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Ruch to step into talk show shoes

Eve Costello
Staff Writer

Come spring, BSU President Charles Ruch will give Rush and Oprah a run for their money.

If all goes well, Ruch will host a discussion program on Channel 10 dealing with BSU-related topics.

The focus of the monthly program will be events, programs and departments at BSU that receive little media coverage otherwise.

"Exploring BSU" is the tentative name for the Uni-

versity Television Productions offering.

Peter Lutze, BSU assistant professor of communication, conceived the plan for the program. Lutze said BSU used to have a program called "Focus," hosted by John Franden, executive assistant to the president, that had much the same purpose as the proposed program.

According to Lutze, Ruch had often appeared as a guest on "Focus," but he said he feels Ruch could be more "in the loop" if he

were a moderator instead of a guest.

Now Ruch has his own show.

"This is a chance for me to ask the questions," Ruch said.

By moderating a show, he has the opportunity to meet people from all over the campus and be in on the exploratory nature of the program, Lutze said.

"He becomes our guide. He investigates with us," Lutze said.

Ruch said "the folks who produce the show" will

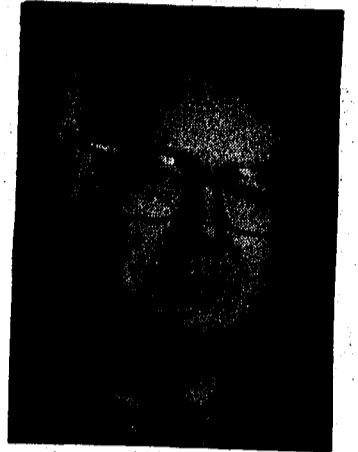
choose the topics and set up the interviews.

Lutze said, because the program is a UTP project, students will make up the production crew.

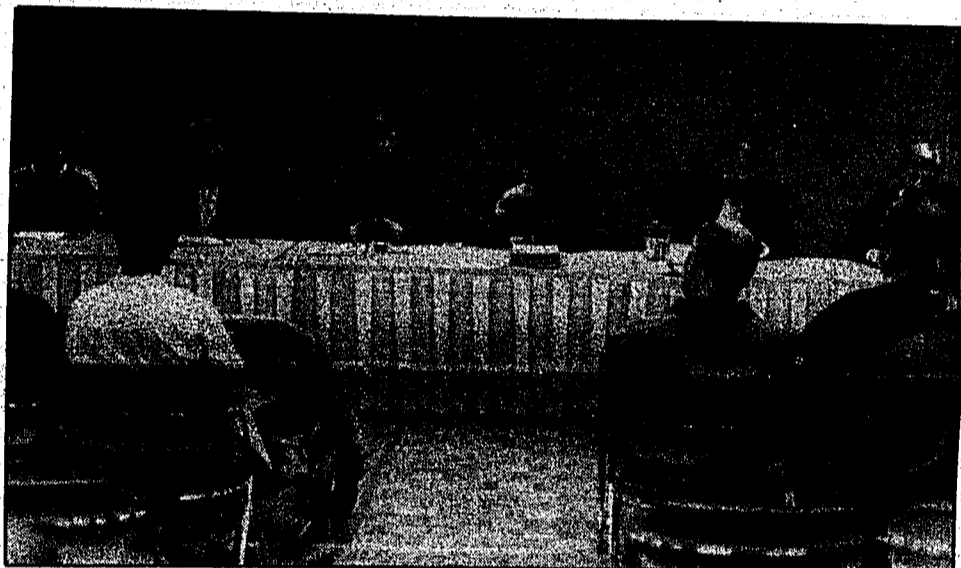
"I'll be producing it at least in the initial stages," he said. He will probably hire a student as his assistant producer, and shows will be shot in the studio, at least in the beginning, Lutze said.

Eventually the program may shoot on location, Lutze said.

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Ruch



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Treasure Valley religious leaders gathered for last week's discussion in opposition to the Idaho Citizens Alliance's initiative.

Religious panel speaks against anti-gay issue

Melanie Delon-Johnson
Culture Editor

Last week BSU Voices for Human Rights hosted a panel of six community religious leaders who shared their views on homosexuality, the Idaho Citizens Alliance's anti-gay initiative and the role of church in the community.

The panel, "Religious Leaders for Human Rights," was one of a series of panels on the ICA initiative, said Gary Christensen, president of the BSU Gay and Lesbian Alliance.

The religious panelists came together in opposition to the ICA initiative.

"Equal protection applies to all citizens," said the Rev. Tom Tucker from the United Methodist Church.

Tucker cited Attorney General Larry EchoHawk's published opinion on the issue. Last month EchoHawk called the initiative unconstitutional.

Alan Tell, representative from the Avah Beth Israel Jewish Community, said the strong opposition from the Jewish community against the ICA initiative was due mostly to the persecution felt by the Jewish community in the past.

According to Tell, the danger in the passage of the ICA initiative is the question of "Who is next?"

The Rev. Donald Shrumm of the Southminster Presbyterian said the leaders of his church "affirmed people of faith defending homosexuals."

One of the main points of opposition by the panelists was the ICA's interpretation of the Bible in the initiative.

"When people tell me what God is saying, then I draw the line," Cynthia Brandt Scanlin from the United Church of Christ said.

"It matters a great deal who is doing the interpreting," Shrumm said.

As for the initiative itself, Darlene Harryman of the Metropolitan Community Church said it "painted an untrue picture of who gay and lesbian people really are."

Shrumm defined the initiative as a "test of Boise and Idaho" and said an initiative like the ICA's wouldn't be considered in a less conservative city.

Scanlin said he feels the ICA is trying to legislate something that doesn't correspond to them.

"God would make the decision, not the people," Scanlin said.

Group takes BSU growth debate to airwaves

Eve Costello
Staff Writer

Issues concerning growth at BSU were addressed in a panel discussion on KIDO's morning talk show last week, organized by BSU students for a communication lab project.

BSU President Charles Ruch, ASBSU President CJ Martin and two members of the communication lab group who developed the project, Russ Weedon and Terri Fangman, took calls and answered questions on AM 63 KIDO last Friday morning.

The communication students addressed questions based on a study of growth conducted for their lab project. The findings of the study include that one-third of the parking spaces at and around BSU are always open (though not always convenient) and that 100 new apartments are needed to fill the housing requirements of an increasing BSU population.

The inevitable parking question was addressed by several students who called in to the panelists for comment. According to Fangman, there is plenty of parking. "Parking is a perceived problem," she said, emphasizing that one-third of the parking spaces are always open, according to the study.

Weedon said BSU students suffer from "a Western mentality." They are used to convenient parking all the time, and are unwilling to utilize public transportation. To resolve the parking situation, however, they will have to change our habits, he said.

All four panelists pointed out that the shuttle bus and the city bus are free to students.

Ruch said the registration process is "number one on our list of things that need to be solved at Boise State University."

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WICHE aims for diversity

David Boothby
Staff Writer

Editor's note: This is the second of a four-part series on the BSU WICHE project for increasing ethnic diversity on campus.

The BSU WICHE project has announced plans and recommendations it hopes that future BSU students will attend a more ethnically diverse campus.

Project director John Jensen said he hopes to see the plans folded into the strategic plans for the university.

Jensen said any changes require an allocation of additional resources.

"For these plans to go forward they have to be made a part of the institutional budgeting process," he said.

Increasing appreciation of cultural and ethnic differences ranks high on the list of project goals, Jensen said.

Specific plans call for:
• Developing curricula that demonstrate how ethnic diversity has contribut-

ed positively to American society.

• Encouraging ethnic students to bring their culture, when germane to the subject, into the classroom.

• Using ethnic clubs and organizations as a resource for extending the connections between activities and academics.

• Holding more events like the Martin Luther King Jr./Human Rights Week Celebration.

The university also wants to increase recruitment, retention and graduation rates of ethnic minority students, Jensen said.

Plans include expanding student support services for ethnic minority students, such as advising, tutoring and mentoring. The university will also seek to increase the number of scholarships available for minority students.

The BSU WICHE project plans also call for hiring more minority faculty and counselors and holding workshops for faculty and staff regarding the uniqueness of ethnic students.

Morality focus of forum

Holly Blankenship
Staff Writer

The Boise State Philosophy Club, along with the Campus Crusade for Christ and local humanists, conducted a forum last Thursday dealing with the moral questions sometimes brought about by the holiday season.

BSU philosophy professor Alan Brinton acted as the moderator of the discussion, with Campus Crusade for Christ staff member Bruce McLuggage representing the Christian point of view and Sean Brandt, of the newly formed Free Thought Society of BSU, offering the humanist position.

Humanists maintain that it is possible for everyone to find an ethical means to satisfy their needs and wants, according to Brandt. Human dignity is paramount to this perspective, the philosophy

of "Do unto others as you'd have done to you."

"I really wouldn't like someone to poke my eye out with this pencil, so therefore I wouldn't do that to another person," Brandt said to illustrate humanist thinking.

Brandt said he feels individuals don't have to be compelled by religion to be moral people. This belief doesn't necessarily espouse altruism, he said.

"We should act as good people, not because we are afraid of God's consequences, but because we want to be good," Brandt said.

McLuggage said he thought Brandt's ideas represented a good ideal, but said he felt humanist definitions of right and wrong are too arbitrary to work in a society.

"These ideas are all based on emotion and are subjected to what society sees as right and wrong," he said.

McLuggage used the

humanist way of thinking about taxes and abortion to emphasize his point.

"[According to humanist philosophy], taxes are only right if I happen to like them. Abortion is wrong only if I think it's wrong," he said.

The Christian perspective maintains that morality and religion must coexist because biblical laws are laid down by God.

"[Biblical] laws are given to us from someone who makes these decisions outside himself. They are not based on emotion, so therefore [they] don't go changing because someone feels like it," he said.

History major Derek Shipley, who attended the event, found the discussion a good place to state a point of view and put it to the test.

"It was a worthwhile experience. The university should promote more programs like this," he said.

Campus Crime Watch

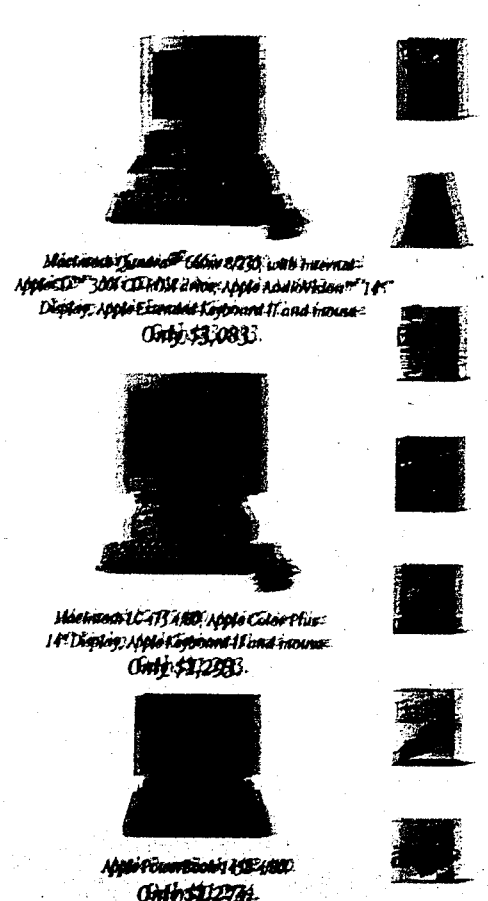
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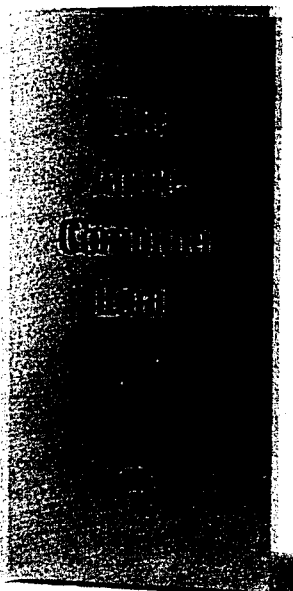
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Visiting instructor describes Romanian fight for stability

Dawn Kramer
Editor-in-chief

Lidia Fee knows what it is like to live under a repressive government. She understands the hunger and longing for freedom.

