11 percent to 35 percent.

Boise State employees understand better than anyone how transformational an education can be and share an important sense of purpose in the part that they play in students’ lives.

“As the university tells its story about the importance of higher education and asks alumni and friends to contribute, it is important for faculty and staff to participate as well,” said James Brownson, director of annual giving. “It has been particularly gratifying to see university employees step forward during these uncertain economic times.”

This year’s committee, co-chaired by Athletics Director Gene Bleymaier and College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs Dean Melissa Lavitt, will continue its work through the end of November. The committee has set an ambitious 40 percent participation goal in hopes its message of employee giving will encourage others to contribute.

Visit http://www.boisestate.edu/campaign/employee/ to learn more about the employee giving campaign, view the campaign video or make a gift online. Call the Office of University Advancement at (208) 426-3276 for more information on making a gift to Boise State.

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Momentum is the key.

“When you show positive progress like we have, and grow like the Boise State community has grown, people want to be a part of it.”

That’s how Candice Allphin, chair of the Boise State Foundation board of directors, sees the prospects for the final months of Destination Distinction, the comprehensive campaign to raise $175 million for the people, places and programs of Boise State University. At 85 percent of its goal at the end of September, the campaign has had a good showing despite the lackluster economy and, riding the momentum, is coming on strong in the final stretch — what the university’s fundraising leaders are calling the “Drive to Distinction.”

“We have a great story to tell in our academics, our athletics and our leadership,” says Allphin (BA, business administration, ’89), a senior vice president at U.S. Bank. “People like to be part of something positive.”

In particular, Allphin and the foundation leadership have put a strong focus on broadening the university’s donor base, a move they hope will serve the university long after Destination Distinction ends on June 30, 2011.

“The campaign may end, but we will keep right on raising money long after we reach our $175 million goal,” says President Bob Kustra.

By putting more resources behind the fostering of planned giving, which allows pledges of future gifts to the university through estates, retirement plans and a wide variety of other gift vehicles, someone without the resources to write a check today still can make a substantial gift.

That strategy has paid off. So far in 2008, more than $4 million in planned gifts have been booked, adding significantly to the campaign’s Fund for the Future, which held more than $14.7 million as of Sept. 30.

The lion’s share of the $147 million raised toward the campaign goal so far has gone toward student scholarships or more than half a million square feet of brick-and-mortar improvements and construction on campus. The university’s development directors are now looking for ways to match their donors’ passions with the needs of university faculty.

“Our work so far has helped the university attract strong, high-achieving students,” Larabee says. “Those students are taught by dedicated, talented faculty and we need to find ways to help recruit and reward faculty who are doing extraordinary work.”

By helping to fund graduate assistant positions, faculty chairs, equipment for labs and top-notch speakers and conferences, donors can support faculty in a way that enriches the university’s scholarship activity and the teaching of students, Larabee says.

Ultimately, the university’s path lies with its donors and their passions.

“One of the most important and rewarding jobs we have is showing donors how their gifts have made our university and the world a better place,” says Howard Smith, vice president for university advancement. “If we match donors’ passions with the university’s priorities and show them how they made a difference, they will give again.”
New Development Director Seeks to Engage Support at All Levels

When Rick Jung Reported for His New Job in Late June, He Hit The Ground Running.

The new development director for the College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs has already launched Campaign 2011 to encourage the more than 500 SSPA students expected to graduate this year, along with several key alumni, to donate a minimum of $20.11 toward an endowed scholarship.

“Strategically we need to increase the scholarship pool to financially impact student opportunities,” he says. “I’m committed to the long-term strategy of building a program of lasting value by engaging donors at all levels, starting with the students who are here.”

Jung previously worked at Rutgers University as director of development for the School of Arts and Sciences and has 17 years experience in all facets of fundraising. As an alumnus and former ASBSU president, Jung has a unique perspective on his new job. The 1994 graduate in theater arts, who also took enough business courses to qualify for Alpha Kappa Psi, recognizes the value of a Boise State education and how his experiences here affected his life’s course.

Following graduation from Capital High School, Jung enlisted in the Navy. After four years of service he moved to New York City and worked in the banking industry. But he soon realized that in order to be competitive in the marketplace, he needed a college degree.

