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The Arbiter

ASBSU: Ruch should resign

The ghost of PeopleSoft continues to haunt

By Andy Benson
The Arbiter

Boise State spent \$4.4 million in cost overruns on PeopleSoft — money critics say could now be used to reduce student fees.

This expense was a result of implementing the software, used for managing university information, over the last few years.

The total price tag of the PeopleSoft system after implementation totaled \$22 million, according to Stacy Pearson, associate vice president of Finance and Administration.

Of the total cost, \$4.4 million went to paying for consulting fees that became necessary when BSU experienced a large turnover of information technology employees.

Pearson said the loss of experienced staff was a result of two factors.

Before installation of PeopleSoft as Boise State's IT backbone, the university relied on computer applications written in COBOL, a legacy programming language originally developed in 1959.

When PeopleSoft was introduced, Pearson said many IT staffers left for COBOL related positions elsewhere as they didn't want to learn the new system.

Still, other personnel were recruited by local businesses after they acquired their new PeopleSoft skills.

Pearson said Boise Cascade, Idaho Power, and the City of Boise switched to PeopleSoft soon after Boise State did and were able to recruit many BSU employees.

Pearson also said the university suffered as a result of being an early customer of PeopleSoft's software; the programming was still in its infancy when BSU signed on, and as a result, several unanticipated glitches arose that later proved expensive.

"There isn't a lot of advantage to being an early adopter. There are so many bugs to work out that could be costly," Pearson said.

The money used to pay for the cost overruns were compiled from unrestricted reserve accounts, Pearson said.

Support not unanimous in student government

By Sean C. Hayes
The Arbiter

A resolution supporting ASBSU President Nate Peterson's petition to oust Boise State President Charles Ruch has gained momentum in ASBSU Senate.

The resolution passed on to third reading with a vote of 9-6, showing that support of Peterson's campaign in ASBSU is not unanimous. From third reading, the resolution need only be voted on one more time before going to Peterson for signing.

Backers of the bill said they not only supported Peterson's drive, but also felt ASBSU Senate needed to take a decisive stand on the issue.

Opponents, including some who signed Peterson's petition, worry the resolution may not meet the approval of the majority of students at Boise State.

The resolution was sponsored by Senators Brooke Baldwin, Aaron L. Calkins, Sarah Ali and Ali Ishaq, under the premise that, "President Ruch has lost the faith and confidence of the student body."

Baldwin said Ruch isn't doing his job, citing the fact that he has attended only two ASBSU Senate meetings in her two-year tenure.

Jennifer Scott, a freshman senator, disagrees. She said although she backs Peterson, she's not sure his petition reflects the opinions of most students.

"I'm not backing the resolution because my belief is different from a lot of students I've spoken to," Scott said.

She said an ASBSU poll conducted in March showing student dissatisfaction with Ruch did not ask how students felt about ASBSU.

Lee VanderBoegh also voted against the bill, saying Ruch is not the only factor involved with budget decisions.

"Things like this are more than the result of just one man," VanderBoegh said. "Especially in economic times like this, the bickering and infighting we're having doesn't look good."

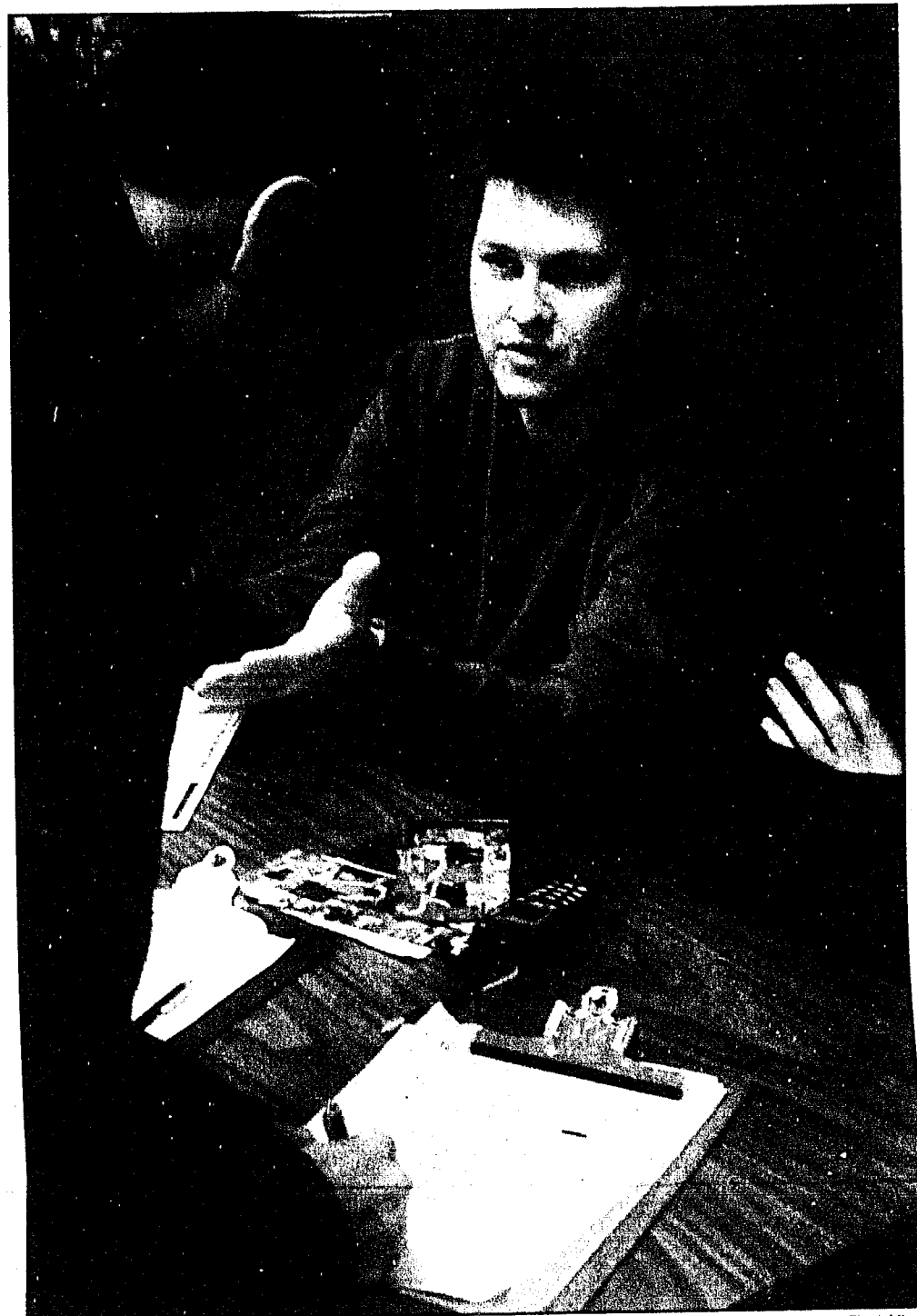
Senators Christopher Mathias and Winnie Tong, too, dissented on the issue. Mathias accused some of the resolution's sponsors of not even having read the legislation they were sponsoring, saying they were hopping on a "hot topic" and "trendy issue."

Tong said controversial costs of PeopleSoft were justified for the quality software, and that the logo project was initiated when economic times were good.

Peterson addressed the Senate before the vote, saying he appreciated supporters and respected dissenters.

At press time, he had collected upwards of 500 votes.

Vanderboegh, however, said Peterson's goal of collecting 1,000 signatures was insignificant on a campus with about 17,000 students.



ASBSU President Nate Peterson discusses President Ruch's financial management with James Portis, as Portis adds his signature to the petition. "It's a good idea," Portis said, "he should resign."

Governor's building fund freeze has little impact on BSU

By Julie Underwood
Special to the Arbiter

Boise State will experience only minor construction setbacks as a result of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's freeze of the Permanent Building Fund, announced earlier this month.

According to Larry Blake, director of facilities and architecture at BSU, only 14 percent of the existing campus buildings were funded by the State of Idaho.

Student fees and private donations account for the other 86 percent of funds used for the construction of existing campus buildings.

"You could say in a way that the state hasn't really

stepped up to the plate," Blake said.

This funding trend continues in the ongoing construction at the University. According to Blake, the West Campus academic building would be the only Boise State project, of the 69 ongoing, affected by the statewide freeze of \$80.8 million.

