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"Professor Lundy is no longer with BSU."
by Mike Winter

"Professor Lundy is no longer with BSU."
This terse statement posted around the halls of the History Department last week marks the abrupt end of a 34 years service to the students of Boise State University.

And the students she served were frequently the marginalized, the battered, or anyone who felt oppressed or had nowhere to turn.

"She has talked about retirement for some time now," explained Dr. Peter Buhler, chairman of the History Department in an interview last week. When asked how he felt about a sudden "retirement" a week after classes began he replied, "I wish it had gone differently. From a chair's point of view it's a nightmare."

Most retirements aren't nightmares. They are planned, orderly occasions for acknowledgement of one of life's most significant transitions, especially when a distinguished career is involved.

What the "it" is that Buhler wishes had gone differently continues to be unknown and under the category of Lundy's "right to privacy." Lundy could not be reached for comment.

Students say ultimately the mystery issue is not what matters. The real issue is that a longstanding and highly valued BSU faculty member felt compelled to quit.

"We wish her well," said Buhler.

Students wish her back. Lundy's former students say no one did a better job of providing "a real education for the real world."

Students react with shock over sudden departure of feminist professor
by Julie Garcia

The sudden retirement of history and women studies Associate Professor Phoebe Lundy has left students shocked and disappointed.

Her retirement occurred just days after classes commenced for the 2001 spring semester, despite a full class schedule. Though some classes received a replacement professor others were cancelled, such as her special topics history class, "Post-Soviet Russia" and her workshops, "The Global Sex Industry and Russia Films of the 1990s."

Some students wonder if political or administrative conflicts led to Lundy's sudden retirement.

"It is very apparent that the History Department came together to 'get rid' of a long standing thorn in their side. Professor Lundy has been at the center of constant controversies by teaching truth in history, women's studies and religion," said sociology major David Ferguson. "Bravo BSU History Department, strike another victory for white males everywhere in this right wing bigoted state."

Briana Kimball, a sophomore working toward a degree with a minor in women's studies, said she was "outraged" by Lundy's sudden retirement. "The loss of Phoebe Lundy is proof that BSU as a liberal arts college is not a college that promotes liberal thought. May life keep her safe while we run with the truth."

International programs offer opportunities for worldwide travel
by Alana Paxton

Do you ever find yourself daydreaming about far-away places in the middle of a lecture? Do you feel anxious and restless, like there is some-place else in the world that you would like to experience firsthand? If so, getting involved in the International Programs offered on campus may be the most cost-efficient opportunity for you to spend either a semester or year abroad.

Boise State offers opportunities for students to study abroad in countries like Australia, Costa Rica, England, France, Ireland and China.

Corinne Henke, program assistant at the International Programs office on campus said studying abroad is a great opportunity for students to experience a new culture while focusing on individual career goals. She said that more companies are recruiting students who have studied abroad because they show more independence and can tolerate ambiguous situations.

"It's an investment for your whole life," she said. "Students experience how it feels to be a minority and are thankful for the semester abroad."

Stephanie Hunt, director of the International Program, said the program is relatively new on campus, but continues to grow as more students take advantage of it. Currently, 247 international students are enrolled at Boise State. The international students pay out-of-state tuition and add ethnic diversity to the campus.

Hunt, who studied abroad in England while attending college, said she "really believes in the student exchange because it allows you to grow emotionally in your career and for the rest of your life."

According to Hunt, there are three study-abroad options offered to students. These include the consortium programs, direct exchanges, and summer programs.

Boise State is a member of the University Study Abroad Consortium (USAC), a program that has 16 different sites available. USAC programs involve other American students, and often American faculty teach the courses.

Direct exchanges differ from USAC programs because the students attend a foreign institution while living in their housing with native students. Students pay tuition and fees to Boise State, but housing costs are paid directly to the foreign university. For this particular exchange, students must be familiar with the native language and should have taken at least four semesters while in college.

Mandy Mason, a Boise State student with a French minor, participated in this exchange in France. While attending the University of Pau in Chambery, Mason lived in the dormitory for more privacy compared to living with a family off campus. There were only five other American students, she said, the rest were French.

She was forced to speak French everyday. Eight weeks later, she was able to have a complete conversation in French. She said the exchange made her realize her independence and "that I could do it."

Although there are a variety of summer programs offered through USAC, Boise State has its own summer program in Morelia, Mexico. The popular program helps both teachers and students learn Spanish while experiencing the native culture.

Mandy Brady, a senior bilingual education major at Boise State, went to Morelia last summer for five weeks. She enjoyed the exchange because she was taught by native faculty and stayed with a Spanish-speaking family.

"I felt like it was a lot easier to learn there because I was immersed in the language," she said. "Over all, it was a good experience. I discovered that I was more open-minded than I thought I was." Different exchanges offer a variety of opportunities for Boise State students. Amanda Hoffman taught English at Silicon Lake technical school while participating in the U.S./Chinese Educational Exchange. Two years ago, she had taken a course at Boise State about Chinese culture. Intrigued by the Chinese and their traditions, she decided that she wanted to study in Asia.

"I decided beforehand that I was going to love it," Hoffman said. "It was the most amazing experience of my life."

She said Chinese are desperate for English teachers. She taught her students tongue twisters because they were easier to "hear how I spoke it and just couldn't get enough of it."

Based on her experience, Hoffman suggests students participate in an exchange with a friend if possible. She also recommended that students take classes about the country's culture before going, and talk to as many people as you can who have participated in the exchange before.

Students tend to go when they are juniors, Hunt said, but are required to be at least sophomores. Students interested in participating in any of these programs should have a 2.5 GPA.

Federal financial aid is available for all qualified students on all Boise State study abroad programs. The financial aid office calculates the total program cost along with additional loan eligibility for study abroad students. Contact the Financial Aid office for more information. Scholarship money is also available for those interested in participating. According to Henke, $10,000 in scholarships was awarded to qualified students studying abroad during the upcoming spring semester.

"It's better to plan a semester ahead," she said.

For further information about the different programs offered or for an application, contact the International Programs office, 1106 Euclid Street, or call them at 208-426-4324.
Safety Awareness Day promotes safety issues at Boise State
by Wendy Venable

Have you ever operated a fire extinguisher? Would you know how to respond to someone that was injured? How would you react to a hostile situation, and would you know how to protect yourself? These questions and many others are the focus of Boise State's second annual Safety Awareness Day occurring on Feb. 16 at the Pavilion. Informational booths, vendor displays, presentations and workshops will be held from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Last year's fair was geared toward the student body whereas this year's intent is to "reach a larger community" by opening events to the public, said Wanda Lynn Riley, director of internal audit and advisory services.

"I think safety in any community goes back to the individual," Riley said. "The individual needs to be responsible for their safety."

This year they would like to encourage more students and faculty members to participate as well as the general population. Some of the workshops being held are Personal Safety and Self-Defense, and Curbing Aggressive Driving, both at 10 a.m., and An Understanding of Workplace Violence, being held at 2 p.m. There will be a Mock Emergency Response Training exercise from 3-5 p.m., which will demonstrate how the university develops a plan of action for an emergency situation.

There will also be door prizes, games and emergency vehicles for demonstration during the event.

"I think just increasing the awareness that safety is an issue we all need to be concerned about," Riley said about the goal of having a Safety Awareness Day.

"Nine times out of 10 if people are aware and cognizant of some of the things they need to do, then it creates a safer environment for everybody involved," she added.

Boise State has been implementing new policies identifying building coordinators for each of the different buildings around campus. These building coordinators are people who are responsible primarily for emergency evacuations of the buildings they are assigned.