Fee is a native of Romania. She lived there for 31 years before coming to the United States in 1987.

Before 1989, Romania was ruled by one of the most repressive regimes in the Eastern Bloc. In 1989, the people of Romania overthrew the government. Now chaos rules.

Fee said the eight Eastern European countries including Romania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, West Germany, Albania, Hungary and Poland, which were Communist, are struggling with learning how to live with capitalism and democracy. She said some would like to go back to the old ways.

Under the old Communist system, there was almost no unemployment or homelessness; now there is too much. Fee said she hopes within the next five to 10 years, the country will stabilize.

The countries accepted Communism after the Second World War because it

promised a utopian culture. This however, was not what Communism offered in practice, Fee said.

"You need the freedom of the soul and the freedom of the mind," Fee said.

When things did not work out as planned after the state took over ownership of most everything, the people did resist because of the secret police, Fee said. She said she personally knew people who disappeared because of their anti-Communist beliefs.

The Romanian leader, Nicolae Ceausescu, kept a tight reign on the people. Abortion and contraceptives were illegal. People were also kept starving while food was exported to other countries, Fee said.

Following the 1989 overthrow, prices went up 300 percent, unemployment skyrocketed and the country became chaotic, Fee said. She still keeps in touch with friends and family on a weekly basis.

"Now they are free, but they don't know what to do with this freedom," Fee said. They don't have the money to enjoy the freedom.

Fee holds a master of arts degree in comparative literature from the University of Bucharest and will teach a course on the history of Eastern Europe this spring at BSU.

Pro-Tem targets focus for senate

Jon Wroten
Staff Writer

Newly-elected Senate Pro-Tem Clint Bolinder says he hopes to help keep his ASBSU colleagues focused on their primary mission.

"I'd like to keep senate unified and focused on our duties to serve the students," he said.

Bolinder, a senior accounting major, won a tight race on Nov. 23 over senators Dan Gus, John Fangman, Jerry Banks and Mari Duvall. Four votes were taken before any candidate received a majority of votes. On the final ballot, Bolinder won by two votes over Gus.

Bolinder said he expected the election to be close.

"I feel Dan possesses many of the qualities I do and would have made a good pro-tem. I definitely expected it to come down to the wire like that," Bolinder said.

Bolinder, who coaches ski racing for the Bogus Basin Ski Racing Alliance and enjoys competing in tournament water skiing, said he hopes to keep the senate a fun unit to work in.

"I don't think it should be about fun and games. But if you make senate fun to come to and work in, a lot more will get done," he said.

Bolinder, who has represented the College of Business

since last spring, said he would also like to be a good liaison between senate and the ASBSU executive staff and to keep fighting out of the senate chambers.

"If we are always in here fighting, everyone's going to look at us like we're a big joke," Bolinder said.

He said he believes his role as pro-tem is not as the leader of senate, but as a team spokesman for the organization.

"To put it into sports terms, I guess I'm the spokesman of the team. I'm a senator just like everyone else. I've just been chosen to be pro-tem," Bolinder said.

Part of the job is taking other senators' concerns and wishes into consideration when making decisions, he said. However, he said he hopes other senators will offer ways to cure problems instead of simply pointing them out.

"The biggest thing I'd like to see people do is to propose action, rather than just criticizing things," Bolinder said.

Bolinder's term ends at the end of spring 1994. He said he hopes students and senators will come to him whenever they need something to be done.

"I'd like to create an atmosphere where students and senators can feel free to come in and voice their concerns," he said.

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istration," he said. After that an audit system, giving people printouts of the classes they need, is a possibility, Ruch said.

Ruch also said that compared to other Idaho universities, "We certainly have been growing the fastest, and we are the youngest. That is a bad combination" in trying to get state dollars. BSU is continually at least one step behind because the university has so many growing needs, he said.

"There is a state formula which the state uses to accommodate expansion," he said. In the next year BSU may add 20 faculty, but even that will not prepare BSU for the ever-increasing student population. We are continually one step from being ahead.

"Clearly the state is allocating funds on a formula. ... It doesn't help us play the catch-up we need to," he said.

To add to the dilemma of BSU growth, even if BSU had its immediate financial needs met, "There literally is no room for additional classes on campus," Ruch said. To alleviate the problem, classes are distributed to Nampa and Gowen Field, and an increasing number of telecourses are being offered.

On apartments, Weedon said students do not provide "an attractive market for developers" because they are transient and their incomes are

usually uncertain. That will make it tough to get their housing needs met, he said.

Martin said the university is looking at an apartment project to meet students' needs.

After the show, Ruch said, "I thought it went well." He said no unexpected questions were asked.

"I think most of the issues around growth ... are not new," he said. New perceptions of growth issues will help us solve the problems that occur.

"There was a lot of unelicited interaction from stu-

dents," Martin said. It is often difficult under regular circumstances to gather student opinion, and the open forum for discussion on the radio is a good idea, he said.

Martin also said he was satisfied with at least one outcome of the discussion. "I was pleased President Ruch came out on the air and said he supported touchtone registration," he said.

"That was the most firm commitment I've heard on touchtone registration," he said.

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The program will explore areas of BSU not usually visible to the rest of the campus and the community at large.

"There are a few people ... who always make headlines," but many on campus are worthy of attention, Lutze said.

Possible topics include the nursing, raptor biology and human rights programs, along with family planning and the new electronic classrooms in

the Business Building.

"We may want to do something with the legislative session," he said.

"We may just talk about teaching ... We've already shot some footage on team teaching," he said.

Lutze said basically anything involving the BSU campus could eventually be a topic on the program.

"I feel anything going on at the university is fair game ... We basically want to share our resources with the community."

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Prof to teach at African peace meet

Corky Hansen
News Editor

Jane Foraker-Thompson, BSU associate professor of criminal justice, will bring U.S. conflict resolution techniques to South Africa this month as a part of the sixth annual South African Association for Conflict Intervention meeting in Durban, South Africa.

Although helping to ease the tension caused by the political, economic and racial unrest felt among the country's four social classes is a formidable undertaking, Foraker-Thompson finds her return to the country animating.

"I'm excited to go back," she said.

Foraker-Thompson will combine the peacemaking skills she acquired over nine years of teaching Social Conflict and Peacemaking courses at BSU with the knowledge of South African peacemaking strategies she attained while on sabbatical in 1990. Foraker-Thompson spent six months conducting research on traditional conflict resolution methods in South African black townships.

During her last visit, Foraker-Thompson was present when the South African government released former African National Congress Leader Nelson Mandela, who was arrested in 1962 for leaving the country without a passport. Over 28 years of imprisonment failed to weaken Mandela, who led the ANC through the 1950s and 1960s. Neither did it weaken the cause he



was fighting for.

"Those were pretty exciting times," Foraker-Thompson said.

According to Foraker-Thompson, "everybody that was pro-democracy" celebrated Mandela's release.

Foraker-Thompson said the strife between the ANC and anti-democracy forces is misrepresented by the U.S. media.

"There's so much misinformation in our media," she said.

"People try to make it sound like it's a tribal warfare-type thing, which it's not," she said.

Foraker-Thompson also said the portrayal of the ANC itself, founded in 1912 to petition for fair treatment from the South African government, is also skewed by the U.S. media.

"It really is a political alliance, not a tribal alliance, and that is really a misinformation," she said.

Although apartheid was officially repealed in the 1970s, four-class segregation continues in South Africa.

According to Foraker-Thompson,

75 percent of the population is made up of blacks, and 10 percent is made up of "coloreds" and Indians, leaving 15 percent to Afrikaaner and European whites.

Foraker-Thompson said whites receive the best of medical, social and other support services, followed by coloreds and Indians. The services received by blacks is fourth-rate. The effects on the country are immense, she said.

"When you deliberately give a huge body of people a fourth-rate education ... it has tremendous economic effects," Foraker-Thompson said.

Four million whites own 86 percent of the land, leaving the other 14 percent of the land, called "homelands," to 18 million blacks.

Millions of blacks have been moved from the cities to "squatter camps" in what insiders call "one of the biggest mass deportations of the 20th century."

Foraker-Thompson compared the deportation of blacks from their lands to the deportation of Native Americans in North and South America.

In spite of the support given to

Mandela's cause—the freedom of South African blacks from prejudice—the ANC has felt little progress since the late 1940s, when apartheid, or racial segregation, was officially decreed by the all-white South African parliament.

Although apartheid was officially lifted in the 1970s, blacks still have never voted in a general election.

Talks surrounding the Nov. 18 approval of an imminent vote on South Africa's first democratic constitution

have led to threats of violence between ANC members and anti-democracy forces. The vote will take place on April 27, 1994.

Radical whites and blacks have banded together to fight the new constitution, which makes the A.A.C.I.'s December meeting—and Foraker-Thompson's visit—crucial to

the future of the country.

Foraker-Thompson was realistic about her part in the meeting.

"I know it's going to be a drop in the ocean, but ... I'd like to make some kind of contribution there," Foraker-Thompson said.

When you deliberately give a huge body of people a fourth-rate education ... it has tremendous economic effects.

— Jane Foraker-Thompson
BSU associate professor
of criminal justice

Town throws BJC into public arena

In 1939, state adopts flailing junior college

A.J. Maxymillian
Staff Writer

The year 1939 was critical in the history of BSU. Boise Junior College, facing not only financial difficulties but looming eviction and a seemingly disinterested community, looked to the city and a practically abandoned airport for survival.

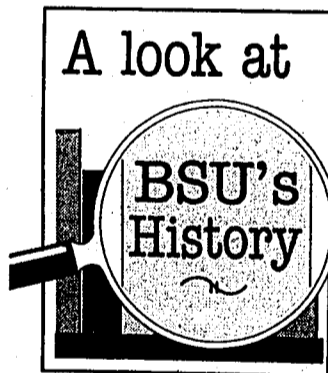
The college had existed as a corporation since 1934 when the National Council of the Episcopal Church, original founders and operators of the school, relinquished its control to several members of the chamber of commerce, made up mostly of local businessmen. Boise Junior College, Inc., as it was then known, fell consistently short of its financial needs.

Tuition, the major source of revenue, was already considered extremely high as compared to other schools of the time; it fell short of the estimated \$20,000 needed to meet the annual budget. Community contributions, helpful but small, amounted to about \$10,000 over a five-year period from 1934 to 1939. The college's programs barely stayed afloat during that time.

In fact, certain areas suffered heavily from the critical lack of funds. In 1938, the football team required such a level of nonexistent money that games had to be canceled before the season ended, leaving the basketball season also in doubt. Student cultural events and social activities were canceled. The corporation was collapsing and a new system had to be enacted quickly to keep the school from folding entirely.

Help arrived in the form of Lynn Driscoll, president of First Security Bank, an ardent patron of the college and member of the Board of Trustees since the establishment of Boise Junior College, Inc. In 1937, Driscoll set out with other members of the Boise Chamber of Commerce to secure the passage of a junior college law, an action that would establish Boise Junior College as a public school supported by the state taxpayers. By the spring of 1939, the Idaho Legislature passed the measure and left it to the voters in the proposed junior college district for approval.

Contrary to the community's record of low financial support in the past, the bill



enjoyed a landslide victory, voted in by the largest voter turnout for a district election up to that time. So in March of 1939 BJC was officially established as a state college. The State Board of Education

quickly acted to appoint a five-member Board of Trustees, and classes for the fall term of 1939 were approved. Tuition was reduced from \$60 a semester to \$20 for residents of the new tax district, and the price of student body activity cards dropped from \$7.50 to \$5. Enrollment doubled by the time fall classes began, adding further motivation to the school's ongoing search for a new location to go with

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church owned everything: the hospital, the school, the land and the buildings. Organizing its authority under the direction of the hospital, the church then rented a portion of that control back to itself for the use

its new status.

The BJC Board of Trustees, which had considered relocating the campus since 1934, actively began its search for a new location in 1937, the same year Driscoll proposed the junior college bill. The school's location at the time was St. Margaret's Hall and the buildings associated with it were at Second and Idaho streets. In 1939 the location was, at best, temporary. The confines were not only outgrown by the sudden expansion of the college, but by the growth of neighboring St. Luke's Hospital, which owned all the buildings occupied by BJC.

