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# The Arbiter

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### Coming Thursday

#### In Sports:

Recap of tonight's men's and women's basketball action. The men face Wyoming in Laramie and the women take on Eastern Washington in Cheney.

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##### 10 years ago ...

##### Senate lends hand in pinning ceremony

After an hour-long debate, the ASBSU senate passed a bill allocating \$1,000 to the Nursing Department for cookies.

The senate passed senate bill #17 by a vote of 10 to 5 to cover half of the \$2,000 Marriott is charging for cookies and punch at a department pinning ceremony which is expected to have about 1,000 people in attendance. The department will foot the other \$1,000 through fundraisers.

##### 5 years ago ...

##### Senator fights sanctioning of alcohol on campus

Joseph Pearson, college senator of Social Sciences and Public Affairs for ASBSU, is heading a petition to block any move allowing alcoholic beverages to be sold on the Boise State campus.

Pearson started the movement after attending a meeting where the topic was bringing alcohol to campus for "non-campus entities" in the Student Union Building and Pavilion. These school arenas find that they have to compete with new kids on the block such as the Bank of America Centre, the Union Block and the Idaho Center. Hawking alcohol at BSU would boost another campus selling point and raise revenue.

##### 1 year ago ...

##### Attorneys counsel students

Legal troubles can cause major stress and hassle for students who are stumped by legalese and procedures.

ASBSU retains the services of Schroeder & Lezamiz, a local law firm, to supply students with legal advice.

"It is a service that students are paying for, it is not for faculty or anyone else," said Margaret Lezamiz, a partner in the firm.

The three attorneys provide service in a wide range of areas, but the majority of consultations cover similar areas: creditor's rights, bankruptcy and domestic law, including divorce and post-divorce issues.

### MONDAY



Cloudy

# 41°

### TUESDAY

44°/27°

Rain/Snow

### WEDNESDAY

43°/28°

Few Snow Showers

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# Foreign policy opinions discussed

## D'Souza challenges American criticism

By Elizabeth Puckett  
The Arbiter

Dinesh D'Souza, a former senior White House policy analyst, spoke Thursday at the Special Events Center, addressing the rising anti-American sentiments internationally.

D'Souza, a naturalized American citizen originally from India, has written many books, including the favorably reviewed "What's so Great About America in 2002." He has also been published in *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post* and *Forbes* magazine.

His speech, entitled "Fresh Air in the Smog of Campus Political Correctness," received two standing ovations. D'Souza said the debate on terrorism says volumes about America's situation in the world.

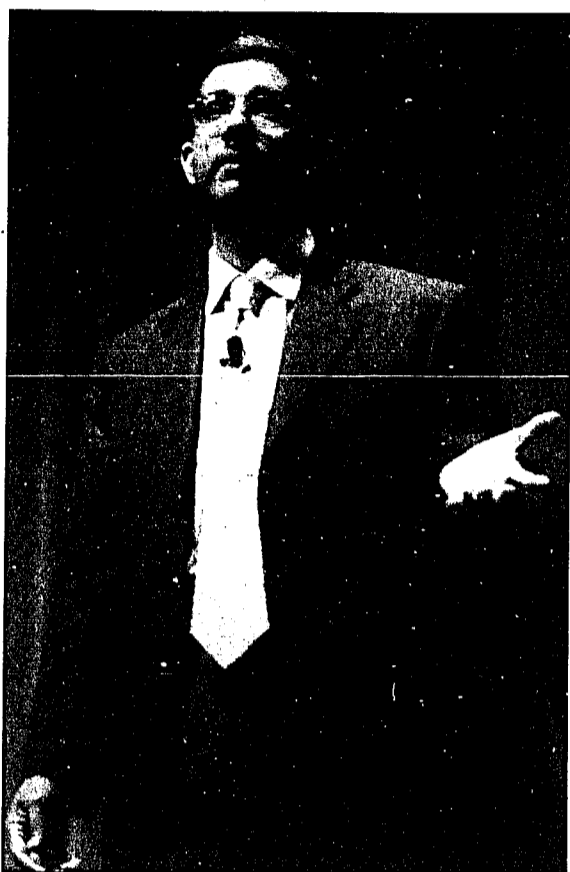
"There is a fascination with America and all it represents, but there are many who also hate America," he said.

