Clegg Investments is proud to announce the opening of Washington Mutual Capitol Plaza. Commercial and residential tenants are moving in now. Prime space is being absorbed. Great selections of retail, office and residential still remain for sale or lease. For information call Clegg Investments (208) 377-3500.
Salsa? Believe it. You can also believe the world of personal finance is changing as fast as America's tastes. We can help you manage those changes.

With investment management for the little guy. ATMs that pay you for using them. And much more. To add spice to your finances, call us at 1-800-539-2968.

Oh, and pass the salsa.

Key. For a new America.
Phonathon ‘96
BSU Calling Alumni and Friends

Sept. 30 - Oct. 30
BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

FEATURES

MAGIC MOMENTS 14 A look back at BSU's top 10 sports moments during the Big Sky era.
TRAILBLAZERS 22 A group of determined women paved the way for today's female athletes.
OUT OF THE LOOP 24 BSU'S AD has big plans for the Broncos as they leave the Big Sky years.
P.J. THE DEJAY 26 The radio voice of the Broncos had a fun ride during the Big Sky years.
MEDIA MEMORIES 28 Boise sports reporters, past and present, recall their favorite Big Sky stories.

DEPARTMENTS

FIRST WORD 7
CAMPUS NEWS 8
SEARCH 32
ALUMNOTES 36

SUMMERFEST AT ITS BEST

BSU's Centennial Amphitheatre provided the perfect setting for SummerFest '96. The annual concert series, sponsored by the Boise State music department, has become a summer highlight in Boise. Chuck Scheer photo.
For Prevention...
Keep Your Spine In Line!

ADVANTAGE WALK-IN CHIROPRACTIC

375-BACK 2 2 2 5

1611 Monroe Ave.
Boise, Id 83704
Fax (208) 375-2276

Comprehensive Care For:
- Auto Accidents
- Sports Injuries
- Work Related Injuries

"CHIROPRACTIC IMPROVES & RESTORES HEALTH"

Dr. Jeffrey A. Majors
Practice of Chiropractic

When you choose a Printer...

Make sure they have the staff and capabilities to produce your entire magazine, catalog or brochure entirely in-house, from start to finish.

Next, be sure to choose a printer that you can view as your partner. Because as your partner, they will be just as concerned as you with quality, price and delivery.

At Century, we not only have what it takes to do the job from start to finish, but eagerly accept the responsibilities of being your printing partner.

For quality in printing and service, call:

Century Publishing Company
PO Box 730
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814
(208) 765-6300
(800) 824-1806

FOCUS is published quarterly by the Boise State University Office of News Services.

PRESIDENT: Charles Ruch
PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS: Darryl Jones
VICE PRESIDENT FOR FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION: Buster Neel
VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS: David S. Taylor

EDITOR: Larry Burke
STAFF WRITERS: Bob Evancho, Edie Jeffers, Amy Stahl and Melanie Thriftfeld McConnell
PHOTOGRAPHY: Chuck Scheer
TYPOGRAPHY: Tamara Beach
SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR: Glenn Oakley
EDITORIAL ASSISTANT: Brenda Haight
ALUMNI NEWS: Donna Conner
TECHNICAL ASSISTANTS: Erin Burden, John Kelly, and Mike Spencer

ADVERTISING SALES: P.V. Quinn & Co.,
1520 W. Washington Street, Boise, Idaho 83702
Phone: (208) 385-0338

PUBLISHING INFORMATION: FOCUS' address is BSU Education Building, Room 724, 1910 University Drive, Boise, Idaho 83725. Phone: (208) 385-1577. Letters regarding editorial matters should be sent to the editor. Unless otherwise specified, all articles may be reprinted as long as appropriate credit is given to the author, Boise State University and FOCUS magazine. Diverse views are presented and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of FOCUS or the official policies of Boise State University.

ADDRESS CHANGES: Send changes (with address label if possible) to the BSU Alumni Office, 1910 University Drive, Boise, Idaho 83725. If you receive duplicate copies of the magazine, please notify the Alumni Office at the above address. Friends of the university who wish to receive FOCUS may do so by submitting their names and addresses to the Alumni Office.

E-MAIL: Readers can contact FOCUS electronically at lburke@claven.idbsu.edu

ABOUT THE COVER: BSU took a new road when the Broncos left the comfort and coziness of the Big Sky conference for the bright lights of the Big West. The move means a whole new audience for the Broncos as they play before crowds in New Mexico, California and Texas. Sandy Marostica illustration.
THE BIG WEST: BIG OPPORTUNITIES, BIG RESPONSIBILITIES

By Charles Ruch, President

With this issue of FOCUS we celebrate a 26-year association with the Big Sky Conference as we change conference affiliation and join the Big West. Our move, over two years in planning and preparation, brings to the fore wonderful new opportunities for our university. Of course with each new opportunity comes additional responsibilities. A word about each.

However, before highlighting what I contend are the new opportunities and responsibilities afforded by our move to a Division I-A conference, a note of appreciation is due to all who have contributed to the development of our program. Certainly this move would not have happened without the strong leadership of athletic director Gene Bleymaier. Our university also is well-served by a talented cadre of coaches, assistants, and staff. Under the leadership of Bob Madden and many volunteers, the Bronco Athletic Association has grown into an effective booster organization, providing support — tangible and personal — to our athletic program. Of course, our student-athletes have and will continue to perform at a high level.

Clearly, as we “step up” to a Division I-A program, Boise State has all the ingredients for success. Our facilities are first-rate and improving. Our athletic department is solid. Our boosters and the greater Boise community are most supportive. All at the university take pride in our achievements on the playing field or courts, as elsewhere across the institution. The Big West Conference is the next logical step in the development of the Broncos.

Membership in this new and more demanding athletic conference provides our university with a new set of opportunities.

First is the opportunity to become better known beyond the northern mountain states as a quality institution of higher education. Our presence in California, Texas, and New Mexico will enable us to communicate about the many programs and activities of Boise State University. Clearly, athletics brings institutional visibility, and our move to the Big West opens several new windows.

Second, there is the opportunity to associate with institutions with older, more established reputations for academic as well as athletic excellence. If it is true that you are known by the company you keep, our move to the Big West and opportunities to compete with Division I-A institutions in conferences beyond the Big West will put us in very good company.

As is always true, with greater opportunity comes greater responsibility. First is the impact on the greater university. It is not enough to participate with other institutions only through athletics. Our academic programs must also compete, both to successfully recruit and retain outstanding students and to build a faculty of excellence. Both are central to institutional prestige. Athletics may open the door, but the balance of the institution will also need to “step up” and be measured successfully against these new competitors.

Second, we have an even greater responsibility to provide a successful academic experience for all students, including our student-athletes. Clearly, each student-athlete has the responsibility to commit the same intensity and energy to the classroom as he or she does on the playing field. All involved, coaches, faculty and staff, have a responsibility to assure the impact of that aspect of a student-athlete’s life. Yet, realistically, the time demands on a Division I-A athlete call for clear expectations, careful time management and helpful support systems. Here again, with the Peterson-Precio Learning Center, our students and student-athletes have a premier facility and talented support personnel to assist them in their academic careers.

Boise State has the responsibility to graduate as many of our four-year student-athletes as possible. Here we have work to do. While our most recently reported graduation rate for student-athletes (37 percent) exceeded the overall BSU student graduation rate (25 percent), we have a responsibility to improve both. Incidentally, for student-athletes who exhaust their athletic eligibility at BSU, 76 percent graduate. To this end, I have appointed a universitywide task force to consider additional strategies needed to improve both the retention and graduation rates of our student-athletes.

During this year, the task force will examine what we are doing, what other Division I-A schools do, (where the national average is 59 percent) and make recommendations for improvement. Ideally, what we learn about our student-athletes will transfer to our broader student population.

Third, as we learned to our embarrassment last fall, a higher profile athletic program brings with it a higher expectation for exemplary student-athlete conduct off the field as well as on. Our experiences of a year ago have reinforced the need on all our parts to expect solid citizenship of all student-athletes who represent Boise State University. Happily the vast majority of our student-athletes are wonderful role models and make significant contributions to the community.

Finally, as we move into this new athletic configuration, we all have the responsibility to understand that development takes time. This is true now more than ever. Success on and off the playing field, while our constant goal, may not be achieved immediately. Each new phase brings both the athletic program and the university closer to our goal of excellence. All the ingredients are in place. Time and experience are all that remain.

As always, I welcome your comments. I can be reached at (208) 385-1491 or by e-mail at apruch@bsu.idbsu.edu.
This summer students in BSU's archaeology field school spent six weeks searching for charred bones, shells, grinding stones and other materials at a dig on the banks of the Snake River in Canyon County. The project, operated cooperatively with the Bureau of Land Management, assessed damage by vandals who have looted archaeological sites in the area. Ironically, the dig was marred by the theft of tools used by students at the site.

**BROWN GIFT RESULTS IN NEW SCHOLARSHIPS**

What do you do with a $7.5 million investment?

That question was the source of some friendly debate this spring as Boise State officials decided how to divvy up the Dean and Thelma Brown Endowment that came to the Boise State University Foundation in November.

The gift of Albertson's stock was the largest BSU has ever received.

According to the will left by Thelma Brown, the dividends from $5 million of the gift are to be used for scholarships.

After consultation with academic leaders, President Charles Ruch announced that dividends — estimated to be $200,000 per year — will be used to create large scholarships for academically qualified students.

"There was some sentiment to establish several small scholarships. But we decided to create more significant scholarships that can be renewed each year," Ruch says.

Rather than divide the gift among various colleges, Ruch said $3 million will be used for general scholarships and $2 million will be dedicated to engineering and performing arts scholarships.

Even though the endowment hasn't accumulated a full year's earnings, 20 renewable scholarships of $2,000 each and another 46 one-time scholarships of $1,200 each were awarded this spring. The number of scholarships will increase by the time the endowment has been in place for a full year.

**HEALTH DEAN LEAVES FOR WASHINGTON JOB**

Eldon Edmundson, dean of the College of Health Science, has resigned to take a faculty position in the health services administration program at Eastern Washington University in Cheney.

Edmundson came to BSU in 1976 as a faculty member and was named dean in 1987. During his tenure as dean the college has secured several large computer grants, established close ties with area medical centers, established a master's degree in health policy and a Center for Health Policy and secured new space in the former ITT building that is being renovated this summer.

Anne Payne, chair of the nursing department, will serve as interim dean while a national search takes place for Edmundson's replacement.

**MASTER PLAN LOOKS TO 21ST CENTURY**

How will Boise State University look in the next 10 years? Will there be more parking? New buildings? More trees and bushes?

These are among the questions to be discussed as the university assembles a new Campus Master Plan.

"Our last plan was produced nearly a decade ago," says BSU President Charles Ruch. "It's just good management to develop a plan for what Boise State will look like in the 21st century." Since the previous plan was produced in 1987, BSU's student population has increased nearly 40 percent and several new buildings have been added.

BSU Architect Vic Hosford says the new plan will provide a "framework analysis" for buildings, landscaping, utilities, pedestrian and vehicular traffic, drainage systems and other areas on campus.

A portion of the plan will look at the development of BSU's branch campus in Canyon County. Earlier this year the university purchased 150 acres to construct a new campus east of Nampa just off I-84.

The branch campus plan calls for workshops with community officials, BSU employees and local residents. It will outline proposed roads, utilities, building sites and amenities.

BSU has earmarked $125,000 for the project. Portland-based planning firm Zimmer Gunsul Frasca Partnerships has been selected to conduct the study. They'll work closely with local architect Joe LaMarche and CH2M Hill, an engineering company with offices in Boise.

Hosford says Zimmer Gunsul Frasca is knowledgeable about Boise-area needs because of their previous involvement with the Boise redevelopment plan, River Street plans and other local projects.

The master planning process begins with a review of the 1994 BSU Strategic Plan and the master plan from 1987.

Public workshops will be held to give university faculty, staff, students and neighborhood residents an opportunity to share their ideas. Boise City Planning, Ada Planning Association, United Water Idaho, Ada County Highway District and Idaho Power also will provide input.

Zimmer Gunsul Frasca will submit a preliminary report for review by Boise State, the Division of Public Works and the State Board of Education. A final report is expected by January 1997.
THREE RECEIVE SILVER MEDALLIONS

Three alumni and community leaders received Silver Medallions at Boise State's commencement May 12. The awards are the highest BSU gives to recognize service and achievement.

Honored were Jim McClary, Kitty Gurney and Bethine Church, all from Boise.

JIM McCLARY worked for the Morrison-Knudsen Co. for 46 years, beginning as a high school student and retiring in 1978 as chairman of the board.

His affiliation with Boise State began in 1934 when he was a student at Boise Junior College. He returned for an associate's degree from BJC in 1959, long after he earned a bachelor's in engineering from Stanford.

McClary served several terms on the board of directors that supervised the junior college and was chair when Boise College became a state-assisted school. He was one of five founding members of the Boise State University Foundation and served as president during its formative years.

McClary also had an impact on the curriculum as one of the prime movers behind the establishment of a construction management program in the late 1970s.

One of BSU's non-traditional students, former legislator KITTY GURNEY graduated in business in 1976 after raising three children.

For the past 22 years she has served as a state representative from Boise's District 19. She was appointed co-chair of the powerful Joint Finance Appropriations Committee in 1980 and served in that capacity until she retired after the 1996 session.

She was a leading authority on the budget, and an advocate for public schools and higher education. She was instrumental in securing funds for several construction projects at BSU, including the Morrison Center, the Albertson Library expansion, the Engineering Technology Building, and a new classroom building now under construction.

Since returning to Idaho in 1989, BETHINE CHURCH has been instrumental in the growth of the Frank Church Chair of Public Affairs, an endowment that was established by BSU in 1981 to honor the late U.S. senator who represented Idaho for 24 years.

Church has organized committees, arranged for speakers, hosted social events and raised funds to support the annual Frank Church Conference, which has brought a variety of internationally known academic and political leaders to Boise to address foreign affairs and environmental topics. The endowment has supported 12 conferences.

Church serves on a variety of boards, including those for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and the U.S. Capitol Historical Society.
SCHOOLS SELECT 10 BSU STUDENTS

Ten Boise State graduates will pursue careers in medicine or dentistry this fall. Five have been accepted to medical schools and five have been accepted to dental schools across the United States.

Pre-med students Kim Brown and Bob McKie, both of Boise, have been accepted at the schools of medicine at Johns Hopkins and the University of Washington, respectively, while Kevin Knight, Chicago, will pursue a career in medicine at the University of Minnesota. All three graduated from BSU this spring.

David Stuart, a 1995 health science graduate who was taking physical education graduate courses, will also attend medical school in the fall. The Nassau, Bahamas, native has been accepted at Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Robert Nachtsheim, Reno, Nev., a 1995 biology graduate, has been accepted at the medical school at the University of Nevada.

In addition, five Boise State predentistry graduates have been accepted by dental schools. All five are biology majors.

The students and their schools are Ben Armstrong, Boise, University of Minnesota; Susan Lewis, Boise, Creighton University (after a required year at the Idaho Dental Education Program at Idaho State University); Nick Massoth, Meridian, Temple University; Todd Wortham, Boise, University of Iowa; and Brandon Ferguson, Boise, Indiana University.

Biology professor Charles Baker, who has been adviser to Boise State's predentistry students for 28 years, noted that the 1996 crop is one of the largest in the school's history. He also noted that the group keeps a laudable streak intact.

"For the last 28 years, all of our students in predentistry who have seriously pursued acceptance into dentistry school have succeeded," he says. "I'm delighted that this exceptional group of students has kept the string going." 0

GROUP CERTIFIES TUTORIAL PROGRAM

Boise State's tutorial program has been internationally certified by the College Reading and Learning Association at all three possible levels: basic, advanced and masters. The certification is for five years.

The BSU tutorial program currently has 40 tutors who provide assistance to nearly in various core curriculum subjects, including mathematics.

The certification establishes a standard for skills and training that tutors need to be successful, says Ellie McKinnon, tutorial programs coordinator. 0
EIGHT PROFESSORS CONCLUDE CAREERS AT BOISE STATE

Eight faculty members with a collective 202 years of service to BSU said farewell to the university as they embarked on the brave new road to retirement at the end of the academic year.

