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Gay rights resolution passes

By Melanie Delon
Staff Writer

On Thursday, April 16, the Associated Students of Boise State University passed an inclusive resolution to the BSU Bill of Rights which would protect homosexual rights.

"It's about human dignity and personal rights," said Eve Costello, the senate pro-tem. Members of the senate and several student organizations spoke in favor of a resolution which said students could not be discriminated against on the grounds of sexual preference. The resolution was passed by a 8 to 1 vote.

Five members of the senate abstained. Among the members who abstained were Tim

Fitzpatrick and Kim Scheffer, who gave no reason for their abstentions. Senator Gary Meyers said he did not like the resolution because he said non-discrimination could not be legislated. Jenni Thomason said her abstention was based upon mixed comments from the clubs and organizations she represents.

The most controversial reason for not supporting the resolution came from Senator Susan Welker who said she would feel uncomfortable dressing if she had a lesbian roommate. "Therefore, I have too many mixed emotions," Welker said.

On Thursday morning, students arrived at BSU to find a hate message chalked on the sidewalk in front of the southwest end of the Hemingway Center. The message read, 'KILL THE FAGS.' It also served as a basis

**"It's about human dignity and personal rights."
— Eve Costello**

for the approval of the resolution. Debbie Graham, a computer science major, said the increase in hate crimes has her concerned about her safety and the safety of other homosexuals. Graham said she was offended by the graffiti, and asked the senate to pass this resolution because

"Hiding does not set a positive educational environment." It was a "matter of justice," she said.

Gwynne Hampton said she was made aware of the severity of the problem while leaving school on Tuesday night. Hampton, one of the sponsors of the resolution, said she found a note on her car that contained threats. On Wednesday night, Hampton said she received threatening messages on her answering machine. Her first impression was to withdraw her involvement with the resolution. But said that after much thought—she decided that if the thought of the resolution could provoke harassment, there was a definite need for it.

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Grad jobs are tight

By Stuart Bryson
Staff Writer

Let's matriculate, baby!

Yes, it's that time of year again—for the 1,690 candidates for graduation in '92, it's time to think about what lies ahead in terms of jobs. At a time of economic insecurity and high competition, most graduates have their work cut out for them.

According to Richard Rapp, director of Boise State University's Career Planning and Placement Center, if you aren't a nursing major or a teacher, you may face a challenge finding a job.

Rapp blames the recession. "They're facing a much more competitive job market than we've seen in a number of years," he said of soon-to-be graduates in the colleges of business, art, science and Social Science and Public Affairs. He attributes this, in part, to the increase of applicants looking for jobs in Idaho because of hard times in other states.

Rapp said jobs for College of Technology graduates and for nursing and health majors are plentiful. Job availability for teachers is as it has been in past years.

Rapp said that on-campus recruiting is down, but the number

of job listings is about the same. He said most companies aren't hiring as many trainees.

In hunting for jobs, Rapp recommends graduates learn some necessary skills. He said they need to learn how to write a good resume and to sell themselves to potential employers. He indicated that many graduates have a hard time putting forth the work and effort necessary. "They're kind of tired; they've been studying for four or more years," he said.

Rapp recommends that graduating seniors register with the Career Planning and Placement Center, which helps with job hunting, resume writing and interviewing. He said some graduating seniors have already found jobs through the center.

There are two things Rapp said seniors should keep in mind: The first was not to get discouraged because there will be jobs and attitude is important, he said.

The second is it takes work. "You're going to have to go out and hustle to get the job," he said.

Graduation will take place on May 10 at the BSU Pavilion. Tamara Sandmeyer, a graduating senior and president of ASBSU is the student speaker.

Gov. Andrus is expected to attend the ceremony.

The Search...



Photo by Brian Becker

Bargain hunters rummaged through piles of used merchandise during the World's Largest Yard Sale in Bronco Stadium Parking Lot. The event, sponsored by the School of Vocational Technical Education, took place Friday and Saturday April 17 and 18.

Outgoing ASBSU exec's reflect on past year

By Dawn Kramer
Staff Writer

ASBSU lame-duck executives Tamara Sandmeyer and Matt Burney will officially finish their terms in office Thursday, April 23, and the two said they are proud of their accomplishments as president and vice president, respectively.

The duo said they felt bridging the gap between students and the community was the biggest accomplishment while in office.

Sandmeyer plans to attend law school next year at the University of Idaho. Burney will continue at Boise State University. He will be a member of the newly created Publications Board.

They also said they were proud of getting BSU into the Idaho Student Lobby, restructuring the student newspaper and (jokingly) "getting their names printed in the newspaper correctly a record number of times."

Gregory Blaesing, director of Student Union Activities and Sandmeyer's adviser, listed what he thought were the pair's greatest accomplishments. He said the way Sandmeyer conveyed the feelings of ASBSU about the firing of John Keiser to the State Board of Education, advocating a split SBE, improving the student insurance plan and establishing the Publications Board.

Sandmeyer said, under her

administration, student involvement in campus politics has improved mostly because of the firing of the former President John Keiser last fall. "There were students in my office I'd never seen before asking if they could help," Sandmeyer said.

"Tamara put her heart and soul into doing what was right for the students and the institution," Blaesing said. "She exhibited dynamic leadership during her term."

Blaesing said he felt one of Tamara's major accomplishments was communicating student needs to the president of BSU and the State Board of Education. "Tamara's administration

will be remembered," Blaesing concluded.

Last year, Sandmeyer and Burney ran unopposed and were voted into office with less than 600 votes. The turnout in the recent election proved much higher, with 1,600 votes. Sandmeyer attributed this to the increase in students on campus and the fact there were several people running.

"Don't take anything too seriously, especially, yourself," Sandmeyer said, as advice for ASBSU President-Elect, Todd Sholty. She also advised that it is best for the president to establish one or two concrete goals because, if he or she expects to

accomplish everything, they will accomplish nothing. Sandmeyer said she was concerned that Sholty is viewed as an advocate for the administration. She said it is important to focus on student needs.

"Never underestimate the senate," Burney said, as advice for Lisa Sanchez, vice president-elect. Burney said he served on a non-united senate last year, but this year's senate was free of internal conflict making them easier to work with. The vice president, as president of the senate, has a unique position, according to Burney, because "there is only one of you and 16 of them."

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Opinion

Let the lawsuits begin...

Boise State University is in a full nelson, legally speaking. Last Thursday, two very interesting incidents happened on campus, which both directly relate to possible legal action against BSU.

•A racial epithet, "kill the fags," was found scrawled on a sidewalk by the Hemingway Center.

•The ASBSU Senate passed a resolution that urged the Student Bill of Rights to include the phrase "sexual orientation" in the anti-discrimination policy.

The reason why Boise State University may not include this phrase in the anti-discrimination policy is liability. Boise State can get sued over this policy, whether it is changed, or not. Here's two possible lawsuit scenarios:

•If the policy is not changed: Joe Schmo from Kokomo, a history major, asks to join club XYZ, a recognized organization by ASBSU. Club XYZ says "No, Joe, we will not allow you as a member, because you are a homosexual." Joe Schmo then walks to the ACLU office, reads the U.S. Constitution, gets organized, and sues the school for violating his constitutional rights. Most likely, Mr. Schmo will win, therefore setting legal precedent to overturn the state of Idaho's policy on discrimination. You see, Idaho does not include the phrase "sexual orientation" in its anti-discrimination policy. A successful lawsuit against BSU would force the State to change its wording.

