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Strategic plan enters next phase

Corky Hansen
News Editor

The first phase of BSU's five-year strategic plan was completed earlier this month as Interim Executive Vice President Daryl Laos presented the fifth and final Strategic Planning Open Forums.

Jones said the input gathered from the open forums will be utilized to finalize the draft of the plan by January, when it will be distributed around the university throughout spring semester. Further input will guide the final draft of the plan, which will be submitted to President Charles Burch in May, he said.

"I'm hoping that the plan will suggest a new focus for Boise State University," Jones said.

According to Jones, the plan will concentrate on what can be done in the immediate future to improve the service given to students, faculty and staff.

"We cannot do too much to invest in our employees and students," Jones said.

The fifth forum, "Developing Our Human Resource Base," concentrated on developing the university as an organization.

The only organizations that will succeed in the future are those that can learn," said Marketing Professor Doug Lincoln, who had collaborated with the administration in compiling the background information for the issues discussed in the open forums.

Lincoln said the aim of the institution should be to provide opportunities for students, faculty and staff to realize their potential without impeding their academic and professional growth.

"People do want to do good things ... [but] more often than not we're in their way," he said.

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Reaching the halfway point

Feelings mixed on success of ASBSU executive branch

Tiffany J. Seeley
Special to The Arbiter

The current ASBSU executives made it clear they supported a platform of improved access to financial aid, touch-tone telephone registration and lower prices at Marriott. Almost seven months later, the feelings are mixed on the political accountability of the CJ Martin/Brent Hunter administration.

"We have accomplished almost all of our campaign promises," said ASBSU Vice President Hunter. It has been exciting to see it all come together.

However, not everyone is as enthusiastic about the accomplishments of the current ASBSU administration.

I don't think they are accountable at all. I'm conflicted with the Financial Aid Office for two months again this semester. I really can't see that anything has changed," said Mitch Mayne, senior communication major.

Hunter said a new financial aid counselor has been added to the staff in the Financial Aid Office and that "the lines of communication between the two offices are good."

In addition to increased access to financial aid, ASBSU also promised touch-tone telephone registration. "Touch-tone telephone registration is on hold right now. We are waiting for the results of an independent consultant," Registrar Susanna Yunker said.

However, she didn't give any of the credit to ASBSU for the progress on the system.

"We have always planned to have touch-tone registration. I expected it long before now," Yunker said.

Hunter said the only campaign promise that is no longer being pursued is lower prices at Marriott.

"We didn't succeed in lowering coffee and popcorn prices at Marriott, but that wasn't an important issue anyway. We were just kind of joking around," he said.

Hunter said it was never made an issue during contract negotiations with Marriott earlier in the semester.

Others were satisfied with • ASBSU continued on page 3

Benefit sale nets $2,500 for library challenge

Hollee Blankenship
Staff Writer

The library improvement campaign stands $2,500 closer to meeting the McCain family's challenge, thanks to the Library Benefit Sale held in October by The Bookstore.

In the Warren McCain Challenge, given to the university in October, $2 million will be used as an endowment to provide permanent support for the collection and development costs of the Warren E. McCain Reading Room and Collection. If BSU matches their donation, $1 million will be donated by the McCain family by Dec. 1, 1994.

Melissa Levitt, Bookstore trade department manager, coordinated the five-day event. The sale included overstocked titles and used textbooks. More than 4,000 books were sold at prices as low as 25 cents.

"This is fantastic," he said.

Leavitt said the amount raised from the sale was close to what The Bookstore had anticipated.

"It went really well," she said.

Leavitt said another benefit sale will take place in the near future. She hopes others will follow the Bookstore's example.

"Perhaps this will get more organizations to help," she said.

Tim Brown, university librarian, expressed gratitude to The Bookstore for its contribution.

He said the Bronco Athletic Association has also contributed to the cause.

"The library has been very fortunate," he said.

BSU Foundation Director Bob Fitchett said about $25,000 has been raised in just over a month's time.

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We're on VACATION!
National Greens to converge on Boise

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Editor-in-chief

The 1994 National Greens Gathering is coming to BSU, and the Campus Greens are organizing the national meeting.

The campus organization is currently finalizing its constitution. There are seven current members, said Jon Knapp, member of the BSU Campus Greens and member of the national gathering oversight committee.

The draw to Idaho was the Idaho Citizens Alliance's anti-gay initiative. The focus of the conference will be homosexual liberation, in conjunction with Idaho for Human Dignity and Your Family, Friends and Neighbors.

"People want to know about how to deal with [the anti-gay initiative] and the Greens are interested in offering Idaho help," Knapp said.

There are about 200 local Greens, and the national organization is the Greens/Green Party USA. Five states have recognized state Green parties. The first officially recognized party was in Alaska, and the biggest is in California with over 100,000 voters. New Mexico, Hawaii and Arizona also have recognized parties.

The Greens are "nowhere" on the traditional political spectrum, Knapp said. He said because they believe it is important to use their own organization to model the change they are seeking, they use consensus for decisions and guarantee leadership for minorities and women.

The Greens' general goal is to create a society in which humans can maximize their full potential while recognizing the ecological constraints and working within them, Knapp said.

The first Green party was founded in West Germany in 1979. Their slogan was, "We are neither left nor right, but in front." The Greens formed in the United States in 1984.

In Boise, the Greens began in 1990. Their first action was to march in the first annual Gay and Lesbian Freedom Parade. In April of 1990 they established the Green Reader, a monthly publication which serves as a forum for grass roots activists.

The Green Reader features local art, poetry and fiction as well as local calendar events and it is distributed through subscription. Copies are available at the BSU information desk, the Koffee Klatch, the Coffee News, the Flicks, Lucky 13 and the Co-op.

BSU's Hispanic count on the rise

Jorge Andrade
Staff Writer

There are more Hispanic students attending BSU this year than last year, according to John Jensen, director of the BSU College Assistance Migrant Program/High School Equivalent Program. Jensen said 5 percent of the current BSU population is Hispanic, up from 3 percent over the past few years.