"The university has an obligation to provide a safe environment," Riley said. "But as individuals, we need to be cognizant of what kinds of things that are out there in our community, and what kinds of things we as individuals can do to make that community a safer place to be."

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we have already learned," Lauren Tweedy, a sophomore and sociology major with a minor in women's studies, said she was grateful for the difference professor Lundy made in her life and the inspiration she has been to all her students.

"Phoebe was the one individual that truly gave birth to my feminist ideals. She taught me the process for demystifying sexism and provoked my own personal revolutionaries."

Fourth-year student Tanya Allmaras said she is not only "grief-stricken," but "appalled" by the sudden retirement of professor Lundy. "She has by far, taught and touched my life more than any other professor I've had at BSU."

Julie Eldredge also said she felt "immense" disappointment at the loss of such a "strong and empowering" faculty member.

"What is even more disappointing is that my younger sisters, who recently enrolled at BSU, never got the opportunity to experience what Phoebe taught and the views she changed," Eldredge said. "She will be missed."

Students say Lundy's influence has left a lasting impression and her absence will leave an instructional gap.
Calderon named first annual King/Burns scholarship recipient

Myra Calderon, a Boise State student who emigrated to the United States from Mexico, was selected as the first annual recipient of the Martin Luther King Jr./Meredyth Burns scholarship. Calderon is a 1998 graduate of Minico High School in Rupert.

Calderon, a junior majoring in International Business, was chosen for her extensive community service, particularly helping minority students and people of all ages. Among her many contributions, Calderon has participated in Latino Vote 2000, volunteered for the Idaho Migrant Council, organized church retreats for at-risk youth and served as vice president of the Organization de Estudiantes Latino-Americanos, Boise State's Latino student club.

Calderon's family moved to the United States at the end of her sixth-grade year because her parents wanted their children to have an education and other opportunities.

"When I came to this country, it was very difficult to learn the language and adapt to a new culture, but I did," wrote Calderon in an essay she submitted to the scholarship committee.

"Now my dream is to succeed, make my parents proud, and to let my parents know that their sacrifices were worth it."

The scholarship will be given annually in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. and Meredyth Burns, a young civil rights activist who was killed in an accident three years ago at the age of 15. Burns, who was the daughter of Kerry Burns and Boise State affirmative action director Betty Hecker, was an avid supporter of human rights and Boise State’s Martin Luther King Jr. celebration.

The scholarship was awarded during the Boise State University Martin Luther King Jr./Human Rights Celebration in January.

Boise State business seminar tackles negativity

A seminar focusing on negative attitudes in the workplace will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, at the DoubleTree Riverside Hotel. The one-day workshop is sponsored by the Center for Management Development, a component of Boise State University's College of Business and Economics.

The program will discuss the root causes of negativity and interactive strategies. It is relevant for all levels of employees and is tailored to address the specific issues and training objectives of each client organization.

The cost is $199 per person, with discounts for groups, and includes seminar handouts, continental breakfast and lunch. For more information or to register, contact the Center for Management Development at 208-3381.

Deadline for outstanding faculty nominations is Feb. 16

The nomination deadline for the 15th annual Associated Students of BSU Outstanding Faculty Recognition Awards is Feb. 16.

Each year ASBSU recognizes one outstanding faculty member from each of the university's colleges and a student. Nominations are due in the Student Union by Feb. 6. This event is held to recognize outstanding Boise State faculty members who have shown dedication and commitment to the students of BSU.

Faculty members may nominate other faculty with the endorsement of a student. For more information, contact ASBSU Executive Assistant Salena Walizada at extension 8965.

Information session proposed for Children's Center expansion plan

An information session on the proposed expansion of the Boise State Children's Center will be held at the center from 6-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13.

The BSU-administered child-care facility is located near the Boise State campus at 1830 Beacon St. Refreshments and baby-sitting will be provided.

Gayle Weinberg with the Angora Ridge Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to funding projects to benefit children, will speak on the proposed expansion and funding needs.

The BSU Children's Center, one of only 12 accredited day-care centers in Idaho, provides care for 160 children ranging in age from 6 weeks through kindergarten. This center is also a lab site for Boise State's child care and development program and provides volunteer opportunities for social work students.

Currently, only 80 spaces are provided for children ages 6 weeks to 30 months and there are almost 200 children in that group on the waiting list.

The cost for an expansion that would accommodate 40 more infants has been estimated at $600,000. The Angora Ridge Foundation has pledged to fund $300,000 if the remaining half can be matched by other funding sources.

According to Kim Philips, associate director of the BSU Foundation, the Albertson Foundation has committed $50,000 to start the effort to match the Angora Ridge pledge.

For more information, contact Philips at 208-3386.

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U. Virginia restarts program to post students’ bail

by Antoinette Alston

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. - After nearly 15 years of dormancy, the University of Virginia's Student Legal Defense Fund is back in operation.

The fund was brought back in December because of a recent rise in minor legal offenses. After nearly 15 years of dormancy, the University of Virginia's Student Legal Defense Fund is back in operation.

The Fund originated in the 1960s as a bail bondsman service for student war protestors. Demand for its services gradually declined and the organization eventually shut down in the 1980s.

At a December meeting, the University Judiciary Committee agreed to restart the service as a subcommittee. Although no students have requested assistance since the fund reopened last semester, Gradman said all eligible students deserve the right to post bond.

"Lately we've had more incidents where students are arrested at football games for public drunkenness and disorderly conduct," said Isaac Gradman, Student Legal Defense Fund chairman. "Now it seems the service is in need again."

Original demand for the Student Legal Defense Fund was high, but as the Vietnam War ended and protests subsided, fewer students required aid from the Fund. "The Fund fell by the wayside," UJC Chairwoman Lisa Percoo said. "It became less and less of a priority because it was used less often."

"We want to protect our students and the same time protect our students," Wiegard said. "We don't want our students to be hampered because of their mistakes."

Gradman said the new Student Legal Defense Fund has undergone several revisions from its earlier days, as a means of better meeting the needs of students.

"The bond limit has been raised from $500 to $1,000 and we now use the technology of cell phones and beepers," he said.

Wiegard said he hopes university students as well as student-run organizations will become more aware of the service.

"We want to become a regular presence at university meetings and let organizations that are politically active know that we are here for them to use," Wiegard said.

He also said he hopes students will think twice about getting into situations that land them in jail, but that they will make use of the service if necessary.

Antoinette Alston is a reporter for the Cavalier Daily at the University of Virginia.
Internships virtually abound on the Net

by Amanda Bayer

Savvy students recognize that an internship during their college years can not only enhance their education, but also make them more marketable when they look for more permanent employment. Even savvier students know that the Internet now abounds with internship-friendly sites.

While counselors and academic advisors used to be the primary location for students to begin their search for an internship, students can now look to the Internet, where businesses from all over the world post applications for internships.

"I think internships are very valuable experiences, and I encourage all students to do them. I think the Internet can be a valuable tool in searching for potential internship sites," said Fiore Pugliano, an academic adviser in the English Department at the University of Pittsburgh.

A site such as www.internweb.com offers a useful internship search, including offers from places like Hershey Park and Fox Inc. Students can also register to receive an e-mail newsletter notifying them of the newest internships available. This site also provides articles such as, "Top Seven Secrets to a Great Resume" and "Top Five Strategies for Landing Your Dream Internship."

One unique aspect of this site is its selection of "virtual" internships, which are done completely over the Internet, sometimes all from the comfort of a student's own dorm room. But students should be cautious with virtual internships.

