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Fee season opens!

Proposals total \$88 for full-time students

Dawn Kramer
Editor-in-Chief

Full-time undergraduates will pay \$88 more for attending BSU next year if increases submitted to the vice president for student affairs last week pass. That's right, it's fee increase proposal time again.

Part-time students would pay \$13.70 more, dorm residents would pay 4 percent more, and

rents at university apartments would increase also, according to the proposals.

There will be public hearings on all of the following fee increases, which are open to students, held on March 15 in the SUB.

- A proposed \$7 increase for full-time students would go toward better computer facilities. Currently, the student computer labs receive \$8 per semester. The proposal to increase the fee to \$15

also states that with the increased funds, the labs could buy hardware. In the past, the student fees could only be used to purchase software, for maintenance and to pay lab assistants. The part-time fee is currently \$1 per credit hour. It would increase to \$2 if the proposal passes.

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Finding a role



Arbiter/Joe Reik

A demonstrator addresses the crowd during a rally in support of Bosnian Muslims which took place last spring on the Capitol Building steps. Nearly a year later, the nation remains embroiled in a debate over the U.S.'s role in a tragic war far from home.

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Faculty push for no-show drop option

Eve Costello
Chief Copy Editor

Professors will have the go-ahead to unload students who don't attend class during the first week of a semester if a recommendation from the BSU Faculty Senate is approved by the university administration.

The senate recommended that student attendance be required for one of the first two meetings of a class, or the first meeting in the case of classes that meet only once a week.

According to the recommendation, students who do not attend one of the first two meetings of a class "may be immediately withdrawn at the request of the instructor." It also states, "Students so withdrawn may re-enroll, but only through the ordinary add/drop process."

Sen. Alan Hausrath, the Faculty Senate liaison for the Academic Standards Committee, said the BSU registrar participated in all the meetings that developed the attendance policy recommendation.

Hausrath also said instructors don't have to take attendance or enforce the policy by withdrawing students automatically for non-attendance.

"There is nothing obligatory here," he said.

Sen. George Roberts, chairman of the standards committee, said students withdrawn from a class would be notified that they were dropped once they attend class.

Roberts said he believes the policy will be an effective registration tool if professors work in a positive manner with students who intend to take a class.

The resolution, passed verbally with no dissenting votes, will be routed to the administration for approval.

Poll on profs gets trial run

Faculty evaluation moves into pilot stage in 5 classes

Jon Wroten
Staff Writer

For years BSU students have asked to see published evaluations of professors. A proposal by ASBSU might make the petition a reality.

About 500 students in five psychology classes will fill out the proposed evaluation form this week. ASBSU will then present the proposal to members of the BSU Faculty Senate April 8. Two weeks later the Faculty Senate will vote on a recommendation to BSU administrators on the subject.

Although he declined to state his opinion on the project and the likelihood of its approval, Faculty Senate Chairman

Charles Davis said he has noticed strong support for the program from students.

"I think the students think it's needed," Davis said.

The plan, according to Mary Rohlring, communication professor, would be a great way for students to make sound choices about their education.

"It's fine. Any information that would help students make better choices about their education is good," Rohlring said.

ASBSU Vice President Brent Hunter said the goal of the plan is to give students a place in the educational process. He said various faculty evaluation formats have been passed around for over 20 years, but the difference now is that student gov-

ernment representatives and university administrators are studying the possibility.

"The goal is to give students ownership in the education process, to show that what they say does have an effect on the education that they're given at BSU. The most exciting thing to me is that President Ruch made a commitment to look into a topic that's been floating around here on campus for 20 years," Hunter said.

The planned evaluations are part of the proposed divorce of ASBSU and the Student Programs Board. Under the proposal SPB would receive \$6 which would include a \$4-per-student fee increase and \$2 transferred from ASBSU. ASBSU would lose the \$2, but since they no longer would fund SPB, their net increase is \$4. SPB

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Program makes students spokespersons for BSU

Jon Wroten
Staff Writer

The BSU Ambassadors are looking for a few good men and women to show off the university.

Assistant Director of Development Kim Phillips, one of the program's founders, said the program seeks willing BSU students to serve as walking, talking advertisements. Advisers are currently accepting applications for next year's ambassadors.

"We try to get 30 people who go to BSU and are proud to tell people about it," Phillips said.

The program was started during the 1987-88 school year, when Phillips and Gerti Arnold, director of New Student Information, saw a need for a way to enhance the image of the university. Starting its eighth year, the program has succeeded in marketing BSU to the public, Phillips said.

Ambassadors represent

BSU to the public at events such as Homecoming, campus tours and national tournaments that are held on campus. Phillips said the program tries to gain a geographic, ethnic and vocational mixture of students to serve in it.

Adviser Julie Underwood said the program has been successful in its seven years. Similar programs at Idaho State University and the College of Southern Idaho have been modeled after BSU's, she said.

"It's a great program because it gives all those people who work with the university a chance to work with students," Underwood said.

Phillips said the most rewarding part of her job as an adviser is associating with college students, something she normally wouldn't be able to do.

"It's an opportunity to interact with some great students who we wouldn't get a chance to work with otherwise," Phillips said.

President Charles Ruch said the program serves as an important bridge between the community and the university.

"It's a real asset to the university. They play a significant part in both recruiting new students and making guests feel welcome," Ruch said.

Ambassador Fafa Alidjani said the experience has allowed her to make ties with members of the Boise community whom she might not have met otherwise. Alidjani, who is also the campus Volunteer Services coordinator, said the program is a great way for first- and second-year students to gain a sense of attachment to BSU.

"You feel useful for the university as far as representing BSU to community members who might not know students in person," Alidjani said.

To qualify for the program, applicants must commit to a minimum of 10 hours per month and have a cumulative GPA of 2.5. Students also must have completed one year at BSU before they apply.

News in Brief

Program offers study in China

Students may earn six credits and spend a month exploring China through a program offered by BSU.

"China: Its Culture, History and Political Economy," a study tour of China from June 10 to July 10, will include a three-week study program at Nankai University in Tianjin, People's Republic of China, an eight-day excursion to four cities (Xian, Wuxi, Suzhou and Shanghai) and weekend trips to area sights.

Course work includes 30 hours of language instruction and 30 hours of lectures in English on Chinese culture, economics, art, literature and history. Students will live and eat in student dormitories and dining halls.

Peter Lichtenstein, BSU economics professor, will direct the tour. He lived and worked at NU as a Fulbright Scholar in the People's Republic of China during 1986 and 1987. He returned to China four times as a World Bank program consultant, once during the pro-democracy movement of 1989, when he was on Tiananmen Square on the day of the massacre.

Cost of the program is approximately \$3,300, all-inclusive. Price depends on air fares and does not include incidental expenses and visa and passport costs. A non-refundable deposit of \$200 is due by March 18 in the Continuing Education Office, Room L-247 of the Library.

For more information or a quote on the exchange rate of the dollar to yuan, call the BSU Economics Department at 385-3351.

Help needed for safety booth

Volunteers are needed March 8 to 11 for an information booth on Campus Safety. Anyone interested please contact Tim Helgersen at 385-1440 or Joan Faber at 385-4259.

Campus Crime Log

The crime log is based on information provided by the office of Campus Sheriff Dick Kersting, 1695 University Drive, 385-1453.

Feb. 18. **Burglary.** 1421 Campus Ln. #B-224. **Grand Theft.** 1464 University Drive, BSU

Technical Education Center.

Feb. 23. **Battery.** BSU Chaffee Hall Parking Lot. **Theft.** 1910 University Drive.

Feb. 24. **Vehicle Vandalism.** Boise Avenue, 2652 #1. **Driving Without Privileges.** BSU Towers and Capitol Blvd.

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would be supervised by the Student Union Board of Governors. Hunter said the remaining \$4 in ASBSU funds would go to programs such as teacher evaluations.

"What we'd like to do is to re-direct some of the additional money to programs that directly benefit the stu-

dent body as a whole," Hunter said.

BSU Executive Vice President Daryl Jones said a committee has been established to look into the effectiveness of teacher evaluations. Since the committee hasn't begun work on the issue yet, Jones declined to comment on the proposed idea. However, he said that the idea seems to make sense.

"Everyone is interested in promoting good teaching, and if that is the outcome, then everyone will be generally supportive," Jones said.

Carrie Ashcraft, a first-year English major, said it is better for students to evaluate professors by themselves.

"It limits you as a student if you just go by what other students say," she said.

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increase by \$41 for full-time students. Currently, students pay \$381 in matriculation fees. The increase is the maximum allowed by the State Board of Education. Part-time students would pay \$4.10 more if the proposal passes.

• Students taking applied technology courses at the Canyon County Center in Nampa and at Meridian will pay \$104 more next year for facility maintenance if a proposal through the College of Technology passes. Currently, students pay \$499.50 at Canyon County compared to \$858 per semester on the BSU campus. The \$499.50 covers insurance and matriculation only, and there is no fund to pay for maintenance and repairs. The funds would only be used for maintenance of the Canyon County and Meridian facilities.

There is no set fee for part-time students currently. The proposal also requests the establishment of a \$74 part-time fee for Canyon County. The fee includes a charge for part-time students of 75 cents for the student ID system and \$19.40 for facility maintenance.

• The Student Union is requesting \$14 per semester for full-time student increases and \$4.40 per credit hour for part-time student increases over the next four years. Currently,

full-time students pay \$134 per semester and part-timers pay \$10.40 per credit hour. These fees are 57 percent of the SUB's budget.

Full-time students would not see any increase until the 1995-96 school year, when they would be assessed a 50 cent increase. Part-time fees would go up by \$3 beginning next fall. The increases would be phased in over the five years if the proposal passes.

• The Student Programs Board would be separated from ASBSU and receive a \$6 per semester fee from full-time students and 60 cents from part-time students. The total increase to full-time students is \$4. Under the proposal, ASBSU would transfer \$2 of the \$6 it currently gives from its budget to SPB and would keep the remaining \$4. ASBSU currently receives \$16.50 per semester for full fee-paying students. Their funds would drop to \$14.50 under the proposal, but they would no longer have to fund SPB. SPB would then be accountable to the Student Union Board of Governors instead of ASBSU.

• Studies Abroad is proposing a \$2 per full fee-paying student fee to fund scholarships for BSU students attending universities outside the United States. The proposal failed last year and the year before that.

• The intercollegiate athletics fee would increase by \$4 per semester for full fee-paying students, and

part-time students would pay \$4 per credit hour in the fall of 1994. Currently, full-time students pay \$48 and part-time students do not pay. The proposal further asks for an additional increase in fall 1995 of \$4 per full fee-paying student and 50 cents for part-time. Beginning in fall 1996, and each year following, the amount paid by full-timers would be an additional \$1 per year and 25 cents for part-time students, with no cap.

The fee would go toward travel, equipment, salaries, scholarships etc. in the athletic department. Full-time students can attend all sporting events free and part-time students can attend all but football and men's basketball free (they get reduced-price tickets to football and basketball).

Gene Bleymaier, director of athletics, said the new money would go to scholarships to offset the rising costs of fees, room and board.

• Student Residential Life is requesting an increase in room and board of 4 percent for 1994-95. The increase would pay for an anticipated increase in water and sewer rates and other utility increases, along with food rate increases and a cost-of-living adjustment.

Additionally, there will be a request for \$15 to fund a compensation plan for hall and Residence Hall Association officers to increase involvement.

If the proposal passes, a double room with 19 meals will cost \$3,385 in 1994-95 compared to \$3,240 this year.

• Student Residential Life is also asking for a 1.2 to 7.3 percent increase in University Apartment rates. The cost will differ by apartment complex. BSU owns University Heights, University Manor and University Courts.

Hearings will be held March 15 in the Jordan Ballroom, Section A of the Student Union Building beginning at noon and ending at about 3 p.m. Anyone who wishes to testify is asked to sign up in advance at the vice president for student affairs' office on the second floor of the Administration Building. Those wishing to testify are also asked to submit a written copy of their testimony.

The fees will be submitted to President Charles Ruch, who will then submit those he approves to the State Board of Education.

In addition to the above fees, student health insurance will go up \$30 from \$118 in 1993-94 to \$148 in 1994-95. The only two increases in benefits are coverage of wisdom teeth or dental abscesses, which is \$2 of the increase, and an increase of outpatient benefits, which is \$5 of the increase. The State Board of Education is responsible for passing or rejecting the increase, but it will not be subject to student input in public hearings.

Legislators hash out Board partition

Kerri Walker
Staff Writer

New leadership in the state education system may not be the only change experienced by Idaho colleges and universities in the near future.

On Feb. 23 Jerry Evans, state superintendent of public instruction who also heads the board responsible for higher education, announced he would not seek re-election. Evans' announcement comes not long after the Idaho House of Representatives introduced a joint resolution that would remove governance of the public schools from the Idaho Board of Education.

The proposal, which some observers say probably won't be approved this year, is just one of several recent bids to reform the governance of education in Idaho. But the announcement of Evans' departure has added fuel to Statehouse speculation about the course the changes eventually may take.

Lindy High, public information specialist for the State

Department of Education, said the board has responsibility for post-secondary and public schools, although the day-to-day practical responsibility for public schools falls on local school boards.

The Department of Education is headed by a constitutional officer, who also serves as the state superintendent. High said supervision of everything from pre-schoolers to college graduate students is an enormous responsibility for one governing body.