If revenues level off as expected, funds for the West Campus academic building will be released July 1. Blake anticipates the funding freeze will ultimately result in at least a semester or year-long delay of the building opening — originally slated for fall 2002.

However, contracts on the Nampa project had been signed prior to the holdback. Even though funding has been

frozen, the project continues to advance through the architectural revision and approval phase for at least another month.

"In fact we're not even slowing down our pace," Blake said.

The pace has slowed, however, on the renovation of the Langroise house, future home of BSU's president.

After receiving only one bid in the first round of bidding, which was over the \$465,000 slated for the project, the state Public Works Division has required that the bidding be reopened, according to Bob Fritsch, director of the BSU Foundation.

"It's got to be \$460,000 or less," Fritsch said.

He further explained that this is the approximate amount available in the renovation fund.

This investment fund, established in 1981 by an original gift of \$100,000 from William and Gladys Langroise, was specifically designated for the home's future renovation. Bids on the Langroise project will reopen on Feb. 6.

Other major construction projects underway include the new residence hall, replacement of University Courts and the implementation of phase two of the parking garage complex.

Last Tuesday, the State Board of Education approved a \$38.2 million bond sale to fund the housing projects. The apartment complex to replace University Courts will provide 175 two-to-four bedroom units. The new residence hall will be located north of Morrison and Driscoll halls and will house an additional 350 students.

According to Blake, this location will require the elimination of the current parking for Morrison and Driscoll residents, however, more west stadium parking will be allocated for this purpose.

Additional parking should be available in fall of 2003 when phase two of the parking garage complex opens. The parking garage is part of a four-part project, which upon its completion will comprise one city block.

This project will be funded by revenue bonds paid exclusively by parking permit fee revenues. Blake said this funding was approved last year as part of a three year phased increase in parking permit fees.

Cycling in the SUB, what is the rage?



Photo by Jeremy Branstad, The Arbiter.

Lasa Stuppy and Rex McCoy demonstrate cycling in the comfort of the Student Union Building on Thursday. They were in the SUB to promote a Precision Cycling class held in the Pavilion Child Care Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays 5:15 p.m. - 6 p.m. "It's the best cardiovascular workout you can have bar none," said McCoy. If you are interested in attending a class, call 426-1131 at least 24 hours before each class to reserve a bike.

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SUB expansion on hold

By Skip Bingham
The Arbiter

SUB expansion has been postponed, threatening to create a major space crunch. The Executive Budget Committee recently decided to place a \$25 student fee originally slated for SUB expansion in the matriculation fee. "With the residence hall expansion we're going to need more seats and more space in the SUB," said Leah Barrett, director of the Student Union and Activities. "The BSU Bookstore is half the size it should be for a university with over 17,000 students." Some student organizations are turned away because there is no space available. There are about 20 to 25 groups a month

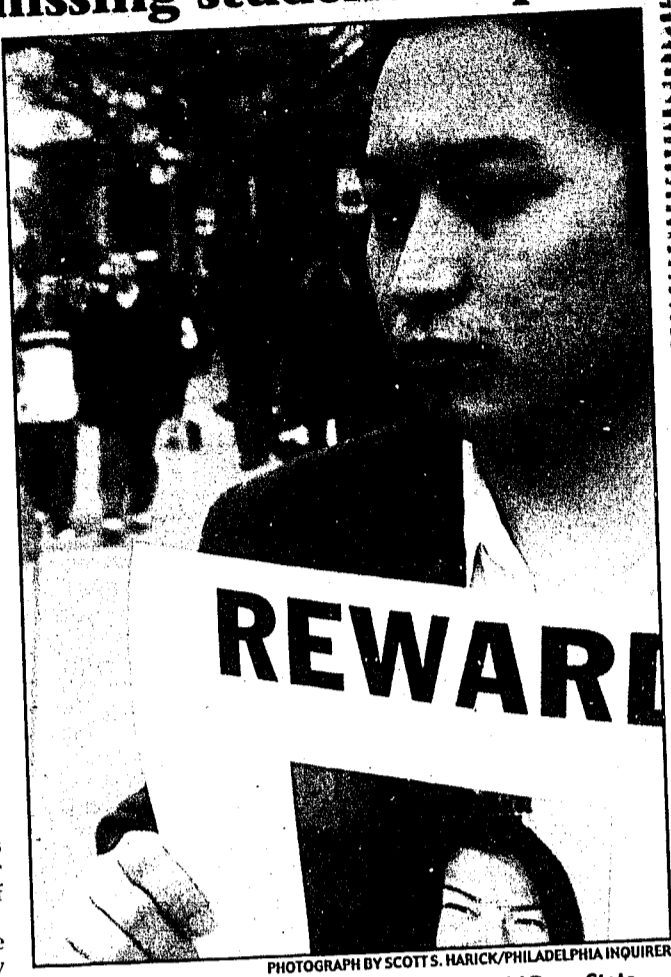
that are denied use of the SUB simply because there is not enough room, Barrett said. Some students, however, believe SUB expansion is unnecessary. Freshman Melissa Bullard said the SUB is fine the way it is. "People just don't use the space we have," Bullard said in reference to her using the upstairs of the SUB to study because it is always quiet there. "If Boise State was a more traditional school, maybe there (would be) more of a need to expand; there are non-traditional students who haven't even set foot in the Student Union Building," says Brad Christensen, ASBSU lobbyist.

Christensen said he hopes the delay will give university officials and student leaders time to re-assess the need for an expansion of the SUB. Barrett, however, said the need for expansion will only grow more severe, citing the emergence of new programs within existing groups on campus. The Returning Women's Mentoring Program, a new program for mostly non-traditional students implemented by the Women's Center, needs space for about 25 people, space that is not available in their existing building. "The reasons to expand are not going away," Barrett said.

Mystery of missing student deepens

By Marc Schoaal

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — It's been almost three months since anyone has seen or heard from Pennsylvania State University senior Cindy Song, and nobody has a clue where she is. Song, 21, was last seen by a friend who drove her back to her off-campus apartment complex after a Halloween party that spilled into the early morning hours of Nov. 1. Since Song was reported missing by friends three days later, local police and the FBI have conducted air searches, ground searches and dog searches of this hilly, wooded, rural portion of central Pennsylvania. Missing-person flyers and posters describing the 5-foot-3, 110-pound Song have been widely posted and distributed. Investigators have questioned Song's friends and acquaintances and checked her phone, Internet, credit card and ATM records — and tips, including a possible sighting in Philadelphia.



PHOTOGRAPH BY SCOTT S. HARICK/PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER

The university community is offering a total of \$27,000 for information. But no trace of Song has been found. It's not unusual for college students to disappear for a day or two, Penn State spokesman Bill Mahon said. "They go away with a roommate or make other plans and don't tell their family and friends," he said. "A day or two. After that, you know something's wrong."

The last similar case anyone at Penn State can recall was in March 1987, when a female student was found slain in an off-campus apartment. The crime was never solved. Hyun Jong "Cindy" Song, who is from Seoul, South Korea, came to the United States seven years ago to stay with relatives near Alexandria, Va. Song went to high school there and then went to Penn State, majoring in integrative arts. She had many friends, especially among the university's Korean community.

Since her disappearance, Song's mother has come here from Korea several times. Song's brother, Kiho Song, 26, has temporarily moved here from Korea to monitor the investigation, of which he has become critical. In the weeks after Cindy Song's disappearance, there was much concern among fellow students — especially members of the student Black Caucus, which is especially sensitive to the experience of minority students on an overwhelmingly white campus.

But over time, the general level of awareness and interest has mostly vanished — as have most of the posters put up all over campus that urged anyone with information to call police at 800-479-0050. "It concerns me, but I'm not especially afraid," Melissa Pothering, 20, a junior psychology major from Pottsville, Pa., said last week of Song's disappearance. With a new term, students have other pressing matters that demand their attention, Pothering said. "It's like I've gradually put it in the back of my mind. ... It's just one thing that happened to happen. If it happened more than once, I would be concerned." Kiho Song is very unhappy about that kind of attitude and about the investigation. He has complained to the South Korean Consulate in New York, several Korean TV news crews that have reported on the disappearance, and anyone else who will listen. While they understand the family's frustration and anguish, investigators say they have done everything possible — including running down bogus tips. On Jan. 18, an area resident reported getting a middle-of-the-night call from a young woman who gave her name as "Cindy" and said: "My place is

Kiho Song, brother of Cindy Song, a 21-year-old Penn State University student who disappeared November 1, 2001, has interrupted his University Studies in Korea to publicize his sister's disappearance.

a mess and my leg is bleeding," then hung up. Police traced the call to two teen-age girls, who were charged Jan. 21 with disorderly conduct.