St. Luke's was owned by the National Council of the Episcopal Church, the same establishment that founded BJC and, in turn, had arranged for the hospital-owned buildings to be leased to the school. The

of the college. The move paid off in 1934 when the Episcopalians relinquished control of BJC. They were able to retain all real estate assets, and were saddled with their tenant, the college, only until the lease ran out in 1940.

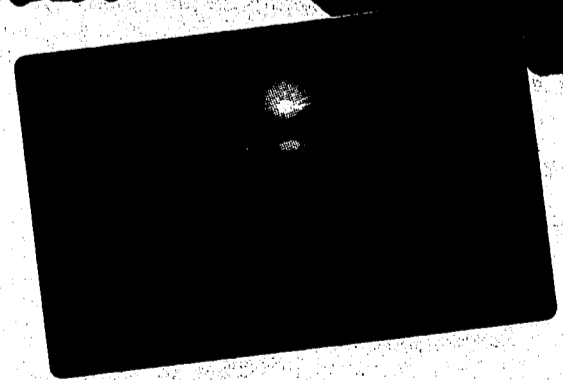
The news that the school year of 1939-40 would be BJC's last year downtown because St. Luke's Hospital intended to establish a school for nurses in St. Margaret's Hall took no one by surprise. In fact *The Idaho Statesman* reported in September of 1938 that the church had already made its intentions clear that "a change would be made." The newspaper also reported that school officials were considering the old Boise municipal airport, officially named Booth Field, as a probable site for the new campus.

The airport was not the first site considered by the Board of Trustees. Originally the land at Boise Barracks adjoining the Veteran's Hospital was thought to be an ideal location. The property was large enough for then President Eugene B. Chaffee, who had insisted on a tract of at least 75 acres to allow for growth. The barracks was located downtown and beautifully wooded. Its

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Editorial

Ruch succeeds with open door

We would like to applaud President Ruch for not only staying true to his avowed open door policy, but actively soliciting student opinion and participating in open discussion on BSU issues.

His recent appearance on a KIDO panel discussion with communication students and the ASBSU president to discuss issues of growth is just one instance of his commitment to open forum. Next semester he is scheduled to host a TV program in which, in his own words, he gets "to ask the questions." Not content to sit in his office and receive neatly packaged information, Ruch will be in the field meeting the people who make up BSU and gathering the information he will need to set priorities for BSU that will benefit the students of here-and-now as well as the students of tomorrow.

Despite his busy schedule, Ruch makes time to talk and listen, whether over the phone or in person. He accommodates interviewers, never hesitating to respond to a question, even if the answer may be unsavory to the listener.

He attends student meetings when invited, listens to concerns brought out in student discussion of BSU issues and asks for the opinions of students.

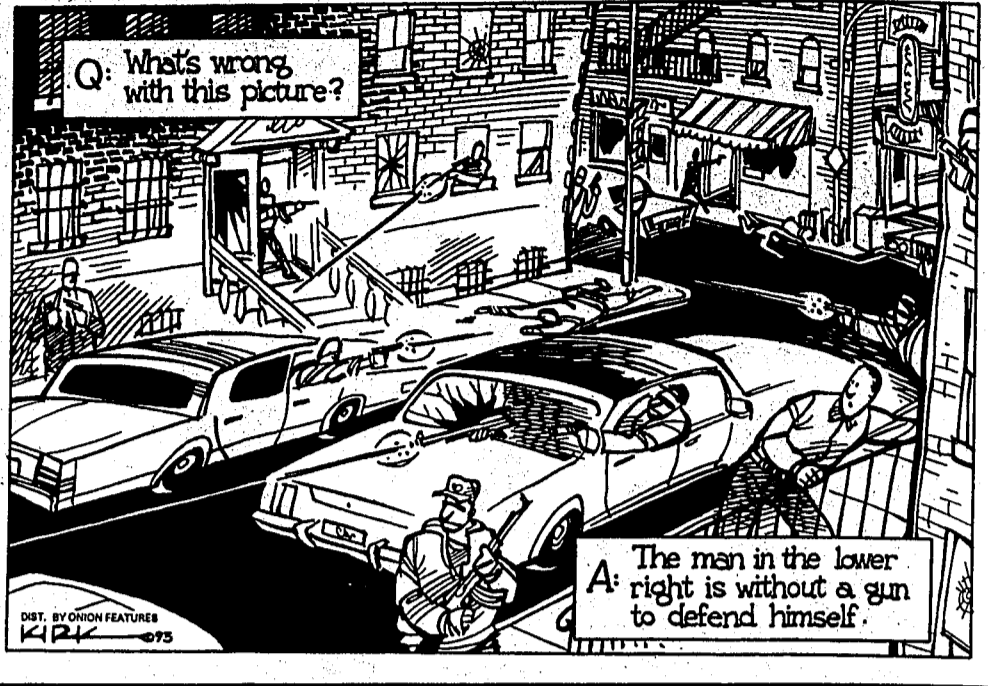
He creates forums to discuss issues vital to the future of the university, and he welcomes student views in those meetings.

President Ruch is a valuable resource to the BSU community and to students in particular. If this open door trend continues, gone are the days when decisions came from the top without discussion, when students came in the university's doors with hopes of making BSU a place of even higher excellence and left through those same doors unheard and cynical about "the system."

President Ruch's policy provides a golden opportunity for students to truly affect the future of BSU, to make its registration process more efficient, to make its policies more responsive to the needs of a modern student. His policy provides a challenge to students, if it depends on interaction if it is to work.

If we care about higher education, we must take up this challenge, and work with President Ruch to change BSU for the better. His doors are open; are you ready?

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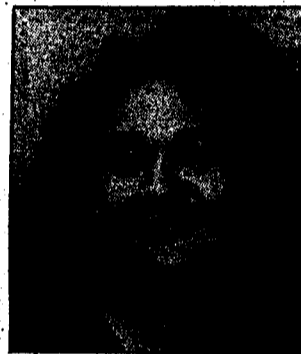
Grunge youth miss out on what flannel means

I live on grunge-baby/hip-hop block in downtown Boise. It hurts. It hurts to hear them, see them. And it really pains me to not be able to put a hoe in their hands to help them complete their ensemble.

You see, the first time I saw people wearing long-sleeved, plaid, flannel shirts and mutilated dungarees was not on MTV or on the Grove in downtown Boise. I saw this attire on my grandmother, my mother, my neighbors and, yeah, even in the mirror. Before the alternative music culture decided to make old flannel and work boots their uniform of choice, these items were worn by people who had no alternative, no choice.

I guess I have always had a kind of reverence for the clothing that my family and other migrants wore when they "worked in the fields." I looked at my grunge grandmother with a sense of great respect and admiration as she loaded the hoes on our 1971, baby blue Ford pickup truck. (I guess at 4 a.m. it's easy for the eyes to make out a peasant to be a queen.)

Her flannel meant that she was going to kick the shit out of some field that day. Her boots were going to carry her over consecutive miles of dirt in one day and keep her safe from snakes and scorpions. Her blood-red bandanna's job was to keep the salty sweat from burning her eyes and, depending upon the condition of the field, it sometimes stopped the dirt that she disturbed



Lisa Sanchez

with her hoe from taking revenge and invading her lungs. Her big, baggy dungarees along with her long-sleeved shirt kept the sun's rays from doing too much damage to her skin. This raiment was definitely meant for folks who ate potato and bean tacos and drank instant coffee on the edge of a dirt field. No biscotti or espresso for this bunch.

Don't take me wrong, folks. I'm all for living in America and being free to be

and look however we want. It is comforting to know that there really *isn't* a fashion patrol lying in wait to arrest me for some fashion crime that I have unknowingly committed.

My point is this: If the intention of the grungies is to slam the establishment, to thumb their noses at the suits and the superficial—to align themselves and embrace the poor and the basic—why do these people become so enveloped in only the epidermal aspect of the people they seem to be "fashioning" themselves after? I doubt very much that they know much about the people of the fields beyond their utilitarian wardrobe.

I guess I should be patient, though. Perhaps this grunge fashion craze is just the beginning for field workers? Today it's their clothes. Who knows? Maybe tomorrow, the people who originally donned the plaid flannel and the boots will eventually be deemed as hip as their clothes. Maybe.

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Opinion

A font o' enviro-mental wisdom

When we try to pick out anything by itself, we find it hitched to everything else in the universe.

John Muir

It is only in the most recent, and brief, period of their tenure that human beings have developed in sufficient numbers, and acquired enough power, to become one of the most potentially dangerous organisms that the planet has ever hosted.

John McHale

We travel together, passengers on a little spaceship, dependent on its vulnerable resources of air, water and soil ... preserved from annihilation only by the care, the work and the love we give our fragile craft.

Adlai Stevenson

We found our house—the planet—with drinkable, potable water, with good soil to grow food, with clean air to breathe. We at least must leave it in as good a shape as we found it, if not better.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson

by Jon Knapp

If we love our children, we must love the earth with tender care and pass it on, diverse and beautiful, so that on a warm spring day 10,000 years hence they can feel peace in a sea of grass, can watch a bee visit a flower, can hear a sandpiper call in the sky and can find joy in being alive.

Hugh Iltis

It is the responsibility of all who are alive today to accept the trusteeship of wildlife and to hand on to posterity, as a source of wonder and interest, knowledge and enjoyment, the entire wealth of diverse animals and plants. This generation has no right by selfishness, wanton or intentional destruction or neglect to rob future generations of this rich heritage. Extermination of other creatures is a disgrace to humankind.

World Wildlife Charter

We cannot command nature except by obeying her.

Sir Francis Bacon

The most important fact of all is not that people are dying of hunger, but that people are dying unnecessarily. ... We have the resources to end it; we have the proven solutions for ending it; ... What is missing is the commitment.

The Hunger Project

We abuse land because we view it as a commodity belonging to us. When we see land as a community to which we belong, we may begin to use it with love and respect.

Aldo Leopold

Forests precede civilizations, deserts follow them.

Francois-René de Chateaubriand

Waste is a human concept. In nature, nothing is wasted.

Denis Hayes

A weed is a plant whose virtues have not yet been discovered.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

A complete restructuring of our nearsighted economic thinking is necessary. We consider it an error to believe that our current wasteful economy is furthering happiness and life fulfillment. Just the opposite occurs: people are becoming more harried and less free. Only to the extent that we free ourselves from overrating the material standard of living, that we again make self-realization possible and realize once more the limits of our own natures, will our creative powers be able to free themselves to form life anew on an ecological basis.

Federal Program of the (formerly West) German Green Party

What is the use of a house if you don't have a decent planet to put it on?

Henry David Thoreau

Merry Solstice.

Jon Knapp et al



Kids' books miss heart of lesson

My uncle (who is a homosexual) and I were jogging back and forth between the CHILDREN'S and the GAY/LESBIAN sections of a large Portland bookstore. I was trying to strategically stash children's Bible story books throughout the GAY/LESBIAN section. My uncle, of course, was just as rapidly removing the Bible books (although he overlooked one), and we were both laughing so hard we could barely breathe (we have a somewhat twisted sense of humor when we're together). And that's when I noticed them ...

A myriad of children's books on the environment. I couldn't believe it. There were environmental pop-up books, rain forest books, talking environmentalist animal books and even a cartoon book on the ozone layer. I was surrounded by liberal-democrat, propagandist, carl

by Delmar Stone

saganite, algore, cartoon creatures. It was horrifying.

They were teaching the wildest, insane lies as truth. Diabolical themes filled the pressed trees, such as: Humans are not as moral as animals; humans should worship Mother Earth; and the earth is too little for humans to continue multiplying. I wanted to get out my construction paper, pack of markers and glue and start making a children's book right then and there that told the truth about each environmental issue raised.

I wanted to remind my little readers that humans are the most intelligent creatures on earth. We possess a spirit as well as a soul and because of that we are capable of the highest morality and the lowest morality. I wanted to tell

them, "THE EARTH IS NOT GOD. It is a creation just like us!" We—human beings—are God's crowning achievement, not this planet. We are eternal beings; our planet is not.

I would proclaim to them that they are wanted in this world and, there is plenty of room for us to multiply. The problem is not overcrowding; it is a lack of love for God and our neighbor. Love feeds the starving, builds shelter and provides friendship. Love finds a way to make things work—no matter what.