"I tend to think that virtual internships are not nearly as valuable, because they do not offer you that exposure to the environment of the career you might seek to access," Pugliano said.

Another internship Web site, www.usinterns.com, offers an extensive search with more than 65,000 internship postings including local Spectrum Computer Inc. and the City of Pittsburgh Department of City Planning.

Helpful to all soon-to-be graduates, the site also offers tips for finding the right career.

Facts about Idaho

According to 1999 Census estimates, Idaho has a 90 percent white population, versus an 82.4 percent total for the U.S. population. Of non-white Idahoans in 1999, 0.6 percent were black, 1.3 percent were Native American, 1.2 percent were Asian, and 7.4 percent were Hispanic. An estimated 15 percent of Idahoans were defined as living below the poverty level, and 17.3 percent of children were living below the poverty level. Both these estimates are just below the national average.

U.S. Dept. of Education report says students are unprepared for college

by Melissa Thrailkill

High school graduates are entering college unprepared and undereducated, according to a recent study.

The report, written by a commission appointed by the U.S. Department of Education, says institutions of higher education and secondary schools must work together to assure a higher success rate among college students.

"The Lost Opportunity of the Senior Year: Finding a Better Way" states that almost half of all high school students "are uneducated or miseducated" and that anticipating college look at their senior year as "a farewell tour of adolescence."

The National Commission on the High School Senior Year, formed last summer by the Department of Education, states in the report that institutions of higher education and K-12 schools don't properly align academic content, admissions procedures or expectations for students.

As a result, the report concludes, new college students are more likely to fail or give up.

Roy Grasshoff, spokesperson for the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, said Texas' newly developed higher education plan, "Closing the Gap By 2015," sets out programs to help alleviate this problem.

The goal of the plan is to make the Recommended High School Program, which consists of college preparatory courses, the standard curriculum in high schools and make it a prerequisite for admission into the state's public universities by 2006.

"(It will) automatically get more students taking courses they need for college, and if they don't go into college, then for the workforce," Grasshoff said.

A nationwide teacher shortage is one hurdle schools will have to clear in order to institute better college preparation programs, said Grasshoff and Debbie Graves Ratcliffe, a Texas Education Agency director.

"We do increase graduation requirements even more when we know we have a teacher shortage in those areas," Ratcliffe asked. "It's a Catch-22 for us."

The University of Texas system has also realized the importance of communicating with secondary schools, said Felipe Alanis, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs. The system has developed two programs to work on this relationship.

Project Texas Professional Development Online is a Web-based course designed to help high school Algebra teachers prepare students for college-level math.

Another program, which Alanis says is in its very early stages, would take data from high schools and link it with universities, giving universities the opportunity to evaluate which high school courses proved effective in preparing students for college.

"We would know what programs or courses are being successful for high school students," he said.

Melissa Thrailkill is a reporter for the Daily Texan at the University of Texas-Austin. Article reprinted with permission.
Managing finances proves to be as challenging as academics to students

by Carolina Reyes

When students initially take out a loan or receive financial aid, officials from the UCLA Loan Office give them advice during orientation on how to manage their money. But as the quarter drags along, a lot of students stop managing their money, leading to what Edward C. Flores, scholarship and outreach coordinator at the financial aid office, has termed “the $140 pizza.”

“My advice to students is to try and avoid getting in debt, period,” Mancillo said. “Don’t make school your career.”

“You’re going to make a lot of money when you get out of school,” she continued. “But while you’re in school you should try to keep a budget.”

Edward Ayala, a sixth-year microbiology and molecular genetics student, budgets his money by considering what each of his quarterly expenses are as soon as he gets his financial aid disbursement. “I just keep in mind that I can only spend the money I set aside on rent. I also have a part-time job that helps me pay for groceries, books and entertainment.”

Getting into debt can not only mean a bad credit history, but it can also affect a student’s educational future. According to Flores, the Financial Aid Office has heard of graduate schools withdrawing their offers of admission because students have poor credit.

“Some students said they try to avoid using their credit card too often. “I’m just getting out of my credit card debt that I’ve had since my freshman year,” said Carmell Norice, a fourth-year neurological science student. “That’s why I’m really trying to avoid getting myself in debt and saving money for upcoming graduate and medical school applications.”

Other students like Franchesca Paolone, a third-year Spanish student, avoided getting a credit card altogether. “My biggest fear is to have tons of bills and no money,” she said. “I don’t have a credit card. I use my mom’s credit card and, when the bill comes, I just pay her.”

Although financial aid counselors advise students not to acquire too many credit cards, not having a credit card can have its drawbacks.

Landlords, employers, college loan issuers, insurance companies and car loan companies check a person’s credit history to verify financial information consumers provide them when deciding whether or not to conduct business with them.

To help students better manage their funds, the Financial Aid Office provides a

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Real Education for the Real World
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resource on the Web called EdWise.
Through EdWise, students can learn to budget their money, learn to borrow less, and learn how to start repaying their loans while they're still in school.
The Loan Office also provides debt management workshops twice a week throughout the year.
Loan associate Cynthia Mancillo advises students to attend the workshops to learn how to be financially responsible.
"The sessions show you different ways of how to budget your money by showing you how to break down your quarterly expenses," she said.
Even students who do not have loans can benefit from the management workshops. Mancillo said many students who are not borrowers attend the sessions to learn the risks involved if they want to borrow money in the future.
Some students are not aware of the difference between a subsidized and unsubsidized loan, according to Mancillo.
An unsubsidized loan requires students to pay their own interest, giving students the option of repaying their loans while still attending school.
A subsidized loan, however, does not require students to make interest payments while they are attending school on at least a half-time basis. Instead, the government pays the interest on the loan for students.
The hidden catch is that, with an unsubsidized loan, interest will be added back to the original amount borrowed and interest will be charged on the loan and the interest incurred on the loan. Thus, students end up paying interest on interest.
By paying as little as $20 a month, students can pay off a lot of the loan money they take out over the years, Flores said.
"Students need to learn that in the repayment portion if they make the equivalent of one extra payment a year, say $10-15 a month, it almost cuts the loan in half," he said.
The "UCLA Resource Management Guide," a brochure from the Financial Aid Office, shows that after making an in-school payment at $20.83 a month, at the end of four years a student will have a balance of $11,999.68, out of a $14,000 loan.
The guide also advises students to consider living at home their first year to gain experience in managing and budgeting their resources.
"My advice to students is to try and avoid getting in debt, period," Mancillo said. "Don't make school your career."
"You're going to make a lot of money when you get out of school," she continued. "But while you're in school you should try to keep a budget."

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Free lecture to discuss benefits of sports

A sports-based program that emphasizes the acquisition of life skills while learning sports skills may provide the foundation for underprivileged youth to transfer these skills to other aspects of their life says a Boise State kinesiology professor. On Monday February 6th, from 7-8:30 p.m. in room E112, Dr. Linda Petitchick, BSU Professor of Kinesiology and Director of the Center of Physical Activity and Sport, will discuss how the First Team Centers and the National Football Foundation/National Football League's Coaching Academy have developed and incorporated a curriculum that emphasizes both the acquisition and transferability of life skills through sport. The free lecture is sponsored by the BSU Center for School Improvement and the BSU College of Education. A reception will follow. Call 426-4686 for more information.

Women's Center to feature Women's Wednesdays

Starting Feb. 7, the BSU Women's Center will offer Women's Wednesdays from noon-1 p.m. each Wednesday during the school year. The event is designed to provide women with a place to gather, enjoy lunch with fellow female students, and talk informally about anything and everything — politics, sexuality, body image, media messages, learning styles, literature, learning resources, etc.