•If the policy is changed: Joe Schmo is allowed to become a member of club XYZ, much to the dismay of the club. The club then sues (guess who) Boise State, on the grounds that since the state of Idaho does not demand that they accept homosexuals, neither should Boise State. Most likely, Club XYZ will win. The state of Idaho would then change their wording in the anti-discrimination policy, which would protect BSU, finally.

Either way, BSU can get sued. Even though the Student Policy Board passed a similar resolution last month regarding the "sexual orientation" phrase, what many students don't realize is that this policy change doesn't come down to ASBSU or the Student Policy Board. The decision rests upon Dr. Selland, period.

For those of us who want the phrase "sexual orientation" added to the anti-discrimination policy, the best action would be to do nothing. By doing nothing, the school can, and most likely will be sued, which will accelerate the process to overturn the state of Idaho's policy regarding anti-discrimination. This is one of the few times in which doing nothing may be the best point of action to expedite human rights for all students, and then, all Idahoans.

Todd Sholty

Helmsley sings prison blues



Stan Oliver Columnist

For days now I've had to listen to Leona Helmsley's megabuck attorneys pee and moan about how their client hasn't been getting a fair shake. Now that she's incarcerated, they've shut up...at least, for the time being, anyway.

Who else but someone like her could afford to BUY a public forum so utterly replete? Why, she's had the best due process money can buy!

But this apparently wasn't good enough for her. Somehow, her attorneys managed to arrange a five-minute, eleventh-hour bid to plead her case to the American people on the *Good Morning America* broadcast of April 13th.

Again, they were pleading her poor health and her absence of wrongdoing having to do with her taxes (no, the butler didn't do it; this time it was the accountants). But now they've added a new dimension—a new twist to their repertoire of guile.

The Aryan Nation, according to Helmsley's attorneys, have issued a death warrant on the ailing Ms. Helmsley—a purported contract on her life! They even brought a photocopy of the alleged document to the broadcast studio, for all of America to see.

But, somehow, this just didn't wash with the courts. Leona was not miraculously spared, and she did report to prison to begin serving her four-year sentence, as prescribed by law, on April 15th.

And not one peep has been heard from her (or her attorneys) since. Could it be Ms. Helmsley has finally become humble...or, could it merely be she's (finally) been wisely counseled and is going to use her head for a change—rather than her mouth.

If she were to have reported to prison with her usual antagonistic, non-cooperative demeanor, there would have been a good chance she would have had to serve a substantial portion of her 48-month sentence.

As it stands now, if she can just manage to keep her fat yap shut (and she's sure got one of those), she could be paroled in a mere 16 months.

But, for her, this would be a feat in itself! If one can remember the story done by *60 Minutes* just a few years ago, featuring Leona Helmsley, when this arrogant hotel baroness was strutting through her hotel kitchens, cameras in tandem, and firing employees as she went.

"Her smile was inappropri-

ate." "I didn't like the crease in his pants..." These were the kind of reasons she was using to permanently dismiss people from their jobs—a ruthless, insensitive and domineering woman, this Leona Helmsley. And now, she pleads for mercy....

On a recent newscast, when I saw her mouth wide open and crying out, "Oh, what have I done; I've done nothing!"—at this very moment, a stifling urge came over me...I desperately wanted to stuff a worm-filled apple in her gaping maw!

It's clear and simple. She got her paws caught in Uncle Sam's till, and it got stuck! Now, I'm certainly no crusader for the IRS, but if they're going to stick it to someone—it might as well be her.

And this fainting business and about her being ill...hey, people die in prison every day. It's a fact of life. Al Capone (another notorious victim of the IRS) died in prison of syphilis. So what? You break the law, you go to prison.

Yeah. She thinks she got a real raw deal. Well, now she has a little time to reflect and mull it over. Perhaps a prison diet, to include a little crow and humble pie, will agree with her gourmet palate.

The prison warden, it seems, has already scouted a position for Leona. She (the warden), when interviewed, said that because of Leona's vast hotel experience, she'd be a shoe-in to join the prison's mop-bucket brigade. HOW SWEET IT IS!

Accidental Opinion...

Hanging with Axl and Ice-T



Shelby Reno Columnist

Ice-T, a popular and respectable rap artist, played in concert at the Mardi Gras on April 9. Although the show started a couple hours late, I had a great time. Aside from the stage/audience set-up, I would even go so far as to say that, out of the ten or so concerts I've seen performed in Boise, this was the best concert I've ever been to. Those of you who shared in the Ice-T/Body Count experience know exactly what I mean. And I'm not just addressing all of the stereotypical rap lovers.

Again, those of you who went know what I'm talking about. I'll explain later. It surprised me that Boise had the privilege to be a stop on their club circuit tour, especially Ice-T being the first rap group to follow through. If you had a ticket to Public Enemy, then you know what I'm rattling on about.

Last October, I purchased tickets to the Public Enemy con-

cert for my little brother for his 14th birthday and also for myself. It was an unexpected surprise to see a rap band hit our area. This, however, should have been a foreboding sign to us when buying tickets to Ice-T. The political Public Enemy cancelled shortly after because a band member was "ill." Later, it was said in an interview they had cancelled their Boise show because of the Aryan Nation population in Idaho. My brother and I were disappointed, being as it isn't every day a rap group swings through Idaho.

I owed my brother a birthday present. Many moons later, he jumped at the chance to cash in his IOU for the next rap concert scheduled in Boise—a pleasant surprise to both of us because of the reason behind Public Enemy's cancellation. I was sure this concert would follow the trend, also for similar reasons.

Ice-T is a renowned rap singer, but what makes him special is that he also has formed a metal band called Body Count. Ice-T talked about not limiting himself to just rap, and that people shouldn't just limit their musical interests, tastes or pursuits to just one category of music. This message tied in really well with the audience, an incredibly diverse crowd. This amazed me because there is usually a specific type of group that dominates a concert, usually the kind that the music stands for. For example, Metallica drew thousands of people, but the most common fea-

ture of the concert-goers was long hair, stiletto heels and banging heads. AC/DC was similar. Skaters and punks can be seen on weekend nights at the Crazy Horse where a lot of thrash bands play.

Because the Ice-T concert was postponed a couple of hours, a winding line of kids from junior high to high school to college-age people were there. Dressed in everything from punk, to progressive, to hip-hop, to skater to normal (!?) were represented. I saw a few BSU letterman jackets there standing by a kid clad in black leather with purple-spiked hair. Many nationalities were there, and I thought this was really cool because the music drew more than one group.

I think the idea of blending rap with metal is a new concept that should have been thought of long ago. It brings out a totally different sound. The beat's better without losing any heavy guitar. Another new concept goes with this also: NO STEREOTYPES. Ice-T related to everyone in a different way; he was one frontman I felt a one-on-one relationship with. He can entertain with nothing but a microphone and himself. This isn't common among many lead vocalists. Not many have the energy to reach out to their fans.

