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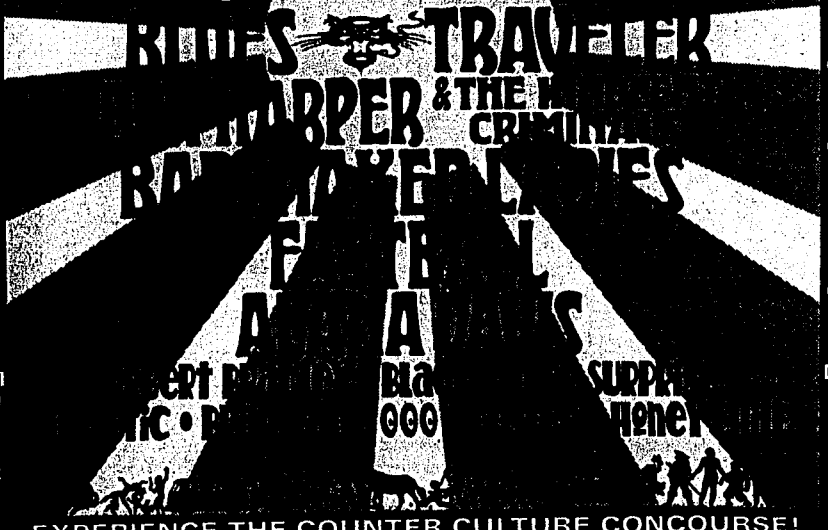
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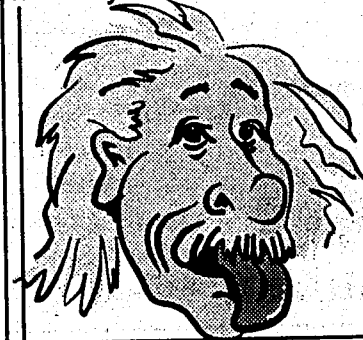
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From the Editor

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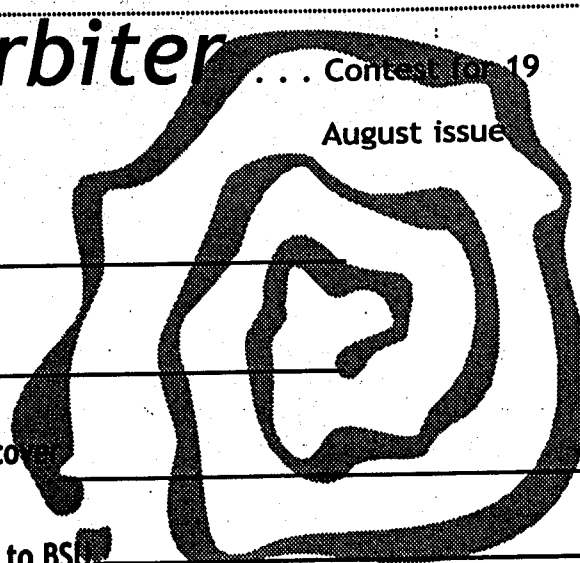
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What he means to BSU _____



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Even though it is cliché, I can't help but wish everyone a hearty "Welcome back!" The heat does not seem to want to relent, so dabble your feet in the river and read a cool copy of *The Arbiter* to lower your body temperature before school starts.

As you'll notice on this week's cover, *The Arbiter* is sponsoring somewhat of a contest limited to BSU students. Correctly identify the gentleman featured as well as what he means to BSU and enter a drawing to win two movie passes to Edward's 21 Cinemas.

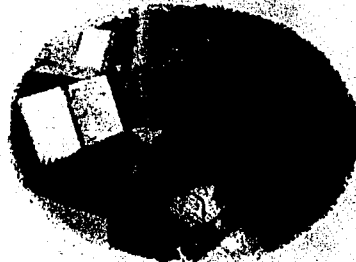
Please drop your ballot off at our offices or e-mail us your answers. We are located across from the SUB in a plush, almost newly-carpeted basement. You can send e-mail to us at arbiter@bsumail.idbsu.edu. We will hold the drawing Wednesday, August 26 and call the winner.

By the way, this issue marks a first for *The Arbiter*. As far as any of us know, we have never published the week before school starts. So while you're standing in line or unpacking in your dorm room, we wanted to provide you with some opinions, a little news and lots of entertainment . . . let us know what you think, and enjoy a great week before school!

Kelly Millington, Teal

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Letters to the Editor

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Funny but not Responding to July's From the Editor

To the Editor:

I read and reread [Dale and Ira's] opinion article. The first time around, I was amused with your comments, especially your ideas about the bill Congress should pass to protect us.

However, towards the end of your article you were very insulting, condescending and downright obnoxious. For your information, there are a lot of single mothers in this state who struggle daily to provide food and care for their children.

There are also a lot of residents who do not own cars because they cannot afford them. They have to rely on the crummy bus system that stops running at 6pm.

Yes, you are men, male chauvinist pigs who hide behind their bigotry and prejudice.

Have a good day.

Constance Triantafilidis

Not at all funny

To the Editor:

I too read [Dale and Ira's June] comic strip and didn't find it particularly funny. It's difficult to appreciate how a lot of the LDS people in the area feel, especially when they for the most part tell you they are offended and leave it at that.

