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EDITORIAL

Telling it how it is, “Little buddy”

If BSU could be compared to a ship, then this year’s issues would center around icebergs rapidly moving in our direction. The question is, what are the people on the ship going to do about it?

They could move to the back and hope nothing happens. Sitting on the aft, they can spend their days slurping up tropical drinks, enjoying the view, and ignoring the fact that the icebergs are getting perilously close. This is most like the apathetic attitude many students tend to adopt. It’s easier, I’ll admit, to just kick back and enjoy the ride, but notice how students who take this view tend to bitch the loudest when ship slams into icebergs and water begins to pour over its sides.

Moving in our direction. The question is, what are they going to do about it? The final approach is to become proactive. BSU, in case you haven’t noticed, is not a pleasure cruise and those who act like it though it were are usually not around for very long. People who run to the fore of the ship to watch for trouble usually find themselves well prepared for the long run. These people tend to find themselves in a position to influence the direction of our boat.

The problem with this approach: it tends to generate more work. To become informed or speak out against an issue takes time, effort and initiative. Passengers and sailors who take this position sometimes find themselves overwhelmed, and find their only alternative is to jump ship. Or they could slip to the aft and have a whole bunch of tropical drinks, and hope to slip into a coma before the whole thing sinks. There’s a bit of T-shirt philosophy that reads, “Lead, follow, or get out of the way.” Well, too many folks feel content to simply get out of the way. If BSU were a ship, then people would have to put forth a lot more effort to keep it running smoothly. Everyone would function as a crew member, and Gilligans would be heaved over the side. BSU, however, isn’t a ship, and when mistakes happen some start to bitch and become victims of another person’s agenda. It doesn’t take all that much work to follow, and it doesn’t take much more work than that to lead.

Now if BSU were a doughnut, where would the hole be…?

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BITER of the week

This Week’s Biter of the Week is Editor in Chief Kate Neilly Bell. When a death in the family caused her to leave for the weekend, she still performed her mid-week writing and did all of those little things to help the crew prepare to paste up without her. Our thoughts are with you, Kate.
movies: read a book
by David Augello

columnist

A Gannett News Service critic wrote this about Bruce Willis' newest film, Last Man Standing: "It's like watching dozens of cardboard cut-outs being piddled with bullets or asinomorphic figures firing guns at each other in some dark, demented Disneyland."

Really.

Bruce Bettheheim in The Uses of Enchantment asserts the value of fairy tales lies in their minimalism—the less we know about the Prince, the easier we see ourselves as the Prince. Perhaps the critic would have preferred whiezing, wailing, pitious scenes of graphic death. Perhaps, that is, he would have preferred someone to do his imagining for him?

And perhaps America, in general, prefers to not actively engage in its entertainment (i.e. watch, pay attention to, and vigorously listen) but enjoys and appreciates those entertainments that hold captive and abuse.

Taglines and blurbs from the past summer's movies seem to support this notion. Here are some that ran in newspapers:

- The Rock: "America is Rocking!"
- Eraser: "More beat, more crash, more burn."
- The Nutty Professor: "Funny, funny, FUNNY, funny!"
- Mission Impossible: "Catalogs you into the wildest movie of the year!"
- Independence Day: "Get off our planet!"
- Twister: "A roof-ripping, cow-tossing, silo-pulverizing E-ticket!"

During the summer I attended brief re-releases of several films, including The Godfather and Close Encounters. Both are restrained—grateful, it seemed to me, that those in the audience even considered purchasing tickets.

And, at both movies, folks in the auditoriums became restless. At Encounters, kids, about nine or ten years old, climbed seats. In The Godfather, when Sonny waits for Kay outside the schoolhouse after returning from Sicily, scattered coughing resounded. Bizarrely, when Sonny lies to his wife, telling her he did not kill his sister's husband, something happened I never would have thought possible after years of watching The Godfather on video: people chuckled.

Banana Republics and Ross Perot
by Platt Thompson, United We Stand America

guest editorial

The American people, once they remove the historical trappings from our ship of state, have a government so rife with malfeasance and dishonesty that it more closely resembles a Banana Republic than the entity envisioned by our founding fathers. Meanwhile, the pun-dits and power brokers scurry about on a heaving deck of change, wet finger in the air attempting to discern direction and alignments. Such efforts are not needed since this ship of corruption may have sprung a fatal leak, courtesy of the status quo's number one enemy, Ross Perot.

Americans are good people. When given the facts, they will rally to the side of freedom and justice. The American people must now decide whether to fight the corruption that drives the present system or travel on the path laid out by the politicians, boondockers, and assorted miscreants that have come to make up our government. A series of recent events have clarified this seminal point in our history.

The Presidential Debate Commission has decided Ross Perot should not be allowed in the debates. All 10 of the PDC's members are politically well-connected Republicans or Democrats. One of the co-chairs of the commission is Frank Fahrenkopf. He is the lead Washington lobbyist of the gambling industry and a former lobbyist for the Japanese. Prior to his present livelihood, he was head of the Democratic National Committee. Among the presidential candidates, only Ross Perot talks about the corrupting influence of lobbyists.

The corporations bankrolling the PDC have heard quite enough from the populist Texas already. Incomplete financial records released before the debate commission indicate that major corporations have provided much of the panel's funding. According to the Institute for Policy Studies at least 10 of these sponsors were also members of USA*NAFTA, the lobbying consortium that pushed for congressional approval of the North American Free Trade Agreement in 1993. Perot was NAFTA's most visible and vociferous opponent that year. Three of the commission's corporate patrons—ATT, General Motors, and IBM—served as USA*NAFTA's "captains" in 13 states.

The PDC had established objective criteria for participation in the debates. Only three people in America met those criteria. Seeing this as one too many, the debate commission then decided to apply a subjective criteria so that only "their boys" would participate. The debate commission has shown itself to be a shill for the two established political parties and a lackey for the corporate special interests which pollute our political system. Ross Perot speaks out against this system. Bill Clinton and Bob Dole are products of the system.

Ross Perot believes that complex problem-solving requires a detailed process. In order to present this process, he has attempted to purchase a number of 30-minute spots on ABC, CBS, NBC, and FOX. He has been denied all but minimal purchases... These networks are owned, respectively, by ABC, Disney, Westinghouse, General Electric, and News Corp. One need not be highly imaginative to project their positions on trade, campaign finance reform, etc.

The airwaves are owned by the public, not the two political parties. The broadcast networks use those airwaves for free and derive substantial profits from the use of these airwaves. Decades ago laws were enacted to remind the networks of this civic and legal obligation. The Federal Communications Commission, comprised of political appointees, has been remiss in administering these laws. Ross Perot has filed a complaint against the FCC.

According to a recent Los Angeles poll, 76 percent of the American people want to see Perot in the debates. This is hardly surprising given Perot's single-handed drive to make our financial crisis a major issue. In 14 years, our entire federal budget will consist of only four items: social security, Medicare, Medicaid, and interest on the debt. There will be no funds for defense, roads, the environment, research, or social programs. Perot talks about this. He also talks about campaign finance reform, lobbying reform, election reform, and other critical issues that face our nation. President Clinton and Senator Dole will be mute on these issues. It requires a rare individual such as Ross Perot to take on the system. On Nov. 5, The American people will decide who wins and who loses.

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Proposition two: bear baiting

YEA:

Bear baiting not sporting or ethical

by Lyn Fritchman
Chairman, Idaho Coalition United for Bears (I-CUB)

With the privilege to hunt comes the responsibility to hunt in a sportsmanlike and ethical manner. That is what Proposition Two is all about—that, and nothing else. It would put an end to baiting bears, hounding bears, and to the spring bear season.

Why should we do away with these methods of hunting bears? Simply because they are unsporting, unethical, and a gross violation of the principle of fair chase which all hunters should adhere to.

Baiting consists of placing a pile of garbage in a pit, setting up a blind, and waiting for a hungry bear to investigate the bait. The bear is then shot at close range. There is nothing sporting in this method of killing bears—it is the equivalent of shooting a parked car.

Hounding involves the pursuit of a bear by a pack of radio-collared hounds, forcing it up a tree, and then having the hunter arrive, guided by radio signals emitted from the collars, and shoot the exhausted bear off a limb, again at close range. This is a gross violation of fair chase principles. Not infrequently during a pursuit, the bear will fall cornered and turn to defend itself against the dogs. When this happens, the dogs continue on and shoot the bear before it is killed or must be euthanized.

In the spring season, it is inevitable that some females with nursing cubs are killed. Every bear biologist in the western states agrees with this. Is it morally right to doom cubs to starvation or predation?

We don’t hunt any other big game in the spring when they are rearing their young—why bears?

We don’t bait any other big game—why bears?

We don’t hound any other big game except mountain lions—why bears?

In 1990, the Fish and Game Commission had planned to ban baiting in a new bear management plan. This was supported by the U.S. Forest Service which had sent the commission a letter recommending such a ban. The ban also had the full support of IDFG’s bear biologists. However, in January 1991, a small but vocal and fist shaking group of hunters forced the commission to cave in and the ban was rescinded. This is not management by biology or science—it is management by bare knuckled political pressure.

Management of a black bear population, in simplest terms, is an attempt to maintain a stable bear population while allowing hunters the maximum harvest which will sustain that population. The Fish and Game Department doesn’t care how a bear is killed—a dead bear is a dead bear, but ethical hunters should care how a bear is killed. It should conform to the ethic of “fair chase.” Baiting, hounding, and a spring season do not meet these criteria.

In 1992, the Department of Fish and Game conducted a statewide survey of Idahoans’ opinions of baiting, hounding, and spring bear season. The results showed conclusively that two out of three Idahoans, hunters and non-hunters, opposed them.

Our opponents say that proposition 2 is “anti-hunting.” Not so. 93 percent of Americans don’t hunt. Yet, over 80 percent believe that hunting should continue as long as it is sportsmanlike and ethical. Last year, less than 15 percent of Idahoans held hunting licenses—an all time low. I want to see hunting continue, but it will only continue so long as the vast majority of those who do not hunt have a favorable opinion of those who do, and of their hunting methods. Two out of three Idahoans oppose baiting, hounding, and spring season. To retain these methods, when Idaho is the only state in the lower forty-eight to do so, can only tarnish the image of hunters in the eyes of the majority of those who do not hunt. The tenacious retention of these methods cannot but increase the ranks of anti-hunters.

Value systems have been changing. Hunting methods must change with them if we wish to have a bright future for hunting. We must abandon those hunting methods of which most citizens disapprove. If we do not, the future of hunting is in jeopardy.

NAY:

Idahoans would pay if proposition’s “emotional rhetoric” passes

by Don Clower
Chairman, Sportsmen’s Heritage Defense Fund

Much has been written about Proposition 2 and maybe it is time for everyone to take a step back from the emotional rhetoric and look realistically at this issue.

Proposition 2 is a hoax that is totally funded and managed by an out of state animal rights organization. This initiative doesn’t ban the use of bait, the use of dogs or ban spring bear hunting. It merely shifts the responsibility and cost of bear management to the tax payers of Idaho, because someone else is supposed to control bear numbers.

