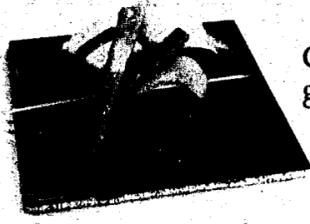


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University looks to improve image

Elizabeth Puckett
The Arbiter

A new movement in Boise State's marketing strategy has begun.

Boise State will find itself on the receiving end of a sales pitch intended to promote the value of a Boise State University education to its students.

Richard Smith, vice president of university advancement, is calling this effort "selling BSU to BSU."

According to Smith, this strategy relies not only on staff, faculty and administration, but on the student body as well.

"In any marketing effort, you have to start internally,"

Smith said.

"The students here have to believe that our school will not only survive, but will continue to grow."

He said that, despite recent economic downturns and budget cuts, Boise State is still advancing.

In the September 12 edition of *The Arbiter*, Smith's guest opinion article in the Viewpoints section listed campus improvements started or completed recently, including the new turf in the Bronco Stadium and the new REC Center.

The recent budget cuts have some people wondering how Boise State can afford the projects listed in Smith's article while being

unable to hire the faculty necessary to keep class sizes down.

Smith said the university's budget is divided into specific areas.

When a request for a new building or other improvement — such as the new outdoor lighting installed near the intramural field and by the nursing building — is submitted, the funds are requisitioned specifically for that project and cannot be redirected.

"The University is allotted a certain amount each year for building, a certain amount for faculty expense and a certain amount for administrative costs," Smith said.

"This is a state policy."

Bob Evancho, interim director of public relations, said the Alumni Association, the Bronco Athletic Association, the Office of University Relations and the BSU Foundation, all whom report to Smith's office, will form the backbone of this effort.

The intention, according to both Smith and Evancho, is to make Boise State a better place to learn and live.

"We are seeking not only to recruit new students, but to retain them, because Boise State would be nothing without our student body," Smith said.

Evancho said that the recent improvements are for

the students, and the whole structure of this marketing scheme is to make students realize that Boise State is a good university.

"We have some excellent specialists here in our faculty, and our campus is growing all the time, despite the national economic downturn," Evancho said.

"We want to keep the quality of our faculty and our student body as high as possible, because this attracts not only better students, but better teachers," said Smith.

"The quality of our student body now is amazing. The incoming freshman class this year had an average high school GPA of 3.3."

The Office of University Advancement plans to develop focus groups to determine where Boise State needs improvement.

Smith also said that internal marketing is an essential and basic part of all marketing schemes. He said that if students know the quality of the university, Boise State will be able to retain the students already here, and continue to build the student body.

"The best marketers are those closest to the product," Smith said.

Alcohol infractions top violations

By Andy Benson
The Arbiter

Last year, the Student Conduct Program investigated 137 complaints of code of conduct violations, and found students responsible in 108 incidents.

Violations ranged from academic dishonesty and falsification of university records to more serious offenses, including sexual harassment/sexual assault and physical assault. The Student Conduct Program serves as the central point on campus for responding to violations of the code of conduct.

Blaine Eckles, conduct officer for the Student Conduct Program, said the number of violations may be misunderstood since several violations may stem from one incident, creating the appearance of a larger problem on campus than actually exists.

Eckles used a fictional party in the dorms as an example of one instance that could result in numerous

infractions.

"They may be charged with alcohol violations, violation of quiet hours, charged with guest violation policies, so it could be a variety of different things," Eckles said.

Eckles added the categories used by the Student

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Blaine Eckles,
Conduct Officer

Conduct Program might belie the seriousness of the offences, creating the impression that violations are far more severe in nature.

"At first glance, the incident may appear more serious than the actual case turned out to be," Eckles said.

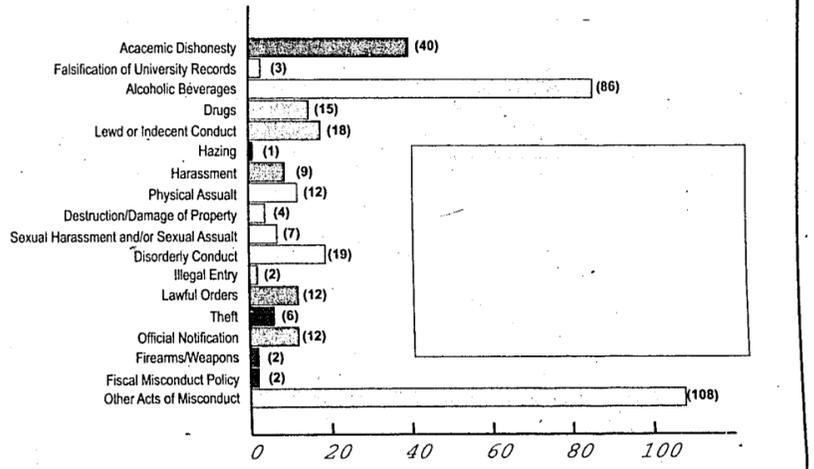
Sanctions for violating the code can range from a simple warning to expulsion for serious violations. Eckles said the goal of penalties is to educate rather than arbitrarily punish inappropriate behavior.

"We try to keep the sanctions educational," Eckles said. "The university uses suspension or expulsion as a last recourse. Our goal is to educate, not terminate education."

Roughly four-fifths of infractions were violations of the alcoholic beverages policy. As a result, Eckles said that the bulk of sanctions imposed by the Student Conduct Board addressed alcohol abuse.

"The majority of them were alcohol incidents so the average sanction was university service, alcohol assessment and conduct probation [probation until the end of the academic year]," Eckles

Conduct Violations



violations. Eckles said tracking of cheating violations has changed to enable BSU to spot students who are cheating in different departments.

In the past, academic dishonesty was tracked by individual departments, which

could allow a student to cheat in different department without the university's knowledge.

"Our goal by tracking is to help strengthen the academic experience for all students," Eckles said.

Guide shares knowledge, passion for rivers

By Aaron Beck
The Arbiter

Gin-clear trout streams, vertical rock walls, and free flowing whitewater wrapped up in 2.2 million acres of wilderness. If it sounds like Alaska, think again.

Think central Idaho. Each year, 371 individuals win a permit to float the Middle Fork of the Salmon River in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness.

Another group of individuals are privileged enough to float the river each week, and get paid for it.

BSU Sophomore Brett Wade is one of those lucky few. For the past three years, Wade has rowed and paddled guests down the river while sharing the beauty of Idaho with them.

"Just being out in the open space, and away from massive populations as much as possible are the biggest reasons I work out here," Wade said.

Wade is about as far from massive populations as he could be. The Frank Church wilderness area, the largest in the lower 48, was established in 1980 through the Central Idaho Wilderness Act. Idaho Sen. Frank Church was crucial to the legislation passing, and after his death in 1984, his name was added to the title.

Wade runs boats for Solitude River Trips. Like a handful of other outfitters, Solitude runs six-day camping trips with an emphasis on fishing and education.

"You get a lot of people that think they're really good fishermen. They have the expensive gear and they look the part, but they are not always great fishermen and that's okay in here" Wade said.

"Even the beginners can come out here and catch a whole lot of fish."

Wade credits the world-class fishery to sound management.

The Middle Fork is a catch and release stream, which means every fish caught must be returned to the stream unharmed.

While floating and fishing in a wilderness setting is exciting, Wade says the most important part of his job is sharing and educating guests about the land's history and current issues.

"As a guide, you're not just taking someone down the river. More of your job is about teaching them things about the place in which you are traveling."

Wade tries to share and educate in a variety of ways.

Old fire scars provide a doorway to discuss fire ecology and plant species while wildlife, such as migrating songbirds, and bighorn sheep, open the door for habitat use discussions.

The stops along the way, however, have the biggest impact on guests.

"Stopping at Indian pictographs and archaeological sites seems to be really instructive and inspirational places for people," Wade said.

"Many people comment that they want to go home and read some more history books to learn more about this place and the history of the west as well."

Wade also feels educating guests about current issues and problems within the Middle Fork ecosystem to be an important part of his job.



Brett Wade cooks on a river trip.

"A lot of people don't realize dams [on the Columbia] are a problem for salmon and steelhead numbers. They don't understand how they impede their migration to the ocean," Wade said.

"A lot of our guests are from the East Coast and they live in the city and they are not exposed to the problems [of salmon and steelhead issues] and they don't think about it a lot."

Wade's hope for the future of salmon and steelhead populations and the balance of the Middle Fork ecosystem lies in education.

He feels if he can infect enough people with a caring passion for wild places, people will speak up in defense of those places.

"I certainly hope guests leave with a better understanding of this place and our issues. You reach through to a lot of people, certainly not all," Wade said.

"You send them away hoping they will someday do something when these issues arise."



Photo by Ted Hartman, The Arbiter.

The Broncos' Brittany Zoellner tries to get her head on the ball during the first half of Saturday's game versus Gonzaga. For more coverage of the game turn to page 7.