"We want people to know we're taking this very seriously," said Ferguson Township Detective Brian Sprinkle, the local police officer heading the investigation.

Sprinkle is frustrated, too. "We have no clues, no leads," he said. Investigators have even sent information on the case to America's Most Wanted in hopes that the TV show, which has helped find missing and wanted people, will do a segment on Song's disappearance.

Sprinkle is convinced that "somebody out there knows something about the disappearance." Or that somebody might have seen something. "That's the thing," Sprinkle said. "Somebody might not realize what they saw, didn't think twice about it and still might not think about it, but publicity might jog their memory: 'Hey I did see something that was suspicious!'"

What "it" was that somebody may have seen, nobody knows. Sprinkle makes a point of saying "there are no clues or

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Avalanche awareness course offered

By Aaron Beck
Special to the Arbiter

With the recent pounding of snow in the mountains, skiers and snowboarders at Bogus Basin can be found in an altered state of bliss. Not completely so for backcountry users. Quick, heavy dumps of snow after long dry spells can lead to instability and increased avalanche dangers in the backcountry.

"We'll have to see how well this new snow bonds," Patrick Chetwood of the Boise State Outdoor Center said. Chetwood said he has already heard reports of sliding activity near Pilot Peak, a popular backcountry access site outside Idaho City.

"There were two layers of instability prior to these last few storms but it was definite-

ly skiable," Chetwood said. "We'll have to see how the recent storms will affect stability."

The Outdoor Rec Center will be putting on a two-day Backcountry Avalanche Safety Seminar, Feb. 8 and 9. The course will start Friday night at the Rec Center with a two-hour seminar from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Saturday will be a field session outside of Idaho City from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The course will cover basic skills essential to backcountry travel. "Emphasis will be placed on assessing snow pack stability, route selection, group leadership, hazard assessment, and rescue and evacuation procedures," Chetwood said.

This is a great introduction to avalanche awareness for new backcountry users and a

healthy refresher for those with experience. Even if you are just interested in the fascinating science of snow-morphology and want to throw around phrases like "faceted crystals," "snow metamorphosis" or "surface hoar," you are encouraged to come and participate.

The course cost is \$20 and the outdoor center will provide all technical equipment including avalanche beacons, probes, shovels, and saws. Participants will need to have some mode of over snow transportation such as snowshoes or cross-country skis, either of which can be rented from the Rec Center.

For more information, call the Rec Center at 426-1946 or drop by their office in the southeast corner of the SUB.

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Celebrate Black History Month with music, film and discussion

Boise State's Black Student Alliance and Cultural Center have collaborated to provide music, film, poetry and other educational activities in celebration of Black History Month in February.

The month-long commemoration will include the following events:

— The mini-series "Roots" will be presented at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 5 (Part I), Feb. 12 (Part II) and Feb. 19 (Part III) at the Student Union Bergquist Lounge. Free admission.

— Literature enthusiasts gather for "Poetry of the African Diaspora," African American poetry readings, at 7 p.m., Feb. 7, 14, 21 at JD and Friends, 16th and Main streets.

— "Roots & Reparations: Making Amends for Slavery," a facilitated discussion lead by English professor Marcy Newman and the Black Student Alliance at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 19 at the Student Union Bergquist Lounge, following the final "Roots" segment.

— "AIDS in Africa," a panel discussion by local physicians, Boise State professors and Boise State students who have conducted research in Africa, will address the AIDS epidemic from political, historical, social and economic perspectives at 7 p.m. Feb. 26 at the Student Union Hatch D Ballroom. Free admission.

— "The Black Experience in the Music Industry." Portland rap artist Cool Nutz and Dominique Halls, owner of Too Real Records, will discuss the history of rap as well as their own experiences in the music industry at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 28 in the Student Union Farnsworth Room. Free admission.

Select-A-Seat staff assists with ticketing at Olympic Games

Expertise in the software ticketing system used at the Olympic Winter Games has earned three Select-a-Seat staff and two other Treasure Valley managers three-week assignments at Olympic venues.

Select-a-Seat director Rod Edmiston, business manager Gina Huntsinger, outlet specialist Matt Kelly, Kristin Edmiston from Special Olympics Idaho and Tanzy Kinney from the Idaho Center will help with operations at the 2002 Winter Olympics.

Ticketing software from the Prologue line, produced by Tickets.com, is also used by Select-a-Seat.

"The Prologue software that we use at Select-a-Seat has proven it can handle the largest ticketed events in the world," said Edmiston. "While in Salt Lake, we'll be able to learn new ways to utilize the software to provide better service to our customers here in Idaho."

It will be the third Olympics for Rod and Kristin Edmiston, who worked at the 2000 Summer Olympic Games in Sydney (getting married after the Games) and the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta. Rod will serve as a troubleshooter, shutting between venues to help resolve any problems and help staff understand the software.

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Ski shops offer competition

By Hortense Saaget
Special to the Arbiter

Boise's snowboard shops have gotten together with Bogus Basin Ski Resort to put on series of terrain Park competitions throughout the 2002 Winter season.

"The events work as a circuit," said Jacob Ives, salesman at the Water Ski Pro Shop. "You get a certain amount of points for each competition that you enter. At the end of the season, the judges add up the individual scores for an overall placing."

The new system allows for more participants and the opportunity to win more prizes.

There will be four judges, and each competitor gets two runs. The final score will be a combination of the two runs. The judges look at the difficulty, magnitude and fluidity of the jumps, said Shawn Plimmer, an employee at the Board Room.

Now that you know their secrets, don't forget your helmet and come join the Terrain Park Series.

Snowboarders as well as skiers, beginners or

advanced, women or men, everyone is welcome to enter the events.

Events include:

— Feb. 9, Newt & Harold's sponsors a Big Air competition. The event will consist of a quarter pipe on which skiers or snowboarders will have to perform their best tricks.

— Mar. 30, Zumiez puts on a new event for Bogus Basin skiers and snowboarders: a Handrail Championship. This one, borrowed from skateboarding, basically consists of sliding on a rail placed on the terrain, adding some spice to the move by grabbing or spinning.

— Apr. 6, the Board Room sponsors a SlopeStyle event.

The registration can be done the day of the competition on the 3rd floor of the lodge or at any sponsoring shop.

The costs range from \$15 to \$20, depending on the event.

For more information, call 332-5100 or log on to www.bogusbasin.com.

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evidence suggesting that crimes were committed."

But with each passing day, it's harder not to think the worst.

Was someone waiting for Song at her apartment that night? Did someone come after she returned? Had she arranged to meet someone? Did she run out to a nearby all-night supermarket and get abducted?

Did she actually enter her apartment, which was otherwise empty because her roommate was away? Police said they believe Song did go into the apartment, where they found the backpack and cell phone she'd had with her at the party. But Song's brother theorizes that someone else could have put those items there.

Was substance use or abuse a factor? Song's brother said his sister's diary indicated she and some friends had experimented

with marijuana and Ecstasy.

Police say that Song and friends had been drinking at the Halloween party and that Song had been slightly intoxicated, but that there was no indication of any drug use that night, or that Song was impaired when she returned to her apartment.

Was Song's breakup with a boyfriend about a month before her disappearance a factor? The brother believes it could have been. But police and one of Song's roommates, Youngjoo Kim, a 21-year-old sophomore from Radnor, Pa., said Song was getting over the breakup. In any case, police said there was no indication that the former boyfriend was in any way involved in Song's disappearance.

Could Song have committed suicide or just decided to run away?

Song's brother said he can't imagine either scenario. Investigators will say only that they continue to pursue all possibilities.

Kiho Song continues to worry and chafe.

"Police investigators at this point are deadlocked," he said, through a university-provided translator, during an interview last week in the university's student center.