Then I noticed that there were a few books teaching these truths on the environment. They were just as big, just as colorful, and yet they were filled with the truth. There was one, prominently displayed, about the greatest environmentalist who ever lived. It was called

Noah's Ark and the Great Flood. It told the story of a man and his family who saved every

animal life form from extinction by a natural disaster. It demonstrated the Great Environmental Ethos: Humans who loved God more than anything or anyone else and were compelled by that love to go through great lengths to protect all the creatures of the earth and to nurture and cultivate the land back to beauty and usefulness.

It was a fascinating story. I would recommend it for any of you who are interested in the environment. The university edition is in the Holy Bible, Genesis chapters 6-9.

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Thanks for IJA's discount

Dear Editor,

I wanted to thank Jack Alotto and each of the IJA Productions' board members for making IJA events accessible to BSU students by offering the 50% discount priced to them on the day of each performance. Jack's support and advice to the Student Programs Board performing arts series has been of great help in the past. Now, Jack's recent action to discount the walk-up ticket price to the BSU students should not go without recognition.

Gregory L. Blaesing,
Director, Student Union and Student Activities

Election sends signals

Dear Editor,

The recent ASBSU elections seem to have sent some very clear and distinct messages. The first message being sent is from the students in the Morrison Center to the ASBSU Senate. The Morrison Center had the fourth highest turnout of voters, and provided seven percent (7%) of the total votes received. The message is clear that the Senate erred with

Senate Bill #7, and should now reverse that decision and give them, the Morrison Center, back their permanent polling status.

The second message goes from the students to the Election Board. The election of Dan Gus, who came in second highest with ten percent (10%) of the vote, as a write-in candidate, says that "We the students are tired of petty power plays." The exact information given out in the Election Board's mandatory meeting was provided to each candidate in an election packet. The students have also shown they will not tolerate the election board trying to intimidate candidates into removing campaign posters. The ASBSU Judiciary should not walk away from this unscathed; after all, they did uphold the Elections Board's decision to remove Dan Gus from the ballot.

If this type of petty bureaucracy took place on any other level, there would be a tumultuous outcry from the citizenry demanding the heads of those brazen enough to assume such personal power. As it is, this is merely Boise State University—the training ground for tomorrow's leaders. One can only hope that these responsible individuals will someday mature and become productive members of a greater society.

Wes Garvin

'Diversity' could crowd

Dear Editor:

In response to the article "WICHE Project Urges Racial Diversity" in the [November 16] issue of THE ARBITER I submit the following:

We can't even provide enough sections of English 101 or 102 to provide for the population as a whole and now we are going to make it even more frustrating trying to get into a class on ethnic and cultural diversity. Why don't we concentrate on teaching the really important things here at BSU like mathematics, English, economics, and science, etc. Maybe if we want true diversity, we could explore diversity on the intellectual side.

I strongly oppose the addition of a core required class on ethnic and cultural diversity. Let's be real, when people end up spending more time getting through school due to this new requirement, trust me, an increased appreciation for those of the minority status will be the furthest thing from their mind.

I strongly feel that this notion of "diversity" has become far more fashionable than functional. The idea that each should remember their roots is noble and grand. But, the

political correctness of this so called diversity issue is indeed causing further separation and segregation amongst ourselves.

If we are to encourage progress and discourage racism, we must remember that we are all Americans and that we are all human beings, not blacks, whites, Latinos, Asians or Native Americans, or African-Americans. The so called minorities in this country are not being done any favors when the multicultural crowd forces their attitudinal segregation from mainstream society. The politics of cultural pride are actually the politics of alienation, in a different uniform.

Jade Millington

Correction

A letter submitted by Kelly Griffith which ran in the Nov. 23 issue of *The Arbiter*, contained a typographical error. There is federal child care available for 5-100 percent of child care costs, not 5-10 percent as printed.

The Arbiter regrets the error.

Feature

• BJC continued from page 4

only drawback was that the federal government also thought the land ideally located and beautifully wooded ... and owned it. The college had no chance to acquire the land, especially since Washington, D.C. had plans to build a federal office building on the site, the latest version of which still operates in the same location today.

The second option was the land near the Idaho Soldier's Home, but this location was only considered half-heartedly, and discounted quickly. The city maintained ownership of the land and, after the Soldier's Home was demolished, Veteran's Park was developed.

Finally the airport became the leading option and soon proved the most practical, both for location and availability. United Airlines was abandoning Booth Field in favor of Whitney Field (now Gowen Field). United's move was completed in 1939 and Booth Field, a white elephant in the care of the city, became unoccupied.

In the fall of 1939 the Boise City Council gave the land to the college. The offer, however, contained several conditions. The most important was that if the site ever

ceased to be used as a junior college, the land and all of the improvements made on it would be reverted to the city.

BJC immediately accepted the offer and a \$260,000 bond was voted on in November of 1939 for the purpose of constructing an administration building, a heating plant and a temporary gymnasium on the new property. The bond passed, again by a landslide, and ground was broken in March of 1940. A steam shovel was used in the ceremony instead of an ordinary spade to symbolize the haste with which the construction needed to be completed. The buildings were opened by the fall of 1940. That began the current era of BSU,

although during World War II military trainers occasionally landed on what was left of the runway, disrupting classes and causing general excitement.

The year 1939 saw all of the pieces that led to the making of BSU—the lack of any one of which could have meant the college's demise—come together, if almost by accident.

•The junior college bill was crucial in not only rescuing Boise Junior College, Inc. from its financial straits, but in generating the public

support needed to expand the school.

•United's move to Whitney Field vacated an ideal segment of public property within a year of the school's need to move.

•The Episcopalian Church established a nursing school at St. Luke's and declined to renew BJC's lease, which spurred everyone to quick and decisive action.

The most important element in the making of BSU, however, was the overwhelming support of the

Boise community, which rescued the college, established it firmly and supported its expansion.

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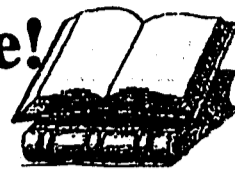
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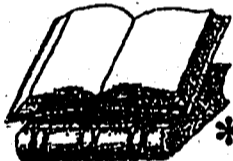
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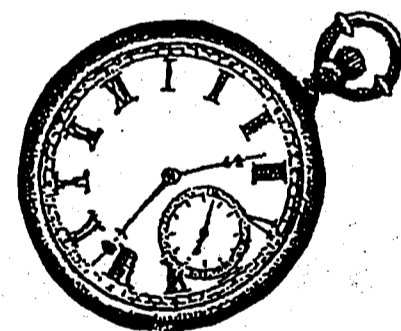
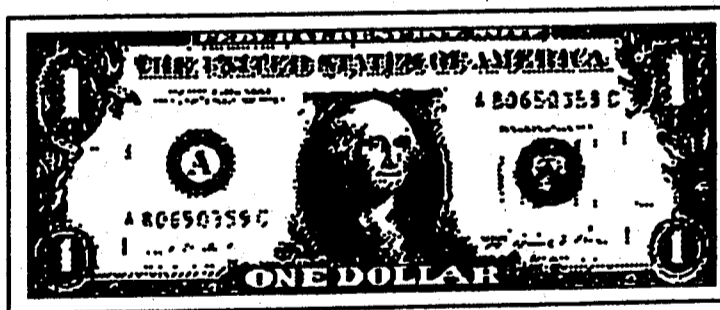
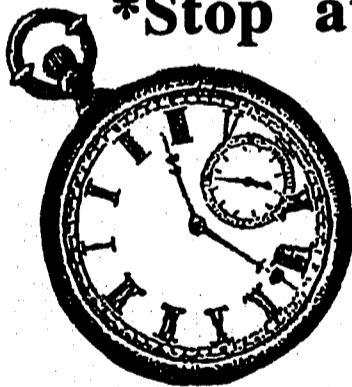
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Mixing business with pleasure

Culinary Arts restaurant offers treats, training

Melanie Delon-Johnson
Culture Editor

Once in awhile it's nice to find the treasures hidden in your own backyard. One of BSU's is the Culinary Arts restaurant.

If you want a great sit-down lunch and don't feel like burning a hole in your pocket or compromising quality, you must try this laboratory for student chefs and servers.

The restaurant is located on University Drive, across the street from the Technology Building parking lot. It operates like a regular commercial restaurant. When you walk in the double glass doors, the dining area is off to the right. Students serve as waitpeople seat you.

You are presented with a glass of water and a menu including entrees, soups, salads and sandwiches. The atmosphere is pleasant, and so is the dining area, which comes complete with a roving dessert cart and fresh flowers on the table.

According to Chef

Manly Slough, head of the Culinary Arts program, the students are in charge of everything. "Anything on the menu is made from scratch," he said.

Chef Vernon Hickman, one of the four Culinary Arts instructors, said this eatery is known for its variety of offerings and for such familiar standbys as chili and Hill House cinnamon rolls, which the students prepare over 150 dozen at a time.

Slough said they "alternate the menu week to week." Consequently, customers always have a fresh choice. It also serves as an "outlet for items [taught]" in the classes.

Culinary Arts students earn a two-year associate of applied science degree with an emphasis in Culinary Arts. Students are able to gain first-hand experience through the restaurant and the Culinary Arts Catering Department.

They are able to hone their skills further through a theme buffet on Wednesdays which features anything from Oriental dishes to French entrees.

Slough said the BSU Culinary Arts program is the only one in Idaho and



Arbiter/Shawna Hanel

A Culinary Arts instructor prepares a cake as part of the department's catering efforts.

is special because it emphasizes the classic 14-course dinner and teaches Culinary French.

Slough said the students

do everything from waiting tables and cooking to purchasing and receiving. He said one of the biggest lessons students learn is

that the customer comes first.

The restaurant draws a pretty steady crowd during its lunch hours, which are Mon. through Fri. from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hickman said some of the biggest success entrees are Beef Wellington, steak and prawns and other dishes which would be costly elsewhere.

The sandwiches usually cost \$3.50 and they include your choice of french fries or a vegetable, soup and rolls. The entrees cost anywhere from \$3.75 to \$6.50 and come with a salad, soup and baked goods.

Slough stressed the restaurant's intent was not to be "competitive with industry." The restaurant operates on a cost-recovery basis, which means that every dollar charged goes to cover the costs and not to generate profits. The restaurant also relies on word of mouth, not advertising, to make its presence known.

One of the ideas Slough said the department was considering for the future is establishing a soup and sandwich section for those who don't have a lot of time at lunch.

The restaurant has no name and they don't want to adopt one, according to Slough. They are open for business through the week and welcome everyone, from students to the general public.

It's the Family that holds film together

David M. Augello
Staff Writer

ADDAMS FAMILY VALUES
5 MILE PLAZA
Rated PG-13

The laughs grow few and far between well into *Addams Family Values*, but the family itself remains affable and warm.

The lasting appeal of the clan, which developed when they first appeared in Charles Addams' *New Yorker* magazine comic and then in a television show in the 1960s, must be the fact we like these characters. Their obsession with death is hardly a matter at all.

The sequel to 1991's *Addams Family* has Fester,

played by Christopher Lloyd, falling prey to a scheming nanny, Joan Cusack, intent on killing him and inheriting his considerable fortune.

Christina Ricci, who plays Wednesday, and Pugsley, played by Jimmy Workman, are sent off to summer camp where they fall victims to cheer-addicted counselors and brown-nosing peers. Gomez and Morticia, played by Raul Julia and Anjelica Huston, are still caught in *Twilight Zone* love.

A newcomer on the scene is baby Pubert, born with a trimmed mustache. It's a great idea, but the part seems underwritten. Babies mean time during filming and the makers of *Values* probably didn't

want to bother with the hassle of making the kid the movie's centerpiece. Still, cute kid.

The running gag of the Addams Family has always been their vigorous acceptance of all which is twisted. But the joke ran thin in the first feature film and the seams are stretched and broken here.

The over-zealous camp counselors grow tiring, too. Initially, the family's extreme strangeness is an exhilarating breeze, but overacting and one-dimensional mentalities can only carry so many scenes.

Stealing, and practically saving, the film are Julia and Lloyd. Both embrace the wackiness at the heart of the Addams family and spice up the proceedings

with high-spiritedness. Both embody qualities expected for life to be lived at its fullest. The feelings which radiate are infectious.