D'Souza spoke for an hour about what he sees as the four schools of criticism against America.

First, he said that the "French critique" states that the spread of American culture is annihilating local cultures all over the world.

The second school, the "Asian critique," says that America creates prosperity but does not know how to create social decency.

Then he spoke on the



Dinesh D'Souza addresses an audience Thursday in the Special Events Center.

"Islamic critique," a school of thought that states that it is impossible to selectively import any part of American culture without getting the whole.

Finally, he spoke of what he referred to as the "left wing critique of American foreign policy." He described this critique as "we love what America is, but hate what America does."

These last two critiques were used throughout the remainder of his speech and pursued during the ensuing question and answer period.

"Part of the animus against America in the eyes of the rest of the world is the animus

against the west, against Euro-centrism," said D'Souza.

"We live in a world in which, unfortunately, should Africa sink into the sea, the Dow Jones would be relatively unaffected."

The debate against foreign policy, he said, raged against the idea that Americans were using technology and money to colonize less advanced countries.

He said that being raised in India, a country that was colonized nine times before American technology invaded, he didn't mind colonialism of the American sort at all.

"Colonialism is not a  
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## Ritter: I'm here to stop a war

By Casey Wyatt  
The Arbiter

Scott Ritter was taking time out before his speech for the Student Programs Board to sit down for an interview with *The Arbiter* when Saud Alotaivi approached him.

"Scott, Scott, it is so good to finally meet you. Can I have a picture with you?"

Alotaivi was ecstatic. His curly, dark hair stuck out underneath his black beanie and shook a little as he nervously shuffled his feet while he spoke. His grammar was correct but his accent was heavy.

"I want to thank you," he said, "for everything you are doing. It means so much to me and my family."

Alotaivi's mother is an Iraqi refugee, he said, and Scott Ritter's speaking out against a possible war in Iraq is no small thing.

Ritter posed with Alotaivi for a picture, and then nodded his head as the student continued to thank him numerous times before heading up to the Jordan Ballroom to wait for Ritter's presentation.

Ritter has come under fire for his relationship to at least one Iraqi-American. *The Wall Street Journal* reported that he has been under investigation by the FBI for accepting \$400,000 from Shakir Alkafajii, a U.S. citizen who emigrated from Iraq in 1976.

The money, along



Scott Ritter has served as "alpha dog" on over 50 U.N. weapons inspection missions in Iraq.

with another \$58,000 from his own pocket, was used to make a documentary on Iraq called "In Shifting Sands". He couldn't get the money anywhere else, he said, so he checked with the FBI concerning Alkafajii. The FBI told him the money was clean.

After the lecture Wednesday night, Ritter opened the floor for people "to hold him accountable" for what he said in his presentation. The first inquiry came from a man holding the *Journal* article.

"I made a movie," Ritter said, "and it's a damn good one. It's getting a lot of notice around the United States. I believe in what I

believe in. No one can buy me off."

"I am speaking out against a foreign policy that I think is wrong. You can disagree with me, but please, don't disrespect me by accusing me of taking money from the Iraqi government," he said.

Ritter's refutation drew loud applause.

Though Ritter has come under investigation by the FBI, no one doubts his unique perspective as a chief weapons inspector in post-Desert Storm Iraq.

He has spent years on the front lines of U.S. foreign policy in Iraq, acting, as he termed it, the "alpha dog" of over 50  
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## Iowa State to play Broncos in H-Bowl VI