"Like everyone else," Kiho Song said, "they need to renew their attention to this case. ... I'm trying to make everyone aware, to ask anyone for help."

His mother and other members of his family have suffered greatly through this "tragedy," he said.

"What makes it even sadder," he said, "is that nobody knows exactly what that tragedy was."

Today

"Roots," Part 1, the mini-series and discussion, Student Union. 5 p.m. Presented by Black Student Alliance. Call 426-4259 for cost and location.

Mon.-Thurs.

"My Fair Lady," Morrison Center Main Hall. 8 p.m. Presented by Theater League of Idaho. Tickets at Select-a-Seat, 426-1110, or www.ida-hotickets.com.

Wed. & Thurs.

Spring Organization Fair, Student Union. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Presented by Student Union and Activities. Free. Call 426-1223.

Thurs.

Bronco women's basketball at Tulsa.

Bronco men's basketball vs. Tulsa, The Pavilion. 7:30 p.m. Call 426-4737.

Friday

Vocal Jazz Festival, Student Union. Workshops all day. Presented by Boise State music department. Concert featuring guest artists Fifth Avenue and Boise State Vocal Jazz at 7:30 p.m. Concert tickets: \$3 at door. Call 426-3980.

Fri.-Sun.

Vagina Monologues, Special

Events Center. 8 p.m. Feb. 8-9, 2 p.m. Feb. 10. Presented by Boise State Women's Center. Tickets: \$4-\$10. Call 426-4259.

Saturday

Vietnamese Lunar New Year, Student Union Jordan Ballroom. 7-11 p.m. Presented by Vietnamese Student Association. Tickets: \$10 adults, \$5 ages 13-18, free under age 13. Call 426-4259.

Faculty Artist Series, Lynn Berg, baritone, Linda Kline Lamar, viola, Del Parkinson, piano. Morrison Center Recital Hall. 7:30 p.m. Tickets at door: \$5 general, \$3 seniors, free to students and Boise State faculty and staff. Call 426-3980.

Fighting For Your Relationship Workshop, location TBA. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Two sessions: Feb. 9 and 16. Presented by Boise State Counseling Center. Call 426-1601.

Senior Recital, Elizabeth Wood, soprano, Morrison Center Recital Hall. 3 p.m. Free. Presented by Boise State music department. Call 426-3980.

Monday

"Roots," Part 2, the mini-series and discussion, Student Union. 5 p.m. Presented by Black Student Alliance. Call 426-4259 for cost and location.



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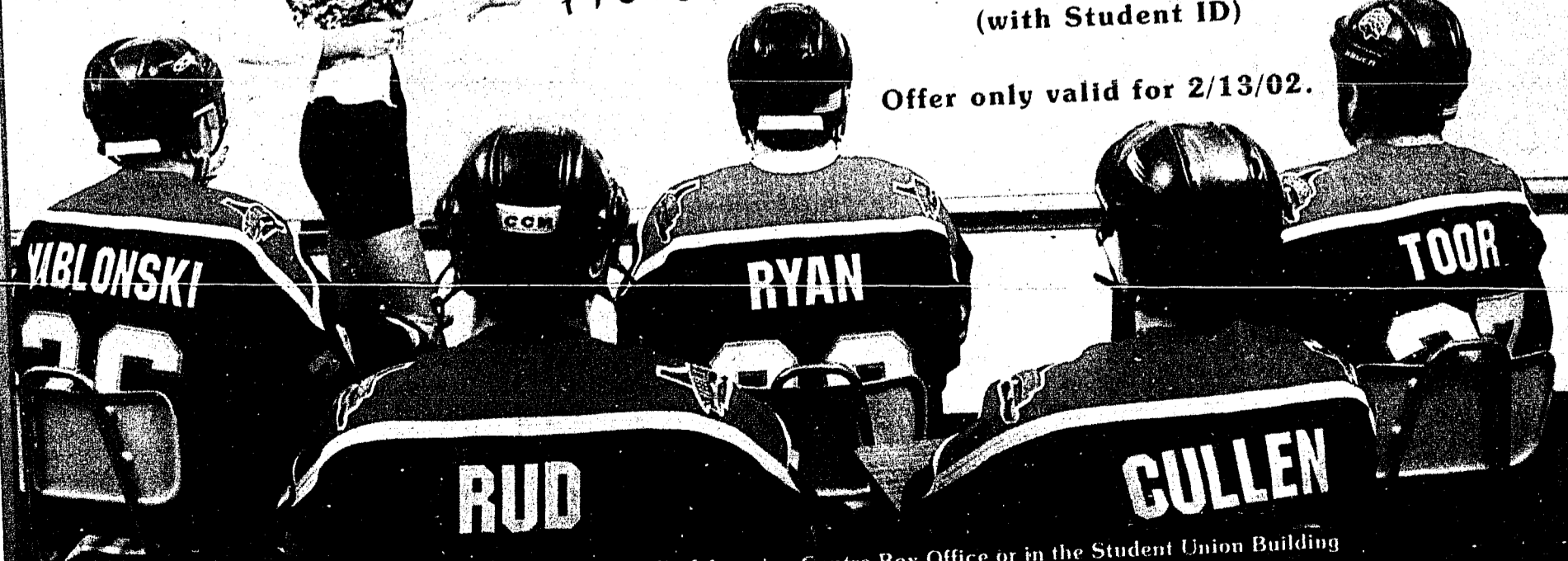
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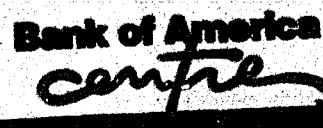
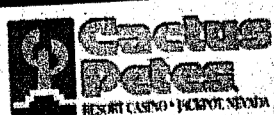
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Bush uses glowing language to cloud real issues

By Nate Williams
The Arbiter

In glowing tones, President Bush elaborated eternal themes in his State of the Union address on Tuesday. "God is near," "our cause is just," and we "will lead by defending liberty and justice."

Like a benevolent father calmly reassuring his frightened children, Bush Jr. outlined his plan for world conquest. Camaraderie, loyalty, and love swelled in the frequent applause of those who listened. Hitler would be envious.

Sadly, these glorious pronouncements contrast sharply with the despairing reality that exists in the world today; a reality for which the U.S. is largely responsible.

Mr. Bush claimed that the U.S. has "saved a people from starvation."

All reports from credible NGO sources indicate that

we were the cause and aggravator of massive starvation in Afghanistan, the country to which our leader referred, not the solution. We're also the lead proponents of neoliberal, "free trade reforms:" reforms that serve only to fatten the pockets of the very rich at the expense of the majority of the world's population, many of whom languish in starvation and poverty.

Bush also claimed "we'll be partners in rebuilding that country." In reality, the U.S. is glaringly absent from Afghanistan's reconstruction process, involving ourselves not in reconstruction but in further military destruction. Bush spoke of working closely with our coalition to deny terrorists and their state sponsors the materials they need to continue terrorizing innocent people.

He seems to have forgotten that the U.S. is one of the largest suppliers of military aid in the world, giving mil-

lions in money, training, and equipment to nations like Columbia, Israel, and Egypt, among others—aid that is used by those nations to conduct state terrorism on a massive scale.

Bush spoke of how Sept. 11 brought out the best in Congress. Apparently, the best Congress can do is almost completely ignore working people's needs, voting instead to pass retroactive tax cuts and other subsidies for ultra-wealthy corporations; enact laws that severely restrict the civil liberties of U.S. citizens; and support "free trade" policies that further the exploitation of millions across the globe.

Bush spoke of increasing spending for the military because America needs to be protected. He failed to mention that the U.S. outspends every other nation on defense by millions, that the futility of our current over-spending strategy was amply demonstrated by the recent "low-

tech" terrorist attack.

Bush spoke of the U.S.'s commitment to "the rule of law; limits on the power of the state; respect for women; private property; free speech; equal justice. . ."

He didn't remind us that even women within the U.S. aren't equal to men (e.g. the wage gap wherein women make only 74 percent of what a man makes for the same work), to say nothing of our selective indignation at other nations' oppressive policies (e.g. ignoring Saudi Arabia's women's rights violations because they're a valuable trading partner).