"That's a very good percentage," Jensen said.

According to Jensen, 70-75 percent of the Hispanic students enrolled in the university this year entered through CAMP, a federal program which awards scholarships to students who are migrant workers, and helps them through a structured year-long educational curriculum.

CAMP transitional counselor Arnold Hernández said the students receive frequent help through counseling and tutoring.

"They don't work during their first semester in school so they can become involved in campus life," he said.

Jensen said the students receive help in finding jobs, scholarships and financial aid after finishing with CAMP.

"BSU is quite supportive of Hispanic students in CAMP," Jensen said.

Hernández said getting Hispanic students into college is difficult because the parents often need their children to stay at home to contribute to the family finances.

Jay Fuhriman, BSU bilingual education program director, said the unstable life of the migrant worker makes receiving a quality education difficult.

"This kind of work takes Hispanic families from place to place, and students need to adapt themselves to different schools. Their quality of education is not as consistent and of the good quality as it should be," Fuhriman said.

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Judicial branch finishes hectic fall semester

Jon Wroten
Staff Writer

The ASBSU Judiciary has dispatched this fall semester, according to officials of the ASBSU executive branch. Two things have been as busy as any [ASBSU] judiciary has ever been," ASBSU President CJ Martin said.

The third branch of the ASBSU government has spent much of its semester working on updating its internal rules, approving the constitutions of new organizations and trying to get a full number of justices. When fall semester began there were two justices, which proved very hectic and time-consuming, according to Chief Justice Kathy Sterndahl.

"Once we got our full number of justices, everything went great. Before that it was miserable. We had two people doing the work of five," Sterndahl said.

Martin said the judiciary has been working closely with the ASBSU executive branch, springing from an earlier judicial ruling handed down against the Student Program Board. They forbade buying T-shirts for club members with club money to be followed.

Martin said the decision caused some disagreement between the two branches.

"We’ve certainly had a difference of opinion," he said. "We have interpreted the judiciary only did what it was asked to do."

"We have to interpret the senate code as we see it. They’re free to change it if they want to," Sterndahl said.

Maureen Sigafoos, judicial adviser, said the judiciary has done a good job of mixing the varied perspectives and diversity of its members.

"I would say there was great diversity in the items they had to deal with. All senators are different, different thinkers, so there was a variety of perspectives during our decision making, which I think resulted in quality decisions," Sigafoos said.

Justice Eric L. Drouillard said the new members have done a good job of approving constitutions, and there has been an increase in the number of clubs and organizations on campus.

"People think we’re a board that should be more proactive, when we can only interpret things when people request an opinion. A lot of people feel they have no job responsibilities," Drouillard said.

Several other senators, including Jones, said the senate did a good job of staying cohesive and focused when controversial bills did appear. "The people in the senate worked really well together, on both a personal and business manner," ASBSU Sen. Jodie Farnsworth said.

Some senators said the ASBSU executive and legislative branches didn’t work together very well.

"At times there was a breakdown in communication between the senate and executive staff. Those are really strong ties that we’ve been kept a lot tighter," former ASBSU President Brent Hunter said.

Ginger Wright said. "At the end of the semester moves into the spring semester, it needs to stay focused and unified in its duty to serve BSU students.

'Time's a-wastin' for key admin posts'

Ted W. Anderson
Staff Writer

Search committees are currently collecting and reviewing applications for the positions of vice president for academic affairs and provost/vice president for academic affairs.

The application deadline for the vice president position was Nov. 15. Doug Lincoln, marketing professor and search committee chair, said 14 applications were submitted.

BSU President Charles Ruch said he will review applications for the position in January. When the position is filled, his name will be changed from vice president to provost/vice president for academic affairs.

Daryl Jones currently fills the associate vice president position, as well as the interim executive vice president position.

Jones said he would apply for the position of vice president and will have his or her hand full accomplishing. There are a lot of factors that are out of the control of the executive vice president position.

"There will be a whole series of projects assigned to the [provoct/vice president for academic affairs], faculty development, assessment and retention," he said.

Jones said the associate vice president provides university-wide leadership and assistance in planning, development and evaluation of academic programs. He said the associate vice president will also be in charge of the Academic Advising Center and the Transition Program.

According to Jones, the associate vice president will prepare program proposals for presentation to the Board of Education and monitor progress toward strategic goals. The plan is set to be revised next spring and submitted to Ruch in May.

Jones said some of the responsibilities formerly held by the executive vice president, or the associate vice president position, will be taken over by the associate vice president.

"Simply because of the executive vice president position that existed, the associate vice president for academic affairs will have additional responsibilities," he said.

In addition to Lincoln, six other faculty members and a representative of ASBSU are involved with the search committee: David Ferguson, Mathematics Department associate chairman; Jim Haeder, electrical engineering associate professor; Connie Thornto, health, physical education and recreation department chairperson; Kevin Travis, radiological sciences instructor; Warren Voss, history professor; Amie Williams, ASBSU senate; and Linda Marie Zarett, English associate professor and Faculty Senate chairperson.

Qualifications for applying for the position of associate vice president include an earned doctorate; demonstrated skill in written and oral communication; evidence of academic, research, and professional service; demonstrated leadership capability; demonstrated success in teaching and academic administration; knowledge and skills in program and curriculum development and evaluation; program and services planning, implementation and coordination; and data analysis and academic budgeting.

The associate vice president will also be responsible for representing the university to diverse constituent groups, such as accrediting agencies, professional associations and community groups. The associate vice president must be able to implement policies including those that benefit and strengthen the relationships between and among academic units and institutions.

"We have also been lobbying the legislature for a new academic advising center and their $1,000 contribution," Jones said. "The goal of the committee to make a recommendation to the ASBSU Senate actions as it stands."
Holdup victim describes painful ordeal

Todd Sholty   Staff Writer

First, you get held up. Second, you get fired because you were held up. Third, you have to drop out of school because you had to drop out of school. Not exactly a good week, for most people.