Even a severe heart attack and major surgery couldn't keep engineering professor JIM HAEFER away from Boise State. Haefer suffered a heart attack in July 1988 yet was back on the job that fall. Fully recovered, Haefer plans to work part-time on occasion for BSU, teaching and advising students and working in the College of Technology's curriculum development. A professor for 30 years, Haefer taught electrical engineering and computer science.

ED JACOBY, head track coach for the past 23 years, coached 24 track and field All-Americans and guided the Broncos to nine Big Sky championships. Jacoby won eight Big Sky Coach of the Year awards and three Big Sky championships. Jacoby won eight men's team at the World Track and Field Championships.

When professor DAVID RAYBORN was hired to teach speech and drama at Boise State College in 1969 there was no communication department. Now the department, created 34 years later, specializes in teaching drawing and painting. In his final show at BSU in April 1995, "Sayonara/Born to Do More," he exhibited work with his daughter, Jacinda, now a graduate of the art program.

JIM RUSSELL, who joined the BSU art department in 1969, specialized in teaching drawing and painting. In his final show at BSU in April of 1995, "Sayonara/Born to Do More," he exhibited work with his daughter, Jacinda, now a graduate of the art program. He used collage in his work and incorporated memorabilia of America such as old comic strips, advertisements and antique artifacts. Russell owns property in New Zealand and is making plans to move there and continue to do art work.

Art professor ARNY SKOV came to BSU 29 years ago. He created the current BSU logo, as well as those for the Morrison Center and the Simplot/Micron Instructional Technology Center. In addition to his design work, Skov also creates sculpture and other art pieces.

JOANN VAHEY has worked in several capacities during her 23 years at Boise State. Originally hired as a professor of nursing, her most recent duties were as coordinator of the university's accreditation process.

During her tenure as a faculty member she served as chair of the nursing department and associate dean of the College of Health Science. Vahey is still working on accreditation and program review for the university on a part-time basis.

Education professor VIRGIL YOUNG will retire after spending 29 years in the classroom at Boise State. His teachings will live on in elementary schools across the state through his Idaho social studies textbook Teaching of Geography, which he wrote in 1976. The book has been revised twice. But Young says he's most proud of "getting the College of Education up to speed in technology."

LIBRARY RACKS FACE A NEW WORLD

Library shelves aren't the only place you'll find academic journals these days. Now you can find the prestigious publications staged away on the Internet.

BSU psychology professor Charles Honts has created one of these paperless publications, the Journal of Credibility Assessment and Witness Psychology. The first "issue" is expected later this year.

"This is the wave of the future for science," says Honts, noting that paper journals are often expensive. Electronic journals, he says, are much more economical. There's no paper to buy, presses to run or stamps to lick.

"It's available, it's free. I think that's going to be a major pressure to move a lot of media into the electronic forum."

A tech-junkie who often finds himself surrounded by computers, Honts maintains an on-line discussion group about credibility assessment and witness psychology. And he's enthusiastic about the journal's ability to stimulate global conversations — and the potential to increase BSU's visibility in the psychology community.

The quarterly Journal of Credibility Assessment and Witness Psychology has no deadlines. Honts, the publication's creator, is the editor. Submissions, however, are reviewed by an editorial board of 10 experts from throughout the world.

"We do want it to be an international journal. That's the thing about the Web, it's worldwide," Honts says.

Honts touts the new technology for its rapid response time. "We're going to be able to offer a much quicker turnaround," he says, predicting that a submission could make it through the review process and onto the Web site in just 60-90 days. Publication in paper journals, on the other hand, can take up to 18 months from submission to printing.

"The sad thing with paper journals is that by the time research is published, it's sometimes obsolete," says Honts.

FOCUS/SUMMER 1996 11
The right choice for any small workgroup.

The HP LaserJet 5 printer:
Easy-to-use, value-packed, expandable printing.
The HP LaserJet 5N printer:
Value-packed printing for Ethernet 10Base-T networks.
The HP LaserJet 5M printer:
Seamless printing in PC/Macintosh environments.

The Right Choice for Your Business Solutions

ComputerLand
Business to Business. Person to Person
4795 Emerald, Boise • Phone 344-5545

Oktoberfest
Friday & Saturday,
September 27 & 28
5-10 p.m., 12-10 p.m.

• Oompah sounds from The Edelweiss Band and the Alpen Spielen
• Mouth watering German Foods & Desserts from the 8th Street Deli & The European Bakery
• Plenty of Imported Beer & Pretzels served at the outdoor Beer Gardens
• Harvest Moon Arts & Crafts Show Friday & Saturday, 4-8 p.m. & 12-8 p.m.
• Don’t miss Oktoberfest specials at the 8th Street Marketplace Merchants

Kids Corner
Face Painting
Hay Rides
Magic Man
Treasure Valley Cloggers
Marissa Profit (8 yr. old singer)
Sunshine Generation Dancers
Clowns with Balloon Animals

'TROUBLED WATERS' FOCUS OF SEMINAR

Idaho’s snowpack was deep this winter and spring runoff hit record levels. It seems that water is more abundant than ever. But that’s certainly not the case worldwide. About 97 percent of the Earth’s water is salt water, and most of the remainder is locked in glaciers and ice caps. That leaves only about .01 percent available for human use.

The global water supply, pollution sources and successful solutions will be the topic of intensive panel discussions and presentations for the 1996 Frank Church Conference on Public Affairs. The conference, “Troubled Waters: Preserving Life’s Most Essential Resource,” will be Thursday, Nov. 14, in the BSU Student Union.

The conference brings scholars, journalists, activists and former government and military leaders to BSU to discuss pressing issues in the world today. An endowment for the conference series was established in 1981 to honor the ideals of the late Sen. Frank Church.

Water is an underlying theme to most international environmental problems, says Bethine Church, a community leader and widow of Sen. Church. “It’s so universal,” she says, citing the world’s hunger for clean water and the increasing impacts of pollution and population.

Experts will discuss population pressures, domestic and industrial pollution, aquifer contamination and how countries are grappling with their water supply dilemmas. The conference will explore these issues from a local and national as well as international perspective.

To add your name to the conference mailing list, call 208 385-3776 or send e-mail to apbkelsc@idbsu.idbsu.edu.

BSU JOURNALISTS WIN AWARDS

FOCUS magazine won first place for magazine general excellence at the Idaho Press Club awards ceremony held in Sun Valley in April. FOCUS writer Melanie Threlkeld McConnell won first and second place for magazine writing. Larry Burke, director of University Relations and FOCUS editor, won second place for script writing and second place for annual report.

Jyl Hoyt, BSU Radio Network, won the Arts in Idaho award for her news coverage of the Idaho arts scene.

Also winning awards were Arbiter editor Kate Bell, out-going editor Adam Rush, and staffers Joe Relk, Rhett Tanner, Jason Sievers, Rick Kosarich, Scott Schmaljohn and Ryan Donohue.

Judging for the awards was provided by the Colorado Press Association.
CLASSROOMS COME ALIVE WHEN STUDENTS HELP STUDENTS

By Melanie Threlkeld McConnell

Groups of four or five students huddled around small tables and desks trying to solve a math problem. Their chatter was constant and their interest and energy were evident. Hands shot up, pencils scribbled, minds appeared to be focused.

What kept these first-through-third-graders at Garfield Elementary School so focused on learning? BSU education students.

Nearly 75 BSU education majors participated in an experimental teaching partnership last spring semester that put them in the classroom earlier than their senior year when they traditionally would student teach. They spent one hour each week at the school leading a learning exercise; their education professor and the regular classroom teacher were nearby.

"It enabled us to give our students the benefit of living in a classroom, working with students, teaching them and experiencing the culture of the classroom," says BSU education professor Curtis Hayes, who initiated the project.

It also gave each college student a chance to see if teaching is the field they really want to pursue, says Jim Reed, Les Bois area director for the Boise School District, who visited the program.

"The problem with some teachers and the difficulty they have in teaching is that they discover too late they don't like the kids," he says. "Teaching is great for some people if the kids didn't show up. It's a little late your senior year to discover you don't like teaching."

The pilot program was the first step in what Hayes hopes can become a professional development school at BSU, where the College of Education works closely with the public schools to ensure that prospective teachers are prepared for today's classroom. But formalizing the program will depend on funding, he adds.

Establishing professional development schools is a concept, Hayes says, that is part of a nationwide movement in school reform where changes are made in the way people in schools relate to one another and the way in which university faculty relate to schools and their faculties.

It also sends a message that higher education and public education must work together for the best interest of the community and the kids, Reed adds. "Neither is an island unto itself."

The benefits, the teachers stress, went both ways. The college students had their professor and the classroom teacher nearby to help guide them if needed. The classroom teachers were given free in-service sessions by the professors and college students on special problems they faced in the classroom.

For the elementary students, the extra pair of hands in the classroom meant nearly one-on-one attention and more opportunity than in a traditional classroom setting to exchange ideas with their peers and to work at their own level.

The college students who participated in the program were students of BSU education professor Stan Steiner, and former professors Mary Dunton and Jenny Piazza, who volunteered to participate in the program. The Garfield teachers also volunteered with the support of their principal Darrel Burbank.

Teachers and professors say the school kids became more involved and interested in learning because of the individual attention given to them by the college students. As a result, the youngsters were more active and attentive during regular class discussion when the college students weren't there.

"The students have formed relationships that are just awesome," Gregg said, as she watched her students interact with the BSU student.

---

End Your Foot Pain

Do you experience a sharp pain in your foot that will not go away? Numbness, tingling, weakness of the foot, and joint pain in the shoe can all be warning signs that there is a foot problem that needs expert attention.

Common foot problems include bunions, hammertoes, pinched nerves, ingrown toenails and heel pain. All can be successfully treated with outpatient care and minimal inconvenience.

Bunions are bony growths on the outside of the big toe joint which are unattractive and make wearing shoes crippling. Bunionettes occur on the outside of the little toe and can lead to increased friction and irritation that can be disabling.

Ingrown toenails are responsible for more than 1 million Americans suffering each year. Matrixectomy is a painless permanent procedure that restores a normal appearance to the nail and allows you to return to work the next day.

Heel pain is an often long term disabling condition with multiple manifestations which can be painful with the first step out of bed or increases by days end. We have revolutionized a non-surgical approach for treatment of this common problem.

Expert advice is available from one of the most advanced foot care programs in the western United States, The Foot Institute can provide you with treatment alternatives and relief for foot pain through its unmatched resources and total approach to foot care.

To find out how we can help you, call us today at 1-800-924-0991 or 208-343-8907. All insurance accepted.

The FOOT INSTITUTE
of Idaho

William S. Stano, D.P.M.
"Helping people help themselves"
220 W. Jefferson, Boise
Monday - Friday 9 - 5

Dial 343-8907
Top 10

Momentous moments
From BSU's Big Sky era

By Larry Burke
and Bob Evancho

It was a typical autumn afternoon on Saturday, Oct. 2, 1970, in Bozeman, Mont., when the Boise State football team lined up for the opening kickoff. As always, kicker Chuck Holmes glanced up and down the line before he slowly gave the "ready" signal. Then, Holmes kicked the Broncos into the Big Sky Conference.

Fast forward to June 1, 1996, in Eugene, Ore. Brian Davidson, near exhaustion after two days of competition, sprinted as best he could toward the finish of the 1,500-meter run, the final event of the NCAA decathlon. As he crossed the line, he unknowingly became the last Bronco to ever compete as a Big Sky student-athlete.

The Broncos built a rich athletic tradition in the Big Sky during the 26 years that elapsed between Holmes' first kickoff and Davidson's final dash to the tape.

Now it is all history. On July 1, Boise State became a member of the Big West Conference.

But before we go forward, FOCUS takes one final nostalgic look back at BSU's Big Sky era. With the help of local sports historians and commentators, we have selected 10 moments in Bronco athletic history that defined the era, and, in many cases, transcended even themselves. Here, then, are vignettes of those "momentous moments" from the Broncos' years in the Big Sky Conference.
The fans were true believers at the 1994 national championship game in West Virginia.
And then...

The national championship was a marquee moment in a winning tradition that began back in the junior college era. The title game, broadcast on ABC television, gave BSU valuable exposure to a national audience. Four players from that team — Cedric Minter, Randy Trautman, Rick Woods and David Hughes — went on to careers in pro football.

As defending national champions, the 1981 team went 10-3 on the season and advanced to the quarterfinals in an expanded playoff system before losing to Eastern Kentucky in Bronco Stadium. Criner left the next year and it was another six years before the Broncos made their next appearance in the national playoffs.

Joe Aliotti and Duane Dlouhy celebrate the historic catch. Below Shawn Beaton with the championship trophy.

1980 season opened with a stunning win over Utah in Salt Lake. But the Broncos lost two of their next three and seemed headed nowhere. They rebounded to win the Big Sky title and advance to the Division I-AA playoffs, which in those days included only four teams.

Few people predicted a win over a tough Grambling team and its legendary coach Eddie Robinson in the first round. In one of the best games ever played in Bronco Stadium, BSU beat cold weather, fog and the Grambling mystique to win 14-6, setting up the national championship finale against Eastern Kentucky in Sacramento.
entertain their local fans with a “home” game — often against a Pac-8 opponent — in the old wooden Bronco Stadium.

But now the vaunted Vandals would be playing — of all schools — the upstart descendant of that junior college.

Boise State, a fresh-faced member of the Big Sky, had yet to play a full conference schedule. Still in transition to a four-year program, the Broncos weren’t far removed from the days when they played teams like Central Washington, Southern Oregon, Hiram Scott and the College of Idaho.

While not a routinely successful program at the time, Idaho still was expected to handle the Broncos with ease. But after the first Bronco possession, the Vandal perspective changed. Led by quarterback Eric Guthrie, Boise State unveiled a devastating passing attack that coach Tony Knap had devised during the summer. On the first possession, Guthrie hit Don Hutt for a touchdown. Then Al Marshall. Then Ross Wright ran one in. Then he caught a TD pass. The Vandal fans’ shock at the four first-half scores turned to relief and embarrassment when the game finally ended at 42-14.

And then ...

The rivalry that began that night grew in intensity each year, and at times went beyond the playing field as the schools competed for funds and programs.

In the early years the Broncos tormented the Vandals, winning seven of nine games in the 1970s. Incidents like Jim Criner’s on-side kick in the waning moments of a victory and the Vandals’ march through the Bronco dressing room contributed to the annual game’s lore. By the early ’80s, though, the roles reversed.

Idaho, under current Seattle Seahawks coach Dennis Ericson, converted to an aerial game and began a win streak that lasted for 12 years until BSU finally won again in 1994.

Broncos their first Big Sky championship in 14 years and an automatic berth in the I-AA playoffs.

BSU posted exciting wins over North Texas and Appalachian State before its semifinal win over Marshall, which drew a crowd of more than 20,000 crazed fans. Those at Bronco Stadium who witnessed the win over Marshall were treated to one last magical performance by an amazing team that surprised everyone.

And then ...

The Broncos lost to Youngstown State the following week in the championship game, and to make matters worse, Allen was diagnosed with cancer two days later. The 1995 season was marred by Allen’s battle with the disease, but the coach fought back to lead the team and BSU finished 7-4. Allen is continuing his recovery and BSU is preparing to enter Division I-A football this year in the Big West Conference.
Chris Childs has gone on to play for the NBA's New Jersey Nets.

intimidated — against a powerful Michigan team that went on to win the national championship the next year.

But after a first-half case of stage fright, the Broncos chipped away at the Wolverine lead. With less than a minute to play, the Broncos had a chance to send the game into overtime, but a 3-pointer by Brian King rimmed out and the Bronco dream season was over.

And then ...

The 1987-88 team converted thousands of new fans to Bronco basketball and set standards for future teams to meet. Their 24 wins were the most ever for a BSU team. Of the six losses that year, three came against nationally ranked teams — Wyoming twice and Michigan. Childs went on to a career in professional basketball, eventually joining Gus Johnson as the only Bronco ever to start in an NBA game.

The season was a significant milestone for a program that recorded only one winning Big Sky season before coach Bobby Dye arrived in 1983. Fans who came to the Pavilion in record numbers now expected the Broncos to win.

And they did. The next year the Broncos again took the regular-season title, winning 23 games overall. Postseason play became routine, with NIT invitations in 1989, '91 and '92 and NCAA appearances in 1993 and '94. By the time he left BSU in 1995, Dye had set the conference record for career wins with 213, and Bronco basketball had changed forever.