"The question is can one board do it all? Idaho is a little unusual because a single board is responsible for everything," High said.

Separating public education from higher education has been an issue for several years, and several mechanisms have been suggested.

In 1992 Willard Overgaard, BSU professor of Public Law and Political Science, introduced a bill he still considers the best. The bill proposed a single board be retained but be separated into two parts: one to govern public schools, the other to govern higher education.

"I feel [my proposal] is more rational and constitutional; there would be separate councils for higher education and for public schools. The two components combine jointly into one state board... They have an area of common responsibility," Overgaard said.

"Right now the state board has more to do than they reasonably can do," he said.

Last year legislators attempted to lessen the workload of the board with House Bill 345, which was passed by both the House and the Senate and signed by Gov. Cecil Andrus. The bill added another member to the board and required the governor to appoint half of the members to higher education and half to public education, with the

superintendent sitting on both boards.

According to High, Evans filed a lawsuit against the state because he said one board could not legally be separated into two entities. The case went to the Idaho Supreme Court, where the separation was found to be unconstitutional.

High said the Legislature is taking a different approach this year with House Joint Resolution 12, which is an attempt to change the constitution. A joint resolution must pass both chambers with a two-thirds majority and does not have to be signed by the governor. HJR12 states that the board will deal only with post-secondary schools.

Overgaard said he oppos-

es the current resolution, which would create two separate boards. He said they would have no common boundaries and no common nexus would be realized.

"The proposal now is a half-step of improvement; there will be other problems that will have to be addressed," Overgaard said.

Sen. Roger Madsen, R-Boise, said he will vote against the current bill.

"I prefer splitting the board—not creating a new board. They should cooperate together and should not have the superintendent deal with higher education," Madsen said.

High said HJR 12 has been in committee since Jan. 26 and she does not expect it to get anywhere this year.

Student board makes packing mace legal

Dawn Kramer
Editor-in-chief

The Student Code of Conduct has for many years made carrying mace and pepper spray punishable.

Until recently, the section in the code, found in the Student Handbook, dealing with firearms and dangerous weapons included in the list of banned items "chemical or incendiary devices" which could include sprays carried for protection purposes.

The Student Policy Board, a committee of students, faculty and administrators, reviews the Code of Conduct and other sections of the Student Handbook every year. They recently voted to remove the language banning such protection devices.

The board also removed the word "illegal" before knife, making all knife pos-

session punishable, instead of singling out the possession of illegal knives.

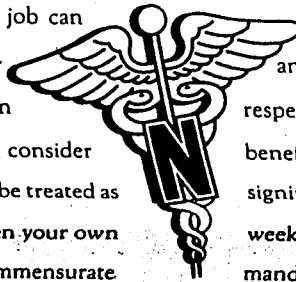
ASBSU President CJ Martin said he is in favor of removing the language about chemical devices so people will be able to carry mace for their protection.

The Student Policy Board makes its recommendations to the president for approval or disapproval. David Taylor, vice president for student affairs and chair of the Student Policy Board, said President Charles Ruch has approved the changes, which will appear in the 1994-95 Student Handbook.

According to the handbook, all complaints under the Code of Conduct are handled either by the Residence Hall Judiciary or the ASBSU Judiciary. Punishment varies, but can include expulsion or probation.

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ASBSU endorses 'pre-paid' tuition plan

Hollee Blankenship
Staff Writer

ASBSU passed a resolution last week supporting a pre-paid college tuition program. Sen. Gary Schroeder, R-Moscow, will present the bill to the Senate Education Committee of the Idaho Legislature.

The bill is designed to give Idaho residents a break in paying ongoing increases in tuition at state colleges and universities. Anyone in the program would pay monthly installments in advance, at the cost of the present tuition of state colleges and universities. The interest on the payments would then be used to make up for the difference in tuition between the time it was paid and the date the student enrolls.

ASBSU Sen. Tim Helgerson said the bill gives Idaho residents a chance to invest in the state government.

"It's a choice; it's an opportunity," he said.

A similar bill passed in the House in 1991 but was defeated in the Senate. University of Idaho lobbyist Daniel Whiting said he feels that the bill stands a better chance of being passed this year.

"New senators are in support of this bill. We're looking at a lot of old voting records and targeting those who voted no last time. It will take a lot of hard work, but we expect it to go through this year," Whiting said.

According to a letter sent by Whiting to the ASBSU senate, comparable programs enacted in different states have been successful.

"Similar programs are in operation in approximately 20 states, and all of the programs are financially sound, including Michigan's. In addition, Florida's program ... is operating with \$64 million in surplus," Whiting stated in the letter.

ASBSU Sen. Dan Gus voted against supporting the resolution. Gus said the situation in Idaho could be very different from that in other states.

"The supposed success of other programs does not mean it [the program] will work here. That is because the number of participants would be lower, education inflation may not be the same," he said.

Gus said he feels interest rates will not keep up with the increases in college tuition. He also said participants

are at a disadvantage because they won't receive earned interest rates if the person whose tuition is being paid for does not attend an Idaho institution.

"What the state is counting on is that people will drop out of the program—when a child dies or doesn't go to college. In that case the state keeps the interest that the parents' deposits have earned over the years," Gus said.

ASBSU Sen. Julie Miller is supportive of the program and says pre-paid tuition would encourage students to stay in Idaho for their college education.

"The prepaid tuition bill would promote students staying in Idaho to go to school. It is a win-win program for the parent and virtually no risk for the state," Miller said.

TRIO of programs invites public to look at services

Martin Rebensteiger
Staff Writer

Directors and students discussed the benefits of Upward Bound, Educational Talent Search and the Student Support Program in honor of national TRIO Day last week, as each of the three programs hosted an open house on the BSU campus.

The TRIO programs are federally funded programs that seek to help students overcome the barriers that keep them from higher education. Tutoring, encouragement and support services as well as assistance in applying for financial aid are offered by the programs. Cindy Kelly and Reuben Saucedo are two of the students who have benefitted from the TRIO programs.

Cindy Kelly, a senior at BSU majoring in Computer Information Systems, now tutors for BSU's Student Support Program, which gave her valuable assistance when she first enrolled at BSU. As a single mother with learning disabilities, Cindy was able to get the help she needed in the form of tutoring and support.

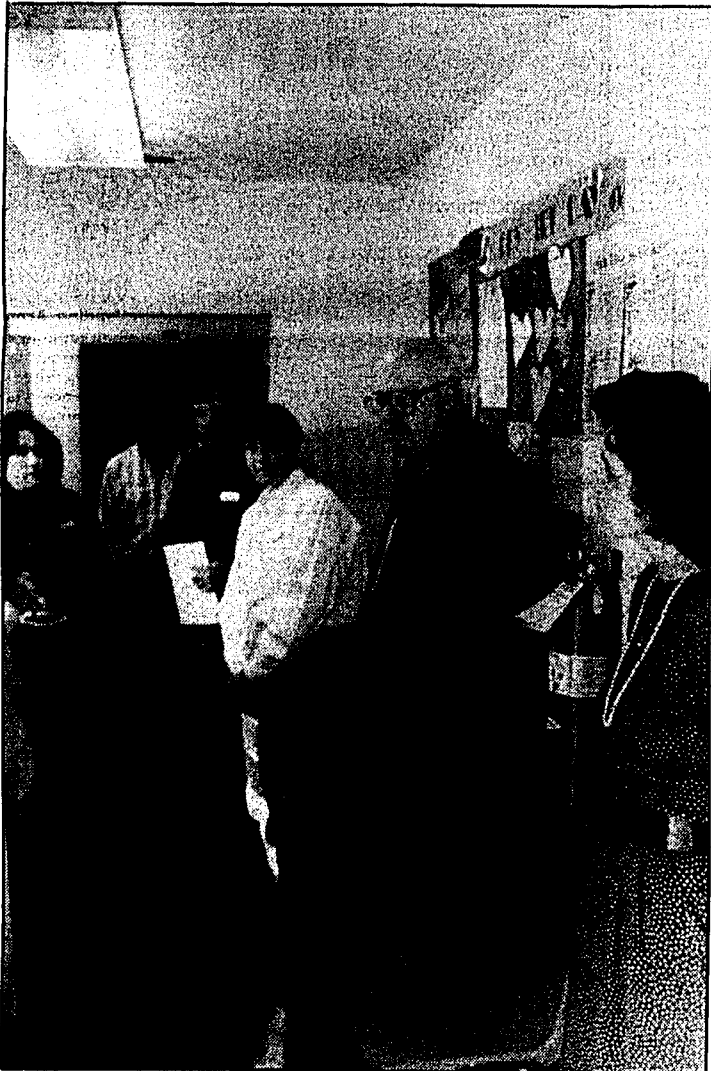
"I wouldn't still be in school without them," she says.

Student Support offers help to full-time students enrolled at BSU who display an academic need. Students can stay in the program for as long as they continue to display academic need. Currently there are 140 students enrolled in the program.

TRIO programs Director Sharon Fritz said the Education Annex located on the west end of campus, is bursting at the seams with the Student Support program.

"We could certainly grow, but not in the facilities we have," Fritz said.

Reuben Saucedo, in her first year at BSU, received assistance from Educational Talent Search while he was at Wilder High School. They assisted him with study skills, financial aid, tutoring and counseling. Saucedo, the first person in his family to go to college, credits his chance



Arbiter/Gordon Schaefer

BSU President Charles Ruch joins a TRIO open house in the Education Annex.

at higher education to Educational Talent Search.

"[Without them] I wouldn't have gone on to college," he said. He said the program motivated him when he wasn't planning to further his education.

Two-thirds of the students assisted by Educational Talent Search are first-generation potential college students from low income backgrounds. The other one-third may be from any background, provided they are looking for help or information about a specific college or program. Director Sue Gilbert said they help 1,100 students in high schools and middle schools around the area, and are

in desperate need of tutors to intern with the program.

The third TRIO program at BSU is Upward Bound. Like Educational Talent Search, Upward Bound helps disadvantaged and low income high school students. Director Eric Anderson said they currently provide assistance to 90 students in the Nampa, Parma and Wilder high schools. Many of the students come from faulty home environments, and had traumatic experiences. The program helps these students with counseling and academic advising designed to give students the skills and motivation necessary for success beyond high school.

Coaches assist with writing tasks

Nancy Gray
Staff Writer

The BSU Writing Center recently announced the addition of rhetoric coaches to their offerings.

Rhetoric coaches are students trained to assist other students with the perils of writing, not only with English assignments, but with math, nursing and history writing assignments as well—this is what sets them apart from the other staff in the Writing Center.

Rick Leahy, Writing Center director, said the program provides writing support to faculty and students. There are two coaches who, at the request of faculty, go into classrooms to help students understand writing technique and learn critical thinking.

The coaches primarily work one-on-one with students in the Writing Center as tutors. The tutors help students iron out problems with basic writing skills, as well as teach them how to deal with writer's block.

Leahy said he predicts the new program will be a success.

"I hope we run out of room [in the Writing Center] for all the students, and we spread over into the computer lab," he said.

"And I hope the faculty will be encouraged to use writing more in the classroom and in more innovative ways."

Leahy said that writing across the curriculum helps students learn the subject matter better and helps students think about their subject.

"We hope both faculty and students will see that they will become better writers and more successful writers," said Leahy.

Whether a faculty member uses a rhetoric coach or not, Leahy said he hopes more instructors will encourage their students to use the Writing Center, located on the second floor of the Liberal Arts building.

"Instructors can have their students bring their drafts in so we know what their working on," said Leahy. "I'm absolutely convinced that it [the tutoring] helps."

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E-mail access available in computer labs

After years of partial coverage for the Boise State community, e-mail is now available to all students.

E-mail addresses are available to students free of charge. The accounts enable users to send and receive mail across campus as well as throughout the international non-commercial network called Internet.

According to the BSU Center for Data Processing, an account on the mail server Varney is required for all e-mail users. Students may request an address in room 116 in the Business Building.

In most student computer

labs, a menu item is available on IBM computers that will attach to Varney and run Pegasus Mail, which is a program used to send e-mail to classmates, professors, or anyone else in the world who has an e-mail account.

On computers hooked into a Novell network without a menu item, access to the mail server is gained by typing:

LOGIN
VARNEY/(userid), then type PMAIL to access Pegasus Mail.

Files and telnet cannot be transferred from Varney. By the end of the semester there will be dial-up access to

Varney from off-campus locations.

On campus computer lab IBM machines, mail can be saved on floppy disk by hitting the X key while the file is on the screen. Next, the user must type "A:(file name)" and hit enter, which will save the message to the specified file.

To find e-mail addresses, users must select "Send Mail" in Pegasus Mail, then press F2. To search for a student subscriber, type the student's last name and hit enter. If the person has an account and his or her name is spelled correctly there will

appear a list including the name. The address is selected automatically by highlighting the name and hitting enter. To find a professor's e-mail address it is necessary to know what server their account is on. (A professor in the College of Business, for instance, would be in COBFAC). When on the correct server, press F2 and name the server followed by the search code to initiate a search.

Currently e-mail addresses that are off-campus or that have accounts on computers not attached to a BSU Novell file server cannot be

accessed. Mail can be sent, but the address must be known by the sender.