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Campus Shorts

East

Across Ivies, union push spreads

PROVIDENCE, R.I.—Echoes of Brown University's extensive debate over graduate student unionization are now raging through other Ivy League campuses this fall as graduate students at Yale, Columbia, Cornell and Harvard universities fight to unionize.

Most recently, 2,200 graduate students at Cornell announced that they would decide whether to unionize by the end of October. Should they choose to unionize, they would do so in opposition to university administrators—much in the same way as graduate students at Brown did last year.

The same kind of tension exists at Columbia University, where graduate students' ability to unionize is being threatened by the university.

Columbia's Graduate Student Employees United filed with the National Labor Relations Board for union representation in March 2001.

The regional director of the NLRB ruled in February that graduate and undergraduate teaching and research assistants at Columbia are university employees and thus entitled to a union representation election.

At Yale University, the Yale Daily News reported "rumblings" about the Graduate Employees and Students Organization—a group trying to organize a graduate-student union—mounting a grade strike, as it did in 1996.

South

U. Arkansas international students feel visa pressures

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark.—Government legislation directed the Immigration and Naturalization Service to establish a nationwide elec-

tronics system to collect information pertaining to foreign students, scholars and exchange visitors by January 2003, resulting in tighter background checks and visa restrictions for international students studying on U.S. soil.

The legislation is part of immigration reform legislation passed in 1996.

Although system development fell behind schedule, the Sept. 11 attacks reinforced the mandate.

As denials increase, international student enrollment decreases. Intensive English programs across the nation have seen decreases ranging from 25 to 60 percent.

In the past week, 10 Vietnamese students have been denied visas to attend the University of Arkansas. Several students from Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates are still waiting to return to campus after spending the summer holiday at home.

Some students may have to wait until January before they're allowed back.

Trial date set for case of murdered Texas Tech dean

LUBBOCK, Texas—The capital murder trial for Vaughn Ross, accused of the January 2001 double homicide of Viola Ross-McVade and former Texas Tech University Dean of Libraries Douglas Birdsall is set to begin today.

Mary Lou Elms, 137th county court coordinator, said the final jurors on the panel of 12 were selected Tuesday, and only two alternates need to be selected before the trial can begin.

Two of the original 150 potential jurors remained to be interviewed Wednesday.

Birdsall and Ross-McVade died from gunshot wounds to the head. A bicyclist found the victims inside Birdsall's black Saab in a gully in Canyon Lake Park No. 6.

Ross-McVade was the sister of the accused's girlfriend, Liza McVade, according to police records.

Vaughn Ross, a former architecture major at Tech from 1997-2000, is allegedly

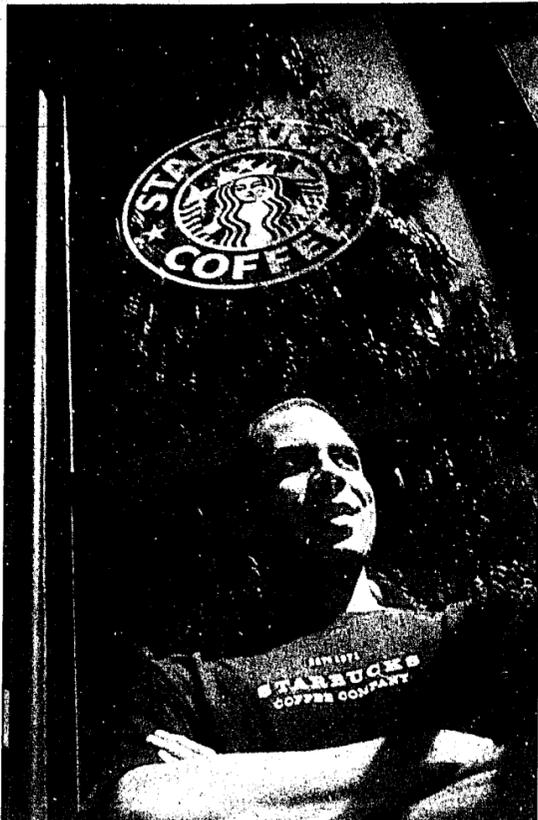


Photo by Ellen M. Banner—Seattle Times.

John Winter Smith is a cross-country nomad from Houston, Texas, who is trying to visit every company-run Starbucks store on Earth. In August, he added another to his tally at Westlake Center in Seattle, Wash.

linked to the scene of the crime by DNA evidence. The tip of a latex glove found on one of the victims allegedly had both the victim's blood and Ross's blood on it, according to court records.

Midwest

Attack on Muslim woman not a trend

CHICAGO—An unidentified 5-foot-11-inch male attacked a female Muslim student at the University of Illinois-Chicago last Wednesday afternoon.

The man focused his attack on her hijab, grabbing the headdress from her back. His force also pulled her scarf back, choking her in the

process. The woman was not injured, and she declined medical attention.

Though this has not officially been deemed a hate crime, some UIC students may fear for their safety as memories of Sept. 11 get pushed to the forefront. But Rebecca Gordon, director of the Office of Women's Affairs, said the Sept. 4 attack has not been a trend on campus for Muslim women or toward ethnic groups in general.

Gordon also said she knows of only one other reported hate crime that occurred since Sept. 11. It was also directed at a Muslim woman.

Gordon said some precautions may be used to lessen the chance of being attacked.

She said that using one's voice is the top safety tip;

traveling in numbers and letting others know return times are also good choices to make.

West

Texan's long coffee break is going on 5 years now

SEATTLE—John Winter Smith, an out-of-work software engineer from Houston, is wandering across the country in a quest to visit every company-run Starbucks store on the planet.

The fact that Starbucks is opening an average of three outlets a day, from Puyallup to the Philippines, doesn't seem to faze Smith. He has racked up more than 271,000 miles on his 1997 Acura Integra since starting his on-again, off-again journey five years ago. So far, he says he's visited more than 3,200 stores in North America and 38 in the United Kingdom.

Smith, 30, said he was at a Starbucks in Plano, Texas, in 1997, when he heard baristas talking about the company's one-time mantra to have 2,000 stores by the year 2000. The idea struck him: Why not visit them all?

Starbucks' worldwide store count stands at 5,771, which includes licensed locations. Company-run stores number 3,826.

The problem is, Starbucks can open a new store just days after Smith passes through a city, and the company is unveiling dozens of stores every month in far-flung international locales. Visiting every store "is still a theoretical possibility, but it's becoming more and more impossible," he said.

To count as an actual visit, Smith must drink a cup of coffee from the store. He usually orders just half a short drip, which baristas often give him for free; he says he's been charged just 12 times while visiting 300-plus stores over the past seven weeks.

Compiled from Arbiter wire services by Matt Neznanski

News Bucket

Clothesline project to return Oct. 5-9

Working with the Women and Children's Alliance, the Boise State University Women's Center will once again host the Clothesline Project Oct. 8-9. The Clothesline Project is a visual display that bears witness to acts of violence committed against women.

Dozens of T-shirts designed by survivors of domestic violence will be on display in Memorial Plaza between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Materials and shirts will also be available in a nearby tent from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for those who would like to design a shirt of their own.

Survivors and their supporters adorn the displayed shirts with messages and images relating to their experiences.

The project also contains shirts created to honor those who have died as a result of domestic or sexual violence.

Shirts from past displays will also be featured in the Boise State Homecoming Parade on Oct. 4. The center is looking for 300 volunteers to each carry a shirt in the parade. Volunteers can be men, women or children. The parade lineup begins at 5 p.m.

To volunteer or for more information on the Clothesline Project, contact the Women's Center at 426-4259.

Homecoming fest to include downtown Boise

Bronco Pride will spill over into downtown Boise with a Homecoming Street Festival and "Foamcoming" Dance Party that will fill the Grove with bubbly foam. Festivities will kick off with a concert by The Beach Boys at The Pavilion.

Themed "Boise State Pride Worldwide," Homecoming Week is Sept. 29 through Oct. 5.

For a schedule of events and locations, log on to the Boise State News Services' Web site at news.boisestate.edu.

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Police say Noelle Bush had cocaine

By Pedro Ruz Gutierrez
The Orlando Sentinel
KRT Campus

ORLANDO, Fla. - Gov. Jeb Bush's 25-year-old daughter was found with cocaine at an Orlando drug-rehabilitation center, police reported on Tuesday.

Bush was not arrested because police could not obtain sworn statements signed by the center's staff. A worker who found the suspected cocaine on Noelle Bush tore up a sworn statement she had written at the suggestion of one of her bosses, police said.

Sgt. Orlando Rolon, a police spokesman, said the investigation by the department's drug-enforcement bureau is continuing.

Officers were dispatched to the drug-treatment center after a resident there reported that "the governor's daughter was caught, by treatment center staff, with drugs," according to the police report.

Police were called to the Center for Drug Free Living at about 8:45 p.m. Monday where workers gave them a substance that later tested positive for cocaine, Rolon said.