Proposition 2 allows Government hunters to use all of the above methods to control bear numbers. So the real issue for voters when voting on Proposition 2 is who will pay for controlling Idaho’s bear numbers? Right now bears are being managed by the Idaho Fish and Game Department using sport hunting at no cost to taxpayers. In fact, hunters pay the state for the privilege to hunt.

If Proposition 2 should pass, taxpayers will pay government hunters to go out and shoot bears using all of the above methods. It seems very illegal to use scarce tax dollars to manage bears, when the job is being done now at no cost to taxpayers, and is being done using sound wildlife management techniques.

Bears and mountain lions are responsible for over $63,000 damage to private landowners since July 1 of this year. Last month a black bear was responsible for the death of 340 sheep on private property in one night. The cost to the landowner was $45,470. Who pays for this? The taxpayers of Idaho end up paying.

If we stop controlling bear numbers in the spring the cost of predation alone will skyrocket, not to mention the cost to taxpayers to send out government hunters to shoot these problem bears. In the two states that have been duped into voting for similar initiatives that is exactly what is happening. Colorado last year had to destroy 110 problem bears and Oregon had to destroy 205 bears. These animals ended up being killed at taxpayer expense and were hauled to the dump. That seems like quite a waste of a natural resource and I don’t believe Idahoans want to see their wildlife being hauled to the dump.

The animal rights advocates who support Proposition 2 say that these methods are cruel and inhumane. Again, step back and analyze this statement. Is it more humane to shoot an animal at 25 yards or 250 yards? Which distance is more likely to result in a wounded animal? One of the responsibilities of a hunter is to ensure that he is close enough to positively identify his target and that it is a safe and ethical shot.

There is an economic impact that many people have not considered. That is the loss of revenue to the many small businesses in Idaho that depend on the different hunting seasons to stay on business. Many rural towns in Idaho are dependent on these sportsmen who buy gas, supplies, lodging, guides and stop to eat at the local restaurants.

Idaho has the abundant wildlife we enjoy because we have for the last 26 years allowed the professional biologists to manage our wildlife using proven wildlife techniques. In 1938 the citizens of Idaho created our present Fish and Game system of management. The intent at that time was to create a department that could properly manage without interference from politics and special interest groups. Out of state animal rights extremists are trying to force their philosophy on the citizens of Idaho.

Proposition 2 is a step backwards in Idaho wildlife management. Say NO to out of state special interest groups that want to tell us how to manage our resources. Say NO to Proposition 2.
"Wasted votes" and "reasonable chances"

Third parties and the illusion of democracy

by Joe Relk

Opinion Editor

"The end of democracy is freedom; of oligarchy, wealth; of aristocracy the maintenance of education and national institutions; of tyranny, the protection of the tyroon."

-Aristotle

Give Bob Dole some credit. During the first presidential debate he told it like it is concerning campaign finance reform: "We’re not kidding anybody Mr. President...the Republican Party hasn’t done it, they know the Democratic Party won’t do it, we ought to agree that somebody else should do it and vote it up or down."

Translation: you can’t expect the winners of the political game to rewrite the rules. Why would they?

Yet campaign year after campaign year, campaign finance reform is raised—heralded as a priority by both parties in both ’92 and ’94—only to be promptly moved to back burner status after the election. Perhaps, like drug addicts with good intentions, they’re waiting for one more PAC contribution, one more check from the John Doe Corporation or friendly neighborhood special interest group, before they slam the door on lobbyists. Just one more hit...

But Bob Dole said it like it is. I guess when you get far enough behind in the polls you can afford to tell the truth; it’s so crazy it just might work.

Besides, Dole’s running his last glorious campaign, with his fund-raising days conveniently behind him.

"Let’s be honest about it," says Dole. I couldn’t agree more, but let’s not stop there.

It’s time we took a hard look at just how democratic our democracy is.

Like most Americans, last week’s presidential debates didn’t change my mind about much, but they did beg the question: how can you have a debate without disagreement? As Clinton and Dole demonstrated last week, you can’t, at least not an interesting one.

What’s the difference between a moderate Republican and a conservative Democrat? Not much, it turns out.

We found out that both the president and Citizen Dole hate drugs, crime, Saddam, and ethnic cleansing. They made much of their respective difference on these and other issues, but trying to outsell each other with harsh words for Cuba isn’t a fundamental difference and “instant check” and gun waiting periods are just variations of the same philosophy. The transparency of the debate was Dole’s barb that Clinton was at first too insecure concerning foreign policy, a lap dog to the UN and then later he was too exclusive, not consulting with allies before launching missiles against Iraq last month. The Clinton/Dole debate was an exercise in hair splitting.

As any political scientist worth his salt will tell you, the Democrats and Republicans sit unusually close together on the political spectrum. European parties offer real and sharp differences among multiple parties, centrists, greens, right-wingers, communists, capitalists, you name it. While we have Coke and Pepsi, there’s only a whole beverage store of choice.

"Change" was the watchword for Clinton in ’92, and for the Republicans in ’94. Little has actually changed and that shouldn’t surprise anyone: elections are about perception, not reality. If a candidate talks about change, he can lure in progressives and reformers—but if you actually implement “change” on a broad scale you’ll cut into a large voting block of power, prestige and purse.

Dole made direct appeals to the Perot vote by calling Republicans the real reform party. In ’92 both Bush and Clinton fell all over themselves agreeing with Perot: "I’m with Ross on this," or "Like Mr. Perot I have an interest in that." What they want is clear: 19 percent of voters who cast their ballots for the feisty Texan.

But that’s only 19 percent of the people who voted. ’92 saw an increase in voter turnout, but it was still only 55 percent. What about those 45 percent who didn’t vote? Struggling third party candidates say a lot of their recruits aren’t Democrats or Republicans, but rather the disaffected, who haven’t been participating at all.

If you take the 45 percent of eligible people who didn’t vote in ’92 and add the 10 percent of Perot voters (55% of 19%), what you have is an electoral victory of 55 percent, ready-made for the third party or independent who taps into it.

But the math doesn’t always add up, and polls don’t measure the conviction of people. Watching Coke and Pepsi debate, my thoughts drifted to Dr. Pepper, Ross Perot, and how much more interesting this melee would be if we let the candidates who trust us to be reasonable people to enter the debate.

"Many people are dissatisfied with the choices they’ve been presented, but the majority of people will say, ‘I’ve got to vote either Republican or Democrat,’ and that’s what most people do," says Hal Bruno, with ABC News.

"There’s no choice," lament the public. Not between the media-imposed choice of Dole and Clinton, but how many of these disgruntled citizens look beyond the major party candidates to the treasure trove of minor parties available? Many, if not most, Independents are basically Libertarian in their philosophy, yet vote Republican; just as many environmentalists vote Democrat, but are really greens at heart. There’s also the Natural Law Party, Communist Party USA, US Taxpayers Party, or a horde of others. And if that’s not enough choice for you, start your own brand of political soda pop. It’s a free country, right?

Herein lies the irony. The US is supposedly the modern bastion of democracy, yet half our people don’t even care enough about the values we espouse abroad to vote. Even fewer care enough to study candidates in any great depth. Despite hard fights to grant everyone from non-hand owning folks to minorities to 18-year-olds the right to vote, it seems to all be for naught. How would you feel if you threw a party and only 55 percent of the people showed up?

The logical conclusion: democracy in this country isn’t working. But advance this conclusion to most people and they get real agitated. Criticism is often confused with complaint when questions of patriotism are raised. Strangely, the same people who defend the current system often fail to see the significance when the majority of people are fed up with a ‘democratically’ elected government. The very people who steadfastly defend democratic freedom, based on change, seem the most afraid of change in government.

Apologists for the excesses of modern US politics often begin and end their defense of American democracy as “the best system we have,” and insist that in democracies “things work out in the end.”

Democracy may be the best thing we have, but things do not always work out for the best. Hitler, embodiment of evil, gained his power democratically, through the ballot. Democracy is nothing if not mob government, and in the common people is essential to faith in democracy.

Does it work? Sometimes, but how good something works is a matter of degree, not black and white.

The Model T Ford, Commodore 64, and outdoor toilet were all once the best car, computer and sanitation systems we had. Instead of shrugging our shoulders and saying, “It’s the best we got,” we ought to be concerned with making our political system better. Improvement is essential to progress. Fear of what could be prevents us from exploring the possible.

Campaign reform provides a good start, including campaign finance reform so candidates aren’t forced to prostitute themselves to the major parties and the interest groups that line their pockets (this Congress brought to you by...). The current system allows the very rich to campaign nationally without becoming indebted to party politics.

Some other needed reforms: junk the electoral college, move election day to the weekend, and allow any candidate who can collect enough signatures to get on the ballot equal time in the media.

Keeping independents and minor parties out of debates must end, though I can’t cry too hard for Ross Perot, who wouldn’t debate any of his challengers in the Reform Party. Democrats and Republicans shouldn’t be the gatekeepers of who is or isn’t included in debates based on a reasonable chance of success, that’s supposed to be up to the people. Don’t they trust us to be reasonable?

We also need a proportional representation system that encourages, instead of squashes, third party and independent candidates. This would eliminate the scare tactic the status quo uses of claiming people are throwing their votes away if they don’t vote for the regime. The notion of democracy implies a choice, but let’s be honest, there’s no genuine choice between Democrats and Republicans gratifying the middle of political spectrum, trying to impersonate each other to pry away centrist voters.

Major parties enjoy a legalistic, monetary, and media monopoly. Winner-take-all democracy is no democracy.

We criticized the former Soviet Union for a lack of democracy, but they too conducted elections. People were given the false choice between communist A or communist B. Two options from the status quo offers no choice at all. Maybe that explains why most people don’t vote in this country.

Comparisons with the Soviet Union might anger, and taking lessons about democracy from Germany (on proportionality representation) might be unwise. But the corruption of the current political system behind blind patriotism won’t solve our problems. Honestly might.

But the sad part is perhaps no amount of tinkering will save democracy in this country. Maybe the truth is poor government can’t be blamed on a polarizing system that strongly favors money, but on a people who allowed it to overpower them.

If you really want change, have a buckeye. Don’t waste your vote on the major parties. Vote for a minor party, or write in Dick Lamm.
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Hemp was grown by Washington, Franklin, and Jefferson. Think of the industry, employment, and revenue it could generate today. Marijuana legalization would extinguish our national debt!

(Your name) is scheduled for Oct. 19 in Julia Davis Park.

—Wolf Von Hoffman, BSU Student

Celebrate HempFest!

The irrational prohibition of marijuana must cease! It is a dynamic natural resource which should be utilized for industrial, medicinal, and recreational purposes. Millions of displaced workers should be empowered to grow, harvest, and transform hemp into dozens of beneficial products generating billions of dollars.

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—Wolf Von Hoffman, BSU Student

Take a stand against nuke waste

On Aug. 18, our Sunday school had an ice cream social on the King Hill Presbyterian Church lawn. It was a family gathering with friends and neighbors.

As we were enjoying the occasion, we noticed a train going by, transporting tons of nuclear waste.

We were lucky this time as only soda ash escaped the three-mile west, three days earlier. Not only did a nuclear catastrophe cross my mind, but also a number of toxic chemical scenarios. More than 300 types of toxic chemicals are transported by rail through this area.

We were lucky this time an soda ash escaped into our beloved Snake River. But what about the next disaster? A toxic chemical spill could mean death and injury to many in the immediate area.