To send a file using Pegasus Mail, users select "Send Mail" or "Send File" from the menu. Once in the "TO:" field press F7, which displays momentarily a screen listing all the files attached to the message. To add a file to the list, press the INSERT key, then enter a file name and other requested information and press enter to send the message.

Copies of the Varney instructions and other information are available from the Data Center.

Fair targets variety of health issues

Corky Hansen
News Editor

Timing may make the sixth annual Health Fair, hosted by the BSU Wellness Center, the most successful yet.

The event, which will be held March 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Union Jordan Ballroom, is designed to promote health awareness among BSU students, faculty and staff and members of the community.

A number of campus and community organizations will display information. The fair coincides with the regional conference of the Northwest District American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; consequently it will attract more suppliers and consumers of health information.

Sherman Button, BSU Health, Physical Education and Recreation professor, said the members of national organizations actively seek to inform others. A number of them have displayed information in years past, which makes the conjunction of the two events that much more logical, he said.

"It's a hand-in-glove operation," Button said.

Topics will include self-esteem, alcohol and drug awareness, nutrition, disability awareness, crime and violence, on-site massage therapy, AIDS prevention and counseling programs.

Button said promoting health awareness has a place on the university campus.

"That's just part of higher learning—a healthy body and a healthy mind," Button said.



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The BSU Ambassadors is a select group of outstanding men and women students appointed by President Charles Ruch to represent the student body at university activities for the public sponsored by the Alumni, Admissions, Development, University Relations and President's offices.

The Ambassadors represent the variety of geographic areas, academic interests and extra-curricular activities that comprise the Boise State University student body.

Ambassador applications are available at the New Student Information Office in the Student Union or from the Development Office in the Education Building, Room 725A. Applications will also be available at the reception.

Application deadline: Friday, March 25

Work plan lets students pitch in at home

Moises Garcia
Staff Writer

Peace Corps move over—there's a new kid in town.

Americorps, a national service corps, provides students with the opportunity to serve their community rather than serving with the Peace Corps in a foreign country. Participants may earn money before, during or after college to be used to cover the expenses of higher education.

Americorps was born when President Bill Clinton signed the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993. Maureen Sigler, assistant director of student activities at BSU, said positions will be available nationally later this year.

The act will allow students to earn nearly \$5,000 for tuition and books plus a \$7,440 living allowance in exchange for one year of service to the community. The earnings are paid directly to the institution attended by the student. Americorps provides health care and daycare, and participants receive a small stipend for the work provided.

Sigler is involved in the process of implementing a program at BSU to help students take advantage of Americorps.

"There are no set guidelines yet. This program is breaking quickly and developing as they go along at the national level," Sigler said.

Americorps will have 20,000 positions available in the first year of the program's initiation, with 100,000

positions becoming available by 1996.

According to Sigler, Idaho must compete against other states and organizations for positions by introducing programs which would benefit the community.

"If a program is not selected locally, it is possible for a student to be put on a list nationally and be sent somewhere else. Americorps will cover moving expenses," she said.

Sigler said it is possible to participate in the program on a part-time basis, but participants would not receive all the benefits allowed by Americorps.

Potential Americorps positions include tutoring in literacy programs, helping youths in health and drug clinics and assisting the police in neighborhood watch programs.

"Professional students could take a sabbatical, enter the program and be used in their fields of interest. They could receive grants while at the same time gaining experience in the service programs," Sigler said.

Americorps also will be available to students before they attend college; the money earned would be placed into a trust fund until it is needed for educational expenses.

Participants in Americorps have a maximum of seven years to use their benefits.

Americorps benefits could also be applied to existing student loans. Sigler said Congress is working on allowing students to have their student loans deferred while participating in Americorps.

World watches Bosnia struggle

Campus, nation debate U.S. role as morality, military reality face off

Joe Relk
Staff Writer

Imagine driving to the mall one day and suddenly being pelted with artillery fire from the foothills; imagine Boise itself divided by war. Refugees from Nampa and Caldwell swell the city to quadruple its previous population, crowding the few already overcrowded intact buildings. The Capitol Building, once a symbol of government, looks over the smoldering chaos with its dome blown off and all Bronco games are canceled until further notice ...

This is what the Treasure Valley would be if it were Bosnia.

The conflict in Bosnia has brought forth the further far-reaching debate over what the United States' foreign policy should be in the post-Cold War world, as recent global developments have redefined world policy.

"We have had a great deal of consistency in foreign policy since the end of the Second World War until the fall of the Soviet Union. It was based on anti-communism, containment and intervention," said Gregory Raymond, chairman of the Political Science Department.

"Since the Soviet Union collapsed there has been no consistency in foreign policy... We are in search of a compass to tell us what to do," he said.

A recent mortar attack on downtown Sarajevo killed 66, and the aggressor has not been determined. With increased media attention given to Bosnia, there has been added pressure on President Bill Clinton to do something. And according to his own Joint Chiefs

Chairman Gen. John Shalikashvili "there is no military solution."

"The Clinton Administration has no clear vision. Its foreign policy has been one of vacillation, waffling," Raymond said.

Raymond is not alone. "We've missed our window of opportunity. The chances of getting the Serbs out is passed," said Nicholas Miller, BSU history professor who teaches a course on the former Yugoslavia.

"Clinton has done too little too late," said Ahmed Thawaba, junior construction management major from the Republic of Yemen.

Opinions on foreign policy are divided into three camps: those who think foreign policy should be based on morality, those who think it should be based on U.S. interests and the proponents of isolationism.



"Foreign Policy should be based on moral stakes, not economic," said Clara Rigmaiden, forensics team member who has debated the foreign policy issue in competition this year.

Yet using morality to define foreign policy is tricky, as one man's good is another's evil.

"Where does our duty as a superpower stop?" Raymond said.

"Recall Vietnam. Many

said it was our duty, [but] not everyone agreed," he said.

Raymond said to use morality as a criterion for intervention should be in "beginning the debate, not ending it."

"We are not an economic superpower anymore; for NATO [North Atlantic Treaty Organization] and U.N. [United Nations] forces to be mostly U.S. is not appropriate," said Tiffany Seeley, also a member of the forensics team.

"We can't be everyone's big brother," said BSU history student Jean Paul Mulally.

"Military intervention is unjustified unless our own country is threatened," said Greg Adkins, also a forensics team member.

"Regional conflicts should be solved by regional powers," said Thawaba, who thought that Arab or Muslim forces should have handled the conflict in Kuwait.

But Raymond said the U.S. cannot hope to be isolated from other countries.

"It's unlikely we can pursue isolationism. Modern technology and trade are shrinking the world and tying us together," he said.

If keeping itself separate from conflict in other parts of the world ceases to be an option, the question becomes one of the degree of appropriate U.S. involvement.

"One can argue that there is little at stake for the U.S. in Bosnia. What is beyond doubt, however, is the moral argument for action," Miller said.

"The U.S. had not only a right, but a responsibility to do something. We need a superpower at the least to say 'this is wrong,'" Thawaba said.



Arbiter/Joe Relk

Boise community members gather on the steps of the Capitol during a rally for Bosnian Muslims last spring.

Thawaba said he considers NATO air strikes and lifting the arms embargo on the Bosnians a "good first step."

Miller said actions such as lifting the arms embargo are a good idea, but he wouldn't go any further than that.

"The Muslims are sitting ducks; We should give them half a chance.

"[The embargo] is maddening," Miller said.

"The use of force early would have made the Serbs stop—now the Serbs and Croats [with the upper hand in the war] won't settle for a Muslim State in the long term. A U.N.-sponsored peace is likely to lead to a terrorist war," said Miller.

Raymond said he sees post-Cold War policy discussion as a renewal of the

debate over isolationism that goes back to the before the Second World War.

"Debate is a very healthy thing in a very healthy relations. Without it a lot of assumptions go unexamined and that's when foreign policy mistakes occur," said Raymond.

Raymond said both U.S. interests and moral obligation must be involved in deciding U.S. foreign policy, and also said the media is a powerful influence.

"The media can play a major agenda-setting role. Recall the impact of the downed helicopter pilot in Somalia—that had a huge effect," Raymond said.

"If the media ignores the problem, the problem is ignored," he said.

Feature

More than a pit stop on the way to Idaho . . .

Pass falls in love with work, family of BSU

Corky Hansen
News Editor

Her office on the second floor of the Administration Building is a trifle cold. So she tries to make up for it.

"I know it's psychological," she said, "but when I have music going I know I'll feel a little bit warmer."

Then again, the music that warms the office behind the cashier's desk might be a defining characteristic as well as a psychological ploy.

"I'm also a product of the '60s," said Leslie Pass, accounting unit supervisor of Administrative Services-Cashiers.

Pass came to BSU from Wendell, Idaho out of high school "on kind of a football scholarship." She compiled statistics for the Broncos, who themselves compiled a record of 37 wins and 11 losses in her four years with the program.

She has been at BSU ever since. Pass has served on the Parking, Safety and Transportation Committee, from which she recently was relieved as chairwoman, and in the Association of Classified Employees, for which she served as president from 1983-85.

In 1988, Pass moved to the Administration Building from the BSU Library, where she had begun



Arbiter/Shawna Hanel

Leslie Pass is currently helping with next month's Idaho Center for the Book opening.

working at the catalogue file 17 years earlier, for \$1.55 an hour on a work study grant. After graduation from BSU, she delved into new book acquisitions—"It was so interesting to see all of the new books, from every different discipline you can imagine," she said—before moving to the second-floor archives.

It was in archives that she found her first love. Pass arranged the

Frank Church papers. The documents and photographs were "like an archivist's dream," Pass said. She was also around to organize the collection of photographer and philanthropist Robert Limbert as well.

"I miss that of the library," said Pass, who is helping BSU English Professor Tom Trusky put together next month's exhibits to coincide with the opening of the Hemingway Western Studies Center as the Idaho Center For the Book.

Although her passion for historical and artistic exhibits is more than just a passing fancy, Pass said she can't imagine doing anything other than what she is doing right now.

"One of the most rewarding things about Boise State is constantly being around students," Pass said.

While the cashier's office and the Library are different, Pass said the satisfaction derived from watching students evolve in their years at the university is the same.

"I just get tickled to death when [I] see people come in with problems and graduate with honors," she said.

A number of the students with whom Pass worked closely in the Library have gone on to get their doctorate degrees. Among them is BSU history Professor Nick Casner, who worked with Pass in organizing the Frank Church papers as a student intern. Two other interns from

the project are also working on their doctorate degrees.

"I had those 'kids,' I call them, working for me," Pass said.

The 23 years that Pass has given to BSU have woven her into the fabric of the university.

"I don't see myself ever leaving Boise State; I'm dyed-in-the-wool blue and orange now," she said.

But BSU wasn't her first choice.

"I wanted to go [to the University of Idaho] so bad," she said. Only that BSU offered more scholarships decided the case.

Pass said the scholarship she received 23 years ago helps her to identify with the students who wouldn't have the opportunity to pursue higher education if it weren't for athletics.

"I'm an avid fan of the student-athlete," she said.

Which makes her feel all-the-more fortunate she came to Boise instead of simply passing through on her way to Moscow.

"Something must have pointed me in this direction, because I'm not sure I could be as happy anywhere else," she said.

But her office is still a trifle cold. So she tries to make up for it.

"It warms my heart to see Boise State beat up on Idaho and Idaho State," she said.

"It couldn't be any better for me."

Research boosts value of education

Fund gives jump start to promising projects

Corky Hansen
News Editor

Ural Mountain Range, Former Soviet Union, summer of 1993 ...

An international team including Russian geologists and paleontologists from Moscow and St. Petersburg, as well as BSU geosciences associate professor Walt Snyder and researchers from Brigham Young University, studies a stratatype: a rock formation that serves as a standard reference with which other rocks are measured and dated.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch ...

An office in the Public Affairs/ Arts West Building on the BSU campus overflows with boxes of files which contain the reports of campaign contributions to legislators. The shelves are loaded with books packed full of contribution data. Inside, political science professor Gary Moncrief pours over and deciphers the data he has collected.

Snyder and Moncrief are two of a number of BSU faculty and staff whose academic and field research enhances the academic careers of their students and brings prestige to the university.

"It does give you visibility," Snyder said. The recognition derived from departmental research raises the quality expected from faculty and students.

"It makes their performance better," Snyder said.

Larry Irvin, associate director of the Office of Research Administration, said the university often measures its success in research by the number of students who gain practical training in research alongside professors.

"Students really benefit from this," Irvin said.

But the esteem that accompanies national and international research projects helps more than just the students to advance in their careers.

"You build your own resumé as well," Snyder said.

Moncrief said research and teaching, instead of being considered as linked principles, are often viewed as a dichotomy in the career of a professor.

"I think it's a false dichotomy," he said.

He said a large portion of the data he gathers is used in the classroom.

"I think it's a great way to learn and a great way to teach," Moncrief said.

The positive role of

research to instruction of students has been a factor in its increased emphasis at the university. But research has yet to dominate the activities of BSU academia.

"This is not a 'publish or perish' university," Moncrief said. Nevertheless, research has grown. According to Irvin, the 66 grant proposals reviewed by the Office of Research Administration 10 years ago grew to 177 proposals last year. And the \$1.4 million awarded to BSU faculty and staff for research in 1984 pales in comparison to the mark of just under \$8 million received last year, even taking inflation into account.