And then ...

The 1993-94 Broncos set women's basketball on a new course at Boise State. While subsequent teams didn't measure up in the win-loss column, the interest in women's basketball hasn't diminished.

Good crowds continued, even during a losing season in 1995-96. At season's end Daugherty became head coach at the University of Washington and assistant Trish Stevens was named head coach.

THE PLAYERS LOOKED UP, amazed to see people sitting in what normally was a tier of empty blue seats clinging to the Pavilion roof. By tipoff, only a few scattered seats remained as 11,558 fans settled in for the classic Big Sky showdown between the Montana Grizzlies and the Boise State Broncos.

Welcome to BSU women's basketball, 1994.

Never before in Big Sky history had so many people come to watch a women's basketball game. The huge crowd spoke volumes of a program that had drawn unprecedented attention to women's athletics at BSU. Coach June Daugherty, who tirelessly promoted women's basketball from the day she arrived in 1989, had assembled an excellent team. Led by former Bulgarian national team member Lidiya Varbanova, the Broncos adopted an up-tempo style that fans loved.

Two years earlier, the Broncos won their first-ever Big Sky title. And the schedule had vastly improved, with regular games against Pac-10 and WAC teams. And, yes, the Broncos were winning.

The Montana game had been hyped for weeks by the Boise media. A ticket giveaway helped swell the numbers. But even so, the record crowd marked a milestone for women's basketball at Boise State, where just a few years before the women played in front of family and close friends in old Bronco Gym.

The crowd got all the excitement it expected from a game that featured the two highest nationally ranked teams ever to meet in the Pavilion during the regular season. The 21st ranked Broncos beat the 20th ranked Griz 70-61, which left the teams tied for the conference title.

Montana won a coin flip to determine the host site for the Big Sky tournament and then beat the Broncos in the finals. But the Broncos still were selected for their first-ever NCAA berth, and ended the season with a 23-6 record after losing to Washington.

IN THE ANNALS OF BIG SKY sports, few, if any, teams have matched BSU's domination of wrestling from 1974 until the conference dropped the sport in 1987. Led by coach Mike Young, the
Broncos finished no worse than second. The dynasty began at the 1974 Big Sky championships in Bronco Gym. Supported by a capacity crowd, Young's team wrestled the Big Sky crown from perennial power Idaho State, which had won seven of the last nine conference championships.

The Broncos began that season with a string of impressive wins, but fan support was rather tepid at first. As the season progressed, however, the team began to attract larger and more enthusiastic crowds, and when Young's wrestlers compiled a 13-1 dual-meet record, 3,500 to 4,000 fans turned out for the league championships.

Inspired in part by their fans, the BSU wrestlers, led by future All American Dave Chandler, took six firsts and easily won the title, setting in motion the beginning of seven straight league championships and 10 titles in 14 years.

And then ...


BSU joined the Pac-10 after the Big Sky dropped wrestling. While the Broncos have yet to win a conference title, several individuals have won championships and competed in the national NCAA meet.

1970s when the Broncos competed at the Division II level and later as a member of the Mountain West Athletic Conference.

Coach Sam Sandmire, who arrived in 1987, led the team into Division I competition, improving the Broncos with each recruiting class. By the mid '90s, the Broncos were ready to advance to a new level of excellence. Wagner's 10 said as much.

The Broncos had routinely qualified for the regional NCAA meet every year since becoming a Division I program, and were beginning to show up in national polls by 1992. That year Wagner became the first BSU gymnast to advance to the NCAA finals.

The 1993 season began where 1992 left off. After a successful regular season, the Broncos narrowly missed out on their long-awaited trip to the national NCAA meet by finishing fourth in the region. Wagner again qualified in the individual and placed high enough to earn All-America status.

The team was selected for the NIT gymnastics meet, placing fourth. Wagner won the all-around competition at the NIT; Amy Landau was named an academic All-American and the team ended the season ranked 17th in the nation.

And then ...

Wagner successfully defended her NIT all-around title the next year and graduated as the most successful gymnast in BSU history. Leslie Mott scored BSU's second 10 in 1996. The program continued to qualify for the NCAA regionals for the next three years and again went to the NIT in 1995-96.

UNDER ED JACOBY, BOISE STATE track and field teams have finished in the top 20 in the nation five times. But at the 1974 NCAA Indoor Championships in Oklahoma City, a trio of Bronco athletes surprised even their veteran coach by combining their talents for a seventh-place finish and earning individual All-America honors.

Shot-putter Steve Muse, an All-American the year before, uncorked a throw of 58-4 1/2, good for fifth place; triple jumper Wendell Lawrence took fourth in his event with a 53-10 1/4 effort; and high jumper Troy Kemp finished second with an NCAA record-tying leap of 7-6 1/2. Kemp actually matched the best high jump of the meet, but was relegated to second because the winner had fewer misses.

As a team, Muse, Lawrence and Kemp accumulated 14 points to finish tied for seventh — the highest national ranking ever by a Bronco track and field squad — with Auburn, Baylor and Pittsburgh.

Although BSU had enjoyed considerable track and field success both in the Big Sky and nationally, Jacoby considered the accomplishments of his three All-Americans at the NCAA Indoor as a turning point in the program's history.

As expected, Muse, Lawrence and Kemp were among the most dominant competitors in their events in the Big Sky between the mid- and late 1980s. Muse won seven league titles — three each in outdoor discus and shot put and one in indoor shot put; Lawrence captured three conference triple jump crowns; and Kemp won five titles — two in the high jump and one in the long jump indoors and two in...
Troy Kemp is the current world high jump champion.

After finishing their college careers, Muse, Lawrence and Kemp didn’t rest on their laurels. Muse still competes in national meets and took part in the 1996 Olympic Trials while Lawrence and Kemp, both natives of the Bahamas, competed for their homeland in the Olympics (the former in 1988, the latter in ’88 and ’92).

Kemp, in particular, has continued to excel in his event. He is the current world champ in the high jump and is expected to compete in the Atlanta Games this year.

BY TODAY’S STANDARDS, FEW fans witnessed Steve Connor’s long-range bomb that gave the Broncos a share of their first Big Sky basketball title.

In those pre-Pavilion days, a capacity crowd of only 3,700 noisy fans could fit into old Bronco Gym for games like the one against Montana in 1976 when Connor beat the Griz at the buzzer.

The Broncos were already assured of their first winning season since joining the Big Sky. Only a win over Montana remained for a share of the conference title with Weber and Idaho State.

The game was a classic shooters matchup — the Griz were led by future NBA star Micheal Ray Richardson and the Broncos by Connor, one of the most prolific scorers in school history, despite playing before introduction of the 3-point line.

The Grizzlies seemed destined to return to Missoula with a one-point win as they scored near the end of the game. Seven seconds left. Still time for a quick Bronco score.

Then BSU lost the ball — and all hope, it seemed — until they got it back on a backcourt violation by Montana. Three seconds left. Conner caught the inbounds pass, dribbled and let go from 30 feet. The Bronco Gym crowd was never louder as the ball ripped the net. No time left.

The Broncos won 67-66.

Connor repeated his heroics the next week in the Big Sky tournament title game against Weber, hitting a last second shot to tie the Wildcats. Two overtimes later the Broncos had outlasted the Wildcats to win their first berth in the NCAA tournament.

And then ...

The Broncos went on to lose their NCAA tournament game against UNLV. And the magical winning season with the storybook ending turned out to be an aberration — the Broncos posted losing records during the next seven years and didn’t return to the NCAA tournament until 12 years later.

In 1994 the team was invited to the NCAA Region 7 championships, the first time a Big Sky team had received such an invitation, and the Broncos finished third in the region and 45th in the nation.

And then ...

In 1996 BSU was ranked 25th nationally and the doubles team of Ernesto Diaz and Albin Polonyi were ranked fourth nationally and played in the NCAA championships. ☐
Postscript...

Selecting BSU's top 10 moments wasn’t easy. There have been many exceptional performances and outstanding achievements during the Broncos’ Big Sky era. Here are a few other meaningful events that didn’t make our top 10 list, but were important nonetheless. Feel free to send us your own additions to this list:

The men’s basketball win over nationally ranked Fresno State in 1983. ... The 1971 Camellia Bowl win over Chico State. ... The second-place finish at the Women’s Invitational Volleyball Championship in 1989. ... Four women’s outdoor track championships in the mid-80s. ... The football team’s unbeaten streak in league play from 1973 through 1975. ... The 1976 men’s cross country championship. ... The men’s league tennis title in 1974. ... The first trip to nationals in women’s basketball in 1975. ... The field hockey team’s 110-4 record from 1973-77 seasons. ... The football team’s 59-52 triple overtime loss to Nevada in 1990 Division I-AA national semifinals. ... NCAA track champs Jake Jacoby (high jump in 1984) and Eugene Greene (triple jump in ’91). ... 1974 NCAA men’s slalom champ Bill Shaw. ... The 1987 NIT men’s basketball win over Utah. ... The opening of the Pavilion in 1982. ... Baseball star Steve McMannon’s batting records in the Nor-Pac League in 1979. ... The women’s golf title in 1992 and the men’s team appearance in the NCAA regional tournament in ’94.

IN PURSUIT OF TRIVIA

Remember when? Test your knowledge of BSU’s Big Sky heritage by answering these questions. The person with the most correct answers wins a sweatshirt compliments of the BSU Alumni Association. Earliest entry wins in case of ties. All entries must be postmarked by July 31, 1996. Sorry, those affiliated with the BSU athletic department need to enter another contest. Please send your responses to FOCUS, BSU, 1910 University Drive, Boise, ID 83725. GOOD LUCK!! We’ll print the correct answers in the next issue of FOCUS.

1. Why were the Vandal's the home team in 1971 when they played the Broncos for the first time in Bronco Stadium?
2. Who were the Red Arrows?
3. Which men’s basketball player committed the most turnovers during his BSU career? [He also holds the record for most steals and games played.]
4. Which cross country runner became a Rhodes Scholar?
5. Who holds the top per game rebound average for a career in men’s basketball?
6. One football player won a world championship as a professional in another sport. Who was he and what was the sport?
7. Who was the All-American before Gene Bleymaier?
8. Two former football coaches can say their teams were #1 this year. Who are they and their teams?
9. Who was the first All-American after BSU joined the Big Sky?
10. Women’s track has belonged to three conferences. Name them.
11. What national statistical title did Udiya Varbanova win twice?
12. Name the three Broncos who have won the Big Sky cross country meet.
13. Who was BSU’s last baseball coach and who preceded him?
14. Two former student-athletes are on the management team at Micron Technology. Who are they and what were their sports?
15. Which Bronco golfer has played in the U.S. Open?
16. Which team from the state of Idaho last beat the men’s basketball team?
17. Who was volleyball coach before Darlene Bailey?

Get Ready to Move on...

BSU Division of Continuing Education offers Undergraduate & Graduate courses to help you move on...

- complete your degree,
- discover new career opportunities, or
- explore areas of personal interest.

Convenient off-site locations
Canyon County Campus, Capital High School, Downtown Boise, Gowen Field, McCall, Mountain Home and Twin Falls

Easy access, distance education formats
Knowledge Network, Telecourses (public T.V. & Cable), KBSU Interactive Radio, Internet

Alternative timeframes
Friday night, Saturday morning & afternoon, Sunday afternoon, plus short-term workshops for credit or CEUs

Call for the Fall 1996 schedule today (208) 385-1709; long distance 1-800-632-6586 x1709
In 1970 when a group of young women at Boise State College went searching for a coach to help them organize a sports team, thoughts of athletic scholarships, worldwide travel or even fame and glory were nonexistent. They just wanted to play sports. They needed to play sports — any sport at nearly any cost.

And so began a pilgrimage of personal sacrifice, grit, determination and most of all fun that would lay the groundwork for the Boise State University women's athletic program and epitomize the spirit of competition.

"One of the hardest things for all of us was we were always told 'be patient, be patient,'" says Barb Eisenbarth, who attended BSU from 1969-73. "Well, for us at the college level there wasn't any patience. We knew that we'd have four years or three years in order to compete and we had to do it now or we weren't ever going to have the chance. I was ready to leave."

Then Connie Thomgren was hired in the physical education department. "The students came to me," Thomgren says. "They wanted the opportunity to play. My role really was just providing that opportunity for them."

"We told her we wanted to play and we didn't care what it was," Eisenbarth says. "Field hockey was the obvious first sport, but we had never played field hockey and Connie had never coached field hockey. The only group who knew about field hockey were these freshmen from Meridian. So that's how we got started. We weren't just starting an athletic program from scratch, we were playing some of these sports from scratch."

So in the fall of 1970 the games began, spurred by a core of four to five women, with no university money and little equipment or practice space and in some cases no knowledge of the sport.

"I had never seen a field hockey game," Thomgren says. But she knew something about basketball so she guided her team through its first year using zones and defenses taken from her experience as a high school phys ed coach and from a basketball book written by NBA great Bob Cousy. They didn't win a game or score a goal. "But the next three years we didn't lose," Eisenbarth says. "We went from a team that couldn't win, couldn't score to a team that qualified for nationals. The first year was embarrassing because we didn't know how to play. But the next year I don't think another team scored on us."

From field hockey to volleyball to basketball to softball and then track and field, Thomgren led this crew of Idaho-grown athletes through every sport they wanted to play against women's teams from the College of Idaho and Northwest Nazarene College to teams in Washington state and Oregon.

"My first day on campus I was asked to play field hockey. I had never played, but thought 'what the heck,' says Elaine Elliott ('73-'77) now head coach of the women's basketball team at the University of Utah. "If you were an athlete, you did everything. It was a pretty unusual experience compared to now but it was great."

Most of the core group of women played every sport available, with new members recruited each year. Those who opted out as a player would often serve as a team manager or in some other role. The women agree that playing a variety of sports made them better athletes, which contributed to their success. Along with their field hockey wins the group also won the first Northwest regional women's basketball tournament during their first year of competition.

While these women continued to win, they
also continued to be ignored to some degree by their community and school, which was just fine in some cases, they say, because they didn't want to schedule practices or games around spectator times.

"We couldn't call ourselves women's athletics. We had to call ourselves women's extramurals," says Thorngren.

They drove themselves to the games, made their uniforms, scrounged up equipment and paid for their officials' lodging and meals. It was costly, they agree, but well worth the sacrifices.

"I was reffing high school basketball games at $2 a game to raise money to afford the trips," said Jane Nelson, who spent 14 years as a women's athletic trainer at BSU and is now a physician assistant and director of the BSU Student Health Service. "If we had practice at 7:30 in the morning we would all be there at 7. We would do all of our warm up and stretching before Connie got there so that we could just have the regular time to practice. There was a lot of internal motivation. I learned a ton about competition from everybody else on that team because we pushed each other."

It wasn't until the 1975 women's basketball team went to the national tournament that the public and the media suddenly paid attention. It also was a turning point for the program, which was moved from its autonomous position to one under the athletic directorship of the BSU's men's athletic program.

"We as women were no longer going to manage ourselves," says Thorngren, who has since been inducted into BSU's Bronco Hall of Fame. "We had someone else helping us do that."

This team bonded so well, they say, because there was little support for their groundbreaking efforts.

"Mostly we were [told by male administrators and faculty members] that this wasn't something we were supposed to be doing," Thorngren says. "The kids didn't have any time [to shower and change] so once in a while they'd come to class with their sweats on or their shorts on and that would irritate the teachers. They felt the girls should be dressed for class."

Eisenbarth's parents never came to watch her play, nor did Nelson's, but they did support the women in other ways, they say, such as a few dollars here and there to help with the road trips. "I don't think they understood where I was coming from or my need to be able to do this," Nelson says. "But it was what I wanted, so they supported me."

The team loved Christmas break because it meant a week's worth of basketball practice in an open gym. Because some of their dorms would close, the women would pack into a friend's apartment to live out the week, often staying up all night listening to their favorite tunes by Three Dog Night and the Carpenters to get psyched for the next day's practice.

"It became not only an athletic event, but a social event as well," Eisenbarth says. "And I don't think we were alone. I think that was probably happening all over the country."

