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Students of Boise State University

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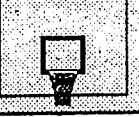


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BSU to pilot campus escort system

By Melanie Delon
Staff Writer

After at least two years of discussion—oftentimes heated—Boise State University students who are afraid of being attacked on their way to classes or the residence hall can be accompanied by an official university escort.

The trial-based service will begin on Wednesday, March 4.

"The program has been designed to help the young women on campus feel safe about walking home," said Bob Seibolt, director of security and parking.

The program is a response to the pleas of several students and

student government. ASBSU President Tamara Sandmeyer, along with senators Shannon Asbury, C.J. Martin and Eve Costello, met with the Residence Hall Association in an effort to better secure the safety of the young women living in the

Keiser said Boise State was the safest campus in the northwest.

residence halls.

An increase in the number of attacks, because of inadequate parking, has sparked a controversy that has led to the formation of the escort program. The program will employ residence hall students, after a background check and training. The escorts

will meet the student requesting assistance at a previously arranged time and place and will accompany them to their respective residence hall.

The program will run Sunday through Thursday, from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. Two escorts will be on duty. Each will carry a cellular phone, whereby a time and place for arrival may be established. Phone numbers will be posted on the walls of the residence halls. The program will run until May 8.

An account has been set up to fund the escort program. The ASBSU has made \$1,000 available for the project, and it was matched by the university's Office of Finance and Administration. The matching funds were

made available through the appropriated security and maintenance budget. If the program is a success, the administration will review and implement a budget for the program next fall.

Co-educational safety is a longstanding controversy at Boise State University. Former ASBSU Sen. Gretchen Warthen's October 1990 student government bill, which would allow students to carry guns on campus, was featured on the "Good Morning America" show. A crowd of approximately 250 showed up for a rally, at which time Warthen and former BSU President John Keiser exchanged heated words.

Warthen said women should

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Towers residents protest parking plan

By Adam Rush
Staff Writer

Some Towers residents are up-in-arms over an idea the Boise State University Parking Committee is discussing about their parking lot.

The idea would allow any students with general parking permits to park in the Towers residence hall parking lot from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. The parking committee has not yet decided if the open parking policy would extend to weekends.

Gary McCain, a professor in the marketing department, said there are two problems with the open parking idea. "During the day, the Towers parking lot is nearly empty. What do you do when people want to park there? But when students come home they need a place to park," McCain said.

Towers residents argue the parking lot isn't empty during the day. Craig Miller, a senior, said, "I think it sucks. During the day it's not empty. I leave, and when I come home, I can't find a place to park. Everybody in my room drives and they feel the same way."

Richard McKinnon, director of Student Residential Life, said he is not concerned about the idea as long as Towers residents aren't affected. "I don't have a problem with it as long as Towers residents can park at the Towers."

But Pete Boll, resident director of Towers, is opposed to the idea. "The hall's government is very much against the loss of parking," he said.

Boll cited examples, such as residents having off-campus commitments—such as jobs—and women concerned about walking in the dark, as reasons why residents need parking spaces near their residence hall.

"Towers residents utilize a small area of parking. I don't think it's fair to students that live here to have to park somewhere else," Boll said.

Shannon Meyer, president of

Towers, said, "Most of the people on the parking committee have this notion that the parking lot is empty during the day. I've gone out there and the parking lots are full."

Jennifer Ortega, a resident adviser at the Towers, echoed Meyer's sentiment. "I wouldn't mind having a back row open. People leave during the day and can't find a place at night. We pay over \$3,000 to live here. We should be able to park here," Ortega said.

Bob Seibolt, director of campus security and parking, said at the moment, the open parking concept is only an idea. "I'll have to look into it before the parking committee makes a proposal," Seibolt said.

Parking fees may increase in fall

Students may have to dig deeper into their pockets in the fall if the BSU presidential cabinet's proposed parking fee increase are approved.

The biggest jump in price would affect the reserved permit. It could be jumped from the current \$65 to \$100. General permits, residence hall permits and handicap permits would rise from \$15 to \$25.

Summer parking fees will also be increased. Reserve permits for summer sessions used to cost \$20. In the summer of 1993 they will cost \$35. General and handicap permits will be raised from \$10 to \$15.

Bob Seibolt, director of campus security and parking, said the money will be used for developing parking lots. "During the summer of 1992, we'll be constructing a 156-stall parking lot. It's going to cost \$142,000 for construction."

Seibolt said the fee increase won't pay for all of the construction. The university will contribute additional funds to cover the cost of construction, according to Seibolt.

Women celebrate their history

HERS/West sponsors jam-packed calendar of events

The Boise State University Women's History Month is set to take place throughout the month of March with a vast array of workshops, activities, panel discussions and other events designed to celebrate women's roles in history.

The events of the celebration are scheduled as follows:

Monday, March 2, at noon, communication professor Suzanne McCorkle will lead a discussion of Deborah Tannen's book, "You Just Don't Understand," along with a brown bag lunch in the Student Union Lookout Room. Having read the book is not a prerequisite.

Wednesday, March 4, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Sandra Schackel will be signing her new book, "Social Housekeepers," at the BSU bookstore. Schackel's book is about women shaping public policy in New Mexico from 1920 to 1940. The writing came out of her dissertation which she began in the mid-'80s. Schackel says it is a cross-cultural approach to history and details the history of Anglo, Hispanic, black and Native American women through World War I and World War II. The book retails for \$29.95. A panel discussion will



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Musica femina will play classical women's music for Women's History Month.

take place from 3 to 5 p.m., "Women in Politics: How to Make a Difference." Kathy Belknap will moderate the panel, which includes city council member Paula Forney and legislators

Sheila Sorensen, Sally Snodgrass and Mary Lou Reed. It will be in the Student Union Senate Forum.

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Petitioners fight fee waiver policy

By Stuart Bryson
Staff Writer

Faculty and students are protesting a policy which allows certain foreign students to retain fee waivers even when other students score higher academically.

Currently, students who originally were singled out for their good grades get to keep the waivers, so long as their grade point averages do not fall below 3.25.

According to a petition signed by 91 students and faculty, includ-

ing three students currently holding scholarships, the selection policy used by the Admissions office is unjust.

The petition's originator is Koh Mei Goh, a Malaysian nursing major who has been at Boise State University for the past year. The current policy makes it difficult for new students to earn the tuition waiver, while less-qualified students are able to maintain the scholarship, according to Goh.

There are 15 such scholar-

ships available to foreign students each year. According to Mark Wheeler, assistant to the Dean of Admissions, students who earn the scholarship are eligible to maintain the scholarship until they graduate, if they maintain a 3.25 grade point average.

Once chosen for the scholarship, the recipient does not need to meet any of the other comparative criteria used to award the

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Opinion

These boots were made for walking: reflections on East Junior High

East Junior High's principal, Gary Slee, jumped the gun last week when he banned students from wearing pants tucked into their boots. Also, red suspenders are no longer allowed. The reason follows that many hate groups, such as skinheads, wear this particular type of outfit.

There were 125 students who became so upset by the action that they walked off the school grounds. In a meeting between school administrators and parents last Wednesday, many parents voiced their concern that the new restrictions were not explained to the students. Many students said they wanted to wear pants tucked into their boots, but this did not make them skinheads.

East Junior High's main error was in not meeting with students before placing the restrictions. Although the students are minors and they can't vote on issues regarding the policies of the school, they should not be prevented from putting in their input on such a volatile issue—such action is asking for a protest. If Slee would have explained the school's reasoning for the ban to the students, the student body would not have reacted in such a manner.

It's a fact that skinheads are attending Boise High School, and there is at least one East Junior High student who claims to be a skinhead. When seventy five Boise High students protested the East Junior High ban Friday by walking out of school, they were worried about shock waves. They were worried that the Boise High administration would follow suit with a similar ban, in order to provide a safe and hate-free environment.

Students who belong to hate groups have the right to public education. Good or bad, everyone in this country has the right to be a moron. When hate groups pose a threat to others, or when they get violent, such as last week's attack on the president of the Idaho chapter of the NAACP—then they are held accountable by law. But to issue a school-wide ban affecting students who do not agree with the philosophies of skinheads, is, for lack of a better cliché, throwing out the baby with the bath water.

East Junior High administrators may have been justified in their actions, but they were not justified in totally disregarding the feelings of the student body.