This is a had-to-be-there type of story. So if I haven't explained my phenomenal observation, roll your eyes and move on to the next article.

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Inside/Out...

More than "sour grapes"



Mack Sermon columnist

For the past two months, I have worked 10 hours a day as the campaign manager for C.J. Martin and Jenni Thomason. Anything I say negative about our new ASBSU president and vice president is going to be viewed as sour grapes.

Instead, after days of soul searching on the matter, I have decided to congratulate Todd Sholty and Lisa Sanchez and provide them with some candid and unsolicited advice.

Todd and Lisa are the first team in ASBSU history to solidify the residence hall vote—an admirable achievement. However, they also won with one of the smallest percentages of votes I have seen since I came to BSU in 1984. Furthermore, they won by what seems to be the smallest margin in ASBSU history: 1.75 percent.

We have already seen that Todd may have a tough time ahead of him with the ASBSU senate. Let's face it; the Student Union Building is the only place on campus where they had a substantial victory.

The SUB is where residence hall students vote. Todd and Lisa are residence hall advisers. Todd and Lisa received 500 student votes, but 1100 did not vote for them.

My first bit of advice is to reach out to these students. In many elections, we have had less than a 1000 total votes. The people who voted for C.J. Martin, John O'Hara and Wes Garvin did so for a reason. Find out what this reason is and try to represent these concerns in your administration.

Todd Sholty has been the first one to admit he has no experience in student government. He is about to find out just how difficult it is. Go to the people who know—not the administration and not the advisers. Seek out the former ASBSU presidents and vice presidents; they are an extraordinary bunch of folks. They can tell you about the pitfalls awaiting you.

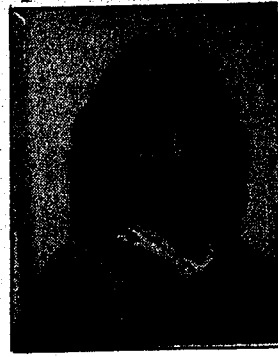
Finally, to my friends in the ASBSU senate, advice to you as well. Give Todd and Lisa a chance. They are bright, witty and hard working. I am honestly convinced they have only the best intentions and good hearts. Perhaps the best way to avoid conflict is to divide up the labor. Sit down and decide what things the executive and legislative branches would like to emphasize. The students of this school don't want to watch you bicker for a year.

One of the most important issues discussed in this campaign was the need to make ASBSU more accessible to the common student. The Constitutional Convention would have given us an opportunity to design a system in which students wouldn't need any special knowledge to involve themselves. Well, we don't have this system now. Therefore, we must make the best of it.

I have one last piece of advice. This is not just student government. There are no senior prom decorating committees involved. You have a real budget made up of the hard-earned dollars of 9000 full-time students. The insiders and bigwigs will all tell you what to do with that money. DO NOT listen to them. In fact, do not listen to me after you are done with this column. Instead, listen to the Vo-Tech students with three kids and a mortgage; they can't afford a fee increase for a new residence hall.

Listen to the business major who wants you to stand up to the State Board. Listen to the women who are frightened to walk after dark. Listen to the mothers who demand quality child care. Listen to the blacks, whites, Hispanics and Asians on campus, and the non-traditional, the poor, the gay, Mormon, Catholic, Islamic, veterans, physically challenged, elderly, mentally ill, professional, unskilled, Republicans, Democrats, liberals, conservatives, athletes, bikers, military and lefties. They're all here, and you can't go wrong if you listen to them.

Speak Out...



Tamara Sandmeyer
ASBSU President

Last chance for my last shots? O.K.; duck!

Since this is my last chance to speak in an official capacity, I will take advantage of this space to selfishly speak to the issues this student administration has left hanging for the next one to pick up or not pick up, at their choosing. In a way, it is tough to let go of all the work and the projects and the opportunity to represent the students. In another way, I'm actually, and more enthusiastically, looking forward to getting out and getting on with it—my life, that is. Has it been worth it? Unequivocally, YES!

Matt and I worked some long hours toward a student newspaper, which is reorganized and restructured toward better accountability and service to the students, without further residue of conflict of interest—real or imagined. I'm leaving with a peaceful feeling with the '92-'93 Editor-in-Chief Rick Overton at the helm. He's intelligent, thoughtful and will attract some very strange people to work for him!

We leave you wrestling with the moral and ethical dilemma of granting humane consideration towards the gay population at BSU by including sexual orientation into the anti-discrimination statement of the Student Bill of Rights.

We leave you with the challenge of continued involvement with the State Board of Education and continued advocacy of furthering the quality and quan-

ity of higher education at BSU and throughout the state. We leave you with the challenge of establishing a campus/community volunteer organization at BSU. Robin Denison and senate-appointed Jennifer Sheets are taking over this project, and I urge you to contact them and offer your support.

THANK YOU to the students for the honor of representing and working for them! To the students who came by, got involved and became our friends. To the organizational heart of ASBSU, Marj Billings, our secretary, substitute mom and one of the hardest working members in the office!

To my incredible V.P. Matt Burney—whose strength and energy I relied on constantly, and who I have a deeper respect for after having worked with this past year. To the most amazing executive staff I've ever seen in the four years that I have known (and been a member of) in ASBSU. Especially to Ted and Robin—more than words can express!

To the most productive, sincere and caring senate I've witnessed in the above-mentioned years—you have taken the traditional abuse, turned it into constructive criticism and have managed to rise above the cynicism and blase expectations of your toughest critics. Be proud.

To the judicial branch, who are constantly overlooked, overlooked—yet consistently striving for peaceful settlements and fair and honest outcomes. And finally, to the hardworking and student-centered staff and administrators at BSU who have gone to great lengths to work with, and accommodate, students and their concerns; you were noticed—and respect from our organization goes to you. You know who you are!

And to Cassie and Chad—because I always save the best for last—Love, TAS

(Surprise! The gun wasn't loaded this time! You can stand up now.)

Letters to the Editor

Stay out of our house

Dear Editor:

I am addressing campaign issues at the residence halls. The residents did not allow verbal campaigning in the residence halls or the placement of flyers in mailboxes.

Candidates did not campaign in our homes. The buzz word is "homes." Would you like a candidate to come to your living room (our T.V. lounge) and preach from a soapbox?

Even candidates who happen to live in the halls were not permitted to campaign in our halls. For example: just days before the election, Rick Bean held a floor meeting. He did not mention the fact that he was running. Just because we live on campus does not justify the invasion of our homes by political-hopefuls.

As for those who lost and believed the residence halls provided unfair advantages to some, they would be wise to remember that they, too, unethically sought the residence hall vote. Bill Stephan asked to speak in our T.V. lounge. He also campaigned in our dining hall (which we consider our dining room) by theoretically enjoying a Marriott meal, while hopping from table to table on a campaigning spree. C.J. Martin left flyers in the cafeteria. Even Todd Sholty campaigned in the cafeteria!