That mainly was due to the passage of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, a federal civil rights statute that prohibits sex discrimination in education programs, including athletic programs, that receive or benefit from federal funding, and requires equity in opportunity and treatment for male and female student-athletes.

"In the early '70s there was a rumor that things were going to change, that there were going to be sports for women, so I think we were all on the same wavelength," says Eisenbarth, who went on to direct the state of Idaho's Title IX program for 11 years until her job was cut this July. She also served as an assistant coach for the BSU women's basketball team under Thorngren.

Eisenbarth, Nelson and JoAnn Burrell ('74-'78) all graduated from BSU in four years with degrees in teaching or physical education, most hoping for careers in coaching. They graduated despite — for most of them — playing four sports and taking 18-20 credits per semester.

"You just focused on getting things done for your classes and being on the road a lot," says Burrell, now a physical education specialist for the Boise School District. "You wanted to do well in your classes. You didn't want to get set back because that would have looked bad. Nobody else was having to go another year."

The players agree that the early days of women's athletics instilled in them more than a competitive spirit. Overcoming the obstacles to achieve their goal has made them successful in their personal and professional lives as well.

"If you look at what most of us have become it has something to do with equity or it has something to do with an educational or leadership role or working with kids," Eisenbarth says.

Adds Nelson: "Sports gives you that little edge. It gives you the opportunity to build yourself as a person and develop the other relationships."

These women say they're happy for the most part to see the progress made in women's sports. But they worry that the commercialization of college sports has chipped away at its honest beginnings. For them, happiness was a stadium filled only with the raw energy and desire of a group of female athletes playing a game for the sake of competition.

"When I think about playing field hockey, it was usually a beautiful fall day and the leaves were turning and it was crisp and cold, or it was muddy and raining, but we didn't care," Eisenbarth says. "It didn't matter who reported the results, it didn't matter who showed up in the newspaper. It just mattered that you knew who won."
THE BIG WEST CONFERENCE
FOOTBALL MEMBERS

New Mexico State University
Location: Las Cruces, in southern New Mexico, population 62,000
Enrollment: 15,600
Flagship programs: engineering, agriculture
Unique or special programs: Physical Science Laboratory has contract with NASA and helps with research and development of military weaponry
Other: NMSU is ranked 36th nationally among schools receiving federal research and development funding

Utah State University
Location: Logan, in northern Utah, population 32,000
Enrollment: 20,000
Flagship programs: engineering, space technology, education, natural resources
Unique or special programs: Space Dynamics Lab ... Water Research Lab
Other: A land-grant school, USU has one of the largest distance-learning programs in U.S. ... USU is rated in the top 3 percent of the 3,600 major research institutions in the nation

University of Nevada
Location: Reno, in northern Nevada, population 134,000
Enrollment: 12,000
Flagship programs: business, medicine, engineering, computer sciences, chemistry, geography
Unique or special programs: Mackay School of Mines and gaming management major ... outstanding geriatric and gerontology program ... honors program rated among top 55 nationally in its class
Other: The school's Century Campaign, raised $120 million ... Reynolds School of Journalism has five Pulitzer Prize winners on its faculty

University of North Texas
Location: Denton, northwest of Dallas, population 66,000
Enrollment: 25,000
Flagship programs: music, education, visual arts
Unique or special programs: The Center for Environmental Philosophy supports research in environmental ethics ... jazz studies program was first in nation
Other: UNT is fourth-largest university in Texas

University of Idaho
Location: Moscow, in northern Idaho, population 19,000
Enrollment: 11,730
Flagship programs: agriculture, forestry, mining, engineering
Unique or special programs: Idaho Water Resources Research Institute ... Institute for Materials and Advanced Processes ... Martin Peace Institute ... Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival
Other: Idaho's land grant university ... home of state's only law school

FOCUS/SUMMER 1996

Image Maker

It's a whole new ballgame at Division I-A, says BSU's AD

By Bob Evancho

S eriously now. Is playing football against New Mexico State rather than, say, Montana really a step forward for Boise State? The Grizzlies, after all, are defending national champions and longtime rivals in a neighboring state while the Aggies are, um, routinely unimposing.

From athletic director Gene Bleymaier's perspective, however, the answer is yes, almost certainly. The difference? Image, says Bleymaier, who is spearheading this summer's move to the Big West Conference, which includes the woebegone Aggies. The New Mexico State football team, you see, may be a weak sister, but it's a Division I-A weak sister.

So when Boise State left Division I-AA champ Montana and the rest of the Big Sky and stepped up to I-A football (you know, 'Huskers, Huskies, 'Horns, Hogs, Hurricanes and, yes ... Aggies) by virtue of its Big West membership, a profound transformation of the entire institution's image began to take place, Bleymaier posits. It may not be immediately discernible, he says, but it's there.

Using the University of Nevada's decision to leave the Big Sky for the Big West in 1992 as an example, Bleymaier recalls a comment by Joe Crowley, the school's president, regarding the move: "He said that when his school dropped one of the A's from its [football] status, the image of the whole university changed. Suddenly, people looked at [Nevada] in an entirely different light. I'm certain the same thing will happen to Boise State."

Not yet. But given the "name" schools Bleymaier has scheduled BSU to play down the road, his prediction is likely to come true. To be sure, the Broncos aren't hobnobbing with the nation's football powers quite yet, but this fall they will play at Fresno State, Arizona State and Hawaii while UCLA, Wisconsin, Oregon State and Washington State are on the docket over the next few years.

With games against Pac-10 and Big Ten opponents, the BSU football team may be getting in over its head, but when opportunity knocks you can't ignore it, says Bleymaier. "Basically, we wanted to play one 'big game' a year," he says. "At the same time, we want to get as many home-and-home [arrangements with marquee opponents] as possible."

But because of that philosophy, BSU will find itself on the road against WSU and Wisconsin in 1997. "Starting our four-year
home-and-home series with Washington State next year is a little earlier than we would have liked," admits Bleymaier, "but the opportunity was there to get on their schedule in '97, and the next opportunity might not have been for another five or 10 years."

And in the case of playing WAC member Fresno State this fall, there were also extenuating circumstances, says BSU’s AD. When Pacific scrapped its football program last December, it temporarily left Boise State without a game in California in 1996. Given the fact BSU joined the California-based Big West to establish itself in that state, Bleymaier filled the void with a game in Fresno on Nov. 2. (The contest is the first of a four-game series with the Bulldogs.)

It’s all part of the transition period, says Bleymaier. "Obviously, it’s going to take some time to establish ourselves at this level," he comments. "But I’m hoping that in three to five years, Boise State will be a household name, especially along the West Coast. Right now, I don’t think it is."

Bleymaier also hopes that BSU’s football fans will exercise a little tolerance while the Broncos adjust to Division I-A football. While coach Pokey Allen and his staff welcome the challenge, they also realize it could get ugly in some games. "Pokey is supportive of our move up," says Bleymaier, "but he and his staff realize that our expectations might have to change a little. We will be playing at an entirely different level, and it will take time."

While some of BSU’s non-league foes will provide formidable challenges, Bleymaier acknowledges that in terms of football prowess, no one is going to confuse the Big West with the Big Ten ... or the Big East, for that matter. What BSU’s new league does offer, he says, is invaluable exposure to millions of folks in California.

"Obviously, the Big West is not the highest level of I-A conferences. But we have now positioned ourselves to be included with the ‘big boys,’" Bleymaier says, "and with that recognition comes publicity, prestige and visibility for Boise State; not just in athletics, but the academic side of the entire institution."

Furthermore, there is a positive aspect to the relative weakness of football in the Broncos' new conference. "The beauty of the Big West is that we’re entering a conference where we can be competitive the first year," states Bleymaier. "It’s not like going from the ninth grade to the 12th. It’s like going from the ninth grade to the 10th; it’s the next logical step for BSU and the Boise community. ... If we take our lumps, I imagine it will be outside the conference against teams like Arizona State and UCLA."

Then there’s the bottom line. Citing studies by the NCAA that compare the financial health of I-A to I-AA schools, Bleymaier notes that not every I-A football program reaps financial rewards for its school, "but very few make any kind of money at Division I-AA."

Look no further than the Oct. 5 game at Arizona State for an example of how the financial benefits will drastically change for Boise State at the I-A level. By providing the opposition for the Sun Devils that evening, BSU will make $275,000 — quite a haul for one night’s work. According to Bleymaier, the Broncos’ biggest payday before that was about $50,000 when they played at Oregon State in 1986.

It’s a trend Bleymaier believes will allow BSU’s football program to continue as a money-making venture, an effort that should be bolstered by the expansion of Bronco Stadium.

While BSU’s departure from the Big Sky was met with some resistance, Bleymaier says it was an inevitable chapter in the evolution of the school, which enjoys considerably more financial backing than most of the other schools in the league.

"We’ve had a great association with the Big Sky and we’ve enjoyed our stay," he says. "But there’s no question that Boise State has arrived and we’re ready to compete in Division I-A football."

Hmm ... wonder what Notre Dame is doing around 2005. ❑
Radio-active

Sportscaster reflects on
23 lively years of Big Sky broadcasts

By Bob Evancho

He’s been maligned in Moscow, pilloried in Pocatello, belittled in Bozeman, and flattened in Flagstaff. But then, when you’re the radio voice of the Broncos, you don’t expect to be the most popular guy in the Big Sky.

As the saying goes, it comes with the territory. And in Paul J. Schneider’s case, that territory used to encompass the vast expanse of more than 220,000 square miles between the schools of the Big Sky Conference, the league Boise State left on July 1 for the supposedly greener pastures of the Big West.

For the last 23 seasons of Boise State’s 26-year affiliation with the Big Sky, Schneider has provided the play-by-play account for all but a handful of the Bronco football and men’s basketball games on Boise radio station KBOI.

As a veteran sportscaster, popular morning-radio personality and local pitchman, Schneider is somewhat of an institution in Boise. But given his slant while broadcasting Bronco games and the acrimony directed at BSU throughout the Big Sky Conference, both now and when it was a member, it’s a case of guilt by association as far as the rest of the league is concerned.

Part of the reason, perhaps, is because the word “we” often enters the dialogue when Schneider discusses Boise State — as in his assessment of the Big Sky’s attitude toward BSU and the league’s reaction to the school’s recent move to the Big West Conference:

“Boise State is looked upon as the rich kid on the block. There’s no question that we’re generally disliked in the Big Sky,” he says. “It was especially noticeable during the last two years after it was announced that we were leaving.”

Case in point: In October 1994, less than a month after BSU officially accepted the Big West’s membership offer, a move that would allow the Broncos to bolt the Big Sky and play Division I-A football two years hence, the football team traveled to ISU for the final time. The aroused Bengals stunned BSU 32-31 with a wild finish, handing the Broncos their only loss of the regular season that year. Schneider was calling the game for KBOI’s listeners while Pocatello sportscaster Jim Fox was providing the play-by-play for ISU’s audience.

“At the end of the game while we’re [both] still on the air, he yells at me, ‘Who belongs in the Big West now?’” Schneider recalls. “It ticked me off, but it didn’t surprise me. I think there was a lot of resentment among the Big Sky schools because we were leaving.”

What really ticks off Schneider is the aforementioned implication of partiality. He bristles at the mention of the word “homer.”

“Look,” he says. “I’m the Boise State announcer; you don’t have to listen very hard to figure that out. What I try to do is be objective and accurately tell people what is going on. People who say I don’t do that should listen to the broadcasts. There are usually a couple of games during the course of a year where I might whine about something, but all in all I think I’m objective.”

Still, it’s difficult to be impartial when you’ve been part of a school’s athletic fortunes for so long. From memorable national championship contests and exciting NCAA playoff appearances to forgettable matchups and meaningless exhibitions in half-empty gyms, Schneider has worked an estimated 923 games for BSU since his first play-by-play broadcast in 1973. During those 23 seasons Schneider has covered 268 football games, missing just one, and approximately

Schneider, left, and former BSU sports information director Jim Faucher in 1974.
655 basketball contests, missing eight to 10 because of direct conflicts with football playoff games.

Schneider has broadcast BSU games from West Virginia to Washington in venues from UCLA's hallowed Pauley Pavilion to that monstrosity in Missoula called Dornblaser Stadium — "a windswept pile of warped boards," he calls it — in which the University of Montana used to play its home football games.

During Schneider's career, the Broncos' non-league opponents have ranged from the powerful (Michigan and Louisville in 1988 and '94, respectively, in the NCAA basketball tournament; Grambling in the '80 football playoffs) to the puny (Adams State, Augsburg, Augustana, Rocky Mountain and Robert Morris), but the one consistent factor in BSU's schedule during those years has been the Big Sky Conference.

Not anymore, which is kind of a shame. After all, not too many leagues have that provincial atmosphere which can allow someone like Schneider to regale us with a story like the one that took place in the late 1970s in Northern Arizona's Lumberjack Gym: The Steve Connor-led Broncos, he remembers, had just beaten NAU in a close game, an outcome that did not set well with the Lumberjack faithful.

As the Bronco players were heading off the floor, a group of unhappy and unruly fans were jawing at Connor, and one of them poured a cup of soda on the Bronco guard as he and his teammates walked beneath the stands to get to the visitors' locker room.

Connor, who witnessed the transgression while on the air, went off on a tangent of his own, "ripping NAU for its lack of security."

One Lumberjack fan within earshot of Schneider took umbrage at the sportscaster's diatribe. "He came over and started swinging at me and punching me while I was still on the air with my headset on," Schneider recalls. Schneider was able to momentarily fend off his attacker and get to a commercial break. "Then we started shoving each other around until the gymnasium security finally broke it up," he says. "It was bizarre."

Bizarre is a word that seems appropriate at times when Schneider describes life in the Big Sky. With its Division I-A football schools, the Big West may be a more prestigious conference, but from Schneider's perspective, it won't be as ... well, interesting.

Like the time in the late '70s during a Boise State-Idaho State basketball game in the Bengals' Holt Arena, one of Schneider's least-favorite places to work — the half-Astrodome," he calls it.

[Then BSU coach] Bus Connor was an ISU graduate, and whenever we played there the fans would give him a lot of crap," Schneider remembers. "Well, during this one game, the entire ISU football team, which was not very good at the time, sat behind Boise State's bench; they were really giving it to Bus and his players. After a few minutes, Bus turned to them and said, 'You know, we'd be afraid of you guys, but we've seen you play football.'"

Then there was the time Schneider was clobbered by NAU basketball player Antwine Murniceon. Actually, the leaping Lumberjack leveled Schneider by accident. "He was trying to save a ball going out of bounds and he went flying over our [press row] table," Schneider remembers. "He tried to jump over me, but instead he knocked me over. He knocked off my headphones and knocked our equipment off the table. I think I said 'shit!' on the air as I was [bowled over]. I was flat on my back, stunned for about 10-15 seconds."

Then there was that little misunderstanding with Idaho basketball coach Tim Floyd, who accosted Schneider in his motel room in Moscow. "He refused to do our pregame show in Boise and I complained to his athletic director," Schneider recalls. "Later, when we were in Moscow, Floyd came to my motel room, and boy was he mad! He was angry because I had gone to his boss. I asked him, 'Did I lie? Did I exaggerate? All I did was tell him you wouldn't do the interview.' He said, 'OK, I'm here this time, let's do the goddamn interview!' That was pretty strange."

Despite the occasional abuse, Schneider, 54, says he will miss the homespun charm of the Big Sky, but at the same time BSU's move to the Big West "is like getting a new job without having to move."

What he won't miss is the inclement weather that is part of Big Sky country in the winter.

"I mean, who wouldn't opt for Southern California over Bozeman, Mont., in January?" he asks. "Besides, when their teams win, the fans in Bozeman like to hang around after the game, especially when they beat Boise State, because they like to rub it in. They actually wait around after the game until the visiting broadcaster is off the air so they can insult you some more."

Yes, what a long, strange trip it's been.
During the early 1970s, in the years just after Boise State joined the Big Sky Conference, there is no doubt that football was king. Playing in brand-new Bronco Stadium before overflow crowds, the football team dominated the conference, and you could plan your Novembers around the postseason playoffs. The concrete was barely dry from the original construction when Bronco Stadium had to be expanded.

Meanwhile, the basketball team performed with marginal success in front of a handful of faithful fans in the limited (3,500-seat capacity) confines of Bronco Gym. So, even though that old gym was almost full, only a few thousands were on hand for the last game of the 1975-76 basketball season to see “the shot” that finally brought BSU its first Big Sky basketball championship.