Todd Sholty

Old Man Rex...

Splendor is the grass



Sam Gerberding

I've been thinking about grass lately. Not the kind of grass that paranoid uneducated Republicans worry about and campaign against—but regular grass—plain old Joe grass. The kind of grass 12-year-old kids spend their summers cutting.

There are nearly as many trails as there are sidewalks on this campus. Just look around. They usually occur at the corners of two adjoining sidewalks, or across large bodies of grass. This disturbs me.

The trails are yellow and brown lines of stamped, dead grass and flattened dirt. They mostly lie in straight lines and range from 2 feet to 50 yards. The most apparent one is on the north side of the Student Union Building, crossing the southwest corner of the soccer field. It is about 50 yards long, and is quite straight.

My concern is this: Is it necessary to walk on the grass, thus killing it and ruining the aesthetic line of the campus? I am aware aesthetic tastes are subjective, and trails add a certain rustic feel to the campus. But, in the large scheme, none of the perpetrators are trying to create trails at BSU

to improve its looks. Groundskeepers, however, have spent many tuition dollars trying to build and do upkeep on the campus without trails. In light of the fact that there is no actual desire on campus to create a trail network, I suggest walking on the sidewalks for a change. This reason is secondary, however, to the more important one—what do these trails represent about our campus?

The first thing it represents is 'good.' It illustrates the ability of BSU students to do things which are opposed to the prescribed method. Specifically, students are walking their own way, instead of the way the architect had designed for them to walk. Now, this seems pretty good. I still question the trail-blazing though. I do so for the following reasons:

First, students are walking on the grass to get to class faster. I suggest relaxing and strolling down the sidewalk with a friend and taking our time getting to class. The teacher may be late, or she may start without you, but—who cares? Enjoy the day a little. By walking to class faster, you become a slave to time, a slave to your hopeful degree and a slave to teachers. Be free.

Second, the paths are a violation of life. I know not all grass dies when stepped on, and I know it seems pretty insignificant to all the important humans out there. But the ability to nonchalantly violate the space and existence of something like grass demonstrates the entire mood of Americans (especially corporations): If it gets in my way, or slows me down, or inconveniences me in any way—then I don't care about it. So take some responsibility for your actions and think about the

necessity of walking on grass and the message it promotes about humanity's hierarchy of life.

Third, the paths represent the closed minds of people. Sure, the paths are violations of prescribed notions of campus travel, but they are paths which are caused by repeated use—just like following the same sidewalk every day. The grassy walkways serve as witness to the complacency BSU students subscribe to. Every day the same paths are used, every day people bustle around in the same pattern, signifying how easy people settle into a routine and forget about thinking their way through the day.

Last, the paths show a laziness on people's part. Sometimes the path saves 5 feet of walking. Sometimes it saves 50 feet. In either case, is the time and energy saved so significant? By cutting across the grass are people going to save so much time and worrying that world peace will become possible? Really now, will it hurt anyone to take a little extra time and walk around the grass?

Sure, the sidewalks force a certain conformity upon students. That's a good point, but the conformity exists of the sidewalks too. So, I suggest taking responsibility for your actions and respect other forms of life. Respect the groundskeepers' efforts, slow down and enjoy the stroll between classes and avoid following everyone around the trails or sidewalks.

TIDBIT: I recently heard of a campus which omitted sidewalks from the campus for two years, letting students show them where they would walk. Next, the college puts in sidewalks on the worn paths. Now that makes sense.

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Letters to the Editor

Pres. should listen

To whom it may concern:
On Thursday, Feb. 20, I thought it might be interesting to sit in on an ASBSU senators meeting. There were many topics discussed, but that isn't what I want to talk about. I want to discuss President Sandmeyer.

While at this meeting, a few students were given the right to voice their opinions. One student next to me took this option. As he spoke, president Sandmeyer acted unprofessional and quite rude. She stood there and commented to those around her how wrong this student was. She sighed and said things like "yeah right," and "whatever." I was appalled by her conduct. Here was a student trying to speak his mind, and our president didn't have the common courtesy to listen. All she could do was mouth-off on her own ridiculous tangents.

Do we want a president who isn't willing to act professionally and acts rude and intolerable towards us? I think not. A president should be willing to listen and not make harsh judgments. President Sandmeyer's conduct regarding this matter is unacceptable, and frankly, I was shocked at the audacity of this woman. I hope she reads this; maybe this time she might listen.

Josh Stark

BSU campus is safe

Our elected officials, whether on a national, state, or even campus level, have certain responsibilities to the people they represent that goes along with their pay checks (service awards).

It is very disconcerting to see members of our ASBSU executive and legislative branches make statements like those quoted by Mack Sermon in *"The Arbiter"*, Feb. 25, 1992 edition, which said, "The state attorney general and Ada County Sheriff's Department know the Boise State University area is one of the most crime-infested areas in the state," and "that rapes, assaults and rip-offs are happening all the time."

This caused me great concern, especially since I am trying to persuade my daughter to attend BSU. I decided a trip to the campus police office was in order. Here are the interesting results of my visit:

1. No official from ASBSU has requested any information on campus crimes as of 2-25-92.
2. The last reported attempted rape on campus was in 1990, over 18 months ago.
3. BSU is one of the lowest crime areas in Boise and in the state.
4. BSU is one of the safest campuses in the nation.
5. Recently, the security de-

partment held safety seminars, and the only people who attended were those required to be there.

6. Any individual who has knowledge that a crime has been committed and does not report that crime, can, and may, be tried as an "Accessory After the Fact."

Where are all the supposed victims? The crimes could not possibly be taking place as these (politicians) would have us believe, and the Sheriff's Department now knows about some of them.

Are these merely scare tactics? Do these politicians want to resurrect Gretchen Warthen's "Guns On Campus" Bill? Are they running for re-election? Hold it! If this is so, then those senators, who would purposely mislead the student body, need to be replaced with level-headed individuals. Also, if they are aware of specific crimes having been committed, they need to report those crimes.

There is no such thing as non-involvement for an individual who has taken an oath to uphold the constitution and laws of ASBSU, the State of Idaho and the United States of America. Most of us still believe "Our word is our Bond," and "Honesty is the best policy."

Wes Garvin

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News

Sen. Tom Harkin blazes through Boise State on campaign trail

News Analysis

By Rick Overton
Staff Writer

Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin, describing himself as the under-

dog for the Democratic nomination for president, sang to the choir Saturday morning.

In an hour-long, often emotional address in the SUB's Hatch

Ballroom, Harkin outlined a broad vision of America to a gathering of Democratic party faithful. Conjuring up the politically fruitful ghost of her late Frank Church, Bethine Church introduced Sen. Harkin as "a colleague of my husband."

Most of the speech was aimed at boosting his own "electability."

Harkin spoke about a broad coalition of supporters, from pro-choice groups to agricultural interests and organized labor.

Harkin contrasted his own rural, heartland upbringing with the greed politics of "George Herbert Hoover Bush."

He described the American economy, and a growing gap between the have and have-nots, in the language of Charles Dickens' *A Tale of Two Cities*: "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times."

The candidate wouldn't mention Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton by name, referring to him as "that fella from Arkansas," but he often contrasted himself to "my good friend Paul Tsongas," inferring that the former Massachusetts senator was so conservative as to be mistaken for a Republican.

The loudest applause came when Harkin, an openly pro-choice candidate, said, "I trust the women of this country to make that decision and not the government."

In a moment Tim Woodward would have appreciated, the Iowa senator made light of the similarities between the two states' names.

"I go all over the country and I'm invariably introduced as Sen. Tom Harkin from Idaho," Harkin said.

Harkin was the first candidate to spend any real time on Idaho soil.

Former California Gov. Jerry Brown flew in late Thursday night but spoke briefly from the airport before moving on.

YWCA calls for women's center in SUB complex

By David Scott
Staff Writer

The Boise State University student YWCA chapter is asking for student support in its attempt to get a women's center in the Student Union complex.

YWCA is planning to ask the Student Union Building board of governors Wednesday, March 4 to allocate the top floor of the SUB Annex for a BSU women's center. Student government offices moved out of the space last fall when the new addition to the SUB was opened.

The SUB Annex, located across University Drive from the SUB recreation center, was recently vacated by ASBSU, leaving the space up for grabs.