Center staffers said they talked with Bush after receiving several complaints from residents about her, the report stated. Employee Julia Elias searched Noelle Bush and "found a small white rock-like like substance in Bush's shoe." Elias ripped a sworn statement that officers later collected as evidence.

The governor, asked about his daughter before going into a Florida Cabinet meeting in Tallahassee, said he wouldn't discuss her with the media.

"This is a private issue as it relates to my daughter and myself and my wife," he said. "The road to recovery is a rocky one for a lot of people that have this kind of problem. I don't have any details about what happened. I just found out."

Police hadn't interviewed

Noelle Bush as of Tuesday morning.

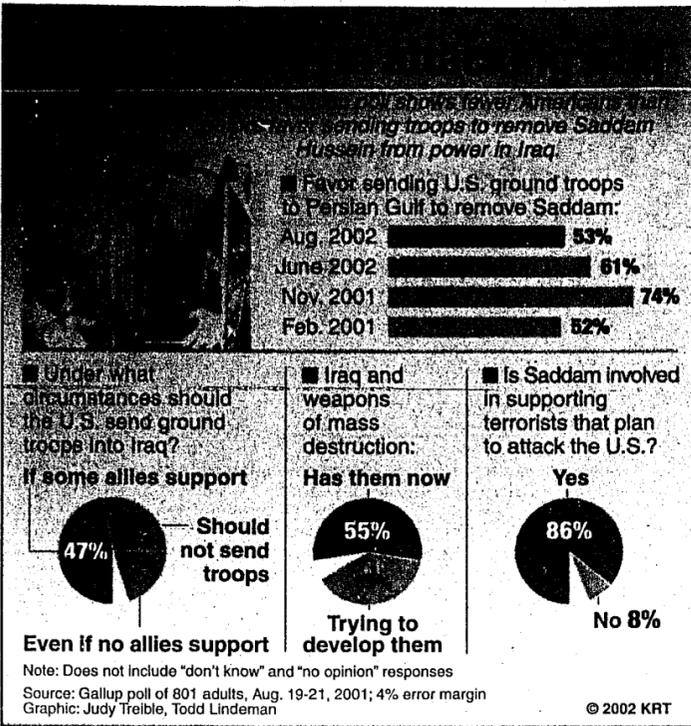
Possession of any amount of cocaine is a felony, said police.

Bush was sent to the facility after a Jan. 29 drug arrest. Police say she pulled up to a drive-in window at a Walgreens in Tallahassee to collect a prescription for Xanax, an anti-anxiety medication. She'd posed as a doctor when she'd ordered the prescription.

Then, in July, Bush was found to be in contempt of court because a worker at the treatment center found her carrying prescription pills. A judge sent her to jail for three days.

In a Tuesday release, the governor said:

"My family loves Noelle very much and continues to pray for her continued progress. We again ask the public and media to respect our privacy during this difficult time for our family."



Bush sticks to policy in U.N. speech on Iraq

By Ron Hutcheson
KRT Campus

WASHINGTON - World leaders looking for new evidence and a new attitude from President Bush didn't get either during his visit to the United Nations Thursday.

There was no smoking gun to show that Iraq is ready to unleash chemical, biological or nuclear weapons - no startling satellite photos, no incriminating telephone intercepts, no new intelligence data. And Bush made no effort to link Saddam to the al-Qaida terrorist network or the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Instead, he recited the familiar list of Iraq's past transgressions, and put the burden of confronting Saddam squarely on the United Nations, an international body with a long history of favoring talk over action. Bush's recitation of Iraq's blatant disregard of U.N. resolutions built a powerful legal case for some type of enforcement action, but he didn't spell out exactly what.

He called for the U.N. to live up to its historic ideals, but delivered a bottom-line warning: either follow our lead and act jointly, or the United States will do it alone.

That reversion to cowboy swagger, even when couched within kind words for the U.N., was precisely the unilateralist attitude that has unsettled governments around the world.

Still, faced with Bush's no-turning-back option, the

international community is starting to fall in line. Although Bush did not propose any specific course of action, U.S. and British diplomats worked behind the scenes on a U.N. resolution to authorize the use of force if Iraq fails to disarm and continues to flout international norms.

U.S. officials expressed confidence that they can come up with a proposal that will win approval from the U.N. Security Council, a 15-member body that sets U.N. policy on issues of war and peace.

"Whatever the U.N. Security Council requires has got to be effective," said a senior administration official, who briefed reporters on condition of anonymity. "The time frame here shouldn't be too long."

But the U.N. has never gone so far as to call for regime change in Iraq, which is U.S. policy, and bridging that gap remains Bush's biggest challenge. For now, the talk in most foreign capitals focuses on reviving weapons inspections in Iraq, not ousting Saddam Hussein.

"We need more peace, not more war," German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder said at a campaign rally in Germany as Bush spoke in New York. "And that's why, under my leadership, Germany will not participate."

While Bush's 25-minute speech provided a litany of Saddam's failure to obey Security Council resolutions demanding disarmament, it

did not offer any new reasons for immediate military action.

The question most often heard in world capitals and at family dinner tables in the debate over Iraq "why now?" was left largely unanswered. Bush's case for swift, decisive action was chilling, but circumstantial.

Repeating the White House refrain that the smoking gun against Iraq may come in the form of a mushroom cloud, Bush presented a series of assumptions:

Saddam Hussein used poison gas in the past; he will use it in the future.

Iraq was close to having a nuclear weapon in the early 1990s; it's on the verge of getting one now.

Iraq has ballistic missiles; it will use them to deliver weapons of mass destruction.

Saddam has repeatedly shown his disregard for international norms; he'll do it again with the deadliest weapons at his disposal.

"To suggest otherwise is to hope against the evidence," Bush said. "To assume this regime's good faith is to bet the lives of millions and the peace of the world in a reckless gamble. And this is a risk we must not take."

Or, as Vice President Dick Cheney put it on the Sunday talk show circuit: recently, "We have to assume there's more there than we know."

But critics of Bush's fast-track approach contend that nations should go to war over facts, not assumptions.

"You don't just rush to judgment because a few people have made up their minds," House Democratic Leader Richard Gephardt said after Bush's speech. "On this and other issues, people of intelligence and good spirit and proper motivation can reach different conclusions on a pretty much similar set of facts."

Trouble is, when it comes to Iraq, facts are hard to come by. International weapons inspections ended four years ago, and Saddam is a master at concealing his weapons activity.

Opinions on the immediacy of the threat from Iraq differ even within the Bush administration. Cheney contends that Iraq is on the verge of developing a nuclear weapon. Secretary of State Colin Powell has said that it could take years, even though he agrees that inaction is not an option.

Bush said he doesn't want to gamble on who's right.

"The first time we may be completely certain he has nuclear weapons," Bush told the U.N., "is when, God forbid, he uses one."

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Conservation 'facts' challenged

By Tracy Curran
The Arbiter

I was reading articles in *Time* magazine not long ago about saving the planet, and I was struck by how integrated into our consciousness the "mays" and "coulds" often become.

It is this aspect of humanity that disgusts me at times, but never more so than when I realize I've been sucked in like everybody else.

It isn't as if I don't care about our planet. I recycle aluminum cans, newspapers, boxes, plastic and magazines. I never litter and I try to be efficient when driving, running the dishwasher or washing clothes.

To me, all those things only involve a minute amount of planning and common sense. Anyone who doesn't do those things probably should, but not everyone is organized or aware enough to think of them.

This is what hit me—reporters, whom I expect to be professionals, assumed that "global warming" is a fact.

According to a 1988 issue of *Journal of Climate* and a 1990 issue of *Scientific America* referenced in a book called *Facts, Not Fear*, it is true that the climate has

warmed up 1/2 to 1 degree Fahrenheit over the past century.

There have been instances during that span of time, however, where global temperatures actually decreased. I'm inclined to agree with the authors Sanera and Shaw: Such a small temperature variation hardly constitutes the threat alarmists would like us to believe.

What's more, the claim in this article that global warming "could lead to rising seas, fiercer storms, severe droughts and other climatic disruptions" feels more like fashionable speculation than fact.

I know this is what everyone's been saying, but does anyone know where this supposition came from? I do, thanks to Sanera and Shaw.

According to them, computer models predict climate conditions based on the formulae scientists input. When the initial models were run several years ago, scientists wanted to see what would happen if the atmosphere's carbon dioxide doubled.

The result was an increase between 2-6 degrees Celsius (3 degrees Celsius is 5.4 degrees Fahrenheit—you do the math, I'm an English major).

They predicted this

increase would happen by the middle of the 21st century.

Even though I am not a mathematician, I can see that a 12 to 1 degree Fahrenheit increase every hundred years (even if that is a steady increase) will not raise the temperature enough within the next 50 years to meet that prediction.

Additionally, climate variations created by mountain ranges are not accounted for in the models.

The upshot of all this technical jargon is that people do have a tendency to take one piece of information and make it fact.

Then, someone else reads it and refers to their source, which everyone must accept as gospel. Eventually, the original source is lost, along with the details of its limitations.