Carrie Davis was attending BSU, employed at the Maverik convenience store at the corner of Boise Avenue and Protest Drive, living in University Manor (housing for married students) and looking forward to finishing school. Until Aug. 13, that is.

Friday the 13th, no less, Davis was working the swing shift at the Maverik on a Friday afternoon when, at about 4:30 p.m., two men entered the store and began to wait. One of the men asked Carrie where the bathroom was while the other came up from behind her, grabbed her around her neck, ripped her glasses off her head and crushed them with his foot. Davis, who is legally blind without her glasses, had no idea who her assailant was.

"I was blind without my glasses," said Davis. At this point, the doors were not locked and the man who had asked where the bathroom was had only other customer in the store pinned to the ground. Davis was led around by her hair and given instructions by the robber. "Don't open the register! I want you to open the drawer," he screamed.

"If he would have taken the money from the register, the picture would have been taken by the camera on the counter," Davis said. On the counter, there is a hidden drawer disguised as a speaker which is activated when money is taken out of a certain drawer in the cash register. "They obviously knew what they were doing," Davis said.

The whole robbery took about a minute, Davis said. During the robbery, she fought on the back and on the jaw, causing injuries she still has to deal with. When the police came, the robbers were out of the store, in their car and out of sight.

After getting descriptions of the two men, the police found that close to $1,000 had been taken all from the drawer next to the cash register.

According to Maverik policy, the money in the drawer is to be dumped in the safe when it accumulates to over $125. When the Maverik was robbed, there was over $1,000 in the drawer, which violates company policy. However, Davis said most of the employees just wait until their shift is almost over and then drop the money.

The following Monday, Davis was fired for not following company policy. She doesn't understand why her manager went to such extremes.

"That's the way I was trained," she said. "Why didn't they talk to me? They won't look at me, they won't talk to me," she said. Her manager refused to comment on Davis' firing and the robbery.

Since that time, Davis and her husband have moved out of University Manor and they are trying to return to full strength from back injuries sustained during the holdup.

"I have to take a pain pill to brush my teeth," she said. Not only is Davis out of school and out of work, but her singing career is in jeopardy because of her injuries.

"I may not be able to be a nurse, but our main concern is paying rent and putting food on the table," Davis said.

If I knew why they took the money, I might say 'OK, I for-go gives. If they took it for drugs or booze, I couldn't for-give them.

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Waller said members will spend a day reaching out to people by distributing food and talking about love and forming a relationship with Christ.

"It's really been a very popular activity that we've done and it's popular with the community," LDSBSA President Wes Powell said.

Campus Crusade For Christ will attend a conference in Portland in January. The conference will include participants from Washington, Oregon, Montana and Utah as well as Idaho.

"It should be a great time for all the students involved," said adviser Tom Waller.
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Campus spook traced back to 1940s suicide

A.J. Maxymillian Staff Writer

Editor's note: the following story was compiled through interviews with faculty and staff.

Folklore has always been an essential part of culture worldwide and throughout history. BSU is no exception.

One particular story from BSU's past is the tale of a ghost and a playhouse in the classical traditions of the theater.

In the university's salad days, the Communication Building was used as the first Student Union. Erected in 1942, the building housed rooms for residents, a lunch counter, areas to study and socialize, and a ballroom where larger student events were held.

Dances, both formal and informal, were a popular activity in the ballroom, and in any particular spring, students both renewed and concluded their college friendships. Graduating students often enjoyed one last spin with that special person before moving on to war, the workforce or to further education, while freshmen socialized in the hope of establishing relationships to be continued into the next school year.

One freshman, a young lady named Dina, new to Boise and away from home, had such fantasies of romance. She loved to dance and never missed the opportunity to attend, always hoping to one day be accompanied by a refined young gentleman of impeccable taste.

Her success with the eligible men about the campus was negligible. The awkwardness that accompanied a new environment contributed to her not knowing anybody and further complicated her romantic desires.

Things did not go playhouse terrible for long, however, and for the spring formal, Dina was invited to attend by a refined young gentleman of unknown background.

With the usual vigor of youth, Dina focused her attention on the upcoming dance. It would not doubt have pleased her immensely to attend the event with her date, but at the last minute he decided to participate in other activities, informing Dina only that he had found "something to do."

Having been dumped on the day of the dance, Dina was heartbroken. For some reason she could not attend the gala alone, perhaps out of embarrassment—or maybe the dance was for couples only. Whatever the reason, she was moved to despondent action. The morning after the dance, Dina hanged herself in the lavatory of the Student Union ballroom.

Dina was tragically gone, but she would not be forgotten. In 1967 a new Student Union Building was built, and the ballroom of the original structure... Spook continued on page 16.

Professor shares world knowledge of art

Kevin Whitesides Staff Writer

Felix Heap is not an average art professor. His style of teaching, which incorporates humor with fact, makes his classes arguably among the most intriguing on campus.

BSU student Gissou Mohammadzadeh takes an art history class from Heap.

"He's a very well-informed professor. He has a great sense of humor, so he makes the two together and makes the class really interesting," Mohammadzadeh said.

Heap's unique background contributes to the marriage of fact and humor he extends to his students.

Heap was born in Tooele, Utah, and attended public school until the eighth grade. At age 14, he entered Mt. St. Francis, a private Catholic school, with the intent of becoming a Franciscan friar.

"My superior insight into the universe prompted my decision," Heap said.

Upon graduating from the Catholic school he attended the University of Dayton, Ohio, and in 1968 he completed a bachelor's degree in philosophy.

He later attended the Franciscan Seminary in Chaska, Minn., where he achieved a master's degree in Franciscan studies.

"I do a lot of research on Franciscan themes. I incorporate this research into lectures and papers that I deliver," Heap said.

After leaving Chaska, he enrolled at the University of Notre Dame. In 1965, he achieved a master's degree in art with an emphasis on painting.

Returning to the University of Minnesota, he shifted his emphasis away from art and pursued a master's degree in philosophy, which he attained in 1968.

His interest in art compelled him to turn his energies again to art studies with the intent of achieving a master's degree in art, which he obtained in 1972.