The residence hall votes carries so much weight that those running for office should treat the people who live here with respect! If the student govern-

ment is afraid of the residence hall vote, it should listen to us and realize we are real people capable of real decisions. We do not need to be bombarded by glowing orange flyers in our mail or inundated with campaign rhetoric in our living rooms

Sarah Kidd

Too little, too late

Dear Editor:

This year's senators seem to have been quite the activists; that doesn't mean they accomplished much. If adults are going to quit the senate because they or their friends don't get elected, then they didn't belong in office in the first place. Their motives were obviously not student-oriented.

Fact: There are no rules in the BSU election process that requires a candidate to take more than half of the total votes cast in order to win. It's amazing what can happen to an election when the student government has hit rock-bottom. I strongly feel Sholty and Sanchez can turn ASBSU around, and if that is aided because those holding back change in ASBSU quit, so be it.

And for those who think it's unfair that so many residence hall students vote, where's the support in your argument? No one makes them vote—they live here; they participate more. Someone has to. Even if every residence hall student voted, which they don't, that's only 800 votes out of 1600. Let's focus on the fact that the number of presidential candidates doubled, and

voter turnout tripled.

It was a well-run, fair campaign with little or no mudslinging. Why start kicking up dirt now?

Renee Waters

Senators, earn your money

Dear Editor:

On April 9th, Todd Sholty and Lisa Sanchez were elected by the student body as our new ASBSU president and vice president. They were chosen for a number of reasons—far too many to discuss in this short letter. Yet, their winning has brought forth the true colors of the current ASBSU senate.

After hearing the election results, a number of senators voiced their displeasure with the student body's choice. Others threatened to quit, and others are rumored to be considering a formal/informal boycott of the remaining ASBSU session.

Well, as a full-time student, if these senators feel this way they should resign their current positions rather than quit or boycott. They seem to have let their personal feelings for C.J. Martin get in the way of responsible government.

In my eye, a senator should be open-minded and able to work with anybody. But it seems our current ASBSU senators are biased and stuck on themselves.

So, to all the senators who feel the need to protest; do this: give us, the students of BSU, your resignations and forfeit this month's paycheck.

Shawn Hafer

Deadline woes

Dear Editor:

This is in response to a letter published in the April 7, 1992 edition of *The Arbiter*. I am perturbed by the letter from Mr. Troy Weston who wrote of a "disturbing incident" which occurred in the Financial Aid Office: An employee of his (Angela Cooney) had turned in her scholarship application late, and it was not accepted.

There are a few facts that need to be addressed:

- 1) The Financial Aid Office processes in excess of 3,000 applications a year.
- 2) Approximately 1500 scholarships are awarded in conjunction with the various departments across the university.
- 3) Between 200 and 300 late and incomplete scholarship applications were not processed this year.
- 4) Since March 1st, the scholarship deadline, fell on a Sunday, the Financial Aid Office accepted scholarship applications on Monday, March 2nd.
- 5) High school counselors had the scholarship applications in their possession by mid-November—thus Ms. Cooney had over three months to complete the application.
- 6) Ms. Cooney turned her appli-

cation into the Financial Aid Office on Wednesday, March 4th.

I have worked with Chris Woodward, and she is a very "student-oriented" employee. I cannot imagine any circumstance in which Mrs. Woodward would deal with a student or a representative for that student in the manner alluded to by the quotes made by Mr. Weston. She is very professional and wouldn't "teach her a lesson."

The Financial Aid Office has the March 1st deadline for a reason.

1. Hand-check each application (GPA and major).
2. Forward application to department of major.
3. Each department awards scholarships (takes two weeks).
4. Applications are returned to Financial Aid Office.
5. Financial Aid Office prepares certificate to be forwarded to high schools to recognize those high school students who have been awarded scholarships.

This process must be completed within two months of the March 1st deadline. If Ms. Cooney is such a good student, she should have completed the application on time—just like the other 3,000 students attempting to receive scholarships.

Michele Sherrer

News

Free scholarship search for all Idaho students offered by Ed department

By Dawn Kramer
Staff Writer

The Career Information System is a free computerized scholarship search available to all Idaho high school and college students developed by the Idaho State Department of Education.

Students can access the service at the Idaho State Library, Idaho Public Library, Boise Job Service and most high school counseling offices. The system is available at several locations on campus, including the Student Employment Center, the Career Planning and Placement Center (contact Dick Rapp), the Center for New Directions (contact Myrna McDaniels), the Adult Learning Center (contact Sheryl Engle), the College of Technology's Student Services (contact Rhonda Miracle), Hep/Camp (contact Sue Gilbert) and the Opportunity Express Bus (contact Dena Field-Pengilly).

Idaho Attorney General Larry Echohawk is urging students to consider the system before spending money on commercial services. According to Deputy Attorney General Brett DeLange, complaints about commercial services spurred the attorney general to publicize the CIS more widely. DeLange said problems with illegitimate companies include claims of locating hundreds of dollars in unclaimed scholarships each year, which, he said, "simply isn't true."

Commercial services charge between \$25 and \$300 for a search which supposedly matches the student's needs, interests, talents and other information. DeLange said while some businesses are perfectly legitimate, others have been reported to take payments and don't do the search, send inaccurate or unusable

information or provide information which will not help the student get the loan or scholarship.

Echohawk, who has a son entering college next year, said, "Financing a college education is tough, and parents need all the help they can get."

"But before they spend money looking for scholarships, they should know that we have an excellent search program available free right here in Idaho," Echohawk said.

CIS offers information on scholarships based on need and educational plans. It also provides information on colleges and universities across the country. The search is not limited to scholarships in Idaho or schools in Idaho. It lists approximately 900 national scholarships, 55 state scholarships and works in conjunction with 10 other states, according to Terri Moccettini, BSU's contact with CIS.

Some questions, which should be asked when looking into a commercial search, are:

—How many financial aid sources exist in the company's computer file?

—Is there a minimum number of sources provided by the company?

—Can the student apply directly to the aid sources provided by the company, or must one be recommended by someone else?

—How successful have other people been in obtaining funds from sources identified by the search?

For a complete list, contact the the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Unit at 334-2424 or in-state, toll-free, 1-800-432-3545.

Weedon is nominated

By Adam Rush
Staff Writer

Russ Weedon, a BSU student lobbyist, has been nominated for the executive director of the Idaho Student Lobby recently by Daren Rogers, an Idaho State University student senator.

The Idaho Student Lobby serves as a vehicle by which the five higher institutions of education can voice concerns and make the State Board of Education aware of issues and needs.

Charles D'Alessio, the current executive director, was forced to quit because of charges of financial misconduct. D'Alessio is from the University of Idaho. The executive director previous to D'Alessio was from the University of Idaho and the other nominee for the position, Richard Rock, is a student senator at the University of Idaho. An interim executive director is filling the position in the wake of D'Alessio's departure.

Weedon was nominated by

Daren Rogers, a student senator at Idaho State University. The Idaho Student Lobby will vote on the nominations May 9.

Weedon's responsibilities will be similar to those he deals with now as a lobbyist. "I'll be researching issues, going to the state legislature and working with the State Board of Education," Weedon said.