The center is located across the street from the Student Union on University Drive between Lincoln and Michigan. Call extension 2529 for more information.

Books to host computer demonstrations

Students, faculty and staff are invited to check out Microsoft's hands-on demonstrations of cutting-edge software from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, in the Fireside Lounge in the Student Union.

There will be presentations and demonstrations of software programs such as Encarta Language Learning Series, Encarta reference Suite, Office 2000, Combat Flight Sim 9, Midtown Madness 2, MSN Explorer, Money 2001, Windows ME, Picture It! Publishing, Mech Warrior 4, and Age of Empires 2.

The program is part of the Bookstore's technology promotion Feb. 20-22. For more information, contact Nikki Hampton, BSU Bookstore supply buyer, at extension 4362.

Jazz Saturday Master Class, Morrison Center Recital Hall, 1 p.m. Evening concert, 7:30 p.m. Presented by Boise State Music Department, Gayle Manufacturing Co. and Jazz Educators of Idaho. Free. Call 426-3980.

Valentine's Day Dance will be in the Lookout Room from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. sponsored by the Upside Down Club.

Jobs Daughters Sweethearts' Dance will be in the Jordan Ballroom from 8 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

MEETINGS and EVENTS

Feb. 7 Faculty Artist Series, Morrison Center Recital Hall. 4 p.m. Featuring Del Parkinson and Jeff Shumway, piano, John Baldwin and Ron Brough, percussion. Presented by Boise State Music Department. Tickets: $5, $3 seniors and free to students and Boise State faculty and staff. Call 426-3980.

Feb. 8 Boise State men's tennis vs. Clemson, Boise Tennis Center. Call 426-3773.

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Boise State Women's Basketball Team Defeats Cal State Fullerton 68-56 Friday

by Lori Hays

The Bronco women's basketball team defeated Cal State Fullerton, 68-56, Friday in the Boise State Pavilion. The Broncos' record improves to 4-2 in Big West play and 8-11 overall. The Titans drop to 0-19 overall and 0-6 in conference.

Senior Tawnya Gray led the Titans with 19 overall and 0-6 in conference. Boise State had three players in double figures: junior Crista Peterson had 18 points; sophomore Abby Vaughan scored 15; and freshman Camille Woodfield added 10. Senior Tawnya Gray led the team in rebounds with nine.

The Titans were led by Chante Gifford who had 12 points and Allison Parks who added nine points and nine rebounds.

Track And Field Teams Begin Season in Pocatello

by Max Carbett

Under the direction of first year head coach Mike Maynard, the Boise State University men and women's track and field teams open the 2001 season this Friday and Saturday (Feb. 2 and 3) at the Mountain State Games in Pocatello, Idaho.

Maynard was named the head coach for the Bronco track and field program following the 2000 season. Prior to accepting his current position at Boise State, Maynard was the associate head men and women's track and field coach at the University of Arizona beginning in 1987.

Thirty-three Bronco athletes will be making the trip to Holt Arena on the Idaho State campus for this annual two-day meet. Leading the men's team will be thrower Matt Ingerbritsen and middle distance runner Jared Meuser. A junior from Fruitland, Idaho, Ingerbritsen set a Boise State record in the 85-pound weight throw at last year's Mountain States Games. His record throw was 54-9. Meuser, a junior from Meridian, Idaho, competed in the sprints and hurdles last year receiving All-Big West Conference honors in the 400-meter hurdles. This weekend he will compete in the 800-meter run, and on the distance medley relay team.

Doreen Corsun and Lori Monaco head the women's team traveling to Pocatello. A junior from Reno, Nev., Corsun will run in the 60 and 200-meter dashes. In the 2000 season, she had the team's top mark at 60-meters with an 8.24 clocking while recording Boise State's top 200-meter time at 25.98. Monaco, a senior from Adams, Ore., received all-conference honors last season by placing seventh in the 10,000-meter run at the outdoor championships. She will compete on both days at this year's Mountain State Games running in the 5,000 and 6,000-meter events.

Rounding out the rest of this year's coaching staff are two familiar faces, and one new one. Amy Christoffersen is beginning her third year on the Bronco coaching staff, while former head coach Ed Jacoby returns as an assistant. Christoffersen will work with the distance runners, while Jacoby coaches the jumpers. Innocent Egbunike is the new face and will coach the sprinters.

Egbunike has been a Nigerian Olympic coach in the past two Olympic Games (1996 and 2000), and competed at 400-meters in the 1984 Olympic Games.

Bronco Men's Golf Outlook

by Brad Larrondo

Pack your bags. That's a theme the Boise State men's golf team better get used to for the spring 2001 season. Head coach Mike Young is all about playing as much golf as possible, and the schedule is set up to accommodate that.

Seven tournaments, including the Big West Conference championships, dot the Bronco men's golf calendar in the months of March and April. Throw in the constant pressure of Young's qualifying system of playing practice round after round, and the hope is that Boise State will be very ready for the league meet on April 23-24 in Sacramento, Calif.

"Most golf teams strive to participate in as many tournaments as possible, so that's nothing new," said Young. "We think we've set up a schedule to help us. Our first four tournaments are in California, and so the competition will be very..."
good. Our April schedule sees one being the Big West champion—Sacramento, we should have some solid rounds of golf under our belts.”

Young is a believer in constant competition making the individual player better. Since taking over as head coach, he has implemented and maintained a qualifying standard aimed at keeping the players not among the traveling five hungry for the chance to join that group. It also means that being among the traveling five is not a free ticket, as you must prove yourself on the course.

“We’ve tried to create competition to make players better from practice round to practice round,” added Young. “It’s also the most fair way to determine a traveling squad. The guys who play well in the tournaments will maintain their spots, and those who don’t play as well will have to work harder to keep on the travel squad. Those who don’t travel for a particular tournament know that they still have something to shoot for in practice.”

The system did what it was supposed to, as eight different players saw action in at least one fall tournament.

Three players (Luke Sestero, Brett Smith and Matt Kerr) played in each of Boise State’s five tournaments in the fall of 2000, as the competition for Boise State’s number four and five spots was fierce.

Sestero is the team’s number one golfer entering the spring season. After a freshman campaign in which he earned second team All-Big West honors, Sestero’s stroke average went up a little as a junior last year. But, in fall, Sestero dropped his scores and led the team with a 73.9 stroke average. He also picked up a win at the Vandal Fall Classic in Moscow, Idaho, and placed in the top five at the Countrywide Intercollegiate to wrap up the fall season.

“We know that Mike is still one of the low scorers on this team for the past three years,” said Young. “But, he also has the lowest average when you factor in all of the practice rounds as well. He is the most consistent player we have, and it shows at tournament time.”

Smith, meanwhile, finished second to Sestero in stroke average during the fall season. The Dixie College transfer also played in each of the five tournaments and averaged 76.1 strokes for every 18 holes of play. He recorded a top 10 finish at the season opening Rocky Mountain Intercollegiate, and showed signs of being a nice compliment to Sestero’s low scoring.

Fellow transfer Mike Cozakos will be eligible during the spring season, after sitting out the fall season due to transfer requirements. Young is extremely excited about Cozakos, and is a player that he believes can make an impact as the team’s number two or three player.

“We know that Luke is going to be a strong player,” said Young. “He hasn’t played in any tournaments with us, but he has still shown positive results. Last fall, he won the Labor Day Tournament, while Luke took third at the same tournament.”