Allow me to tell you what we believe and perhaps you can see why we feel the way we do. Jesus Christ was the firstborn of God the Father in the preexistence. When we had the opportunity to come to earth, gain a body and be tested, 2/3 of the souls there accepted the plan that the Savior put forth. Hence we are here on the earth with the opportunity to learn and grow. Part of the process was sinning and since no unclean thing can enter the presence of God, we had to be cleansed from sin. This is where Christ's sacrifice comes in. We also needed to be resurrected, and He took care of that as well. 1/3 of the souls followed Satan and are here in spirit form to provide opposition.

Now you can see the reason one would be offended. It's not that we were simply taught to love and respect Jesus. Because those that don't left the faith when they were out of their parents' grasp—so it's not the way one is raised.

The other problem with the paper is that it's like public TV. We don't have to pay for it, so the powers that be are able to put forth their own agenda. Everyone has an agenda—I'll be the first to admit that. If we had to pay for the newspaper like we do for the Statesman, we could always cancel our subscription. But in this case, there's no other alternative.

On larger campuses, there are competing papers, free of course, but it (sic) does offer one a choice. I would suggest that you not run the "Life with Jesus" comic for (sic) the simple fact that there will be continued outcry over it—and 'shock value' will not sell more papers in your case.

Justin L. Hall

To the Editor:

I am not happy with the response that you had for my previously published letter, and for the other letter from Gary McCain. I will explain why.

I do not remembering arguing in my letter or saying anything in his letter about claiming *The Arbiter* must maintain a separation of church and state because students contribute \$4 in fees. I feel like you implied that I said that in your column of response.

I would like to point out that "Everyone pays for churches" is only a half-truth. The matter of fact is that everyone doesn't pay for churches because a tax break is an EXEMPTION, not something paid for. The other things like "Enough is Enough" are paid for because the American people voted to do so. I don't recall any vote to pay for *The Arbiter* through our fees, but correct me if I'm wrong. In fact it was most likely an administration decision. I'm not asking for you to not print demeaning things to Christians because of separation of church and state, but because you represent BSU.

You asked if *The Arbiter* should allow administrators to limit your freedom of expression to help ensure that you do not hurt someone's feelings. I don't remember anyone asking the administration to do this (even though you did say they have at other schools). Since it seems that the administration is the one who makes the rules for you and everyone else around here, what

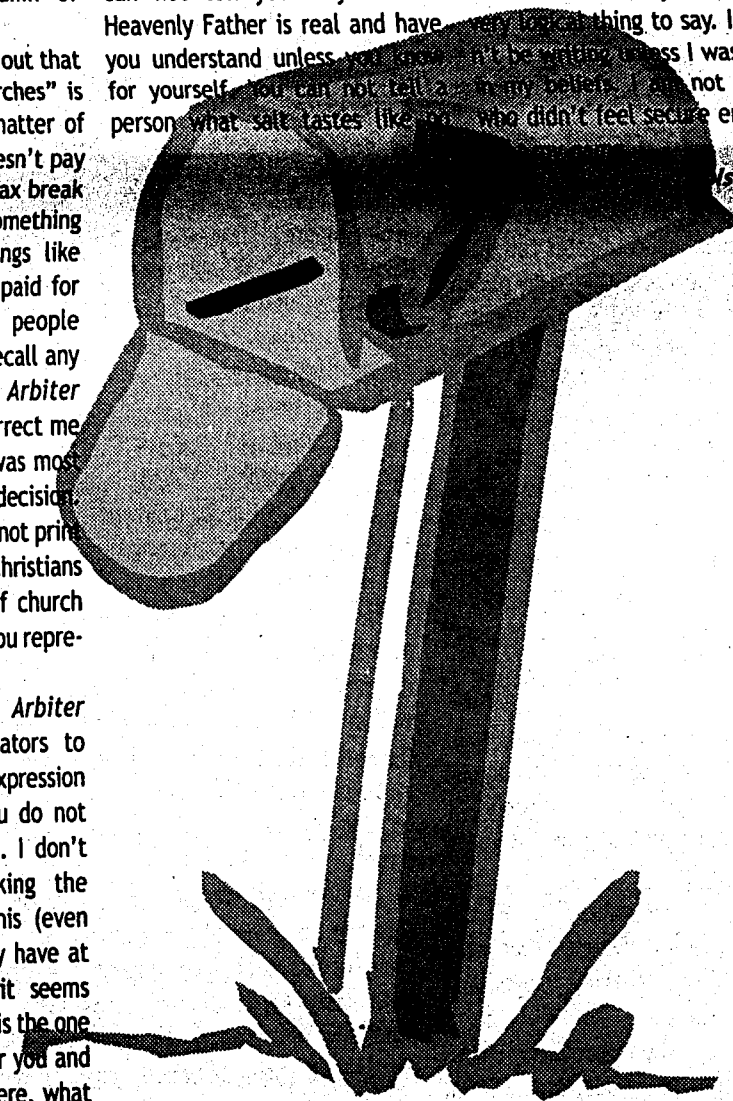
would you do if they did decide to limit what you printed? Would you go against the administration?