The Idaho Student Lobby meets after every State Board of Education meeting. The lobby is made up of the presidents of Idaho State University, BSU, Lewis and Clark State College, the University of Idaho, and North Idaho College. The president then chooses one student from his college or university to serve with them.

Weedon is enthusiastic about the nomination. "I see the Idaho Student Lobby as a coalition of good faith between institutions, and I would like to lend integrity to the position," Weedon said.

Out 'n' About

Tuesday, April 21
3:00 p.m.

•Academic Advising Center presents Academic Decision Making workshops. Call 385-1747 for information and registration.

4 p.m.

•ASBSU Senate Caucus, Senate Forum SUB.

6:30 p.m.

•Student recital with Chris Hansen, clarinet, Morrison Center Recital Hall.

7:30 p.m.

•University Singers and Women's Chorus, Hemingway Center.

Wednesday, April 22

5:30 p.m.

•Career Planning and Placement presents Career Workshops. Call 385-1747 for more information and registration.

7:30 p.m.

•Student recital with Terri Wallis, flute, Morrison Center Recital Hall.

8 p.m.

•Les Liaisons Dangereuses Morrison Center Stage II. Tickets: \$6 general, \$4 seniors and students at Select-a-Seat, BSU faculty, staff and students free at the Morrison Center box office.

Thursday, April 23

•Big Sky women's tennis championships.

4 p.m.

•Senate Formal Session, Senate Forum, SUB.

7:30 p.m.

•Senior recital with Carole Knight, soprano, Morrison Center Recital Hall.

8 p.m.

•Les Liaisons Dangereuses, Morrison Center Stage II. Tickets: \$6 general, \$4 seniors and students, BSU faculty, staff and students free at Morrison Center.

Friday, April 24

•Big Sky women's tennis championships.

7 p.m.

•SPB film, *The Commitments*, Hatch Ballroom, SUB.

7:30 p.m.

•Brava! concert featuring Black Diamond, SUB.

•BSU Percussion Ensemble, Morrison Center, B-125.

8 p.m.

•Les Liaisons Dangereuses, Morrison Center Stage II. Tickets: \$6 general, \$4 seniors and students, BSU faculty, staff and students free at Morrison Center box office.

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SRL installs new locks

By Adam Rush
Staff Writer

An extra security feature has been added to the J.B. Barnes Towers and Chaffee residence halls with the addition of new locks on the front doors.

The new locks, according to Richard McKinnon, director of Residential Student Life, are an extra security measure.

"It's a safety related issue, and we put a different system in. The door locks after you pull your key out," McKinnon said.

Students now carry a key for their rooms and a key to get into the front door. The new locks were installed on Friday, March 6.

Cory Stambaugh, a resident adviser at Chaffee, said the new lock will keep the front doors at Chaffee effectively locked.

"With the old locks, some

keys could unlock the door and the rod would stay down. When this happened, the door wouldn't shut all the way," Stambaugh said.

David Boerl, assistant director and coordinator of Conference Housing, said, "We replaced the cylinders in the front doors and extended the life of the cylinder. It's a similar system to the one at Morrison and Driscoll."

The cost for the new locks and keys was \$600 per building.

Resident advisers said the response has been positive.

Stambaugh said, "Ninety-eight percent of the response at Chaffee, from

residents, has been positive."

Kristin Uptomor, a resident at Towers, said, "I feel really safe with the new system. It's working well. Now the doors are locked all the time at night."



Photo illustration by Brian Becker

Patricia Rhynes examines a new key at Towers.

Exit cont. from front

As a member of the Publications Board, Burney said, "I guarantee the debt will be retired." He was referring to the \$7,000 deficit that still remains with *The Arbiter*. He said good management, with the goal of retiring the debt in mind, will eventually accomplish it.

Burney said he hopes *The Arbiter* can reach the standards of the old *University News*. He would like to see it be the number one student newspaper in the state, and added, "It would be nice to get national recognition."

The Publication Board took the place to the Advisory Board for the newspaper in the fall after an incident at the *University News* that shut down the paper down most of the fall semester this year. *The Arbiter* began publishing again in November of last year.

Sandmeyer said she was impressed that, during the shutdown, an underground newspaper was generated to help fill the gap left by the *University News*. *Contraband* will continue to be published next year, according to Loren Petty, the editor.

"The Publications Board gives students expanded responsibility," Blaesing said in defense



Photo by Brian Becker

ASBSU executives Matt Burney and Tamara Sandmeyer.

of the change.

"It's the people who make a quality newspaper," Burney said. He said he was impressed by the way the paper came out this year but is looking forward to a better paper next year because the staff will have more time to get organized and more money to work with.

Meanwhile, Sandmeyer is working on organizing a volunteer program while in office. "It is not a dead issue," she said. She has handed the program over to Senator-at-large Jenny Sheets and Robin Denison. She said they plan to continue to try to get

a grant for funding.

"Tamara's advocacy for the volunteer service, which was unsuccessful in establishing a revenue source, but hopefully, it is the beginning of a movement here toward that type of program," Blaesing said.

ASBSU has new offices this year with the completion of the Student Union Building renovation.

Sandmeyer said the new offices are the best in the state. "It was money well spent," she said. She added that the new offices are the envy of the other schools around the state.