So he moved back to Boise, enrolled at Boise State and got involved with Homecoming. “That started my affinity for planning events and building support,” he said. “I surrounded myself with a nucleus of people who were willing to work.”

From there, Jung became ASBSU vice president, advocating for free student tickets to music and theater programs, and then served a term as ASBSU president. Through it all, he focused on ways to engage students with the university.

“If we don’t invest in creating memorable experiences for students, then it will be hard to engage them with the university later as alumni and donors,” he says. It’s easy to see how his experiences led him to a career in fundraising. But the job is not just about raising money, he says. “It’s about working with people and listening in order to understand what they are passionate about, and then tying that passion back to the institution.”

To connect with Jung, call (208) 426-2036 or e-mail rickjung@boisestate.edu.
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Rice Advice: Fan 101 from Coach Rice
By Sherry Squires

Bronco fans have plenty of expectations for new head coach Leon Rice and the men’s basketball team. But Coach Rice has some high hopes for fans, too. In fact, fans figure mightily into his formula for success.

“If you look at every great basketball program, they have one thing in common — a tremendous home court advantage,” Rice says. “It is essential that we establish that here. It all starts with showing up.”

Rice joined Boise State as the seventh men’s basketball coach in school history after spending 11 years as assistant coach for Gonzaga’s basketball program. He is a notoriously positive guy who coaches that way, and he believes high expectations for his players and a strong work ethic will result in a team Bronco fans will love to watch.

“We’re going to put a team out on the court that will be entertaining and be a reflection of this community, something they can take pride in. We’ve got a great community here that wants to follow a winner. That’s clear from watching the success of the Bronco football team,” says Rice, who is a huge fan.

There will be plenty to ignite his fellow fans in the near future, including matchups with exciting basketball opponents. That was one of Rice’s goals coming in, and Boise State’s move to the Mountain West conference in 2012 will make it possible.

But Rice hopes fans are on board for the whole journey, willing to come alongside him, identify with and get to know the players, watch them develop during their time at Boise State and enjoy the building process.

“We want Taco Bell Arena to be a really tough place to play,” he says. “We’re competing against teams that are going to have a huge advantage at home and we have to have that, too. That really has the power to energize this team.”

BOISE STATE AUCTION 2011 SLATED FOR APRIL 30

The 15th Boise State Auction is in the planning stages. The biennial event is the premier fundraiser for Boise State’s Alumni Association Legacy scholarship fund and the Bronco Athletic Association scholarship endowment.

The theme for the Auction is “University of Distinction” and honorees are Allen and Dixie Dykman. The Dykmans have given generously of their time and resources for Boise State. Allen is the only person to have served as president of the Alumni Association, the Bronco Athletic Association and the Boise State Foundation.

The Gala, to be held at the Boise Centre, will include silent and live auctions and dinner. An online auction was held this fall and a second is scheduled from Feb. 9-23. Look for exclusive Bronco sports experiences, as well as game tickets, gift certificates and a variety of miscellaneous items.

The Idaho Statesman is a sponsor for the online auctions and the silent auction at the live event in April.

Through the years the auctions have raised more than $3.5 million in scholarship funds. The proceeds from this auction will support the final phase of the “Destination Distinction” comprehensive campaign.

For more information, contact Kathy Harris at (208) 426-1916 or kathyharris1@boisestate.edu or visit boisestateauction.com.
High school seniors interested in applying for an Alumni Legacy Scholarship need to start preparing their material. The 2011 deadline to hand in the completed application to the Alumni Center is Feb. 15, 2011.

The four-year renewable scholarship pays recipients the equivalent of in-state fees for fall and spring semesters. Incoming freshmen who are relatives of Boise State alumni are eligible. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.5 or greater and an ACT score of 24 and/or an SAT score of 1090 or higher. An essay also is required from all applicants. Priority consideration will be given to those applicants whose Boise State relative is a dues-paying member of the Alumni Association.

The 2010 recipients of the prestigious award are Sydne Jackson of ArtsWest High School in Eagle, Caitlyn O’Very of Columbia High School in Nampa and Chase Forrey of Capital High School in Boise. They join eight other Boise State students currently attending school with the help of the Alumni Legacy Scholarship.