Please take a stand against the transportation and storage of nuclear waste in the state of Idaho and vote yes on Proposition Three in the coming election.

—Pamela Swenson, King Hill, Idaho

Editorial full of errors

I guess I shouldn’t expect fact-finding from a student paper, but the recent editorial, “Technology Overkill,” is filled with quite a few errors and misconceptions that could have easily been discovered with a little footwork.

1) University kills dixie-cut Internet access because of conspiracy/fanわtism fears.

Simple and mundane fact: the Data Center has staffing problems.

If you had checked the job listings last month, you would have seen a FOUR system analyst job open, one Unix admin, job, one Director of Information Services job, etc. E.g. -- Data Center is no longer able to keep up with what used to work, much less implementing new stuff.

2) Professors “increasingly” grading on appearance rather than content.

Maybe in the Humanities department. I guess I wonder why all these dink computers didn’t brainwash those foolish and ignorant professors during the previous six years I’ve been at BSU.

Quote from this semester’s multi-media class—“Use a maximum of two fonts per page. Anything else looks garish and amateurish.”

Quote from my graduate presentation class last semester—“Use a maximum of two fonts per page...”

3) Line of people waiting for lab time.

I’m currently sitting in the TS219 lab. There are 18 computers open. I just came from the E1212 lab. There were 6 computers open. In my half-dozen visits to the COH open lab, I had ZERO problems in getting a computer. In my two visits to the labs in the Education building, I had ZERO problems in getting a computer.

4) Money grows on trees (common undergraduate belief), i.e. “The obvious answer would be to increase spending.”

Please send your contribution to the Data Center, so that they might reduce their staffing turnover, since yes be filled with cash.

Pretty darn sad editorial. There’s a lot more factual evidence that the Feds murdered the Branch Davidians. I’m kind of disappointed in the dark, conspiratorial, yet unsupported and error-filled mood of this week’s rant.

- Renard L. Home
20 Years Worth of Western Poetry Available in Ahsahta Press Anthology

Want the words to Sheryl Crow’s hit “All I Wanna Do”? Then pick up a copy of “The Ahsahta Anthology” hot off the press. This just-released twentieth anniversary issue features the best of the West’s poetry, published by Ahsahta Press at Boise State University. It includes poet Wyn Cooper’s “Fun,” which supplied the lyrics to Crow’s Grammy-winning hit single.

Ahsahta Press publishes modern and contemporary poets from west of the Mississippi River. “The Ahsahta Anthology” showcases a West-in-poetry with which you may be unfamiliar, says Tom Trusky, founder and co-editor. “But other twentieth century classic poems in this collection depict the better known West, the West of dime novels, nuclear physicists at Los Alamos, Chief Joseph, the flagellant Penitente sect of Ahwahnee, and...”

Most of McFadden's comedy comes from his experiences in his hometown of Brooklyn, New York. His comedy can be described as being laced with real life fears about the ghettos and AIDS. McFadden began his comedy career as a way to get himself through college, but quickly became addicted to performing stand-up comedy.

McFadden has become a regular performer at the “Improv,” “Comic Strip Live 2” and at “Def Comedy Jam.” He has a long list of television appearances including guest spots on “Arsenio Hall,” “Hangin’ with Mr. Cooper” and “Martin.”

The event is sponsored by the Boise State Student Programs Board Comedy Committee and the 1996 Homecoming Committee.

BSU Radio broadcasts debates on 1 Percent Initiative

The 1 Percent property tax initiative will provide the focus of two live town-hall debates to be aired by BSU Radio Oct. 16 and 23 on 91.5 FM in the Treasure Valley and 91.7 FM in Twin Falls.

The one-hour broadcasts will be moderated by BSU Statehouse News Bureau Chief Steve Jess and Jim Weatherby, director of the ISU public affairs program.

The first broadcast, exploring the fairness of Idaho’s tax system, will begin at 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16, in the Hannwell room of the ISU Student Union. Ron Rankin, author of the initiative, will defend the proposition. A leading opponent of the initiative also will be present.

The second debate, which deals with the possible effects of the initiative should it pass, will begin at 8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 23, in the Canyon Building at the college of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. Laird Maxwell will represent the pro-initiative perspective; he’ll debate a leading initiative opponent. This debate will be televised in the Twin Falls area on CSI’s channel 19.

Limited seating will be available in both locations for audience members who will have the opportunity to ask questions and make comments. The listening audience will also be able to pose questions via telephone on a toll-free number 1-888-859-KHST and by e-mail at idahradio@idbsu.idbsu.edu.

For more information, phone 344-3961.

Frank Church conference to look at global water issue

Water, one of the world’s most precious resources, will be the focus of the next Frank Church Conference on Public Affairs at Boise State University. “Troubled Waters: Preserving Life’s Most Essential Resource” will be from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14. in the BSU Student Union. Admission is free.

Topics include global water quality, salmon survival, water law, the politics of water, irrigation and agricultural practice, industrial water pollution and other issues.

Keynote speaker Alan Thun Dunning, executive director of Northwest Environment Watch and author of the newly released book “This Place on Earth,” will give an address at 9:30 a.m. on “Water, The States, and The State of the Water.” Northwest Environment Watch is a Seattle-based non-profit research organization that seeks to foster a sustainable economy and way of life in the Pacific Northwest.

Other conference presenter include James Likatowski of Adler Park consulting in Washington state, Philip Williams of International Rivers network, Christine Rosen of the University of California at Berkeley, Boise attorney Jeffery Fercddy and Keith Anderson, a consulting engineer and geologist. ISU professors in history, political science and geosciences also will serve as panelists and moderators.

The Frank Church conference brings scholars, journalists, activists and former government and military leaders to BSU to discuss pressing issues in the world today. An endowment for the conference was established in 1981 to honor the ideals of the late Sen. Frank Church. The conference focus on water’s critical role in our quality of life will continue this spring with a major keynote speaker.

As a pre-conference preview, the University is showing a tape of the PBS satellite presentation “Sharing the Earth’s Water Supply” from 6-9 p.m. Nov. 6 in the Student Union. The PBS program explores the often unrecognized factors-historical, ethical, legal and cultural - that influence our decisions about water use.

BSU students can credit for attendance through the Division of Continuing Education.

For a schedule of events, call 385-3775, send e-mail to phkeber@idbsu.idbsu.edu or visit the conference Web site at http://www.idbsu.edu/plain/frankchurch.html.

Visual Arts League seeks members

Art students and those interested in art can now seek membership in the Visual Arts League. For a $10 a semester, interested students can join the three-year old club. The club is dedicated "to provide and outlet for artists to express their artistic diversity" according to club secretary Marie Boyle.

The 22 member group is looking to provide learning experiences in art and to give members a chance to exhibit their works. Juried exhibitions, live model drawing sessions, and guest speakers are on the club agenda for this year.

The club meets every other Thursday and those interested should watch for flyers in the Arts West and Liberal Arts Buildings.
**TECHNICALLY SPEAKING**

**Student Residential Life Undergoes High-tech Tune up**

**by Dan Kelsey**

**Staff Writer**

Improving computer services has been the order of business these past few months for Boise State University’s Student Residential Life. Upgrades involving computers, printers, software, and network connection are all part of a technology facelift designed to keep pace with the needs of students living on campus.

Starting this past summer, SRL spread eight new machines around their computer laboratories located in Chaffee, Driscoll, Morrison, and Towers halls. The University Village Apartment’s laboratory also received a new computer. The new Pentium-class Microns cast a withering shadow over the remaining 486s still in use. The snappy PCs offer 100-megahertz speed, vast hard drives, six-speed CD ROM drives, and graphics to tickle any gamer’s fancy.

The latest Macs boast equally impressive statistics. Keeping pace at 90 and 100-megahertz respectively, while presenting Apple’s famed graphic capabilities, these PowerMacs can also read IBM-formatted disks, allowing document conversion between platforms.

For those campus residents who dream of receiving e-mail and Internet services on their own computers, SRL provides network connections to the residence rooms. Students who supply the necessary network card and cable can be hooked up and surf the Net in no time.

One web surfer who recently caught the networking wave is Mike Sieber. “I saw this as a gateway to broaden my knowledge,” said Sieber, when describing why he requested his computer be plugged into the school’s network.

Now littered with icons representing his favorite web hangouts, Sieber’s computer desktop reveals its attachment to the Internet. And, although he admits to being a bit behind the learning curve for navigating the World Wide Web, Sieber proudly acknowledges discovering much of the material needed for an upcoming English paper on the Net.

Besides the convenience of utilizing campus resources from his room, Sieber believes it’s a good deal, too. Approximately $75 will deliver free use of the Internet to a student’s personal computer, at speeds their modern modems can’t even dream of.

Currently, about four to five student residents request network hookups per week. For interested parties, a detailed checklist explaining how to merge onto the information highway is available at each hall’s front desk.

University Village Apartment’s residents shouldn’t feel left out, however. Connection to the fiber-optic backbone will soon link the Village computer laboratory to the same resources enjoyed by students across the street. This first phase will take place within the current academic year, if not by the end of the semester, said Greg Mead, Student Residential Life’s technology coordinator and Towers Hall resident director.

In a second phase, Mead said, the fiber will be extended to a percentage of apartments at Village, but probably not to all the buildings. A time frame for apartment room connections has not yet been set, however.

The computing future for BSU residents comes further into focus as Mead outlined SRL’s goal for piecing together a complex technology puzzle. The implementation of a cross-platform network server will provide a key piece to that puzzle, said Mead.

Housed in Towers Hall, the beef box from Micron will run Windows NT as its network operating system and provide services for the Mac and PC computers available in SRL’s laboratories.

Sporting a 166-megahertz Pentium processor packing 200 megabytes of RAM. If this speed demon were a car, it wouldn’t be street legal. Despite its horsepower, the server’s first duty of providing print services equates more to a warm-up lap. Currently, each laboratory requires two printers—one for the Macs, located at the hall’s front desk, and one for the PCs, located in the laboratory itself. Running Windows NT at the server provides a single-printer solution. Both types of computers will then print to the front desk of their respective halls, explained Mead.

The hall directors are anxious to move printers out of the computer laboratories. Controlling paper and toner costs represents a significant issue, said Rebecca Hancock, resident director of Chaffee Hall. Large quantities of non-academic materials spew from printers located inside the laboratories.

SRL currently pays for all the paper and toner consumed by students. However, they are unwilling to charge students for printing, SRL believes implementing the print server will give them better control over these mounting costs.

Mead expects the print server to become operational this semester.

However, the server will soon be shifted out of neutral when it begins providing file and application services for SRL’s laboratory computers. This role became necessary when SRL decided to change the software available on those machines. The old standby WordPerfect will be taken off and replaced with the Microsoft Office suite, an SRL source said.

Yet almost half of the laboratory computers lack the space to contain bundled applications like Office. The server, acting as a central depository for programs such as Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, can extend the lives of older computer’s outfitted with smaller hard drives.

Mead believes that by providing Microsoft Office on both types of computers, SRL will see longer life expectancies from its computers, and students may find it easier to use a different type of machine, Mac or PC. This would prove beneficial when a student isn’t able find an open seat at the computer type of his or her choice. The look and feel of the Office programs transfers between platforms, giving the crowded-out student the ability to run familiar applications on an unfamiliar computer platform.