I also feel that you are committing an act of libel against God. In your most recent addition (sic) Melissa Albert made a comment that Kinzler has faith in a "immeasurable, non-quantifiable God". I believe this statement to be false. I do not believe you have any proof that God is not real. Just because you can't understand His measure and quantity. I can not tell you why I know Heavenly Father is real and have you understand unless you know for yourself. You can not tell a person what salt tastes like.

matter how hard you try. The only way for them to know is if they try it themselves.

I don't believe it is in the best interest of your paper to try to disprove God, and therefore it is not in your best interest to insult him or use his name in vain. Insulting the Christian community is also insulting God.

I have one more comment before I finish. To the person who wrote the letter "Lighten Up", I don't think that implying that I am insecure with my beliefs was a very logical thing to say. I wouldn't be writing unless I was secure in my beliefs. I am not the one who didn't feel secure enough to



A Poke in the Eye

Last call

Melissa Albert

Columnist

I've been alternately waiting tables and bartending for 11 years now. It's a great occupation for inveterate people-watchers; I've eavesdropped on some interesting table-talk and witnessed some piquant dinner-time dramas. There have been quite a few couples who broke up over dinner, leaving one partner with the check and two boxes of tepid entrees. At the opposite end of the spectrum there have been couples who writhed in their booths like teenagers parked up on Table Rock. My particular favorite in the latter category was two lovestruck lesbians whose nuzzles and smooches caused quite a stir in a packed "family" restaurant.

A loud thud in the foyer at an upscale catered wedding turned out to be the bride, flat on her face and out cold after too many Jaegermeisters. I've seen philanthropists exchange phone numbers with potential lovers while the spouse or significant other visited the restroom, narcoleptic customers asleep at their tables, a man who exited the men's room with a length of toilet paper stuck to not just one but both feet, a homeless woman who spent the entire afternoon in the restroom sorting the treasures in her plastic bags, a heart attack, a stroke, and enough assorted slips, spills and dribbles to make one hell of a blooper video, if only I'd concealed a camera in my apron.

I've waited on F. Lee Bailey, Reggie Jackson, Charles Barkley, Slayer and Jackyl.

When people say, "This may seem odd, but..." I'm usually not all that surprised by the ensuing request, hav-

ing grown familiar with an assortment of food allergies, phobias, religious prohibitions and eccentric preferences over the years. Some people like to play cards or backgammon over dinner, others enjoy syrup with their fries, butter on their prime rib, tabasco on everything.

Whatever.

But a grown man dining alone with a bright blue Magna Doodle?

As I approached his table I thought, *He looks normal.* And then, *I wonder if he can't speak.* When asked whether he'd like a drink, he looked up at me and smiled and I got my first up-close look at a tracheotomy. *Martini, he wrote on the Magna Doodle, up, two olives, please.* Not knowing what to say, I took a clumsy stab at a joke and quipped, "Good thing you've got great handwriting!" immediately regretting it.

But he was gracious and I was curious, so we "talked"—via Magna Doodle. He must have been in his late thirties, tanned, fit, well-dressed, crow's feet around the eyes and a quick smile, a man in his prime in every way except for the dime-sized hole in his throat.

We talked about travel, agreeing on Scotland as possibly the most beautiful place on earth. He'd earned his doctorate in landscape architecture from UCLA, so we talked about botanical gardens in the Los Angeles area where I lived as a teenager. He

told me about his family, and that his great, great grandfather was John Sutter of Sutter's Mill. *He was a rascal, he wrote, he died a pauper. Gambling.*

John Sutter probably would've felt right at home at the restaurant where I wait tables. The drinks are strong enough to knock you off your bar stool and the smoking section seats twice as many as the non-smoking section. Nothing much

my chatty gambits excessive, while I walk away wondering whether personalities can degenerate with age just like bones and memory.

Imagine, then, my ironic delight when my last customer Magna-Doodled, *I have so much to say.* Finally, a real conversation! Eventually, I just sat down across from him in his booth and stayed there for nearly an hour, enjoying a lively conversation that rambled all over the map.

At some point the talk turned to his disability, and I asked about

the

cause. *Smoking,*

he wrote.

After 15 years of smoking he'd gone to the doctor with a scratchy throat and come home the next day with a tracheotomy. Just like that. *I see people smoking now and I cringe,* he wrote.

I noticed that he'd hardly eaten his dinner and asked about it.

Can't taste much.

"What about smell?"

He wagged his hand, *So-so.*

I can't whistle. Though fluent in five languages, he can no longer speak any of them.

I looked at the people at the table next to us, smoking, drinking and laughing with their hearty voices. Since I started working at this restaurant I've been smoking, too. I've been mainly a social smoker since I was 21, lighting up only in the evening over drinks. But lately I've been puffing every

day, day and night. I remember the first time, a few months ago, that I woke up wanting a cigarette. It frightened me. I told one of my co-workers, who confided that she even wakes up in the middle of the night needing a smoke. Addiction. My body actually demanding nicotine.

Then I look at the leathery, wrinkled faces of the older women who still smoke in the dining room and talk in mannish rasps. For weeks I've been scared, thinking, *I'm doing that to myself.* One night I dreamt I had cancer and woke up thinking, *I don't want to die.* I even quit for a week, but couldn't muster the determination to keep it up. I decided that I lacked the crucial impetus.

The man with the Magna Doodle.

I can't whistle.

Can't taste much.