A printable version of the form is available on the Alumni Center website at http://alumni.boisestate.edu/programs/scholarships.asp. Donations can be made to the Alumni Legacy Scholarship by calling the Alumni Association at (208) 426-1698.
The Boise State Alumni Center campaign has raised nearly $500,000 toward a $2 million matching challenge. Because of a generous donor, all contributions made to the Alumni Center campaign will be matched dollar for dollar up to $2 million through February 2011. This generous offer encompasses cash gifts and pledges that will be fulfilled within the next five years.

“We are so honored to have such strong alumni support for this new building,” says Mark Arstein, executive director for the Boise State Alumni Association. “We gladly accept this challenge to find other generous alumni who will help us build a new home for all alumni.”

The Alumni Center campaign, which is part of the Destination Distinction campaign for the university, has been raising funds to build a new and larger alumni center on the site of the current building.

“Our wish,” says Allen Dykman, an initial donor to the project, “is to create a larger facility that will be a comfortable and welcoming home for all alumni and friends of Boise State.”

The facility will house the Dyke Nally Recognition Hall along with the entire University Advancement team including Alumni Relations, Communications and Marketing, Advancement and the Boise State Foundation. The building likely will have several medium to large spaces that eventually will be available for public rental, and it will proudly display all kinds of campus memorabilia.

To “double your donation” by making a contribution during this matching funds window, contact Arstein at markarstein@boisestate.edu, call (208) 426-3277 or go to alumni.boisestate.edu and click New Alumni Center. Follow the giving link and write Alumni Center in the special designation space.
Boise State Alumni Association Board President Travis Burgess makes balancing his job as a CPA and manifesting his pride in the university look easy.

"I'm a big, huge football fan and an athletics fan. I love athletics," he says. "With so much media focus on our athletic programs, it's important that we also focus the spotlight on the terrific academic accomplishments going on across our campus. I really think the Alumni Association brings those together. We support both academics and athletics and try to connect those to alumni."

Burgess, elected as alumni president in May 2010, sees bright spots throughout the university. He is particularly drawn to the students who were selected for the Association's Alumni Legacy Scholarships, awarded annually to the children of alumni.

"The scholarships were extremely interesting to me," he says. "I got involved on that side to see the students. To see some of those applications — it's just impressive. I want those kinds of students at Boise State University. These are Harvard-level students. I want to grow that."

Burgess came to Boise State later in life than most, but absorbed the same pride traditional Broncos boast.

"I was definitely the nontraditional type of student," he says. "I left the Army and needed to start over in life. I worked while I was going to school and raising a family. I chose the accounting program at Boise State. It's highly accredited — a fantastic program. Both students and graduates are involved in the community. We connect with the professional world."

Burgess, senior manager at Eide Bailly LLP, graduated with a bachelor's degree in accountancy in 1998 and recalls connecting with the professors as his best college memory. "They understood family life and were able to work around that."

As for the national following Boise State has developed since his student years, Burgess says, "There is a lot of pride in it. People are so proud to be Broncos. I meet people living in other states and they're proud to be Broncos."
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CONNECTIONS

IN TOUCH

1970s

CHARLES ROUNTREE, BS, biology, ’71, was named 2009 Man of the Year by the Meridian Chamber of Commerce. He worked for the Idaho Transportation Department for 32 years.

ALLEN DYKMAN, BA, business economics, ’74, was named 2010 Idaho Business Leader of the Year. The owner and president of Boise-based Dykman Electrical Inc. received official recognition at an event held by the Delta Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Kappa Psi, the professional business fraternity at Idaho State University.

RONALD K. HILL, MA, elementary education, ’74, retired after a 24-year run as principal and superintendent in the Kootenai School District. Now living in St. Maries, he started his teaching career in Council, where he also served as head basketball coach, assistant football coach, track coach and bus driver.

SCOTT MCLEOD, BBA, business economics, ’74, was named by the Obama administration to the Farm Service Agency State Committee. McLeod, who lives in Nezperce, was chairman of the Lewis County Farm Service Agency prior to his appointment.

1980s

JACQUE SCOTT, BA, elementary education, ’74, has retired to Caldwell after teaching 26 years in the Vallivue School District. She began her career in the Magic Valley.

MATT J. GELLINGS, AS, marketing, ’75, has been named by the Obama administration as a member of the Farm Service Agency State Committee. The Idaho Falls resident served on the Idaho Grain Producers Association board for nearly eight years.