I guess what I resent most is that just because *Time's* Kluger and Dorfman think it's true and it's fashionable to believe, I'm expected to buy it, regardless of whether or not it is a verifiable fact.

I would like to point out that they know it isn't verifiable, which is why they lean so heavily on "could" in their assertions.

Another assumed fact in their article has to do with

the "36 million acres of forest [that] are being razed annually."

Sanera and Shaw address the cutting of the rain forest by a more exact calculation, taking into account that though millions of acres are being cleared, they include everything in tropical areas without regard to the type of forest.

The amount of actual rain forest being cleared is 21 percent of what is claimed, and there is replanting in many areas being cut.

But above and beyond all that, I'm inclined to ask why we (Americans), having attained an elevated standard of living over the bulk of the world, have the right to tell other countries struggling to gain the same that they should save their environment before their lives?

I accept we have a responsibility to the rest of the world to do what we can to preserve it since we have the luxury of worrying about the environment over feeding our children.

I do think, however, before we dictate environmental concerns to other countries we should look closer to home.

What gives us the right, we, who have plucked the riches of our country's

resources — and gotten wealthy doing it — to tell a South American/Asian country that they should be more concerned about saving natural resources than feeding and sheltering their children?

I read another article by Terry McCarthy in that same issue of *Time*, which discussed "Debt-for-Nature Swaps."

Countries and conservation groups pay off part of the debts of some countries in exchange for agreements to preserve wilderness.

The U.S. forgave \$5.5 million of Peru's debt in one of these agreements just this last summer.

As far as I'm concerned, that was a well-spent \$5.5 mil. We can afford it; we

might not ever see it anyway; and we know that it's \$5.5 million we're not spending on toilet seats at the White House.

It's true that the authors of *Facts, Not Fear* (which every aspiring teacher and parent should read, by the way) could just as easily be leading me astray.

The fact that they reminded me to question what is "accepted" in the first place is the value of exposure to them as a source.

Their facts, whether questionable or not, do not attempt to camouflage the "mays" and "coulds" as truth. Their sources are fully cited, from reputable experts that span the 1970s, 80s and 90s.

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University should examine lack of policy

Guest Opinion



By Melissa Wintrow

I am writing this letter in response to the front page article from Sept. 9, entitled "Student Questions Lack of Policy," in which writer Andy Benson addresses a student's concern that she cannot bring her newborn baby to class. I am responding to the article because I was quoted, and I don't know that the quote listed reveals the heart of I wanted

to say (no offense to the reporter, who did a fine job). It also appears that since I'm the Women's Center Coordinator, a lot of people are assuming I have something to say about the issue. It's important to remember that I don't represent the views of all women. Women disagree about this issue as they do about many issues — a natural phenomenon.

I would encourage us to examine the entire picture of this concern. Currently, faculty has individual discretion to approve or deny all sorts of things that affect the learning environment of the classroom, which includes whether or not to allow children in class. Last week's article asks why there is not a policy to mandate faculty to allow children in class without fully examining why individual discretion exists.

It's important to ask some pertinent questions as we examine this issue. What if a policy did exist that mandated faculty to allow children in class? How would that affect the classroom? What if every parent brought their

children to class? Would there be enough space in class for children and students? What if children cause a distraction? Should the person (faculty) responsible for the academic environment and climate of learning have the authority to remove distractions from class? Are there some labs that would be dangerous for children? How do other students feel? How does the faculty feel?

While I do not have a position on the issue raised, I do encourage us to practice the methods of examination that higher education teaches us: to think critically about the matter before we place judgment and before we become hasty in pushing for something that may create more problems.

On the other side, it is important to examine the barriers that exist for parents attending school. There is especially great pressure on single parents, namely women, returning to school: social pressures, lack of financial and emotional support, affordability of child-care, etc. I see a number of women who were married

young, their husband divorces them, and they're left to earn a living for themselves and their families. Therefore, getting a college education is imperative to their survival. It is also important to note that I have worked with faculty members who have been very supportive of parents and students missing class due to a child's illness or family crises.

The Women's Center offers a variety of support programs designed to assist women returning to school and supports a single-parents club. The Student Programs Board also devotes a staff position and significant financial resources to plan events that support families. While this doesn't answer the question about children in class, it does offer a few more resources that people may not have known about.

Again, I encourage people to examine the issue and try to understand the entire picture before choosing a side.

Melissa Wintrow is the Women's Center director.

Keep America's kids ignorant, Bush-style

By Ken Hammer
Rocky Mountain Collegian
(Colorado State U.)

Laura Bush's message to American parents was, "Don't let your children see the images, especially on Sept. 11, when you know it'll probably be on television again and again — the planes hitting the building or the buildings falling."

Indeed, it is very important that our children feel very safe. The images of Sept. 11, 2001, are, after all, the stuff that nightmares are made of. Heaven forbid that they know the cold, hard truth that mean people in other countries hate them, their parents, their friends, their civil servant protectors and even their pets.

They certainly shouldn't know in any discernable detail that these mean people expressed their hatred last year by killing 3,000 people, many of whom were parents and friendly civil servants.

Laura Bush did say lighting a candle and saying a few words could remind kids of the tragedy via home memorial services. This sounds acceptable, even though many of the children won't have a clue what it really means.

The cold, horrible reality of the event as captured by newspapers, the radio and television should be off-limits. We don't want children to have any nightmares or have their childhood naivety destroyed by knowing and seeing all the details of what happened in their country a year ago.

This is a fantastic idea. In fact, I think Laura's message should be taken further. There are so many events children can potentially read, hear or see that could make them feel sad and unsafe. It is important we keep them sheltered.

We shouldn't limit the television ban to just the Sept. 11 tragedy. Not when so many other things can be seen on TV news or entertainment programs, things like murders, rapes, acts of arson and thefts.

When we finally do invade Iraq to remove that bad, bad man from power, children shouldn't be aware of how brutal war truly is — what horrible things must be done to remove such a mean person from the planet.

And for the love of anything you

hold dear or holy, don't let children see the weather. Natural disasters like earthquakes, floods, hurricanes and swarms of locusts are sure to induce nightmares and should be avoided.

While we're at it, we should also trash our public school system. School is a scary place! Children shouldn't learn about playground bullies, for example, who take lunch money by force.

They shouldn't learn about grade performances in classes, where some children are smarter and some children are dumber, as this will affect self-esteem and provoke sadness.

We need to get rid of physical education programs too, because competitive sports only make children aware of the concept that there are winners and losers in life, a fact that makes them

most melancholy.

Oh, we should completely ban social studies. Children must not, under any circumstances, learn that other countries don't have it as cushy as their own; that other children half a world away are starving. Such truths make our own children too sad and should be avoided.

Let's also be sure to avoid the sketchy concepts of homelessness and hunger in the United States as well.

Because our schools are so scary, we should just remove them and let parents teach from home — in a wholesome, news free environment — for a while. Only in this way can our nation's youth embrace Laura Bush's desire for them grow up feeling completely safe and ignorant.

“ Don't let your children see the images, especially on Sept. 11, when you know it'll probably be on television again and again — the planes hitting the building or the buildings falling. ”

Laura Bush, first lady



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Chef Sylvia Oliveira (left) shares her world of knowledge with Boise State culinary arts students. Photos by Ted Harmon, The Arbiter.

Guest chef shares passion

Rustic fare stems from childhood experiences

By James Patrick Kelly
The Arbiter

Chef Sylvia Oliveira has fond memories of her European-style upbringing in the California wine country—life for her was a bounty of culinary treasures.

Long summer days spent on the family dairy farm and the smell of freshly baked bread now feed her imagination.

Raised around a Portuguese dinner table, she learned from her mother's rustic cuisine the importance of her heritage.

In European households dinnertime is a daily celebration of life. Seasonal offerings are held in high regard, and conversation with loved ones is savored like a nice red table wine.

Oliveira, who grew up in Yountville, Calif., is currently sharing her world of knowledge with Boise State culinary arts students as part of their guest chef program.

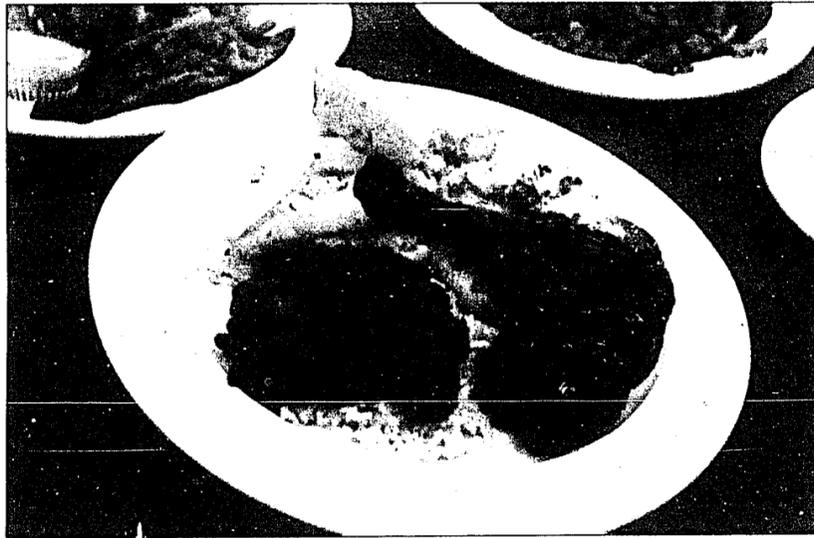
A lifelong student of cuisine, Oliveira was also greatly influenced by the ethnic diversity of the Napa Valley.