Continuing his studies in art at the University of Minnesota, he received his doctorate in 1974.

In addition to his academic accomplishments, Heap has received numerous grants, including a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship from Columbia, which involves the sacred and secular art of India. He has also received the Neh Fellowship from the State University of New York at Stony Brook involving sigilography, the study of ancient seals such as those used to seal ancient documents.

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Come clean on harassment

Just what is sexual harassment? It would seem it is a term unknown on this campus.

Last year there were several accusations of sexual harassment. In one case, a male student filed a tort claim against a female professor for sexual harassment. What happened to the case? No one really knows—except maybe the individuals involved.

The negotiation was taken over by the university. Subsequently, as far as the student body is concerned, it was brushed under the table. The professor is still teaching.

This kind of treatment of a very serious topic furthered the stigma surrounding the problem—just as in rape cases suppressing the evidence furthers the stigma others feel. This means fewer people are going to come forward with their accusations.

By shoving these cases under the table, the university is instructing students not to tell about these cases because they will not win. This treatment is nonproductive.

A university should be a place of open and free ideas, but by suppressing sexual harassment cases, the university is turning off that open flow.

When the details cannot be given, the university should make a pronouncement of the settlement. Students walking into this instructor’s class should know the background of the case in order to form an informed decision and, hopefully, a trust in that professor. If the university suppresses this information, how are the students supposed to trust any instructor?

Another instructor filed a discrimination suit which included age and sex discrimination. While different from sexual harassment, suppressing the suit has similar consequences. New staff and faculty at BSU deserve to know the university’s past treatment of such cases in order for them to feel secure in their jobs.

The university owes it to students, faculty and staff to be open and honest about sexual harassment and discrimination on campus. They are cheating the students, faculty and staff by allowing the stigma surrounding these crimes by holding back information.

Myths continue to run rampant in AIDS issues

Did you ever have one of those days that just won’t leave you alone? Not the whole day, perhaps just one part of it. Maybe even a part of a day continues to bug you for weeks. I had a day like that. All it took was a few minutes with one person to upset me so much I dwelled on something that I should have let go 10 days ago! I don’t think so. I’m dwelling on AIDS.

This treatment that got my dander up so well also scared the hell out of me. Where I once thought that people had moved beyond the Dark Ages, I now find that I was greatly mistaken. I was informed that 1. AIDS is a gay disease, since it was once called “Gay Cancer” and 2. America has the highest outbreak of AIDS (due to the liberals) and 3. The AIDS virus can maneuver through a condom, thus making latex an ineffective barrier and 4. Homosexual transmission of the HIV/AIDS virus accounts for only 15 percent of the cases, while heterosexual accounts for 71 percent of the total. Where does it sound like the most people are dying? Why quibble over numbers? How many corpes have to stack up at your front door before you smell the rot of ignorance? 3. The AIDS virus, like any other virus, can’t be carried across a barrier. Latex prevents the passage of water molecules, thus; prevents the passage of HIV/AIDS virus. Do you really think anyone, gay, male or female, black, white, brown, young or old, would dare to stand up for this cause if it was so easy, short, bald, blonde or anything else is a birth defect. Ask yourself who is truly immoral—those homophobes who teach hate. 5. Over 90 percent of the individuals who molest children are WHITE HETEROSEXUAL MALES! Who can’t be trusted?

Please, please, please educate yourself to live longer. Learn the facts, not the hate and the hype, and, if you can’t learn to love in your heart for others, then at least tolerate that which is different than you. Have a safe and happy holiday season.
Opinion

Wealth isn’t a good answer for everything

Have you ever wanted to be wealthy? I mean, truly wealthy like the Carnegies and Rockefellers? Sure you have! All of us have. Suppose you were independently wealthy and had nothing to do with your time but spend money. (Remember: we’re only imagining here, right?) What would you do with it all?

No doubt there’s a few noble souls who would give all they had to the homeless, indigent, seriously ill, or otherwise in need. Let’s suppose that all your (or mine, if you prefer) money went to the government’s domestic programs. Certainly, public health clinics would benefit, as would programs for criminals giving community service as part of their sentences and the general indigent population. However, the only real benefit to all of these programs, and to the people they serve, would be increased funding.

Throwing money at something will not take care of the problem, no matter what it is. From criminals to the single mother of three on welfare barely making ends meet, increased funding will not get to the root of the problem. Most of the time each case is unique and requires a different approach to solving the problem.

A prime example of this is the supposed correlation between higher teachers’ salaries and student success. We can all agree that teachers are sorely underpaid, and for all they are expected to deal with, they ought to be making a lot more. However, no correlation between higher salaries and student success exists.

Regarding this, newly appointed State Sen. Bill Bunderson said, "The biggest difference is the environment at home and in the community and in the quality of the teaching." Dietrich School District is a perfect example. Teacher salaries are low, and, amazingly enough, students’ test scores are high and the dropout rate is low. Sen. Bunderson nailed it right on the head.

Increased funding will not help students score higher and go to Harvard, but quality teaching and an improved home environment will. It is easy to see that every situation is different, but you must go to the root of the problem in order to solve it, not throw more money at it. All the money in the world will not cure AIDS, drug and alcohol addicts or criminal behavior.

Increased funding and trying to solve the problem from the top down (i.e. the socialistic Clinton Health Care Plan) will not solve problems. However, improving our home environments and emphasizing personal responsibility will.

Candidate attacked unfairly

Dear Editor,

On Dec. 2, I attended the opportunity to meet Chuck Winder, the Governor hopeful, who came to BSU to meet with some of the politically active students here. Everything was going great until Sean Lee Brandt pranced into the meeting. Brandt appeared as though he was there on a mission to accuse Winder of being racist and then dodged out the backdoor before anyone could question his ignorance.

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Now Sean, don’t jump the gun and accuse me of being racist. I don’t hate homosexuals nor do I possess a phobia. But I do believe in restricting any special interest from special rights, be it for gays or people who like to have long hair. Guys have the same rights as anyone else in this nation. Name one expressed right they don’t have compared to heterosexuals, I challenge you to this Sean.