GREG SAIK, BS, mathematics, ’75, has been promoted by Idaho Power Co. to general manager of regulatory affairs. His new role includes managing economic regulatory activities in the Idaho and Oregon retail jurisdictions and with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. He was Idaho Power’s director of state regulation.

JUDI BRANCH, BBA, general business, ’79, has joined Merrill Lynch as a financial adviser in the Boise office. Before accepting her assignment, she spent 10 years with Lisco Private Ledger/Mutual Service Corp.

ANNE BLACKHURST, BBA, economics, ’82, dean of the College of Graduate Studies and Research at Minnesota State University in Mankato, Minn., has been named acting vice president for academic and student affairs. She oversees student affairs, student support services and institutional diversity programs.

RICHARD W. MOLLERP, BBA, management, ’89, has been recognized as one of the top real estate attorneys in the field by Chambers and Partners. The Boise resident is a partner with Mueleman Mollerp LLP, a law firm that represents construction, real estate and business communities.

WAYNE OWEN, BS, biology, ’86, was selected as program director of the Wildlife, Fisheries, Ecology, Watershed and Subsistence program for the Alaska Region of the U.S. Forest Service. Prior to his promotion, Owen served as the ecosystems planning biologist in the Forest Service’s main office in Washington, D.C.

DEAN BRUMBAUGH, BBA, finance, ’88; MBA, ’89, has been hired as the interim minister for the Church of Middale. The Cambridge preacher spent 24 years in the Air Force before retiring in 2007.

KELLY MITCHELL, BA, advertising design, ’89, has been named managing partner of DesignWorks Inc. Mitchell has been designing for the Boise-based company for 21 years.

KEVIN W. GOYK, BBA, management, ’89, has been recognized for the third year as one of the top real estate attorneys in the field by Chambers and Partners. The Boise resident is a partner with Mueleman Mollerp LLP, a law firm that represents construction, real estate and business communities.

DAVID STOLHAND, BBA, marketing and finance, ’88, was named trust officer for the Meridian branch of the Bank of the Cascades.
1990s

JOHN BROOMEHEAD, BS, athletic training, ’90, accepted command of the 11th Transportation Battalion at Fort Story, Va. Lt. Col. Broomhead previously was stationed in Colorado Springs, Colo.

MIKE BALDNER, BA, English, ’91, was recognized by Chambers and Partners as one of the top three real estate attorneys in the field. The partner at Boise-based Mueleman Mollerup LLP was honored for his work in real estate development issues.

BILL DONALDSON, BS, mathematics, ’91, has been honored by the National Society of High School Scholars for making significant contributions to student careers. He also was honored by the Boise Rotary Century Scholar Program and has been teaching math at Boise’s Borah High School for 10 years.

JEFF LINDSLEY, BBA, management, ’91, has been hired as Grangeville High School’s head football coach. He previously served as an assistant coach for the Bulldogs.

FRANK ROBINSON, BBA, management, ’91, recently opened Colorado Vault and Safe Deposit Box Co. in Centennial, Colo. Robinson is a Bronco Athletic Hall of Fame member and was a fifth-round draft pick for the Denver Broncos.

GREGORY ALEXANDER, BS, mathematics, ’93, principal at Caldwell’s Sacajawea Elementary School, received national recognition when the school was named by the Idaho State Board of Education as one of three Distinguished Schools in Idaho for 2009. The Boise resident is a former right guard for the Boise State football team.

DAVID CRAWFORD, BS, construction management, ’93, received his MBA from Norwich University and is now a project manager for IBM in Essex, Vt.

DERREK GAFFORD, BBA, accountancy, ’93, was named Washington’s 2010 CFO of the Year by the Puget Sound Business Journal. Gafford works as CFO and executive vice president for True Blue Inc. in Tacoma.

CLINT BOLINDER, BBA, accountancy, ’94, was appointed a member of the board of directors for the Boise State University Foundation. The Givens Pursley LLP partner practices law primarily in real estate and business transactions, tax issues, estate planning and wealth preservation.

KENNETH HURST BBA, finance, ’94, accepted a project manager position at Meridian’s Paul Davis Restoration. Hurst, of Boise, has more than 15 years experience in the field.