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Students using the hall laboratories should find the new software implemented by next semester, sources said.

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In defining the key components to SRL’s technology mission statement, both Mead and Hancock agreed providing computer service and support to students stands as a priority. By accomplishing this, both directors stated SRL will have played an active part in “supporting a student’s educational goals and enhancing the resident’s experience” at BSU.
Senator Pro-Tempore resigns his post

by Asencion Ramirez
News Editor

After a year and a half of service, pro-tem Senator Dave Sneddon has resigned his post and all other participation in the ASBSU Senate. Sneddon, a senior in political science, cited his closeness to graduation and time away from his family as reasons. He tendered his resignation at the ASBSU Senate meeting last Thursday Oct. 10.

"He tried to get everybody to be more active," said his wife Sherry. "(He) isn't there to shove his point of view down your throat."

Sneddon's wife, children and mother were among those present at the meeting. Others in attendance included ASBSU President Dan Nabors, Events Coordinator Mary Beth Connell, Joe Frye from Publications Board, and family friends.

Sneddon was prolific sponsor of legislation. Among the items he sponsored or cosponsored were bills that would guarantee equal funding to BSU religious organizations; provide free local public phone calls to students (a bill that was, according to him, "devastating in committee"); redefine the role of the ASBSU public liaison which led in turn to the creation of the Emergency Student Fund; and provide students with two guest tickets to university sports events. Sneddon also lobbied for funds that would send the BSU women's flag football champions to national competition.

Sneddon also brought a number of gifts for his fellow senators. He presented Senators Christine Starr and Michael Peña certificates of appreciation. Starr received hers for the amount of work she'd taken on. Peña was a recipient for giving the蛋白 in his "reality checks."

Senator LeVering was among those given a gavel. The other recipient of a gavel/meat tenderizer was ASBSU secretary Marj Billings for "being the true power at ASBSU."

One source, who asked to remain anonymous, said that it was not unusual for senators to resign their posts during the semester. Typically one senator resigns midway through the term, usually for personal reasons.

Charge of rape against BSU student dropped

Prosecutor says discussions about DNA tests prompted decision

... Wright, in a telephone interview from Boise, said his defense has cost almost $30,000 to date for private investigators, a polygraph test, expert witnesses and attorney fees.

A hearing on several defense motions, including one to admit the lie detector test that strongly indicated Wright was telling the truth about what happened the night of Oct. 15, 1995, was to have been held [on the afternoon of Oct. 9].

... when it (the decision to drop the charges) came, Wright, now 29, said he was excited, but also aware that he will have to live with the charges the rest of his life. "It's been haunting me for 12 months," he said. "A day and a half of media coverage isn't going to make it go away. People still have their prejudices."

Wright said he is bitter toward three people for allowing this to happen: the woman who accused him, the detective "for his incompetence and for refusing to investigate all sides of the issue," and Rosen for not taking "the time out to look at this case to make the decision a year ago that she made today."

"Somebody like (the woman) can make a false accusation and know that her name won't be in the media and know that I won't have any recourse, and finally if by some fluke of nature I was convicted, she could file a civil suit against me," Wright said.

... "I'll be the first to admit that I made a poor decision to have a sexual relation with someone I didn't know well and that's a decision I'll have to live with the rest of my life. But I don't think my decision merits to let (the woman) abuse the system in the way she did."
**Parking garage stalled**

**by Mick Riffe**  
**Special to The Arbiter**

BSU will not receive the planning money for a student services building or parking garage, as originally incorporated into the university’s 1998 budget. In a meeting on September 19, the State Board of Education decided not to approve the request for the planning funds.

The State Board’s chief financial officer, Keith Hasselquist, says the decision is based primarily on the constraints imposed by limited funds. The money would have come from the Permanent Building Fund, which was created through state lottery revenues and sin taxes like those imposed on tobacco products. These are not sources that provide increasing levels of revenue. The amount of money they bring in is about the same every year. While the Permanent Building Fund represents the primary source for construction of new state buildings, it is also used to support major maintenance projects like fixing leaky roofs. Other state construction projects, such as correctional facilities, compete with education requests for money from the fund.

**AIDS awareness month brings ACLU leader to town**

**by Erin Burden**  
**Staff writer**

Matt Coles, Director of the National American Civil Liberties Union legal efforts for gay and lesbian rights and AIDS projects, will speak at the Red Lion Riverside Saturday, October 19. The presentation is for the second of Idaho’s awards banquets, recognizing outstanding civil liberties leaders and their accomplishments.

Before awards to Idaho citizens are presented, Coles will address the issue of “Civil Liberties and Gay Rights: Where Do We Go From Here?”

Coles has helped lead campaigns to pass important non-discrimination and domestic partnership laws, and has served as a key figure in cases involving gay and lesbian rights.

“Mr. Coles assisted in the successful U.S. Supreme Court challenge to Colorado’s anti-gay amendment, was lead attorney in important AIDS/HIV cases, and has argued two of the challenges to the military ‘don’t ask, don’t tell’ policy now before federal appeals courts,” said Brian Benquist, event master of ceremonies and former chairperson of the No on 1 Coalition.

Among the honors being given out are awards for Leadership in Protecting and Advancing Civil Liberties and Reproductive Rights in Idaho, and Leadership in Advancing the Civil Rights of Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual People in Idaho.

**Professor gives lessons in body language**

**by Dana Hildeman**  
**Special to The Arbiter**

Why don’t men sit with their legs crossed and hands folded on their laps or women with their legs spread open and hands behind their heads? Furthermore, what does this have to do with the faculty at Boise State University?

Janet Mills could tell you. She has been a professor of Public Administration since 1989 at BSU, teaching courses in group dynamics, cre-
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Homecoming Events

Wednesday, Oct. 16

Noon — Pep Rally and announcement of the BSU Homecoming Court at the SUB. Keith Stein Blue Thunder Marching Band and Harvey Neef Main Line Dancers will perform, followed by a fashion show by the homecoming court candidates.

4 p.m. — Mountain Bike Polo on the BSU Intramural Recreation Field (behind the SUB).

Thursday, Oct. 17

4 p.m. — 4-Player Volleyball at the BSU Sand Volleyball Courts. (In case of bad weather, the tournament will be held inside the Pavilion Auxiliary Gym.)

6 p.m. — Join Coach Tom Mason at Mike’s Hillcrest Restaurant & Lounge for insight into the homecoming game.

8 p.m. — BSU Homecoming Dance in the SUB Jordan Ballroom. Music by Fantasia Sight & Sound, photographs by Dorian and refreshments will all be available. Tickets cost $4 for students, $7 general, and can be obtained from the Student Union Building Information Desk.

9 p.m. — Coronation of the BSU Homecoming King and Queen at the SUB Jordan Ballroom.

Friday, Oct. 18

Noon — Decade of the ’40s Reunion luncheon at the SUB.

5 p.m. — Reception for the Decade of the ’40s Reunion at the SUB Gallery.

5 p.m. — Alumni Juried Art Reception at the SUB Gallery.

5 p.m. — Family Night at The Grove, with family entertainment by Muzie Braun and Summerwind Skippers. Hot food and beverages will be served.

5 p.m. — Beverage gardens open up at 8th Street Marketplace’s Homecoming Celebration for BSU.

6 p.m. — Live music by BSU Alumni will form part of 8th Street Marketplace’s Homecoming Celebration for BSU.

6:30 p.m. — College of Business & Economics alumni gather at Main Street Bistro to watch the parade.

7 p.m. — BSU Volleyball vs. UC-Irvine, in the Pavilion.

7 p.m. — Twilight Homecoming Parade will start at 12th and Idaho streets, with more than 50 entries working their way down Idaho Street, along 5th Street to Main Street, down Main Street to 12th, and finally up 12th to Idaho.

10 p.m. — Bonfire at Front and Myrtle streets.

Saturday, Oct. 19

10 a.m. — 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament at Bronco Gym.

10:30 a.m. — Decade of the ’40s Reunion Brunch at the SUB.

2 p.m. — BSU Volleyball vs. Cal State Fullerton in the BSU Pavilion.

3 p.m. — Alumni Tailgate Party at The Ram. Alumni band will provide entertainment.

5 p.m. — Cimmaron Pregame Chili Feed north of Bronco Stadium. $2.

7:05 p.m. — Homecoming game, BSU vs. Utah State at Bronco Stadium.

Five men, five women vie for the title of royalty

by Ascencion Ramirez
Senior staff writer

Early Americans once fought a war to do away with royalty, but once the sights and sounds of tall roll around their descendants develop a penchant for coronating two of their own as king and queen. BSU is no different in this respect and the homecoming committee has narrowed the royal field down to 10 candidates, five hombres and five ladies. The selection was based on grueling interviews, conducted under lava lamps.

The candidates were judged on their campus and community involvement, scholastic achievements, school spirit, and composure and appearance while under duress, or hot lava lamps anyway.

Here now, in no particular order except that dictated by the universe, are ten of Boise State's finest and brightest:

Gary “Lance” Ogren—Lance a junior from Crescent City, California majors in Interdisciplinary Studies. This son of Gary Ogren and Gloria Hansen has been nominated by Campus Crusade for Christ, the International Student Association, Student Productions, Baptists Campus Ministries, and the Honors Student Association.

Ty Thompson—Ty is a senior majoring in International Business. From the town of Burley, his parents are Craig and Mary Thompson. Nominated by the College Christian Club, Ty enjoys serving as a ski coach for the Special Olympics. When he isn’t at Towers Hall in his role as a Resident Advisor (RA) he likes working on his golf game or playing volleyball.

Chad Wright—The Physical Education Majors Club favors Chad as their selection for homecoming king. The son of Donald Wright and Deb Rouze, he is an RA for Chaffee Hall. Formerly from Buhl, Chad coaches the ladies flag football team. Chad has also been nominated for “Who’s Who among American College and University Students.”

T.J. Thomson—Hailing from Idaho Falls, T.J. was selected by Towers Hall Government as their candidate. He serves as at-large Senator for ASBSSU, and was one of Idaho’s delegates to the Democratic National Convention. He is involved with Into the Streets and with representing students for the upcoming elections. His father is Lynne Thomson.

Tim Foley—Aрtesia, New Mexico, is the hometown of this former Big Sky All-Conference safety. Sponsored by the Construction Management Association, Tim is a senior this year. His parents are Jim and Maureen Foley. When he isn’t busy at school, Tim enjoys spending time with his wife and watching sports.

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The Praying Mantis opens BSU theater season

by Josh Casten
Hootenanny Editor

BSU's Theatre Arts Department opens its season with The Praying Mantis, a play by Chilean playwright Alejandro Sieveking and directed by Associate Professor Ann Hoste.

The play centers around three sisters who all desire a husband desperately. The family legacy, however, is tainted, and the family is seen as cursed by the local residents.

The play opens with two of the sisters, Llalla and Lina, played well by Sara Bruner and Monica Mason, respectively, in mourning after their suitors died amongst questionable circumstances. The two sisters in fact, killed their boyfriends, mistaking them for intruders.