Led by Borah graduate Steve Connor, a sophomore guard, and senior center Pat Hoke, the Broncos had a fine season, but entering the last game — at home against Montana — they needed a win to finish with a 9-4 conference record and tie Weber State for the regular-season conference championship.

The game was close. With five seconds to go, Montana was ahead 66-65 and had the ball. A Grizzly turnover gave the Broncos the ball at half court with three seconds remaining. Timeout Boise State. Bronco coach Bus Connor, Steve’s dad, designed a screen play to get Steve open for an inbound pass from guard Terry Miller. The play didn’t work as planned but Miller and Connor made eye contact and Steve received the pass near the sideline, some 35 feet from the basket.

He caught the ball, turned and launched a jump shot. As they say in the jargon of the game today, “nothing but net.” The buzzer sounded. Broncos 67, Montana 66. The young Broncos — two other sophomores, forwards Trent Johnson and Dan Jones, also started — had brought Boise State a share of the conference championship.

The first person to reach Steve Connor on the floor was his elated dad. As the father wrapped his son in a massive hug, I was standing there thinking, “Our photographer has already left. He is missing an award-winning picture.” It was also an embrace between a son who turned down scholarship offers from some major basketball powers in the West to stay home and play for his father.

BSU lost a coin toss with Weber State and had to travel to Ogden, Utah, for the conference tournament the next week. The Broncos defeated Idaho State in the opening round 93-81 and faced Weber State in the tournament championship game the next night. Weber State, with its home-court advantage and long history of
basketball excellence, was favored. But the Broncos won 77-70 in double overtime and went on to the NCAA championships. Steve Connor's 25-foot shot as time expired in regulation play sent the game into the first overtime.

It would be well into the next decade before the Broncos would win their second Big Sky basketball championship. The 1988 team played before crowds of more than 10,000 in a Pavilion that rivals in majesty the nearby football stadium. Next to the Pavilion stands the old gym, where a sophomore guard from Boise produced, at least for me, the highlight moment in BSU's Big Sky basketball history.

Rod Hunt is publications manager in the Corporate Communications Department of Morrison-Knudsen in Boise. As a sportswriter and sports editor of the Idaho Statesman and later as a stringer for UPI, he covered Boise State and Big Sky athletics for almost 15 years.

Weather or Not

By Quane Kenyon

It seems like some of the strongest memories of Boise State and the Big Sky Conference involve bad weather, such as the game against Grambling in the semifinals of the Division I-AA playoffs in December of 1980. The Broncos beat a team that I thought had superior talent, 14-9, in a game played with temperatures in the low teens. The next week, Boise State beat Eastern Kentucky to win the national championship.

The next time BSU made it to the national championship game was 1994, and it was cold and rainy during two of the three playoff victories at home. That included what I remember as the greatest comeback in 22 years of watching Boise State, the 28-24 victory over Marshall. I mean, how much worse can it get when you trail 24-7 against a good team and your quarterback limps off the field injured? I still can't believe what happened next — little-used quarterback Mark Paljetak coming in to throw a quick TD pass and hold the fort until Tony Hilde returned.

Of course, the most spectacular single play has to be the shot Steve Connor made in 1976. In the old Bronco Gym, BSU trailed by a point against Montana in a game the team had to win to get into the Big Sky tournament. With just a couple of seconds left, Connor took the inbounds pass at midcourt, took a couple of steps and cut loose. Swish. That led to Boise State's first Big Sky basketball crown a week later. Only Steve Connor would have been brash enough to try the shot — and talented enough to make it.

Not all of the sharp Big Sky memories were in Boise. BSU was at Pocatello in 1992 and had the game won with about 20 seconds left. But then the Bengals pulled the famous “Globe of Death,” as well executed a trick play as you'll ever see. It seemed inevitable after that they would score and win the game.

Trips to Pocatello (you can't see the sidelines) to Ogden (nobody comes to watch the home team) and Moscow (they are too rude) over the years made me enjoy the Big Sky games in Bronco Stadium more than ever.

Quane Kenyon has covered Boise State and the Big Sky for Associated Press since 1973. He has missed only five home football games during that time.
"What did you do that for?"

"I just quit smoking ..."

I had to change something."

Not a Pipe Dream

By Tom Scott

It was a dark and stormy night. OK — it wasn't stormy. But it was typically frigid for Flagstaff, Ariz., at the end of January. About as cold as Boise State's 1985-86 basketball team was from the floor all season. And this game would be the standard.

The Broncos had just lost to Northern Arizona 78-42, which still stands (and now will forever) as BSU's biggest Big Sky Conference loss. The team could not hit the ocean, and — worse yet — did not play the defense so methodically taught by head coach Bobby Dye and his "Minister of Defense," Rod Jensen.

Outside the Walkup Skydome after the game, Dye was exasperated. I was Paul J. Schneider's color commentator on KBOI Radio at the time, and Dye asked us if he could catch a ride back to Phoenix in our rental car. He said he wasn't particularly thrilled about a 2 1/2-hour bus ride with a bunch of guys who ... well, he wasn't particularly thrilled with.

Paul and I looked at each other — knowing every bit of Bobby's frustration was about to be unloaded on us.

So we pulled out of Flagstaff with Bobby in the back seat. He cracked the rear window, pulled a pouch of tobacco out of the pocket of his warmup suit, and lit up his pipe.

As he puffed away, Dye detailed his anxiety in this, his fourth year as head coach at Boise State. He said he'd been able to turn around every program he'd taken over and wondered why it hadn't happened here.

He talked about recruiting — how he and his staff had set their sights high and had narrowly lost some blue-chippers to programs such as Arizona, Washington and Wyoming.

He decried unfounded rumors from a booster that one prize recruit he did land, true-freshman guard Chris Childs, was going to transfer.

He hinted that he'd give it one more year at BSU — and if there wasn't a turnaround by then, he'd leave.

Somewhere around Camp Verde, halfway down into the Valley of the Sun, the mostly one-sided conversation stopped. I turned around to look at Bobby — then leaned over toward Paul J. and said, "He's asleep!"

When we rolled into Phoenix, Schneider pulled into a convenience store to pick up a racing form. (Turf Paradise, you know.)

I sat there waiting and heard the back door open. Dye had awakened. He walked over to the trash can, pulled the pipe tobacco out of one pocket, and tossed it in. Out his other pocket came the pipe, and it went, too. Then he got back in the car.

"What did you do that for?" I asked.

"I just quit smoking," Bobby replied.

"Right now?" I said.

"I had to change something."

Something changed, indeed. The Broncos finished the grueling Flagstaff-Reno road swing by taking Nevada to the wire before losing by six.

From there, BSU went 5-3 the rest of the regular season, avenging the embarrassment at NAU with a 58-52 shocker over league-leading Lumberjacks in the Pavilion finale.

The 1986-87 season dashed any thoughts of a Dye departure. It was a storybook campaign. By mid-January, the Broncos had already racked up 12 wins — as many as the entire 1985-86 season.

Childs and fellow holdovers Eric Hays and Jeff Kelley combined with newcomers Arnell Jones, Doug Ustaloo, Gregg Dodd, Wilson Foster and Jeff Foster to give Dye the team he had been waiting for. The first of three straight 20-win seasons led to BSU's first bid to the NIT, where the Broncos stunned Utah in the first round.

Bobby would win 175 games at BSU after that fateful Arizona car ride, taking Boise State to three Big Sky championships with three NCAA Tournament appearances. And he still hasn't bought a new pipe.

Tom Scott, an account executive at KTVB, has covered BSU sports for radio and television since 1971. He was the Bronco Stadium announcer 1974-84 and has been color commentator for KTVB's football telecasts for the past nine seasons. He also researches and maintains BSU's football record book.
On the Air

By Paul J. Schneider

I started doing play-by-play for Boise State with the first game of the 1973 season, but I traveled with the team for a couple of seasons preceeding that. My biggest claim to fame up until my play-by-play career began was the fact that I was in the elevated at Memorial Stadium in Portland when Ron Autel hit “Winky” Marshall for the longest touchdown reception in BSU history.

The roar of the crowd told me that something important was happening in an otherwise boring 33-7 win. That 1972 game was also the only time I can recall a penalty being called on a TV executive (KTVB’s Bob Krueger) for mouthing off to an official on the Bronco sideline.

Boise State lost to Idaho 22-21 to end the 1972 season, but the Broncos would not lose another Big Sky Conference game until the Vandals beat them to open the 1976 season nearly four years later. The Broncos were perfect in ‘73 and ‘74 and had only a 31-31 tie with the Vandals to blemish their conference mark in 1975. Tony Knap had his squad kick a field goal on third down in the Kibbie Dome in the tie game. Knap mistakenly thought it was fourth down, although he won’t admit it.

Those three seasons without a loss didn’t exactly endear BSU to the rest of the conference. The Broncos were a loosey goosey outfit in those days with long hair, blue jeans and basically, an attitude. BSU made the Division II playoffs all three of those years and would show up in casual dress at various banquets while their opposition sported suit coats and ties.

Jim Criner, another guy with an attitude, took over the head coaching job from the saintly Knap in 1976 and went 5-5-1, 3-3 in the conference. Despite the mediocre record, Criner had already laid the groundwork for his national champions of 1980.

In the early years the football fields in the Big Sky were rural in appearance. Montana and Montana State sported fields that high school teams in Idaho would scoff at.

Dornblaser Stadium in Missoula was a windswept pile of warped boards held together by promises of things to come. Lumberjack Stadium in Flagstaff, Ariz., had big steel girders hanging down in the sight lines of those trying to do play-by-play.

Neale Stadium in Moscow was usually unplayable after the second game of the season. Wildcat Stadium in Ogden had lights so dim it was hard to see inside the 20-yard lines during night games. Only Wildcat Stadium remains, and the lighting problem has been fixed.

Idaho State’s Minidome, Idaho’s Kibbie Dome, and Northern Arizona’s Walkup Skydome changed the face of football in the conference. Rifle-armed quarterbacks threw to mini-receivers in spread formations and the running attacks of Boise State and Nevada were basically gone. Fewer bad-weather games gave the fly guys the advantage and soon Montana and Boise State began to fill the air with footballs. The Broncos returned to the days of Knap, finishing second in the nation in 1994 while Montana won it all with a tiny team last season.

Basketball followed the same evolution. Bronco Gym in Boise, Wildcat Gym in Ogden, Memorial Gym in Moscow, Lumberjack Gym in Flagstaff and Reed Gym in Pocatello were all up close and personal.

As an example, I remember Tom DeBerry of Northern Arizona going out the door on the left side of the baseline at Bronco Gym, then running through the lobby and returning through the right-hand door, catching a pass and making a basket. It was waived off by the officials, but it was an amusing sequence nonetheless. Things like that just don’t happen anymore. Is that a bad thing? I think so. ☺

Paul J. Schneider has been the “Voice of the Broncos” on Boise radio station KBOI since 1973. He hosts a popular morning show on KBOI and is also the announcer at Les Bois race track.

In Memory

By Scott Peyron

A friend obviously unfamiliar with my golf game invited me to play in the Jim Poore Memorial scholarship golf tournament.

Of course, much of the day was spent reminiscing about the many lovable qualities of my deceased friend and Idaho Statesman colleague.

I don’t believe it is overstating to say that Jim Poore was as central to the Big Sky as Tony Knap or Spokane’s Harry Missildine, the sports writer who, back in the early ‘60s, actually thought up the name for the new league. He was more significant than Chris Ault or Mike Machurek or Larry Krystkowiak or any number of coaches or athletes who distinguished themselves on fields of play in the Big Sky.

That’s why I wish Jim could have been the one to be asked to do a short recollection of the Big Sky Conference. But he is part of history, now. So I’ll try to muddle through, carrying, I hope, Jimmy’s proxy.

I mentioned Missildine and Knap and Ault, Machurek and Krystko. That is really what the Big Sky Conference has been: an endlessly fascinating collection of characters flashing through our memories on their way to somewhere else. Come to think of it, that’s what life is.

Let’s see what flashes these names conjure up for you:

Lidiya Varbonova ... Bill Kollar ... Dave Dickinson ... Ken Hobart ... Jerry Davitch, for that matter.

Amber Welty ... Kipp Bedard ... Bus and Steve Connor ... Jake and Ed Jacoby ... Chris Childs ... Dennis Erickson ...

Frank Hawkins ... Derrick “Boss Hog” Kennard ... Ron Boone ... Micheal Ray Richardson ... Dave Comstock ... Eastern Washington University (I draw a blank, too.)

Shannon Cate ... Ray McDonald ... Pete Mandley ... Willie Sojourner ... Dan O’Brien ... Carl Lawson ... Steve Hayes and Jeff Cook ... Angela Chalmers ... Shannon Butler ... Lawrence Butler ... Roger Ruzek ...

Cedric Minter ... Jim McMillan ... Ed “The Flea” Bell ... Jerry Hendren ... Jan Stenerud ... Lawrence Butler ... John Rade ...

Brian Kellerman ...

You take it from here ... Jud Heathcote ... Tree Green ... ☺

Scott Peyron is the principal of a public relations firm based in Boise. In the 1970s and ‘80s, he covered Big Sky sports as a writer and columnist for the Idaho Statesman and other publications.
When in Rome, Odahl posed beneath the remains of the statue of Constantine the Great in the atrium of the Conservators Museum. The statue dates to 312 A.D.

ANCIENT HISTORY BROUGHT TO LIFE

By Victor Whitman

Unlocking the mysterious world of the ancients requires good detective work.

A passing reference buried within a dusty text, the insignia on a coin, an old column or foundation, bits and pieces scattered here and there throughout the centuries—clues meaning nothing on their own—can together form a complete picture.

But it takes a scholar like Charles Odahl, professor of history and classical languages and a man worthy of a Raymond Chandler detective novel, to put the clues together.

Odahl, a professor at BSU since 1975, is a classical scholar, archaeologist and adventurer. He is a leading authority on the early Christian period, in particular the life and times of Constantine the Great, the first Christian Roman emperor and arguably the person most responsible for establishing Christianity as the dominant religion in the West.

Believing that God had helped him defeat Maxentius, the usurper, at the Battle of Mulvian Bridge, Constantine the Great converted to Christianity in 312 A.D.

Following his conversion, he summoned the leading Christian scholars to Rome to educate him on Christian doctrine, and he undertook an ambitious building program in Rome.

"Christians had no public buildings [in Rome] before [Constantine]," Odahl says. "They worshiped in private homes, or underground in catacombs. Constantine brought them out of the catacombs and gave them public places to worship."

Over the past 20 years, Odahl has published two books and numerous articles, has reviewed several articles by leading authorities, led teaching tours to the great cities of the ancient world and lectured throughout the U.S. on the history, religion, literature, art and architecture of the ancient Roman and early Christian periods.

Last year, Odahl published two articles that received national attention among scholars: "The Christian Basilicas of Constantinian Rome," a study reconstructing the eight churches that Constantine built in Rome, and "God and Constantine," an inquiry into the influences Christian scholars had on Constantine shortly after his conversion.

To gather information, Odahl studies the ancient Latin and Greek texts. He also has traveled several times to Rome and Istanbul,
Constantine’s eastern capital, as well as throughout the Mediterranean Basin to view the physical evidence: ancient coins, engravings, drawings and the remnants of the original churches, such as the columns and sidewalls, that remain intact within the rebuilt structures.

"Constantine ruled for 31 years, and he built major structures all over the Roman Empire," Odahl says. "He particularly had an effect on great cities. He is the one who started the Christianization of Rome. He built a new Rome in the east, Constantinople, and he sent his mother to build a Christian Jerusalem."

On one of his adventures, Odahl was led beneath the floor of St. Peter’s basilica in Rome by Bruno Apollonj Ghetti, the famous archaeologist, personal architect and surveyor to the pope, to view the foundations of the old church and the spot where the bones of St. Peter had rested, entombed since the first century A.D., and 30 feet below St. Peter’s high altar.

In the course of his inquiries into the period, Odahl has published several articles on the coinage of the period. He also collects bronze coins, which he has acquired on his trips to Europe, through international dealers and as gifts from fellow scholars and students. He also has collected more than 7,000 slides of early Christian antiquities, one of the largest private collections in the world.