TODD CHRISTENSEN, BS, political science, ’96, became the newest president/CEO of the Coeur d’Alene Area Chamber of Commerce after spending the last two years as marketing director for Bank of the Pacific, operating in Washington and Oregon.

AARON DEAN MCKINNON, BS, earth science education, ’96; MA, education/curriculum and instruction, ’02, was honored with a $25,000 Milken Educator Award. The Milken Family Foundation presents these National Educator Awards each year. McKinnon lives...
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**BROOKE BALDWIN**, BA, political science, '02, Twin Falls.

**DEBI DRAKE**, BS, nursing, '05, Boise.

**THERESA GRANT**, BA, Spanish, '96, BS, political science, '98, Hailey.

**MEGAN EGBERT**, BA, multi-ethnic studies, '07, Boise.

**ELAINE LADD**, BS, biology, '01, Boise.


**JENNIFER POOLE**, BA, criminal justice, '93, Boise.

**MICHELLE ROSS**, BS, health studies, '01; BS, psychology, '01, Boise.

**ANDREA TUNING**, BA, social work, '99; MPA, '02, Boise.

THE FOLLOWING BOISE STATE GRADUATES WERE RECOGNIZED AS PART OF THE IDAHO BUSINESS REVIEW’S 2010 ACHIEVEMENTS UNDER 40 HONOREES:

**KARENA BOESEL**, BBA, marketing, '93, Boise.

**BROOKE BYINGTON**, BA, communication, '04, Boise; AAS, marketing/management tech, '08; BAS, marketing/management tech, '08.

**HEATHER CARLSON**, BFA, graphic design, '85, Boise.

**DAWN DOUTHIT**, BA, music, '99, Meridian.

**BRANDEN DURST**, MPA, '06, Boise.

**JARED EVERETT**, MBA, '06, Boise.

**CHRISTINA FOUT**, BA, philosophy, '07, Boise.

**BENJAMIN MERRILL**, BA, history, '01, Boise.

**JEREMY PISCA**, BA, political science, '99, Boise.

**SHERAWN REBERRY**, BA, elementary education, '94, Boise.

**MICHÉLLE ROSS**, BS, health studies, '01; BS, psychology, '01, Boise.

**JEFF SCAUS**, MBA, '03, Boise.

in Boise and teaches at South Junior High School.

**MARK SEBASTIAN**, BA, accountancy, '96, was named a partner of the Boise-based law firm Anderson, Julian & Hull LLP. Sebastian’s practice includes insurance defense, contracts and transactional work, construction law, education law, defense of governmental entities, employment law and personal injury defense.

**WAYNE FISCHER**, MA, English, '98, belonged to a team recognized as the runner-up in an annual, international Lunar Outpost Design Competition in Hilo, Hawaii. Fischer, a current graduate student who lives in Boise, worked with his Boise State team to propose a seed repository that would provide data and materials for developing a lunar horticulture unit.

**MIKE MAHONEY**, BBA, accountancy, '98, a certified public accountant in Idaho since 2002, accepted a position at Bowen Parker Day CPAs. The Meridian resident specializes in taxes, tax planning, business consulting and financial statements.

**Teresa Colebrook**, BM, music education, '99, has been co-named teacher of the year for the Nampa School District. She is a music specialist at Willow Creek Elementary.

**Angela Hemingway**, BS, biology, '99; MS, biology, '02, received the GIANTS award. Initiated by the Idaho Governor's office, the award recognizes teachers who integrate applications of science and technology into the classroom. Hemingway, who lives in Meridian and teaches at Kuna High School, was nominated by her students.

**Greg Herzog**, BS, marketing, '99, has been hired as an account supervisor at Boise-based marketing agency Oliver Russell. Herzog moved to the firm from Portland’s Creative Media Development.

**Andrea Tuning**, BA, social work, '99; MPA, '02, works with the city of Boise as an urban and regional planner. She shapes and molds Boise through the application of policies, ordinances and regulations at the local, state and federal levels.

**Heather Lamonica Deckard**, BA, history, '00, was named executive director of the Hailey Chamber of Commerce after spending time as the web marketing director for the Sun Valley-Ketchum Chamber & Visitors Bureau.

**AMANDA FARNER**, BA, English, '01, a history teacher at Caldwell High School, circled the globe in 80 days and visited 17 countries to collect information on international issues to share with her classes. Farners stops included countries in Europe, Africa and Asia.