Jason "Jake" Caulfield

Editor’s Note: Sean Brandt states that the basis of his question was: Since Mr. Winder, and not Brandt, feels homosexuality is bad, why are other things he feels are bad, e.g. communism, taught in school and not homosexuality?

Mills reflects current ‘plunder’ attitude

Dear Editor,

RE: Camy Mills October 26 column.

No, Camy, I haven’t been living in a cave and I don’t feel misinformed. If people like you and the timber industry made decisions, destruction as usual would continue in our forests. People like you that feel the Earth is here for man’s plunder obviously have no real appreciation for our environment as a whole and our place in the big picture.

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Camy Mills

Candidate attacked unfairly

Dear Editor,

On Dec. 2, I attended the opportunity to meet Chuck Winder, the Governor hopeful, who came to BSU to meet with some of the politically active students here. Everything was going great until Sean Lee Brandt pranced into the meeting. Brandt appeared as though he was there on a mission to accuse Winder of being racist and then dodged out the backdoor before anyone could question his ignorance.

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Flu outbreak flings students into finals fix

Kerri Walker
Staff Writer

With finals looming ahead, many BSU students and professors are concerned about how the flu season will affect them during this stressful time. Student Nikki Cannon said she has been sick and is concerned about how these final grades and finishing all of the assignments due before finals. She said most teachers have been understanding and have been willing to work with her.

Another student, Carol Gross, said she has had to "postpone getting really sick." She said she has found it hard getting in all of the last assignments and has probably written many incorrect papers.

"I could not be sick and I knew that I couldn't—there is no time, especially during the week. I try to wait 'til the weekend," Gross said.

Professors are sympathetic to sick students but they have concerns about bearing too lenient.

English professor James Maguire said during a class if a student is really sick and did not make the final he would give the student an incomplete that could be made up later. He cautioned students to be sure they were really sick and had proper validation from a physician.

Judith Lombardi, adjunct faculty art professor, has noticed a lot of students absent, yet she said she is cautious about offering students the possibility of taking the final late, as some may just use it as an excuse.

She said she has been sick also, but still makes it to class—after all it only lasts an hour, she said.

Lombardi said another problem with giving a late final is the short amount of time to prepare grades between finals and when they need to be turned into the Registrar's Office.

"I've been going over the reports and there's not enough. Where is the opportunity to advance?" She said.

"If I'm going to have to adjust, I'm going to have to find thesion," he said.

The university has gained a reputation among certain circles for culturally uncomfortable.

"We have a lot happening in this area," he said. But the university has a long way to go to meet its goals, he said.

John Jensen, education professor and director of the High School Equivalency Program and the College Assistance Migrant Program, said many minorities still feel "culturally uncomfortable" on the BSU campus.

"The students really don't feel that we do as much as we could," Jensen said.

Financial aid relative to the student population growth could lead the university to establish internships as another way to help students.

"It may very well be that we're going to have to find other ways to provide students with financial assistance," Jones said.

"We have not recognized those changes in our own people; we tend to look outside," he said.

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Jones said the university as a whole needs to be more culturally aware.

"We really need to be more sensitive in that area," Jones said.

Jones also said the university has gained a reputation among certain circles for being culturally positive for minorities.

"I think some of our efforts are bearing fruit," he said.

Jensen said the financial aspect is often underestimated in dealing with minorities.

"The financial issue is so overwhelming. That's just an underlying issue for students here and across the nation," he said.

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**Generation X**

The Kids of today struggle against a media blitz telling them they’re lost...

Melanie Delon-Johnson
Culture Editor

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**B**uzzwords are annoying, especially when they describe something which generally relates to you. This has been the case with the latest media tag title, Generation X.

Generation X has been a loosely defined word attached to those who are in the ages of late-teens to mid-20s. Generation X stands for a youth so devoid of originality, it steals from previous generations, namely the 60s. The label spans areas such as activism, language and fashion. It has also become a prevalent term to describe the new group of mainstream alternative musical bands.

According to local DJ Timothy Timm, Generation X is nothing more than “a Madison Avenue marketing term.” The title Generation X was given life by magazines and television. Cultural commentators in sources such as *Rolling Stone* began to recognize parallels between the present generation and certain past generations, thus applying the term Generation X.

Timm said, He says is “everything.” He dis-plays music by big names such as R.E.M., Nirvana and Pearl Jam and more obscure groups such as Rocket from the Crypt, Flop and Boise local bands.

The culture of Generation X has borrowed from their ancestors and “each time it’s taken to a different extreme.”

Timm hosts a “Generation X” radio program on Magic 93.1, which features what he says is “everything.”

**Doubtfire** offers harmless holiday laughs

David M. Augello
Staff Writer

**MRS. DOUBTFIRE TOWNE SQUARE CINEMAS**

**Rated PG**

Mrs. Doubtfire is the perfect movie for a family looking for harmless cinematic entertainment this holiday season.

It’s filled with “not-too-irresistible” humor unlikely to make mom and dad blush and provides a heart-warming message at the end concerning togetherness. In other words, Mrs. Doubtfire is a calculated attempt to cash in on the season’s good cheer.

The film opens with Robin Williams as Daniel Willard at work providing voices for characters in a rather irresponsible cartoon. Protecting the show’s content to his boss, Daniel walks out of the job. Eventually, this will prove a mistake when his wife, Miranda, played by Sally Field, divorces him and demands custody of the kids. Not having a job is not good for a father wishing to spend equal time with his children.

Mrs. Doubtfire, Daniel’s faux maid persona, concocted to spend more time with the kids, reinforces Williams’ reputation as a creative genius. Here he seems to play two people, Daniel and Doubtfire. With his European accent and individual quirks, this housekeeper creation lives.

The first hour of Mrs. Doubtfire plays smoothly, like a lazy summer afternoon. The wide-screen photography is sharp and the pop soundtrack keeps things bouncing.

Then TV sitcom mentality invades. Pierce Brosnan is introduced as the villain, the “other man” intent on becoming the new man of the family. Of course, it is up to Daniel to keep him looking like a fool.