"We've tried to design incentive programs for faculty," said Irvin, who with BSU research administration, assists in writing and checking grant proposals sent to outside agencies—"making sure they're not making commitments [in grant proposals] that we're not able to make." The office also provides a catalogue of federal agencies that offer research grants and oversees the selection of internal research awards to BSU faculty and staff.

Irvin said the seven-member Faculty Research Advisory Committee awards \$50,000 worth of "seed money" grants yearly at a maximum of \$5,000 each. The grants provide a framework in research from which many faculty seek state or federal grants. In addition, BSU

grants a certain amount of release-time to faculty to engage in research each year, and sets aside funds to help the university departments to pay for the cost of travel to present research findings.

"We look at it as a stepping stone," Irvin said.

Irvin said the guidelines for internal grants are almost identical to State Board of Education and federal guidelines.

"Having these internal research activities make them confident to look toward this other," he said.

Irvin said between 25-35 grants are awarded to researchers at Idaho colleges and universities by the Idaho Board of Education. The proposals are evaluated by peers in other states, he said.

Moncrief said "demonstrating some track record" to national agencies is crucial in obtaining awards in the competitive grant market. The National Science Foundation refused the proposal written by Moncrief and an associate from Appalachian State University the first time around. But according to Moncrief, showing the NSF that similar research had been done on a smaller scale was enough to secure the \$195,000 grant the second time around. Moncrief's research on campaign financing in 1990-91 was fueled by grants given by the State Board.

"I think these are really

important for people to get involved in," Moncrief said.

The implications of most federally funded projects are much more far-reaching than from Capitol Blvd. to Broadway Ave. According to Moncrief, the findings of the 25-state campaign financing project could have a say in future federal and state regulations.

"We're going to have data from so many states over so many years that we'll be able to make some important statements about things," Moncrief said.

Paul Kjellander, station manager of the BSU Radio Network, said the network received a grant of over \$368,000 from the Department of Commerce. When matched with more than \$120,000 from state and local agencies, it will allow KBSU AM 730 to supply 22,000 residents in rural areas, prominently Hispanics and Native-Americans, with multicultural programming that before was out of their reach.

"When you factor that in it becomes a pretty significant grant," he said.

Kjellander said the grant—the first awarded to an AM station by the Department of Commerce in a number of years—plays a specific service to Idaho's rural residents.

"It's just one more step to providing a better quality of life," he said.

Editorial

Many of us will be going to jail

The Boise State University Code of Conduct has changed, and half of the *Arbiter* Editorial Board may be going to jail.

Are we violating a new provision restricting free speech? A section securing the privacy of ASBSU executive decisions? A paragraph making passive predicate use punishable by dismemberment?

Nope. We carry knives.

In a recent meeting of the Student Policies Board, an entry in the list of "Firearms or Dangerous Weapons" was changed from "illegal knives" to "knives." The code indicates anyone with a knife on university-owned or controlled property is subject to "disciplinary action and/or legal action."

An obvious first target would be the food service folks on campus. Everything must be bite-sized or someone'll call the cops. Don't cut anything.

On our staff, Jon will be doing time for that knife he uses to cut the straps on newspaper bundles. Eve and Dr. Dan will be detained for those Swiss army keychains and Adam will be expelled for his concealed, serrated, carbide steel, vicious *Ladybug* knife he got from Eddie Bauer. And of course this will be the last issue of *The Arbiter* you'll see, due to our vast stockpile of X-acto blades.

The Student Policy Board has made an awkward and over-broad alteration to the code. If the university cannot be content with the legal definition of an item, it should realize that it is wandering into questionable legal territory.

This kind of decision points out the hazards in the mentality which occasionally surfaces in the code. This is exemplified by the sentence after the knife passage restricting dangerous items "except as expressly authorized by law or institutional policy."

We thought the idea was that rights should be reserved to the individual, not the university.

But all this is rather grand for the silly notion that Johnny can no longer legally whittle at BSU.

We do, however, applaud another amendment the board made to the code which removes pepper spray and mace from the *verboten* list. On a campus seething with personal safety issues, this was not only a reasonable move, but one that disposes of a good deal of hypocrisy.

Besides, it spares the other half of our Editorial Board from prosecution.

The *Arbiter* Editorial board is made up of Editor-in-Chief Dawn Kramer, Managing Editor Adam Forbes, Culture Editor Jon Knapp, News Editor Corky Hansen, Sports Editor Scott Samples and Chief Copy Editor Eve Costello.



An apology for blind support of 'truth' in past

*Setting: Brazil, 1971.
I was a Sunday school teacher from America. I taught impressionable children. I was only 14, but teachers of my religion were scarce in Rio. The church men said I was called by God.*

These were a few of the lessons that I was taught and that I taught others—as was my sacred duty (contemporary public relations rhetoric aside).

Having and bearing a testimony is the most important thing that a church member can do. Our church is the only True church on earth, and testifying to that fact as often as possible is one of our greatest imperatives.

God, a male, has chosen specific individuals—always males—to transmit God's commandments to other humans. When these men speak, we must listen and obey.

We reveal our faith by obeying without understanding why.

No commandment is too small or too great to obey.

Males provide; females bear children—and to refuse to do so is a serious sin.

Chastity is more important than one's life; it is better to die fighting than to be raped.

Touching your own body in pleasurable ways is an abomination.

Homosexuality is unspeakable.

Negroes bear the mark of Cain; they are cursed and cannot hold the priesthood—they cannot transmit the word of God.



Robin Miller

When we die, each of us will be sent to one of four settings, depending on our behavior in this life. The nicest place is reserved for those who believe and follow the teachings of our church without reservations.

The crummiest place is saved for those who believe, for a time, that the church is true—but who later renounce their belief. There is no forgiveness for them, and it would be better for them if they had never been born.

Finally, by believing these Truths, and by living them, we become more and more free. Somehow.

When I, the Sunday school teacher, began to question the implications of these teachings, the men chastised me.

When I observed that claiming to know the absolute truth has created great disharmony—even violence—in the world, the men told me that Truth is of greater value than Peace.

When I saw that these teachings fostered environments of secrecy and fear—and created alternating feelings of arrogance and shame for those who tried to follow them—the men said I was imagining things.

When I suggested that these teachings promoted institutionalized inequality between genders, races and classes, the men said these were

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The *Arbiter* awards a dual *Biter o' the Week* to Dan "I'm gettin' ethernet" Morris and Mike Vigh for filling in when the copy editor skipped town.

Opinion

Doing nothing is a good activist tactic

Reading and hearing about endless environmental woes makes me tired.

I don't get tired of learning about them so much as I get tired of thinking how much I could do to make a difference. I could give all my money to a hundred organizations and volunteer 7,000 hours per week while writing daily letters to members of Congress, the state legislature and the boards of directors of dozens of companies.

I attempted that once or twice, and then realized that I also needed to eat and rest and play and *breathe*. But even having realized that, I felt I should be doing more.

Then I learned that one of the best ways of doing more is doing less. I learned the effectiveness of boycotts.

Every schooled American should already know about this tactic. Remember the Boston Tea Party? That came

during the height of a long boycott of British tea to protest unfair taxes on consumer goods in the American Colonies.

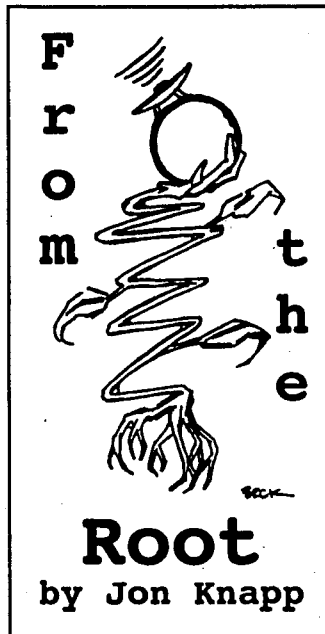
Now, boycotts cannot be easily directed at the government (although deliberately earning poverty wages to avoid taxation is not a bad idea for those who can manage). Twentieth-century boycott-minded environmentalists instead turn their attention to the worst of the corporations.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) has called for a boycott of all products that have been toxicity-tested on animals. According to PETA, these tortuous tests maim and kill about 14 million animals annually. The products they suggest to boycott include many made by the Dial Corporation, Beecham, Bristol Myers, Clairol, Clorox, Colgate-Palmolive,

Gillette, Lever Brothers and Procter & Gamble. Talk to the Voices for Animals folks on campus, then check your bathroom and kitchen for items on that list.

Earth First! called a boycott of Boise Cascade products and those of many other timber companies for what they consider irresponsible forestry practices. While most of us rarely purchase lumber, we can still reach these companies by avoiding Kimberly-Clark products such as Hi-Dri paper towels and napkins, Huggies diapers and Kotex. They also ask that we avoid Scott products, including Scott Towels, Viva paper towels and Scotties Facial Tissues.

Co-op America wants us to stop using AT&T and MCI. Both of these companies have been listed among the top 50 nuclear weapons contractors by Nuclear Free America. So the next time



someone calls and asks you to switch to Sprint, think about it.

Probably the ultimate boycott comes from the organization INFACT, whose

existence is dedicated to promoting the boycott of General Electric. GE ranks number two on Nuclear Free America's top 50 list (after McDonnell Douglas), and they also lobby heavily for maintaining the arms race. The boycott is endorsed by more than 150 organizations and 60 major religious leaders. According to a poll commissioned by INFACT in 1989, 3.5 million Americans were already participating in the boycott.

So the next time you get the urge to save the world but can't get off the couch—don't! Just sit there and think how you're not buying GE, AT&T, Scott Towels, Procter & Gamble, Huggies diapers...

(The information in this article comes from an essay written by Carol Grunewald which appeared in *The Green Lifestyle Handbook*, edited by Jeremy Rifkin.)



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part of God's plan and I should trust God to know what's best.

When I voiced my doubts to the men in charge, they said Satan was at work in my soul. I should not trust my own observations and my own reasoning—for all would become clear, in time.

Oh.
I ran like hell.

Setting: Boise, 1994.
I know this narrative is taboo. I now apologize—but not for revealing in public the officially recorded words of so-called prophets. And not for scorning these so-called sacred truths, "truths" that disguise and advance domination and oppression—in the name of Truth. I apologize for having once taught these "truths" to other children.

Get those keyboards clackin'

I want to be frank with all of you. I've spent a lot of time getting *The Arbiter* hooked up to the BSU network and Internet. That includes ordering hardware, arranging for hookups, securing software and bugging the Data Center for hours and hours. I've tunneled through piles of articles and manuals, trying to figure out this rather poorly-lit section of the information superhighway.

The least you can do send some letters to the editor via the now-universally-available campus e-mail network.

Now more than ever, technology can work for you, speeding your access to the public forum of *The Arbiter's* opinion page. It also saves us the effort of re-typing your letters.

Remember, there is a 200-word limit on letters. If you go over that limit, your letter may be edited for length. Otherwise, the only thing we touch is spelling. The deadline is 5 p.m. on the Friday before the paper comes out.

Send some e-mail to us and prove to the state that all those funds weren't spent in vain.

Sincerely,
Adam Forbes,
Arbiter Managing Editor

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Fee pitch lacks accountability

One of the student fee increase proposals that's come down the pike this year is for athletics. It's always dangerous to come out for or against athletics at BSU, but in the case of this fee increase proposal, it's fairly clear.

To give you a little background, full-fee students (eight credits or more) currently pay \$48 a semester for athletics. Part-time students (less than seven credits) do not pay anything to athletics, although they do have the opportunity to buy half-price tickets to football games and men's basketball games, and get in free to any other sporting event, via their campus ID card.

In total, the fee increase will raise the full-fee rate from \$48 to, well... nobody's quite sure. Get this: The Athletic Department wants to have a permanent fee increase. For 1994-95, they want a \$4 increase, the same for 1995-96, and after that, they want a \$1 increase every year thereafter. For part-time students, it would be a \$4 fee per credit hour for 1994-95, 50 cents more for 1995-96 and 25 cents per credit every year thereafter.

You have to hand it to the Athletic Department. Why bother having to come back every few years with a fee increase proposal that may or may not be approved? Why not get the whole enchilada at once?

I'll tell you why: because when the deadline for paying your school bill comes twice a year, this particular enchilada will cause every one of us serious indigestion.

I would rather the Athletic Department ask for an extra

\$100 this year up front. That way I could get in line early at the Plasma Center and get a head start on my school bill. At least then I would know what I was getting into.

The Athletic Department has many good reasons for justification for this increase. For instance, much of the \$48 that we currently pay helps offset costs of athletic scholarships. I have no qualm with that. That seems like a fair use of student fees. Even though all of us may not attend every sporting event, it's nice to know that we have a hand in helping these particular students get an education.

Where the money goes is not the issue here. What really smells is how the fee is set up. The fact that the Athletic Department is asking for a permanent fee increase should enrage students, just as if Congress were to ask for a permanent tax increase.

If this fee actually makes it all the way to the State Board of Education this April, it will set a dangerous precedent. Fee increases are hard-fought battles, and they should stay that way. By allowing this fee to pass as it is written, we are saying to the Athletic Department, "go ahead and do what you want. Don't feel as if you have to be accountable to us on how you spend our money."

Once again, you can't blame them for trying. For all we know, this fee might actually pass, and then you'll need an interest rate table to figure out next year's school bill.