Having published widely on the Christian era, Odahl is now working on a book that will encompass the entire period of Constantine’s reign, a feat yet unattempted by scholars.

He expects to submit the book to the Oxford University Press or another leading publishing house sometime next year.

PROFESSOR SELECTED FOR SERVICE AWARD

A Boise State communication professor’s volunteer work with the Idaho Suicide Prevention Hotline has earned him a coveted Jefferson Award. Peter Wollheim, volunteer director of the statewide hotline, was among four Idaho winners of the public service awards presented annually by KIVI-TV Channel 6 and the American Institute for Public Service.

Wollheim represented Idaho as a delegate to the national awards ceremony in June in Washington, D.C.

As volunteer director, Wollheim recruits and trains volunteers, serves in direct intervention situations, helps raise funds and provides suicide prevention training to health professionals, high school students, teachers and school psychologists throughout the state. He also helps BSU students earn practicum credits through internships with the hotline.
HEMINGWAY'S ATTITUDE TOWARD GENDER? PROF IS HIS DEFENDER

By Melanie Threlkeld McConnell

As a young girl growing up in Austria, BSU English professor Rena Sanderson loved to read the writings of Ernest Hemingway. His use of detail in creating scenes about life in America and its great outdoors captured her attention and imagination.

The fact that in the 1920s he often skied at nearby Schruns ski resort added to his allure.

"When I went to high school in Austria, he was one of the first authors to introduce me to American literature," Sanderson says.

Little did she know that nearly 30 years later as a Hemingway scholar she would be published in The Cambridge Companion to Hemingway, on "Hemingway and Gender History"; or would edit and introduce a collection of essays Blowing the Bridge: Essays on Hemingway and For Whom the Bell Tolls; or would be living in Boise, Idaho, just hours away from the writer's former Ketchum retreat.

Sanderson's interest in the gender aspect of Hemingway's writing emerged from a desire to clarify what she worries is a misunderstanding of his depiction of females and gender issues, a misconception that has caused some people to dismiss his work.

Sanderson's career as a Hemingway scholar has been anything but a bust.

Feminists have criticized his description of women and his macho sexist writing, she says, but his writing — including his sexism — needs to be seen as an expression and a documentation of the times in which he was living, she explains.

"In different stages of his life he reflects different stages in the history of the development of gender roles and attitudes in America."

In her most recently completed article, "Suicide and Literary Biography: The Case of Hemingway," Sanderson examined the narrative strategies that Hemingway'sographers use to resolve the complications posed by his suicide. She collaborated on the project with her husband, Ken Sanderson, also a BSU English professor.

A conference organized by Sanderson in 1989 attracted scholars from throughout the country to BSU to discuss Hemingway's writing of For Whom the Bell Tolls. Sanderson has attended a number of international conferences on Hemingway, including one in Austria and one in Paris — at her own expense. In July she will direct a panel on Hemingway as a naturalist during the Hemingway Society meeting in Sun Valley.

A FASCINATION WITH FRACTIONATION

By Melanie Threlkeld McConnell

Ever wonder what makes Saran Wrap so sturdy, or why paint spreads so easily, or how pollutants travel through the Earth's subsurface? Luckily for us, BSU chemistry professor Martin Schimpf does.

With more than $200,000 in research grants from the National Science Foundation and the Environmental Protection Agency, Schimpf is developing and using a family of techniques known as field-flow fractionation to separate large molecules and particles so they can be measured.

This is important, Schimpf says, because the characteristics of end products such as Saran Wrap depend on molecular size, which we can control.

Field-flow fractionation is a technique where molecules and other materials suspended in a fluid are separated by size as they flow through a channel. The time that each molecule spends in the channel is used to calculate its size.

Schimpf's research is ground-breaking because there is no other technique that can measure the exact size of a molecule, he says.

In one research project, Schimpf is separating molecules in different types of soil to study their interactions with pollutants. This is important for learning how pollutants move through the Earth's subsurface.

For example," Schimpf says, "ground contamination by chlorinated solvents is a growing concern in the Boise area as well as many areas around the country. As these solvents move through the soil and into the groundwater, they become a significant health hazard.

Understanding how such contaminants move through the soil makes it easier to contain and deal with them before they threaten the health of life in the surrounding area.

"We can deal with a chemical leak or spill by either building a barrier around it to contain it or flushing it with safe chemicals to dilute it." In either case, it's important to know what materials work most effectively in moving the pollutants along the Earth's subsurface and why some pollutants remain.

In a separate project, Schimpf is using field-flow fractionation to determine the size and chemical composition of man-made products such as paints and plastics.

"In order to make better paints and plastics the manufacturer has to change something in the process," he says. "That process can be long and complicated, and the consequences of any small change in one step must be monitored carefully.

"In the manufacture of paints and plastics, two important consequences are the molecular size and chemical composition of any ingredients and intermediate products. Field-flow fractionation is a precise tool for measuring those features. So by measuring and controlling the size of molecules, we can make lighter and stronger plastics or paints that stick better and last longer."
We Don’t Just Promise Professionalism. WE DELIVER IT.

At Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, we are committed to providing professional, personalized service to our clients. We understand how frustrating the mortgage process can be, and make every effort to ensure a smooth, hassle-free experience.

A Chase loan officer, who is an expert in mortgage financing and the Boise area, will work with you or your clients from application right through closing. Our application process is easy. And Chase guarantees a loan decision within seven business days of receipt of a completed application package.

Call Chase today and talk to a loan officer about tailoring a Chase mortgage financing program to your objectives.

Call your local Chase office today.

208-375-7225
Andrew Arulanandam's job description is uncomplicated and direct: elect Republicans.

And that's what he goes about doing, day after day, hour after hour as the executive director of Idaho's Republican Party. Arulanandam, a 1992 BSU communication graduate, has been on the job only since last February. But he's already taken the party through a successful primary and organized a smoothly run state convention.

Now, with the election clock ticking toward November, he is living in a world of phone calls, faxes, emergency meetings and late-night strategy sessions. Already, the office is abuzz with traditional election-year activities — mass mailings, phone banks, fund-raisers and media events, all directed toward Republican candidates who range from legislators in Idaho's smallest counties to an incumbent U.S. senator.

Arulanandam expects the central party to raise — and spend — $1 million this year to work for every Republican in the state. It's an awesome responsibility," he says of his new job. "We are working to empower politicians who have a tremendous impact on people's lives and livelihoods."

Despite the Republican sweep in the last statewide election, Arulanandam goes about his business with the earnest approach of an underdog.

"We rode an overwhelming tidal wave in 1994," he says of the last election that left the GOP with every statewide office in Idaho but one. "Idaho is still a Republican state, but '96 isn't going to be as easy."

Arulanandam still shakes his head when he thinks about his rise to the top staff position in the Republican Party. After all, it was only nine short years ago when he stepped off the plane in Boise following a long flight from his homeland of Malaysia. He didn't know a soul in a city he had never visited. He decided to attend BSU sight unseen because it was small enough that he could get to know the professors and its tuition rate was low.

"Sometimes you've got to take a chance... I certainly have no regrets," he says of his decision to attend Boise State. He has returned to his homeland only twice.

Arulanandam found a niche in the Student Activities office and developed mentor relationships with Student Union director Greg Blaeing and former alumni director Krista Geddes, during those student days. She graduated in 1991 and is now working at Hewlett-Packard.

Arulanandam first involvement in partisan politics came in 1992 when he helped organize the College Republican organization to support Boise Mayor Dirk Kempthorne's U.S. Senate campaign. After graduation that spring he was hired by the Kempthorne campaign, where he was the "wagonmaster" who organized a statewide bus tour.

"I didn't know much about the American political system, but I liked what I saw," he says about that first campaign experience. He was hired as finance director of Phil Batt's campaign for governor in 1994. After Batt's election, he worked on international trade issues for the governor until the job opened with the Republican Party. Only age 28, he was selected over seven finalists.

After working on two high-octane campaigns where his candidates staged come-from-behind victories, Arulanandam says he took the party post because he missed the dynamics of campaigning.

"No two days are alike. And every election is new... new issues and new candidates. You can never take anything for granted."

Arulanandam gets plenty of help from the last two Republican directors, both of whom were students at Boise State. He is a long-time friend of Mike Reynoldson, a 1990 grad who was party executive during the 1994 election and is now managing Sen. Larry Craig's re-election campaign. Reynoldson took over the Republican post from Jeff Malmen, who attended BSU and is now Batt's chief of staff.

Arulanandam realizes he is in a high-risk, high-reward situation. "There is always a wealth of people willing to give advice," he says, laughing about the variety of opinions he receives from the party faithful.

Arulanandam's rise to the top staff position in the Republican Party isn't without a touch of irony: He has yet to vote in his first election.

Not that he doesn't want to. But he can't vote because he is still a citizen of Malaysia. He has filed his naturalization papers, and has high hopes they can be processed in time for the November election.

"I've worked to empower a lot of Republicans, but I've never been able to give my ultimate endorsement. It will mean a lot when I can do that," he says.

Perhaps because of Arulanandam's immigrant status, there isn't a trace of cynicism in his enthusiasm for the American political system.

"I am still a little idealistic about it. But I am living the American dream. "People who don't think this is the land of opportunity can look at me," he says. "I've worked on campaigns for a senator and governor. Nowhere else in the world could this happen."

"I believe with my heart and soul in this country."
BUSINESS GRADS WORK TRANSPORTATION MIRACLES AT OLYMPICS

By Eddie Jeffers

The Atlanta Olympics aren't all fun and games for '96 international business graduate Oyvind "Eddie" Jordhoy.

While people all over the world watch the Olympics from the comfort of their living rooms, Jordhoy, a native of Norway, will be helping to make the huge event a smooth production. As one of the transportation coordinators for NBC Sports, Jordhoy sees that hundreds of sports personalities and production personnel get from point A to point B on time, hundreds of times daily.

Atlanta is not Jordhoy's first brush with the grit behind the glory of the Olympics. Jordhoy transferred to BSU from Tri-State University in Indiana for the international business program and Boise's access to outdoor sports. He took a semester off in 1994 to work in his homeland with CBS Sports during the Winter Games in Lillehammer, also doing transportation coordination.

"I just wanted to be involved. It was the area I grew up in and a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to be a part of the Olympics. I was hired on the basis that I knew the local area and because of my language skills," says the native of Hamar, site of the ice skating events.

In Lillehammer, he met NBC's Bryant Gumble, speed skater Dan Jansen and, yes, even David Letterman's mom. "Anyone who needed transportation had to go through us," he says.

Jordhoy returned to BSU to finish his degree, did an internship through the Department of Commerce with Hartford Communications. "It's a great opportunity to begin to work on your network. It's hard to describe — it's a crazy, crazy job. It's taking care of 2,000 people and getting them from A to B at any time."

Jordhoy's aim was to be involved with the ultimate sports event, but it offers him a chance to expand their worldwide networks. "It doesn't really fit in with what I'm most likely going to do, but I get to meet a lot of people and a lot of people who know a lot of people," says Jordhoy, who plans to return to Idaho in the spring to launch European operations for Hartford Communications.

BUSU international business grads Eddie Jordhoy and Jason Housel ready for the Olympics to start.

A PRESCRIPTION FOR TIME MANAGEMENT

By Jackie Schnupp

Today, the miracle of modern medical technology almost guarantees that Americans will lead longer and healthier lives than in the past. Ironically, a substantial number of those miraculous extra minutes of life now seem to be spent in the waiting rooms of doctor's offices and hospitals in anticipation of treatment.

Fortunately, Sherry Delio (AS, nursing, '74) is working to change that system.

As director of practice management at Seattle's Virginia Mason Medical Center (VMMC) for the past six years, Delio makes it her business to "measure" work at the medical center, with the goal of improving efficiency, thereby making procedures easier and less time-consuming for patients.

Her efforts have proven so effective that she has written a book called The Making of an Efficient Physician. Delio's aim was to create an easy-to-read manual that would provide tools and methods of improvement for physicians and their practices.

Physicians often abruptly come face-to-face with the need for change, and just as often, stubbornly resist it, says Delio. In her book, she challenges their preconceived notions. She has discovered that initial skepticism to change gives way to acceptance, not to mention a long waiting list of departments requesting and eagerly awaiting her review.

Dr. Gary Kaplan, chief division of satellites at VMMC, says that Delio's guiding principles "have resulted in major improvements in efficiency, service and satisfaction."

"In the rush to reorganize the business side of a medical center, everyone seems to forget about the patients," she says. "I believe helping the physicians make their practice easier helps make us successful as an organization."

As a national speaker on outpatient operations, Delio has consulted with more than 100 different physicians on various practice management issues.

After graduating from BSU Delio earned her B.S. in nursing from the University of Phoenix and a master's in public administration and health services administration from the University of San Francisco. She was hired as a consultant at VMMC in 1990.

Delio will soon leave the Seattle hospital to accept a job as administrator at Mercy Integrated Health in Phoenix.
**Alumni in Touch**

Our policy is to print as much "In Touch" information as possible. Send your letters to the BSU Alumni Association, 1910 University Drive, Boise, Idaho 83725 or e-mail bsualum@bsu.idbsu.edu. In addition, if you know someone who would make a good feature story in our "Alumnotes" section, contact the office of New Services at the same address.

---

### 50s

**CAROL HELEN (BERRY) LANDELL**, AA, general arts and sciences, '54, retired from the Redlands Unified School System in Redlands, Calif., after 25 years. She taught elementary-school-age gifted and talented students. She was honored as an outstanding teacher in 1993 by the Redlands Educational Partnership Foundation.

### 60s

**FRANK M. ARANA**, BA, general business, '68, was named Branch Manager of the Year for 1995 for West One Bank. Arana is manager of the bank's Buhl branch. He has been with the bank since 1968.

### 70s

**FRED E. FRASER**, MA, art/secondary education, '70, was selected outstanding elementary art teacher for 1995-96 for the state of Washington. Fraser teaches at Jason Lee Elementary in Richland.

**DENNIS E. GRIFFIN**, BA, social science/secondary education, '70, recently received his doctorate in adult education from the University of Idaho. Griffin is a division manager for the BSU College of Technology and manages BSU's Canyon County Center.

**STEVEN TESTER**, BBA, marketing, '70, has been named area president of Nampa Community Banking for First Security Bank. Tester joined the bank in 1970.

**MICHAEL L. RAWLS**, BA, general business, '71, has been designated a certified management accountant by the Institute of Certified Management Accountants. Rawls works in Morrison Knudsen Corp.'s finance department in Boise.

**LINDA KAY ALLEN**, BA, social science, '72, is an administrative secretary in the honors program office at Boise State University. Allen has worked at BSU for 10 years.

**DENNIS H. MCDOWELL**, BA, general business, '72, and his wife **JODIE MCDOWELL**, BBA, business education/administrative service, '76, recently received the Northwest Regional Small Business of the Year Award from the Boise Area Chamber of Commerce. The McDowells own Trend Beauty Products, a Boise-based wholesale beauty products and supply store.

**MARGARET A. TYLER**, BA, English/secondary education, '72, demonstrates spinning and weaving to local schools in LaMesa, Calif. Tyler previously worked as a dental office administrator for 20 years.

**DANIEL B. COFFMAN**, BA, theatre arts, '73, owns and operates Backstage Entertainment Co. and is part owner of Club West in Pocatello. Coffman previously booked performers for Entertainment Solutions in Oregon.

**LINDA L. (TELEEN) KASTNER**, BA, English/secondary education, '73, is branch manager for Continental Savings Bank in Seattle.

**MICHAEL D. NISHIKAWA**, BBA, general business, '73, is a distribution manager with A1M International in Nampa. Nishikawa has 21 years of experience in inventory management and warehousing.

**KARIN JEAN BRASCH**, BA, English/secondary education, '74, is regional sales director with TCI Advertising Sales in Seattle.

**HENRY N. HENSCHIED**, BS, political science, '75, has received the Arthur Rubloff Memorial Award from the United Cerebral Palsy Association. Henscheid owns a consulting business specializing in the Americans with Disabilities Act.

**GLUEN E. KRAUSS**, BBA, general business, '75, is a registered dietetic technician at Munroe Regional Medical Center in Florida. Krauss recently retired from the U.S. Navy after 22 years. He served in Desert Shield in 1990.