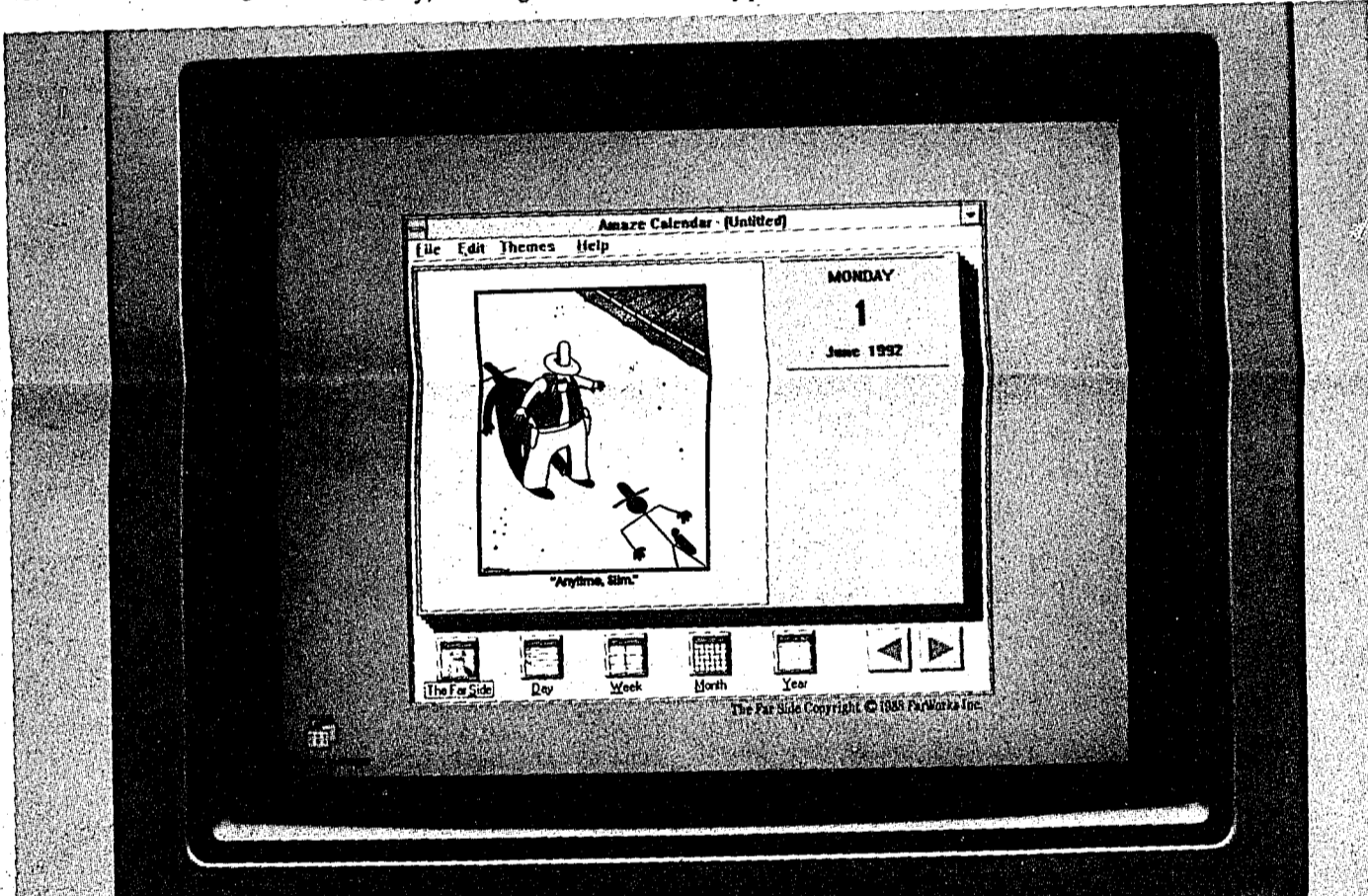
Rights cont. from front

"If you fail to protect people's rights who aren't like you, no one will be there to protect you when you are under discrimination," C.J. Martin said, as his first in a list of reasons in the defense of the resolution. Martin said other reasons were precedence and increase in hate crimes against homosexuals. The final statement, which Martin said was the most important reason, is the purpose of the student government, as stated in the ASBSU constitution, to promote social, educational, and cultural activities, and to facilitate student participation.

Kent Briggs, a representative from Alpha Kappa Psi, was on hand to voice support for the resolution. Over 40 other student organizations had signed statements in favor of the resolution. There were a few other concerns about the passing of the resolution. Kim Scheffer said her concern was that the Remedial Officer Training Corps would lose funding from ASBSU because of their policy restricting homosexuals from joining the military. Her concerns were addressed by Greg Blaesing, director of the Student Union and Activities, who explained it would be a policy issue that would have to be taken up with the Judiciary Board at the time of the conflict.

Jerry Gomez, the only senator opposed to the resolution, said he voted, "no," based on the response of his constituents. Gomez said he talked to students involved in intramural activities, and the residence halls who said the resolution was a "stupid waste of time." Gomez said he does not believe in discriminating against anyone for any reason, but he does believe a person's sexual orientation is a private matter.

"I think the resolution is a positive thing, and I think there is a need for it on campus," said Gary Christensen, a member of the BSU Gay and Lesbian Alliance. Other senators said they shared Christensen's view. Costello said the passing of the resolution was a matter of character, and it was only one step in the educational process.

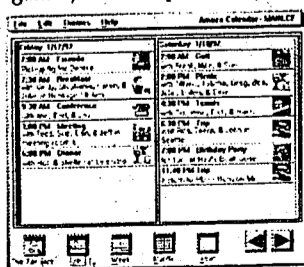


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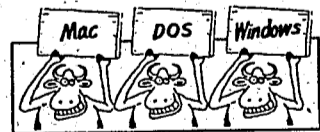
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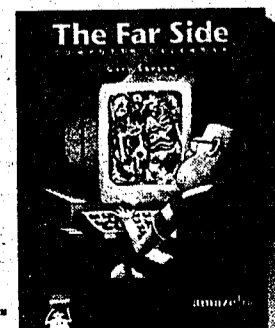
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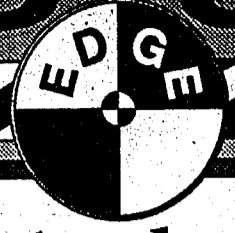


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CUTTING



BSU to honor legend

By Chereen Myers
Entertainment Editor

A Boise music legend will be honored during Boise State University's annual President's Concert at 7:30 p.m. on April 26 in the Morrison Center Main Hall. Melvin Shelton, a 24-year music veteran at BSU, will be honored in an "Ode to Music," this year's theme for the concert. Participating will be the BSU Meistersingers, Jazz Choir, Symphonic Winds, BSU Chamber Orchestra and Percussion Ensemble.

Shelton started his BSU career as the director of bands at Boise Junior College in 1968

after leaving Boise High School as an instructor. In addition to band director, he has served as a clinician, teacher and composer. His accomplishments reach far beyond this city, though. Shelton's compositions can be heard around the world.

The BSU musician will also be honored at performances on May 6 and 13 by the Treasure Valley Concert Band and at a retirement dinner on May 8 at the Red Lion Riverside.

Tickets are \$4 general admission, \$2 seniors and free for all students at the door. Proceeds benefit the Music Department Scholarship Fund.



Music, comedy, food rules spring festival

By Chereen Myers
Entertainment Editor

The best things in life are free. And the best thing about Boise in the spring is the Spring Fling. This year the annual event will take place from noon-5 p.m., April 26 in the Julia Davis Park Bandshell. Admission is free.

Here's a rundown on the Spring Fling events.

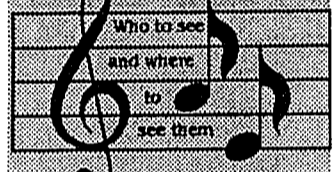
Live music is worth checking out this year. Disappear fear, an all-female quartet, has one of the fastest growing college audiences in the United States. They have shared billings with Indigo Girls, Hot Tuna and Suzanne Vega and received high marks from the "CMJ New Music Report."

A Local act, The Evett Brothers and Texas blues band, Too Slim and the Taildraggers will also perform.

Comedian Greg Proops will give stressed-out students some comic relief during Spring Fling. Proops has appeared on MTV's "Half Hour Comedy Hour" and has performed with Will Durst, Bobcat Godthwaite and Robin Williams. He is no stranger to comedy clubs, either, with past appearances at venues such as The Improvisation, Catch A Rising Star and Seattle's Comedy Underground.

Spring Fling is sponsored by the Student Programs Board at Boise State University.

Liner Notes...