The Multicultural Board, an organization designed to break down stereotypes and increase ethnic and cultural awareness in the community, and *The Arbiter* student newspaper also plan to ask for the space. Walters said the proposed women's center would be willing to share the space with the Multicultural Board.

Since fall, the space has been occupied by offices of the Tutorial Services of Student Special Services, the University Bookstore, and the business, advertising and editorial adviser offices of *The Arbiter*. Last year the space was also considered for a daycare center and for a women's center.

"Currently, the space downstairs is inadequate for our needs," said Robert Waldron, the newspaper's business manager. "We need the space for the paper's expansion."

During the months of March and April, the SUB board of governors will decide how the space is to be used.

The student YWCA sees the lack of a women's center as unfair since women make up 56 per-

cent of the campus' population, according to Laura Walters, president of the BSU student YWCA.

A BSU women's center would benefit the campus by providing programs on sexual assault, as well as support groups for battered women, and women



Laura Walters

whose lives are in a state of transition, she said. In addition, a women's center could provide a facility for networking and research, collaborative study groups, a crisis hotline, a newsletter, counseling services, and referral services for housing, jobs and other services,

Walters said.

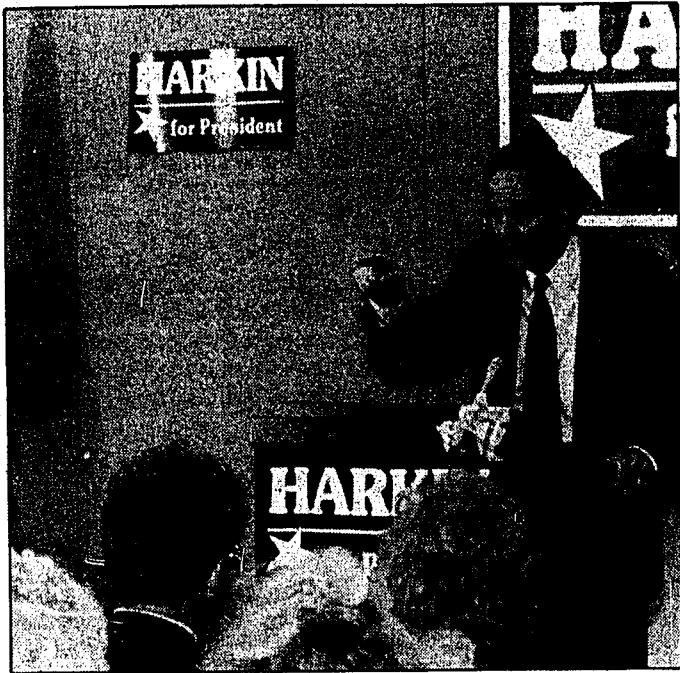
"There is a lot of social pressure placed on women. Women have a harder time asserting themselves," Walters said. "A man's education is seen as a necessity, while a woman's is perceived as a luxury."

Walters said women face pressure to drop out of school. She said she has even heard of husbands throwing away their wife's textbooks because they felt the wives were paying more attention to their schoolwork than to them. She also said society places pressure on women by judging women on how well they take care of a family and home, instead of their accomplishments in school or work.

Walters said the university's administration has been supportive of the idea of a women's center. She said Interim President Larry Selland already has allotted \$3,000 for a women's center.

Walters urged all students who support a campus women's center to inform the SUB board of governors.

They can pick up a student YWCA newsletter in the SUB at the Student Activities desk, sign the statement on the back and turn it in to Student Activities, or they can drop it in any campus mail depository.



Sen. Tom Harkin D-Iowa campaigns in Idaho. Photo by Mark Barnard

Senate funds higher ed

By Dawn Kramer
Staff Writer

Last week the Senate passed a higher education budget that was \$500,000 more than the governor wanted but millions less than the State Board of Education had requested.

The measure passed 40-2 with Sen. Michael Crapo, R-Idaho Falls, and Sen. Rex Furness, R-Rigby, voting against the measure.

Sen. Mark Ricks, R-Rexburg, sponsor of the bill, said he expected the budget to "fly" through the House because of the nearly unanimous support in the Senate. Rep. Kitty Gurnsey, R-Boise, will sponsor the bill in the House.

The decision of how to distribute the money among the state's three public universities and Lewis Clark State College belongs to the State Board of Education. No figures will be set

until the bill passes both houses and is approved by the governor.

Using a formula preferred in the past by the State Board, Ricks made some estimates of what portion of the \$172,651,700 appropriation each of the schools may receive. Boise State University could expect about \$50.4 million, Idaho State University could receive an estimated \$43.6 million, Lewis and Clark State College could receive \$9.5 million and the University of Idaho could get the most: \$66.5 million. The total appropriation is 6 percent higher than last year's amount.

Even this amount was too much for Crapo and Furness. "The problem is, we have overspent on public and higher education," Furness said. He suggested money should come

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Escort cont. from front not have to carry their keys sticking out between their fingers as a defense against being attacked and said general university funds, rather than special student fees, should be used to increase lighting and provide easier access to emergency phones on campus.

At the rally, Keiser said BSU was the safest campus in the Northwest, according to campus police statistics. He called Warthen's proposal "stupid and irresponsible," but the number of lights and emergency phones on campus significantly increased over the next year. Administrators said the improvements were already in the works before Warthen even picked up on the issue.

Later that semester, Warthen's Idaho Student Coalition for Safety changed its focus, and BSU and University of Idaho

activists joined forces to lobby Gov. Cecil Andrus to establish a statewide campus security task force to set and enforce safety standards on all Idaho campuses.

"The issue of guns to combat safety has been set aside for more constructive alternatives," said ASBSU Sen. Melinda Davidson. "It is very inspiring to me to see Idaho students rallying so strongly for such an important issue."

This same semester, an ongoing proposal for a BSU escort program, perhaps to be operated by members of ROTC and members of other campus student organizations, was re-introduced, only to fizzle, due to lack of interest. A poll taken at that time by the ASBSU Student Affairs Committee, revealed 66 percent of the females interviewed said they would use an escort program if it were available.

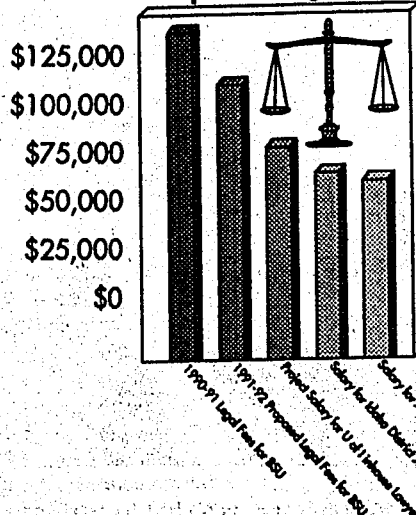
Pennywise is foolish

News Analysis

By Rob Bergin
News Editor

The University of Idaho wanted to hire an in-house lawyer. The president of U of I, Elisabeth

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Zinser, anticipated paying the lawyer a salary of \$82,500. She compared the position to that of a corporate attorney who would make a comparable salary. However, the U of I attorney would make \$15,000 more than the state's attorney general.

A member of the State Board of Education felt it was not necessary to pay a university attorney that much. Karl Shurtliff warned Zinser that he would not be easily persuaded that person should be paid more than Idaho's attorney general, at \$67,500 and district judges, at \$70,000.

The State Board's regional feathers were ruffled as well at the possibility that the person hired would be from out of state. Out of the 125 applicants, only 24 were from Idaho and none of the 4 finalists were from Idaho. Zinser defended her out-of-state hiring by stating that none of the Idahoans were qualified for the job.

University legal expenses can be expensive. Boise State University spent approximately \$136,000 during the fiscal year 1990-1991. Boise State's projected legal expenses for the 1991-1992 fiscal year is \$118,000. These legal fees are for Boise State University and do not include bond issues. Legal expenses encountered in bond issues are incorporated into the cost of the bond.

4 Parkinson demands accountability

By Rob Bergin
News Editor

Joseph Parkinson says he wants the best university money can buy for the students at Boise State University. He wants "high energy and high performance," and he expects nothing less.

Parkinson is the newest addition to the Idaho's State Board of Education, filling a vacancy opened last semester. He was appointed to his interim position in January, and he is up for reappointment in March. Parkinson will serve a five-year term if he is reappointed by the governor.