He didn't remind us that the U.S. and other Arabic media were blatantly censored all throughout the Afghanistan war; that he has greatly expanded his own governmental powers through military tribunals and other means; and that our criminal justice system is blatantly racist as is evidenced by the gross over-representa-

tion of minorities in our prison populations and unequal enforcement of the law.

Indeed, the only truth in the list quoted above was that the U.S. is committed to protecting private property—the private property of elite corporations and their owners. In fact, our leader is so committed to that goal that he is willing to "send other people's children on missions of suicide and murder" in the name of continued corporate profits and world domination. A charge, he once again levels against the enemy, but should've reserved for himself.

The biggest lie in Bush's speech was that America is unified. America is not unified. The very wealthy in this nation are unified. They're showing it by taking advantage of this tragedy to liberate themselves from taxation, expand their "free trade" dominion further across the globe, and to further oppress

any dissent against their tyranny.

The rest of us are unified only in that we are clinging to each another for dear life. "We the people" are the ones suffering from profiteering corporate-government crimes such as Enron, loss of jobs with an almost non-existent safety net, a government that is crushing dissent and civil liberties at home, a world collapsing economically (e.g. Argentina), and an oblivious President who is above all committed to advancing the interests of the very wealthy who bought him his position.

Fascism is always wrapped in popular rhetoric, in grand phrases of unity and godliness; it declares its dedication to the people while crushing them beneath the heavy hand of profit driven, out-of-control, corporate-elite capitalism. Americans, we have a new political system. Does that bother anyone?

Arbiter makes inaccuracies in attacks on Ruch

By Buster Neel

I usually follow the maxim not to question an organization that buys printer's ink by the barrel, but it is difficult to remain silent when one sees so many inaccuracies in news stories and columns in the Arbiter.

I understand and respect the rights of student writers to express a critical opinion, even when their words might be personally painful, but errors in fact should not be left uncorrected. The following are clarifications to the Jan. 28 issue that I hope your reporters, columnists and readers will consider.

Fee Increases: Of primary importance are the numbers related to the possible fee increase. The Executive Budget Committee has proposed that fees increase 12 percent. That equates to approximately \$160 per semester. The budget committee, acting on a motion by ASBSU President, Nate Peterson, also has recommended that the \$25 Student Union expansion fee be temporarily discontinued and applied instead toward the budget reduction.

That fee is not being added on top of the 12 percent increase, as stated in the Arbiter, because it is already included in the fees now being paid. It is only being reallocated. The statement that the actual fee increase is close to 14 percent is not accurate. If the budget committee's recommendations are approved, fees will go up no more than 12 percent.

Arbiter Statement: Students are still feeling the effects of

deficits in the Athletic Department, Pavilion and Bookstore.

Fact: The Bookstore has not been in deficit for several years. The Athletic Department and Pavilion were in deficit two years ago, but neither now has an operating deficit, a fact that doesn't generate headlines. Student fees were not used to make up any deficit, nor did Bookstore prices increase. Rather, these units, along with Select-a-Seat, are now showing positive balances because we improved

Guest Opinion

management practices and worked harder to earn additional revenues.

In the case of the Bookstore, a portion of its revenues was used to fund the addition to the Children's Center that will be built later this year.

Arbiter Statement: The PeopleSoft conversion was responsible for a mass delay in financial aid checks.

Fact: It is true that two years ago financial aid checks were delayed, but the story doesn't end there. We worked hard to correct the problem and can now report that, last year, award letters were issued in April, earlier than ever before, and that this year we have distributed 20 percent more aid than at the same time last year.

Arbiter Statement: PeopleSoft was implemented for "human resources" pur-

poses.

Fact: PeopleSoft is a comprehensive system, much of which is related to student services such as financial aid, registration and records. The system includes components for business functions and student information through BroncoWeb, as well as human resources. Furthermore, with the implementation of BroncoWeb, students no longer have to stand in long lines to register, apply for financial aid, etc.

Arbiter Statement: PeopleSoft was financed largely by student fees and by the selling of bonds, thus leaving future students to pay for the cost.

Fact: Fees were not increased because of PeopleSoft, and there is no fee dedicated to its support. Reserves from some student fee revenue bonds were used to pay for part of the project, as were institutional funds and operational savings, but future students are not paying for this cost.

Arbiter Statement: The state pays for the cost of buildings, but not the cost to power or maintain them.

Fact: The University pays for the utilities and maintenance of all buildings. The State pays for the construction of some buildings, such as the Multipurpose Classroom Building. But at Boise State, many buildings have been built through private contributions, such as the two engineering buildings that opened two years ago. The State indeed assists in the maintenance and utility costs of all non-auxiliary

buildings, including those that have been donated.

Arbiter Statement: The Warm Springs "mansion" was donated to the University, with \$500,000, partly in State funds, donated for its remodel.

Fact: First, the Langroise House is a residence that was pledged to the University more than 20 years ago with the stipulation that it be used as a residence for the president. More than that, it is the University's house and will be used frequently as a venue for fund raising and other special events. The donor also established a fund to pay for the eventual renovation of the house, which is one of the most historic residences in Boise.

The original \$100,000 renovation donation has grown over the years to more than \$400,000. That fund can be used only to renovate the house. While the Langroise House was a gift to Boise State, it still is a State building. As such, some funds have been spent for asbestos removal and an underground irrigation system. As with the presidential residences at Idaho State, the University of Idaho and Lewis-Clark State, the house will be occupied by whomever is president and will be an asset for the University and the community.

Thank you for this opportunity to respond. Should there be a need for information on financial matters in future stories, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Buster Neel is BSU's vice president for Finance and Administration

Do you think Fine Host contract should be renewed, or should they be replaced by a new vendor to serve the students at Boise State?



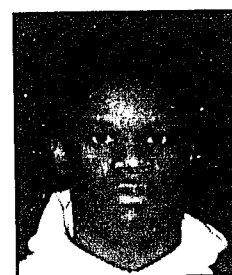
Jeni Jenkins - junior

"I really think that they (BSU) shouldn't renew it, and put somebody else in there. The food is too expensive, I mean we're all broke students."

"I think it's ok. They could do better as far as the quality of the food and the nutritional value of stuff."



Kadie Keshian - freshmen



Reggie Melbrough - freshmen

"Pizza Hut is good, Moxie is good, most of the stuff down here is fine, I've eatin' up on top (Table Rock) and it's alright. They do ok."

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Sports

Louisiana Tech muscles BSU women

by Darrin Shindle
The Arbiter

Sixth ranked Louisiana Tech came into Boise Saturday night and jumped all over the Boise State women's basketball team early, showing 1490 fans attending the game why they deserve that national ranking, and are possibly the best program (men or women's) to play in the Pavilion.

The Broncos (6-15 overall, 2-9 WAC) dropped another WAC game 78-39 behind a poor shooting night, and a 20-0 run early in the first half by Louisiana Tech (16-3, 11-0) that put the game away early.

The Broncos shot just 24 percent

for the game and 19 percent in the first half, where Louisiana Tech made their run.

"If we hit our shots it's a different game," head coach Trish Stevens said. "Most of the other statistical categories were pretty even."

Among those statistics that looked good for the Broncos was offensive rebounds. Boise State actually won that battle 12-10 over a team that is known for its strong offensive rebounding. 11 of the 12 offensive boards came from the guard position led by Jenny Binford with three and Camille Woodfield with two.

The Broncos took the lead early on a steal by Simone Grant that led

to a three-pointer by Woodfield. Then Essence Perry hit a three of her own that started off the 20 point run by Louisiana Tech.

The run was ended with another three-pointer with 9:06 to play in the first half, this time by Mandy Welch, which would be her only points of the game.

During the run in which the Broncos didn't score for 10 minutes and 25 seconds, they had seven turnovers. Boise State ended the game with 21 turnovers.

Boise State went into the locker room trailing 40-16 but came out with some fire in the second half. The Broncos played Louisiana Tech evenly throughout most of the second half before Louisiana

Tech went on a 14-0 run to end the game.

Boise State was led by Abby Vaughan, Jenny Binford, and Heather Little who all had seven points. Woodfield led the Broncos with seven rebounds and five assists. She also had three steals.

On Wednesday night the Broncos lost a crucial WAC game that could have moved them up in the WAC standings. The Broncos dropped the game to the SMU Mustangs 62-59 in front of 562 fans at the Pavilion.