**Jason Blumberg**, BA, communication, '02, has joined Scott Peyron & Associates as the leader for the High Technology and Corporate Communications practice group in Boise. He formerly was a product manager for Microsoft, where he specialized in analyst and public relations support.

**Adam Cotterell**, BA, theatre arts, '02, was selected as a full-time general assignment reporter with Boise State Public Radio. His position includes legislative, feature and hard news reporting.

**Timothy Murphy**, BSE, electrical engineering, '02, is a registered patent attorney at the Boise-based firm Zarian Midgley. He previously worked with Marger Johnson & McCollom in Portland, Ore.

**Lenny Nelson**, BBA, management, '02, has joined Boise’s Arthur Berry & Co. as a sales associate. Previously, Nelson operated a small company for two years and spent six years as a corporate lender.

**Jennifer Nordquist**, BS, nursing, '02, joined the medical staff at Meridian Family Medicine. The Star resident brings 11 years of experience to the job.

**Marilyn Allen**, MPA, '05, started a new job as administrative assistant at the State Department of Education in the content standards division in Boise.

**Robyn Crawford**, BA, elementary education, '05, has been named Mountain Home School District’s top educator. She teaches second grade at East Elementary School.

**R. Torrey Roberts**, BSM, mechanical engineering, '05, accepted the position of vice president with FJ Design Engineering PC. Roberts, of Meridian, has worked for the company for seven years and received his Idaho Professional Engineers license in 2009.

**Betty Miller**, BA, English, '06, led the Bronco Lunar Agricultural Design Team, which was honored as runner-up in the 2009 Lunar Outpost Student Design Competition. The Boise-based team’s proposal involved a seed repository designed to provide data and materials for the development of a lunar horticulture unit.

**Jennifer Seamons**, BBA, finance, '06; BBA, accountancy, '06, has been promoted by KeyBank to vice president and real estate relationship manager for community development for the Idaho District. Seamons, of Meridian, is responsible for the financing of affordable housing developments throughout Idaho, Utah and Alaska.

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**Jervis deckard**, BA, history, '00, was named executive director of the Hailey Chamber of Commerce after spending time as the web marketing director for the Sun Valley-Ketchum Chamber & Visitors Bureau.
KERSTI HARTER, BA, anthropology, ’07, will take a seat on the 2010-2011 Pacific Rim Law & Policy Journal editorial board. The journal is a student-run legal publication at the University of Washington in Seattle.

MATTHEW LUKE, BSMSE, ’07; MS, materials science, ’08, achieved the rank of Navy ensign. He was sworn in by his father-in-law, Maj. Richard Soto. Luke teaches at the Navy’s Nuclear Power School in Charleston, S.C.

JASON ROEBER, BS, physical education, ’07, was appointed to the city council of Idaho City. He teaches high school health, physical education, weight lifting and outdoor recreation.

KELLY BEACH, BFA, visual arts, ’08, opened Gaia Gallery as a space for artists to gather, learn, grow and collaborate. The Star artist hopes the gallery will be a hub for Eagle’s arts community.

LINDSEY LEWIN, BBA, accountant, ’08, was promoted by the Lyle Pearson Co. from financial assistant to controller. She lives in Kuna and has spent more than nine years with the dealership.

JORDAN RODRIGUEZ, BA, mass communication, ’08, has been hired as a communications specialist at the College of Idaho. He spent the last four years editing copy and writing sports for the Idaho Statesman in Boise.

ALENA SHEA, BA, communication, ’08, was promoted to account executive at Boise’s Red Sky Public Relations firm. She has worked with Red Sky since January 2009.

LAUREN K. SMITH, AS, criminal justice, ’08; BS, psychology, ’09, successfully completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, and has earned four credits toward an AAS degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

ADREA YOUNG, BA, mass communication/journalism, ’08, accepted the position of assignment editor for the Portland, Ore., CBS affiliate KOIN TV. Now living in Wilsonville, Ore., she previously served as the assignment editor at KDRV TV in Medford, Ore.

BRENT BOSSÉ, BA, political science, ’09, successfully completed an internship in the state office of U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo.