As well as being the novice on the State Board, Parkinson serves as chief executive officer and chair of the board for one of Boise's most dynamic, high-tech companies—Micron Corp. Parkinson was instrumental in the construction of the Simplot/Micron Instructional Technology Center and SMITC—located at BSU.

Parkinson's education background includes teaching positions at Northern Arizona and Tulane universities. During this time at the university level, Parkinson noticed the problems surrounding tenure and other aspects of higher education.

"I am not interested in abolishing tenure, but rather weeding out those who do not perform higher. It is a very small number," said Parkinson, in an interview on Feb. 25.

The way to determine which faculty member abuses tenure has always eluded administrators, Parkinson said, but he added, "The students and faculty know who they are..."

Parkinson wants to have more discussions with students, faculty and administrators about the university. He advocates more student involvement on a broader level, such as the state Legislature, the governor's office and the State Board of Education.

In response to the furor raised by the tenure question, Parkinson said he wants to gather information about the situation. He said he would then decide if there is a tenure problem at the universities in Idaho.

"I have a lot to learn and I will do a lot of homework," Parkinson added, comparing himself to a student. He wants to learn about the

state's higher education system and, as a result, serve it better.

This need to keep himself informed about the universities led to his proposal to require faculty at Idaho's four-year universities and colleges to detail the topics, scope of work, amount of time spent, employers and monies earned from extracurricular activity. Parkinson has come under fire for these two proposals by faculty members at BSU.

"No one should be afraid of me; if they are doing a good job for Boise State University, I will be their biggest advocate," Parkinson said. "I want the best possible education for BSU students, and I am going to make it easier to eliminate those who have fallen asleep."

"I want the best president for BSU," Parkinson said of the presidential search process. "Vast improvements were made under President Keiser in his 15 years; I hope the next president will do



Joseph Parkinson

more in the next 15 years."

One of those improvements was the SMITC. The limits of the Instructional Technology Center have yet to be reached. Parkinson said he felt if he could place a building on BSU's campus tomorrow, it would be a bigger and more expanded SMITC.

The SMITC will bring in quality teaching which will help BSU students get an education. The technology will allow students to learn from professors across the state, across the country and, perhaps, across the globe.

One method the SMITC will utilize in accomplishing this goal is to bring in the best teachers, lecturers and experts available. Student would be able to attend a lecture in New York City, along with the students who were actually there. Education could also be recorded for posterity, so students in the future could also see the best educational material possible.

Parkinson believes all students have a right to an education. He adds, "There is no segregation between traditional and non-traditional students based on age...they are all students."

"There should be no stigmas attached to exiting or reentering college," said Parkinson.

Foreign languages major returns

By Mack Sermon
Staff Writer

This spring, a Boise State University student will receive the first foreign language degree given here since 1982.

Jan Widmayer, acting chairperson of the Modern Language Department, said the student receiving a degree in French is indicative of the growing need for fluency in multiple languages and the university's attempt to meet this need.

Degrees will include liberal arts-type programs in French, Spanish and German, as well as secondary education options for each. A variety of minors will be offered in combination with business, economics and other areas, Widmayer said.

"There is a great need for Spanish in the health sciences, Japanese for business majors, and I am teaching Russian to math and geology students this semester," Widmayer said.

Steven Loughrin-Sacco of Michigan Tech. will be installed as the new chair of the Department of Modern Languages next fall, Widmayer said.

Foreign language programs at BSU were severely stripped in 1982 when the 1 percent tax initiative was passed. Widmayer said the current 1 percent tax initiative is a threat to many programs.

Waiver cont. from front

scholarship in the first place—which include grade point average, class standing and participation in activities or goals.

"Every year there are only three or four openings for the scholarships," said Goh. "Those who are holding scholarships should compete with us."

Goh's petition asks for two things: The first is, "that the renewal method be made absolute, so that all applicants be considered with equal opportunities each semester." The second is, "that the number of scholarships be increased so that more deserving students can enjoy the benefits."

According to Wheeler, the Admissions office was considering making changes before they received the petition. "She brought up some good points," he said, "and the petition was a valid way of doing that."

Wheeler said it was impossible, however, to implement change right away. "By next year, we should be able to implement the new plan...we have to phase it in so we aren't stepping on certain students' toes."

Goh contends the policy should be changed as soon as possible. "If Mark could hold a meeting with (the current waiver holders) and tell them the situation, I see no reason why it can't be changed by next semester," she said.

According to Wheeler, it is unlikely the number of scholarships will be increased. "I'd love to see more scholarships, but they are limited to the amount granted by the State Board of Education," he said. He noted that each state institution of higher education in Idaho is able to issue a certain number of such waivers—according to the number of students enrolled there. If the State Board takes any action on the waivers, he said, it is more likely to cut them than increase them.

According to Goh, there is increasing competition for the waivers. The increasing number of foreign students and continuing out-of-state tuition hikes make the scholarships more valuable, she said. "We're not talking about \$100 here—we're talking about \$1,100, and it might be \$1,300 [per semester]."

History continued from front

Friday, March 6, from 7-9 p.m., a self-defense lecture, "Alternatives to Fear," will be given by national expert Py Bateman, founder of the Feminist Karate Union in Seattle and the author of "Fear Into Anger." It will be located in the Student Union Hatch Ballrooms C & D. The workshop continues on Saturday and Sunday, March 7 and 8. The three-day fee is \$15.

Saturday, March 7, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., the feminist self-defense workshop with Bateman will continue.

At 7:30 p.m., comedian Loretta Carey of Portland will provide the comedy part of "An Evening of Comedy, Music and Dessert." Carey began her career in California with roles in community theater, then moved to comedy and joined the British-American Comedy Troupe, Purveyors Of Monty Python in the U.S. She has been a popular attraction at clubs and festivals throughout the Northwest, upper Midwest and Canada since 1988. Folk-country group Black Diamond will provide the music and entertainment. The band is Boise-based and they have toured in the Sun Valley and Twin Falls areas. Jan Skursynski and Gayle Chapman comprise the acoustic guitar band. The show will be at the Student Union Hatch Ballroom. The tickets are \$5 general admission and \$3 for students and will be sold at the door. The admission price includes the price of a dessert bar.

Sunday, March 8, from 1 to 7 p.m., the feminist self-defense workshop with Py Bateman comes to a close.

Wednesday, March 11, from 3-5 p.m., the music duo Musica Femina (Kristan Aspen and Janna MacAuslan) will lead a "Women In Music History" lecture in the Student Union Farnsworth Room. Aspen and MacAuslan began their collaborative work in 1981. Their passion for classical music and women's history led them to search for a classical repertoire by women composers. The event is co-sponsored by the BSU music department.

At 7-9 p.m., a workshop titled: "Women and Religion" will be led by Laura Walters, Liz Boerl and Rita Harvard. The lecture will represent several religions and will be in the Student Union Farnsworth Room.

Thursday, March 12 at 7:30 p.m., a Musica Femina concert of classical women's music will take place in the Morrison Center Recital Hall. Tickets are \$3 general admission and \$1 for students at the door.

Friday, March 13, from 3-5 p.m., BSU professors Angie Blaine, sociology and Jane Foraker-Thompson, criminal justice/peace studies, will conduct a "Women as Peacemakers" workshop to be held in the Student Union Lookout Room.

Monday, March 16 at noon, a Brown Bag discussion of the film "Fried Green Tomatoes" will be held in the Student Lookout Room.

Tuesday, March 17, from 3-5 p.m., BSU faculty members Terry-Ann Spitzer-Gibson, Genger Fahleson,



Photo courtesy of BSU News Services
Black Diamond is slated to perform with comedian Loretta Carey for Women's History Month.

Connie Thorngren and Linda Petlichkoff will present "Feminist P.E.: Is There Life After Being An Aerobics Instructor?" It will be in the Student Union Alexander Room.

In addition to these activities, a variety of women's films will be shown on the first floor of the Student Union throughout the month of March. The titles and dates of the films are as follows:

March 9, "Guilty Madonnas," March 10, "Rosie the Riveter," March 11, "We Are Women," March 12, "We the Women," March 13, "Women Get the Vote," March 16, "Women's Rights," March 17, "Women in Prison," March 18, "Women For America," March 19, "Sexism, Sex Stereotyping and Hidden Values," and March 20, "Killing Us Softly."

The two main groups involved in the organization of Women's History Month are the BSU groups Higher Education Resource Systems/West and the Student YWCA.