And when Daniel’s unorthodox humor catches the fancy of a failing children’s television producer, it does not take a gypsy to predict he will be hired to host his own show.

The movie is directed by Chris Columbus, who seems to be finding a niche in family-oriented, holiday films as his last two outings were *Home Alone I and II.*

I prefer his earlier features like *Gremlins and Adventures in Babysitting,* though. Those films possessed sharp wit, whereas *Mrs. Doubtfire’s* humor is extremely broad.

Laughs, or at least a smile, are all but guaranteed by close-ups of the adoring little daughter speaking with a lip or the sight of Daniel’s plastic breasts catching fire over the stove.

The film’s previews contain the funniest scenes. However, to criticize a movie this harmless invites criticism to the critic, which is something perhaps the filmmakers predicted all along.
Opinion by Sean Lee Brandt
Staff Writer

Hey everyone! Grab a pair of fashionably priced bell-bottoms, some gauche patent leather elevator shoes, a wool cap with trendy logos printed in garish colors and head out for a night at the local rave disco.

Better yet: Go buy a pair of baggy pants 14 sizes too big, tie them with a fashionably well-worn leather belt, hike your lower shorts up around your sternum, and wear a parka (off the shoulders, of course) which advertises some multi-million dollar product that is oh-so-earthy.

If you do either of the aforementioned things, then you too can be a member in good standing of "Generation X." Generation X is the moniker given to persons in the 20-something range of age. They are the lost tribes of America, a group with no icons, no hip movements and, it would seem, no common sense in clothing.

The fashion statement that is being made by the new hip is a statement which I appear to be dead (not def) to. I look for things that make sense. Things which can have some kind of logic, no matter how faint it may be. I fail to see that glimmer of sense in "the look."

Why do some teenagers and adults wear a pacifier around their neck? Did the monarchs not breastfeed them, so they, like so many others, are getting in touch with the inner turmoil that resulted from being denied mother's milk? Did they all just stop smoking and need a placebo? Or did someone just do it and all the other sheep thought it was a good idea?

And now, it is time for a chronological update: The '70s are OVER! Just because designer gurus tell us that bell-bottoms and hip huggers, ugly shirts and leisure suits are coming back into style does not necessarily make it so.

Sure, the '70s gave us some good things like Led Zeppelin, Pink Floyd, economy cars, Star Wars and Stephen King's Carrie, but clothing was not one of those good things. I remember countless hours of laughing over the ridiculousness of the '70s clothing and now I learn that it is supposed to be cool to dress like a throwback.

Now, I'm not saying that I have never worn anything ridiculous in my life, parachute pants and Navy uniforms, for example. I just don't understand some of the new styles that are being adopted by the "Generations X". Maybe I'm old or I'm just out of touch. Or maybe, just maybe, I refuse to give up my individuality and wear another uniform ever again.

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Jon Knapp
Opinion Editor

Dear Boomers,

Lately I've been hearing a lot from you about my generation. We're "sneakers." We're the "son generation." We're "Generation X."

I am sorry if we have let you down, but we can only reach to the world you have given us. If we have not responded to issues with the same urgency that you did 40 years ago, it is because we have learned from you and what you have taught and what we have lost. What's the point of trying to change the world if, in the end, we will only sell out for a quick home in the suburbs and a lousy middle-management job? It is a trick to change the system. As long as we maintain our integrity, better we do nothing and say nothing. We're Serioux, we're the "Generation X." We're the "lost generation."

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Sincerely,

Jon Knapp
Opinion Editor

December 14, 1993

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Gen. X resists incredible urge to buy bell-bottoms

Melanie DeLon-Johnson
Culture Editor

Fashion is a large aspect of the Generation X genre. While one could describe this year's hippest rags as unoriginal, there is a definite move to a "no trend" style.

"To me, all of the retro fashion from one generation to the next is based on technology," said Maureen Lappin, co-owner of Retropect. While one could accuse Generation X of selling out, and buying clothes traditionally worn by earlier generations, Lappin said this isn't the case.

"We sold bell-bottoms a couple of years ago," said Lappin. "In talking with another Northern fashion outlet, Urban Outfitters in Seattle, Lappin said people are "not buying bell-bottoms."

Lappin instead insists fashion is in its most exciting phase. The stagnant trends of the past are not rightfully applying to this era. The days of becoming an outcast because you aren't in hot pants and a cardigan sweater while everyone else is are over.

The phenomenon of top designers, whose fashions often trickle down to stores at the mall, getting their ideas from the kids in street ware is alive and well.

This was seen widely in the past years when the grunge look was on the catwalks during Perry Ellis and Calvin Klein shows. While some were ready to sneer at this fashion display, Lappin said it's a positive thing, because Generation X has defined its own fashion.

It may get a little annoying looking at flannel shirts and cut-off jean shorts priced at $30 apiece at Shopko, but Lappin said people will wear what they have always worn.

"Someone who always wears Wranglers will wear Wranglers; someone who always wears flannel will wear flannel," said Lappin.

Lappin contends fashion is now "up to the individual" and if there's any trend the seas for the future, it's likely to be deconstruction.

As for accusing Generation X of sponging off past generations, Lappin said the whole "purpose of history is borrowing from it."

Now as late as '70s to early '80s styles are making their comeback, one can only wonder what will happen when people start dressing in '90s garb 10 years from now.
Give the gift of goodwill this Christmas

Christmas is a magical time. Bells ringing, Santa at the mall, the purchasing of gifts and Gov. Cecil Andrus lighting the state Christmas tree. But can you possibly find with this seasonal cheer? How about the absence of the real meaning of Christmas.

Almost 2,000 years ago, a poor carpenter and his wife couldn't even find a dumpster hotel to stay at for the night. She was extremely pregnant and they were so broke, they slept in a barn. On top of that, all she had the baby around smelly animals while lying on a mass of hay. You know which couple I'm talking about, and the baby is, of course Jesus Christ.