I have so much to say.

It's a bitch.

Finally it was time to lock up and go home. I brought him his change and promised I wouldn't smoke anymore. *You have to want to quit,* was his cautious response.

"I have wanted to quit for a long time," I replied.

In the days since I have fought cravings. I almost gave in last night when my roommate and my boyfriend lit up. Maybe just one drag, I thought. But I think about the blue Magna Doodle and the pleasures I crave far more than cigarettes, those I take for granted.

I can whistle.

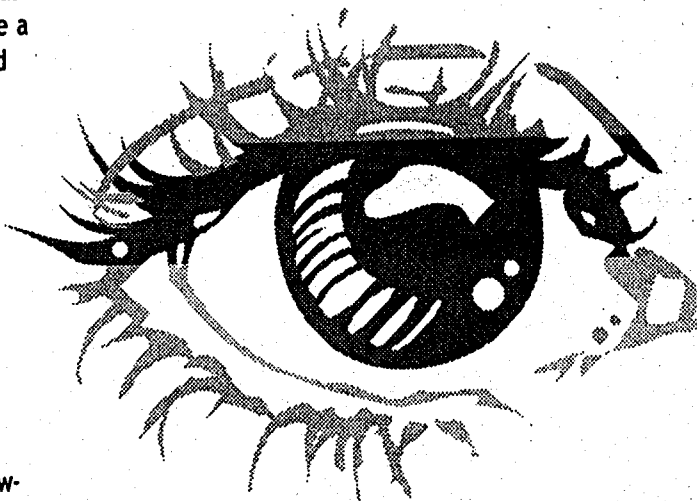
I can taste.

I can sing in the shower, the car, at a karaoke bar.

I can tell jokes.

I can blow out my own birthday candles.

I can live.



Two Cents & Change

This week's episode: we're not that ba-a-a-a-a-ad!

Ira Amyx & Dale Slack

Columnists

Howdy, Happy Wednesday! Only six more shopping days left until classes start up in full swing! Time to buy books, paper, pencils, spray butter and Crisco®.

I'm Ira. I'm an aggressive, dangerous, slick, willing, able WASP (White Anglo Saxon Pud).

I'm Dale.

In an age of modern medicine and groundbreaking technology, it seems that anything is possible with the help of a prescription or a surgeon. But Nature should be left to take its own course. It's all coming to a nasty head; someday it will explode in our faces.

Mother Nature provides all the prevention, improvements, and alterations needed.

We're scared, folks. Really. America thrives on pills, thrills and medically altered extremities. From Viagra to Tylenol, from breast implants to penis reductions, this world is like a big drug-dealing butcher shop of lies—dirty, dirty, expensive lies. Alterations are a fad, implants are a plus, and pills are just the thing to do. We're really scared of all the damn God-playing that goes in doctors' offices, medical labs and booths with VCRs.

God, or "Nature," if you're one of those atheist types, made things the way he/she/it/they did for a reason: life is difficult so that getting into heaven/beyond/the next level/Burbank is actually a chore. If it didn't require work everyone could go, and you know what happens when "those types" move into the neighborhood.

Sometimes at night we just cry, because we know the universe is expanding at an infinite rate.

Clones,
drones and
chimera

About a year and some change ago, some scientist with too much time on his hands and an affinity for sheep cloned a ewe. Why? It would be like Ira and Dale writing a novel—it would have no meaning or practical use, be silly, and probably prompt a lawsuit from Pat Robertson. Scientists, if you're going to clone animals, or otherwise mess with nature, do something useful for mankind. Geneticists, if you're reading this, we have some ideas...for useful genetic experiments.

Cross Boxcar Willie with a Sea Turtle—That smooth, mel-low, smoky voice can live on for an average of 89 years.

Cross Mike Tyson and Idaho—We'll have a dictator.

Cross Martha Stewart and Bo Gritz—The offspring will knit bullet cozies and stencil your ammo cans.

Cross Harvey Keitel and Joe Pesci—You'll get...Harvey Keitel and Joe Pesci.

Everything we've said in this column can be nullified and voided when dealing with Prozac, Lithium and the seedless grape.

Dale needs his Prozac, and Ira needs Dale to have his Prozac.

In the happy tradition of defending ourselves in the last paragraphs of our column, we have a few words. All over cam-



pus, sprouting like the nimble blossoms of the flowering cherry, we found cleverly designed thought-provoking posters reading "Would you pay *The Arbiter* four dollars to insult Christians? You already have."

Our first response is to say thank you for the free advertising! Due to your poorly planned vengeance scheme, all the *Arbiter* racks were empty, and the Dale and Ira readership has grown! And in answer to your question, "Would [we] pay four dollars to insult Christians?" Heck yeah! We'd max out our credit cards, sell our grandmothers to Gypsies, and in fact, can think of no better way to spend our hard-earned four dollars!

Folks, folks, folks. Technically, breaking it down, *The*

Arbiter runs 16 pages. Your four dollars is equally distributed over those 16 pages. That brings the total to 25 cents. Throw advertising dollars into the mix, and your contribution decreases. Not to mention the fact that a lot of employees here make more than we do, so they probably get 30 cents a page, while we get 20, and that's for an entire semester. You get 18 big issues per semester—free of cost for the first one—which means that less than "two cents and change" of your fee money goes to "insulting Christians." So some of you can look at this as a slight thorn in your side, and some of you can see it as one hell of a bargain!