- Brava!**
April 24-local folk singers Black Diamond, Jan Skurzynski and Gayle Chapman. 7:30-10:30 p.m. Student Union Building, Club 911.
- April 24-Psychic Not, Causitic Resin and Not A Cowboy Poet. Doors open at 10 p.m. \$3 at the door. 911 Borah.
- Crazy Horse**
April 22-Beat Happening with Harm Farm and El Dopamine. 7 p.m. \$5 at the door.
- April 24-Graveltruck, Voodoo Starbelle, Splinter. 9 p.m. \$5 at the door.
- April 25-Nitris, Noxious Obnoxious. 9 p.m. \$5 at the door. 1519 Main.
- Dino's**
Week of April 19-Telesis. 4802 Emerald.
- Grainey's Basement**
April 23-25 Whirl. 107 S. 6th.
- Hannah's**
Tuesdays-The Kathy Miller Blues Band.
- Wednesdays-Saturdays-Secret Agents. 621 W. Main \$3 cover.
- Morrison Center**
April 22-25 Les Liaisons Dangereuses. 8 p.m. Morrison Center Stage II. Tickets: \$6 general, \$4 seniors and students at Select-a-Seat, free BSU faculty, staff and students at box office.
- April 26-"Ode to Music."
Five BSU music groups perform in a President's Recital dedicated to retiring music professor Mel Shelton. 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$4 general, \$2 seniors, and students free at the door.
- Morrison Center Recital Hall**
April 21-Student recital with Chris Hansen, clarinet. 6:30 p.m.
- April 22-Student recital with Teri Wallis, flute. 7:30 p.m.
- April 23-Student recital with Carole Knight, soprano. 7:30 p.m.
- Tom Grainey's**
April 22-23 Buzzard Heads.
- April 24-25 Hoi Polloi. 109 S. 6th.

The Jesus and Mary Chain rise once again

By Chereen Myers
Entertainment Editor

In the beginning, The Jesus and Mary Chain created alternative music.

Now, after the bandwagon has runneth over with cheap imitations, the real thing is back. "Honey's Dead" is not quite the Second Coming, but it is definitely good enough to re-establish their position as supreme rulers over the alternative music scene.

since April 10, the Reid brothers are already stirring-up some trouble. "Reverence" was quickly banned from the UK's "Top of the Pops" television program.

There are plenty of gems on this album, but "Sugar Ray" is without a doubt one of the best. Grinding, nasty grooves weave in and out of the hypnotic vocals on this cut, but don't expect to be disappointed after the song ends. There's no end to the great tracks



Brothers Jim and William Reid have rocked their way through four albums in seven years, and apparently their dark, emotional music has stirred some souls along the way. They are slated for a coveted slot in this summer's "Lollapalooza '92" tour.

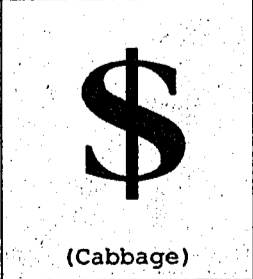
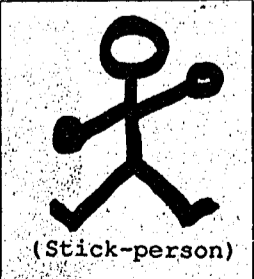
They get down to business from the first cut, "Reverence," and they continue to build momentum from there. Only out

on this album.

Some time has gone by since their 1989 album "Automatic" was released, but a track from that album, "Head On," may sound familiar to you. It was recently covered by The Pixies on "Trompe Le Monde."

If you've never heard of The Jesus and Mary Chain, "Honey's Dead" will make you a believer. If you are an old fan, it will make you believe again.

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Sports

Golf team wins own tourney

The BSU golf team rallied from a five-stroke deficit to win its own invitational.

The Broncos won the two day Boise State Golf Invitational at Warm Springs Golf Course last Tuesday, with a score of 215, which was one under par.

Boise State was the top finisher in the 54-hole tournament which fielded 12 teams and 60 players. But they had to come from behind to do it.

Columbia Basin finished the first 36 holes last Monday with a score of 254, just one point ahead of Portland, which had a score of 255. Boise State was close behind with a score of 259.

On Tuesday Boise State helped itself to the win by tying Washington State and Columbia Basin with a 291. It was the best round of the tournament.

The Broncos battled back with the help of Marc Rhoades, Jon Herndeen and Andy Swenson.

Rhoades placed second in the individual competition with a score of 220. Herndeen and Swenson tied with a score of 223. Columbia Basin's Jeremy Forster won the individual competition by five points, scoring a 215.

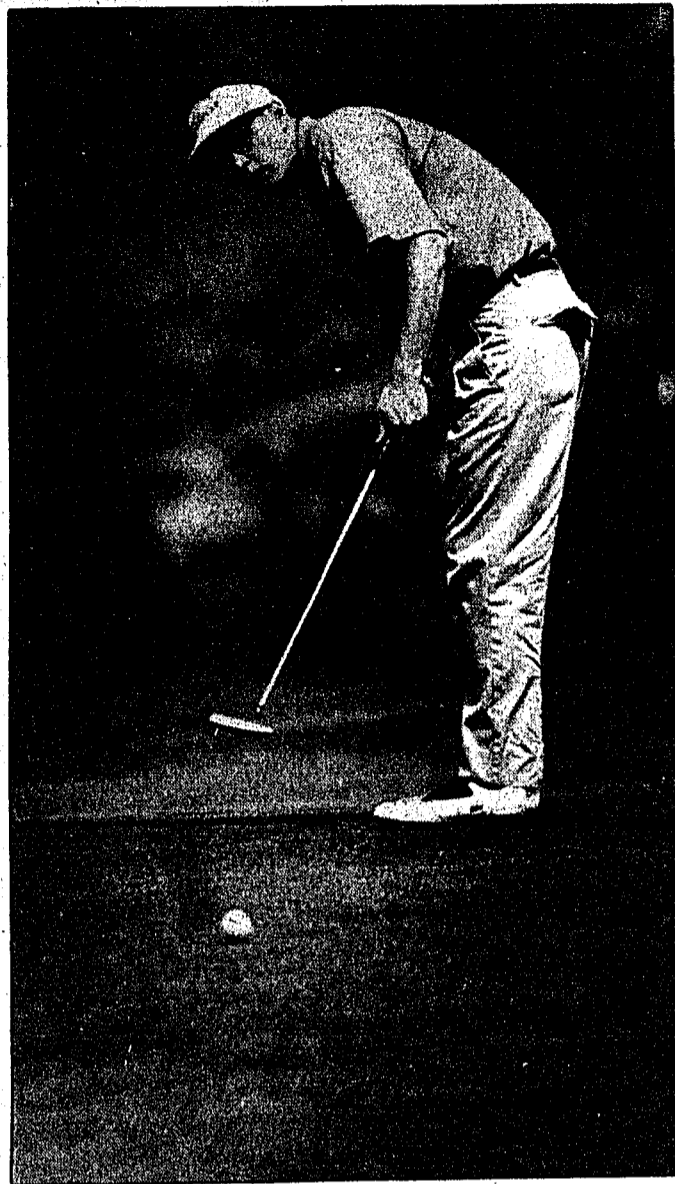


Photo by Brian Becker

BSU's Jon Herndeen putts at the Boise State Invitational.

Lawyer wins Big Sky weekly track award

Kerry Lawyer of BSU has been selected for the Big Sky Cenex/Land O' Lakes Men's Outdoor Track Award.