Boise State not only lost the game, but also lost its two starting post players when Andrea Swindall left the game in the first minute and was taken to the hospi-

tal complaining of chest pains.

The trip to the hospital was only a precautionary measure, as she would return to the next game.

Senior Crista Peterson left the game in the second half when she tore her MCL. Peterson will miss two to six weeks with the injury.

The Broncos led at the half 27-19 but let that lead slip away in the second half.

Mandy Welch led the Broncos with 18 points. Peterson added eight points before going out with the injury. Woodfield led the Broncos again with 10 rebounds and five assists. She also chipped in seven points.

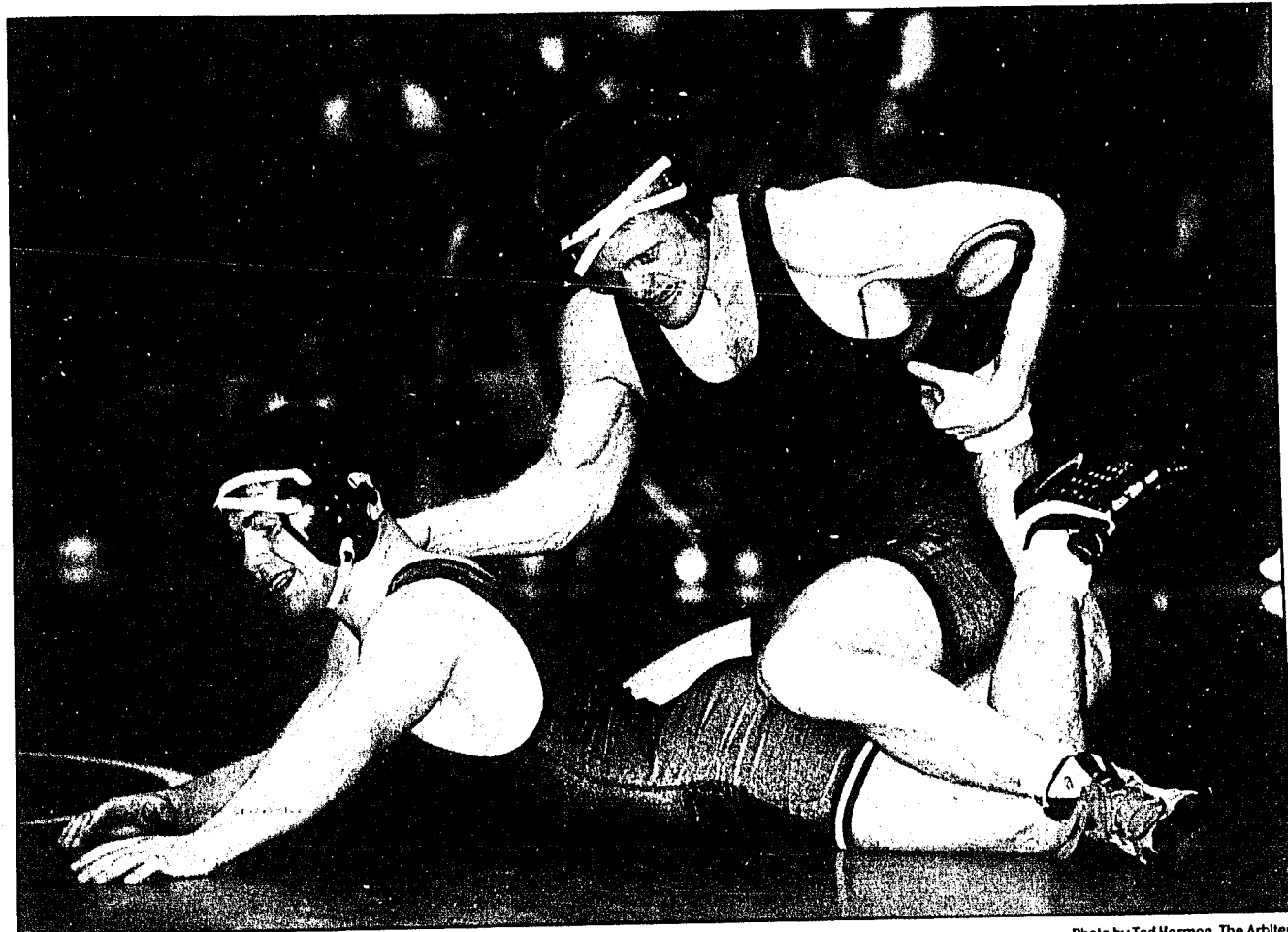


Photo by Ted Harmon, The Arbiter

BSU's Collin Robertson tests for Casey Hunt's breaking point during their match Friday night.

Bronco wrestlers win seventh straight match

by Darrin Shindle
The Arbiter

The Boise State wrestling team won its seventh straight dual match Friday night as they got past Oregon 19-13 in Bronco Gym.

Boise State 174-pounder Pat Owens sealed the win in the last match of the night with an overtime win against Oregon's Shane Webster 13-11. In a match that went back and forth throughout, Owens was able to get a quick take-down in the first 20 seconds of overtime to give himself, and the Broncos, the win.

Owens found himself behind 6-5 at the end of the first period, but was able to take the lead back going into the third period 8-7. In the third period Webster found a way to tie the score back up at 11 to send the match into overtime.

The Broncos won the first match of the night at the 184-pound weight class as Tony D'Amico edged Oregon's Elias Soto 9-8. Oregon took the second and third matches at the 197-pound and heavyweight classes.

Boise State then proceeded to win the next four matches beginning with the 125-pound weight class as fourth ranked Ben Vombaur took out 12th ranked Shaun Williams 9-2. The Broncos then received decisions by Jesse Brock and Gabe Vigil, at 133 pounds and 141 pounds, respectively.

10th ranked Collin Robertson rounded out the run by the Broncos with a major decision over Casey Hunt at the 149-pound weight class to give Boise State a 16-5 lead.

The Ducks won the next two matches at 157 pounds and 165 pounds. Oregon's Eugene Harris, currently ranked 10th in the nation at the 165-pound weight class, scored a major decision over Boise State's Nathan Ploehn 19-5, and cut the Bronco lead to 16-13 going into the final match.

The 24th ranked Broncos improved to 7-3 overall and 4-1 in the Pac-10 this season. The Ducks fall to 3-5 and 2-2 in Pac-10 duals.

Boise State now takes a two-week break and then will host Oregon State on February 16 at 7:00 p.m. at Bronco Gym. It will be the final home dual of the season for the Broncos.

Bronco women's tennis team sweeps weekend matches

Bronco Sports Information

The Bronco women's tennis team defeated Idaho State Saturday night, 6-1 for its third win of the weekend and of the season.

Boise State women also defeated UC Irvine 6-1 and Montana State 7-0 to cap off a great weekend for the Broncos.

The Broncos, now 3-1 overall, will be home again next weekend.

Boise State 6, Idaho State 1

Doubles: 1. Lawson/Stoop, Boise State, def. Kakulia/Jhavana, ISU, 8-5; 2. Hayward/Polowski, Boise State, def.

Tolsma/Arutjunova, ISU, 8-0; 3. Ayling/Attard, Boise State, def. Kaniz/Attard, ISU, 8-5.

Singles: 1. Renate Stoop, Boise State, def. Irena Kakulia, 1-6 6-4 6-0; 2. Helen Lawson, Boise State, def. Eka Jhavana, ISU, 6-2 6-3; 3. Jemima Hayward, Boise State, def. Carol Tolsma, ISU, 6-0 6-0; 4. Erin Polowski, Boise State, def. Haylie Scott, ISU, 6-1 6-3; 5. Alissa Ayling, Boise State, def. Melanie Krantz, ISU, 6-0 6-0; 6. Jemima Attard, Boise State, def. Kristina Arutjunova, ISU, 6-2 6-1.

Boise State 6, UCI 1

Doubles: 1. Lawson/Stoop, Boise State, def. Seymour/Chang, UCI, 8-5; 2.