An aside to all: Dale is a devout Christian. He goes to confession and church regularly (St. Mary's in Caldwell—check in if you don't believe us). Ira is a lapsed Seventh Day Adventist, but still spiritual. As for being against single mothers, taste this fact: Dale's mother was widowed when he was eight. She worked a full time job and went to BSU to get a BS. So blow into this balloon!

Ira was also raised by a single mother. Granted, it was after several divorces and the incarcerations of numerous step-fathers, but what are you gonna do? The fact is, we don't find our column insulting to Christians, single mothers, or any other group, except perhaps the illiterate.

So read on enemies (and friends, if we have any), and keep emptying those *Arbiter* racks for us. Peace and love to all. (What?)

As you can see above, we are both true lambs of God. See ya next week, and the week after that, and the next week...

By the way, we plan on dispensing free advice later on in the year. If you have issues you can't deal with by yourself, write us and we'll solve them.

WISDOM NUGGET

Viscountess Astor—"If you were my husband, I'd put poison in your coffee."

Winston Churchill—"If you were my wife, I'd drink it."

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YUPPIE IF . . .

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August 19 . . . Drop/Add services open today for registered and paid students. Choose carefully—you may want to stick with that Calculus 400 class!

August 20 . . . The dorms are open, the dorms are open! Wishing a hearty welcome back and welcome here, Chaffee, Towers, Morrison and Driscoll halls are surely overflowing with back-to-school jitters. And hey, don't pass up tonight's free showing of *Mindwalk* plus a great performance by electronic one-man show Discoma. It takes place in BSU's Centennial Amphitheatre near the Greenbelt.

August 20-23 . . . With "Gateway to Your Future," the BSU Academic Advising Center has organized what promises to be a fantastic way of involving new and returning students in campus goings-on. Be sure to check it out! Everything will happen in the SUB at different times and places, so refer to posters throughout the building.

August 21 . . . Comedian Godfrey will crack you up at 8 p.m. in the Special Events Center.

August 22 . . . Care to have someone instruct you to bark like a dog while you willingly comply? You may have the chance at tonight's long-awaited presentation by hypnotist **Chuck Milligan**. Milligan will entrance select subjects starting at 7:30 p.m. in the SPEC.

August 23 . . . As part of the Student Programs Board Lecture Series, "Old School Meets New School" begins at 1 p.m. by the Stone Fireplace in the SUB.

August 24 . . . School starts. Depending on how you look at it, this is either a fabulous day or one you could do without.

August 25 . . . Heads up! The BSU men's soccer team holds its first meeting of the year on the field between the SUB and the tennis courts at 6 p.m. And if you're serious about joining, the team's first practice will take place the very next day, same time, same place.

October 7 . . . It's still a bit away, but plan now for the 1998 BSU Career Fair to run from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the SUB Jordan Ballroom. Organizers tout the event as a means for learning about various employers and graduate schools, obtaining information to solidify a career, identifying internship openings and finding local and national career opportunities. The fair could only outdo itself if it offered free food!

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Who's Who at

As you're standing in some long line at BSU this week, *The Arbiter* decided to provide you with a run-down of people, clubs, services and some entertainment opportunities to take advantage of before school starts. Be sure to thumb to the Arts and Study Break! pages for great stress relief!

WHO'S WHO AT BSU

Below we give you an incomplete list of the people who keep BSU running and to whom you can go for information or help. A complete listing is available at the Student Activities desk in the SUB.

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Warm up that college brain with SPB summer film series

Scott Huntsman

Arts & Entertainment Writer

As the days get shorter and Mark McGuire closes in on Roger Maris, it soon becomes apparent that summer is near an end. Before you know it, you'll once again be waking up on a cold, dark morning praying your car will start. Don't start hyperventilating yet. August isn't quite over, and the Boise State University summer film series still has much to offer. You have plenty more chances to enjoy live music and a movie, compliments of the Student Programs Board.

At 8 p.m. on August 20 at the Centennial Amphitheater, SPB Overexposure presents the one-man band Discoma, followed by the film *Mindwalk*. Discoma is a multi-sensual, multimedia musical experience performed entirely by BSU student Jake Hite.

Hite is trying to juggle work,

school and the band, so usually music takes the back seat. He's done nine shows so far this year, and after this one he's planning on performing at NeuroLux.

The weaker half of the evening is the film. Bernt Amadeus Capra's 1990 "thinking" flick features only four actors; John Heard (*Home Alone*, *In the Line of Fire*), Swedish actress Liv Ullman, Sam Waterston (D.A. Jack McCoy on *Law and Order*) and Ione Skye (*Wayne's World*, *Four Rooms*).

A former presidential candidate (Waterston) and a failed poet (Heard) walk around St. Michel, France, talking. The candidate is a pragmatist, the poet a romantic. Soon they run into a scientist (Ullman) who happens to be an idealist. They talk and talk, but we already know what will happen. The idealist wins, gets a job offer from the candidate, and the

two men walk away from her feeling better about their lives.

The film is obviously being shown as an intellectual change-up for college students who are tired of this summer's movies, but organizers should have picked a better one. *Discoma* is still worth seeing, and the whole evening is free.