Lawyer, a sophomore sprinter, took first place last week in the Bob Gibb Invitational held in Bronco Stadium. His wind-aided time of 10.0 seconds, which converts to 10.24 seconds, would have been enough to qualify him for the Olympic Trials to be held this summer, but a failure in the

electronic timing and photography mechanism nullified the qualification.

In the Invitational, Lawyer also participated in the 4x100-meter relay, which took first.

BSU's Chuck McTheny, a field competitor, was also nominated for the award. On the Boise State women's side, freshman sprinter Jovita Davis and sophomore jumper Rubye Jones were nominated for the award.

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Partial BSU team hits the road

By Scott Gere
Staff Writer

Partial BSU men's and women's outdoor track and field teams were abroad on Saturday, visiting Pocatello and Moscow.

For Boise State at the Idaho Invitational, Sarah Herman took first place in the second heat of the 1500-meter run at 4:58.9 seconds, Kim Cobb and Cori Knoeller notched an uncontested one-two finish in the 3000-meter run at 11:34.56 and 11:34.57, and the 4x100-meter relay team took second with a time of 48.68.

In the first heat of the 800-meter run, Joy Sprague of BSU took second at 2:20.0, followed by Jill Killinger at sixth. Andrea Holmes, Ruth Brown, and Jovita Davis went four-five-six in the first heat of the 100-meter dash. The same three took fourth (Brown), fifth (Davis), and sixth (Holmes) in the first heat of the 200-meter dash.

Holmes also took sixth in the 100-meter hurdles, and Tanya Thayer placed fourth in both the 1500-meter run (heat two) and the 800-meter run (heat two).

In the field events, Gloria Dillard took fourth in the discus, followed by teammate Samantha Cox at seventh. Ericka Ware took fourth in the long jump.

For the men, who sent just field competitors to ISU, Chuck McTheny took second in the shot put and fifth in the discus.

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•BSU student dance recital, Special Events Center. Tickets available at the door.

Saturday, April 25

•Big Sky women's tennis championships.

•Men's and women's track vs. Colorado, WSU and UI, Bronco Stadium.

10 a.m.

•Career Planning and Placement presents Career Workshops. Call 385-1747 for information and registration.

Noon

•Springtime Celebration annual luncheon and fashion show, SUB Hatch Ballroom. \$10 call 385-3980 for information and reservations by April 20.

4 p.m.

•Senior recital with Joan Munk, trumpet, and David Munk, horn, Morrison Center Recital Hall.

6 p.m.

•Blue and Orange spring football game, Bronco Stadium.

7:30 p.m.

•Senior recital with Carole Knight, soprano, Morrison Center Recital Hall.

8 p.m.

•Les Liaisons Dangereuses, Morrison Center Stage II. Tickets: \$6 general, \$4 seniors and students, BSU faculty, staff and students free at Morrison Center box office.

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Sunday, April 26

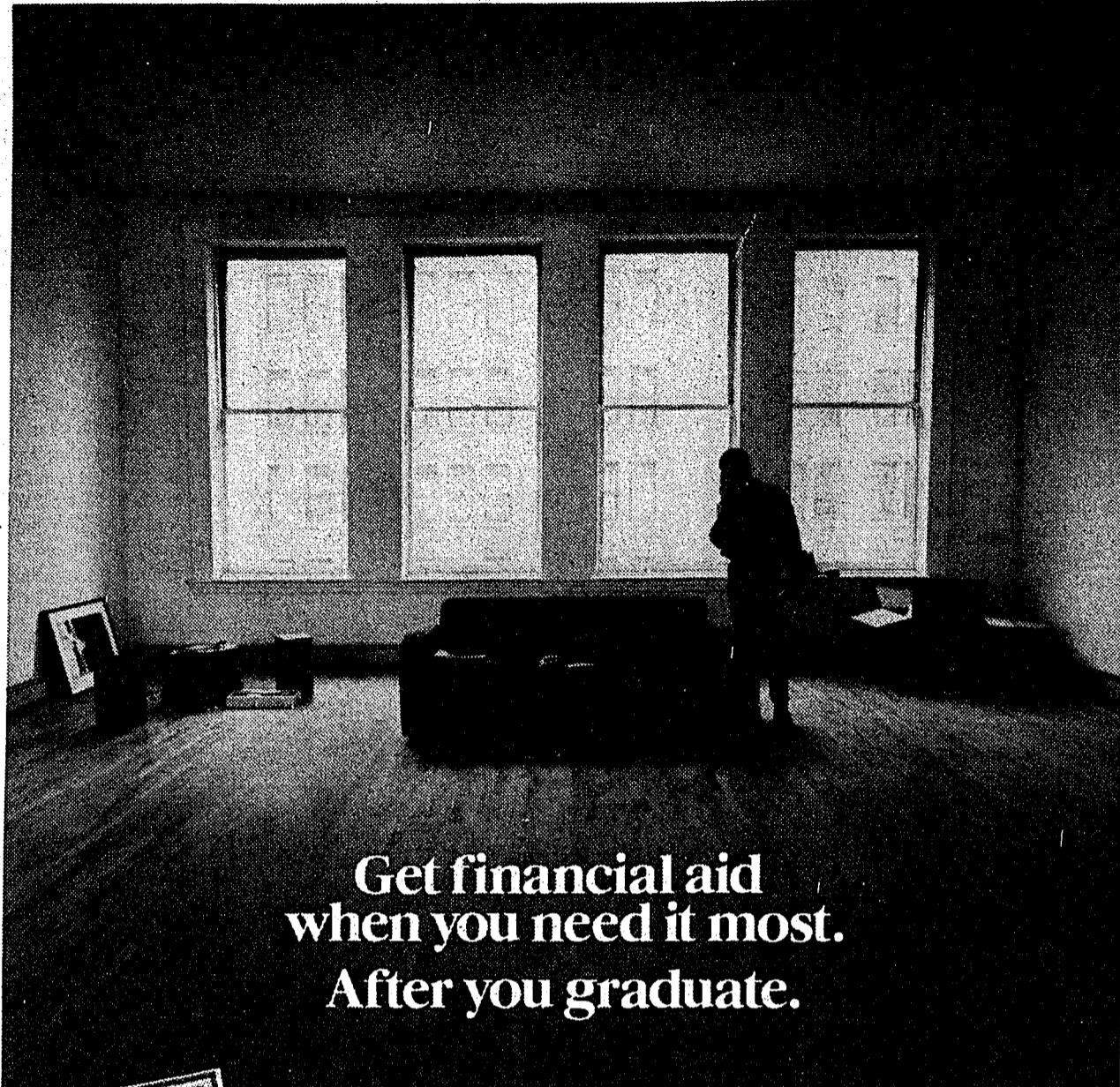
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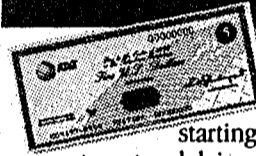
•Spring Fling, Julia Davis Park Bandshell featuring Texas Blues by Too Slim and the Taildraggers, rock and vocals by the Evett Brothers, acoustic and vocals by Disappear fear. Presented at no charge by SPB.



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