Barry Sonnenfeld, cinematographer for *When Harry Met Sally* and various Joel and Ethan Coen movies, made his directing debut with the first *Addams Family*.

Here he seems to have gained a sure hold on the atmosphere appropriate to a mix of the macabre and comedy. Still, the pace lags in the mid-section, a deadly occurrence for comedy.

When the lights rise and the yawns have been yawned, however, we will still like the Addams family.

CARLITO'S WAY
TOWNE SQUARE
CINEMAS
Rated R

Glossy production values and Director Brian DePalma's child-like fascination with the camera betray *Carlito's* seedier elements. As the title character, Al Pacino shows heart and weary wisdom in another of the actor's kinetic performances.

In the film, he is kept from leading a crime-free life by those with whom he once dealt drugs. *Carlito's Way* is like a cousin to the DePalma/Pacino collaboration in 1983's *Scarface*.

This latest is technically more inventive and features a fine performance from Penelope Ann Miller.

Gallery features works by Warhol

Boiseans discover true pop art

Ted W. Anderson
Staff Writer

Having idolized Andrew Warhola, better known as Andy Warhol, for the past five years, I was struck with awe when I heard that a collection of his works were going to be in a gallery in Boise. Having seen some of his earlier works including the Campbell's Soup Cans and the Mao paintings, I couldn't wait to enter the 8th Street Marketplace Gallery and discover once again the true meaning of pop culture.

Although I was extremely excited about the collection, I did have a few hesitations before entering the door with my date for the evening. The prints on display were from his later works in the '80s. During this time period, Warhol's artwork primarily consisted of commissioned silk-screens from various celebrities, corporations and other society figures.

The money he received from these commissioned portraits was used to keep his magazine, *Interview*, from going bankrupt. This trend of commissioned prints and portfolios continued until his death from complications after gallstone surgery in 1987.

I was not disappointed, however, after I paid my \$3 and entered the gallery.

I remembered what truly made Warhol's art so magnificent. Sure the silk-screen portraits were extremely vivid and filled with pure Americana, but what made Warhol so famous was his ability to draw a diverse crowd to his shows. Looking around I saw a man with blue and white hair, a couple who brought their child and a very vocal patron of the arts.

The portraits displayed were from four portfolios:

Ten Portraits of Jews of the Twentieth Century (1980), Myths (1981), Endangered Species (1983) and Ads (1985). They were a great cross section of his works during the 1980s. I have always admired Warhol's silk-screening abilities and his use of sensationally bright colors. He made his subjects look better than real life by removing wrinkles, blemishes and other imperfections, creating an unobtainable "superstar" image.

Warhol used this technique for humor in his Van Heusen advertisement from the Ads portfolio. It depicted the cur-

rent president, Ronald Reagan, without wrinkles in a wrinkle-proof Van Heusen shirt.

Also on display was a photograph portfolio by Warhol's long-time friend and photographer Christopher Makos. The photographs of Andy Warhol with several pop



8th Street Marketplace hosts Warhol exhibit.

Sean Lee Brandt
Staff Writer

The works of an icon of American pop society made a brief stop in Boise last week. A collection of works by the late, great Andy Warhol were presented by IJA Productions in the 8th Street Marketplace gallery.

The focus of the presentation was the commentary on cultural icons or symbols which Warhol made prints of, adding his artistic impressions and a photo history of the artist. The photos were black and white pictures taken by Warhol's close friend, Christopher Makos.

The 39 photos (originally 40, but one was destroyed in transit to another city) were of Warhol with various celebrities, as well as by himself in settings around the globe.

The strength of the photo display was the portrayal of the subject by the photographer. Warhol's characteristic *out there* expression (an expression which so accurately portrays Warhol's constant drive to see his artistic views embodied in the world around him) was present in each of the photographs. Also present was the aging of the artist, the toll that time took on this sensitive individual.

The works of Warhol were 32 photos of cultural icons upon which Warhol had superimposed various colors and shades and outlines that brought forth his view of the objects that our society seemed to hold so dear. The focus was on art which Warhol created around popular symbols.

Those of you familiar with MTV would surely have recognized Warhol's painting of the lunar landing, the astronaut holding the U.S. flag, upon which Warhol had superimposed a myriad variety of colors. The Volkswagen Beetle, Mickey Mouse, a Van Heusen shirt ad with Ronald Reagan and a James Dean promotional poster from Japan were all subjects to Warhol's roaming brush, as was he himself, in a self-portrait.

Warhol also examined society's preoccupation with endangered animals in eight prints. A tree frog, a bald eagle, a rhinoceros and a butterfly were just a few of the animals which Warhol brought his magical touch to.

Various celebrities were also immortalized by Warhol's brush. Sarah Bernhardt, The Marx Brothers, George Gershwin and Martin Buber were all done in various shades of color, as well as superimposed graphics on the photos of the individuals.

To those of you who missed the celebrated works of the "King of Pop Art," I can only say, you missed the opportunity to explore a man who had become the very focus of his works—a modern pop icon.

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Tom Grainey's 345-2505. 109 S. 6th. Open 9:30 p.m.-2 a.m. Ages 21 and over. Sun nights feature rock 'n' roll with Boi Howdy. Mon night is blues night with Chicken Cordon Blues. Tue night is jazz night featuring Opus Pocus from 8:30 p.m. to close. Dec. 8-11: Whipping Boy.

Concerts

BSU Brass Ensemble Christmas Concert 385-3980. The show will feature the BSU Meistersingers and Chamber Singers, the University Singers and Women's Chorale, harpist Carolyn Sekela, percussionist April Brobst and the University Brass Ensemble. Admission is free, donations requested. The performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 7 in St. Michael's Episcopal Cathedral at State and Eighth streets.

Handel's Messiah 344-7901. Presented by the Boise Master Chorale. Tickets cost \$10 adults and \$8.50 for seniors and students at Select-a-Seat. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 14 at the First United Methodist Church at 1110 W. Franklin.

Old Boise Guitar Co. Performance Series 344-7600. Sponsored by the Old Boise Guitar Co. Tickets cost \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door and \$5 for children under 12. All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 7: Cori Connors with Merlyn Schofield. Dec. 14: Pinto Bennett.

Recitals

Student Recitals 385-3980. Sponsored by the BSU Department

of Music. All student recitals are free. Performances are held in the Morrison Center Recital Hall. Dec 7: Senior recital by saxophonist Scott Turpen at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12: Senior recital by electric guitarist Brad Nelson at 4 p.m.

Theater & Dance

A Christmas Carol 336-9221. Presented by the Idaho Shakespeare Festival. Tickets cost \$16 and \$18, with a \$2 discount for students, seniors and Statesman extra cardholders. The performance will begin at 8 p.m. Dec. 9-11, and a matinee will begin at 2 p.m. on Dec. 11 in the Morrison Center.

Tibet is Near 342-6859. Presented by the Tibetan Community of Boise. Tickets cost \$10 at Select-a-Seat. The presentation of Tibetan sacred music and dance will begin at 8 p.m. in the Special Events Center on Dec. 9.

Art

Festival of Ceramics 385-3205. Located in Liberal Arts Gallery I. Sponsored by the BSU Art Department. Admission is free. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. The show and sale will feature work by 25 BSU faculty, student and alumni artists. The display will run Dec. 11-13.

Juried Exhibition 385-1223. Located in the Student Union Gallery. Sponsored by the Boise Art Alliance. Admission is free. Gallery hours are 7 a.m.-11 p.m. The exhibition will continue through Jan. 7.

Student Programs Board (SPB)

Christmas Film Series 385-3655. Sponsored by the Films Committee. Tickets cost \$2 general admission, \$1 BSU faculty and staff and free to students. The films will begin at 7 p.m. in the SUB on Dec 10. The films featured will be *Christmas Vacation* and *A Christmas Story*.

Hypnotist Jerry Harris 385-3655. Sponsored by SPB and SAC Finals Relief. Tickets cost \$4 general admission, \$2 for BSU faculty and staff and \$1 or a donation of canned goods for BSU students. The program begins at 8 p.m. in the Special Events Center on Dec. 14.

Japanese Film Festival 385-3655. Sponsored by the Films Committee. Admission is free. The festival will begin at 8 p.m. in the SUB Quiet Listening Lounge on Dec. 8, 9 and 11. The films featured will be *And Then, Unholy Desire*, *The Ghost of April*, *Aiko Sweet Sixteen* and *Suzaki Paradise: Red Signal*.

Misc.

Human Rights Day Celebration 385-1677. Sponsored by BSU Voices for Human Rights. Admission to all events is free with

a donation on request. The celebration will run from noon to 2 a.m. on Dec. 10 in the SUB. Events will include music at Brava!, a comedian hour and movies followed by panel discussions. Movie topics include women's rights at 2 p.m.-4:30 p.m., racial equality at 5 p.m.-7:30 p.m. and gay rights at 8 p.m.-10:30 p.m.

Reading by Gary Gildner 336-4936. Sponsored by the BSU English department, BSU College of Arts and Sciences, the Snake River Writers, the Boise City Arts Commission and the Idaho Commission on the Arts. A \$2 donation will be accepted at the door. The poet, novelist and non-fiction writer will begin reading at 7:30 p.m. in the SUB Lookout Room on Dec. 8.

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Sports

Hawaii tourney yields pair of wins

Scott Samples
Sports Editor

The BSU women's basketball team's three-game trip to Hawaii was no easy vacation.

Still, the Broncos managed to walk away from the 15th Annual University of Hawaii Rainbow Wahine Classic with a pair of wins, upping their overall record to 4-1.

"I think for this early in the season, to come into a tournament with this caliber of competition, we learned a lot about our team," BSU Head Coach June Daugherty said. "I

think this was a real positive learning experience for us."

Boise State started the tournament off on the wrong foot when Arkansas exploited BSU's defense, winning 92-75 on Friday. The Broncos bounced back in game two, winning a thrilling double-overtime contest over George Mason University on Saturday. The Broncos finished the tourney on Sunday, thumping Wyoming 80-60 to take fifth place.

The Broncos, who were seeded first going into the eight-team tournament ran into trouble in their first

game, when they took on number two Arkansas.

Arkansas started the game strong and jumped out to a big lead midway through the first half. But BSU surged, cutting the lead to eight at the half.

The Razorbacks, led by six players scoring in double figures, opened things up in the second half and ran up a 17-point lead. With 12 minutes remaining in the game.

Boise State fought back, however, and with about four minutes left to go were down by 10. But turnovers, costly fouls, and lack of rebounding

let Arkansas regain a 15-point lead at the 3:05 mark and the game was out of reach.

"I think we did not make a commitment to play good defense," Daugherty said. "I thought Arkansas tended to manhandle us by playing very aggressively, but then we adjusted very well in the next two."

Saturday's game was a much different story.

In a game marked by 23 called

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Cajuns hold back BSU men in away match

Turnovers help SWL squeeze by Broncos to gain 61-57 victory

Layne D. Hansen
Staff Writer

After winning consecutive games in the Real Dairy Classic, BSU's basketball men dropped their first game of the season to Southwestern Louisiana Saturday in Lafayette.

John Coker had a team-high 16 points and seven rebounds, but the Broncos had turnovers that ended up being key in the Cajuns' 61-57 victory.

The Broncos ran into foul trouble in the first half. Starters Coker, Eric Bellamy, and Steve Shephard were forced to sit the bench in the first half. Bellamy, who going into the game was averaging four and a half points and two rebounds a game, played only eight minutes.

The Cajuns shot a dismal 36 percent from the field, but the Broncos weren't able to take advantage of that statistic, shooting 46 percent themselves, but committing costly turnovers in crucial moments of the game.

With the score tied late in the game at 53, the Broncos turned the ball over twice; however, BSU tied the game at 57 with a dunk by Bernard Walker and a goaltend on a lay-up by Shambric Williams.

The Cajuns scored the last four points of the game—hitting four of their six free throws in the last minute and a half.

Williams, averaging 26 points a game for the Broncos, was held to 14 points and eight rebounds.

The Cajuns' star guard, Byron Starks, who was averaging 32 ppg coming into the game, had a disappointing evening from the field, hitting



Arbiter/Brian Becker

Boise State's Damon Archibald scores against High-Five America in BSU's season opener.

only six of his 16 shots for 16 points.