On August 28 at 8 p.m. SPB presents *Built to Spill* along with the film *Manufacturing Consent*. *Built to Spill* currently records on a major label and claims fans in all corners of the country as well as overseas. You can see them live, for free.

Following *Built to Spill*, *Manufacturing Consent* will be shown. It's a three hour documentary, but don't let that scare you. Film makers Mark Achbar and Peter Wintonick collected 120 hours of footage spanning 25 years. You get to see the best three hours and an intermission

carefully placed to encourage friendly debate about the movie.

The film showcases the work of one man, Noam Chomsky, a Philadelphia-born linguist, social critic, political activist and a self-proclaimed anarchist libertarian socialist. He is a professor of linguistics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Early in the film, a newspaper describes him as "arguably the most important intellectual alive." Chomsky adds, "You have to watch those things. The next sentence says, 'Since that's the case, how can he write such terrible things about American foreign policy?'"

Chomsky later says that 20 percent of the nation's population supports and manages cultural life. "Then there's maybe 80 percent of the population whose main function is to follow orders and not to think...And they're the ones who usually pay the price,"

he asserts.

Nothing can really be objective. The film makers obviously like Chomsky, or they wouldn't have bothered with him. This movie is fair, though. There is a clip in which William F. Buckley, Jr. spouts a few choice words and then threatens to "smash him in the goddamn face." In another part, "Night Line" producer Jeff Greenfield says Chomsky's ideas "come from Neptune." Whether you agree with Chomsky's views or not, you will be engrossed in this film. You'll either feel infuriated or find yourself saying "Right on!"

Don't stay in the coma you've been in all summer. Each event is free and will warm your brain up for school: *Discoma* and *Mindwalk*, *Built to Spill* and *Manufacturing Consent*. What are you waiting for? Go early and get a good seat.

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"Gateway to orientation" provides fun before school

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Throughout the summer, between trips down the Boise River and family vacations, you've been organizing your fall schedule, fighting with Financial Aid and following through on that summer reading list your English professor recommended (yeah, right).

The point is, you've been preparing for that inevitable day when classes convene and the world of knowledge is once again at your finger tips. Guess what? That time has come! To ease you into the vast land of text books and essay writing, Academic Support has arranged an action-packed orientation weekend they lovingly refer to as "Phase II: Gateway to Your Future Orientation." Here's an inside scoop on the exciting events you'll want to mark on your social calendar:

Thursday August 20

- 11:30-3:00 p.m. Residence Hall welcoming events
- 3:30 p.m. Residence Hall parent meeting
- 7:30 p.m. Fun Fair, an interactive activity
- 8:00 p.m.-midnight Overexposure—with the band Discoma and an outdoor film, *Mindwalk*, both at the amphitheatre.

Friday August 21

- Fridays are "Spirit Day" at Boise State University. The administration encourages everyone to wear blue and orange.
- 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Discount shopping time—special discounts for new students at area stores.
- 11:30-1:15 p.m. Check-in, Student Union Jordan Ballroom.

1:15-2:00 p.m.

Welcoming Events, Jordan Ballroom.

2:30-4:30 p.m.

Series of workshops covering everything from financial assistance to tutorials and study tips. The sessions are open to all students, spouses and parents.

4:30-6:45 p.m.

Student and professional panels will discuss coping strategies and offer advice to traditional, non-traditional and transfer students.

4:30-6:30 p.m.

Outdoor barbecue buffet—\$5.95 per person.

6:45 p.m.

Celebration—student speaker, comedian Godfrey, door prizes and more.

Saturday August 22 Morning

White water raft trip. Space is limited and tickets are available at the Information Desk for \$15.

Afternoon

Boise River rafting trip, a mere \$2 to rent a tube and hit the rapids.

Evening

Outdoor dinner at Julia Davis Park sponsored by BSU Intercollegiate Christian Groups.

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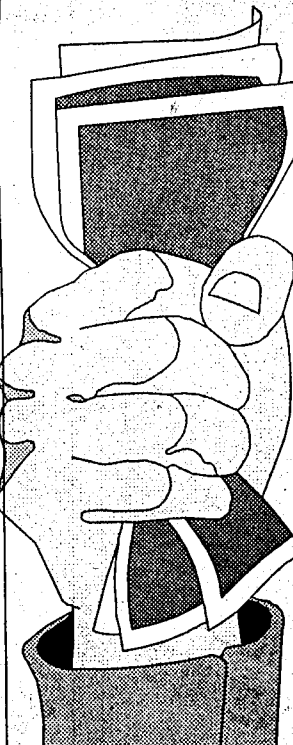
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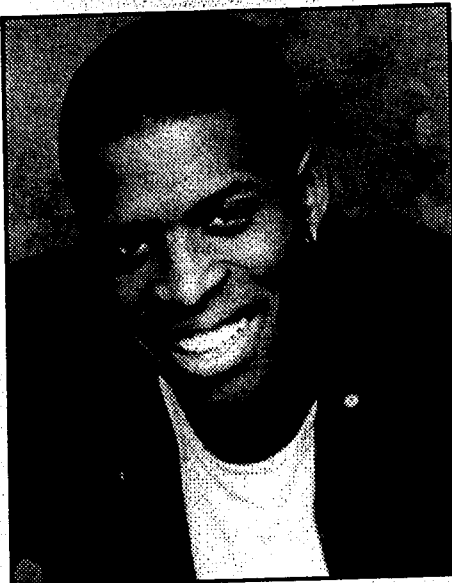
Arts & Entertainment Writer

A good indicator of a soon-to-be legend is if he or she is known by only one name. Let's see . . . there are the classics like Marilyn, Bogie, Prince (the artist formally known as), Madonna and even Meatloaf. People today are establishing themselves as one-name stars like Alanis, Jewel and Matt Damon (Matt's working on it). A legend in the making is coming to our Special Events Center, known only as Godfrey. Please don't mistake him for Gilbert Gottfried.