Now the third sister Adela, has a suitor. The sisters are all in a flutter to see a young, handsome man in their home, and Llalla and Lina can barely contain themselves from coming on to Juan. In fact each of them propositions Juan when left alone with him.

What ensues is a delightful comedy of manners, as Juan learns more about Adela's family than he expected to.

However, there is one problem, a fourth sister, who the sisters describe as a freak and a monster, locked up in a room. Teresa wails, interrupting Juan's thoughts at all the wrong times. When he asks about Teresa, the sisters quickly change the subject or tell him outright to forget it, that it's nothing really.

As the second act ensues, he tone of the play changes dramatically, as it becomes darker and twisted. Adela convinces Juan to rob the bank where he works to pay for a trip "far, far away." It becomes obvious that Adela seems to love the idea of leaving more than Juan. Her charming, sensual nature is warped and we see her as manipulative and cold. Amber Hartley does a fine job of displaying Adela's multi-faceted nature.

Aparicio, the girls' father, appears and illuminates us on Teresa's condition. After his wife died delivering the malformed daughter, Aparicio's condition deteriorates almost completely. But his view of Teresa is much different than that of his three other daughters. "She's a saint! She's too good for this world, for this house..." To Aparicio, Teresa is pure, a thing of wonder.

Through all of this, Juan, played by Isaac Perelson, remains delightfully nervous and inquisitive, still surprised by how a simple visit to his fiancée's home got so bizarre. Ultimately, he is left a lone and Teresa beckons to him from beyond her door. He enters her room, much to the horror of the sisters who return to pull him out.

Juan, and the audience, learn more about the true nature of Teresa. The conclusions Juan draws, so different from the sisters, is equally as correct. The audience also comes to learn the truth about the murders of the two suitors.

Ultimately, The Praying Mantis becomes a question, asking "Who is better qualified to judge beauty?" Teresa has ruined the lives of Llalla, Lina and now Adela, but it is equally true that she is a being without equal. Does she deserve to be incarcerated or exalted? The answer to that question is left up to the viewer to decide.

Technically, the play is well done. Scene designer Stephen R. Buss, Ann Hoste as costume designer, and lighting designer Phil Atlakson's efforts combine well to give the audience a great spectacle.

The cast is excellent, Nick Garcia as Aparicio conveys the despair and pain inflicted by the birth of this wonder. Perelson works through Juan's journey from naive to dark enlightenment with ease. The nature of the three sisters, Adela as sensuality, Llalla as the nurturer and Lina as logic, comes out clearly.

The play will continue its run in Morrison Center Stage II tonight through Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets prices are $7.50 general and $5.50 students and seniors.

Ænima is Tool at their best

by Josh Casten
Hootenanny Editor

Tool is back with their second release, Ænima. The band again displays its precise musicianship in a somber, disturbed setting.

These musicians, as a friend of mine once said, are full of hate. Vengeance and anger run rampant in Maynard James Keenan's lyrics and the pummeling music that accompanies them. Possibly more disturbing are the occasional moments of musical euphoria, of satisfaction in giving in to the dark side of the psyche.

Ænima opens with "Stinkfist," one of the most straightforward and best songs on the record. It's Tool at their best: powerful, disturbed, hard and melodic.


Tool's experimental, atmospheric side comes into play on a handful of non-music tracks, especially "Message to Harry Manback" and "Die Eier von Satan," a German language spoken word rant.

The emotional focus of the album lies in "Forty Six & 2, " "Jimmy, " "Push It" and the stirring title track. Keenan summons the elements to destroy the west coast, exclaiming "I'm praying for rain, I'm praying for tidal waves! I want to see the ground give way, I want to see it all go down."

Tool has engaged in a little more musical diversity on their second outing. The mean riffs and off-kilter rhythms are more musically obscure than the bulk of Undertow. It means you'll have to listen to Ænima at least four or five times to appreciate it completely. But it's a wise investment of time.
Nada Surfs a mean groove
by Seth Jaquith
Staff Writer

Open all doors and windows, boost all levels, push the gain into the red, drink 12 cups of coffee, and flow with the crushing audio wave of Nada Surf's High/Low. The first two songs are guaranteed to make you move your body, bob your neck like a chicken, tap your big toe, or whatever you do when you go crazy and rock out. This band makes me think about dropping out of school and jumping back into the screwed-up business of music. Not many bands elicit that effect, but No Doubt exerts exactly the same effect on me.

It's no joke. The first two songs, "Deeper Well" and "The Plan," come across as fantastic. The rhythms move beyond the infectious; the guitars squeeze the crunch and munch the munch; the drums stay in the pocket, laying down the beat; and the bass player rides along sculpting the groove, like an ice cream scoop flowing through marbled whipped cream. The vocals sit perfectly on top of it all, communicating dark sentiments and desires to "leave this place."

By now you are probably thinking, "Man, he sure is hyping up those first two songs; what about the rest of the CD?" Well, the reasons for showcasing the first two cuts include the fact that they're the two best songs, and the CD seems to lose energy after the fifth track. However, "Icebox," the seventh song, is cool. This release includes ten songs, so by process of elimination that leaves four my ears are not too crazy about. Not bad. However, I am being a bit unfair to these four grooves, because they are good; it's just that the others sound great.

And yes, this is the band responsible for the hit single, "Popular," the song with the talking in it, telling the "cheerleader chick" she could have every boy in the world if she follows the "teen-age guide to popularity." This song serves as a great third track, allowing the CD to down-shift into Nada Surf's parody of adolescence and high school life.

Ric Ocasek of The Cars who turned the knobs on Weezer's debut, produced this.

Fountains of Wayne pour forth giddy pop
by Asencion Ramirez
Senior Staff Writer

When first catching the preview for Tom Hanks' directorial debut "That Thing You Do," I spent the entire time trying to figure out if it was dealing with a true story or not. When I couldn't place their song in my catalogue of bubble gum rock, I decided it was a fabricated tale. I also decided that if Idaho's DJs got a hold of the song they'd play it into the ground. If anyone doubts me, just look at any of last year's classic pop hits. More people know the words to "Breakfast at Tiffany's" and the theme song to "Friends" than the national anthem.

But enough on the failing of Idaho's DJs. Someone had to write the theme song, and that person was Adam Schlesinger, one-half of Fountains Of Wayne. Director Tom Hanks held a contest to find the title track for his film, and selected Schlesinger's song out of a thousand other submissions. This October, Schlesinger teams with an old band mate, Chris Collingwood, to release the self-titled album Fountains Of Wayne.

The duo have dubbed themselves a "grunge Everly Brothers" and the similarity trickles through on songs like "She's Got a Problem" and "Sink to the Bottom." The melancholy tracks rely more on lyrics and vocals than music."I know a girl who you've got to keep an eye on. Every time she goes outside she barely gets home alive. She's got a problem and she's gonna do something dumb," sing Collingwood and Schlesinger. Their voices work well together and often seem to come together, producing a much larger sound ala the Everly Brothers.

Other highlight tracks include "Radiation Vibe," a song about picking up a girl on the rebound, and "I've Got a Flair," a buoy-drove girl-crazy-by-pulling-her-hair song. Another good track is "Leave the Biker," a hilarious and desperate tune involving all the beautiful girls tied to Neanderthal boyfriends to "Leave the biker, break his heart."

Fountains Of Wayne give an A+ effort and deliver a fun, mellow album. There are a few exceptions however, among them "Joe Rey," an annoying song that includes the rhyme "came from Spain in the frozen rain." While it includes a good message about those guys who pose as cool for no apparent reason, the cacophony of the A sound is enough to make you want to skip over it and the two songs that follow. The other big exception is "You Curse at Girls," which sounds too whiny in its opening to even give the song a chance.

A final note on Schlesinger: there's an old Mexican proverb that says, "Tell me who your friends are and I'll tell you who you are." Well, among Adam's closest cohorts are James Iha and D'Arcy Wretzky of Smashing Pumpkins. The trio are partners in Scratchie Records, a label the Pumpkin mates started as a side project.

Bragg's William Blode a mixed bag
by Seth Jaquith
Staff Writer

Oh no, Morrissey!

That was the first thing that went through my mind upon hearing this. To be honest, Morrissey has never stood high on my list of favorites. I tried to start an anti-Morrissey club down at Humboldt State, but it didn't take off. However, I was not going to give in to my Morrissey hatred so easily, and decided to give Billy Bragg's William Blode a chance.

Among my favorites on this CD are, "From Red to Blue," "Upfield," and "A Pict Song." Lyrically, these songs sound great. "From Red to Blue" seems a message from Bragg's old self to his new one after becoming a father. It embodies a thoughtful meditation on how people change. "Upfield" depicts a struggle between heart and head, and the attempt to rise above that conflict. And, in "A Pict Song," Bragg borrows some words from Rudyard Kipling which explain how "the little folk" can bring down the state: "We are the worm in the wood!/ We are the rot in the root!/ We are the taint in the blood!/ We are the thorn in the foot!” Good stuff.

However, after giving William Blode an honest listening, it still didn't crack my eggs. At one point, the CD started to win some favor with strong songwriting and thoughtful lyrics. But it was unable to pull out of the stylistic nose-dive it was doomed to after floating through these ears. Strangely, the music and vocals sound tasteful, and Bragg's lyrics are great. It's just a matter of taste. Fans of Morrissey and bands like The Cure would probably enjoy it. 
Liner Notes

Student-produced horror film to debut at BSU Friday

“Wedding Night,” a four-minute silent film written, edited, directed and co-produced by BSU student Daniel C. Garcia, will be shown for the first time at 7:00 and 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct 18 in the BSU Special Events Center.

Garcia, a mass communication major from Caldwell, began the project because of his interest in film and video courses he has taken at BSU. The film will be shown before “From Dusk Till Dawn,” the feature presentation and part of the series of film offered by the Student Programs Board.

Garcia’s film presents the story of a newlywed couple on their wedding night. The young bride discovers her new husband is a vampire, and must fight for her life in a classic confrontation of good vs. evil. Rebecca Prescott and Phillip Townsend star as the bride and groom.

Christopher Scott Fyan worked as director of photography, editor and co-producer of “Wedding Night.” BSU Communication professor and University Television Productions adviser Pete Lutze, served as general director, and a crew of more than a dozen provided assistance in producing the film.

Admission for the double feature is $1 per person and plan on staying the two full hours.

“For more information regarding auditions, rehearsals or the performance, call Lisa McDonald at 385-3655.

Subscriptions available to Chamber Music Series

The Boise Chamber Music series offers a small number of season tickets to new subscribers. The series, now in its 12th season in the Morrison Center Recital Hall, hosts touring performances by some of the country’s best chamber music groups.

Auditions will be held for the fairy-tale classic “Jack and the Beanstalk” from 4-6 p.m. in the BSU Special Events Center. Children in grades K-12 are encouraged to try out for the roles of Jack, the magic harp, the giant, farmers, merchants, magic beans and circus performers. Back-stage positions are also available, including stage managers and assistant directors. Overall, more than 50 kids will be able to participate in the production.

All hopeful cast members should arrive at 4 p.m. and plan on staying the two full hours. Rehearsals will begin immediately after the auditions, and will continue nightly culminating with two performances on Saturday, Nov. 2.