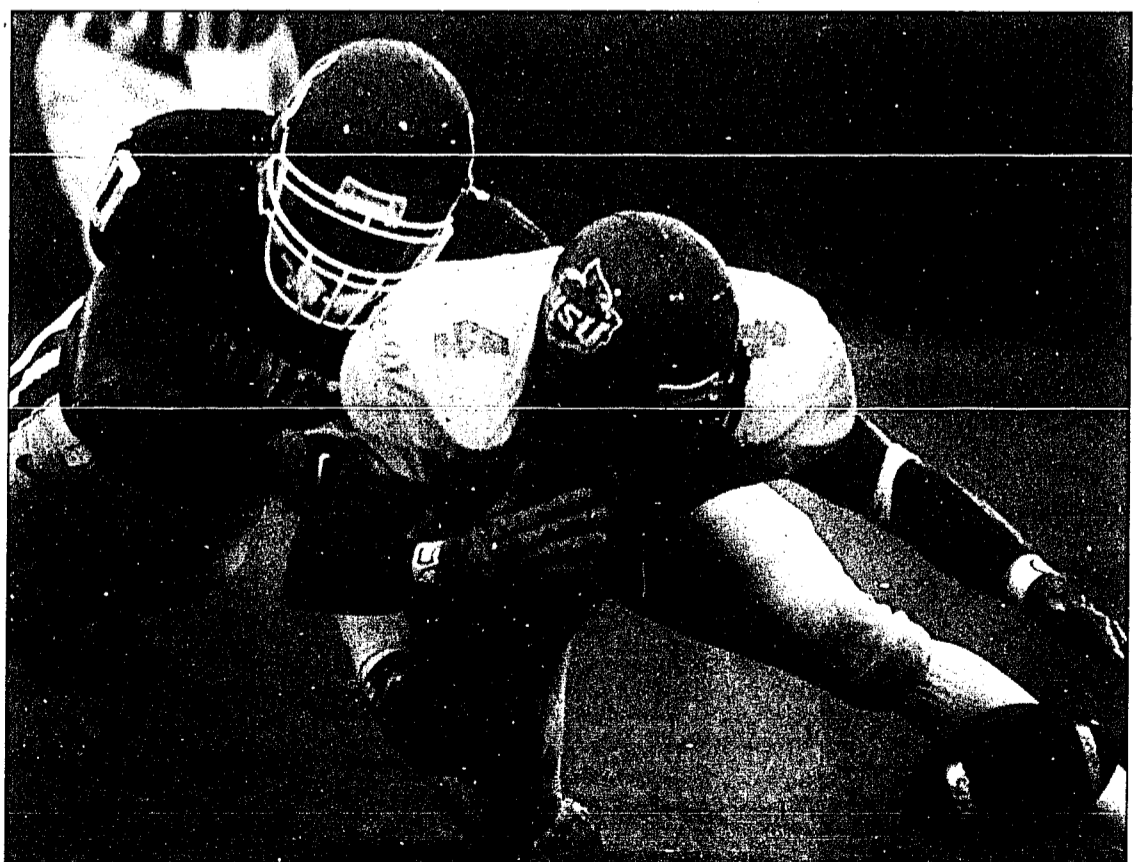


Photo courtesy KRT.

Iowa State quarterback Seneca Wallace reaches for the football during at 49-3 loss against Oklahoma.

Late Sunday, The Associated Press reported that Iowa State and Boise State will face off in the Crucial.com Humanitarian Bowl on Dec. 31, at Bronco Stadium.

The Iowa State Cyclones finished their regular season at 7-6. The Cyclones were ranked 9th by the AP media poll on Oct. 13.

ISU has dropped five of its last six games including a 37-20 loss at home to Connecticut, a new addition to Division I-A football.

Iowa State is led by quarterback Seneca Wallace who earlier this year was considered a Heisman candidate after leading the Cyclones to victories over No. 3 Iowa, Nebraska and Texas Tech.

## Group meets to decide student radio future

By Jessica Adams  
The Arbiter

Students and administrators met with KBSU managers Wednesday to discuss possible solutions for student radio at Boise State. The committee generated several options, but no decisions were made or discussed.

Students and professors of Boise State's Communication department called for increased educational and financial support for student radio. Student fees historically intended to help fund student radio are currently funneled through KBSU.

Student radio wants access to one of KBSU's FM signals as part of a program to improve the educational value of radio production at BSU.

Communication professor Bob Rudd advocated a separate student radio station.

"Are we talking ultimate goals here? Then I would like to see a student-run and operated radio station," Rudd said.

"I have a desire for student radio programs to be heard by the larger community."

Jim Paluzzi, KBSU general manager, voiced

concern for the financial sustainability of any future student radio format. Paluzzi suggested student radio air all day Sunday rather than six nights a week to draw a larger audience.