The Broncos return to action today, Dec. 7, when they host Humboldt State.

Boise State will face Southwest Louisiana again when the Cajuns attend the BSU-hosted Holiday Classic on Dec. 29 and 30.

Volleyball season ends just shy of goal

Layne D. Hansen
Staff Writer

Going into their season, the BSU volleyball team had high expectations, despite their lack of experience.

Although the Broncos had six freshmen on the 13-player roster, the team was picked to finish third, behind Idaho and Montana.

By season's end, despite a seesaw performance, they nearly met those expectations. They finished fourth.

The Broncos started off well, winning three of their first four matches. However, the Broncos' inexperience shone through whenever they had to leave the friendly confines of Bronco Gym. Boise State lost five of their next six matches, leaving their preseason record at 4-6.

The Broncos again looked like they were a contender when they started their conference matches. BSU won three matches to start off league play, but then ran out of gas, losing four of their next five.

Boise State snapped a three-game losing streak against Weber State, a win that kept their playoff hopes alive. At 5-4, the Broncos lost to Idaho State, a team they had beaten twice before.

The Broncos, who were seemingly out of playoff contention with a 5-5 record, stormed to three straight wins, including an impressive and important victory over the University of Montana.

BSU clinched a playoff berth with a win over Eastern Washington, but ran into injuries and illnesses.

Before the Montana State match, starting setter Angela Adams went down with a back injury, and her backup, red-shirting Jennifer Woodfield was out with a broken finger.

The job of running the offense

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SPORTS LINEUP

Men's basketball

Tue. — BSU hosts Humboldt State, starting at 7:35 p.m. at the BSU Pavilion.
Fri., Sat. — BSU at the Delta Bearcat Classic in Cincinnati, Ohio.

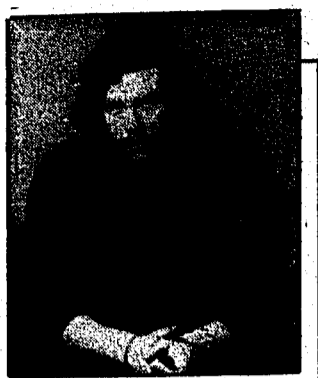
Women's basketball

Sat., Sun. — BSU at the University of Minnesota Tournament.

Sports

Back your team in good times & in bad

Sports fans are fickle. Evidence in support of this statement abounds: You can see it in attendance counts, T-shirts, and baseball caps. I guarantee you won't be seeing much Washington Redskins or Los Angeles Lakers paraphernalia this year, and I'll bet your attendance levels have dropped substantially. It's not that these teams, only two examples of a prolific phenomenon, have been horrible for a long time. In recent years, the Redskins and Lakers have had fine, winning seasons. The Lakers, in fact, were considered a dynasty in the 1980s.



Scott Gere

So what happened? I'll tell you what—they had the nerve to lose a couple games. Immediately, the fans deserted them.

You say it's not true? You say that you are loyal to your

team through thick and thin? Perhaps. But I'm saying now that the kind of person that exhibits that sort of loyalty is in the minority. It's a proud and stubborn fan that can wear a Chicago Cubs cap, when everyone else has defected to the Toronto Blue Jays camp.

I'm not sure how this came about. You'd think that athletics, which promotes a certain camaraderie and bond between its competitors, could do the same thing for its fans.

And in some rare cases it does. Take, for example, some of the expansion teams in the NBA. Although the Minnesota Timberwolves are

a crappy team, they still pack their arena. But perhaps that's just because the newness has yet to wear off.

The fact remains that each mark in the defeat column denotes not only a loss on the field or court, but a loss in the bleachers as well.

Case in point: Boise State Bronco football. I'm sure no one needs to tell you that the Broncos have struggled this season. But that doesn't mean that BSU doesn't have a successful program overall, and that past seasons haven't been good.

Nevertheless, the team has been essentially abandoned. In the last home game of the season, atten-

dance barely topped 10,000—less than half the full capacity seating.

I know, everyone will tell me that it's no fun to watch your team lose all the time. But how will you know if they lose if you don't watch the game?

Besides, I guarantee that when the wins do come, they will be infinitely more satisfying if you've stuck with your team through the shadows as well as the limelight.

So break out those Lakers jerseys, those Redskins caps, and yes, even those Bronco sweats.

Show some balls (figuratively, please). Support your team.

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fouls, and 12 players (six from each team) fouling out, the Broncos out-lasted George Mason in tow overtimes.

Things looked good for BSU in the first half, as they jumped out to a 12-point half-time lead. Then the foul trouble began.

With eight minutes left in the game, BSU had four players—three of them starters—with four fouls, forcing Daugherty to go to the bench.

Meanwhile, GMU was closing the gap behind the 3-point shooting of Keri Chaconas. Then, with four seconds left in the game and BSU up by two, Michelle Schultz picked up her fifth foul, sending the patriots to the line, where they made both free throws, sending the game into overtime.

Mason opened the OT period with a bucket, then pulled away to a six-point lead. But the Patriots began to foul and then foul out, sending the Broncos to the line enough to let them back within tow, before Varvanova hit a lay-up with nine seconds left, sending the game into double overtime.

In the second over-time,

BSU took the early lead but was hurt when Varbanova fouled out with 1:26 to go, leaving BSU with just five players left. Still, the Broncos held a one-point lead and with 5 seconds left, Tricia Bader was fouled and went to the line. Bader made the first one and missed the second, but chased down the rebound and ran the clock out to seal the victory.

"I think one of the exciting things we learned was

we have a lot of depth on the bench," Daugherty said. "And we got a lot of quality play from people who haven't had a lot of playing time. That just makes us a better team."

Boise State looked more impressive in Sunday's game against Wyoming, beating the Cowgirls by 20 points.

Varbanova was strong all around, scoring 16 points and eight boards.

• **Spikers continued** from page 13

was put upon the shoulders of Cyndi Neece, a player who was hampered by sickness all season.

Veteran performances by Kristen Dutto and Melissa Dahl this year weren't surprising, but the arrival of 6-foot-3 middle-blocker Amber Woodcock, the work by freshman outside hitter Crystal Carr

and the versatility of Neece were pleasant surprises for the Bronco volleyball program.

Expectations will be high for the Broncos next year, with the return of Dahl, Neece, Woodcock, Jill Fleming, Sarah Buxman, Carr, and Adams.

Joining the team next year will be 6-foot-2 Julie Kaulius and 6-foot-1 Dawn Woolner.

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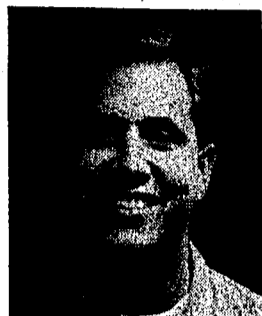
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Humour

What Are We Good At?

Why is it whenever some agency or group decides that they need to rank the 50 states, Idaho chronically finishes at or near the bottom, with Mississippi close behind? (Incidentally, Mississippi is actually exempt, since they are still technically seceded from the Union.) Whether we're ranked on education, drunk driving laws, average yearly income, or Weird Al Yankovic album sales, we're either 48th or 49th, depending on whether anybody answered the phone in Arkansas.



Todd Sholty

As a proud lifetime native of Idaho, I can't just stand by and let Idaho take a beating in the department of public relations. Just when we finally shook that Mud Lake thing, we have yet more slings and arrows to suffer. I think it's time we let the other 49 states know we are indeed the best in many areas of achievement. Here's an abbreviated list of our number one rankings from a recent study by The Schmeckman Group, Inc., a highly reputable and recently bankrupt-free research company:

- Idaho is ranked number one in annual sales of Yosemite Sam "Back Off" mud flaps (source: Earl's House o' Mud Flaps).
- Idaho is ranked number one in subscriptions to Guns 'N Ammo (source: U.S. Postal Service, disgruntled employees' poll).
- Idaho continues to hold the top spot with Ross Perot haircuts (source: United We Shear, America).
- Idaho is ranked number one per capita for people who try to convince their friends that they know somebody famous (source: 24,372 close, personal, friends of Curtis Stigers).
- In 1992, Idaho claimed to be number one in people who tell others that their pit bull isn't as

mean as what you hear about in the news (source: Blue Cross of Idaho).

- In a brand new category, Idaho climbs up to number one in goofy-looking 15-year-olds who wear Dr. Seuss hats at Boise Towne Square.

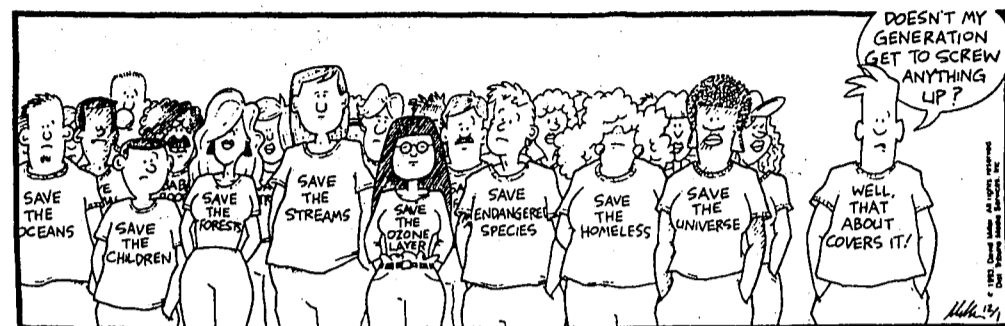
- And finally, Idaho, after years of tough competition with Utah, is ranked number one in Jell-O consumption (source: Jell-O Journal: Swimsuit Edition '93).

What do we make of these rankings? How can Idaho parlay these figures into large amounts of tourism dollars? Is it possible for this state to improve its national reputation with this kind of information? And more importantly, who are these people that are buying all the Michael Bolton tapes?

The point I'm trying to make is a simple one: If we really want to work on our state's reputation, we need to look deep, deep, within ourselves; deep into the very pit of our souls; deep down among the muck and mire of our craven hearts; deep to the deepest recesses of our conscience, and ask ourselves this very crucial, yet simple question: Am I eating enough cheese?

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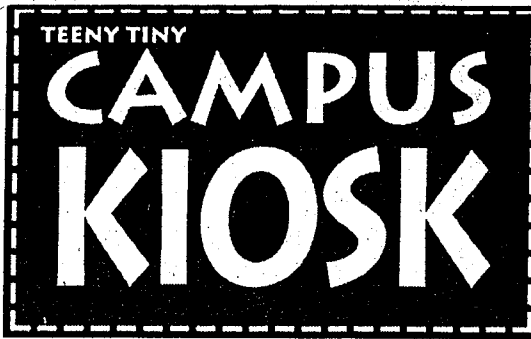
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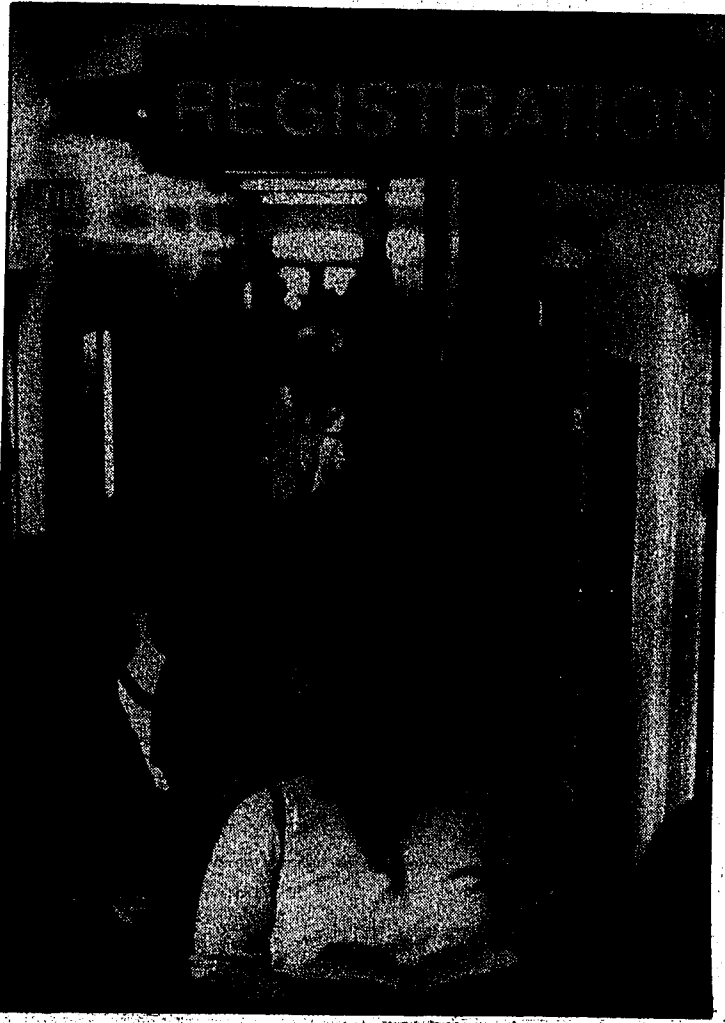


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Student Project Evaluates Growth at Boise State

As part of a media project chronicling growth at Boise State University, students in the 216/316 Communication Lab present the special-topic newspaper, *The Comm Lab Chronicle*. The articles in this tabloid explore the impact growth has had on B.S.U. Students in the Communication Lab wrote about issues concerning parking, classroom space, and how B.S.U. compares to other colleges in neighboring states.