True freshman Matt Kerr appears entrenched among the Bronco top five. After completing a prep career in which he was a member of the British Columbia Junior America’s Cup Team and earned back-to-back top 10 finishes at the B.C. Junior Championships, Kerr made the transition to collegiate golf and played in each of JSU’s five fall tournaments. His top finish was 17th at the Vandal Fall Classic.

Boise State’s roster boasts a number of key veteran players, as well. Junior Jory Russell played in four of five fall tournaments, and is in his second year with the program. Since transferring to Boise State from the University of New Orleans, Russell has been among the team’s top five for 14 of 16 possible tournaments.

The highly competitive and veteran Bronco roster also features seniors Mitch Bourgault and Adam Godbout, and sophomore Jeff Smith who have also seen plenty of tournament action. Godbout played in 10 of 11 tournaments during the 1999-2000 season, but didn’t see any action this past fall. Bourgault did make one tournament appearance in the fall, to go along with four tournaments last year. Smith has been a spot player for Boise State in his two years with the program, playing in three fall tournaments this past fall and two in the fall of 1999.

In addition to Kerr, four other true freshmen are on the roster, including two who saw minimal tournament action during the fall 2000 season. Mike DeBoard finished 54th at the Vandal Fall Classic, while Jordan Weaver played among the Bronco top five at the highly competitive Falcon Invitational at the Air Force Academy.

Rounding out the roster are Erin Beulhelm and Jeff Thoeny, both likely red-shirt candidates for the 2000-2001 season.

“We have an interesting mix of experience and youth,” concluded Young. “Our veterans work hard from practice round to practice round, and it shows as nine of the 12 players on our roster have played among the top five at one time or another. Several of the newcomers have shown the ability to help us become a better team. The key, as always, is developing more consistency. That’s where an aggressive spring schedule comes into play.”

Boise State beat Sacramento State 194.525 to 191.975 in the Pavilion last Saturday. This was a season high score for the Broncos who won every event. Tiffany Weston was the all around top scorer with 39.025. The Bronco’s will hit the road for their next meet against the Oregon State Beavers on February 9th at 7:00pm.

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Respect religious beliefs

Leslie Owens, there is nothing you can say that will get this "Romans-chapter-one quoting Christian" shaking in her pew. Like any good Christian, while I won't condone some sexual practices, I also don't condone taunting and wounding people. You wouldn't tell Hindus that eating beef is normal and healthy, and that they're bigoted for their disapproval of eating meat. As long as I'm living in America, I should reasonably expect the same respect for my religious beliefs.

However, your article against pornography and the misogynistic culture that produces it got me joyfully pumping my fists in the air, especially after reading that disturbing interview with Nina Hartley. Somehow, I just don't see how treating sex like a sport instead of a profound expression of love and devotion is healthy under any circumstances. I'm gung-ho to live as like a Narnian as I can even if there isn't any Narnia.

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-C.S. Lewis

Arbiter lacks objectivity

I am writing this response in response to last week's cover article regarding ASBSU President Nate Peterson's "State of the Student Body" Address. As a concerned member of the BSU student body, and avid Arbiter reader currently finishing up my final year of school, I was disappointed with the Arbiter's lack of journalistic objectivity.

At a university where the student body presidents are rarely seen and never heard, Peterson's conviction, honesty, and courage were a breath of fresh air. I feel that my concerns of 'the past four years are finally being addressed. My belief that BSU's administration sets a far higher emphasis on milking its students financially- strapped student body rather than acknowledging real student concerns.

In this article Peterson was described as "nervous" and "trembling," two adjectives indicative of fear and uncertainty. I attended this address and my view of the events are a bit different. I saw a poised ASBSU President questioning the administration's ethics regarding three clear grievances that have yet to be addressed.

In the future, perhaps the Arbiter's staff should stick to reporting facts and leave editorial comments that follow no logical sequence out of its newspaper.

Damon Courtois
The Arbiter is currently seeking nominations and self-nominations to fill a position on the Arbiter's Editorial Board. Editorial Board members work in conjunction with the Arbiter's senior editorial staff to develop and express editorial positions.

An ideal candidate should have in-depth knowledge of the campus, community and issues that effect the Arbiter's readers. Nominations should be directed to Carissa Wolf at editor@arbitermail.com.
Real Slim Shady should sit down and shut-up
by Chris McCall

The rap artist Eminem has been called one of the most talented and influential artists of our time. The New York Times has praised him as a "master rhymer" and a "stinging critic of critics." His most recent album, "The Marshall Mathers LP," has sold more than eight million copies, making it the second-best-selling album of 2000. For his talent and accomplishments, Eminem has been nominated by the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences (NARAS) for four Grammy Awards, including the prestigious Album of the Year.

In addition to being an extremely talented singer, however, Eminem is also a vicious bigot and misogynist. Take, for example, the lyrics from the song "Marshall Mathers," in which he sings "New Kids on the Block, sucked a lot of dick, boy/girl groups make me sick, and I can't wait 'til I catch all you faggots in public — I'm a 'love it.'" Or "Amityville," in which he and his guest artist, Bizarre, sing, "My little sister's birthday, she'll remember me — for a gift I had 10 of my boys take her virginity. And bitches know me as a horny ass freak. Their mother wasn't raped, I ate her pussy while she was 'sleep.'" Disgusting? Repugnant? Of course, but also, according to NARAS, worthy of an award.

Groups such as the National Organization for Women and the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation immediately expressed their outrage at his nominations, inundating NARAS with angry phone calls and e-mails. NARAS president Michael Greene responded by saying that while Eminem's songs may be "nauseating in terms of how we as a culture like to view human progress," the "Marshall Mathers LP" was nevertheless a "remarkable recording."

Remarkable? If it is "remarkable" to advocate violence against women and gays, then Eminem fits the description. He may indeed be a talented artist in terms of form and style, but that does not mean he deserves to be rewarded, praised and legitimized for the hateful message so prevalent in many of his songs. "Mein Kampf" may be an interesting, albeit "nauseating," read, but should Hitler have been awarded the Pulitzer?

Opposition to Eminem's nominations does not, as many Eminem fans insist, have anything to do with censorship. Eminem should be free to sing about whatever he wants, no matter how distasteful it is. And people should be free to buy and listen to his music, no matter how distasteful it is. But that does not mean he should be rewarded for it. The National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences is not a government agency bound by any constitutional requirements of viewpoint neutrality. It is a private organization with a moral obligation to stand up to people like Eminem and make it clear that the hatred he espouses is unacceptable and not "art" worthy of praise and reward.

This is also not to say great music needs to be devoid of offensive language. If music were judged according to standards of vulgarities and offensiveness, then artists like The Beatles, The Doors, and Tupac Shakur would never have achieved the popularity they did. But Eminem is different. His lyrics are not protesting some social injustice, as many artists attacked by censors for their vulgarity are. In the words of one Eminem critic, "his rage is not against the oppressor, but against the defenseless."

Eminem is not passionately railing against the Vietnam War (as The Doors and The Beatles did) or America's "war" on drugs (as Tupac did). He is a misogynist and a homophobe singing about all the people he hates, and, most disturbingly, the acts of violence he would like to commit against them. His success lies solely in his ability to cater to prejudice.

This brings up the interesting point of whom Eminem attacks. If Eminem simply substituted "nigger" or "kike" for "faggot" and "bitch" in his songs, does anyone really believe we would be having this debate? If Eminem were a racist or an anti-Semite rather than a homophobe and misogynist, does anyone for one second think NARAS would have nominated him for four Grammys? Eminem claims that such criticisms are indicative of the "political correctness of society to which he is so vehemently opposed."
Drug war gone bad

by Jonathan Jones

New Mexico Gov. Gary Johnson is not a typical politician. He has the courage to speak honestly on a subject considered sacred by the governing establishment: America’s war on drugs. The Republican has publicly acknowledged his past use of marijuana and cocaine. Johnson believes the drug war is an abysmal and expensive failure. In an interview with MSNBC, he said, “We’re spending more and we’re locking more people up. Personally, I have a problem with putting people in jail for drug use.”