HERS/West is a BSU group comprised of women faculty, staff and students. In the past they have sponsored periodic conferences on women's issues and are a driving force in the effort to get a women's center on campus. Sandra Schackel, the elected chair of HERS/West, is also the coordinator of Women's History Month.

The goal of Women's History Month is "to make people more aware of women's culture," Schackel said. "Most of the history has been written by white males. They haven't addressed the same issues," Schackel said.

Women's History Month grew out of a project in the early 80s in California, Schackel said. "A local group decided that they wanted to celebrate women." It was soon after that the idea caught on, and March gained national recognition as a women's rights month.

She added that BSU could benefit from more women-related courses. "BSU has been slow to incorporate women's issues into the curricula. There are exceptions, but many women can go through BSU and not learn their history," Schackel said.

Students can obtain credit either by attending the self-defense workshop or attending 15 hours of other Women's History Month events.

Appropriations

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from other sources. "I'm glad to see that the universities and the State Board of Education have taken action to solve the problem by increasing out-of-state fees," he said. Furness was referring to legislation that would increase tuition for out-of-state students.

BSU Interim President Larry Selland asked for a \$7.5 million increase in state funding in a Joint Financial and Appropriations hearing in January. However, BSU only received a \$1.2 million increase due to the recession, according to Ron Turner, the BSU budget director.

Turner said there will be no one-time moneys appropriated this year. One-time moneys

generally go for building improvements or other projects that do not require continuous funding by the state. He said faculty members probably will not receive pay raises if the budget is adopted, as passed, by the Senate, and there will not be enough money to fund any new programs.

The BSU library addition, however, will not be affected because the money for that project was appropriated from one-time moneys last year, Turner said.

Turner said students can expect fee increases next year, but he was not sure how much the increases would be. Hearings will occur next month to set a definite dollar amount.

Across the rotunda on Tuesday, the House killed 52-32

a bill appropriating \$535,942,000 to public education, K-12.

According to Rep. Gayle Wilde, R-McCall, the appropriation was too large in a year when the Legislature faces statewide recession. "The dollars just aren't there to spend," she said.

Wilde, a former school teacher, serves on the House Education Committee.

The Legislature has not yet appropriated the funds for public education. Lenny Williams, House assistant sergeant at arms, said the House Appropriations Committee probably would cut out some of the money the Senate had appropriated and bring the bill back to the House floor as soon as possible.

Bills, proposal not yet passed

By Dawn Kramer
Staff Writer

•Senate Bill 1417 concerning out-of-state residency was amended by the Senate Education Committee. The amended bill was on the Senate third reading calendar at press time.

•Senate Bill 1410 on mandatory health insurance for students of higher education has not yet come up for a vote in the Senate Education Committee.

•House Bill 642 dealing with public school students' rights to freedom of speech by Rep. Milly Flandro, D-Pocatello, originating in the House Judiciary and Rules Committee, is also being discussed in the House Education Committee. Rep. Freeman Duncan, R-Coeur d'Alene, serves on both committees and is scheduled to present the bill to the Education Committee this week.

•The proposals on the single university system and splitting of the State Board of Education have not made it into bill form yet. Prof. Willard Overgaard said he has not heard anything in nearly a week. He thinks, due to the controversies on reapportionment, appropriations and Idahealth, "everything else just got pushed aside for the moment." Overgaard said he hopes it is not a dead issue.

Democratic carnival comes to the SUB

News Analysis

By Rick Overton
Staff Writer

As thousands flock to the BSU Pavilion Tuesday night to watch the American Gladiators battle over, um, whatever... a few hapless ticket holders may stray into the Student Union Building by mistake. What they won't find there are elaborately staged sporting events, heady masculine symbolism or scantily clad hulks. Instead, they'll stumble upon well dressed, high strung Democrats engaged in one of the country's oldest arenas of political combat—the local caucus.

Tuesday, March 3 marks the date of the Idaho caucuses to select Democratic nominees for president of the United States. The Ada County Democratic Party will convene the spectacle in the SUB at 8 p.m. and anyone old enough to vote by Election Day in November is eligible to play along.

Students are especially encouraged to attend. "It's a great study in civics," says ASBSU Chief Justice Margi Walker, a veteran of the '88 caucus. Walker said that her involvement led her to get more active in the political process, eventually taking internships with local campaigns and getting involved with the Idaho State Legislature.

The caucus is textbook democracy at its finest. The March 3 caucus will nominate candidates for president and send delegates to a state convention in proportion to the support they receive at the local level. The state convention will then whittle that number down to a field of delegates to represent Idaho at the Big Circus—the Democratic National Convention at New York's Madison Square Garden in early summer.

However, unless the nomination is closely contested all the way up to the Big Circus, the state and national gatherings are largely symbolic and get mired in platform wrangling, points of order and party business. When national media refer to the "Idaho

caucus," they only care about the March 3 event.

Some History

On March 8, 1988—the notorious "super Tuesday" of yore—over 4,500 people descended on the SUB to throw the bulk of Ada County's delegates to notorious liberal Michael Dukakis. The Massachusetts governor eventually secured the nomination and got convincingly pasted by Georgie Bush and Willie Horton in the general election. The real surprise four years ago was the rhyming Rev. Jesse Jackson, who scored a solid second place statewide, barely edging out uncommitted delegates, but embarrassing Al Gore, Paul Simon, Dick Gephardt and Gary "I-dare-ya" Hart.

"To this day I can't believe we got as many people as we did to come out for Jackson," says Mack Sermon, an '88 spokesperson for the Jackson camp. When asked if BSU students made a difference, Sermon responds, "Immensely. That's where I built the base."

Although no campus organizations formed to stump for specific candidates, a newly established Campus Democrats club helped stimulate the involvement of students. Walker found those student Democrats scattered into three camps. Moderates went for the electable, perceived front-runner, Dukakis. Walker joined a large contingent who, following the advice of State Sen. Karl Brooks, declared themselves uncommitted. Brooks speculated that the nomination would be more hotly contested at the Big Circus than it actually was, which would have made uncommitted delegates hot commodities.

The largest faction of students, impatient for change and caught up in the crusade of the underdog under God, helped bolster the strong showing of Jackson supporters, who spent much of the night drowning the caucus in a din of cheers, songs and chants.

Some Mystery

The 1992 field of candidates has been widely accused of malicious mediocrity—closet political

analyst Bryant Gumbel called the Democratic slate "the no-Jackson five." But Democratic politics are never dull, and lurking behind the blue suits seem to be some of the most substantive candidates in recent memory.

Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton, a deft and clever campaigner ravaged by the tabloid press for his draft dodging and libidinal excess, is still widely regarded as the likely nominee. The Elmer Fuddish Paul Tsongas, not just another Greek from Massachusetts, has wielded an acute deadpan style and thick policy booklet to surprising success in early primaries. Nebraska Sen. Bob "National Health Care" Kerrey kept his hopes alive with a solid win last week in South Dakota and has a strong natural appeal in the West. Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin, the heir to Gephardt's barking heartland populism, is getting hungry for attention and may well be dead in the water by Mar. 3.

The real dark horse may be former California Gov. Jerry Brown. The closest thing to an ideological rebel to appear thus far, Candidate Moonbeam has shown surprising tenacity in keeping his ill-fated campaign rolling. Idaho organizer Garth

Stephens, a Jackson man in '88, is hoping for a large student turnout on Tuesday. "A good percentage of the people who vote for Brown will be BSU students," Stephens says.

Brown is tapping into a traditional idealistic current that George McGovern found in '72, Ted Kennedy in '80 and Jackson in '88. Brown's message, combining a broad indictment of the system with pragmatic liberalism, plays well on college campuses throughout the country. On the downside, however, the messenger suffers from the stigma of "unelectability."

After a poor showing in South Dakota last week, Brown was effectively kicked out of the no-Jackson Five by becoming ineligible for federal matching campaign funds. He joins the B-team already made up of Larry Agran, Lyndon Larouche, Alfred E. Neuman, Frank Zappa and committees to draft Mario Cuomo and Ralph Nader.

Students, however, are a likely group to ignore the eccentric Brown's negatives. "In a caucus state," Stephens says, "I think it is important to vote for who you like, not who you think is going to win."