The Communication students hope this product will serve as a vehicle for discussion and thought on the issue of growth at B.S.U.

B.S.U. Compared to Neighboring Schools

To get an indicator of how strict or lax the admission policies at Boise State University are, information was gathered concerning other urban colleges and compared. The four colleges analyzed were the University of Nevada at Las Vegas, Eastern Washington University, University of Montana, and Portland State University.

The University of Montana requires incoming freshmen to have a 2.5 grade point average and either a 20 on the A.C.T. or a combined score of 800 on the S.A.T. They also require four years of English, three years of Math, three years of Social Sciences, two years of Laboratory Science, and two years of other college prep classes. Transfer students must have a 2.0 G.P.A. in their college work and more than 12 college hours to be eligible for admission. Montana is rated competitive in admissions standards. Tuition for in-state residents is \$1,588 per semester and \$4,039 for out of state students.

The University of Nevada Las Vegas freshman requirements include a high school G.P.A. of 2.30. They also require that you have taken four years of English, three years of math, three years of social sciences, and one semester of a computer literacy class. A final requirement is a score of 20 or higher on the A.C.T. or 890 and above on the S.A.T. Transfer students need to have 15 or more credits and a 2.0 G.P.A. to

In-State and Out-of-State Tuition from the fall semesters from 1983 through 1993

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1985	\$512	\$1462
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be admitted. U.N.L.V. is rated as competitive and the tuition for in state residents is \$1,176 per semester and \$4,776 for non residents.

Portland State University freshmen need a 2.5 G.P.A. upon graduation. They are also required to have a 20 on

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Managing New Surges in Student Enrollment

This semester, student attendance has reached a record high. This has had some positive and negative effects upon the quality of education at Boise State University. Teachers have more papers to grade in classes. Some feel they are not able to give individual students as much attention as they used to. Some classes have grown. Some classes are difficult to get into. Some English classes and other classes have an enrollment cap. However, the general consensus is that the quality of education at B.S.U. is not going down.

Things are being done to deal with the growth so that the quality of education remains consistent. One example is the recruitment of teaching assistants and graduate assistants. They teach the more fundamental course material. They also save professors time and energy. A professor can split the class into smaller groups and let a teacher assistant teach a designated group. This allows more one on one time with the students. It also allows professors more time to prepare lectures.

Another trend in the classrooms is the use of technology. Dr. Ross Vaughn of the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation said that the lack between availability of technology and the faculty being able to put the technology to use does impair the quality of education now. According to Dr. Vaughn, there needs to be sufficient incentive and time for the faculty to develop lessons that use technology. Dr. Mead, Director of the Honors Program, agrees that technology should be mixed with traditional teaching methods.

More classes are being offered on Friday and Saturday. This can help to open up class space and thus alleviate some scheduling problems.

This helps students graduate within a reasonable period of time.

B.S.U. Overlapping

A lot is being heard about Boise State University's growth, as students pay extra attention to the increase in their tuition. Classrooms are a little cozier with every seat filled, registration shows growth by difficulty getting into desperately needed courses that are filled by other desperate students. The day time parking saga, and the new addition to our library all point to growth on our campus.

BSU is growing and no matter what anyone does we can't stop it. Growth is inevitable.

The question becomes, what impact does growth at BSU have on its surrounding community?

Communication Lab 316 set out to answer this question along with many others. A group of seven students from Communication Lab 316, better known as Comm Lab, set out to discover if the growth that has been taking place at BSU has, is and will affect Boise businesses.

The students split up Boise into regions and handed out surveys which

Growth Issues Are Never Confined to Campus; a Look at Commercial Concerns

asked a variety of questions concerning their business and how it has been affected by the growth at BSU. Out of three hundred surveys to area businesses the researchers received one hundred and forty two back. Some interesting data came to light from the surveys.

Brooke Zrno covered Southeast Boise/ Broadway and Park Center, an area that most Boise students are relatively familiar with since this area is close to the campus. According to Zrno's findings the "restaurants in this area realized the greatest impact from growth at BSU".

This seems logical. How many of us rush to Chili's for pre and post function food and drink? An increase in student registration would certainly help boost the health of the various restaurants

that line up along Broadway. Although many businesses in this area are affected by the growth at BSU, many can stand on their own and are relatively unaffected by the growth from campus.

These types of businesses were generally the major corporate industries such as Albertsons and Ore-ida, florists shops, bakeries, health clubs and other such businesses that cater and market themselves to a different clientele than the average college student. In this area of Boise which sees the most action from BSU students the number one problem that has been stated by the businesses surveyed is the issue of parking.

This issue appears to affect these businesses whether BSU is growing or not and needs to be addressed and corrected.

Parking Not Utilized to Capacity

Are you fed up with trying to find a parking spot on campus? Does it seem there isn't enough parking? According to Bob Seibolt, Director of the Department of Campus Security and Safety, there is enough parking. The problem is a perceived one.

Mr. Seibolt said there are 4,712 parking spaces. Mr. Seibolt has never seen all of them full. The problem is that everyone wants to park right by their classes, Seibolt said.

More people are riding the bus or a bike. This is helping to ease the parking problem. There are three advantages to riding the bus or using a bike. First, it saves money. Gas bills and other maintenance on a car decrease. In addition to that, most insurance companies will lower premiums once they have been told that your car is no longer your primary mode of transportation. Second, riding a bike is healthier. Third, the rate of pollution decreases.

The university has put in more crosswalks and a light across from the administration building. They are also considering putting in more bike racks.

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Funds Must Follow Students

In a recent interview, Republican Senator Phil Childers stated that Boise State is clearly the fastest growing university in Idaho and the dollars will have to follow the students.

Childers is also the vice chairman for the house education committee. Childers stated that higher education has been getting very little attention due to the public schools lawsuits over inadequate funding.

Childers believes the current concept stressed in the university of Publish or Perish is wrong.

One way to help alleviate budget problems would be to cap professors salaries. Childers said the University of

Two Senators View Aspects of Growth

Idaho gets most of the money from the budget since they are considered the land grant college.

Democratic Senator Sue Reents stated that B.S.U. has shown the most growth among the colleges and believes that Boise State student growth is the biggest challenge of the nineties. Reents said the budget has always been built from the past and B.S.U. always has

a struggle for equality due to the limited number of BSU alumni in the Senate.

Reents said she would like to see more equality in the budgeting process. Reents also backs the added weekend and off campus classes being offered.

Most of the money B.S.U. gets to build or expand comes from grants similar to the Albertsons Library project and the Simplot/Micron engineering project.

Both senators did see a problem with the rapid growth of B.S.U. and said it is an issue that has been discussed in JFAC committee meetings in the past. It will continue to be a hot issue in the future.

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the A.C.T. or an 890 on the S.A.T. Further requirements are four years of English, three years of Social Studies and Math, and two years of Lab Science. Transfer students need to maintain a 2.0 G.P.A. for Oregon residents and a 2.25 for out of state students. In addition transfer students need 30 hours of college work. Portland State is rated competitive. The tuition is \$2,538 for in state residents and \$6,549 for others.

The last college examined was Eastern Washington University. To be admitted at E.W.U. a students S.A.T. score must be at least 852. A.C.T. scores must be at least 20. A

student must have at least four years of English, three years of Math, two years of Science, three years of Social Science, two years of a foreign language, and one year of college preparatory classes. To be able to transfer to E.W.U. a minimum 2.0 G.P.A. is required and at least 40 hours of college classes. E.W.U. is rated as competitive. The tuition is \$1,698 for in state students and \$5,970 for out of state students. All universities have an application fee which ranges anywhere from \$15 to \$40.

Does Boise State University compare to other urban universities when it comes to admission stan-

dards? Although B.S.U. is rated less competitive in most college catalogs, only two minor areas were found that didn't match up. The first was that B.S.U. required only two and a half years of Social Sciences. The four other colleges required three years. Even though B.S.U. lacked in the Social Sciences, the requirements compensated in college preparatory classes. B.S.U. requires two and a half years in this area.

Most other colleges only asked for two years. B.S.U. required only a 2.0 to be accepted.

Two of the four colleges require a 2.5 G.P.A.

Student Swell Hits Faculty Hard

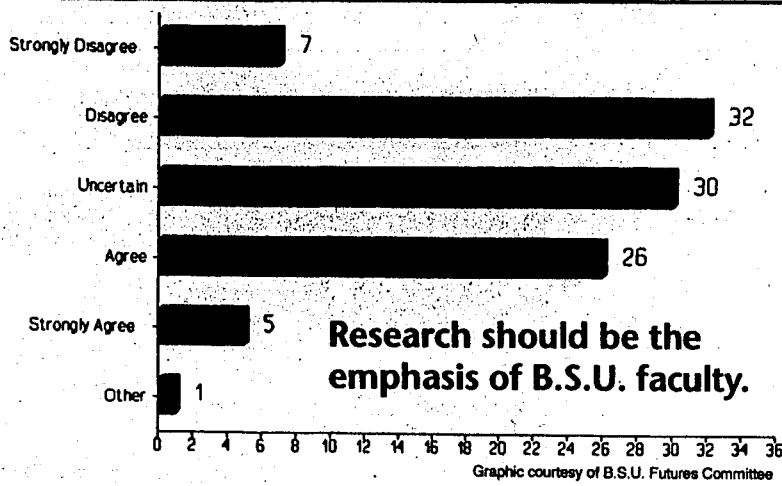
Education Quality Is Key

Growth at B.S.U. not only eliminates elevator space and the availability of parking, but also places a burden on the faculty and in some cases adversely affects the quality of education students receive. The professors and adjunct faculty at this university teach larger classes, battle for classroom space, face the pressure to publish or perish, and academically advise the throngs that fight for appointments, all on less than competitive salaries.

The Futures Committee, comprised of B.S.U. faculty and students, conducted a survey of over 1,200 BSU students, faculty, classified staff, and professional staff. According to the survey, having enough faculty and staff to meet current student needs ranked number 5 as a priority for consideration. Similarly, the need for BSU to raise salaries and benefits to competitive levels ranked 3rd as a university priority. In this survey, 65% of the respondents said BSU did not have enough faculty and staff to meet current student needs.

Enrollment at Boise State has increased 27.4% since 1983, with a higher ratio of full-time students than ten years ago. One of the major criticisms of BSU's faculty is that they rely too heavily on adjunct and part-time professors. In an interview with Dr. Rayborn, he expressed concern over the quality of education with so many adjunct teachers and fewer and fewer PhDs.

Since 1985 the ranks of full-time faculty grew by 17.2%, while



part-time faculty grew by 101.9%. Clearly, the hiring of new professors is heavily skewed toward part-time and adjunct employees. It is also important to note that Boise State is 18% below the national average in teaching salaries.

One suggestion for improving the quality of education at this growing university is to stop relying on adjunct professors and offer higher salaries to attract full-time faculty. The Futures Committee survey showed that 63% of the faculty surveyed agreed that BSU is too dependent

on adjunct teachers, while 56% of the students responded that they were uncertain on the matter. Yet, 82% of all those surveyed agreed that higher salaries and benefits were needed to remain competitive with other universities.