According to the Justice Department, a record 1.86 million men and women were behind bars and another 4.5 million were on parole or probation for drug offenses in 1999. The government spends approximately $50 billion a year on the effort to combat illegal drugs. It appears to be losing. The Washington Post reports 1 percent of the adult population in America was in prison in 1980. Now that number has risen to 3 percent, or one in every 32 people.

The failed effort to stem the tide of illegal drugs in the United States has only created more criminals. The time has come to admit the drug war is not only a failure, it is not winnable. Instead of pursuing a lost cause, other options merit serious consideration, including legalizing drugs and viewing drug use as a health, not a criminal, problem.

Narcotics will always be around. The illegal drug trade is estimated to be $400 billion a year — larger than the automobile industry. Some of the billions of dollars spent fighting the drug war could be redirected into combating the traffic violations, murders, burglaries and rapes that are often rooted in drug abuse. Under the legalization scenario, addiction would be treated as a health problem, not a crime. Criminal activity of someone under the influence of a substance would be severely prosecuted, similar to drunken driving.

Legality must not imply approval. Money freed for drug education should focus on the fact that doing drugs has serious consequences. Officials lose credibility when they tell children they will fry their brains. In fact, drugs have a very real and powerful lure. Marijuana and more dangerous substances can make people feel better, less lonely and more in control of their lives. But children might appreciate and positively respond to the truth that long-term abuse is a major handicap. Through legalization and an honest educational campaign, the government could control, regulate and tax drug use. The issue certainly merits further study. America’s narcotics policy raises serious constitutional questions. Yale law professor Steven Dale said, “The anti-constitutional effects of the drug war have been so relentlessly obvious for so long that a cynic might wonder whether the Constitution is not the true enemy of the drug war.” In a free society, purchasing and ingesting substances harming only the individual should not be a criminal act. The actions resulting from these poor decisions should be the focus of law enforcement.

Joseph McNamara, former police chief in San Jose, Calif., believes that America’s war on drugs is a pointless endeavor. He said, “There is no way the police can penetrate this world unless everyone becomes a suspect, everyone gets searched. Under no circumstances should citizen privacy ever be compromised in this way.

America’s current drug policy is simply not working. For many, obtaining illegal drugs is easier than obtaining legal ones. There are real casualties in the drug war, including non-violent criminals facing jail time for only harming their own bodies. Most of the nation’s citizens are intelligent, rational people who understand the problems of drug abuse. They deserve better than the rhetoric of politicians promising to pour more money into a losing battle.

The well-documented failure of the drug war should raise questions about continuing these policies that have so little progress to show. Through legalization, the government just might be able to control the drug market in a way that works. Instead of arguing how much more money should be poured into this battle, it would be smart to begin debating of the alternatives.

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The climate of college campuses is changing. With the recent WTO protests in Seattle and the arrests of several students in Boise last fall, there is an awakening of student action in the US. Students are on the forefront of many issues from sweatshop-labor used by multinational corporations, to minimum wage for farm workers right here in Idaho. Friday, Feb. 16 through Sunday, Feb. 18 the Idaho Progressive Student Alliance (IPSA) will host the Third Annual Progressive Advocacy Training at Boise State. The Progressive Advocacy Training is an opportunity for students to learn the skills necessary to improve their communities through advocacy. It is also a resource for people interested in current issues and finding out more on how they can become a part of the growing student movement that is working for social, economic and environmental justice.

Organizers and activists from all over the northwest including the Idaho Women's Network, the Idaho Media Project, Northwest Earth Institute and the Western States Center have agreed to come and share their knowledge with Boise State students. Along with many others, workshops will include: "Non-violence Skills," "Dismantling Racism," and "Voluntary Simplicity."

IPSA hopes to engage as many students as possible in the training, giving students the valuable skills they need to become advocates in their community. IPSA members feel it is important to provide students with an opportunity to learn these crucial skills that are often left out of the academic curriculum. They also see the benefit in gathering thinking students together for a few days to share ideas and recognize that there is a community of students working together for social change.

"Many students are dissatisfied with the way things are but they often find there is no outlet for actually having a voice," as one student planning the training put it. "Students aren't always aware that there's so much going on and so much they can do as citizens to at least impact things in a meaningful way. There is so much we can do at a local level."

All of the workshops are free to students. Registration forms are available at the student activities desk. For more information please call Amanda Rich at 342-5775 or Lori Dicaire at 381-7028.

Amanda Rich is the President of the Idaho Progressive Student Alliance.

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- Voting rights
- Fundraising/grant writing
- Heterosexism
Sunday: Non-violence skills
- Dismantling racism
- Globalization and human rights
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Music Department Honor Recital reveals dazzling performers
11 top students shine at annual Chairman’s concert
by Mike Winter

Chairman James D. Cook has reason to be proud: the quality of his department’s top performers is outstanding. Though they are all students, based on what I heard Friday, Jan. 26, three of the 11 are ready to begin professional careers right now. It’s exciting to see such talent residing on campus.

The program showcased the top performers by faculty vote at the Fall Semester performance jury. Juries are a performer’s final exams. A minimum standard is required, so not all instruments may be represented. But the opportunity for the honor is there for two from the groups of brass, winds, voice, strings, keyboard, and percussion.

Each student performed with an accompanist one piece from five to 15 minutes in length, after which Dr. Cook came onto the stage to award a plaque.

The standouts to me were soprano Elizabeth Wood, violinist Ajea Killworth, and pianist Svetlana Nagachevskaya. Wood is a senior studying with Laura Rushing Raynes; Killworth is also a senior studying with Linda Kline, and Nagachevskaya is a senior studying with Del Parkinson.

Also special note should go to twin sisters whose performances were outstanding: oboist Kelli Kirkman. They are sophomores from Bend, Ore. Kristen is a student of Jeanne Belfy and Kelli studies with Dave Saunders.

The other excellent performers and their teachers are as follows. Warren Barnes, tenor, studies with Chris Raynes. Rebecca Gourley, violist, studies with Craig Purdy. Mike Gerritsen, euphonium, studies with Dave Mathie. Mary Clayton-Smith, soprano, studies with Lynn Berg. Lauren Colliander, percussion, studies with John Baldwin, and Johann Vargas studies with Del Parkinson.

Here’s what they performed, in program order, and their piano accompanists. Barnes performed two songs by Brahms with his wife Amy Burkholder. Kristen performed an extended Fantasy on themes from space a Bellini opera with Jerry Jensen. Woods performed “Monica’s Waltz” by Menotti with Peggy Purdy. Clayton-Smith did a song by Hageman and one by Brahms with Liz Noland. Colliander soloed on snare drum with works by Colgrass, Leonard and Peters. Kelli performed two movements from Mozart’s first horn concerto. Killworth soloed in two movements from a Bach suite. Gerritsen performed a piece by Gordon Jacob. Vargas performed Liszt’s “Hungarian Rhapsody no. 12,” and Nagachevskaya ended the evening with Chopin’s “Andante spianato and Grande Polonaise brillante.”

Musicians pictured from left to right: Ajea Killworth, Kristen Kirkman, Elizabeth Wood, Lauren Colliander, Rebecca Gourley, Mike Gerritsen, Svetlana Nagachevskaya, Warren Barnes, Johann Vargas, and Kelli Kirkman.