Several members of the Editorial Board contributed to this column.





Culture Briefs



BAM seeks items for upcoming fundraiser sale

The Boise Art Museum will collect donations for its annual "Off the Wall" new and used art sale on Saturday, March 5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The museum will accept donations of all kinds of art including paintings, photographs and sculpture.

Those who donate will receive free admission to the museum, a tax deductible receipt and a raffle ticket for each item donated for a trip for two on Morris Air. Donors will also receive an invitation to the "Sneak-A-Peak" party on April 7, which will give patrons an opportunity to preview the sale scheduled for April 8.

All funds raised at the sale will benefit the Boise Art Museum Acquisition Fund and will be used to purchase new art for their permanent collection.

BBB says signing contract is final

The Better Business Bureau of Southwest Idaho recently researched the legalities of "CD clubs" and discovered that everyone is legally required to fulfill the contract once they sign up.

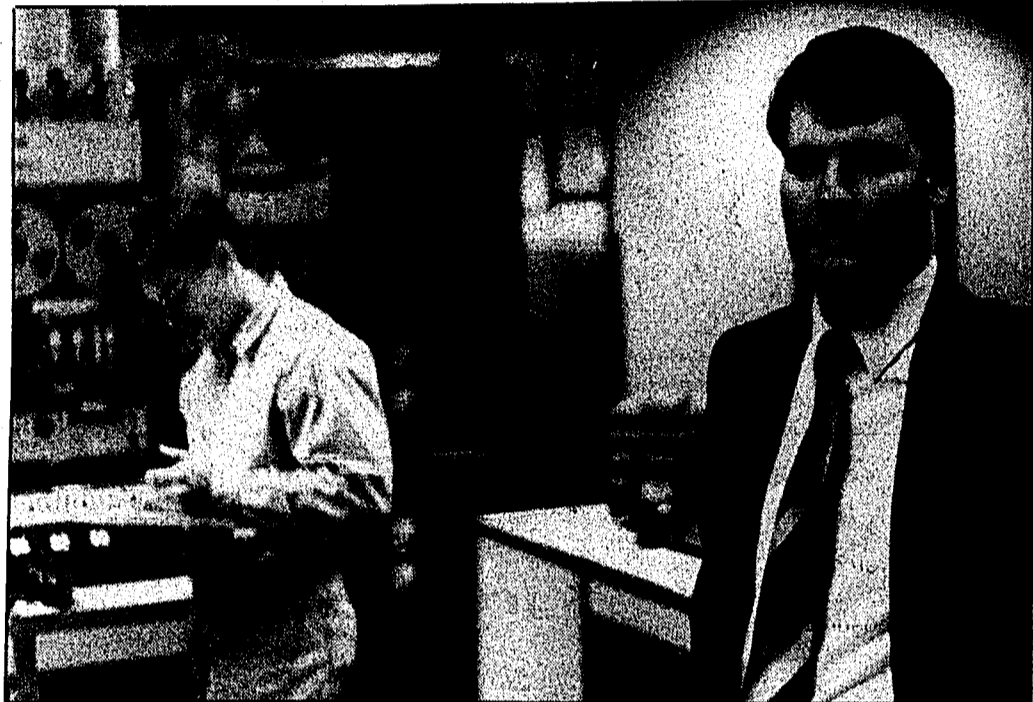
"There are few things in life that are certain: death, taxes and record and tape club ads in this Sunday's newspaper," said Stacy Shaul of the BBB.

Shaul said that such offers often appear "too good to be true," but the fine print does matter and home shoppers should pay careful attention.

Allen Fleming, also of the BBB, said it is especially important to remember that those contracts also obligate minors.

For more information about CD clubs or if you have any other questions about worrisome business practices, contact the BBB at 342-4649.

Wanna be a radio star?



Arbiter/Joe Relk

BSU Radio Station Manager Paul Kjellander, right, and Nat Gillum, a student audio technician, in a control room in the Simplot-Micron Technology Center.

BSU Radio needs good student help

Joe Relk
Staff Writer

BSU radio is a mystery to many students.

The network hires student employees, usually as audio technicians. Station Manager Paul Kjellander said experience and work study status are preferred, though not necessary. Kjellander said the most important thing is "good attitude and an eagerness to learn." Student volunteers are also encouraged for those students with limited time.

Another option, for the slightly more daring and dedicated, is to propose a new program. Applicants must be willing to talk on air, have format ideas and devote the time necessary to run a program. Forms are available at the ASBSU desk in the Student Union. Proposals go to the Student Program Advisory Council for review. Currently there are only two student DJs.

Students not wanting to host their own show, but still wanting input to BSU radio can join SPAC. Kjellander said he encourages student participation in both programming and SPAC, but he said he's often been discouraged by students who have not followed through.

More information on employment, production, and program listening can be obtained by going to the KBSU offices in room 213 of the Simplot/Micron Instructional Technology Center.

"The secret of BSU Radio success lies in the strong listener support, good BSU administration support and student support and diverse programming," Kjellander said.

Kjellander said he was once apprehensive about the future of radio, but said he now sees exciting new things on the horizon. He said his vision of the future includes combining radio and computers as a major vehicle on the coming information highway, which he said is now only a "gravel road."

Technically, BSU Radio Network is no longer

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French star can't salvage film

David M. Augello
Staff Writer

My Father the Hero is a lazy and unlikable comedy only aided by Gerard Depardieu's agreeable presence. Problems are mainly at the concept level, so whatever drew Touchstone Pictures to the material is a mystery. (It is among the studio's many French film remakes. The last was *Point of No Return*.)

The story involves a Parisian native, Andre (Depardieu), and his 14-year-old half-American daughter Nicole (Katherine Heigl), vacationing in the Bahamas.

Andre wants to get to know his daughter better, and she wants nothing to do with him. Nicole then claims the man she's staying with (daddy) is her lover in order to impress a local, and Andre even-

tually plays along to please Nicole and win her love.

Before discovering the fib, Andre sings "Thank Heaven for Little Girls" at a local talent show. While he plays the piano, the audience gets up and leaves in disgust. The heavy-handed manner in which this scene is handled kills almost all comic effect. Instead of laughing, we feel sorry for the guy.

And why would Nicole try to impress her object of affection by making him think she, an adolescent, is having sex with a 40-year-old? It's a setup for a gimmick, and without the gimmick, there would be no movie. That's why.

Katherine Heigl is a bad actress. It was once said "acting is acting like you're not acting;" it's obvious this girl is acting. The abrasive demeanor her role calls for doesn't help, either.

Her first scene has her calling her mother, a nice lady, a "bitch," and when her father aids her in wooing her sweetheart with a little impromptu poetry, how does she thank him? "That stuff was soooo lame!" And that's at the end, when she's supposed to be a changed person.

In a better movie, Depardieu could seem like a fine father. He has a bearish build and is able to express parental love convincingly. In *Hero*, though, when expressing parental emotion, he has to do it opposite Heigl, who is not up to the challenge of performing with so talented an actor. This is not among Depardieu's cinematic gems.

Some films are destined to gather dust on video store shelves. *My Father the Hero* is headed for that kind of fate.

Culture

Literary lecture spotlights Canada's women authors

Ted Anderson
Assistant Culture Editor

Women writers were the main focus of a lecture presented last week by Robert Thacker, professor of Canadian Studies at St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York.

The lecture was an opener for Women's History Month which will be celebrated throughout the month of March.

"The small press in Canada has remained quite vibrant throughout the years," said Thacker. He described how Canadian women authors focus on the personal, the autobiographical and the regional aspects of Canada.

"My greatest discovery [of Canadian women authors] is Alice Munro's work," he said. Munro, the lesser known of the three women discussed, is the author of such works as *The Beggar Maid: Stories of Flo and Rose* and *The Progress of Love*. Thacker emphasized how her regional style and her ability to describe settings such as rooms meticulously are some of her strong points.

Canada, a bilingual county, has many female authors writing in both French and

English. According to Thacker, English authors are translated more often into French than French authors to English.

Although Canadian women are sometimes overlooked in the literary world, Thacker discussed their literary works and made reference to many that were later made into movies.

Atwood's *The Handmaid's Tale* and Laurence's *Rachel Rachel* are two novels which were later made into movies. *Rachel Rachel*, a novel originally set in Manitoba, was moved to Connecticut in the 1968 American movie starring Paul Newman which bore the same name.

Thacker is an author himself. His book *The Great Prairie Fact and Literary Imagination* critiques and develops the history of literature from the Great Plains, Canada, and the American West.

Thacker was also associate editor of *The American Review of Canadian Studies* for many years and currently has taken over the editor position. He received a master's degree from the University of Waterloo in Waterloo, Ontario and his doctorate at the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg.

Fun fills Women's History Month

Jon Knapp
Culture Editor

Men's history is taught as the history of wars and politicians. But when women explore history, they like to have a good time—or so you might guess from the many arts and entertainment events planned as part of "Celebrating Women's Lives," this year's Women's History Month observance at BSU.

• Anne Noggle, a photographer from New Mexico, will exhibit her work during the entire month of March in the Hemingway Western Studies Center. The exhibit will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and admission is free.

• Native American writer Janet Campbell Hale will read from her work "Bloodlines" in the SUB Bishop Barnwell Room. This event, co-sponsored by the Snake River Writers Association and the Idaho Humanities Council, begins at 7 p.m. March 9 and is free.

• Womyn's Community Productions will host the Women's Power Object Show on Thursday, March 10 at 7 p.m. in the SUB Lookout Room. BSU faculty, students and community members will share and discuss important objects that symbolize power they have in their lives. Singer/guitarist (and BSU

professor of community and environmental health) Sara LaRiviere will perform during the show. Tickets cost \$3 at the door.

• The Lark Quartet will perform "A Little Morning Music" in the Math/Geology Building room 113 at 10:30 a.m. on March 12. The quartet will play a work commissioned by Julia Wolf and discuss feminist issues. Admission is free, but any donations collected will benefit the Boise Chamber Music Society.

• Holly Gilchrist, a BSU art student, will discuss "Women in Art History" as part of the "Brown Bag Luncheon" series during Women's History Month on March 14. Also of interest to culture seekers and brown baggers will be BSU student Susan Mulkey's March 16 talk on "Women's Cultural Changes in the Movies." Both events are free and will be held at noon in the SUB Bishop Barnwell Room.

• BSU theatre arts students will perform the lesbian-feminist cabaret "Dos Lesbos" March 18, 19, 25 and 26 at Playhouse 2000 on the corner of Kootenai and Federal Way. BSU student Jenna Gline will direct the play, which is co-sponsored by BSU's Gay and Lesbian Alliance and the Women's Center. Tickets cost \$4 at the door and all shows begin at 8 p.m.

Confessions of a College Student

I feel myself slipping away,
the darkness threatens to overcome me.
I feel the depth of my soul falling,
I struggle to regain my composure.
My eyes grow heavy,
I am weary, but fight the temptation of letting go.
I grow weaker,
I am fighting to no avail.
Finally, the force of it is too much,
I give in to the power of it.

I sleep, only to be woken with morning's light.

Poetic License

This week's contribution:
Poetry by Mary Ann Peck

Poetry and short fiction for Poetic License may be sent to The Arbiter, 1910 University Drive, Boise, ID 83725. For more information call 345-8204.

Power, anger push new Cube work

Ted Anderson
Assistant Culture Editor

Lethal Injection Ice Cube

Ice Cube is back with a new album, *Lethal Injection*, just months after the success of its predecessor, *The Predator*, and two hit singles, "It Was a Good Day" and "Check Yo Self." This new Priority Records release is much more revolutionary in content, and darker in verse.

The album opens with an introduction entitled "The Shot," in which a Caucasian male, named "Mr. White," goes into a doctor's office to get a shot. When the African American doctor arrives he shoots the patient with a gun.

The bone-chilling sound of a gun flows right into one of many hard and steady rap songs. Ice Cube is brilliant in his choice of rhythms and beats. It is truly a fascinating album to listen to. The lyrics are full of power and anger and the music is well planned

with impacting samples throughout.

Ice Cube collaborates with George Clinton on "Bop Gun (One Nation)" and with K-Dee on "Make it Ruff, Make it Smooth." They add flavor to the songs and execute them well.

Many revolutionary ideals including racism, love, Christianity and drugs are pounded into *Lethal Injection*. Ice Cube may be a politician's worst nightmare, but he speaks to the people—and his words are not easy to forget.

Volunteers needed to save outdoor art

The Idaho Commission on the Arts and the Idaho State Historical Society seeks volunteers for their Save Outdoor Sculpture! project to be conducted this spring.

The project will locate and assess the condition of all public outdoor sculpture in the state. That information will be combined with similar information from other states to create a catalog of the location and condition of outdoor sculptures throughout the country.

Volunteers will be asked to attend a training session

before conducting the survey. No background in art or art conservation is required. For more informa-

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KBSU because now it offers three services: KBSU-FM (90.3), KBSX-FM (91.5), and KBSU-AM (730).

"The three stations are deliberately distinct to provide better selection," said Paul Kjellander, station manager.

KBSU-FM, or Radio-vision, is mainly music ori-

tion, call Ruth Piispanen at 334-2119 or 1-800-278-3863.

ented, while KBSX Chronicle centers on news. The mission of KBSU-AM is multi-cultural programming, and it also offers news, talk shows and BSU games.