Paulette Sand and Stephen Scoble, profession-
Sawtooth Backcountry:
A journey with the Outsiders
by Clint Miller
staff writer

I love to get away, into the woods. Backpacking is a great way to accomplish just this. When I saw a flyer in the Outdoor Recreation Center advertising for people to go backpacking, I jumped at the chance. It turned out that Dave Boyer, manager of the ORC, was the man behind the flyer. He was looking for people to go with him to the Sawtooth Wilderness Area. I knew my friend, Chris, would also want to accompany us. An experienced packer, he loves a good backcountry hike. April found out about the trip through the Outsiders. She had been on this trail before and knew it well. It turned out to be a trip we would not soon forget.

That Friday, around noon, we loaded all our gear into Dave's Bronco. Then we hit the road, taking State Street to Highway 21. I love the drive up this road. It offers a scenic drive through rolling hills, with many small towns dotting the roadside. These include Idaho City, which offers great places to stop for a little antique shopping and some lessons about Idaho's history.

This roadway seems like an amusement park for outdoor lovers. Anything one could dream of can be found along this particular route: a variety of hikes through the mountains; places to park and go cross-country skiing in the winter; and the ever-popular Givens Hot Springs, which were great for relaxing our muscles after three days of hiking.

After the scenic drive, we arrived at the Stanley Lake trailhead, which felt like the gate to another world. On one side of the trail's gate, were the campers and the cars, lit by cigarette-lighter TVs. On the other side lay the undisputed beauty of land that has not changed in hundreds of years, a surrealistic beauty to which no picture can do justice.

Beyond the trailhead arose our only real concern: our survival. Everything we would need for the next three days sat on our backs; no going to McDonald's for a quick dinner. I felt a sense of freedom unavailable in the city, the paradoxical freedom of depending on Dave, Chris and April for the next three days. We didn't have the options of a quick-fix society.

We walked through the lower grasslands leading to the lower-mountain trees. Dave and I talked about our goals for the Outsiders club. We determined to create other experiences like this hike to give this opportunity to other students. Dave, who has his bachelor's degree in recreation, expressed the same interests. He also helped get the Outsiders started this year at BSU. April was one of the first members. And as we hiked, the club was off to a good beginning.

Soon we came to a split in the trail. The less-used path provided the key to our destination. That trail pointed straight to the jagged peaks of the Sawtooth range. A sign told us that Alpine Lake lay at its end. We neared the peaks like pilgrims approaching a temple, covered by their towering shadows.

The first night we set up camp in a small grove of trees, reminiscent of the circle of trees ancient druids worshipped in. April and Dave set up one tent while Chris went to find the stream that would supply our water source for the night's cooking. Dave took his water purifying pump and filled all the jugs. That pump was the handiest little gadget for backpack camping. Small and light, it made the water taste so much better than those iodine pills my dad used when I was a kid.

That night, Dave and Chris cooked up spaghetti and meat in tomato sauce over backpack stoves, which cooked hotter than any fire. We sat on logs surrounding the makeshift camp kitchen. The meal was filling, high in the carbohydrates we would burn hiking the next day. April and Dave then made a cheese cake for dessert—also filling.

The next morning, we awoke dehydrated by Dave. Raw meat would have gone bad. He described the process. First, take hamburger and brown it in a frying pan. Then drain the grease. Spread the hamburger over a cookie sheet and let it dry in the oven at 175 degrees. The slow cooking requires about 4 to 5 hours.

I provided the camp entertainment, setting myself ablaze by standing too close to the camp stove. The bottom of my pants caught on fire.

The next morning we woke to a chill in the air. It was colder than a polar bear's bum. But to warm our bodies, we had coffee—a treat usually reserved for home. Dave brought his handy camp percolator and we made coffee over the camp stove.

That morning was one of those times when I did not want to get out of my sleeping bag. I curled up with my coffee and warmed up before making breakfast. The morning was bright, with not a sound in the world. It seemed as if everything had stopped, except for us. Dave came into camp after a morning stroll in the woods. He informed us that he had seen hunters clad in the bright orange. Chris and April were already set on making breakfast, but I stayed in my sleeping bag until the last possible second. After a breakfast of oatmeal and coffee, we broke camp and set off for the rest of our journey.

The first challenge on our path was a large creek. It was more like a miniature river, criss-crossed from one bank to another by fallen logs. Since I have pretty good balance, the crossing of the creek would have presented no problem. But with a 35-pound backpack, the creek provided more of a challenge. The pack seemed to throw my center of gravity off. It really wanted to pull me into the creek. I went on the log, slowly, watching every step to keep from slipping. Fortunately, I didn't fall in. There were times, though, I thought I was going to be a wet duck.

We walked up the side of the mountain. The trail kept getting steeper; the peaks of the mountains closer. The hike became a meditation: the only thoughts going through my head were about the beauty of the peaks. We stopped every 45 minute, sat on a grassy knoll or a fat log, and ate trail mix, a combination of peanuts, raisins,
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Cattle producers blast USDA

A Wiser cattle producer helped ranchers and farmers across the West pack a Miles City, Mont. sale barn, and send Grain Inspection Packers and Stockyards Administrator Jim Baker a message.

"Cow/calf operators are more threatened than ever before," said Mabel Dobbs, a rancher from Wiser and member of the Idaho Rural Council. "If something isn't done, they will go the way of the broiler chicken industry and the pork industry, where people raise and produce the product for a few large firms. Nearly 100 percent of the broilers produced for sale are contract grown, and I don't want that to happen to our cattle producers."

Currently, three major meat packers—IBP, ConAgra and Cargill—control more than 80 percent of the slaughter cattle market. In 1921, the Packers and Stockyards Act was passed, in response to five companies controlling just 40 percent of the slaughter market.

"I definitely feel that 80 percent of any market is monopolistic," Dobbs said.

IRC and the Western Organization of Resource Councils have called upon US Department of Agriculture secretary Dan Glickman and administrator Jim Baker to put rules in place that would help bring about an open and fair public market for butcher and feeder cattle.

WORC is a federation of six western, grassroots organizations that have been working on the problem of concentration in the beef packing industry for over five years. IRC represents Idaho in this federation. Other states belonging to the federation are Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Many attending the meeting made angry comments about the USDA not doing enough to ensure a healthy and competitive market.

"Section 202 of the Packers and Stockyards Act has some of the strongest and most specific anti-trust language in the books," said Cecil Weeding, a former Montana state senator and livestock producer from Jordan, Mont. "USDA has the current authority to enforce the P&S Act. We do not need new legislation or amendments to laws. We need senators and congressmen to represent the cattle industry and tell Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman that he has to enforce the anti-trust laws that are on the books first. We don't have time to wait. We need USDA action now."

USDA lawyers say they are afraid to develop the rules in the face of a possible lawsuit from the packers. The lawyers say any lawsuit brought would be too expensive for the government.

"If you or I violated the law, they'd be on us tomorrow, but when huge corporations break the law, USDA sits on its hands," Dobbs said.

"USDA should look at how much is lost in tax dollars to federal and state treasuries because livestock prices are low," Dobbs said. She noted that main street businesses are also suffering from losses.

Baker got little support at the meeting. When one of the other speakers, Mike Calicrate, a cattle feeder from Kansas and spokesperson for the Cattlemen's Legal Defense Fund, asked if there was anyone in the packed room who thought the problem was over-supply, the response was grim faces and not one raised hand.

Calicrate and the other speakers all concluded that meat packer concentration is anti-competitive and an issue that the USDA must address now. Herman Schumacher, an auction yard owner from Herreid, South Dakota, spoke about his experience on the USDA's Committee on Agricultural Concentration. Schumacher concluded that the Committee was stacked against producers and produced broad recommendations on concentration only. Leo McDonnell from Columbus, Mont., a frequent contributor to ag trade press, used charts and graphs to debunk the argument that oversupply is responsible for the lowest cattle prices in ten years.

However, Baker argued that his department is enforcing the law. "Last year we filed an administrative suit against IBP for giving preference in the marketplace. That case will go to court in January," he said. "Win or lose, we're making our presence clear (to the packers)."

As a step in escalating the situation, IRC and WORC will file a legal petition for rulemaking with the USDA.

The legal petition makes the request for rules formal, and requires Glickman and Baker to respond.

INEL contaminants not found in offsite environment during fourth quarter of '95

Air, water, milk and potatoes sampled in areas surrounding the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory between October and December 1995 contained no radionuclides attributable to INEL operations, reports the Environmental Science and Research Foundation, which conducts the INEL Offsite Environmental Surveillance Program.

One game animal collected on the INEL contained small amounts of man-made radioactive materials, however.

A total of 505 samples were collected and analyzed during the three-month period. All concentrations of radioactive materials detected offsite were within historical background ranges. Background radiation is derived from natural sources as well as from fallout from above-ground nuclear weapons testing during the 1950s and 1960s.

Migratory game animals are collected as part of the Foundation's monitoring of the environment. A duck taken at a waste pond at Test Area North contained above-background levels of cesium. The pond is located in an area with known soil contamination. An estimated radiation dose of 0.018 millirem was calculated for a hypothetical hunter who would consume the entire edible portion of such a duck.

The average annual dose from background sources to a person in southeastern Idaho is 360 millirem.

Results are presented in the report INEL Offsite Environmental Surveillance Program Report for the Fourth Quarter of 1995. For a free copy, call (208) 525-7071.

B-run steelhead numbers low

The Idaho Fish and Game Commission is not restricting the season on hatchery B-run steelhead. But Fish and Game fisheries managers are watching this fall's run closely.

B-run steelhead come into Idaho later in the season than their A-run counterparts are-large because they spend at least two years in the ocean, and spawn mostly in the Clearwater River. The forecast for A-run steelhead on their way to the Salmon and Snake Rivers is an average number, although the fish came into Idaho earlier than usual this year. Anglers are enjoying unusually good early steelhead fishing.

The estimate of hatchery B-run fish coming back to Idaho is currently 6,600-10,000 with the actual number expected at the lower end of the range. Fewer than 10,000 hatchery B's have returned to the Dworshak Hatchery in each of the last two seasons, but the 10-year average is 20,400.

Hatchery managers are currently estimating a B-run hatchery escapement of 1,821-2,760 this year. The preferred number is 3,000 at the Dworshak National Fish Hatchery.

The run of hatchery B's over Bonneville Dam this fall was less than fishery managers predicted. High harvest of B-run steelhead in the Columbia River fall chinook fisheries cut the number of fish returning to Idaho even further.
Idaho fishery managers will collect more information over the next few weeks, to provide updates and recommendations about the fishing season when the Commission meets in November.

Skip child support payments, lose your license

Hunting and fishing licenses are on the list of state-issued licenses that can be revoked for non-payment of child support next year.

A new Idaho law that goes into effect Jan. 1, 1997 calls for taking licenses away from parents who are 90 days or $2,000 behind in court-ordered child support payments, or who violate court-ordered parental visitation orders. The law also requires revoking or withholding other kinds of licenses, including those for drivers and business professionals. The law was passed during the last session of the Idaho legislature.

The Department of Health and Welfare estimates that about 11,000 Idahoans are currently subject to losing the licenses they now hold.

Welfare Administrator Judy Brooks said "We’re asking hunters to think about the new law while they’re hunting this year—and remember they have until Jan. 1 to pay and keep their hunting and fishing privileges."