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the Arbiter

Faculty Art Exhibit:
Over 100 works by 27 faculty present diverse approaches to art
by Misty Schymtik

Exhibit runs through Feb 16
In Liberal Arts Building and Hemingway Center
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This exhibition includes mixed media, photography, oil and watercolor paintings, wood sculpture, lithographs, paper, graphic design, and bronze, providing students the opportunity to study a wide array of artistic interests.

One that caught my attention was Assistant Professor of Painting Karen Kosasa, who grew up in Honolulu, Hawaii. Third generation Japanese-American, Kosasa was considered non-native by the indigenous Hawaiians. The Hawaiian kingdom was overthrown by military and business interests and became a state in 1898. It is this experience of being the “other,” of owning land that had been wrongfully taken from other people, that influences Kosasa’s current body of work called “(Settler) Colonial Series.”

In a presentation on Feb. 1, Kosasa explained that most people think of colonialism as bureaucrats and military moving into a country and claiming political power. The other, arguably more insidious form, is settler colonialism, which dispossesses indigenous peoples.

One installation piece, “Lessons in Ownership,” graces the current BSU Faculty Exhibition. A white wall, approximately 8 feet by 10 feet, holds evenly spaced, slightly smudged blue lines of carpenter’s tape descending from nails. Near the center of the wall, another set of more closely-set lines form a box. Inside that box is another nearly solid blue box, with the word “mine” appearing three times. Below the box, a dresser drawer juts out from the wall. The drawer is evenly divided in thirds, containing deceivingly innocent items: silk houses that look like pin cushions, small white fences, and miniature trees.

The snap lines are lines of intention, lines of ownership, while the color blue presents a false sense of the pristine. The piece, is about “how we’ve taught to own things,” and how in the process, those harbingers of culture — artists, writers, poets — played into it by educating people, seducing them really, into believing that “that land could belong to them.” Even seen the posters encouraging settlers on the east coast to move west? And it’s not just Hawaii. For hundreds of years, the U.S. has deprived the Indian nations, claiming their land and destroying their livelihood.

Kosasa explained the trees and much of the meaning of the piece when she noted, “I spent a lot of money on these trees, and here I was destroying them by dumping chalk on them.” Settlers build houses, thereby claiming land; they build fences around it, claiming more, and they claim the landscape, laying ownership upon the very vegetation. Her reluctance to destroy something she had purchased reinforces the possessiveness and ownership her piece represents.

On the opposite end of the exhibit was the work of Illustration Professor William Carman. Two out of three of his pieces were commissioned. Commissions are in many ways the bread and butter of
The man holding the sticks

An interview with Pantera's Vinnie Paul

by Jim Towell

For almost 10 years, Pantera has been one of the biggest aggressive metal bands in the world, and they're bringing their arsenal to the Idaho Center on Saturday, February 10th. This is part of a phone interview conducted with their drummer, Vinnie Paul - the editor.

Jim: Unlike a lot of other metal bands that have been around awhile, you guys haven't "gone soft." You haven't changed your sound really, to be commercial. What do you attribute that to?

Vinnie: That wouldn't be true to what we're all about. Our goal has always been to be very extreme, very heavy, very hardcore. You know, it's never changed. We've never had any goal to sell out, or quote end quote "have any songs directed at the radio," or music television. It's always been about ourselves and our fans and that's where we come from.

J: Have you had any embarrassing moments on stage?

V: Ahh, the most embarrassing moment I ever had on stage is when we were opening up for Kiss in Buenos Aires, and I always jump on top of my drums at the end of certain songs to get a rise out of the audience. I jumped up and the drum riser went right out from under me, and I bust my ass, and the only two people that saw me were Rex and Gene Simmons, who were standing on the side of the stage, I thought the whole audience saw me and I was really embarrassed, but I think they were the only two people that saw me. So, for me, that was the most embarrassing thing that ever happened to me.

J: In another interview, Phil(vocalist) mentioned that he wasn't too fond of showering. Does that cause any problems?

V: It just depends on what kind of mood Phil's in on that day. He's a pretty hygienic person, and I would just say that he was probably having some fun with whoever was interviewing him that time.

J: Have you guys ever been to Idaho before?

V: Ahh, we've been there once before, and it was a great show. I know they don't get a lot of concerts up there, and it was a great evening. The fans were over the top, we had a great time, and that's the reason why we're coming back.

J: Who's the guy on your album cover, and what's that supposed to signify?

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J: Smoking weed?

V: Weed, mushrooms stuff like that, everybody has to use their own discretion, you know, moderation, it's not a bad thing. If it's something you do on a regular basis it could turn into that, but you know, there's nothing wrong with you know on Friday night, getting your favorite Pantera CD out, and f--kin' smoking a big fat one. There's nothing wrong with that.

J: Alright, I guess that's probably it then.

V: Well man, we're looking forward to seein you guys up there soon. We had a great show last time, and I expect this one to be better.

J: Alright, thanks.

V: Take care, man.
“Celebrate the World” is a sold-out success

by Mona Morrison

After 21 years of setting the stage, the 14th Annual Food, Song and Dance Festival held in the Jordan Ballroom Saturday night was a sell-out hit. Presented by BSU’s International Student Association, the Festival showcased some of the 75 national cultures represented on Boise State’s campus. Close to 460 people took advantage of the low ticket price ($8.00 per adult) which included an international buffet, nicely set tables, and dance demonstrations from five groups.

A quick peek into the kitchen showed one reason for the Festival’s success: lots of student volunteers. The program notes listed twelve different individuals, plus fifteen assorted sponsored and supporting organizations, but the students serving the food, taking the tickets, manning the booths, and generally being helpful made the whole thing work.

Helping to achieve this year’s sellout was an investment in publicity. According to Stephanie Hunt, ISA’s advisor, the prior two years had been poorly attended because few people were aware of the Festival. A decision to publicize paid off with all tables occupied by an enthusiastic crowd.

The buffet included wonton appetizers from Hong Kong, Beef Rezala from Bangladesh, Ratatouille from France, my personal favorite Chicken Satay from Thailand, Tuna Salad from Spain, Carrot Mint salad from Vietnam, and desserts of Kruiszon from Poland and Brigadeiros from Brazil.

These dishes were obviously chosen to appeal to the mainstream American palate, and were not especially adventurous in terms of exotic spices or flavors. I’m sure that other factors limiting the taste spectrum were those of expense, ingredient availability, and time. The students donated their time for two days prior to the Festival, and prepared the dishes in the SUB kitchen, an enormous task for those inexperienced in large quantity food preparation. For a donation of $2.00, I picked up a booklet listing all the recipes.

After the buffet, it was time for the dance program. Emceed by Enrique Camarillo and TingTing Yi, the program kicked off with a Spanish flamenco. Often performed at weddings, reunions, festivals and parties of all sorts, this flamenco was more fun than fiery.

Next up was a group of four Vietnamese women who danced a “folkloric” dance that struck me as traditional-Vietnamese-mets-disco. I was expecting something more lyrical and musical, but the dancers did a great job and I suspect the heavy four-beat rock rhythms are quite popular in their country.

Two belly dancers in the Egyptian style followed. They both seemed to be enjoying themselves, and either one would have faced a football penalty for having the backfield in motion. Their elaborate costumes with lots of glitter, metal, bright colors and skin added to the performance.