However, the committee did not agree that a bigger block of time would automatically draw new listeners.

Paluzzi also brought up the pending change from analog to digital radio, which would mean clearer sound. Paluzzi said KBSU will go digital in the next six months if he can "charm the Feds into a quarter of a million," which could increase student radio's opportunity to be heard by a larger audience.

John Franden, executive assistant to the president, expressed two main concerns on behalf of the university. Franden said the radio station has a duty to air programming that is beneficial for the community, and said he wants stability and continuity in programming.

"Students are always coming and going, and levels of student involvement go up and down. Maybe a focused

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## Campus Shorts

### World

#### Harry Potter author sues Russian writer for 'parody'

MOSCOW — J.K. Rowling, the British creator of the \$1.5 billion Harry Potter juggernaut, was struck enough by the not-so-coincidental similarity between Tanya Grotter — an 11-year-old orphan who wields magical powers, casts spells to vanquish the chief villain, attends a school for young witches and wears glasses — and Harry that she is threatening to sue Russian creator Dmitry Yemets if he does not make his 413-page "Tanya Grotter and Her Magical Double-Bass" disappear.

But Yemets, 28, is not about to back down.

"It's a Russian reply to Harry Potter," Yemets said of Tanya, contending that he is parodying Harry Potter and not merely cashing in the popularity of Rowling's beloved, bespectacled hero.

Attempts to hitch a ride on Rowling's rocket to fame and wealth are starting to pile up. In China, an anonymous author has written "Harry Potter and the Leopard-Walk-Up-To-Dragon." In the former Soviet republic of Belarus, the lead character in "Porri Gatter and the Stone Philosopher" uses mortar fire instead of a wand against his archenemies.

### South

#### Serial killer threatens city as LSU students return

BATON ROUGE, La. — As students moved on with their lives this semester, the Baton Rouge Homicide Task Force worked diligently following up more than 7,800 leads on the serial killer investigation.

In Sept. 2001, police found Gina Wilson Green, 41, murdered in her Stanford Avenue home.

Police were still investigating Green's murder May 31, 2002, when they found Charlotte Murray Pace, 22, murdered in her Sharlo home. Two months later, on July 16, 2002, police found the body of Pam Kinamore in a secluded area of the Whiskey Bay exit off Interstate 10.

The Task Force linked the three homicides to one serial killer in August through DNA found at each crime scene.

After the Kinamore homicide, witnesses described a truck believed to hold Kinamore and the alleged killer.

Police described the vehicle as a white, single cab, late '80s model General Motors pickup truck.

Though the witnesses' descriptions contained some discrepancies, the Task Force said they are only searching for one white truck.

#### Entry-level jobs rise for college graduates

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — The rate of planned entry-level hiring of college graduates for 2003 is slightly up from last year's 20-year low, according to CollegeGrad.com's annual Top Entry Level Employers survey.

While most large companies are hiring the same number or less of entry-level employees, many small and medium employers are hiring more. This accounts for a net increase of four percent in hiring, according to a CollegeGrad.com press release.

Most major employers are continuing caution in hiring because of the poor economy, but those that are expanding are using entry-level hiring to fuel growth, according to the press



DETROIT, MI—An unidentified woman makes her way across a steamy Woodward Avenue in Detroit, Michigan, on the coldest day Detroit has experienced so far this winter.

release.

The industries with the strongest hiring demand include defense, healthcare and government services, and the demand for consulting services, which was down drastically from 2000 to 2002, showed the largest year-to-year increase in hiring expectations for 2003.

### Midwest

#### Turnitin.com detects student plagiarism

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — In a recent e-mail to the entire student body, the Honor Code Committee addressed several points of concern surrounding the University of Notre Dame's use of Turnitin.com, an online plagiarism-detection company.

Turnitin.com enables professors and faculty members to submit a student's paper and to receive a set of "Originality Reports" within 24 hours, revealing if any Internet documents or resources are used in the student's work.

The most contested aspect

of Turnitin.com, however, is the direct submission of students' work without any prior indication of plagiarism.

As it currently stands, only about five professors are submitting all students' papers to Turnitin.com.