BRAD KELLY, BA, English, ’09, has been awarded a three-year James A. Michener Fellowship in creative writing from the University of Texas Michener Center for Writers. His work was chosen from nearly 1,100 submissions in what is considered one of the five most selective programs in the country.

MELISSA KEYSER, BBA, business economics, ’09, completed her internship in U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo’s Boise office. Keyser now is associate director for the Idaho Wool Growers Association and the Idaho Sheep Commission.

RAY MCEVY, BBA, accountant, ’09, interned for LeMaster Daniels Boise office before joining the team. He now is a staff accountant.

SUSAN ROWE, MFA, creative writing, ’09, has been named public relations manager for Scentsy Inc. in Meridian. Rowe has held top communications posts for Micron Technology and Hewlett-Packard in her 18-year career.

BRADEN RUDD, BA, Spanish, ’09; BBA, finance and accounting, ’09, completed an internship with the LeMaster Daniels Boise office and then was hired as a staff accountant specializing in individual, business and nonprofit returns.

KILE THOMPSON, BC, recreational and small engine repair, ’09, joined Lawn Equipment Co. as a technician. He lives in Meridian.

ANDY HARL, BFA, graphic design, ’10, has been promoted to vice president of web development at Tribute Media. Harl, from Meridian, previously worked for a year and a half as a front-end web developer with the company.

ELIZABETH ARCHIBALD, BBA, business education, ’76, Pocatello.

DONALD BEAN, CER, industrial maintenance tech, ’76; CER, industrial maintenance tech, ’78; AAS, consumer electronics, ’81, Boise.

JAMES BEAN, BA, communications, ’75, Ventura, Calif.

DALE BLACK, CER, refrigeration/heatng and air conditioning, ’01, Boise.

DEBORAH BOWMAN, BA, elementary education, ’69, Nampa.

W. BRAUNER, BA, psychology, ’83; BA, Spanish, ’83, Boise.

DOUGLAS BROOKS, DAS, arts and sciences, ’68; BA, elementary education, ’68; MA, education/curriculum and instruction, ’77, Boise.

DELBERT BYERS, BBA, accountant, ’78, Boise.

JAMES CAMPBELL, AAS, electronics tech, ’81, Caldwell

KELLEEN CHAPMAN, BA, elementary education, ’89, Wendell.

ELAINE CHATTERTON, alumnus non-degreed, Boise.

GRACE CHISHOLM, alumna non-degreed, Boise.

ROGER COLLINS, CER, recreational and small engine repair, ’91, Nampa.

ROBERT CONWAY, alumnus non-degreed, Boise.

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LARRY ALDER, alumnus non-degreed, Boise.

LEE ANDERSON, BBA, finance, ’74, West Covina, Calif.

JOSHUA ANDRAE, AAS, computer service tech, ’06, Boise.