In the end, local campaign

organizations make the difference between first and obscurity. All the campaigns have skeletal local organizations but nothing on campus. Idaho State University has a Students for Clinton organization up and running; former ASBSU President and student fee co-conspirator, now law student Perry Waddell reports from Moscow that "the Palouse rings with the praise of Clinton."

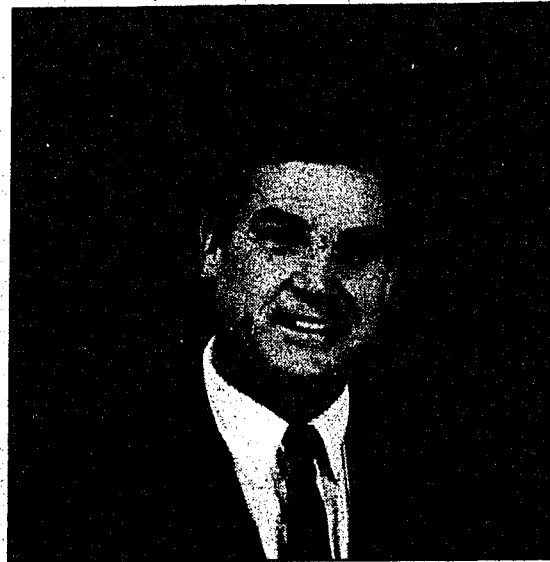
Last minute airport speeches from either Clinton, Kerrey or Tsongas could spin opinion in any number of directions, but don't bet on it. Paul Simon spent the most time in Boise of any candidate in '88, but got spanked in the delegate count.

Sorry, no predictions.

Honestly, here are a few things a person should do as part of the College Experience. Follow the Grateful Dead without bathing, party 72 hours without sleeping, and experiment with things that make Nancy Reagan squirm. Participating in gladiator democracy is just one of those things that should not be missed. Who knows? You may actually make a difference.

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The Cutting Edge

Jazz legend shares his music with Boise

By Chereen Myers
Entertainment Editor

Success came early for jazz pianist Gene Harris. He started his musical career as a four-year-old.

Harris, a Boise resident for 15 years, was considered a child prodigy at an early age, when his talents were quickly spotted by his parents. "They knew that it was inside of me. They realized that I was talented at an early age," Harris said.

Since that time he has become an established jazz pianist known throughout the world. His recent album, "Black and Blue," won the German equivalent to the Grammy award last month, and "Live at the Apollo" with B.B. King won a Grammy last week. Harris has made about 85 albums throughout his career.

Locally, Harris is best known for his association with St. Chapelle's Jazz At The Winery concerts held during the summer. Began 10 years ago by Harris, the concerts have become a summer tradition that inspires hundreds of jazz fans to crowd onto the grassy hill overlooking the vineyards at the winery. His emotional musical style is the result of his love for the piano. "When I play the piano, I play from the heart," Harris said.

Harris moved to Boise for his retirement, but his schedule tells a different story. He tours about six months a year and is almost always working on a new album. Despite his whirlwind pace, the urge to separate himself from his work does not exist for Harris. "How can you take a break from happiness? I'm doing what I love," he said.

Even when he is on the road, Harris is never too far from home. His wife, Jane, travels with him to each performance. Their journeys have taken them to Egypt, Turkey, Japan, Belgium, France and all over the United States.

An extensive tour and recording schedule has never caused Harris to cancel a performance. He is so dedicated to his

work that he has even performed with his right hand in a cast. That performance helped convince him of his talents, he said. "It made me realize: 'You're a little bit better than you think you are,'" Harris said.

Harris and The Philip Morris Superband toured with B.B. King and Dianne Reeves in a 1991 world tour. It was an experience he won't soon forget, and he attributes his gratitude to Morris. "Words cannot express my gratitude for Philip Morris, for backing me on tours to Egypt, Holland, Italy, Korea, Japan and now Boise. I thank him from the bottom of my heart," he said.

Harris will appear at The Morrison Center at 8:15 p.m. March 6 for his fifth performance. The day after his performance, he and his wife will leave for Australia on a nine-week world tour. As Harris would say, "The show must go on."



Love On Ice bares all in Nude

By Chereen Myers
Entertainment Editor

It wasn't the kind of thing you'd expect from a demo. The demo tape released by Love On Ice in 1990 sold out in 10 weeks. It was this same tape that resulted in a record deal with Interscope Records and, later, their demo LP, "Nude."

While most bands begin with a sparse demo produced under minimal conditions, Love On Ice decided to go the extra mile. Their choice for producer was Rick Parasher, who has quite an established track record. He produced Alice In Chains' "Temple of the Dog" project. "Most people don't spend a lot for their first demo, but

we decided that first impressions are lasting impressions, and we asked Rick to produce," said Love On Ice drummer Stan Robinson.

After the demo's release, things moved quickly for the quartet made up of vocalist/guitarist Dan Krueger, guitarist Dirk Sullivan and bassist Brent Williams. Two of the songs from the demo: "Foot in the Grave" and "Backyard" found their way to "Nude."

Love On Ice met at Mt. Hood Community College in Portland, where they shared classes like music theory and jazz improv. Traces of their classical and jazz background can be heard in their album, but make no mistake, "Nude" is pure rock and roll. Robinson admitted to drawing from mixed influences. "Our influences are from everything. I listen to everything from hard rock to classical. I hung out in the jazz department during college, but I could still rock," he said.

The sudden success of the quartet has taken all of them by surprise, said the drummer. With the recent release of their album, they are looking forward to their



first major tour. "We are really excited about this. Right now we're pretty laid back. It's really nice, but in April we're taking off, and we're looking forward to touring," he said.

known at this point, but the melting-pot musical style the quartet delivers is sure to please audiences who crave some substance in their rock.

See you in April, guys.

Life is bitter Sweet

By Hank Martin
Staff Writer

Life is Sweet...and bitter, too. *Life is Sweet* is a new English movie directed by Mike Leigh. Advertisements say the movie is a comedy, but as *Wayne's World* junkies would say: "Not!"

Life is Sweet is not an easy movie. Even if the viewer manages to wade through the thick English accents of the actors, the movie may still prove frustrating because of its slow, realistic pace. There is a lot of dialogue and little action. Let's face it; the movie is completely the opposite of *Terminator 2*.

Life is Sweet is the story of a lower, middle class family in England. The family consists of a mother, father and twin daughters. The best part of the movie is the relationship between the twins. One is a calm, well-adjusted person, while the other is an unstable, bulimic person who wears "Smiths" T-shirts. They have a brilliantly ambivalent relationship.

All the acting in the movie was superb. The family seemed real, with all the bland little arguments and traumas. The viewer has a real feel for the characters by the end, but the challenge is to pay attention throughout the entire movie. I think it is good for a movie to be a challenge, though.

Don't get me wrong, I realize the value of easy movies that take you to a different place. Easy movies are healthy and fun—sort of like sex, but movies should be educational and thought-provoking at times.


too—or even just boring views of life. Like Thomas F. Merrill says in his book: *Allen Ginsberg*, "Art does not discriminate; every thought and feeling is sacred, and thus appropriate for aesthetic registration." In other words, don't discredit this movie because it is difficult and different.

I guess my bottom-line feeling about *Life is Sweet* is it is nothing like the advertisement's portrayal, and you should go see it.




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Mellencamp brings his vision to Boise

By Chereen Myers
Entertainment Editor
Photos by Shawna Hanel

Good things are worth waiting for.

John Mellencamp proved good things come to those who wait when he played for a full



house at the Pavilion on Feb. 24. His three-hour show was one of 150 dates on the world tour in support of his recent album, "Whenever We Wanted."

Mellencamp exploded onto his minimalist stage and went into "Love and Happiness." He quickly went back to older hits, favoring them throughout the evening.

Despite the length of his show, he maintained a peak level of energy. At one point, he shared the stage with an over-enthusiastic fan, who led the crowd in "R.O.C.K. In The USA," while Mellencamp stood back and laughed.

The carnival-like atmosphere added to the pre-show anticipation throughout the crowd. A juggler stepped on stage, silently performed his routine and quietly exited. The stage itself was bare save for Mellencamp's paintings hanging in the background. Lights draped across the ceiling trans-



formed the Pavilion into Mellencamp's own fantasy.

Mellencamp didn't have much to say during his performance and only spent a few minutes discussing issues like voting and Farm Aid. In discussing the plight of the farmers, he said, "If we are depending on the government to help us out, I think we're f---ed."