Another matter of discussion pertains to how much professors should be expected to publish. Dr. Dick Payne, Professor of Economics, explained that, "students are not getting the attention they deserve" because professors are being pushed to publish within the first two to three years

after starting. Other professors, who wished to remain anonymous, agreed that more office doors are being locked and students are receiving less personal attention due to the professors publishing deadlines. The Futures Committee survey reported that 56% of the respondents agreed that research should be the emphasis of BSU faculty, while 89% agreed that teaching should remain the priority. Clearly, some research is expected, but how much and on what time schedule remains a question.

Aside from pressure to publish, students flood into their advisor's office for help with registration and graduate requirements. In the Futures survey only 21% of the respondents agreed that BSU's advising program was sufficient.

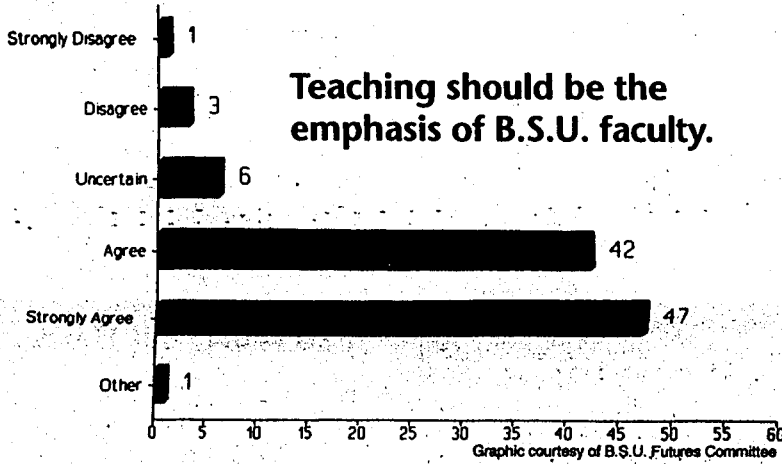
Many students express frustration, first in finding an advisor, and then getting the answers and information they need.

Also, high drop out rates have been attributed to lack of guidance during student's freshman year. Some suggestions for improvement include creating a paid position for an advisor. The Business department is currently trying this.

Understaffing is not unique to the realm of professors.

Currently, Student Special Services is understaffed by 38%, according to Roger Gossi, Coordinator for Disabled Student Services. Similarly, Student Affairs is understaffed by 36% and the financial aid office needs at least one more full time financial aid advisor, as reported by Dr. Taylor, V.P. of Student

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Phoenix Knows How to Handle Growth

I'm a Communication student at B.S.U. and am visiting Phoenix to attend an athletic event. The Dial corporation building that stands tall before me is a magnificent display of modern architecture. The new America West Arena rests a few miles behind me which houses Phoenix's NBA basketball team, the Phoenix Suns. Tempe, Phoenix's neighboring city is the home of Arizona State University's campus. A powerful campus both in size and in academic excellence. Sundevil stadium stands statuesque against the brilliant sunsets that cleanse the sky in the evenings. Heck, if I was retired I'd come down to sunny Phoenix with its warm winters while the rest of America puts another log on the fire. Thousands of senior citizens, "snowbirds," travel to Phoenix to enjoy the desert climate. Housing has boomed here as it has elsewhere. Resorts, health spas, clubs, mercedes and jaguar dealerships, and Bloomingdales are just a few of the luxuries that one could be pampered with from a stay in the desert city. Having lived in Phoenix for a year after being raised in the state of Washington, I must say that a city of this magnitude was quite overwhelming, especially since my first day met with shootings on the freeway.

The growth in Phoenix helps to put the growth that's taking place in Boise in a better perspective. My boyfriend took me for a drive awhile back to show me some of the newest housing developments that are sprouting up around Boise. The size of these houses and the acreage of land they were built on leads

one to believe that land is quickly becoming scarce.

A very clear point comes to mind as I stand amidst skyscrapers here in Phoenix. Boise may not have towering skyscrapers and it may not have a Professional basketball and football team. But one thing is for sure, business is good. Old hunting and fishing grounds that used to lie at the outskirts of town have been taken over by new housing developments. We are experiencing growth from all directions and we are beginning to see the growth before our very eyes. Although

growth at BSU is in full swing, the surrounding community and the businesses that inhabit it are progressing on just fine despite it. Boise is a prosperous community and its businesses should continue to reap healthy benefits from it's growth.

I'd like to say that the increasing student population and growth at BSU has had a major effect on the health and progress of Boise's businesses, but the fact remains that a significant number of businesses and industries stand solid with or without BSU students putting their dollar into the cash registers.

Solutions Include Drawbacks

The population increase in the Boise area has also affected the student population at Boise State University. According to ASBSU President C. J. Martin, Boise State's classrooms are filled to capacity during the peak hours of 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Martin said that although the national average use of classroom space is 54%, Boise State usually uses 70%

Other than this, the current situation is causing

many students to graduate in five or six years instead of four.

Added to this problem is the fact that due to a limited number of teachers, some upper division classes are offered only once a year.

This causes even more problems for students who want to graduate as soon as possible.

Unfortunately, increasing student fees is not the answer to this problem. Money from student fees cannot be used to hire addi-

tional faculty or to build more classroom space. Martin understands that there is not enough money for education in our state in general but the money that is there is mostly allotted to the University of Idaho.

The reason for this is that the University of Idaho is thought of as the Idaho university providing the greatest service in graduate programs and law schools. So even though Boise State

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4 Bigger Core Could Be Trouble

Diversity Can Clash with Population

Diversity is something anyone should expect from a university. Something we all should expect. In some departments of the schools there is an apprehension that is being caused by the unavailability of classes. The fact that some classes do not exist in any form on Boise State's campus is agonizing to some students. The very diverse education and the curriculum, that is standard at other large universities is absent at Boise State.

Several interviews were conducted during the month of October. Non-tenured institute level educators and students, both inside and outside of Boise State University, were questioned regarding the issues of growth, class size, variety, and availability. Any information requested was made available and in most instances, specific problems were addressed by the interviewees.

The most apparent problem encountered when investigating the effects of growth, coupled with the quality of education as an issue, was a shortage of space in classes. Several students expressed their dismay at their inability to fit together a manageable, timely schedule. In the Communication Department, one of the required, upper division core classes is only going to be offered as a night class, and only one section exists. For that entire school there is a list of only six departmental core classes that all of the students are required to take.

In the situation experienced by one student interviewed, single section availability is a huge problem. "It is completely ridiculous. The department wants us to take the core classes in sequence, one class per semester, and they only offer one section.

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University boasts the largest student population in the state of Idaho, the school is perceived as serving community college needs despite the fact that it is in the greatest need of money.

The ASBSU would like Boise State University to become equally established in State Board of Education funding. They support the idea of constructing a new large building for classrooms to alleviate the overcrowding problem. In fact ASBSU is actively lobbying the state legislature for money for such a building. ASBSU would also like to see a community college in Boise in order to meet the needs of nontraditional students and also to lessen the

burden on Boise State University faculty and resources.

These proposed solutions seemed to make the most sense. One option that C. J. Martin did not want to explore was the idea of an enrollment cap.

"I really don't favor limiting enrollment, so building is the only other option," C. J. Martin said.

"Overall the rapid growth is eroding the quality of education we are receiving. Because prospective employers know this, there is a general reluctance to hire people with Boise State degrees. This is very unfortunate and it needs to be corrected or we are all just wasting our time."

And at night? So much for school or a job."

The unavailability of classes with space during the day is directly affecting the length of time some people will be Boise State students. Instead of spending the money on an extra semester and resuming core class progress in the fall, the student is going to skip the spring and continue his studies when it is more academically and financially viable.

Kenneth McCabe, an educator in Portland, who studied on the East Coast, was amazed that some departments were so under-represented. McCabe said, "The philosophy department offers the basics, but there are many areas of theory that aren't there. Having received a doctorate from John Hopkins University, he received many forms of religious and philosophical teaching that Boise State does not offer. Secular and dogmatic studies are only available from the separate religious organizations represented on campus. McCabe said that even though religious entities may be the only respected teachers in their field, there still should be an expansion of the core of the Philosophy department because if a school is offering logic it should also offer some Phenomenology and some

secular teachings, according to McCabe.

In the philosophy department, one individual was willing to comment, but did not want to be a quoted source. She said that the size of the core philosophy classes is ridiculous and impersonal. She continued by saying that no student can receive a quality education sitting in the Special Events Center with 75 other students.

One of the 100 level sections of Introduction to Philosophy is in the SPEC this semester. Some educator manuals state that a student

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Affairs.

The major obstacle, according to ASBSU President, C.J. Martin is that Boise State's constitution states that student fees cannot be used to hire additional faculty. Therefore, the extra funds for full-time salaries would have to come out of the university's base budget. By the year 2000 the head count at BSU is expected to be 20,000 enrolled students. Martin stated, "growth is eroding the quality of education we are receiving. Because, prospective employers know this, there is a general reluctance to hire people with BSU degrees. This is very unfortunate and it needs to be corrected or we are all just wasting our time."

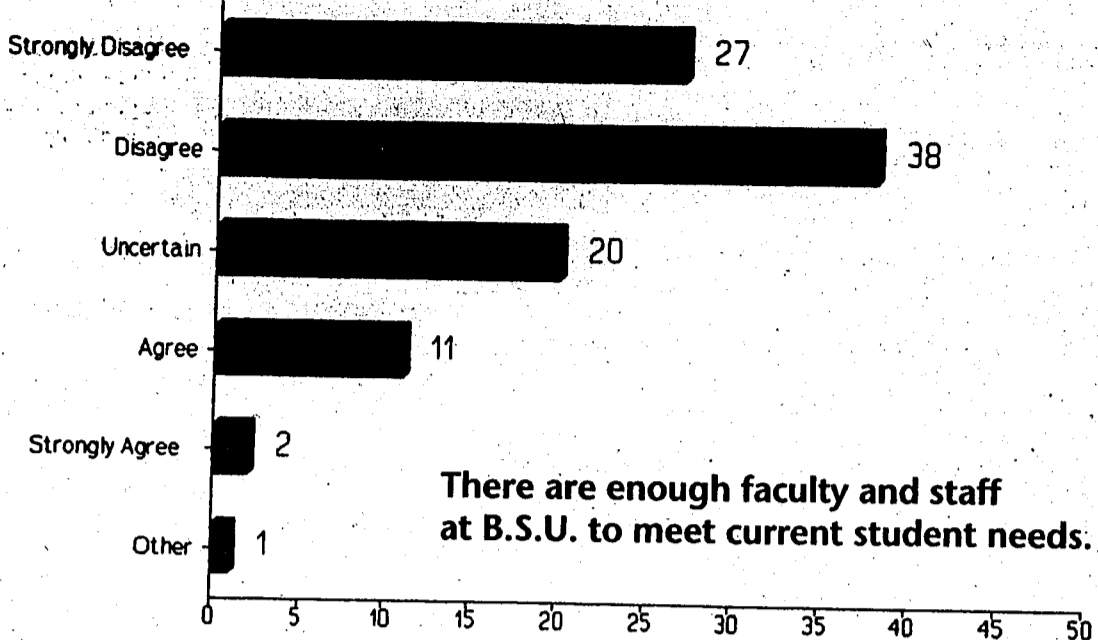
The booklet entitled "Toward the Year 2000" outlines a few suggestions to "attract, retain, support and develop excellent faculty." Some of the suggestions include:

1. develop a system to reward and recognize faculty achievement
2. support faculty through equitable funding of programs and provide necessary facilities
3. seek improvements in compensation and benefits from private and public sources to attract and retain faculty in an increasingly academic market
4. refine and clarify the faculty tenure and promotion system.
5. affirmatively recruit and retain female and minority faculty.

teacher ratio over 20 to one is not good.

The information compiled from the interviews reveals that class size is first on most people's minds and the classes being available the second. The quality of education is being directly affected by how classes are being scheduled. In a few cases, class space is so limited that some students are extending their educational careers beyond the four year plan.

The days of personal instruction are passing and the four year college is quickly becoming a thing of the past.



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