---

**JAROCKI HELPS REINVENT GOVERNMENT**

By Brian Chess

Politicians may talk about reinventing government, but Bill Jarocki takes action. He even received an award from Vice President Al Gore for his efforts to help Idaho communities deal with unfunded mandates.

Jarocki, a 1995 graduate of BSU's master's of public administration program, works for the Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) at the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. As chief of the research and analysis bureau, he supervised the DEQ's participation in an innovative project that was designed to help small Idaho communities comply with state and federal environmental mandates.

This experiment, called the "Idaho Cumulative Mandates Pilot Projects," was started in 1993. After receiving approval from the Legislature, it is now a permanent task for the DEQ. For this achievement, Jarocki was selected by Gore to receive the National Performance Review Award, commonly known as the "Hammer," which signifies excellence in the reinvention of government.

Originally from Chicago, Jarocki earned a sociology degree from Northwestern University in 1975. He later moved to Indianapolis for seven years before arriving in Boise in 1983.

Nine years later, Jarocki decided to finish his graduate work in public administration at BSU.

BSU's MPA program helped him meld theory with practical knowledge.

---

**VERNON "MIKE" EVERETT**, MBA, '76, is deputy director of agriculture with the Idaho Department of Agriculture in Boise. Everett previously worked as director of administration at Boise Cascade Corp. for 15 years.

**CAROL L. GREEN**, MA, education/curriculum and instruction, '77, is director of development with the Columbia-Willamette Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association in Portland, Ore.

**JAMES K. HOOKANO**, BBA, real estate, '77, is president of Morning Sun Shirt Co. in Orange County, Calif.

**MARILYN (TATE) SHULER**, MPA, '77, received the Anti-Defamation League's regional humanitarian award. Shuler is executive director of the Idaho Human Rights Commission in Boise.

**RAYMOND HOWARD STEVENS**, BBA, management/behavioral option, '77, is a product manager for Boise Cascade Corp. in Boise.

**SUZANNE L. (BRault) WEBSTER**, BA, communication, '77, works for Boise Family Magazine.

**PAMELA JOY KALBFLIECH**, BA, communication, '78, has been named 1996 Adviser of the Year and also received the 1996 Meritorious...
independent study

Wouldn't It Be Nice to Earn Some College Credits at Home? On Your Time Table?

Independent Study in Idaho offers 150 fully accredited college and graduate courses.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & YOUR FREE CATALOG, CALL 208.885.6641 or fax us at 208.885.5738

e-mail us at <indepst@uidaho.edu>

On-Line Catalog:
http://www.uidaho.edu/indep-study/

COLLEGE CREDITS AT YOUR CONVENIENCE

Boise State is Taking Off! To Division 1-A Big West Football

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!
Call The Athletic Ticket Office 385-1285

Research Award at the University of Wyoming in Laramie. Kolb-Hitsch is an associate professor of communication.

JOHANN C. KRBUGER, BBA, finance, '78, has been named regional president of Northwest Community Banking Services at First Security Bank in Boise. Krueger also recently received the Tribute to Women and Industry (TWI) award sponsored by the YWCA.

GAE D. EBROW, MA, education/curriculum and instruction, '78, received an Idaho PeaceMaker Award from the Peaceful Settlements Foundation. The award recognizes groups or individuals who are role models for others through the use of compromise and fairness to work out differences. Ebrow is a teacher with the Caldwell School District.

CYNTHIA M. ROYER-SMILY, BS, physical education/secondary education, '78, is a licensed social worker with Rock Creek Rehabilitation and Medical in Twin Falls. Royer-Smiley also works part-time as an investigator for Family and Children's Services and previously was a juvenile justice case manager in Jerome.

BARBARA JAINN WILLIAMS, BA, English/liberal arts, '78, is the author of a guide book titled Britain One Way, illustrated by her husband, Dwight Williams. They live in Meridian.

80s

DORIS (LORI) SUTTON, MBA, '81, has received a Tribute to Women and Industry award (TWI) from the Boise YWCA. Sutton is currently vice president/manager at First Interstate Bank in Boise and serves on the board of the BSU Alumni Association.

RODGER D. BATES, BS, physical education, '81, teaches in the physical education department at Lane Community College in Eugene, Ore.

ROGER L. CHRISTENSEN, BBA, accounting, '81, is vice president of the Bank of the Cascades in Bend, Ore. Christensen also is chairman of Deschutes County United Way.

BERNICE L. MONTICH, BFA, art, '81, and Roy Montich celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 22, 1998. They live in Donnelly.

ALICE (MURDOCH) SCHNEE, BA, physical education, '81, recently participated in the 100th Boston Marathon.

KENNETH J. STARK, BBA, finance, '81, is president and owner of Four C's Distributing in Reno, Nev. Stark recently retired from IBM.

CINDY P. (PETTERSON) WILSON, BA, political science, '81, is a high school teacher in Orofino.

BERNADIA FOSTER, MPA, '82, has received the Idaho State American Association of University Women Service Award. Foster has served as AAWW's public policy chair for two years.

RICHARD "LEE" BEAN, BA, psychology, '83, is safety and service training manager at Intermountain Gas in Boise. Bean joined the company in 1971 as a service technician.

BIRTHA A. (AGUIRRE) RUIZ, BS, nursing, '83, recently completed a post-doctoral fellowship in nursing research at Stanford University Hospital in California. Ruiz is a clinical pathway and outcomes-coordinator at St. Luke's Hospital in San Francisco.

TERESA L. (MILLER) BALLY, BA, elementary education, '84, teaches seventh-grade language
ARTS - ALSO IS COORDINATOR OF THE DRUG FREE SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR THE KELLOGG SCHOOL DISTRICT AND COACHES DRILL TEAM AND TRACK AT KELLOGG HIGH SCHOOL.

WESLEY B. BETTS JR., BS, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, '84, IS CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER WITH THOMAS DEVELOPMENT CO. IN BOISE. BETTS RECENTLY WAS APPROVED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CONSTRUCTORS.

BRYAN K. FLAKE, MBA, '84, HAS RECEIVED CERTIFICATION AS A HUMAN RESOURCES SENIOR PROFESSIONAL FROM THE HUMAN RESOURCE CERTIFICATION INSTITUTE. HE IS A HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER WITH AMERICAN MICROSYSTEMS IN BOISE AND HAS WORKED IN THE HUMAN RESOURCES FIELD FOR 12 YEARS.

SCOTT W. GRAHAM, BFA, ART, '84, RECENTLY WON THE T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST FOR THE 1996 NATIVE OLDTIME FIDDLERS' CONTEST AND FESTIVAL IN WEAVER. GRAHAM IS OWNER OF FIREWATER ATTACK TEAM AND DOES A VARIETY OF CUSTOM ART PROJECTS. HE LIVES IN WEAVER.

RANDY L. JONES, BS, GEOLOGY, '84, WORKS FOR FIBER OPTIC TECHNOLOGIES IN SACRAMENTO, CALIF. JONES IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SALES AND DESIGN OF LARGE DATA SYSTEMS.

JOHN THOMAS KALANGE, BS, PRE-DENTAL, '84, SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE EXAMINATION FOR CERTIFICATION BY THE AMERICAN BOARD OF ORTHODONTICS. KALANGE RECEIVED HIS DENTAL DEGREE FROM CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY IN OMAHA, NEB., AND HAS AN ORTHODONTIC PRACTICE IN BOISE.


REBECCA AHN (COOPER) BROADBENT, BA, POLITICAL SCIENCE, '85, IS AN ATTORNEY WITH ELAM & BURKE P.A. IN BOISE. BROADBENT'S PRACTICE FOCUSES ON CIVIL LITIGATION AND INSURANCE LAW, INSURANCE DEFENSE AND WORKER'S COMPENSATION DEFENSE. SHE ALSO IS A VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY FOR COURT-APPOINTED GUARDIANS AD LITEM THROUGH THE FAMILY ADVOCATE PROGRAM.

MICHELLE L. (SHAW) CAVES, BBA, FINANCE, '85, IS A VICE PRESIDENT AND PRIVATE BANKING OFFICER FOR WEST ONE BANK, IDAHO. CAVES HAS BEEN WITH THE BANK SINCE 1985 AND HAS WORKED IN THE CREDIT EXAMINATION DEPARTMENT AND DEALER BANKING CENTER.

DONN L. DURGAN, BBA, REAL ESTATE, '85, IS VICE PRESIDENT OF REAL ESTATE LENDING FOR FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF IDAHO. DURGAN SUPERVISES THE RESIDENTIAL LENDING CENTERS AT COEUR D'ALENE AND LEWISTON AND SERVES AS A MEMBER OF THE BANK'S SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM.

LAURENCE A. LAVERY, BA, POLITICAL SCIENCE, '85, IS A FILM AND TELEVISION ACTOR IN LOS ANGELES.

MARK A. LASNICK, BM, MUSIC/SECONDARY EDUCATION, '86, WAS NAMED TEACHER OF THE YEAR AT MINIDOKA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT IN RUPERT. LASNICK TEACHES AT EAST MINICO JUNIOR HIGH.

DEBORAH M. EISINGER, MA, EDUCATION CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION, '87, TEACHES ADULT STORYTELLING WORKSHOPS AT THE COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN IDAHO IN TWIN FALLS AND AT THE HAILEY WELLNESS CENTER IN HAILEY. EISINGER PREVIOUSLY TAUGHT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR 15 YEARS.

EDWARD R. HANSON, BA, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, '87, IS SECRETARY FOR THE FUEL ACCOUNTING AND PAYMENTS DIVISION OF THE DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE-COLUMBUS CENTER IN OHIO.

LIAE MICHELLE LEMONS, BBA, ACCOUNTING, '87, HAS BEEN NAMED ACCOUNTANT ADVISOR OF THE YEAR BY THE BOISE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. LEMONS IS A SELF-EMPLOYED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT.

JOEL K. RYAN, MBA, '87, IS PROSECUTING ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY OF POST FALLS. RYAN PREVIOUSLY WORKED IN THE KOOTENAI COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE.

MARIA D. (BAUTISTA) GLODOWSKI, BA, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, '88, RECEIVED AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN SCIENCE DEGREE IN COURT REPORTING FROM GATEWAY COLLEGE IN PHOENIX, ARIZ.

SHERRY L. GORRELL, BBA, MARKETING, '88, IS ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DOWNTOWN NAMPA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION. GORRELL OWNS OLD TOWNE ANTIQUE MALL AND COFFEE HOUSE IN NAMPA.

JEFFREY V. ULMER, BS, SOCIOLOGY, '88, HAS BEEN ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE TREASURE VALLEY CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN PRODUCTION AND INVENTORY CONTROL SOCIETY. ULMER CURRENTLY WORKS FOR DARIGOLD INC. IN BOISE.

MONA L. BROOKS, BBA, GENERAL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT, '89, IS A CLERICAL UNIT SUPERVISOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE IN BOISE.

BRUCE A. KLEIN, BS, POLITICAL SCIENCE, '89, IS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE NEW YORK FOREIGN LANGUAGE SCHOOL IN DAE GU, KOREA.

JEFFREY D. MILLER, BA, POLITICAL SCIENCE, '89, RECENTLY RECEIVED THE ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL. MILLER IS A BATTALION LOGISTICS OFFICER ASSIGNED TO THE 103RD MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BATTALION IN WURZBURG, GERMANY.

KENNETH EUGENE OVERTURF, BS, BIOLOGY, '89, PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE ON HEPATIC (LIVER) GENE THERAPY IN NATURE GENETICS, MARCH 1996. OVERTURF LIVES IN RENO, NEV.

SANFORD'S SUCCESS? IT'S IN THE BANK

By Brian Chess

Brenda Sanford has gone far in a short time in the banking business. In just 10 years, the 1984 BSU graduate has risen from part-time teller to chief financial officer.

Sanford, a native of Paul, was recently named vice president and chief financial officer at D.L. Evans Bank in Burley.

Her duties at D.L. Evans now include investments, budgeting, and financial reporting to the State Department of Finance, Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., bank management and board of directors. She also is supervising the bank's recent expansion efforts. Since Sanford joined D.L. Evans Bank, she has been involved with the growth of the bank's gross assets from $24 million to $118 million.

She credits her classes at Boise State with preparing her for her new position. "I really liked the business program at the time," says Sanford, a 1980 graduate of Minico High School.

Initially an accounting major, she switched to economics and finance classes after consulting with her adviser. Soon afterward, Sanford decided to pursue a career in banking.

After graduation Sanford went off to a fast start in banking with a job as an operations assistant at the Citizens National Bank in Boise. Two years later, she moved back to the Magic Valley area where D.L. Evans Bank hired her as a part-time teller. By 1991, she was promoted to cashier.

During that time, she improved her knowledge of the banking industry by completing several seminars and American Institute of Banking courses.

As for future career opportunities, Sanford says, "I am not looking too far ahead but concentrating on my new responsibilities." She's also enjoying the time she spends with her husband, Terry, and their son, Zachary.

90s

DAVID PAUL GOFF, BBA, MANAGEMENT ENTREPRENEURIAL, '90, IS SALES MANAGER OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN STEEL IN NAMPA.


KEVIN DEWAYNE SATTERLEE, BS, POLITICAL SCIENCE, '90, IS DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE CONTRACTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW DIVISION IN THE IDAHO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE. SATTERLEE WAS A 1990 TOP TEN SCHOLAR AT BSU.

MICHAEL D. HADDON, BA, POLITICAL SCIENCE, '91, IS A RESEARCH ANALYST WITH THE UTAH COMMISSION ON CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE. HE RECENTLY RECEIVED THE PHILIP HOLE NATIONAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ANALYSIS FOR A REPORT
titled ‘Report to Utah on Crime and Justice.’ He was a 1991 Top Ten Scholar at BSU.

JULIA ANN JOHNSON, BBA, marketing, ’91, is assistant manager for the Huntington apartments in Boise.

CHRISTINE SUSAN HAUGER KNIGHT, BBA, communication, ’91, owns Christine’s Visual Concepts, a photography studio in Grangeville.

JOSEPH A. MESSMER, MBA, ’91, is acting president and chief executive officer at Mercy Medical Center in Nampa. Messmer previously was senior vice president of operations at Mercy and has worked in health care since 1980.

IRENE CHAVOLLA, MA, education/curriculum and instruction, ’92, is coordinator of migrant education for the Idaho Department of Education in Boise.

RANDALL WIWAM KENNEDY, BBA, marketing, ’92, is a TalkAlong account executive with US West Cellular in Boise.

KIRSTEN ANNE KIESEL, BM, music/performance, ’92, teaches music at Lyons Elementary School in Lyons, Colo. Kiesel recently received the St. Vrain Salute Award. The award, sponsored by the school district and local businesses, recognizes district employees who make a positive difference in students’ lives.

ALYSSA L. REYNOLDS, BA, social work, ’92, is a social worker for the Southwest District Health Department’s BRIDGES program in Caldwell. She previously was a child protection worker with the Department of Health and Welfare.

CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL ROGERS, BA, criminal justice administration, ’92, is working in law enforcement for the city of Boise.

ROTH, BS, political science, ’92, is a first lieutenant assigned to the 664th Ordnance Co. at Fort Hood, Texas.

KIMBERLY LYNN QUINTERO SAUCERMAN, BA, communication, ’92, is director of sales at Shilo Inn in Idaho Falls.

JODEE SUE WARWICK, BA, political science, ’92, is a supermarket banking sales coordinator for West One Bank in Boise.

KAREN DAANE BOESEL, BBA, marketing, ’93, is a communications consultant with the Telephone Exchange in Boise.

MARION K. DEMER, BBA, accounting, ’93, is an accounting trainer with the Division of Management at the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare in Boise.

MARK D. HAYDEN, AAS, manufacturing technology, BAS, ’93, is production manager for Republic Packaging Corp. of Idaho in Boise.

TERRY ANN HAYDEN, BBA, marketing, ’93, is manager for the state of Idaho for SalesWest Marketing in Boise.

ADEANNA MAYBECENTI, BBA, finance, ’94, is a commercial loan officer at West One Bank in Twin Falls.

BRANDON M. BURR, BA, social work, ’94, is a social worker for Intermountain Specialized Abuse Treatment Center in Richfield, Utah.