Why am I telling you a story you've probably heard a million times? Because I think the meaning of Christmas today sucks! How much you can get is no way to celebrate goodwill toward people.

My definition of the meaning of Christmas is caring. If you care about someone, a gift is a great way to show it, but it isn't the only way.

The first Christmas was humble, to say the least, but it was the most popular one—popular because a terrible situation was made absolutely wonderful by the birth of a baby and a whole lot of caring.

Like most college students, I can't get my loved ones the caliber of gifts I would like to give them. However, I know they don't care what the gift is like as long as I give them my love and care when I'm with them over the holidays.

After all, in a world full of materialism, suffering, crime and did someone love and caring are the greatest Christmas gift anyone could hope to receive.

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Vintage rock ’n’ roll band still kicking

Sean Lee Brandt
Staff Writer

Feel the rush. Let the symphony of sound roll over your body, caressing your most intimate secrets. The wave builds to a crescendo, then crashes into your mind, leaving you shaken and thoughtful, noticing new things about the world around you. You’ve just been hit with the new release from those northern lights, Rush. Their latest, Counterparts, proves even after almost 20 years of rock and roll, this trio can still remain poignant to both the young and the old.

Geddy Lee, Neil Peart and Alex Lifeson work together in a way which has been achieved by only a few bands in history. They complement each other with the raw sounds of guitar, drums and bass, making music which is more felt than heard.

The single, “Stick It Out,” a plea for both fortitude and forbearance, is currently moving up the charts on the airwaves. “Cold Fire” recently made its debut on local radio stations.

The legend has diminished slightly over the years, but is still told once-in-awhile in one form or another. The most puzzling aspect of the story is that no historical record of Dina has been found, and no suicide is mentioned in the documents of the time. Even then-President Eugene B. Chaffee makes no mention of Dina or the suicide in his memoirs. When questioned about the ghost by Julie Monroe of The Idaho Statesman in 1975, Chaffee had not even a vague recollection of any such event. Although he was in the Army at the time of the death, Chaffee was certain he would have been notified of such a tragedy.

Events do sometimes slip through the net of history, and the persistence of the tale prevents its origins from being discounted as completely false. The haunting itself, however, is not a story which has never existed. Perhaps the legend and the haunting exist because we want it to. It is a tale of heartbreak everyone sooner or later can relate to, and the mystery itself is a reminder of the past, a piece of folklore to help define who we have become, and what our social environment once was.

It is folklore that something as persistent as a ghost will not let us forget. Live on Dina, if only in our imagination.

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Sports

Broncos bounce back to split pair

Scott Samples
Sports Editor

The BSU men's basketball team learned something about itself this weekend—it knows how to bounce back from adversity.

Boise State found that fact out after suffering a 71-50 thumping at the hands of Rutgers in the opening game of the Delta Bearcat Classic on Friday, when it rebounded in Saturday's game by knocking off Cleveland State 53-44.

"In all honesty, to get a split in this tournament, I think that's a big accomplishment for this ball club," BSU head coach Bobby Dye said in a postgame radio interview.

The two contests give the Broncos a 4-2 overall record.

Things did not go well for BSU in the first game. Rutgers, 3-3 after forcing, 20 turnovers and a 32 percent shooting performance from the field.

The Rutgers defense didn't let go of BSU in the first game. Rutgers, 3-3 after losing to 20th-ranked Cincinnati in last year's NCAA tournament, is, will the Broncos be too loaded with talent. The biggest question is, will the Broncos be too young to realize it.

Young has seen a lot of teams, both good and bad.

"(The youth of the team) will be a factor, because although we have a couple good freshman wrestlers, they are still freshmen and it's hard to expect them to compete like older wrestlers can," Young said.

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"I think we've got as good a team as we've had in quite some time, if everyone progresses as expected," BSU head coach Mike Young said.

In his 21st year at Boise State, Young has seen a lot of teams, both good and bad.

And last year's team turned out to be a fairly good one, as it sent four wrestlers to the NCAA championships. It was the first time BSU had sent that many wrestlers to the NCAA championships.

"The (youth of the team) will be a factor, because although we have a couple good freshman wrestlers, they are still freshmen and it's hard to expect them to compete like older wrestlers can," Young said.

While the team as a whole is young, this year the Broncos return two NCAA finalists in senior Tony Evans (142-pound weight class) and junior Andy Leathers (184).

The team should have had one more of last year's finalists, heavy- weight Tony Vanek. However, Vanek decided to forego this season—he has one more season of eligibility.

Center Lidia's Vashabova led all scorers with 23 points in the contest.

"She'll have a lot more help. Everyone has improved a whole lot," Sandmire said. Behind Wagner will be some talented veterans, as well as some impressive freshmen.

Four veterans, Leslie Mott, who red-shirted her first year because of injuries, Amy Kilgore, Keri Swanson, and Jennifer Wagner, are giving the team depth and consistency.

"Amy is a standout on the beam. Keri and Jennifer are steady and talented." Sandmire said.

Women's squad wins one, loses one

Scott Samples
Sports Editor

What a difference a day can make. Unfortunately for the BSU women's basketball team, the differ- ence between last Saturday's game against Maine and Sunday's contest with Minnesota wasn't a good one.

In the first game of the University of Minnesota Dial Soap Classic in Minneapolis, the Broncos showed just how easily they could dominate an opponent when they beat up Maine and Sunday's contest with Minnesota wasn't a good one.

In the first game of the University of Minnesota Dial Soap Classic in Minneapolis, the Broncos showed just how easily they could dominate an opponent when they beat up Maine and Sunday, BSU spotted the Golden Gophers a nine-point halftime lead that the Broncos could not overcome.

With the weekend split, BSU's record now stands at 5-2 overall.

Going into the tournament, the possibility that the Broncos may have been a little tired arose. After all, the team had played five games in 10 days and had only stopped in Boise for three days after nearly a weeklong road trip in Hawaii.

But Boise State's 34-point thrashing of Maine suggested otherwise.