"I spent a lot of time hanging around my friends, many of whom were Italian and Mexican. Dining at their houses was a real treat. I learned a lot about Latin cuisine from eating the real thing," Oliveira said.

"Like in my house, their cuisine was as social as it was sensory."

Nearly 30 years ago, Oliveira started her career as a dishwasher in a Bay Area restaurant. She quickly worked her way through the ranks, eventually becoming a chef at the Claremont Hotel in Oakland around the same time Alice Waters, in neighboring Berkeley, was redefining American cuisine at Chez Pannise.

"She [Waters] has definitely been a major influence in my life. The way she works



A hot plate of Jamaican jerked chicken, served with black beans, rice and coconut-pineapple corn bread.

with fresh ingredients has always intrigued me," Oliveira said.

Oliveira, like Waters, is a hands-on chef. Working with local flavors wherever she lives has become her passion. She prefers to work on the line, side-by-side with the other cooks, instead of crunching numbers in the back of the kitchen.

Oliveira has worked in many cuisines, including Cajun/Creole, French, nuevo Latino, Pacific Rim and regional American. She equates the food of any region to its anthropology.

"I'm currently studying the Native American cuisine of the Pacific Northwest because I like how the ingredients tie into their culture as a whole," Oliveira said.

Oliveira is also passionate about sustainable seafood. She is conscious about where her ingredients come from, and realizes the importance of not depleting the ocean's food sources.

"I belong to Seafood Watch, a group devoted to protecting nearly-extinct breeds of fish, like Chilean sea bass and wild Pacific salmon," Oliveira said.

"I think it's important that people are aware of these issues, so someone doesn't eventually eat the last bite of an endangered swordfish, or any other fish at risk of extinction."

Oliveira came to Boise four years ago, after Bon Appetite, the company she works for, scored the food service contract at

Hewlett-Packard. She has been with the company for 10 years, previously feeding HP employees at their Silicon Valley, Calif. campus.

Bon Appetite makes all of their food from scratch, including meat stocks and sauces, which is an unusual practice for a corporate food service provider. Their competition, large companies like Fine Host and Saga, essentially open cans for their cafeteria-quality fare.

Not only does Bon Appetite maintain corporate accounts, they also feed students at Albertson College of Idaho, Seattle University, Lewis and Clark College and Stanford University.

Oliveira enjoys helping student chefs find their way in the exciting and always-changing world of food.

"Sharing my knowledge with up-and-coming chefs is important to me. Even though I'm extremely busy at work, I always find the time to give a little back," Oliveira said.

Oliveira's signature four-week menu at Culinary Arts showcases her love for Latin ingredients and American comfort food.

Her seasonal menu boasts fall specialties: A grilled hard cider-cured pork chop served with chipotle-cheddar mashers and braised greens, an autumnal lamb stew made with root vegetables and blue cheese-chive dumplings and an Ecuadorian flatiron steak accompanied by charro beans, poblano rice and fried plantains.

Culinary Arts is featuring three more guest chefs this semester, including long-time Boise chef Jonathan Mortimer and Boise State Alum Jonathan Merritt, who has worked at Richard's in Hyde Park, Mortimer's and Lock, Stock and Barrel. The fourth guest chef is to be announced soon.

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Charro Beans, Poblano Rice and
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7.50

*Grilled Hard Cider-Cured Salmon Creek
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7.75

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7.50

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On Beurre Noir with Red Onion Marmalade*
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Chef Sylvia Oliveira is participating, along with faculty and students from Boise State's Culinary Arts program, in the second annual "A Taste of the Harvest" at Albertson College of Idaho on Sat. Oct. 5.

Bon Appetite, Fiesta Guadalajara, the Idaho Dairy Council and Smoky Davis are catering this year's event. Several area wineries are offering wine tasting, including Snake River Winery, Indian Creek, Ste Chapelle, Carmela and Koeng Vineyards.

The Almost Dangerous Band and Cheevie are providing live music. "A Taste of the Harvest" is from 1 to 6 p.m. in the Quad. Tickets can be purchased at all Select-a-Seal locations, by calling the Albertson College special events office at 426-4199.



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Eastern Washington takes Invitational

Tanya Dobson
The Arbiter

The Boise State volleyball team opened the Bronco Invitational at the Pavilion last Friday against George Washington University.

In front of a small crowd, the energetic Broncos lost to George Washington 30-26, 30-24 and 31-29.

In game three, it looked as though the Broncos had what it took to win.

The Broncos were down 23-27 when they rallied a six-point run to lead 29-28.

The ball just needed to land in George Washington's court for the Broncos to win. However, George Washington managed a side out which ultimately led them to victory.

Bronco Joi Baldwin believes this team has "made good progress" and played a tough game against George Washington.

Bronco Megan Tranter put up 11 kills and 10 digs while teammate Christina Moore had eight kills and four blocks. George Washington player Ruth Lazzai attained 10 kills and six blocks.

In Friday's second match Eastern Washington defeated Utah 30-22, 30-25, 33-31. Janelle Ruen of Eastern Washington had 16 kills and 12 digs.

Saturday morning Eastern

Washington and George Washington played each other resulting in Eastern Washington winning 30-18, 30-26, 30-21. Utah then defeated the Broncos 30-26, 30-16, 30-27.

Saturday evening Utah beat George Washington 30-27, 30-21, 30-21. Eastern Washington defeated the Broncos 30-21, 30-20, 30-22.

Eastern Washington remains undefeated so far this season with a record of

11-0. Their upset over No. 8 Utah proved that Eastern Washington is a very competitive team.

EWU's Janelle Ruen was named MVP of the tournament. Lindsey Page and Courtney Bush were also selected to the all-tournament team for Eastern Washington.

Former Bronco Jacqueline Heller said the Broncos played against very tough competition. Utah is ranked in the top 10 and Eastern Washington dominated every team in the tournament.

Adjusting to a new coach and having so many new players has played a role in the team's overall performance.

"Right now the team is just starting to come around, starting to play as a team," Heller said.

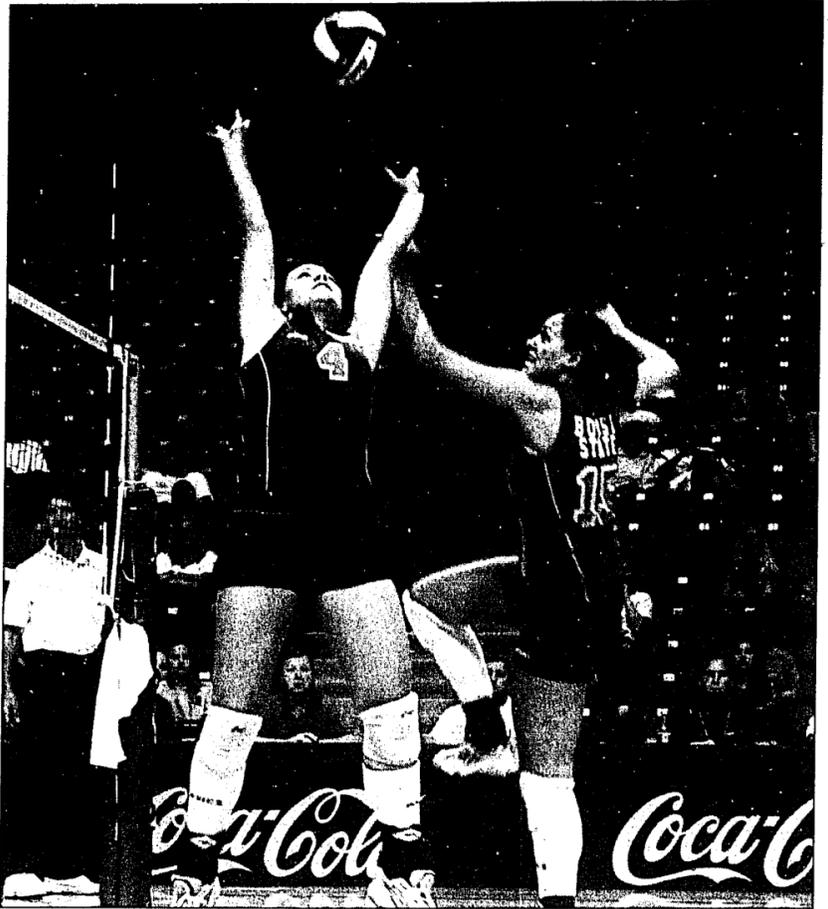
The Broncos ended their own invitational 0-3 but still remain positive.