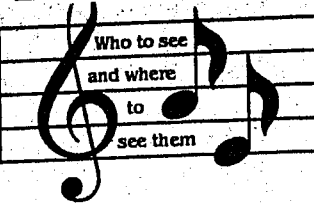
Backed by a strong band, Mellencamp kept the crowd on their feet all night and into his encore with "Little Pink Houses."

Without the aid of an elaborate light show, a cluttered stage or a wall of speakers surrounding the stage, Mellencamp treated the Boise audience to pure rock and roll, without the hype that surrounds many shows. Although

the Pavilion was filled nearly to capacity, the show was an intimate encounter between artist and fan.



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Sports

BSU women sweep in Montana, lead conference

By Scott Gere
Staff Writer

One more win, and the BSU women's basketball team can take the Big Sky Conference title.

A week ago the feat looked next to impossible, but when Montana State stopped Big Sky leader University of Montana's massive conference win streak, the Broncos were back in the hunt.

Boise State began its run for top conference honors Thursday, when they visited the University

of Montana.

Behind a 26-point performance by center Lidiya Varbanova, the Broncos stole the victory 81-77.

Varbanova shot 11 of 13 from the field and collected a team high nine rebounds.

"We wanted to attack them from the inside," BSU head coach June Daugherty said. "(The guards) were real good about getting the ball inside, and the posts did a good job of kicking the ball out when they were triple teamed."

Forward Irena "Torrie" Torrolova led the team in assists with five and snagged seven rebounds.

April Cline had 14 points, followed by Janet Soderberg with 10—six coming from the free throw line.

"Cline had a great game," Daugherty said, "and Soderberg hit some critical free throws."

The Broncos shot 54 percent from the field in the game, and nailed 8 of 17 shots from three-point range.

On Saturday, BSU visited Montana State in an attempt to sweep both Montana games.

It was the first time a BSU team had ever beaten both Montana teams on the road.

The Broncos won, 74-68. BSU put forth a balanced scoring attack with four players in double figures.

Shelly Wright led the team with 17 points on 7 of 10 shooting, followed closely by Varbanova who had 16 (7 of 11).

Cline finished with 13, and

Torrolova shot 5 of 7 for 14 points.

Boise State now has but one hurdle left on the road to a conference title—Eastern Washington University.

Despite EWU's 5-9 conference record, Daugherty said they're not a team to be taken lightly.

"They played a great game against Weber State (on Saturday)," she said.

Eastern Washington hammered WSU 80-61.

Shoes make the athlete—wish he wasn't

By Scott Samples
Sports Editor

This Christmas I received a pair of Nike cross-trainers from my parents:

Maybe it was a hint that I should get off my butt and do something with my sorry life—or lack thereof.

I guess I expected the shoes to do the work for me. I thought that once I put the shoes on I would suddenly turn into Bo Jackson, running around and playing every sport known to man. With these wonderful shoes I would become lean, muscular and rich.

I was wrong. My pathetic existence continued, highlighted only by nights where I drank too much beer.

Occasionally I would play basketball or football with the guys, but I still wasn't ready to compete in any triathalons.

But last week the weather was so nice even I felt guilty about sitting inside, watching "Tiny Toons" and eating 7-eleven hotdogs.

A couple of my friends convinced me to go play volleyball with them and, with visions of me and Bo doing a commercial together, I accepted.

So I grabbed my cross-trainers and headed outside, ready to get so much exercise in one week that I wouldn't have to leave my room for the rest of the year.

The blazing sun hurt my eyes and I made a move to the door that would take me back to the friendly confines of my room.

However, one of my friends grabbed me by the hair and literally dragged me to the volleyball court, kicking and screaming in protest.

When I warmed up a little bit (and it doesn't take much when it's 70 degrees outside) I began to amaze my friends with my incredible dives and spikes.

After I had embarrassed my friends at volleyball, we decided to play tennis. Fortunately for me, I was wearing cross-trainers and didn't even have to change my shoes.

I was even more unbelievable at tennis. I won our little round-robin tournament and earned the prestigious title of "Puff Daddy."

When I woke up the next morning, I saw the pile of sweaty clothes lying next to my bed, stuck to the floor. As I tried to roll my broken body out of bed, I wondered how and why I exercised so damn much.

It must have been the shoes.

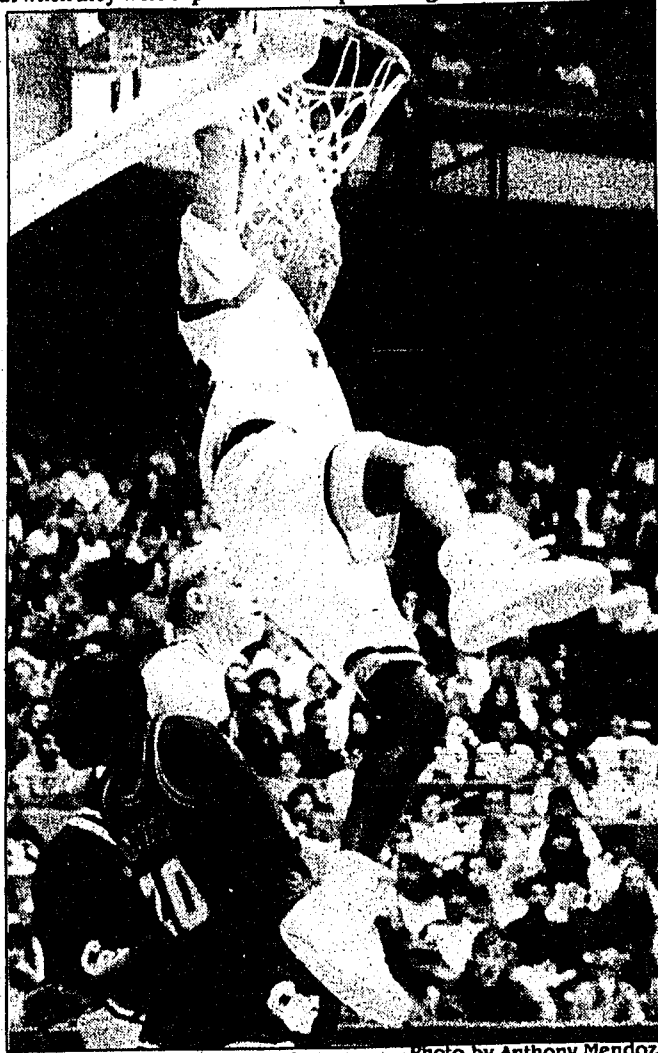


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Michael Trotter hangs on the rim after a dunk.

Wrestlers send three to NCAA tournament

By Scott Samples
Sports Editor

The BSU wrestling team qualified three wrestlers for the NCAA tournament and came close to sending two others.

Boise State's Nels Nelson won his second Pacific-10 Conference title in the 150 pound division to earn him a trip to Nationals for the second year in a row. Paul Jackson earned a place in the tournament after placing at 177, and sophomore Andy Leathers also secured a berth at 158.

But the Broncos nearly sent more. Larry Garrison lost 3-2 at 134 and was knocked from contention. He went on to win his fifth

place match. Tony Piva (142) also lost by one point, 7-6, missing a trip to the tournament. Charles Burton placed fifth at 167.

Sending three wrestlers to the tournament was an improvement over last year, when only Nelson qualified. But BSU head coach Mike Young said he was somewhat disappointed in only sending three.

"I was happy we got three, but I felt Larry and Tony would make it," Young said.

Oregon State won the conference title with 124 points. Arizona State placed second with 95.75, Cal-State Bakersfield was

third with 87.5 and Oregon finished fourth with 84. The Broncos came in fifth with a team score of 66.25 points.

Young said the losses by Garrison and Piva could have placed BSU higher in the team rankings.

"If those two would have won, we would have placed third," Young said. "We were all

very close."

Young said Nationals will be an experience tournament for Jackson and Leathers. He also said Nelson could place in the top six nationally. The top eight in Nationals earn a wrestler all-American status.

"Nels is very talented and he's very focused," Young said.

By Scott Samples
Sports Editor

The BSU men's basketball team can finally breathe a sigh of relief.

After spending a good deal of the season in the Big Sky Conference basement, the Broncos have been guaranteed a berth in the Big Sky Tournament.