Kjellander said expanding options, increasing educational usage by using computers interactively with news/educational broadcasting and digital audio editing on computers are in KBSU's future.

LOGO DESIGN COMPETITION



CURRENT LOGO

Sponsored by the BSU Foundation

Criteria must:

- Have no more than two PMS colors, but also be printable as a one-color logo. The winning entry will be responsible for making camera ready art.
- Be legible in a 2 x 1 1/4-inch and smaller format. The logo will be used on letterhead, envelopes and brochures.
- Include the wording "Boise State University Foundation" or "BSU Foundation" in the design.
- Include the designer's name, address and phone number on the back of each design. Artists may submit as many designs as they wish.

Entries are due by 5 p.m. April 8 to Kim Philipps, Education Building, Room 725A, 385-1326. Submissions not selected may be picked up April 25-May 13 from E-725A.

The BSU Foundation raises funds and supports the university's academic programs, manages private funds donated to the university, and serves as a liaison between the university and its constituencies.

Winning entry receives \$300

FOR INFORMATION, CALL 385-1326

Culture

Music

Blues Bouquet 345-6605. 1010 W. Main. Doors open Mon-Sat, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. Music by the Hoochie Coochie Men at 8:30 p.m. Tue-Thu and 9 p.m. Fri-Sat.

Brava 385-1223. Located in the Student Union Building. Music starts at 7:30 p.m. March. 4: The Earthtones.

The Cactus Bar 342-9732. 517 W. Main. Doors open at 9 p.m. Ages 21 and over. Mon and Thu are open mike nights.

Crazy Horse 384-9330. 1519 W. Main. All ages welcome. All bands start at 9 p.m. All events cost \$5 at the door unless otherwise specified.

The Emerald Club 342-5446. 415 S. 9th. Live DJs 7 nights a week at 10 p.m.

Grainey's Basement 345-2955. 107 S. 6th. Open 8:30 p.m.-2 a.m. Ages 21 and over. Wed-Sat 9:45 p.m.-close: King Pancake.

Hannah's 345-7557. 621 W. Main. Doors open at 3 p.m. on weekdays, 5 p.m. weekends. Ages 21 and over. Wed nights are ladies' nights. Tue night: Suicide Clutch. Wed-Sat: Rocci and The Agents.

The Interlude 342-9593. 213 N. 8th. Ages 21 and over after 9 p.m. Doors open 10 a.m.-2 a.m. Mon-Sat and 10 a.m.-end of the game on Sun.

Koffee Klatsch 345-0452. 409 S. 8th. Ages 18 and over after 9 p.m. No cover charge. All shows begin at 9 p.m. unless otherwise specified.

Lock, Stock N' Barrel 385-9060. 4705 Emerald. Open 8 p.m.-midnight. Ages 21 and over. Sun

night: Bluegrass music. Tue-Sat: Tauge & Faulkner.

Neurolux 343-0886. 111 N. 11th. Ages 21 and over. Doors open at 9 p.m. Mon-Sat. Cover charges vary. Live DJs every night. March 1: open mike, no cover. March 2: Psyop, God Zounds and Kid

Pengilly's 345-6344. 513 W. Main. Ages 21 and over. Every Mon night is acoustic jam night featuring John Hansen.

Tom Grainey's 345-2505. 109 S. 6th. Open 9:30 p.m.-2 a.m. Ages 21 and over. Sunday nights feature rock 'n' roll with Boi Howdy. Mon night is blues night. Tue night is jazz night from 8:30 p.m.-close. Wed-Sat 9:30 p.m.-close: Pranksters.

Thu show at 6:30 p.m. Fri and Sat show at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$12 on Thu for show and one drink, \$22.50 on Fri and Sat for dinner and show.

Boys' Life 385-3535 (Select-a-Seat). Performance at the Morrison Center Stage II. Sponsored by the Theatre Arts Department. March 3-5 and 9-12 at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$6.50 general admission, \$4.50 seniors and students.

Madame Butterfly 345-3531. Performance in the Morrison Center. Presented by the Boise Opera. March 4 at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$15-\$32 at Select-a-Seat.

Art

Boise Art Museum 345-8330. 670 S. Julia Davis Dr. Open Tue-Fri 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and weekends noon-5 p.m. Runs until Mar 27: "The Artist's Hand: Drawings from the BankAmerica Corporation Art Collection" and Don King's "Chairs and Ladders: The Dysfunctional Series."

A Booker's Dozen 385-1999. Will run in April in the Hemingway Western Studies Center. Sponsored by the BSU Art Department. Admission is free. The gallery is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Student Union Gallery 385-4259. Touring exhibit of art from Brazil. Exhibit starts March 7 and runs through April 1.

Student Programs Board

Films 385-3655. Fri, March 4 at 11:30 p.m.: *The Godfather*. Sun, March 6 at 4 p.m. and Mon, March 7 at 7 p.m.: *Princess Bride*. All shows this week in the SPEC. Tickets cost \$3 general admission, \$2 faculty and staff and \$1 students at the door.

Compiled by Assistant Culture Editor Ted W. Anderson.

Recitals

Faculty Artist Series 385-3980. Sponsored by the BSU Music Department. All recitals held in the Morrison Center Recital Hall unless specified. Admission costs \$4 general, \$2 seniors and free to BSU students, faculty and staff.

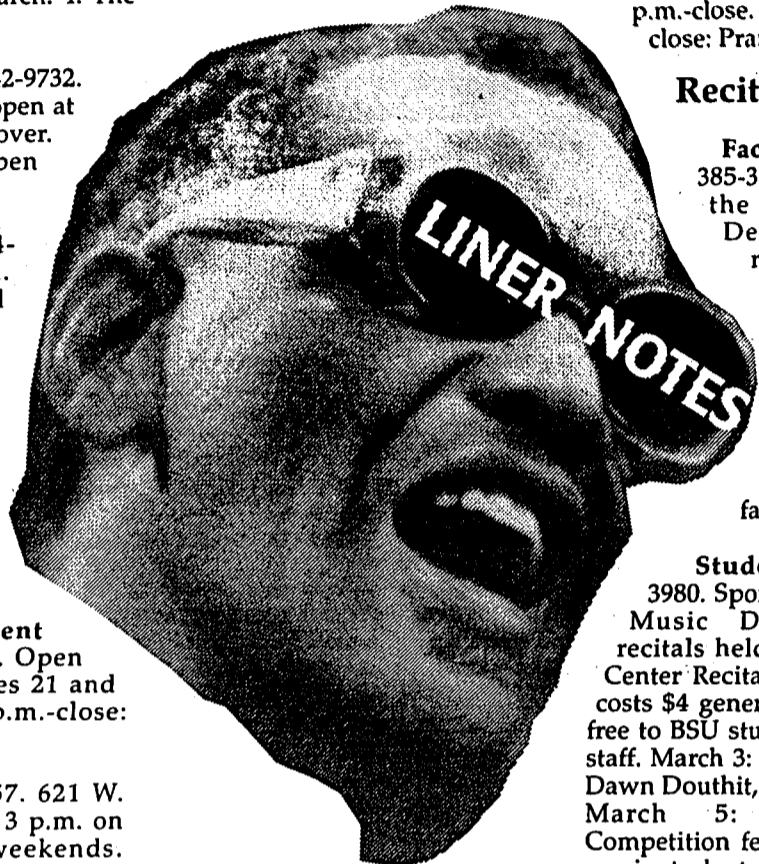
Student Recitals 385-3980. Sponsored by the BSU Music Department. All recitals held in the Morrison Center Recital Hall. Admission costs \$4 general, \$2 seniors and free to BSU students, faculty and staff. March 3: Senior recital with Dawn Douthit, violin at 7:30 p.m. March 5: Concerto-Aria Competition featuring BSU's top music students at 7 p.m.

Concerts

Museum After Hours 345-8330. 670 S. Julia Davis Dr. March 2: Special benefit performance featuring The Gene Harris Quartet. Tickets cost \$15 advance sale reserved seating, \$5 general admission and free for members at the door.

Theater & Musicals

Knock 'Em Dead Productions 385-3535 (Select-a-Seat). 807 W. Idaho. "The Mystery of Edwin Drood" runs through April 2.



Courderoy. March 3: DJ Timothy Tim's Rebelous Jukebox, no cover. March 4: DJ John Sackman. March 5: Butterfly Train with Potato Potato and The Noses (from Olympia, Wash.). March 7: poetry 8-10 p.m. and bingo 10-midnight

Old Boise Guitar Co. 344-7600. 515 W. Main. All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$6 in advance, \$7 at the door and \$4 children 12 and under. March 1: Songwriter Showcase featuring Peggy Jordan, D. E. Hisel, Karla Prabucki and Jeff McDonnel at 7:30 p.m.

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Sports

BSU women split on Montana trip

Adam Smith
Staff Writer

This time the BSU women's basketball team dropped "the big one."

For the second time this season the Broncos faced Montana in a Big Sky Conference showdown between two top 25 teams.

Boise State won the first round in front of 11,000-plus BSU fans on Jan. 29. But last Friday the Griz, ranked No. 18 going into last weekend's action, edged the Broncos, ranked No. 17, 87-81 in front of 7,938 Montana fans.

The Broncos rebounded Sunday afternoon, thumping Montana State 74-53 in Bozeman.

The loss against Montana may have fatally wounded BSU's hopes for hosting the Big Sky championships. To host the tournament, the Broncos would have to beat Idaho Sunday, while Montana State would have to beat Montana Friday in Bozeman.

If all those things happen, a coin flip between Boise State and Montana would determine where the tournament will be played.

Boise State could have sealed the

conference championship with a sweep over the Montana schools.

But center Ann Lake led a powerful Griz offensive attack that swamped the Broncos. Lake could not seem to miss a shot as she hit 16 of 19 attempts.

Despite the great performance of the Grizzlies, BSU was able to hang tough through most of the game. The Broncos overcame a 12 point deficit early in the first half to bring the score close at the half, 46-43. Things stayed tight through the second half with the score never differing by more than three.

The Broncos put in a strong offensive game with all five starters scoring in double digits, led by guard Tricia Bader and forward Lidiya Varbanova, who each had 17 points.

Boise State rebounded against Montana State—the only other team to hand the Broncos a conference loss this year—holding the Bobcats to 36 percent shooting from the field.

MSU's Cass Bauer racked up 30 points, but the Broncos countered with six players scoring in double figures. Varbanova led the team with 19 points and eight rebounds, while guard Michelle Schultz had 14 points.

Broncos move into 5th place in Big Sky

Scott Samples
Sports Editor

After a pair of strong wins last weekend, the BSU men's basketball team looks like it's finally starting to come together.

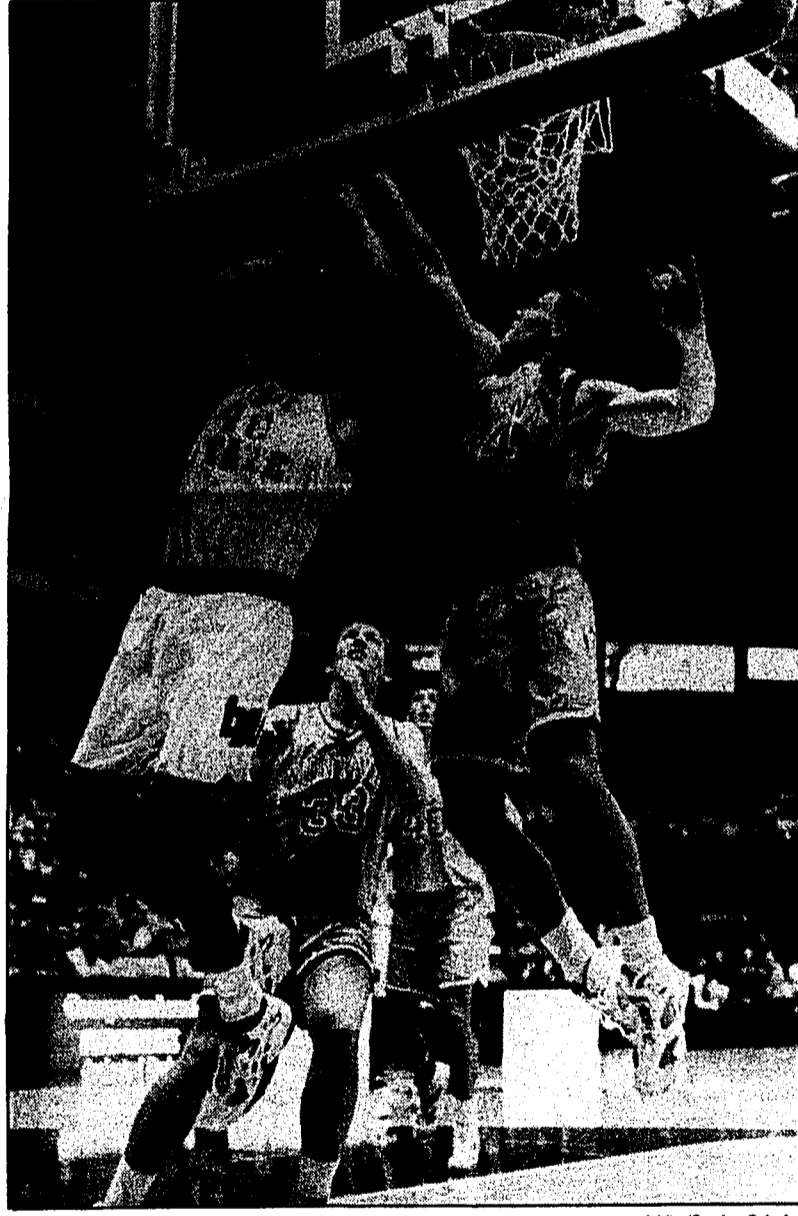
And it couldn't happen at a better time.