"It was frustrating because we lost, but it is a step in the right direction to the way we should be going," said Baldwin.

The Broncos will play Idaho State Sept. 18 and Weber State Sept. 20 at The Pavilion.

"It was frustrating because we lost, but it is a step in the right direction to the way we should be going."

Joi Baldwin
Bronco Volleyball



Mindy Bennett sets up Tameisha Hastings for the kill.

Photo by Jeremy Branstad, The Arbiter.

Football team regains confidence

By Phil Dailey
The Arbiter

The Boise State football team saddled up on Saturday for its first trip to Laramie to take on the Wyoming Cowboys.

The Bronco's game plan was altered this week as back-up quarterback B. J. Rhode got his second career start in place of Ryan

Dinwiddie, who broke his ankle last week against Arkansas.

In past years, teams have found the thin air of War Memorial Stadium intimidating. The Broncos paid no attention to Wyoming's football heritage handing the Cowboys their 11th straight loss.

It didn't take long for the Broncos to get on the board.

The first drive of the game set the tone for the afternoon.

Led by a calm B. J. Rhode, the Broncos marched down the field into the end zone to take an early 7-0 lead.

The defense came out strong as well. On the Cowboy's first offensive play of the game, linebacker Travis Burgher intercepted Casey Bramlet's attempt at a screen pass. Burgher ran 18

yards for a touchdown giving the Broncos a 14-0 lead.

Boise State was pumped up, scoring twice in the first four minutes, but wouldn't score again until the third quarter.

The Cowboy's had the only score in the second quarter as Bramlet connected on a 22-yard pass to Brock Ralph capping off a 60-yard drive. The Broncos went in at halftime leading 14-7.

Like the second quarter, the Broncos continued to be a bit sluggish in the second half.

Despite two fumbles by running back Brock Forsey, Boise State would rebound with another impressive drive.

The Broncos marched down the field 84 yards to take a 21-7 lead at the end of the third quarter.

"Our big drive in the third quarter obviously was the turning point," Boise State

head coach Dan Hawkins said. "We really didn't mix it up that much. It was pretty much just hard-nosed football."

Wyoming would charge back with a score of its own when Bramlet rushed 5 yards untouched into the end zone on fourth-and-goal.

The next series sealed the game for the Broncos, as Brock Forsey redeemed himself for earlier fumbles.

Forsey added to his game-high 155 yards, breaking through the Wyoming defense for a 58-yard run. David Mikell finished the drive by rushing 3 yards for the touchdown.

Donny Heck added another touchdown, leading Boise State to the 35-13 win.

The Bronco defenders stood their ground when they needed, forcing two interceptions by Julius Brown and Travis Burgher and limiting the Cowboys to

13 points. Linebacker Chauncey Ako stepped up big as well with 14 tackles.

"I knew going in that we would have to score at least 30 points," Wyoming head coach Vic Koenning said. "So it was very frustrating to get just 13 points."

"Our players played as hard as they can play," Koenning said. "They prepared as hard as they could have prepared."

The road doesn't get any easier for the struggling Cowboys as they travel to Seattle this weekend to battle No. 13 Washington.

The Cowboys are 0-3 for the year and have lost 22 of their last 25 games. Despite the loss to the Broncos, Wyoming remains optimistic for the rest of the season.

"We're not that far off," Koenning said. "We believe we're a better football team. If we can ever get some kind of confidence and belief, we'll be able to do all right in our conference."

As for Boise State, this game built much needed confidence for the entire team. The offense, including Rhode, proved that they could move the ball with or without big plays.

The offensive line showed that they could protect their quarterback by not giving up any sacks to Wyoming.

The Broncos take the weekend off and look forward to their second home game of the season as they host Utah State on Sept. 28.

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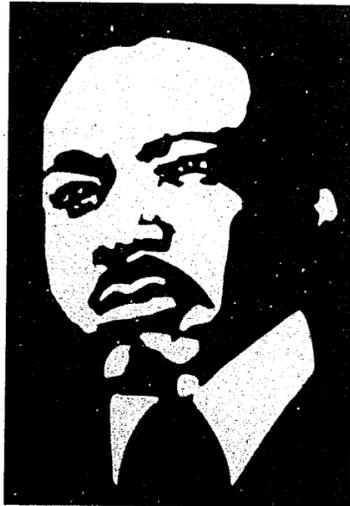
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(Above) Lindsay Vandenberg dives to protect the Broncos' goal.



(Right) Katie Wopat outruns a Gonzaga player during Saturday's game.

Soccer team falls to Gonzaga

By Aaron Barton
The Arbiter

Boise State head coach Steve Lucas had little to be pleased about on Saturday as the Broncos were on the losing end of a 5-0 match versus the Gonzaga Bulldogs.

The Broncos appeared tired and were unable to put much of anything together against the Bulldogs.

The first half provided Boise State with their best chances. Fifteen minutes into the match, junior Amy Dunn slipped through the last of the Bulldog defenders and hit a shot but was stopped short by Gonzaga's goalkeeper, Ashley Haugen.

Just moments later, Abby Bernard had a breakaway down the left side of the field for the Broncos. She

was able to hit a quality shot but was only able to hit the side netting.

The Broncos were able to keep Gonzaga (2-3-0) out of their goal until the 37th minute, when Annie Hawkins played a through-ball to teammate Heidi Jacobson, who was able to put a shot to the far post past Bronco goalkeeper Lindsay Vandenberg.

Fatigue visibly set in for Boise State, and a second goal was yielded just five minutes later.

Gonzaga's Walker Loseno sent in a long cross from the left side that teammate Katie O'Brien volleyed into the net. The Broncos spent the final fifteen minutes of the first half under high pressure as the

Bulldogs continued to out hustle and push around the

Broncos. Boise State came out revitalized to start the second half, but their efforts were short-lived. Merely five minutes into the second half, Annie Hawkins was able to deflect an attempted clearance by Vandenberg and then put it away in the net.

Hawkins continued to pester the Boise State defense the remainder of the day, and managed to make the match 4-0 when she put in her second goal of the game in the 67th minute.

After freeing herself from one defender, Hawkins fired a rocket from about 18 yards out that found its way to the far post and deflected off the post into the net.

With just minutes left in play, the Boise State goalkeeper was called for a foul on one of the Bulldog for-

wards and Gonzaga was awarded a penalty kick.

Sarah Hawkins stepped up and put the shot in and raised the Bulldog lead to five.

Boise State, which is now

2-2-1 overall, was only able to manage 5 shots on goal for the game, and only one in the second half. The Broncos struggled all day with their ball control and team play. They drop to 0-2

at home, and now begin a difficult 3-week road trip, which includes the 2001 WAC champion SMU Mustangs.

Utah State, Idaho State to renew football rivalry

By Landon Olson
The Utah Statesman
(Utah State U.)

LOGAN, Utah - Idaho State University may not be a national football powerhouse, but Utah State Head Coach Mick Dennehy said the Aggies aren't going to

approach them differently from any other teams.

"If we walk into this game thinking that we have a cake walk on our hands, we are going to have to fight for our lives like we have the last couple of years," he said. "I think we have got to approach this game just like

we do every big game we play in, whether it be Utah or whether it be BYU, whether it be Nebraska, whether it be Oregon. For us not to do that would be a real big mistake."

Last year the Bengals led 27-0 at halftime before the Aggies made a comeback to win the game 28-27. The sea-

son before, ISU won 27-24.

"[Division] I-AA [means] nothing, it is just they didn't get the chance to go to [Division I-A] for whatever reason," said Aggie cornerback Ade Jimoh. They're athletes — they're just as good,

and some cases they might even be better."

After playing two teams receiving votes in the Associated Press poll, the Aggies hope to be able to build some consistency on offense, Dennehy said.

Although ISU is an NCAA Division I-AA team — while USU is Division I-A — when the two teams take the Romney Stadium field Saturday at 7:05 p.m., the game may be close if history is any indication.

Ferris State football player dies during practice

By Marlen Garcia and Barry Temkin
Chicago Tribune
KRT Campus

CHICAGO - Matt Sklom's family proudly displayed his Eisenhower High School scarlet letterman's jacket in their Blue Island home on Thursday.

The jacket and its embroidered patches told a tale of a multi-sport star who was Eisenhower's most valuable player and team captain in three sports; a player who was more popular for his sportsmanship and leadership than his athletic ability.

"It didn't matter if you were a great athlete or someone without great skills," his father, Michael, said. "He'd help anyone."

Sklom died Wednesday after collapsing during a tackling drill in football practice at Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Mich.

He apparently succumbed to a rare injury to the heart, officials said.

On Thursday, his former teammates at Eisenhower were reeling over the football program's fourth tragedy since 1998.

"Everyone is in complete shock," Eisenhower football coach Greg Walder said.

In early February, Jawan Jackson, a 2001 graduate of the Blue Island school, collapsed and died while trying out for Northern Illinois' football team.

An enlarged heart caused Jackson's death.

Eisenhower also has had two players suffer catastrophic injuries in recent years.