To avoid suspension, contact the nearest Idaho Department of Health and Welfare office and ask for Child Support Services.

Idaho commission condemns federal steelhead recovery plan

Listing Snake River steelhead under the Endangered Species Act will heighten, not lessen the danger to Idaho’s premier sport fish, the Fish and Game Commission said Oct. 4 in a letter to the National Marine Fisheries Service.

The National Marine Fisheries Service, the federal agency responsible for threatened and endangered anadromous fish, is “staining our guts and swallowing camels” in its approach to saving Idaho’s ocean-run fish, the Commission charged in a strongly-worded letter to regional NMFS Director William Stelle. The NMFS approach “will fail to focus on primary limiting factors while adding an unnecessary lay of bureaucracy and constraint to sensible in-state management activities. This approach exacerbates the crisis, rather than solving the problem,” the letter says.

Idaho Commissioners and department fisheries managers fear listing the steelhead under the Endangered Species Act would not solve the problems Idaho’s steelhead face and, furthermore, ties the hands of Fish and Game in managing the fish for recovery. If the federal governments actions to recover the spring/summer chum/sockeye salmon were effective, the steelhead problems would also be solved, according to Idaho fisheries experts.

Wilderness areas provide expense-paid opportunities for conservation work

Imagine spending this winter or spring monitoring nesting bald eagles and ospreys at Jonathan Dickinson State Park in Florida, researching the effects of avian malaria and pox virus on Hawaiian forest birds or giving guided nature walks surrounded by javelina, deer, mountain lions and black bear in Texas’s Big Bend National Park.

These are some of the 1,200 expense-paid positions offered by the Student Conservation Association throughout the year in national parks, wildlife refuges, conservation areas and other public lands throughout the United States. SCA is now accepting applications for positions offered during the winter/spring season.

SCA’s Resource Assistant Program provides a unique opportunity for college students and other adults to help conserve America’s public lands and natural and cultural resources. Working hand-in-hand with natural resource professionals, resource assistants provide invaluable assistance with land stewardship and wildlife conservation projects. Sites include more than 290 national parks and wildlife refuges as well as state and private lands.

“We provide a public service while offering an experience that volunteers never forget,” says SCA Resource Assistant Program director Wallace Elton. “They learn about themselves and often what they want to do in their future. Many alumni say this is a life-changing experience for them.”

More than 20,000 SCA resource assistants have participated in a variety of conservation and restoration projects since the organization’s founding in 1957. Typical assignments include endangered species protection, ecological restoration, air and water quality monitoring, GIS mapping and natural and cultural resource management.

Program applicants chose from a catalog of detailed position descriptions provided to SCA by cooperating agencies, such as the National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, and US Fish and Wildlife Service in areas across the country—from Alaska to Florida, Hawaii to Maine.

SCA resource assistants receive funds to cover their travel to and from the site, food expenses and free housing. Housing can range from tent camps to apartments. In exchange, volunteers are expected to work the equivalent of 40 hours per week. There is also plenty of time for exploring, writing and relaxing in some of America’s most beautiful lands.

SCA resource assistants must be at least 18 years old. Many are college students exploring careers in conservation and earn academic credit for their work experience. Some are older adults, looking for a chance to volunteer and try a new challenge.

SCA is currently hiring volunteers for the winter and spring seasons. Additional opportunities will be available during the summer and fall.

For more information about the Resource Assistant Program, contact The Student Conservation Association, PO Box 550, Charlestown, NH 03603-0550. Or call (603) 543-1700.

Rainbow trout stocking report

Personnel from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game’s Nampa Hatchery will be releasing more than 68,000 catchable-sized rainbow trout at the following locations during October:

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The number of trout actually released may be altered by weather, water conditions, equipment problems or schedule changes. If delays occur, trout will be stocked when conditions become favorable.

Archers help track down elk poachers

 archers Mike Riddle and James Amy worked hard to bring a trophy 7 x 8 bull elk in chase enough for a good shot.

Their scouting and bagging efforts were about to pay off until, at the last minute, the trophy animal was snatched away from them by poachers using a rifle. The disappointed archers even walked up to the poachers as they were gutting the animal. They talked with the poachers but the stories they heard didn’t quite add up. The poachers made some excuses and left, leaving the animal to waste. The story might have ended there if it were not for keen observations made by Mike and Jim.

Conservation Officer Dan Jenkins was contacted shortly after the incident: “The archers had a cellular phone and were able to let us know what had happened right away!” The quick actions taken by all parties involved allowed the scene to be set so that the poached elk could be retrieved before putting if the poachers failed to return and claim it. “The wasting of game is also a violation of the law, in addition to hunting during a closed season,” Jenkins said.

As nightfall approached, it became evident that the poachers had fled the scene and that the animal would spoil if not cared for immediately. Jenkins authorized the archers to retrieve the abandoned animal to prevent it loss. These sportspersen not only lost the opportunity to harvest the trophy bull but they volunteered to care for it and haul it out of the woods, knowing that they would not be able to keep a scrap of meat or the Boone & Crockett-quality set of antlers.

According to Jenkins, "the archers did an incredible job of remembering details about the poachers. The amazing attention to detail concerning the poachers, their stories, and their gear really helped put us on the right trail.” Following these leads, conservation officers obtained Madison High School yearbooks for the archers to review. Using the yearbooks and talking to other people, the archers were able to positively identify Nick and Ryan Leishman of Rexburg as the individuals who had allegedly poached and abandoned the elk. The archers also supplied enough extra information so that a search warrant could be obtained if additional evidence was required.

On Sept. 18, the Leishman’s met with Fish and Game Officers at the Rexburg Police Station. The investigation revealed that both had allegedly been involved in the incident and multiple misdemeanor citations would be issued. Nick was cited for taking an elk during a closed season and for using an unregistered motorcycle. Ryan was cited for taking an elk during a closed season, taking a big game animal during an archery season with a firearm, and waste of a big game animal. These charges carry both possible criminal and civil fines that could amount to a maximum fine of $1,000 for each charge and a mandatory civil fine of $500 for each of the closed season elk charges. Mandatory loss of hunting, fishing, and trapping privileges for one to three years also accompanies a number of the charges. Madison County Judge Mark Rammell will hear the case and decide actual penalties for those violations if they are found guilty.

Hunters and anglers who witness violations can turn in poachers by calling the Citizens Against Poaching hotline at 1-800-632-5999. Cash rewards can be paid for tips resulting in citations. Calls can be made and rewards paid anonymously. Be careful, as these archers were, to get as many details as possible.
Volleyball team takes on Californians, football team faces Utah State Aggies

by Amy Butler
Sports Editor

The Boise State volleyball team will play two games this Homecoming weekend: UC Irvine on Friday at 7:00 p.m., and Cal. State Fullerton on Saturday at 2:00 p.m. Their record coming into this weekend is 7-11, overall, and 3-2 in the Big West Conference.

The Broncos last met both teams in 1989. They lost to UC Irvine, 0-3, bringing the current record to 1-1. On the flip side, BSU beat Cal. State Fullerton 3-0, setting the record at 3-2 coming into this weekend.

"Just a bit of information: UC Irvine is the alma mater of Broncos' head coach Darlene Bailey. She received her bachelor's degree there in 1971 and her master's degree in 1978.

Boise State's 1996 Homecoming promises a more exciting experience than ever for director of recreation Kevin Israel, his intramural activities staff and BSU students. This year BSU homecoming events will include five intramural competitions: ultimate frisbee, four-player volleyball, men and women's three-player basketball, mountain bike polo, and a chili cookoff. BSU students, faculty, staff, and alumni are welcome to participate.

The scheduling of events during Homecoming week forms part of the recreation department's effort to get more students involved in intramural activities. Israel believes these sports are beneficial and rewarding: "Intramural activities can give a student the opportunity to make a friend or get to know a classmate," said Israel. "They might find somebody to study with, go running with, or even just go get a pizza with."

Israel also feels that students who participate in intramural events are more likely to form a personal connection with the university, one that may improve their chances of success at Boise State.

"If nothing else, intramural events give people an opportunity to forget about stress in their daily lives for awhile and just have a good time," Israel said.

Most intramural events are scheduled this semester so that those involved only need to participate for about an hour a week. All the Homecoming events are one-day activities. Students who want to join in, but can't get a team together, can sign up for events at the intramural recreation office.

"If a student comes to me and wants to play, I will get them on a team or find a way for them to play," Israel promises.

For a schedule of Homecoming and other fall intramural events, students can stop by the Recreation Center or the student activities desk in the Student Union Building. For more information call the intramural recreation office at 385-1131.
Player recognition time!

by Amy Butler
Sports Editor

Homecoming week at Boise State is traditionally an occasion to highlight good times and recognize individuals who have achieved greatness at our university. Several football players should be commended for keeping the Broncos rolling this season.

On Offense...

Quarterback Tony Hilde

Tony Hilde has completed 12 touchdown passes this season to bring his career record to 61. He currently holds the school record for the most touchdown passes per career. As well, he has totaled 1,432 yards passing, averaging 228 yards per game, to rank him second in the Big West Conference. Hilde is also sixth in the Big West in passing efficiency, with 51.1%. His best passing game was against Northwestern State when he gained 314 yards.

Wide receiver Ryan Ikebe

Ryan Ikebe is currently the sixth best receiving leader and ranked eighth in the Big West Conference for receiving yards, totaling roughly 615 this season. He averages 126 yards per game. Ikebe’s best game this season was against Northwestern State, when he gained 90 yards rushing and ran for two touchdowns. He ranks fifth in the Big West Conference in rushing yardage.

On Defense...

Defensive Tackle Sione Fifita

Sione Fifita currently leads the Big West Conference in tackles for a loss, with 10 tackles for a total loss of 22 yards. He has earned over 50 tackles already this season, roughly 40 unassisted. As well, he has four quarterback sacks and one forced fumble.

Defensive End Chris Wing

Chris Wing leads the Big West Conference in quarterback sacks, with 10. He also has 45 tackles, 36 unassisted, and seven tackles for a loss. Wing is ranked seventh in the Big West Conference in tackles for a loss.

Linebacker Jeremy Haener

Jeremy Haener currently leads the Bronco squad in total number of tackles, having over 56, with 42 unassisted. Haener scored one quarterback sack this season.

Linebacker Brian Steger

Brian Steger is fourth on the team in total number of tackles, with over 44, roughly 35 unassisted. Steger has one quarterback sack this season and one tackle for a loss of 22 yards.

Punter Jeff Davis

Jeff Davis received Big West Conference Player of the Week after the game against Portland State. His best game was against ASU, when he punted a total of 385 yards for an average of 42.8 yards. Davis ranks third in the Big West Conference for punting yards, totaling over 1,500 yards already this season. His average is 39.7 yards per game.

Place Kicker Todd Belcastro

Todd Belcastro received Big West Conference Player of the Week after the game against Northwestern State. He scored three out of his total four field goals against Northwestern, and kicked his longest goal this season, 37 yards. Belcastro holds fifth place in the Big West Conference for numbers of field goals.

Broncos gamble for a loss in Reno

by Amy Butler
Sports Editor

Twenty years ago, University of Nevada’s quarterback Jeff Tisdell threw to tight end Tom Mason to gain yardage for the Wolf Pack. Last Saturday, the two former teammates looked across the field at each other as head coaches of opposing teams when UNLV took on BSU on their home turf.