Hayward/Polowski, Boise State, def. Bentzer/Leow, UCI, 8-2; 3. Ayling/Curtolo, Boise State, def. Tranckino/Posner, UCI, 8-6

Singles: 1. Jonni Seymour, UCI, def. Helen Lawson, Boise State, 6-4 3-6 6-3; 2. Renate Stoop, Boise State, def. Amy Tranckino, UCI, 6-2 6-0; 3. Jemima Hayward, Boise State, def. Tiffany Chang, UCI, 6-2 6-1; 4. Anna Curtolo, Boise State, def. Anna Bentzer, UCI, 6-1 6-4; 5. Erin Polowski, Boise State, def. Hui Leow, UCI, 6-2 7-6; 6. Alissa Ayling, Boise State, def. Christine Posner, UCI, 6-2 6-2.

Boise State 7, Montana State 0

Doubles: 1. Stoop/Lawson,

Boise State, def. Kurnik/Lowrance, MSU, 8-1; 2. Hayward/Polowski, Boise State, def. Drummond/Risteen, MSU, 8-3; 3. Curtolo/Alissa Ayling, Boise State, def. Voelker/Rust, MSU, 8-1.

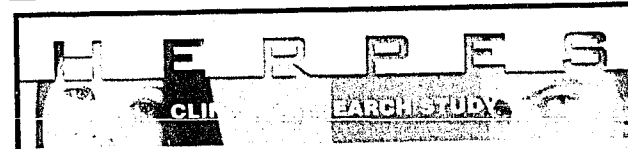
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Diversions

'The Vagina Monologues' redefines the norm

Playwright doesn't charge royalties

By Andy Benson
The Arbiter

Vagina. It's a powerful and frightening word to women and men alike.

We do everything we can to avoid saying the word. Cootchie, pussy, nappy dugout, cunt. The list of ridiculous and insulting euphemisms goes on and on.

Unlike its male counterpart, whose name can usually be spoken in polite company, the word vagina is invoked with a sense of foreboding and embarrassment. Or, as in the case of teen-age boys, with an accompanying snigger.

However, the cast and crew of "The Vagina Monologues" want to reclaim the word this weekend when they present the play at the Special Events Center.

The play was written by Eve Ensler and consists of several short skits compiled from hundreds of interviews with women. The skits range in topics from the joyful realization of sexuality to the destructiveness of domestic violence.

The play has been controversial due to its willingness to discuss frankly what many people would rather ignore or suppress. Virginia Husting, sociology professor, said the discomfort people experience about the word vagina is an important clue about us.

"The discomfort we feel is telling us something important. The play is clearly hitting a nerve for us and we want to take a look at that," Husting said.

"Why are we so uncomfortable talking about it?"

Autumn Haynes, Student Activities coordinator and director of the play, said that she hopes men don't feel threatened by the material.

"I really hope that men don't shy away from it because we use the word 'vagina' in the title,"

Haynes said.

In addition, Haynes said the traditionally crude stereotypes about feminists do not apply to the play.

"You're not going to encounter a single sentence about male bashing, or a single sentence about being a lesbian because that's the way to go," Haynes said.

She also added that the material is not something the audience should be apprehensive about.

"All you're going to hear is women sharing their stories and celebrating the fact that they have vaginas," Haynes said.

"These are just stories. It's in our human nature to share stories."

The play is part of a larger campus campaign led by V-day, a non-profit organization working to raise awareness about violence against women. Ensler has allowed her play to be produced royalty free by college campuses all over the nation around Valentine's Day. This year, over 500 colleges will participate. In addition to Boise State, the University of Idaho and Idaho State University will present "The Vagina Monologues" in conjunction with V-day.

The correlation between Valentine's Day, violence against women and "The Vagina Monologues" is an important aspect of the V-day campaign. The organization chose Valentine's Day because it is the only holiday that celebrates relationships, and as such, provides an opportunity to examine the impact that domestic violence has on our culture.

The play runs this Friday, Saturday and Sunday. However, if you don't already possess a ticket, you will have to wait until next year. All three nights are sold out.

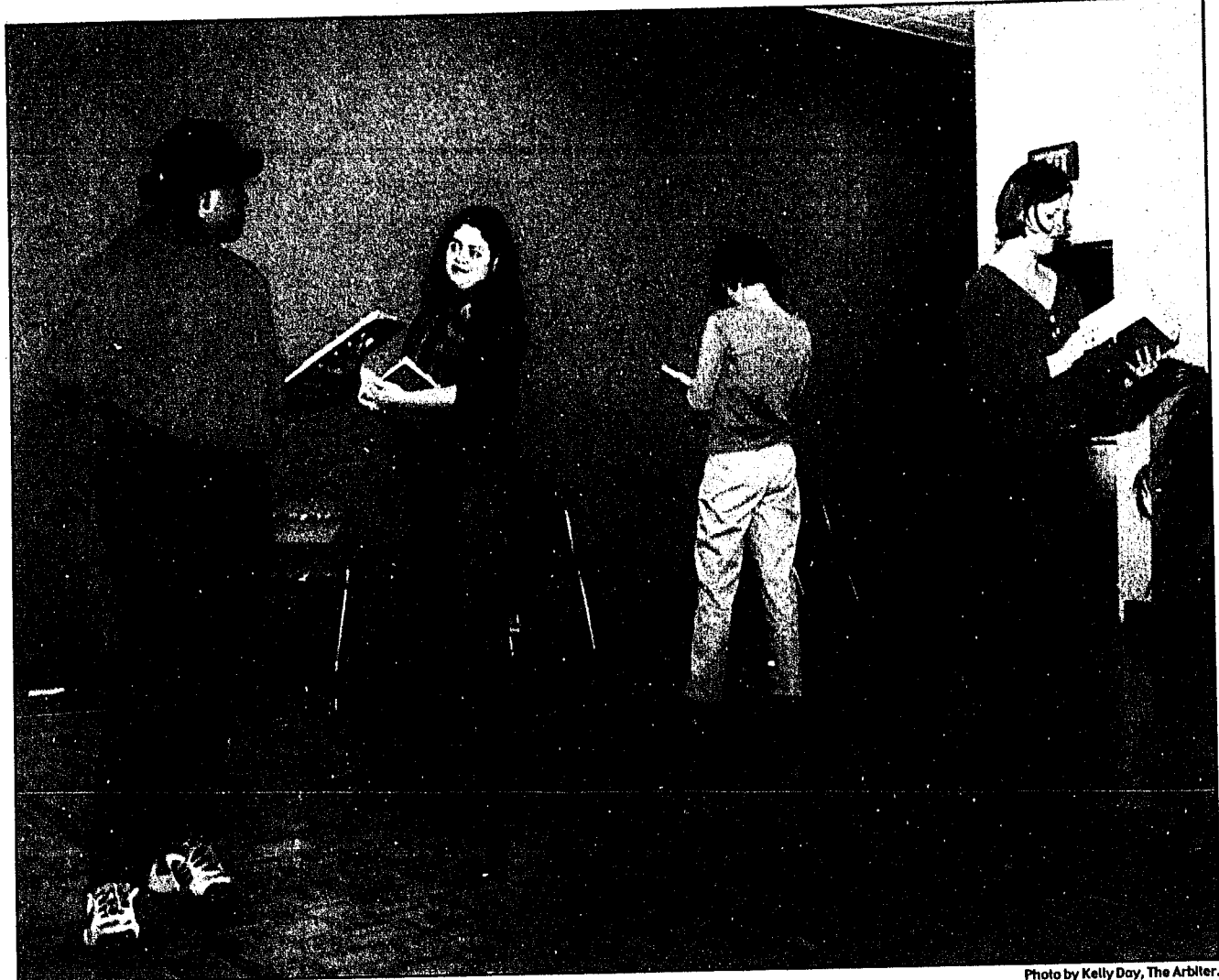


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Some of the cast of the "Vagina Monologues" rehearses scenes from the play in the SUB Thursday.

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Siam takes the blue ribbon

By J. Patrick Kelly
The Arbiter

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Located in an unassuming strip mall on Boise's Eastside, Siam Thai restaurant spices up an otherwise bland neighborhood, and consistently warms our souls with thoughtful cuisine.

Siam has settled nicely into their new digs after moving two years ago from their old locale near Boise State on Capitol Boulevard.

Upon entering Siam, you are greeted with a profusion of multi-colored silk flowers and faded pictures of Thai dignitaries and royalty, and there is something about the predominant soft-pink hues in the room that numbs you like shot of Novocain.