After a season filled with blown leads and disappointing losses, Boise State has won three games in a row and routed Montana State, a team that was sitting on top of the Big Sky Conference standings going into last Saturday's matchup against BSU.

Things are definitely looking better for the Broncos, who knocked off Montana 66-60 on Friday, then rocked Montana State 94-69. The wins moved BSU (13-11 overall, 6-6 in the Big Sky) into fifth place in the conference.

A week ago BSU was just looking to get into the six-team conference championships it will host in mid-March. Now the Broncos could claim as high as second place if they

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BSU's Eric Bellamy, 40, puts up a shot over a pair of Montana defenders in Boise State's win over the Griz.

Wrestlers head for Nationals

Scott Samples
Sports Editor

If things go right for the BSU wrestling team, a school record five wrestlers may go to the NCAA national tournament in mid-March.

The Broncos received several strong performances at last weekend's Pacific 10 championships at Cal-Poly San Luis Obispo, as four BSU wrestlers are guaranteed spots at Nationals and one other has a fairly strong shot at being nominated for the tournament.

As a team the Broncos finished sixth out of nine teams with a score of 66.25.

Oregon State walked away with the team title with a score of 128.75, beating second-place Bakersfield by 30.50 points.

Individually the Broncos still did well. Charles Burton, a sophomore wrestling in the 167-pound weight class, placed second overall, losing 9-7 in overtime in the championship. If he had won he would have been just the fourth ever BSU Pac-10 champion.

Brett Bingham, a junior at 118, placed third overall, giving him a spot at Nationals.

Joe Gilbert, a senior at 150,

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Gymnasts hit 190 points still fall to No. 6 Beavers

Jon Wroten
Staff Writer

With spotlights heralding their entrance onto the floor, the Boise State gymnasts needed to put on a show Sunday afternoon.

To the delight of 1,181 fans in the Pavilion, they came through with flying colors.

The Broncos scored their highest score of the season, with a 190.350 total in a meet against Oregon State last Sunday.

Unfortunately for BSU, the sixth-ranked Beavers scored a 192.575 to win. However, the result was still pleasing to BSU head coach Yvonne "Sam" Sandmire.

"I'm psyched about the 190. I believe we belong in the 190s. What pleases me about this team is that they have come through no matter what we ask of them," Sandmire said.

The Broncos were again helped by fresh-

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SPORTS LINEUP

Men's Basketball

Fri.—BSU at Idaho, 6:05 p.m.

Sun.—BSU at E. Washington, 1:05 p.m.

Women's Basketball

Sun.—BSU hosts Idaho, 2 p.m. in Pavilion.

Gymnastics

Fri.—BSU at San Jose St., 7 p.m.

Sun.—BSU at California-Davis, 7 p.m.

Indoor Track

Fri.-Sat.—BSU at Big Sky Championships at Pocatello.

Indoor Tennis

Fri.—BSU women host Colorado at Indoor Center.

Sat.—BSU women host at Weber St., 9 a.m. at Indoor Center.

Centers of attention

BSU's Coker, Varbanova play big roles on their teams

Gail Pechuli
Staff Writer

It's hard to miss them on a basketball court.

Lidiya Varbanova, the starting center for the BSU women's basketball team, stands at 6-foot-4. John Coker, starting center for the men's team, is an even 7 feet high.

So far both players are attracting a lot of attention.

Varbanova, an All-American candidate last year and this year, averages around 17 points a game and nearly seven rebounds for the Broncos, who were ranked No. 17 in the nation until a loss to No. 18 Montana Friday night.

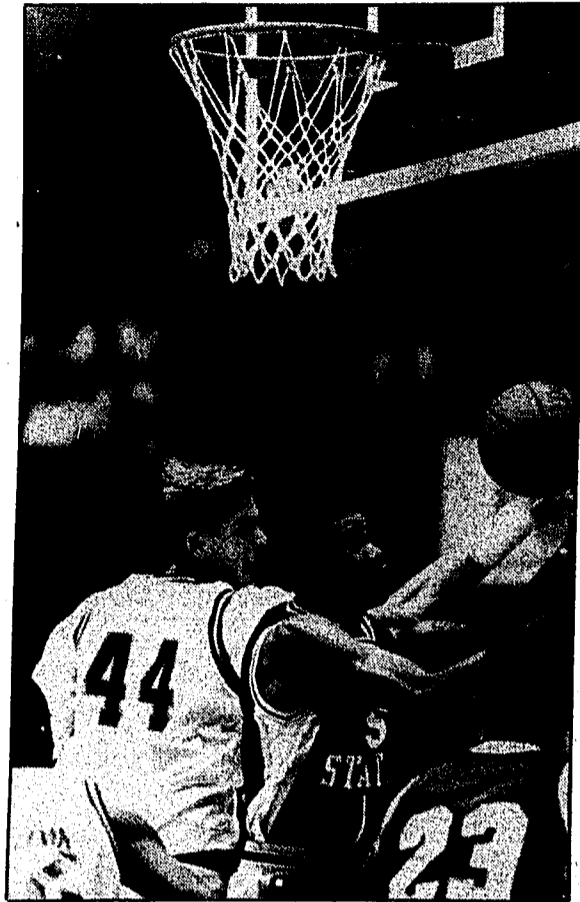
Varbanova is also in pursuit of her third consecutive NCAA field goal percentage title. Currently she is second nationally in field goal percentage.

Coker has been a major force in the Big Sky Conference this season, averaging 18 points a game. And on Friday night against Montana he swatted six shots, setting the BSU single-season record for most blocked shots in a season with 58. The big man added two more the next night against Montana State to run the total to 60.

While the two have similar statistics and similar impacts on their respective teams, they have traveled very different paths to get there.

Varbanova, a senior, started playing basketball at 13. Three years later, she was too young to play on the Bulgarian national team. So Varbanova returned to her home in Varna, Bulgaria and practiced for six hours each day in efforts to make the team.

At 17, she moved to Sofia, the capital of Bulgaria, for try-outs and



Arbiter file photo



Arbiter file photo

BSU's centers John Coker, left, and Lidiya Varbanova, right, have been making waves in the Big Sky.

made the cut. Then in 1990, Varbanova came to the U.S., where she defected from the team during the Goodwill games in Seattle.

"I didn't know the language or I didn't know anyone," Varbanova said. "They (her parents) were really scared because I didn't know if I would be able to survive here."

After spending five months in Seattle she was introduced to the Broncos' basketball program by an assistant coach. But Varbanova said it was a different kind of game.

"Europe is more physical in basketball and my first year here, I fouled out in every game," Varbanova said. Now she has established a dominating presence in the conference as well as in the nation.

"I know that in America there is a lot more emphasis in stats, but as long as it helps my team then I'm

happy," said Varbanova, who praises her teammates for being involved in contributing to her overall statistics.

Another influence is her religious beliefs.

"Something really significant happened when I became a Christian and it makes a difference in my life," Varbanova—who went from never seeing a Bible to signing her name with a Bible passage, said.

Now she includes scripture from Romans 28:8—"I believe that if you know God you can be happy no matter what situation you are in"—with her autograph.

Coker's path to Boise State started closer to Boise, but was somewhat difficult as well.

Committing himself to BSU before his senior year at Olympic High School in Bremerton, Wash.,

Coker encountered minor setbacks before even setting foot on the court.

His first year he "did the school thing" as a Proposition 48 candidate, sitting out the year because of academic problems. When Coker did begin his college career on the hardwood, he became jinxed with injuries ranging from knee surgery to breaking his foot.

"It was real frustrating, but last year we won the 1993 Big Sky Championship, so it was a lot easier to handle than having a losing season," he said.

Currently, the Broncos are 13-11 overall and 6-6 in the conference, and Coker believes things are coming together at the right time.

"We've lost a few games by close scores, but I think if we stick with it as a team we'll still have a chance."

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sweep on the road next weekend.

"I haven't even thought about that," BSU head coach Bobby Dye said. "I just wanted to get through this week."

The Broncos got through it in a big way.

Boise State's defense was particularly stingy, allowing Montana to shoot 40 percent from the field, and kept Griz star Travis DeCuire to two points and six assists.

On Saturday the Broncos forced the Bobcats into 41 percent shooting from the floor and allowed only one player in double figures.

Boise State played well offensively as well. Led by center John Coker (44 points, 12 rebounds in two games), guard Steve Shephard (38 points, six assists) and forward Shambric Williams (33 points, 14 boards), the

Broncos clawed their way back into the Big Sky race.

"It's (the team) real together," Williams said. "It's just like last year—we're coming together at the end."

If this year's story unfolds like last year's, Boise State will have reason to celebrate. Last season the Broncos peaked late and won the Big Sky tournament, earning a trip to the NCAA championships.

But right now BSU is simply talking about next week's road trip—Idaho on Friday, Eastern Washington on Sunday.

"That's looking way ahead of us right now," said forward Eric Bellamy, who, along with Williams, played his final regular season home game in the Pavilion. "We have two really big games against Eastern Washington and Idaho and we have to come out focused."

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Track team readies for Sky tourney

Scott Gere
Staff Writer

The BSU track and field team is wrapping up its indoor schedule this week.

Over the weekend, athletes were chalking up wins in two states. One of Boise State's best sprinters, Kerry Lawyer, broke his own school record in the 55-meter dash with a time of 6:23.

The mark was only worth third place, but Lawyer did pick up a first in the long jump as he competed in Flagstaff, Ariz.

Other team members were off to Pocatello for the Intermountain Games.

The Broncos picked up several first-place performances there — Jon DeBerry won the high jump with a

leap of 7 feet, 1 inch; Chuck McTheny threw 57-2 in the shot put to win and Walter Reid took first in the 55-meter. Rubye Jones jumped 19-10 1/2 in the long jump to move into first place in the Big Sky Conference overall standings.

On the season, both the men's and women's teams are fairly solid, with the men's squad looking particularly deep this year.

"We're pretty well balanced across the board," BSU head coach Ed Jacoby said of the men. "That's our strong suit."

Four athletes from the men's side have qualified provisionally for the NCAA championships—Lawyer, DeBerry, McTheny, and Richard Lee in the mile.

Other outstanding performers are Tory Bailey and Brian Davidson in

the high jump and Reid as a sprinter.

For the women, Jacoby said their best event is the long jump, as the Broncos hold five of the top six spots in the Big Sky.

Stephanie Rascoe led until this weekend when Jones moved to the front of the pack. Newcomer Abigail Ferguson, who arrived in January, also ranks among the five and leads the conference in the triple jump as well.

The Big Sky Conference Indoor Championships are coming up this Friday and Saturday in Pocatello and Jacoby has a positive outlook.

"Well, we're planning to do well," he said. "I think that both the men and the women have a good shot at winning the thing. It's just gonna be a matter of getting everybody going at the same time."

Baseball club wins one of three in Big Sky opener

The BSU baseball club started off its Big Sky Conference season with a 13-4 win over Idaho, but things kind of went downhill after that.

Idaho racked up another win on Saturday and on Sunday knocked off BSU 19-12.

While pitching wasn't exactly evident in the three games, offense was, as BSU hit six home runs over the weekend, including two grand slams.

"I was real pleased with the offense," BSU player/manager Tim Helgerson said. "I know the pitching's going to come along pretty soon."

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man Heather Lloyd, who finished second in both vault and bars with 9.75 scores. She said the support of her teammates has removed the nervousness of being a freshman.

"This is our fifth meet and I'm getting pretty used to it. I'm pretty relaxed now. I don't think of myself as a freshman now, I feel part of the BSU team," Lloyd said.

Also chipping in was junior Karrie Swanson, who finished third on floor exercise.

Sandmire said Swanson's experience has been counted on in every meet.

The meet was the first one this season where the Broncos didn't have to count any scores in the eights, a result, Sandmire said, of the team's depth coming through when it counted.

"You really have to have that strong fourth and fifth person and today they came through," Sandmire said.

However, the Broncos had to count two falls on beam.

If they had hit on that event, the team might have had a chance of beating the Beavers.

Sandmire said it was a good indicator of the ability of the squad.

"I prefer to think in terms of 'whens' rather than 'ifs'. When we hit all four events, with five good scores, we will be able to compete with anyone," Sandmire said.

The Broncos, who competed against Seattle Pacific on Monday night, head out on the road this weekend for two meets.

Scores from Monday's meet were not available at press time.

Boise State will face San Jose State on Friday and California-Davis on Sunday.

According to Sandmire, the meets are two of the most important of the season for BSU.

"The road scores are even more important than the home scores now. We need to have two good road scores to replace some mid-180 ones."



Arbiter/Lutana Holloway

Big win for BSU

A BSU tennis player makes a return against Alberston College on Friday. BSU thumped Albertson 9-0, then shut

out Idaho 8-0, to put its record at 4-4 for the season. Next week BSU takes on defending Big Sky champion Weber State.