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KATHERYN DOTY, BA, communication, ’79, Kuna.
LINDA DUTTON, BA, history, ’80, Oceanside, Calif.
PATTIE ENNIS, BFA, art education, ’85, Meridian.
WILLIAM EVERTS, alumnus non-degreed, Boise.
TYLER FELTON, alumnus non-degreed, Ketchum.
MICHAEL FUEHRER, diploma, arts and sciences, ’64; BS, biology, ’75, Sumner, Wash.
PAUL GARRETT, diploma, arts and sciences, ’65, Boise.
MIKE GIBSON, CER, automotive technology, ’75, New Plymouth.
WILLIAM GILLAM, CER, recreational and small engine repair, ’76, Meridian.
JOHN GIVENS, alumnus non-degreed, Boise.
WILLIAM GOTTENBERG, AA, arts and sciences, ’62, Georgetown, Texas.
THEODORE HAGAR, alumnus non-degreed, Boise.
DAVID HALL, BS, mathematics, ’83, Boise.
KENNETH HANFORD, alumnus non-degreed, Bakersfield, Calif.
GREG HENDERSON, BFA, visual art, ’74; MA, art education, ’80, Machias, Maine.
STEVEN JENSEN, BA, general business, ’70, Boise.
WAYNE JONES, AA, arts and sciences, ’57, Meridian.
ROBERT JORDAN, alumnus non-degreed, Boise.
NORMA JUSTICE, MA, education, ’79, Meridian.
JERRY KNOX, CER, recreational and small engine repair, ’88, Meridian.
WILLA LAMBERSON, BA, English, ’91, Garden City.
H. MARKHOLT, BA, social science, ’71, Las Vegas, Nev.
ELLISON MATTHEWS, diploma, arts and sciences, ’61, Boise.
JUNIA MERRILL, BA, social science, ’93, Boise.
PATRICIA MICHELS, alumnna non-degreed, Boise.
CHARLES MILLER, AA, arts and sciences, ’56, Laurel, Mont.
BEVERLY NELSON, MBA, ’72, Fresno, Calif.
GALEN NORQUIST, alumnus non-degreed, Boise.
KRISTA OGDEN, BA, early childhood studies, ’09, Boise.
HARRY O’NEIL, AA, arts and sciences, ’54, Boise.
WILLIAM ONWEILER, alumnus non-degreed, Rancho Mirage, Calif.
D. PALMER, alumnus non-degreed, Kirkland, Wash.
TED PALMER, AA, arts and sciences, ’54, Tubac, Ariz.
JOHN PERKINS, BA, criminal justice administration, ’77, Boise.
CECEY PETERSON, CER, practical nursing, ’84, Springfield, Ore.
TARAS ROHDE, BBA, marketing, ’03, Fallbrook, Calif.
BILL SANDRUS, AAS, drafting tech, ’80, Boise.
MARGARET SHIPLEY, BS, geology, ’73, Corrales, N.M.
DOUGLAS SIMMONDS, BA, general business, ’69, Boise.
MARVIN SNAPP, BS, geophysics, ’86, Mill Valley, Calif.
ROY SOUSLEY JR., BBA, management, ’76, Boise.
REBECCA SPALDING, BS, psychology, ’99; MSW, social work, ’01, Blackfoot.
MARIANNE SUMMERS, CER, practical nursing, ’75, Emmett.
ROGER TEMPLETON, AA, arts and sciences, ’48, Albuquerque, N.M.
PAULINE THEISEN, BA, political science, ’99, Boise.
JOEL TWITCHELL, BA, business economics, ’86, Fernley, Nev.
MICHAEL ULBRIGHT, BS, physical education, ’74, Frostproof, Fla.
COLLENE VAN WORMER, BA, elementary education, ’77, Olympia, Wash.
BRET WEBBER, BAS, ’07, Kuna.
SHANNON WOLF, alumnus non-degreed, Fairfield.
VIRGINIA YORK, AA, arts and sciences, ’47, Meridian.

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PASSING THE TORCH
ALUMNUS RECALLS BRONCO MEMORIES

Dale Fackler, ’69, fondly remembers the time he spent with the Esquire Club during the Vietnam era.

“The Esquire Club was a veterans club on campus,” he says. “You had to be honorably discharged from the military to be an Esquire. We used to hang out together in the Student Union and were very active in campus politics.”

The Esquires sold concessions at the football games and handled tasks completed today by the ROTC.

Fackler, who spent six years as a sargeant in the Army prior to attending the university, graduated from Boise State with an associate’s degree in 1968 and a bachelor of arts in business in 1969. He’s been an active alumnus ever since and, in conjunction with his wife Irena Facklerova, has donated to multiple campus causes.

“We were the main donors for the construction of the veteran’s memorial at the entrance to the Student Union Building,” say Fackler, who was the first student manager of the SUB. “We donated extensive artwork to the Student Union.”

In spite of the couple’s long-time record of generosity, they keep their focus on the future. Fackler, a member of the Alumni Center Steering Committee, says, “We’re looking at the planned Alumni Center and hope to participate in that in the near future. I guess we’re also looking at the expansion of the football stadium.”

Fackler loves sports and takes a deep interest in what the Broncos accomplish on and off the field.

“(I have) a lot of pride in the institution — the way it’s grown, the way it continues to grow. There’s a level of academic achievement as well as sports achievement. It’s quite a feeling. Remembering this campus when it had 4,000-5,000 students and then to see it today — what it’s grown to — it’s a great feeling of pride.”

LOOKING BACK

Under the moniker “Jug Huggers,” students Bob Bakes, Buryl Carringer, Marvin Gardner, Mickey Ogan and Bill Johnston perform in the Bach to Boogie musical program in the early 1950s. The annual musical extravaganza was held in the Assembly Hall, now the Hemingway Western Studies Center.
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