In September 2000, Rasul "Rocky" Clark broke his neck and injured his spinal cord when he was tackled in a game, becoming paralyzed from the neck down.

In 1998, Charles Ewell sus-

tained spinal-cord damage when he was injured in a game. Ewell is confined to a wheelchair.

Preliminary autopsy reports completed Thursday indicated that Sklom, 18, died of commotio cordis.

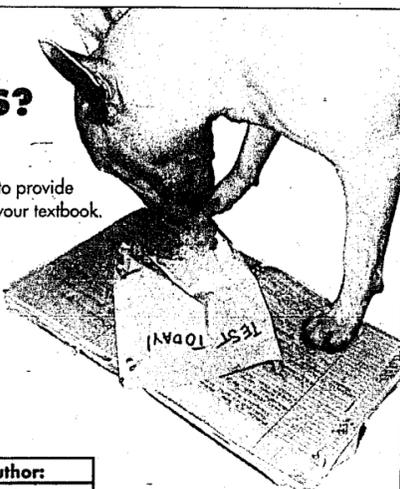
This condition results from a sharp blow in the area of the heart, causing the heart to go into fibrillation, said Bruce Rossman, spokesman for Blodgett Campus of Spectrum Health in Grand Rapids.

Sklom, a walk-on freshman linebacker sitting out this season as a redshirt at Ferris State, collapsed shortly before 4:30 p.m. after being hit in the chest by a teammate he was defending in a practice drill.

He was pronounced dead at 5:29 p.m. at Mecosta County General Hospital.

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Graduate student cranks out 'cold-drill'

By Lauren Consuelo Tussing
 The Arbiter

It's not important to most brain surgery patients that their surgeon can write great fiction.

But if Boise State graduate student and editor-in-chief of *cold-drill*, Malia Collins, stuck with her first notion of a dream job, perhaps she would be the first brain surgeon that could compose a short story while snipping around your corpus callosum.

"I had this great fantasy that I would be a brain surgeon. I don't know why, because I was never into science or medicine," Collins said.

"I think as I got older I thought 'Man, how cool would that be if you could make your money writing and reading.'"

Collins, like many authors, always had an acute interest in reading.

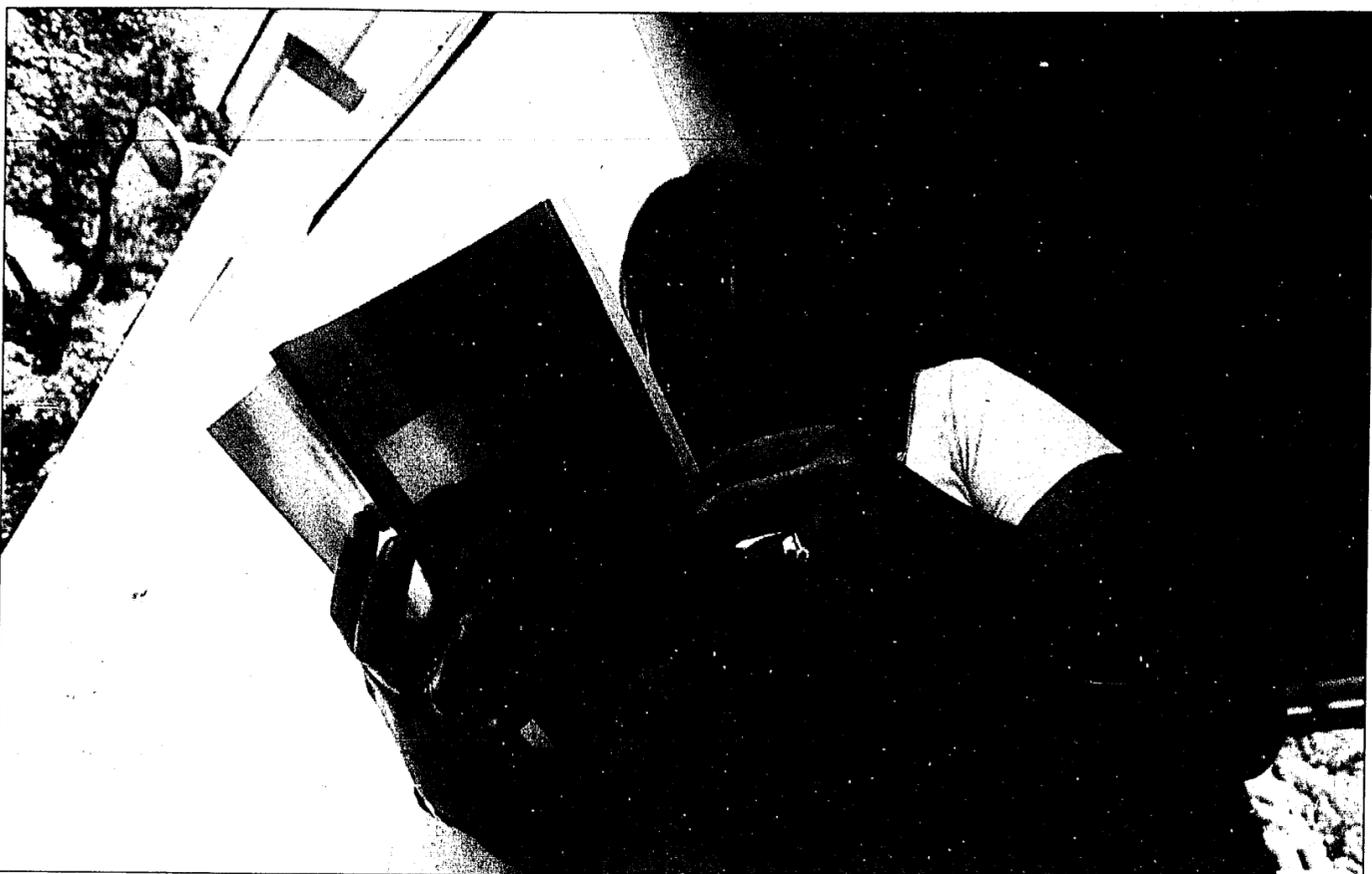
"I'm from Hawaii, so there's a huge storytelling tradition there and a big oral tradition and so I've always loved to read from as long as I can remember," Collins said.

"It was a good way to get out of doing chores because I would just go in my room and hide ... I thought, 'How can a parent scold you for reading?' So, reading was my great escape ... it just seemed like that was the one time where there was quiet in the house."

Aside from being an avid reader as a child, Collins also kept a journal in which she continuously wrote poems, stories and prose.

Collins began to realize that writing was therapeutic for her. She was often able to find more solace and comfort through writing than through any other medium.

Eventually, Collins' interest in writing became a serious endeavor.



Malia Collins reads "Charlie Chuck's Closest to the Pin" by Christian Winn, her favorite story from the 2001 edition of *cold-drill*. "It's just crazy and wild and imaginative," she said. "It's beautiful. It surprises me."

Collins received her master's in English with an emphasis in American literature from the University of Hawaii in Honolulu. Although she received a bachelor's degree in journalism, Collins' first love was fiction writing.

Editing for the *Idaho Review* and the *Hawaii Review* initially gave Collins a taste of what she wanted to do, which later led to her involvement with *cold-drill*.

Collins has been enrolled in Boise State's M.F.A. program since last spring. This is

her first year editing *cold-drill*, the program's annual literary publication, which was started by Boise State professor Tom Trusky nearly 30 years ago.

"I really loved working on a small journal because, being a writer and thinking about my own writing and publishing and sending things out," Collins said.

"I really loved being a part of something that looked for new voices and just looked for writers from all over."

Because *cold-drill* is not based around any particular

theme, any and all writers can submit works as they wish.

The variety of writers published in *cold-drill* is evidenced in the 2001 issue of *cold-drill*, which features work from M.F.A. graduate student Matt Reiter as well as work from novelist, poet and playwright John Wheatcroft.

Collins is currently accepting submissions for the 2002 issue of *cold-drill*. She strongly encourages Boise State students to submit their poetry, fiction and essays.

Attention writers:

cold-drill 2002 is now accepting submissions for poetry, short fiction and essays. Send entries with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Malia Collins at Boise State University, Department of English, 1910 University Drive, Boise, ID 83725-1525.

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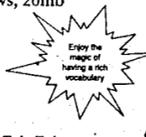
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Ani does it with 'So Much Laughter'

By Jessica Adams
 The Arbiter

In a voice that is softer now, but powerful as ever, Ani Difrancu delivers a double disc compilation of live recordings representing concert venues in Phoenix, Philadelphia, L.A. and Boise.

If you missed Difrancu's packed performance at The Big Easy last March, *So Much Shouting/So Much Laughter*, the long anticipated follow-up to *Living in Clip*, her first live album, captures the synergy of a closely-knit band and audience.

Many of the songs recorded hail from last year's album, *Reveling/Reckoning*.