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returns to the NCAA championships. Gilbert, who transferred to BSU last year, placed third at Nationals while wrestling for Michigan in 1992.

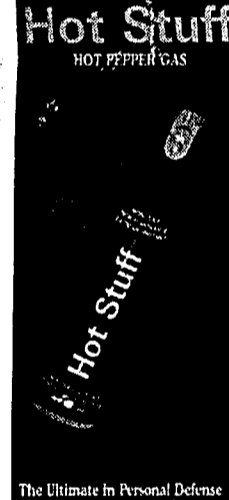
Tony Evans, a senior at 142, went into the Pac-10 finals seeded No. 1 in his weight class.

But Evans—who made it to the NCAA championships last year—could

only manage a fourth-place finish.

He'll still go to the championships, as he was nominated by Pac-10 officials who take eight fourth-place finishers out of the 10 weight classes and send them to Nationals.

Heavyweight Shawn Stipich, seeded fourth going into the Pac-10 tourney, wound up placing fourth and will have to wait to see if the officials send him to the NCAA finals.



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• Notice is hereby given that a proposal has been presented to increase **Matriculation and other General Education Fees**. The proposal calls for increasing the Matriculation Fee by \$41.00. Per credit hour undergraduate charges would increase by 5.5%. Full-time and part-time graduate fees would increase by 5.5%. Nonresident tuition would increase by 20%. The revenue would provide funding for permissible support service activities which would enable the University to increase the proportion of appropriated funds devoted to its educational mission. The current fee, proposed increase and the amount of revenue such an increase would provide follows:

<u>Type of Fee</u>	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>Projected Revenue</u>
Full-Time Students			
Undergraduate Matriculation Fee	\$ 381.50	\$ 41.00	\$778,400
Graduate Fee	205.00	11.30	4,400
Nonresidents -new	1,525.00	305.00	107,100
Nonresidents -continuing	1,265.00	253.00	85,500
Western Undergrad.	370.00	20.50	4,000
Part-Time Students			
Undergraduate Credit	74.00	4.10	151,700
Graduate Credit	21.00	1.15	6,100
In-Service Credit	17.95	1.37	7,800
Summer Students (Summer 1995)			
Revenue Available in FY'96			
Undergraduate Credit	76.00	4.10	NA
Graduate Credit	21.00	1.15	NA
In-Service Credit	17.95	1.37	NA

Total Revenues FY'95

\$1,209,400

• Notice is hereby given that a proposal has been presented to establish a College of Technology **Canyon County Center Facility Maintenance Fee** to be assessed to technology students enrolling in programs administered at and/or through the Canyon County Center. The proposed fee is **\$104.00 per semester** for full-fee-paying students. A proposal has also been presented to establish a part-time fee of \$74.00 per credit hour of which \$19.50 would be for a Facility Maintenance Fee.

• Notice is hereby given that a proposal has been presented to increase the **Student Union and Activities Operations Fee** over the next five years by a total of \$14.00 per semester for full-fee-paying students and \$4.40 per credit hour for part-time and summer students.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Full-Fee-Paying Increase</u>	<u>Part-Time Per Credit Increase</u>
FY'95	\$.00	\$3.00
FY'96	4.50	.45
FY'97	4.50	.45
FY'98	2.00	.20
FY'99	<u>3.00</u>	<u>.30</u>
TOTAL	\$14.00	\$4.40

• Notice is hereby given that a proposal has been presented to establish a dedicated fee for the **Student Programs Board** of \$6.00 per semester for full-fee-paying students and \$.60 per credit hour for part-time and summer students. Of the \$6.00 request, \$2.00 would be redirected from current fees and **\$4.00 per semester** for full-fee-paying students and **\$.60 per credit hour** for part-time and summer students would be a fee increase.

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• Notice is hereby given that a proposal has been presented to increase the **Intercollegiate Athletics** fee beginning fall, 1994 by **\$4.00 per semester** for full-fee-paying students and establish a **\$4.00 per credit hour** fee for part-time students; beginning fall, 1995 and additional increase of **\$4.00 per semester** for full-fee-paying students and **\$.50 per credit hour** for part-time students; and beginning fall, 1996 and each year thereafter and additional **\$1.00 per semester** for full-fee-paying students and **\$.25 per credit hour** for part-time students.

• Notice is hereby given that a proposal has been presented to increase **Residence Hall Room and Board rates** by 4% plus a Residence Hall Association program fee increase of \$15 per year.

• Notice is hereby given that a proposal has been presented to increase **University Apartment/House rental rates** by 1.2%-7.3%.

Proposals regarding these fee and rate increases are available for inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Vice-President for Student Affairs, Room 210 of the Administration Building.

HEARING ON THE PROPOSED INCREASES WILL BE HELD IN THE JORDAN BALLROOM, SECTION A, OF THE BSU STUDENT UNION BUILDING ON TUESDAY MARCH 15, 1994. THE TIMETABLE FOR HEARINGS IS AS FOLLOWS:

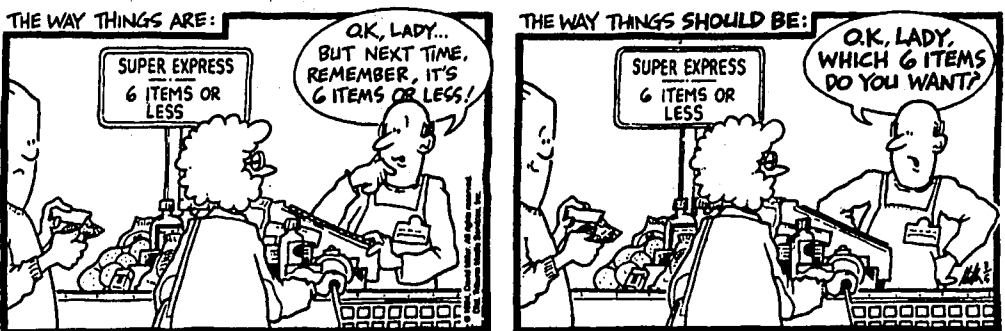
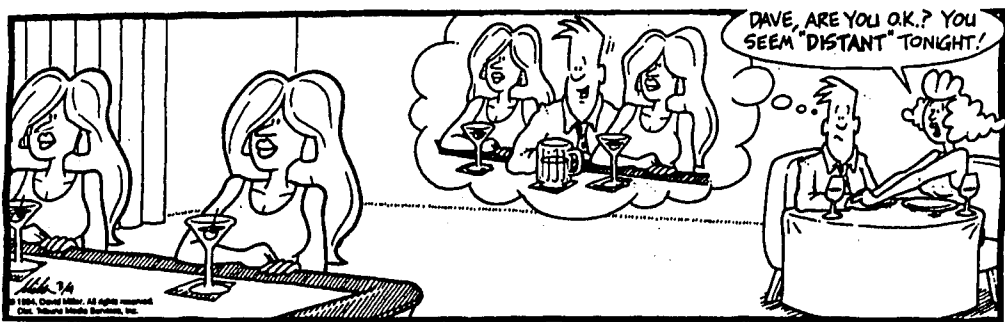
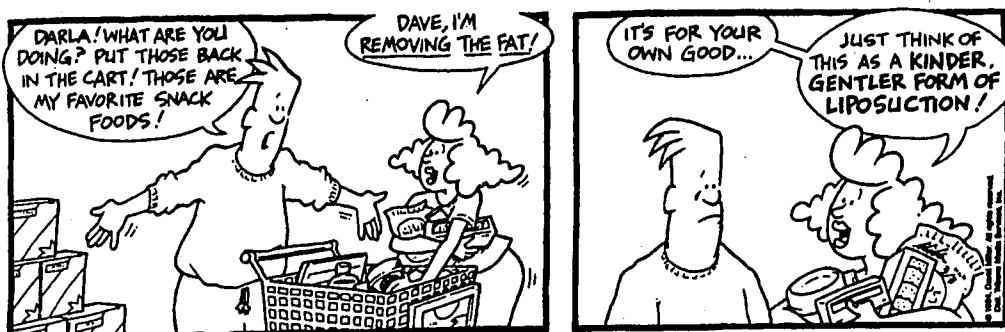
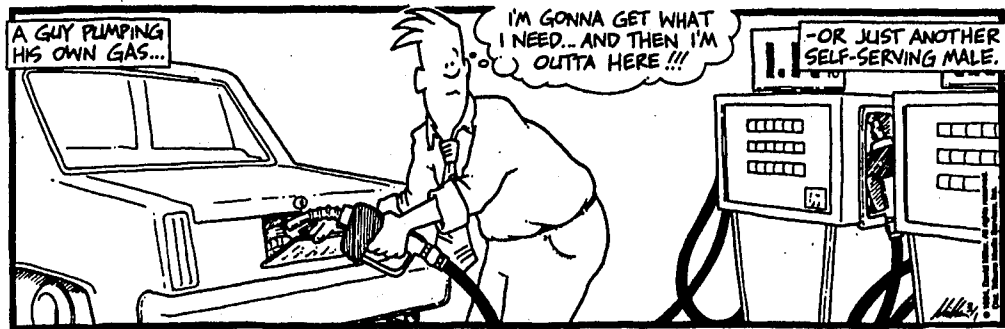
- 12:00 Noon - Computer Fee
- 12:20 p.m. - Matriculation and Other General Education Fees
- 12:40 p.m. - Canyon County Center Facility Maintenance Fee
- 1:00 p.m. - Student Union and Activities Operations Fee
- 1:20 p.m. - Student Programs Board
- 1:40 p.m. - Studies Abroad Scholarship Fund
- 2:00 p.m. - Intercollegiate Athletics
- 2:20 p.m. - Residence Halls Room and Board Rates
- 2:40 p.m. - University Apartment/House Rental Rates

All interested persons may submit oral testimony at the above times or written testimony before March 15 date. Anyone wishing to testify in person may sign up in advance at the Office of the Vice-President for Student Affairs or at the hearings. Persons presenting oral testimony are asked to provide a written copy of their testimony to the hearing office

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A Nice Way to Spend the Afternoon

Dave by David Miller



The Manson Family Honors



Todd Sholty

Recently, the Manson Family reunited in Las Vegas as part of a political statement for support of the most famous Manson, Michael. Luckily, The Arbiter scored two tickets, and since I was already going to be in Las Vegas for a Saran Wrap convention, I could go.

Elizabeth Taylor, scheduled to receive the Manson Family Lifetime Achievement Award, was running late, so the crowd was treated to a medley of Beatles tunes sung by the eldest Manson sibling, Tito.

Tito Manson had the joint rockin' with his dance/remix version of *Helter Skelter*. Tito and Jermaine Manson then sang that classic duet from the '70s, *You Don't Bring Me Femurs Anymore*. Since Michael Manson was not due to appear until later, the Mansons killed time by singing show tunes, including Jackie Mason's stirring rendition of *What's For Dessert*, the love theme from *Silence of the Lambs*.

LaToya Manson could not make the taping of the Las Vegas show, as she was in Los Angeles taping an infomercial on her new product, *Popeil Pocket Liposuction* (not available in stores). A rumor had been circulating that LaToya was not welcome by the other Mansons, and there was apparently no truth to the rumor that a gag order had been ordered by the other Mansons. However, LaToya Manson did make an announcement at her press conference held at her 300-acre Reptileland Ranch.

"I'm tired of the rest of the Manson family ostracizing me. I'm just as talented as any other of the Mansons. You can read all about it in my new autobiography, *After the Boa Constrictor: Life as LaToya Manson* (as told to Norman

Mailer)," she said.

Later, the Mansons presented Motown founder Berry Gordy with his 17th lifetime achievement award. Gordy was very emotional in his acceptance speech, in which he cried, "Finally I've got the tux paid off."

As the program reached the halfway mark, everyone was awaiting the appearance of Michael Manson. When word got out that Michael wouldn't be appearing until the finale, many Manson Family groupies left in disgust.

"I've been waiting my whole life for this show? If I would have known it was this disappointing, I would have gone to the video store and rented *A Menendez Family Christmas*," said a disgusted Manson Family fan.

Three hours into the program, Michael Manson made his appearance, escorted by Axel Rose. When Axel informed the audience that Michael would not be killing anyone, the rest of the audience made their way to the parking lot, and the show abruptly ended. However, there were some Manson fans who said that they got their money's worth. "The Mansons were awesome," said one young fan. "They killed out there."

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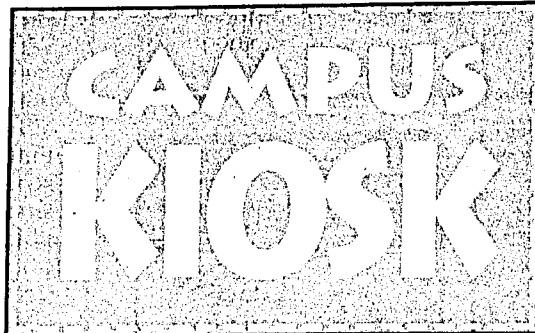
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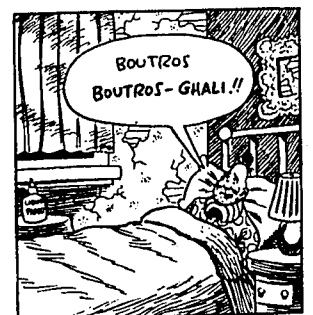
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