Boise State clinched the berth with a 90-75 win over Montana State on Saturday. The Broncos had an opportunity to clinch against Montana on Thursday, but lost the game 71-58.

Saturday's game was the last home game for five Bronco seniors. Archie Wright, Grayle Humphrey, Michael Trotter, Billy Fikes and Dan Jones finished their careers in front of the Boise State fans.

"The way we played tonight was so emotional. Everyone played emotionally," Trotter said. "We just had the intention of playing hard."

They did.

Boise State has gotten a reputation for blowing leads and not being able to put teams away. Against the Bobcats it looked like

it might happen again.

With 10:23 left in the game the Broncos led Montana State by 24 points. But the Bobcats kept fighting back.

Montana State's Johnny Mack nailed a three-pointer to cut BSU's lead to nine with 3:21 left.

It looked like Boise State's nightmare was about to begin again.

But on the Bobcats' next possession, Fikes stole the ball at halfcourt and ended the play with a reverse jam.

"If they do something, you have to balance the scales," Fikes said.

"They (Montana State) made a real explosive effort and we made some big shots," BSU head coach Bobby Dye said. "Somebody has to make a play at that point."

This time the Broncos kept their composure and held their lead.

"There wasn't a sense of panic, just a deep breath," center Tanoka Beard said. "They took advantage of some of our inadaquacies. They took advantage of

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some of our mistakes."

Beard led Boise State in scoring and rebounding with 28 points and 13 rebounds. Jermaine Haliburton hit for 18 points and Fikes added 14.

"It was a big game for us," Beard said. "We just had to strap it on and go after it."

In Thursday's game, the Broncos held Montana in check until the 12:09 mark of the second half.

The Grizzlies' Daren Engellant hit a layup and Montana never looked back.

Boise State again played well in the first half. They went into halftime with a 29-27 lead after Lance Vaughn hit a halfcourt shot at the buzzer.

But the Broncos just couldn't hold onto the lead.

"If the game was only 20 minutes long we may be ranked in the nation," Trotter said on Saturday.

Trotter scored 15 points to lead BSU in scoring against the Griz. Beard had 14 and Vaughn hit for 10 points.

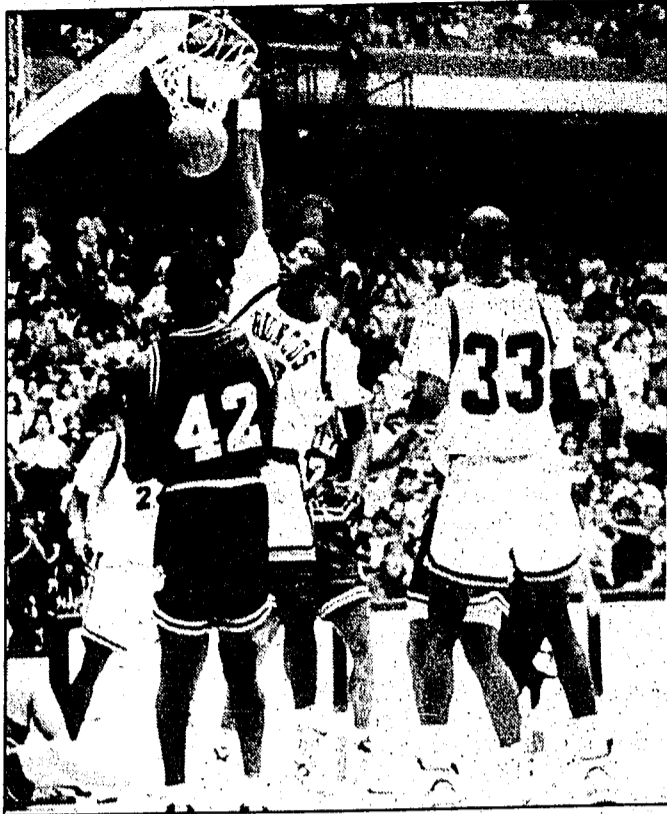


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BSU's Tanoka Beard (center) jams the ball against MSU.

Women's track team ends regular season

The BSU women's indoor track and field team completed its regular season on Saturday, with two athletes placing first, including one school record.

Senior Gloria Dillard broke the Boise State record in the shot put at Pocatello, throwing 48 feet 8.75 inches. The heave improves her NCAA qualifying mark, and was good for first place.

Freshman Kim Cobb took relatively uncontested first place honors in the 5000-meter run, crossing the finish line in 19 minutes 1.9 seconds.

Other top BSU places were held by Rubye Jones (second, long jump), Vanessa Pike (second, 55-meter dash) and

Sara Herman (second, 3000-meter run).

Pike's time was identical to the first place finisher (7.14), but was bumped to second after a photo review.

With one week to go until the Big Sky Championships, the Broncos can look forward to easy workouts in preparation for the meet.

"It'll be real light," BSU head coach Jim Klein said. "We'll do some sharpening up—try and get fresh."

Boise State will be sending 18 athletes to the Big Sky meet, including top track competitors Pike, Ruth Brown, Tasha Bailey, and Jones.

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Gymnastics

After seven straight meets, the BSU gymnastics team finally got a break.

The Broncos slipped a bit in their last competition in the Southwest Cup at Arizona State, scoring 184.25. The fourth place finish came on the heels of their record setting performance in the Pavilion against Arizona State, in which they broke the school record with a score of 191.8.

The Broncos will host BYU on March 6 and Seattle Pacific on March 7.

Tennis

The BSU men's and women's tennis teams took the weekend off after losing their first contest of the season. The men's record is now 8-1, and the women are 7-1.

Both the men and the women lost to Idaho State University — men 4-5, women 4-6.

In previous matchups two days earlier, both teams beat the Idaho Vandals 9-0.

On March 6-9, the Broncos will host the University of Montana and Utah State in the BSU Indoor Tennis Center.

Men's Track

The BSU men's track and field team had the weekend off from competition, and now has less than a week to go before the Big Sky Conference Championships.

The meet will be held in Moscow on March 6 and 7, and the Broncos have several athletes they expect to compete well.

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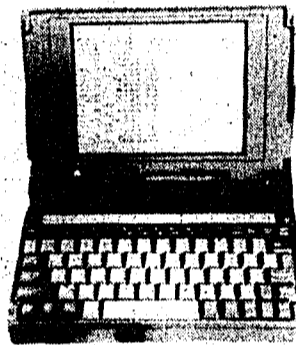
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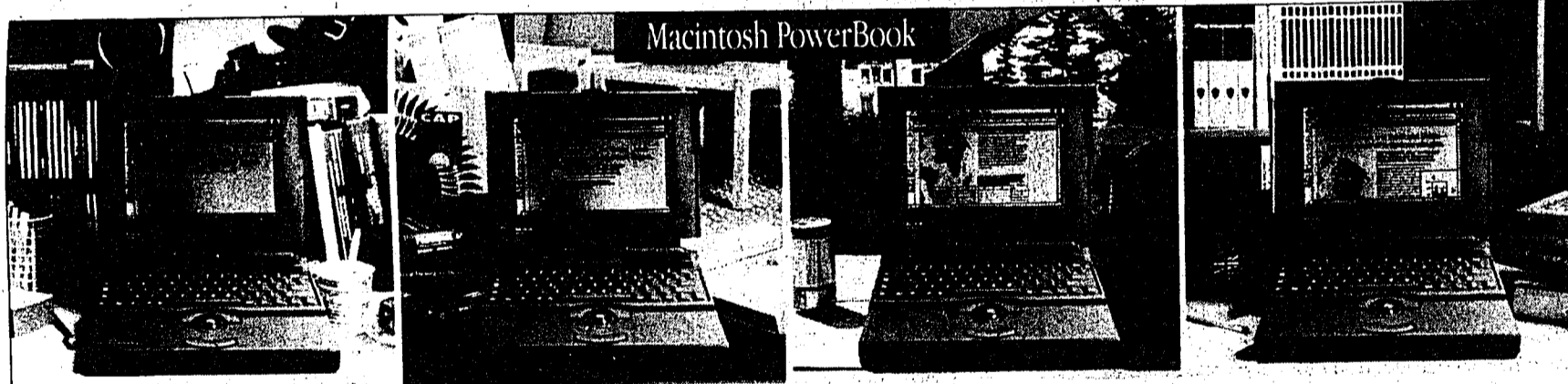
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