TIMOTHY A. FORD, BBA, computer information systems, ’94, is serving in the U.S. Army stationed in Germany. Ford recently returned from a deployment to Albania and was also in Hungary supporting Operation Joint Endeavor.

RANDALL PETER KEYS, BFA, art, ’94, recently was a featured artist at the Jerome Civic Club Memorial Library in Jerome.

CHEREEN DENISE MYERS, BA, communication, ’94, is a city reporter for the Idaho Press-Tribune in Nampa.
ALAN BLAKE, BA, '94, is a second lieutenant with the 4th Tank Battalion, 4th Marine Division, in Boise.

DARIA J. SUSENBERGER, BS, political science, '94, is a sales representative at Micron in Nampa.

JESSICA M. YOGCA, BS, health sciences, '94, is attending the University of New Orleans working toward a master's degree in hospital administration.

JULIE ANN CANTLON, BS, nursing, '95, recently received the Child Advocate Award from the Idaho chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Cantlon is manager of Children at Risk Evaluation Services for St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

JOHN W. CHATBURN, BA, political science, '95, is a staff assistant to Idaho Gov. Phil Batt.

PAMELA MARIE CURRY, BA, communication, '95, is attending Duquesne University in Pittsburgh. Curry is a graduate assistant in the counseling department.

BRADLEY WILLIAM LANNIGAN, BA, English/writing emphasis, '95, owns a property management company and is a real estate agent with Golden West Realty in Caldwell.

CONNIE L. LIGHTFIELD, AAS, marketing/management technology, '95, is an associate real estate broker at Gem State Properties and general manager with A.C. Investments in Boise.

RENEA A. RIDGEWAY, BS, political science, '95, is a paralegal at the Idaho Attorney General's Office in Boise.

ROBERT WILLIAM WARNER, BS, environmental health, '95, owns and operates Warner Pest Control in Twin Falls.

2 Great Ways to Prepare for Your Future in Business

For 20 years, the Center for Management Development in the College of Business and Economics at Boise State University has been providing ongoing, continuing education and leadership development for the managers and executives in the Northwest. Today, as a leader in the region, we are proud to offer these outstanding programs, developed by leading business faculty, and designed to help make you more effective and able to respond to the changing world of business.

- Join your colleagues to understand the realities of doing business in the age of technology, global markets, increased competition, and fewer resources.
- Recognize the impact of strategic planning and decision making on your business.
- Learn how economics, marketing, accounting, finance, and management must be integrated to create successful organizations.

Enroll today in the leading management development experiences in Idaho!

The Micro MBA®
The essentials of an MBA in a format that responds to your needs
Sept. 7-Dec. 9, 1996 or Jan. 25-May 5, 1997

The Program for Management Development
A one-week residential development experience
for "high potential" managers.
Oct. 20-25, 1996 in McCall or May 18-23, 1997 in Sun Valley
Call 208-385-3861 for more information.

Center for Management Development
Boise State University
College of Business & Economics
Email: cmdinfo@cobfac.idbsu.edu
Website: http://www.idbsu.edu/cmd/

WEDDINGS
MARK P. DUNHAM and Audrey P. Gridler, (Boise) Oct. 7
MARTY LEE MAURINE MEYER and Samuel J. Roulston, (Boise) Oct. 28
GAY LYNN ISEBER and Ken Fujii (Ontario, Ore.) Dec. 30
DIANE M. SCHMIDT and Derek S. Brown, (St. Anthony) Jan. 6
TRACY BETH FREEMAN and Andrew MacFarlane (Dunstable, England) Feb. 10
BONNIE ANGELA PORTER-HERRELL and Randall Wayne McMoran, (Boise) Feb. 14
CATHERINE LYNN SCHMITZ and Gregory Philip Tino, (Boise) Feb. 24
REGINALD MARC STATES and Gia Ann Carpentier, (Montego Bay, Jamaica) Feb. 29
BETTE PAULINE WILL and Mark A. Gower, (Baldwin, Md.) March 1
JULIE LOUISE EYER and Mark Anderson, (Baldwin, Md.) March 2
KIMBERLY J. JONES and Robert B. Menner, (Las Vegas, Nev.) April 20
MARLA J. CURTIS and Jon Henricks, April 27
DOUGLAS ROGER TRUSCHER and Cindy Locknane, (Meridian) April 27
CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL ROGERS and Amber West, (Las Vegas, Nev.) April 28
MARK D. HAYDEN and TERRY ANN HERR, (Caldwell) May 4

OBITUARIES
GEORGE "JUDD" D. FEWENS, BA, anthropology, '87, died April 30 in Boise at age 81. Fewens attended Boise State after he retired from Mountain Bell Telephone Co. He earned his bachelor's degree in criminal justice administration at age 70 and two years later earned his anthropology degree.

RONALD L. GIBBS, diploma, general arts and science, '61, died March 28 in Weiser at age 59. Gibbs practiced dentistry in Mound City, Mo., for 10 years and then moved his practice to Weiser in 1976. Gibbs received the Melvin Jones Fellow Humanitarian Award in 1994.

OREGENT ALTINE HAHN, BA, advertising design, '76, died June 8 in Boise at age 42. Hahn...
had managed a Maurice's store and most recently was a real estate agent.

RAYMOND DWAYNE MOULTON, AA, general arts and sciences, '40, died April 1 in Boise at age 78. Moulton was a chiropractic physician in Boise for 46 years. He served as president of the National Chiropractic Association and was state delegate to the association for many years. Moulton also served as president of the Boise chapter of the Idaho Mental Health Association and was president of the Idaho Writers' League.

ELIZABETH (WHITEHEAD) NOLAN, AA, general arts and sciences, '34, died April 29 in Boise at age 83. Nolan was a member of the first graduating class of Boise Junior College. She had worked as a secretary and sold real estate in the Boise area. Nolan was a member of PEO, Chapter A and at the time of her death was the most senior member of the chapter.

BARBARA PAULINE SCOTT, AAS, horticulture, '85, died April 22 in Boise at age 58.

HELEN IRENE SPULNIK died May 9 in Forest Grove, Ore., at age 89. Spulnik was the wife of the late Joseph Spulnik, former BSU faculty member and administrator. She also was secretary to William Gottenberg, former vice president of Boise Junior College.

DWIGHT VAUGHN WALKER, BA, social work, '89, died May 5 in Boise at age 55. Walker was a social worker with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare at the time of his death.

KERRY GILBERT WOODARD, CC, auto mechanic technology, '82, died March 29 in Boise at age 42. Woodard worked as a mechanic until he was disabled by diabetes. At the time of his death, he and his wife, Helen, operated a small business.

---

For More Sports...
More Scores...
More Highlights...
More Often...

There's a new game in town! The Boise State Broncos are back where they belong!

▲ Turn to Dave Tester as Bronco Sports return to Channel 6 this fall!
**Shakespeare Under the Stars**

20th Season

- The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged) — a comedy spoof of Shakespeare's works
- The Merry Wives of Windsor
- The Tempest
- Twelfth Night

Tickets available at all
Select-a-Seats $12.00 - $17.50
Theater opens at 6:30 PM
Performances begin at 8:00 PM

Idaho Shakespeare Festival
Returns to ParkCenter June 27th - September 21
For tickets and information call 336-9221

---

**ALUM ASSOCIATION NAMES LEADERS**

Boise investment counselor **Anne Glass** has been elected president of the BSU Alumni Association for the 1996-97 academic year.

Glass, a 1975 BSC graduate, has served on the association's board of directors for seven years.

"Next year we plan to include more people in the association's activities. We will focus on increasing membership and on developing a more extensive alumni chapter program," she said at the association's annual meeting in May.

Attorney **Jim Davis**, '75, was elected first vice president. Davis, a six-year board member, will work on strategies for the Alumni Association to support Boise State through student recruitment and scholarships.

**Dr. Michael Adcox**, '81, a Boise physician, will serve as second vice president. He is chair of the Alumni Scholarship Committee.

**Carol Mulder**, '76, a certified public accountant who works for Blue Cross of Idaho, will serve as treasurer. She will manage the budgeting, forecasting and investment policies of the association.

**Candi Allphin**, '89, West One Bank, will serve as secretary. She previously served as co-chair of the Student Relations Committee.

The Alumni Association Board also elected seven new board members: **Connie Bunch**, '60, '70 and '86, Mountain View School; **Layne Hepworth**, '82, Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance; **Carol Hoidal**, '72, homemaker; **Dave Ober**, '73, Albertson's; **Pat Reilly**, '92, Idaho Lottery Commission; **Mike Reynolds**, '90, Craig for Senate campaign; and **Lynnette Townsend**, '92, St. Luke's Regional Medical Center.

**GATHERINGS SET FOR FOOTBALL GAMES**

This year's football schedule will take the Broncos to the University of Hawaii (Honolulu) Sept. 21, Arizona State (Tempe) Oct. 5, Nevada (Reno) Oct. 12, Fresno State Nov. 2, and New Mexico State Nov. 16.

The Alumni Association is planning activities centered around all these games and needs volunteer assistance from alumni in these areas. Contact the Alumni Office for details.

Harmon Travel and the Alumni Association are working together to provide travel packages to the games. To take advantage of this service, call Tammy Selee at Harmon Travel at 800-627-1315 or 208-388-3021.
Specialists Career

Licenced Transition Planning

By State BSU Alumni Association

would have 16 times the members we now have. That would gather some ries! These past president. As I look forward to this coming year,

State still are, the backbone and foundation of this association. They are our dues-paying members. Have you ever noticed that the same people involved, and are always the leaders? For this association, our leaders are our dues-paying members.

A recent article in U.S. News and World Report listed dues-paying alumni members as one of the top criteria used to rank and rate universities across America. The theory being that if it is a great university and its students are happy they will become active alumni. Our alumni have been donating their time and money because they are loyal and active supporters of their university. But in actuality, they have been helping themselves by assisting our university in raising its standards.

Every experience in life deserves a theme. It defines your objective and holds your interest. My theme for this coming year is “Just Ask One.” If all of our wonderful members would just ask one other graduate of Boise State University to join us in supporting our school, the first year we would double our membership. And, of course, our second year we would quadrupel our membership. If we continued this program of Just Ask One for four years, we would have 16 times the members we now have. That would gather some attention nationally because we would have one of the highest commuter university alumni memberships in the United States. So why don’t we do this for ourselves?

I’ve belonged to organizations that have asked me to introduce 10 to 15 members to the group. That is a daunting task. But we each know at least one person we can ask to join us. So I leave you with this challenge: Just Ask One. Do it for us. Do it for yourself. Boise State is on the precipice of a huge upward move. Let us all step forward and help. It is simply a matter of pride.

Nancy C. Kobe & Associates
Licenced Professional Counselor, M. Ed.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT SPECIALISTS
Transition Planning • Assessments Organizations • Individuals Career Change
Relocation • New to Area • Networking Skills
(208) 384-5922
760 Warm Springs, Suite G • Boise, 83712

101 reasons why you should have effective tax planning...
3 good choices
Craig G. Riche, CPA
Joseph P. Shirts, CPA
Delbert L. Motz, Jr., CPA

Riche, Shirts & Motz
Certified Public Accountants
447 W. Myrtle • PO Box 7464 • Boise, ID 83707 • (208) 336-1040

Rick’s Cafe American
at the Flicks

• Casual Lunch & Dinner 7 Days A Week
• Wine Bar, Import Beers & Espresso
• Seasonal Patio & Fireside Seating
• Or Enjoy Your Beverage & Snack in One of Our Theaters
Downtown Boise • 342-4222
(End of 6th St. off Myrtle St.)

FOCUS/SUMMER 1996 45
ASSOCIATION HONORS TOP THREE ALUMS

Two of Boise State University's most familiar personalities and a nationally known scientist were honored in April with the BSU Alumni Association's Distinguished Alumni Award.

LOIS B. CHAFFEE was there when the dream of a college in Boise turned into reality. And she has maintained close affiliation with the school as it grew from a junior college into a university.

Chaffee's late husband, Gene, was on the original BJC faculty in 1932 and went on to serve as the school's president for 40 years.

"Together, Gene and Lois Chaffee have given us a very special gift — a university that has improved the lives of thousands and thousands of people," said BSU President Charles Ruch at the awards presentation.

Chaffee was active in the life of the school during her husband's long tenure as president. She was among the founders of the Women of BSU, assisted with fund drives, attended countless receptions and luncheons, and helped make policy decisions around her kitchen table.

She was awarded a Silver Medallion from BSU in 1991 and continues to attend several events each year.

KEITH BISHOP has earned a reputation as a national leader in transplant immunology.

Currently he is director of transplant immunology at the University of Michigan School of Medicine. He has received about $400,000 in funding from the National Institutes of Health, and has written 27 peer reviewed publications, 44 published abstracts and four book chapters.

Bishop received his B.S. degree in biology from Boise State in 1982, and his Ph.D. in immunology from Washington State University. After postdoctoral training in transplantation immunology at the Ohio State University School of Medicine, he joined the faculty of medicine in the Cardiac Transplant Unit at the University of Utah School of Medicine.

Bishop's wife, Mary, graduated from BSU with a degree in business.

For 21 years DYKE NALLY represented BSU and its alumni family as the director of the Alumni Association. He resigned that position last year to become superintendent of the State Liquor Dispensary.

Always one of BSU's most visible administrators, Nally established a vast network of friends for the university.

"His legacy will be the $1 million the Alumni Association has raised for scholarships and the many people he has helped during his tenure," said Ruch.

Nally graduated from Boise State College in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in business administration. He was student body president and a member of the football team. After graduation, then-President John Barnes hired him to be the first director of the Student Union and later director of the Alumni Association.

He received a Silver Medallion from BSU in 1995 for his service to the university.

Keith Bishop, Lois Chaffee and Dyke Nally joined the ranks of BSU's distinguished alumni in April.

BRONCO LINE LISTSERVE

Do you want to have a direct Internet connection to Boise State University and other alumni throughout the country? If you do, the Alumni Association has set up "Bronco Line," an e-mail listserv that allows individuals to send one message to a single address. That message is then distributed to all alumni connected to the list. To sign up for the free Bronco Line, you must have an e-mail address. For instructions, please e-mail the Alumni Office at bsualum@bsu.idbsu.edu.

LITTLE BRONCOS CLUB

Membership in the Little Broncos Club is offered to the sons and daughters of alumni, students and friends. Activities planned for Little Broncos include the Homecoming victory tunnel and parade, special viewings at the planetarium, discounts on selected games, autograph parties and many other exciting events. For more information about the Little Broncos Club, call the Alumni Office at (208) 385-1698.

HOMECOMING '96

The date has been set! This year's Homecoming Week will be Oct. 14-19, and the Alumni Association is planning many events for this exciting week-long BSU celebration.

Reunions, dinners, social hours and the game against Utah State lead the list. If you would like to be a part of the Homecoming tradition, please contact the Alumni Office. We need your ideas and help to offer the best Homecoming ever.

DECADE '70s SCHOLARSHIP

A recent mailing to 1970s alumni not only increased the rolls of the Alumni Association membership, but also resulted in a scholarship in the name of the classes that graduated during the decade.

The scholarship will be awarded by the Alumni Scholarship Committee. If you would like to contribute to the scholarship fund, call the Alumni Office.

THE LINES ARE OPEN

Contact your Alumni Office by:

PHONE: (800) 824-7017 ext. 1698 or
(208) 385-1698

FAX: (208) 385-4001

E-MAIL: bsualum@bsu.idbsu.edu

HOME PAGE: http://www.idbsu.edu/alumni

MAIL: Boise State University Alumni Association, 1910 University Drive, Boise, Idaho 83725.
We’ve Got You Covered, Boise, with Unique Apartment Communities

Apartments Designed with you in mind

PHONE (208) 345-HOME

Professionally Managed by Tomlinson & Associates
Another day at the office.

Behind the mask of an ordinary child.
A slight difference.
A way of perceiving.
A joy of expression.
Visual awareness.
Whispers of an inner voice muted by the conforming need for acceptance.

Choosing the moment.
Taking his hand.
Showing him a glimpse of his inner gift.
Retreating as the power of discovery reveals to him the magnitude of his potential.
Helping him to:
Celebrate the gift,
Develop his vision,
Become an individual.

At First Security Bank, we salute all of the heroes who, in the course of an ordinary day, make an extraordinary difference.