After an intermission, the audience favorite of this evening was a group of six local Boiseans who performed African drumming on string drums. Using a combination of hand drumming techniques and various beaters, supplemented by a cabasa, they achieved a variety of tonal colors. Their act picked up three notches when two young women came out, one of them balancing a woven basket on her head, and performed some great dancing to the rhythms.

By the time they finished, lots of children and quite a few adults were bouncing and gyrating in a dance circle in front of the stage.

The African drum group was a hard act to follow, but three Saudi Arabian men topped off the evening with a traditional men’s dance. Dressed in striking floor-length white clothing, they took turns on center stage with a series of moves that looked more improvised than strictly choreographed. I’d love to see a room full of men dancing that way.

Worthy of mention were the centerpieces loaned by Ten Thousand Villages. The articles on display at each table ranged from an outrageous red parrot to a stunning soapstone sculpture. Another bright spot was the beautiful clothing worn by the volunteers, a point of deserved pride for most of them.
Aladdin Egyptian Cuisine

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Humus is not organic soil! In the midst of a cold winter, a hearty lunch can nourish the body and mind. Aladdin Egyptian Cuisine reminds us that healthy food can be flavorful and robust. So, don’t let the strip-mall fool you, the food is fantastic. Upon entering, you’re greeted with ummus is not organic soil! In the midst of a cold winter, a knack shrine. The perfect marriage: culture and food.

For an inexpensive lunch I recommend the appetizers and sandwiches. The Tripoli mezza’s come in two sizes ($6.50/$10.75).

The sandwiches surely please meat-lovers and vegetarians alike. The shawarma’s (lamb and beef or chicken) are tasty, served on flat bread, lathered with zesty cucumber-yogurt sauce ($6.75), mousakkah, an eggplant-tomato casserole ($7.75), or a chicken shish taouk (kebab-$6.25). The falafel sandwich ($4.50) is a must try at Aladdin, it’s plentiful and delicious to say the least. All entrees are served with rice and salad.

When people meet me, they never assume I have a child. Maybe because I’m young, maybe because I just don’t fit their image of a father. But, when they inescapably discover my parental bonds, always follows an inevitable conversation questioning me about the how’s and why’s of raising a child, working, and going to school.

Most, since most of the people I converse with are not parents, cannot understand why I am smiling when I tell them I sleep maybe 80 hours in a week ($6 to 70 being a more normal range), and I work graveyard just to keep my son at home. They always tell me either they plan to have children but not for quite a while, or they love other people’s children (since they’re returnable) but they don’t care to have their own. And, this is my rehearsed response: “Parenthood is undoubtedly my plan to have children but not for the sake of procreation, or when I’m due that day because I couldn’t find the time to do it, I wonder real hard if it is all worth the sacrifice. But then, I get home early in the morning from work, and I immediately have a cranky, hungry crying child who wants nothing more than to shove blocks up my nose while I lay on the floor with a child, who throws every drop of breakfast on the floor… just for fun, and then, cries because he’s hungry. A miniature monster that acts with little rhyme or reason, throws everything in sight, and beats the cat until one of them draws blood – usually the cat. And, I’m still wondering. I’m still asking myself, man… why? Why did you ever think you wanted this?”

Then we get through the morning and into a time I’m going to call, the blissful-hour. It’s that time after we’ve cleaned up breakfast (from the floor), washed our hands and face, got a bottle of OJ, and hit the living room floor to play with Disney in the background and a slue of noise-making toys, for an hour or so before naptime (or, what I like to call “free” time). We throw the ball (and every other toy, but we’re working on that), we run around the coffee table, hiding and seeking, and peek-a-booing. We work on new words, like “thank you,” “up” and “down,” and “cat” and “bird.” We sing and yell, laugh and smile, cry a little, get tired, and then it’s time for a nap (hopefully). And, that is what it’s all for. That hour. The laughs, the smiles, the time, that’s why I’m smiling talking about being sleep-deprived, broke, and generally denied a life. So, now it’s your turn. I want to start the forum part of this idea. I want to open the floor to anyone with anything remotely related to say. If you want to tell your story ask for advice, share something funny, voice frustrations, share some secrets to parenting, or resources you’ve discovered, write to BecauseISaidNo@hot mail.com, and together we can create a parenting community here at Boise State.
Art Prof. features work at BAM

Kirsten Furlong, a Boise State University adjunct art-professor, will be the featured artist at the Boise Art Museum's "Fresh Visions" exhibition Feb. 1-March 18. Furlong's series of paintings explores the life cycles of plants, insects and animals, and human interventions in these cycles.

Alluding to larger ecological issues and corresponding human attitudes, the artist will critique the scala naturae (great chain of being) system that places humans at the pinnacle of the natural history hierarchy.

Furlong's paintings, hung in various groupings as a wall installation, are created on wood panels and combine oil, polyester-plate lithography and collage elements.

Last spring, Furlong was one of the first two graduates of Boise State's recently created master of fine arts program. Boise Art Museum's "Fresh Visions" program presents the work of Boise area emerging artists. Furlong received support for this exhibition from the Idaho Commission on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

The Boise Art Museum is located in Julia Davis Park. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday noon-s p.m. Admission is $4 for adults, $2 for seniors and students, $1 for children grades one to 12 and free for museum members and children under six. On "First Thursday," hours are 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. and admission is free.

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illustration. "Every artist wants to sell their work," said Carman. Commission pieces are a certain way to do that. The bad thing about them is that "someone else has the final say."

The images in "Order in the Chaos," a CD cover for singer Julia Davis Allen, are heavily influenced by the lyrics and music on the CD itself. Carman digitally scanned some images and drew others in pen-and-ink. His pieces work with muted colors in a startling way: two heavily brown, one a lighter pink, but the works contain somewhere a brilliant deep color. In "Order in the Chaos," it's a small beetle in the center. In "Distilling Creativity," the drops from the funnel are blue, red, and green, respectively. In "Amazing Guillotine," the wizard's eyes glow a deep and eerie red. And, Carman admits, the commissioned pieces are easier to define meaning from, while "Amazing Guillotine," is open to both his and others' interpretation.

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retardation should be sentenced to death or executed because to do so would violate contemporary standards of decency. Despite this, of the 31 mentally retarded people executed since 1976, 19 have been in the last five years.

They'll also discover that the five countries with the highest homicide rates that do not impose the death penalty average 21.6 murders per every 100,000 people, whereas the five countries with the highest homicide rate that do impose the death penalty average 41.6 murders every 100,000 people.

This raises the question: Is the death penalty truly a deterrent to violent crime? Statistics would indicate that it is not.

Most people who support the death penalty in this country do so because they do not know the facts. They believe that people who kill other people deserve to die, and the death penalty is just punishment for them. But in America today the death penalty is frighteningly racist, and the number of children and mentally incompetent subjected to it is staggering.

These are facts that everyone should be made aware of now that Bush is in office. The NCADP and other anti-death penalty organizations will be working hard to ensure that Bush, who takes so much pleasure in killing as a method of teaching others not to kill, does not wreak the same havoc on this country that he has on his own state.

Americans who are not educated on the issue need to seek out the facts and decide whether they will stand by and let our new president continue to kill, or step forward and tell him that the way capital punishment is abused in the United States is no longer acceptable.

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7. 27 La Scala song
8. 28 Be nomadic
9. 29 Tiny mark
10. 30 Market-watching find
11. 31 Common answer
12. 32 Costume-designer head
13. 33 Swift specialty
14. 34 Rotate
15. 35 Corn unit
16. 36 On the roof of
17. 37 Dependent
18. 38 Used a stool
19. 39 Exist
20. 40 Cargo unit
21. 41 Deceit

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2. Bangs settings
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