Tisdell came out smiling. Mason left the field, once again, with a frustrated, disappointed frown. The scoreboard read 66-28. Guess who won?

But another mistake by BSU gave the Wolf Pack an easy seven points. After Hilde sipped their beer in Mackay Stadium, one of the few stadiums allowing alcoholic beverages. Life looked dismal for BSU until Bryan Johnson brought in another touchdown during the second quarter.

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"It seemed like every time we'd get something going, we'd get a turnover," said Mason. "We probably gave them 30 points just on turnovers." True to his words, Belcastro's extra point kick was blocked and the Wolf Pack ran 95 yards for a two-point conversion, to bring them ahead 38-14.

The Broncos finished the first half with a 19-yard touchdown run by Reggie Ethridge, for an eight point play. Despite the score, the two teams were pretty even at the half. Hilde had gained 212 yards passing, while UN's quarterback John Dutton totaled 217. BSU racked up 267 yards rushing, Nevada countered with 277.

Into the second half a 47-yard touchdown run, again by Ethridge, brought BSU as close as they would come to the Wolf Pack at 38-28. The team seemed alive and hopeful. But their bubble burst as Hilde fumbled again and Nevada scooped up the ball to run for an 80-yard touchdown.

The game went to the Wolf Pack from there, as they pounded in two more touchdowns and a field goal to end the game with their first Big West Conference win and BSU's first conference loss.

Not only does BSU suffer from wounded pride over their loss to Nevada, but they also returned with wounded players as well. Rehe went out in the third quarter with an injury to his ribs. The bench also found players Ted Butler, Jeremy Haener, and Bryan Johnson sitting out occasionally, due to various ailments. Hilde still fights the ankle injury he received in last week's game against ASU. The injury status for each player, or when they will fully recover, remains unsure.

The Broncos set up for their second conference game this weekend against the Utah State Aggies at home. At 1-6, can BSU show their alumni they can field a winning football team? Coach Mason wonders.

"I don't know why it's (losing) happening and I've got to figure out how to get these kids back. I mean, geez, it's only one conference loss, but we've been doing this all year and I don't know how much longer I can keep these kids together," said Mason.

Bronco runners notch top finishes in Seattle

by Amy Butler
Sports Editor

The Boise State men's cross country team advanced to 19th place in the nation on Oct. 5, and showed why they got there. At the Sundodger Invitational in Seattle, the Broncos, finishing third (25:05) and fourth (25:09), respectively, among collegiate men's team finished second, behind Oregon, and placed three runners in the top ten individual standings.

In the 8,000 meter race, junior Cormac Smith and senior Jose Uribe led the Broncos, finishing third (25:05) and fourth (25:09), respectively, among collegiate runners. Josh Danielson finished 10th in 25:26. The Broncos tallied 56 points to finish behind Oregon's 32 points.


In the women's race, Boise State finished fourth among collegiate teams, with 119 points total.

BSU's senior Niamh Beirne continues her impressive fall running, finishing seventh overall in the 5,000 meter, with a time of 17:58. Behind Beirne, senior Brenda Funk finished 21st (17:58) and sophomore Judy Barreto finish 29th (18:17).


Intramural Results:

Flag Football:
* Girth, Wind and Fire def. BSU Bombers, 18-6, to clinch the NFC Championship and receive championship T-shirts.
* Nameless def. Chris T's learn, 46-0; The Yucatans
* Girth, Wind and Fire def. BSU Bombers, 18-6, to clinch the AFC Championships.

*The Wrestlers def. the GoNads, 18-14, to advance to the CFL Championship game against the Walk-Ons.
* The World Championships will be played Wed., Oct. 16 at 6:00 p.m. at the stadium. Spectators are welcome to come watch 100,000 candy bars will be given away to fans.

Tennis Tournament:
Women's Champion: Sarah Sower
Men's B Champion: Chad Smith

Men's A Champion: Chris Pollow

Sand Volleyball:
The BSU Bombers won the championship tournament.

More Leagues coming up...
Indoor soccer: entry fee $20
4-player Volleyball: entry fee $10
3-player Basketball: entry fee $10

*These sports are all opening today (Wednesday, Oct. 16) and will close in one week (Oct. 23).

Basketball at Noon: Boise Gymnasium is open every day from noon to 1:00 for pick-up basketball. Students, faculty, staff, and affiliates are all welcome to come play. It's a perfect way to relax and meet new people.

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Wednesday, Oct. 16

ROSARY at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, 11:50 a.m., 1915 University Drive (across from the Administration Building), 343-2128.

WEDNESDAY MASS at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, noon, 1915 University Drive (across from the Administration Building), 343-2128.

SIGN LANGUAGE SILENT LUNCH, sponsored by BSU Student Special Services, noon to 1:30 p.m., SUB Johnson Room. Bring your own lunch!

COMMUNION SERVICE at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, 12:10 p.m., 1915 University Drive (across from the Administration Building), 343-2128.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, 7 p.m., 1915 University Drive, 343-2128.

COMEDY OF REGGIE MCFADDEN, sponsored by BSU’s Student Programs Board, 8 p.m., SUB Jordan Ballroom, $4 students, faculty & staff; $7 general public, 385-3974.

FRENCH GUITARIST ELISABETH BLIN at Moxie Java on Fivemile Road, 8 p.m., 344-5823.

COOKIE (FROM LA), ALSO POP TART AND SALINE at Neurolux, 111 N. 11th St., ages 21 and over, $3, 343-0886.

Thursday, Oct. 17

ROSARY at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, 11:50 a.m., 1915 University Drive (across from the Administration Building), 343-2128.

COMMUNION SERVICE at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, 12:10 p.m., 1915 University Drive (across from the Administration Building), 343-2128.

SPB PERFORMING ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING, open to anyone who wants to get involved, 2:30 p.m., SPB Offices in the SUB, 385-3655.

PAUL GERNI, an 18-time world trick shot champion, will present a billiard exhibition, 2:30 p.m., SUB Fireplace Lounge, free.

ASBSU SENATE MEETING, 4:30 p.m., SUB Senate Forum, 385-1440, open to the public.

PLAYING WITH FIRE, serious drama directed by LaRae Walker at Stage Coach Theatre. Find out what happens if Dr. Frankenstein meets his creation 26 years after the time Mary Shelley’s Frankenstein story ends. 8:15 p.m., 2000 Kootenai St., $7.50, 342-2000.

PEACHES at Neurolux, 111 N. 11th St., ages 21 and over, 343-0886.

AFTER HOURS DANCE PARTY at Dreamwalker, midnight, ages 18 and up, $5 cover, 343-4196.

Saturday, Oct. 19

FRENCH GUITARIST ELISABETH BLIN at Flying M Espresso and Fine Crafts, 8 to 10:30 p.m., Fifth and Idaho streets, 345-4320.

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WILD COLONIALS AND GUESTS at Neurolux, 111 N. 11th St., ages 21 and over, $3, 343-0886.

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Sunday, Oct. 20

SUNDAY MASS at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, 7 p.m., 1915 University Drive (across from the Administration Building), 343-2128.

AN EVENING WITH GRANT OLSEN AND KEVIN HARRISON at Neurolux, 111 N. 11th St., ages 21 and over, free, 343-0886.

Monday, Oct. 21

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COMMUNION SERVICE at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, 12:10 p.m., 1915 University Drive (across from the Administration Building), 343-2128.

STUDENT PROGRAMS BOARD EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, 4:30 p.m., SUB Cataldo Room, 385-4239.

BAPTIST CAMPUS MINISTRIES JAM SESSION features Bible study, praise and worship, 7 p.m., SUB Farnsworth Room.

DJ TIM at Neurolux, 111 N. 11th St., ages 21 and over, free, 343-0886.

Friday, Oct. 18

FROM DUST ‘TIL DAWN (R), sponsored by BSU’s Student Programs Board, 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., Special Events Center, $1 students, faculty & staff, $2 general public, 385-3655.

ACOUSTIC FOLK & BLUES OF TODD PALMER at Flying M Espresso and Fine Crafts, 8 to 10:30 p.m., Fifth & Idaho streets, 345-4320.

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COMMUNION SERVICE at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, 12:10 p.m., 1915 University Drive (across from the Administration Building), 343-2128.

NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETING features speakers on topics of importance to adult students, 2:30 to 4 p.m., SUB Johnson Dining Room, 385-1583.

ASBSU SENATE MEETING at 4:30 p.m. in SUB Senate Forum, 385-1440, open to the public.

TUESDAY MASS at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, 7 p.m., 1915 University Drive (across from the Administration Building), 343-2128.

JAZZ NIGHT at Neurolux, 111 N. 11th St., ages 21 and over, free, 343-0886.

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GETTING INFORMED ON THE INITIATIVES: 1 PERCENT INITIATIVE, part of the Disenchanting Discourse Lecture Series sponsored by the BSU Student Programs Board, 2 to 3 p.m., SUB Senate Forum, free, 385-3874.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS at St. Paul’s Catholic Student Center, 7 p.m., 1915 University Drive, 343-2128.

(FROM CALIFORNIA) SATURNS FLEA COLLAR, PENNY DREADFULS & GEYSER at Neurolux, 111 N. 11th St., ages 21 and over, $3 cover charge, 343-0886.

COMING UP
St. Paul’s Student Group invites students to attend the annual SEARCH Retreat. Participants will have the opportunity to slow down and reflect on who you are, who God is, and how to experience the love God has for you. The retreat is in McCall, Oct. 25 through 27. Cost is $35 (please do not allow the cost to prevent you from attending; there is financial assistance available). Register by Oct. 18, 343-2128.
YOUR UNREAL HORRORSCOPE

by Mark David Holladay
Staff Incentive

"If you can't state it simply you don't know it well enough."
—Albert Einstein

Horoscopes are about numbers, feelings, and smut.

Libra: (Sept. 23—Oct. 23) Happy Birthday! Your lucky birthday numbers are 3 and 7. When you tell people how old you are use one of these numbers or you'll be SOL.

Scorpio: (Oct. 24—Nov. 21) Spatulas have many uses. You know what I mean.

Sagittarius: (Nov. 22—Dec. 21) You will kill all your co-workers because they haven't turned in their assignments. You vindictive bastard, you!

Capricorn: (Dec. 22—Jan. 19) Condoms are not microwavable!

Aquarius: (Jan. 20—Feb. 18) Love is like snowmobiling across the northern polar cap at a great speed enjoying the distinct beauty of nature and then hitting a break in the ice and flipping the machine over on top of you where you'll be painfully trapped until you slowly freeze to death as the wolves tear apart your broken and shattered body. Or was it like pizza?


Aries: (Mar. 21—Apr. 19) Visit a sick friend or relative in the hospital this week to bring happiness. Remember that humor is the best medicine. While you're there, have a doctor check out that tongue.

Taurus: (Apr. 20—May 20) Accentuate the positive, regardless of the amount of truth you must bury.

Gemini: (May 21—June 21) Four out of five dentists hate the fifth dentist. Remember that when you go lingerie shopping this week.

Leo: (July 23—Aug. 22) Let yourself go. You'll save on deodorant.

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by ERIC ELIS

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