Godfrey is a hot new black comedian from Chicago. He has

been described as "one of the most exciting personalities to emerge out of the urban comedy scene since Sinbad," (also a one-name wonder). Godfrey got his first taste of fame when he stole the show at the University of Illinois talent night. From there he worked his way through the Chicago comedy circuit, to NBC's *Friday Night Videos*. Now he appears as the warm-up comedian for CBS's *Cosby Show*.

In an appearance on *Friday Night Videos*, Godfrey



Godfrey

talked about the Chicago Bulls and New York Knicks. He commented on what would happen if Jordan was sick, since his tongue is always hanging out. He did an impression of Patrick Ewing opening his mouth wide enough to swallow John Starks. The audience ate it up.

Godfrey will bring his big mouth and fresh look at life to the SPEC on August 21 at 8 p.m. Opening the evening is BSU's own Lisa Sanchez. Sanchez got her start at Boise State's Laugh Off open mic night, and now she frequent-

ly performs at the Funny Bone and Bill-N-Lynn's Place in Meridian.

If you haven't experienced live comedy, you're missing out. If you're under 21, this is a rare chance for you to see an accomplished comedian outside a bar or nightclub. If you are over 21, well, it's in a nice atmosphere and it's free . . . so you don't have an excuse either.

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This week SPB and the special events committee will welcome students to the start of a new year with the help of hypnotist Chuck Milligan.

On August 22, Milligan will hypnotize selected audience members in the Special Events Center. Milligan has been entertaining for over eight years and stands behind his philosophy, "The audience will have a good time, but the volunteers must have a great time."

Milligan earned his Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice Administration. He left his 15-year career in law enforcement to astound audiences across the country. He has performed in comedy clubs and schools but responses from university audiences have proven the most favorable. A Programs Board Advisor at Lenoir Rhyne College says, "[Milligan's] show continues to be the highlight of all our

programming . . . No matter what room we use, it's hard to find space for everyone . . . Student reaction is astounding."

SPB describes itself as a "student-operated organization that creates and implements programs and events for the Boise State community." SPB is divided into several student-organized committees, each headed by a coordinator responsible for recruiting and retaining a group of enthusiastic students interested in developing a season of events geared toward the needs and interests of the BSU campus.

Annual activities consist of a variety of concerts including major and minor musical performances. Films of all genres show weekly. Lectures hosted by professionals and educators expose students to relevant issues concerning society.

Past speakers at BSU include Idaho's own Bo Gritz, the former CEO of Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream and Dr. Cornell West. The comedy committee brings laughter to campus through stand-up acts and spectacular events. Performing arts add culture to the scene with dance



Hypnotist Chuck Milligan knocks out a group of BSU students during last year's events.

groups, stage shows and theater performances. The special events team plans everything from park festivals to eclectic programs focused on social issues.

Milligan will entertain BSU students on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free, so save those last few dollars for the first football game.