Gymnasts look to improve on last seasons successes

Layne D. Hansen
Staff Writer

Coming off it's best finish in the program's history, finishing 17th in the nation, the Boise State gymnastics program is still looking for improvement.

"We want to continue to get better," gymnastics coach Sam Sandmire said. "We want to learn something every meet."

The Broncos, who are rich in talent, will be led by the program's first ever All-American, junior Julie Wagner.

Wagner, who posted the first 10 in school history on the vault, will eventually pick up where she left off last season.

"By Amy is a standout on the beam. Keri and Jennifer are steady and talented."

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Wrestling team young, loaded with talent

Scott Samples
Sports Editor

This year's BSU wrestling team is loaded with talent. The biggest question is, will the Broncos be too young to realize it.

The Broncos are returning several strong wrestlers from last year's squad, as well as a handful of trans- fers and a strong freshman class.

"I think we've got as good a team as we've had in quite some time, if everyone progresses as expected," BSU head coach Mike Young said.

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"The (youth of the team) will be a factor, because although we have a couple good freshman wrestlers, they are still freshmen and it's hard to expect them to compete like older wrestlers can," Young said.

While the team as a whole is young, this year the Broncos return two NCAA finalists in senior Tony Evans (142-pound weight class) and junior Andy Leathers (184).

The team should have had one more of last year's finalists, heavy- weight Tony Vanek. However, Vanek decided to forego this season—he has one more season of eligibility.

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Shaq's attack a study in overexposure

I hate Shaq.
I'm sick of hearing about Shaq this, Shaq that.

"Shaqule O'Neal is not Jesus Christ returned (though the products he endorses would have us believe it)."

I know, he's a great basketball player and with Michael Jordan gone, he's more important to the NBA than ever.

But I was sick of Jordan and I'm glad he's gone. Now there's Shaq. What is it about society that makes us beat everything worth loving into the ground, leaving us with only loathing for the object we originally so desired?

Why do we feel the need to emblazon his image on every stinking T-shirt in existence, listen to his rap on the radio and see his toothy grin on the television every other second?

Some of you will say that it's not the fault of the media, it's the wretched capitalist pig-dogs who produce all the Shaq shit, but guess what? You're the consumer—it's your fault. This situation isn't just confined to sports, either. Remember that song you liked a year ago, so much so that you went out and actually bought the album?

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—even allow a Bronco player to score in double figures, as guard Bernard Wilt led the squad with nine points.

"If we'd shot the ball better (on Friday), I think we had a chance to win," Dye said.

Boise State did shoot better against Cleveland State, but only 1 per cent from the field.

Forward Shaminick Williams was spectacular for BSU, scoring 25 points and pulling down 12 rebounds.

"I thought Shaminick played extremely well," Dye said. "I thought it was a fantastic game for him.
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The Broncos, a team that has chosen the phrase "Whatever it takes" as their motto, has shown their coach that they have the desire to improve.

This team is committed," Sandmire said. "They want it bad.

And although Sandmire doesn't have any predictions of where her squad will finish, she does expect her team to do a handul of things.

I expect them to believe in themselves," Sandmire said. "Not only do they have to believe in themselves, they also have to believe that it is possible to achieve their goals.

Which goals, Sandmire wouldn't say. She likes to keep things under in perspecctive.

"We try to set goals that we have control over," Sandmire said. "I'd love to finish higher than last year.

good, then more must be better.

But we reach a point of diminishing returns beyond that, the return actually reverses and our pleasure turns into hatred.

Either the radio stations beat that song to death for you, or you eventually did it yourselves.

If you're not sick of Shaq yet, I guarantee you will be.

If you don't get sick of him eventually, you're more of a mindless sports pro-gramming receptacle than I thought you were.

But Shaq doesn't really deserve it, either. The man is an excellent hoops player and at this young age (in his very early 20s) he has all the makings of the best NBA center ever to play the game of basketball.

But we're all going to ruin our long-term enjoy-ment of is ability by binging now.

The next step, of course, is purging.

So take a break. Resist the urge to buy that Shaq shirt or the Shaq shoes or Shaq shampoo.

Like a fine wine, Shaq will be much more pleasantable if you don't pour him in a beer bong and slam him down.

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while forward Tony Torrolova added 15 points and forward Heather Sower tossed in 14 points and seven rebounds.

"It was our best 40 minutes of basketball, offensively and defensi-ively, this season," BSU head coach June Daughey said.

The win set up a rematch against Minnesota, who had beaten the Broncos 95-91 in the champi-onship game of a tournament in Santa Clara, Calif., last year.

Daughey said her team was looking forward to the rematch, but the results were the same.

In Sunday's game, the Broncos had four players scoring in double figures, but it wasn't enough to stop the offensive performance of All-American Guard Ann Shuulick.

She added 10. The 6-foot center who was averaging 26 points and 11 rebounds was shooting into the game, tossing in a whopping 30 points to lead the Gophers.

Guard Ann Shuulick paced the Broncos with 19 points, while Torrolova had 15, Varbanova scored 14, and point guard Tria Bader added 10.

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The fruitcake has recently been booted off the top of Todd's Hated Holiday Items list. For those of you who haven't heard, a new report released by the FBI has proven that in the past 28 years, only seven fruitcakes have been circulating around the country, making their way from unsuspecting family to unsuspecting family. If you've received a fruitcake since the Johnson Administration, you've probably seen one of the "Magnificent Seven," Fortunately, if you actually ingested any part of one of these fruitcakes, don't worry (unless it was that little green thing that glued). There is just enough Uranium 235 to safely preserve a fruitcake for 8,450 years, which is, oddly enough, also the approximate life span of Zsa Zsa Gabor.

In the hallowed halls of Madison Avenue, point-and-shoot holiday gifts, the fruitcake, as it happens, is dead. Potpourri is king, I deemed it important to take the time to look up the word in the Schmeckman English Dictionary, where the origin of "potpourri" is given. Potpo, from the French for "smell not found in nature," and arr from the Celtic for "shell lining." It's not a stretch to say there are many fruitcakes a guy could have, but I don't feel the least bit compelled to take on the fruitcake.

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