But most importantly, the sumptuous smells of a properly stocked Thai pantry continuously waft into the dining room, enticing the palate time and time again. Pungent curries, spicy sambals, jasmine rice, lime leaves, ginger and sweet-smelling peanut sauces seem to endlessly feed our heads with the glory of Siam.

Owner/chef Twa Thammavongsa, who is originally from Vientiane, Laos, is no slouch when it comes to procuring the traditional cuisine of Thailand. Mostly because he has spent many years perfecting the ingredient combinations that are so important in Southeast Asian fare. Thammavongsa is a student of Thai cuisine, and because of his dedication to research and development, Boiseans benefit greatly every time they dine at Siam.

"I'm always studying the food of Thailand, many of the dishes are traditional recipes,



Photo by Jeremy Branstad, The Arbiter.

Mone Bounyabong prepares some of the ingredients for one of Siam Cafe's entrees.

though I give them my own names like Miss Siam and Volcano, but they are Thai classics," Thammavongsa said.

Ordering appetizers are highly recommended when dining in Thai restaurants, and Siam is no exception. Do your taste buds a favor and start with the Satay (perfectly grilled skewers of chicken or pork served with a flavorful peanut sauce) and the Thai spring rolls (a refreshing combination of tofu, cucumbers, shrimp and salad greens wrapped in soft rice paper served with a tangy sweet and sour sauce). And a must try at Siam is the Tom Kah Kai, which is a savory coconut-chicken soup infused with galanga root, kaffir leaves, lemon grass, lime juice and cilantro. This soup is guaranteed to take away the winter blues.

The menu offers some staple Szechwan-style Chinese dishes, but they are only there to appease people who are afraid to try something different. Good advice: When in a Thai restaurant, eat Thai food. For entrees, one can't go wrong with the traditional Thai specialties. Pad Thai, Param, Roasted Duck (much like the Vietnamese preparation), Pra rad Prik (pollock fish) and the rice array of Siam curries are sure bets. Try the Panang Curry, and believe me, afterwards you will want to rub the nearest Buddha's belly. More good advice: Break away from the Boise restaurant blahs and dine at Siam. Plus, they are vegetarian friendly. Siam definitely gets the blue ribbon for Thai food in the Treasure Valley. The prices are fair and the service is always brisk. Ask for Mom, she will steer you in the right direction.

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	Local critic	Chicago Tribune	Dallas Morning News	Detroit Free Press	Miami Herald	N.Y. Daily News	Orange County Register	Philadelphia Inquirer	Seattle Times
Birthday Girl (R)									
Black Hawk Down (R)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
... Monte Cristo (PG-13)									
I Am Sam (PG-13)									
Lantana (R)	★								★
Mothman ... (PG-13)									
Slackers (R)									
Walk to Remember (PG)									

G All ages admitted
PG All ages admitted, suggested

PG-13 Parents strongly cautioned, some material may be inappropriate for children under 13

R Restricted, under 17 requires accompanying parent or guardian

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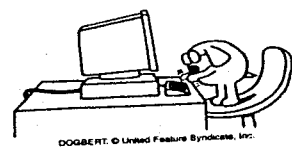
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BY SCOTT ADAMS



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Student Requirements

- min. 6 credit hrs. at time of selection
- full-fee paying
- maintain min. 8 credit hrs. throughout editorship
- have min. 2.25 cum. GPA at selection and throughout editorship
- have at least one semester's exp. with a student newspaper or prior professional newspaper or publications exp.

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Applications can be picked up at the Arbiter or Student Info Desk
Application Deadline February 15th by 5 p.m.

Turn in all documents to:
Bob Evancho, BSU News Service,
E-724 (Education Bldg., 7th floor),
1910 University Dr., Boise, ID 83725



Weekly Horoscope

By Linda C. Black
Tribune Media Services

Today's Birthday (Feb. 4). Some years you go forward, but this year you'll go back. Review what you should know by now, and dig into it even further. An old area of study regains your interest, as you discover all sorts of new treasures.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 7 - This is not a good day for a team effort, even if your team is raring to go. More planning is required. Seems like you've been doing nothing else. You're advancing, and thereby encountering a whole new set of problems. Take 'em one at a time.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 7 - Stand back a bit and let someone else speak for you. This person can state your case better than you can. Besides, that frees you up to do something else. A strong advocate for your cause is a solid investment.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 7 - It may be difficult to express what's on your mind, especially when it comes to money. Get your facts straight before you speak. In about 10 days, it'll get easier. From now until then, do the homework.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 7 - You're still facing all sorts of problems, including a few technical difficulties, but you're not facing them alone. You have a powerful person on your side. If you feel overwhelmed, call for help.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 7 - You're a natural-born leader, but lately you've felt more like a follower. Don't fight it. Learn as much as you can from the experience.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 6 - Make time to work on your schedule and rearrange your priorities. Some things you wanted to do now will have to be postponed, but other opportunities arise. A conversation with a person you love brings needed support and encouragement. Make the call.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 7 - Love is going to have to wait while you take care of business. Promise to meet tomorrow night instead of tonight. If you hustle, you'll have done enough by then to justify (and pay for) another wild fling.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 6 - Evaluate your plans with a critical eye. Now is the time to decide what to toss and what to save. Sell the valuable stuff so that you can buy something special. Nothing says you have to lose money on this deal.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 5 - Most things will take longer than expected and require more effort. Start shopping for the next big item on your list. An insider tip could lead you right to it.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 7 - The things you try that don't work are actually very helpful. There'll be about three or four of them before you find the thing that does work. Don't give up.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 7 - Pay attention to what's going on behind the scenes. That's where the action is. Ask a few leading questions and get the clues you've been after.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 6 - You're more decisive now. You can see that some of the tasks on your list no longer need to be done. Scratch them off without a twinge of guilt. This makes the rest much more manageable.

Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Regarding
 - 5 McKinley and Cantor
 - 9 Ready to swing
 - 14 Wait a minute!
 - 15 Coarse sea weed
 - 16 Actress Shearer
 - 17 Male parent
 - 18 Wicked
 - 19 Heartbreak
 - 20 Unable to act
 - 22 Degradation
 - 24 Movie mouse
 - 26 AOL, e.g.
 - 27 Debtor's letters
 - 28 Caspian
 - 29 Education-minded grp.
 - 32 Fencer's foils
 - 34 Impatient interjections
 - 36 Total
 - 39 Sleepy's pal
 - 41 Cars
 - 42 Time to be home by
 - 44 Outmoded
 - 46 & so forth
 - 47 Can opener
 - 49 humbug!
 - 50 Pitcher's stat
 - 53 Jacketless state
 - 56 Will Hutchins TV Western
 - 59 Rain on a winter parade?
 - 60 Angry
 - 61 Authorize
 - 63 Poop
 - 64 New Guinea
 - 65 Force unit
 - 66 Doe or stag
 - 67 Snoozed
 - 68 Pop
 - 69 Messes up
- DOWN**
- 1 St. Francis' birthplace
 - 2 Work shifts
 - 3 Ripped
 - 4 Musical drama
 - 5 Likable '50s candidate?
 - 6 Depreciated
 - 7 Excuse
 - 8 Flattens on impact
 - 9 McCourt's Pulitzer Prize winner
 - 10 Crooner Mel
 - 11 Soft French cheese
 - 12 Prayer ending
 - 13 Roosevelt follower
 - 21 One who can hit, field and run
 - 23 One of a flight
 - 25 Punter's digit
 - 29 Light touch
 - 30 A pair
 - 31 Nincompoop
 - 32 Pixie
 - 33 Concession
 - 35 Coloration
 - 36 Cool down
 - 37 Pecan or cashew
 - 38 Stretch of a circle
 - 40 Taxi rank
 - 43 Homeless child
 - 45 Actor Mineo
 - 48 Ponders moodily
 - 50 More level
 - 51 Sailor's jacket
 - 52 John Jacob and Mary
 - 53 Stopped slouching
 - 54 City on Honshu Island
 - 55 Slur over
 - 56 Mini drinks
 - 57 Caspian feeder
 - 58 Gawlk
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Contact Bob Evancho at 426-1643 (bevanch@boisestate.edu) or Brad Arendt at 345-8204 (barendt@boisestate.edu) for information about application requirements.

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