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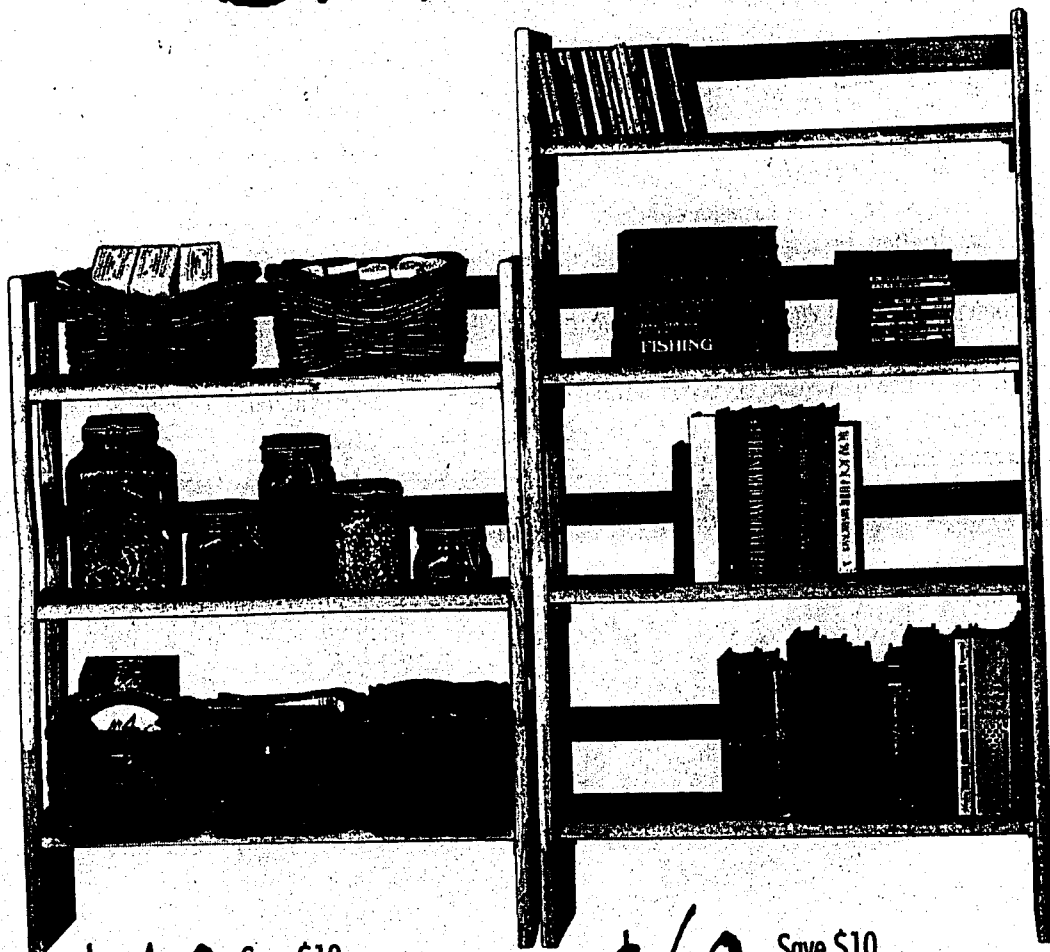
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ACROSS

- Fishing line floats
- Fink
- British streetcar
- Funny one
- Really (Sendak book)
- 1932 Garbo role
- "Famous for 15 minutes" fellow
- She played Gilda
- Firmament
- Use a bridle path
- Certain skirts
- Forfeit a turn
- Small bottle
- End a search
- Shirley Temple's trademark
- Era
- Ponders
- Repartee expert
- Tessera
- They're on a docket
- Drunkard
- Game based on Crazy Eights
- Leisure et al.
- Tropical fruit
- Does
- Tattered
- The ___ of the Apostles
- Swamplands
- Bering's discovery
- Therefore
- 21st Greek letter
- Alfred of the stage
- Meddled
- This may cling
- Dame of Paris
- Distribute, as cards
- Strong ___ ox
- Sugar source
- Energetic
- Lingers
- Stride
- Gripping tools
- Die down
- Reckon
- Hue
- Deteriorates through inaction
- Basketball's Patrick
- Glimmer
- Endured
- Cripples
- Drape
- Shows happiness, canine style
- Hit
- ___ leisure
- Secure
- Rue
- Jacques of song
- Menlo Park middle name
- Pitcher Tiant
- ___ *Karenina*
- Small: suffix
- Type of school, for short
- Listen
- In a lazy manner
- Slangy head
- The Begleys

DOWN

- Lingerie items
- Barnyard sound
- ___ *Heat* (Hurt film)
- Pig's home
- Cook slowly
- Peerage members
- Arthur of the courts
- Life-story, for short
- Excite
- Joan Crawford film
- Comic Johnson
- Farrow et al.
- NYC eatery of the stars
- Fury

Answers to last month's puzzle

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Horoscope

by Ira Amyx and Dale Slack
Staff Gasbags

Virgo (August 23-September 22):
You're having problems with a loved one, but like gas, this too shall pass.

Libra (September 23-October 22):
The spirit will move you to hang unauthorized and highly illegal posters on ASBSU Organization bulletin boards. Tell it you're busy, and you'll do it tomorrow. Would you pay four dollars to insult a Christian? Don't answer yet! You'll also get this handy set of Ginsu® knives, and a smokeless ashtray! Now how much would you pay?

Scorpio (October 23-November 21):
When danger is near, you face it with great skill. You kick it in the crotch and run!

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21):
The package says "diet," but it's just watered down and stretched out with sawdust.

Capricorn (December 22-January 19):
Guilt dwelling on dreams, whims, and unanswered desires. You can ignite a new interest in a lover if you make an unusual demonstration of affection. We suggest buying a can of refried beans, some rubber cement, and a carrot. Find a piece of re-bar, and several pebbles. Get wild, get crazy, be safe and have fun.

Aquarius (January 20-February 18):
The moon is in Neptune this week. Have you ever wondered what it's like to lick a frozen spoon? Do it!

Pisces (February 19-March 20):
Venus is in Pisces this week. Rent *Herbie Goes to Monte Carlo* and find the subliminal obscene pictures in the background.

Aries (March 21-April 19):
Mars is in Uranus. See a proctologist.

Taurus (April 20-May 20):
Keep saying to yourself over and over and over again, "I am not obsessed, I am not obsessed, I am not obsessed..."

Gemini (May 21-June 20):
You will contract a dread disease. Just tell everyone you got it from a toilet seat, and use the creams and gels the doctor gives you.

Cancer (June 21-July 22):
We see you across the street with that laser sight on us. We have one pointed at you too! But ours shoots soft, kid-safe plastic pellets.

Leo (July 23-August 22):
Sorry. We see nothing. Could it be that you HAVE NO future?

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