What you find on this new release is really two records in one. The title of the first disc, "Stray Cats," alludes first to the exiled kittens Difrancu discovered outside the Ritz in Raleigh, and secondly to the tracks themselves. In her liner notes, Difrancu calls them "a feral collection of set list standards and a few anomalies," meaning versions of songs you won't find anywhere else.

A few of the songs appeared on her first live album, but even the most casual listener will notice how much they have changed with the new musicians, new arrangements and the simple passage of time.

There are three previously unrecorded tracks on this CD. One of these is "Self Evident," the song/poem that Difrancu wrote in the days following Sept. 11. Hearing how the audience responds to Difrancu's edgy, political lyrics makes the recording an interesting listening experience.

As usual, the folk/punk singer plays to please, not to impress. There are 20 more compositions from every phase of Difrancu's career, and she did not leave out the ones we know by heart.

The appropriately titled second disc, "Girls Night Out," captures the spirit of an Ani Difrancu concert with

live recordings of "Dilate" and "Not a Pretty Girl."

On the first track, "Swandive," Difrancu wrestles with her guitar at a bar in Nantes. The slightly surprising lead-in for this album is a wonderful illustration of Difrancu's approach to the challenges of documenting such in-the-moment performances for posterity.

In her liner notes, Difrancu said, "I gave up very quickly on the notion of finding perfect versions of any of these songs; there's no such thing on tape, let alone in my mind. The performances are 'flawed,' certainly, but my mission became simply to find technically passable tapes from nights I remember enjoying, listen to

the songs I was interested in representing, and then ask myself the question, 'Is the spirit here?'"

You can be sure there is spirit aplenty in the live recordings Difrancu has chosen to release.

So Much Shouting/So Much Laughter hit record stores Sept. 10 on Righteous Babe Records.



Ani Difrancu

Photo courtesy of Righteous Babe Records.

Artist gives nature new forms

Kate Roberson
The Arbiter

This summer, the Boise Art Museum was host to a confounding sight as piles of saplings were strewn in mounds around the sculpture court.

The scent of them, faintly redolent of molasses, made the curious visitor do a double-take.

In time, the saplings would stand up and take life. Nearly three weeks later the installation was complete and ready for viewing.

North Carolina artist Patrick Dougherty spent the first part of July erecting a site-specific sculpture, later titled "Head Strong."

The huge sculpture is composed of four structures that look something like organic teepees and something like twigs being swirled into a black hole.

The structures are open and accommodating — so much so that during a reception for Art in the Park, vendors met there to chat.

Since the form is interactive and tactile, it's more than just art on gallery walls.

The art museum also has a book available, containing

photos of Dougherty's other work, which shows his diversity as an artist. Many of the works seem vaguely familiar — some seem to be of human origin, while others are not.

Dougherty's art is immaculate. Like a bird weaving a nest, he allows the wood to take a natural path.

There are no primary designs and no sketches to follow. Dougherty follows his instinct on how the sculpture should develop.

While not as dynamic as some of his previous installations, "Head Strong" is nevertheless a master work.

The scale of the form is nearly unimaginable. Consider the skill needed to intertwine the long bodies of saplings into an overarching form.

It must be something like learning a complicated braid: It's easy to become lost halfway through the process and forget which strand to pick up.

Dougherty has created more than 125 sapling sculptures. He brings his material to the site from local groves, thinning branches and trees from areas that are overgrown and in need of clear-

ing, such as roadsides or ditch banks.

His work is always considerate of the environment. The materials in each of his sculptures are region-specific. In Boise it is primarily willows, which are familiar along the banks of the river.

Volunteers from BAM assisted Dougherty in stripping the leaves and transporting the materials. The greenery now seen on the sculpture was gathered from a canal at Warm Springs Golf Course.

The saplings were sprayed down to keep them green and flexible and were treated with a fire retardant.

Once the materials were relocated into the sculpture court, Dougherty weaved them into their present form.

Thicker saplings were erected first to form the skeleton of the piece, while the thinner limbs (all different diameters, giving "Head Strong" a filled-out look) were snaked around the initial frame.

Dougherty works from a scaffolding, edging things here and there.

Once installed, the willows dry and shrink, tightening and securing the struc-



Patrick Dougherty's 'Head Strong', fills a Boise Art Museum gallery.

Photo courtesy of BAM

ture. There is no wire, string, glue or anything to hold the work together aside from a reliance on the surrounding saplings.

"Head Strong" will even-

tually be disassembled and removed, with nothing remaining but memories and photographs.

Take this opportunity to visit a unique and transitory

object of art.

The exhibit will run until July 6, 2003. For more information, call the Boise Art Museum at 345-8330 or visit www.boiseartmuseum.org.

What some Boise State students are saying about American Character Week

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Feel the world's pain.

PEACE

Character is hard to define and a whole NATION cannot be defined by one. This week show your TRUE character whether it is in support or against anything. IT IS YOUR RIGHT!!! Let us not be hasty and sit and think.

Peaceful & beautiful

Honestly, Sept. 11 was a sad tragedy, and we should have a moment of silence. But we need to continue to move on and become a stronger country.

You have the right to be wrong.

PRIDE

It characterizes our atypical & unique character traits as diverse citizens of Awesome America!

It means appreciating the rights & freedoms that are afforded to Americans.

American character is freedom to do whatever makes you happy

Helping others when they need it

American Character is represented by the altruism we all feel for each other everyday, not just on September 11.

UNITY

It depends on the person. Some see it as an opportunity to flag wave, others see it as a time to grieve... and move on.

Everyone gets a fair chance.

You can be what you want, even un-American.

Portrayed in the sitcoms: the ability to be somebody... the ability to give dreams a chance.

I am a veteran you should be too!

That everybody has a chance at love and acts of random kindness.

The American Character is who we all are in Spirit. We are all good people, we stand together during tragedy and give to those in need during prosperity.

Heroes & being united as one!

A reason to have a party and get drunk!

It means we have the right to debate and decide the best course. Free Speech.

It means finding the one you were meant to be with, making her laugh and just plain ole falling in love.

It's the fact that we get to answer the question on our own and not being told the answer.

HOME

It means taking the moral high ground - not selling out or compromising out values, freedoms, truth, for a quick political gain.

A time to reflect and thank God and our men/women of service for loving us and our country enough to die for us and keep us free.

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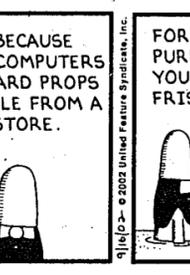
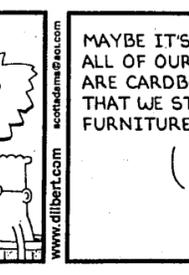
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By Linda C. Black
Tribune Media Services
Today's Birthday (Sept. 16)
New confidence leads to new risks, as you become bored with routines. You're bigger than you used to be, so it only makes sense. You need a new outfit, new rules, perhaps an entirely new game. 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 6 - Resisting oppression is easier when you've got some strong friends on your side. You do, so look around. They may not say much, but they're there.
Taurus (April 20-May 20)
Today is an 8 - Dreams

of past pleasures collide with current responsibilities. Gather your wits - an exam is coming, soon. If you pass, you could increase your wealth.
Gemini (May 21-June 21)
Today is a 7 - Your struggle is about to get easier. Put the finishing touches on whatever you've been doing. It won't be long before you come up with a new idea.
Cancer (June 22-July 22)
Today is a 7 - Confer with an expert, or a person with a lot of experience, regarding an investment. Do the research now so that you can make your purchase Tuesday or Wednesday.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)
Today is a 6 - With a practical plan in your pocket, you'll make an excellent impression. They'll be more interested in all your ideas after you've addressed their primary concern.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Today is a 7 - You may show up late for work due to personal matters. This hardly ever happens, but it's OK - you'll work double time later.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22)
Today is a 7 - Tonight should be good for a romantic dinner in the privacy of your own home. Set the mood with exquisite decor, and send out for a great meal.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Today is a 7 - Ever notice how indecisive people come to you like moths to a flame? Be patient with them. They need you to help them make up their minds.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Today is a 7 - The best uses for a recent windfall are educational and technical, not necessarily in that order. Look for a really good deal from a friend who's upgrading.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Today is a 7 - An old contact leads to new profits, as seeds you've sown produce abundantly. In other words, thank an old friend who sends work your way.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Today is a 6 - The sense of foreboding you've had recently could spur you to finally take action. Do a little more planning first. It's good to be overprepared.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
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BY SCOTT ADAMS



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- Tilly and Ryan
- Needle case
- Generous to the needy
- Quoted
- Best pitcher
- Modern Persia
- Certain chemical compound
- One of a flight with hands on hips
- Disentangled
- Roy's partner
- Currier's partner
- Fixes in position
- Unit of distance
- Talk and talk
- Smell
- Response to "roger"
- Specialized vocabulary
- Hillside by a loch
- Pride, anger, sloth, etc.
- Type of ink
- Man at the bat
- Encouraged
- Bandleader
- Arnaz
- Asimov or Newton
- Allments
- Tide type
- Commotion
- Oak or maple
- Tizzy
- Gets older
- Corn serving