"With regard to Turnitin.com, the Honor Code Committee feels that automatic submission of papers without prior suspicion of plagiarism expresses a degree of distrust that is at odds with the very spirit of the Honor Code," said Thomas Flint, faculty Honor Code officer.

### West

#### Police say mayor stole UC-Berkeley newspapers

BERKELEY, Calif. — Berkeley, Calif., Mayor Tom Bates has admitted responsibility for stealing and trashing about 1,000 copies of The Daily Californian that carried the student newspaper's endorsement of his opponent, police said Thursday.

Bates, who earlier denied

stealing the newspapers, released a statement Thursday apologizing for his involvement in the theft.

"There is no question that tossing newspapers is absolutely inappropriate and unacceptable," Bates stated.

"I apologize on behalf of myself and my supporters for our involvement in this activity."

Police say Bates stole the Nov. 4 issue containing the Daily Cal's endorsement of then-Mayor Shirley Dean. Most of the newspapers were recovered from trashcans on Sproul Plaza.

Several students told police they saw Bates trash the papers. When asked by a Daily Cal reporter Nov. 4 if he stole the papers, Bates said, "No."

UC police concluded its investigation last week and recommended to the Alameda County District Attorney that Bates be charged with petty theft. No other suspects have been named.

## News Bucket

#### Kinesiology prof heads international group

Boise State University kinesiology professor Linda Petlichkoff has been named as the new president of the Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology. The international organization promotes the science and professional practice of sport psychology, and includes more than 1,200 members from 22 different countries.

The conference provides a forum for researchers, professionals and students to discuss the latest research and the application of psychological principles in sport and exercise.

Petlichkoff conducts research involving competitive sports participation by children and adolescents in and why some of them drop out.

#### ASBSU receives record nominations

A record number of Boise State faculty members will be honored at the ASBSU Faculty Recognition reception at 6 p.m. Dec. 9, in the Student Union Jordan Ballroom.

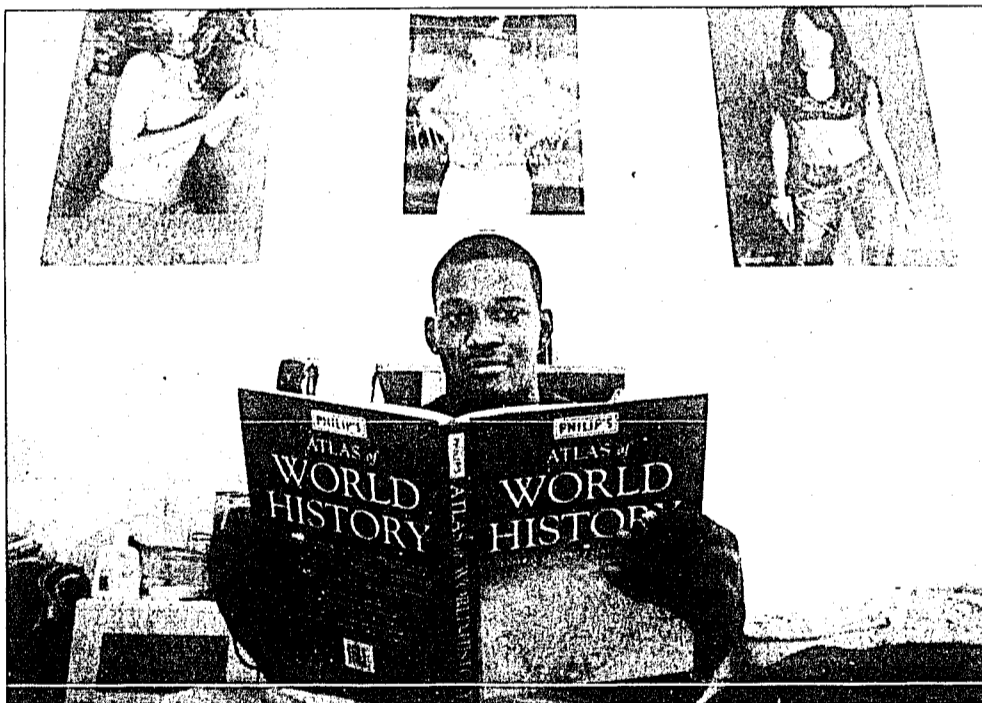
The reception is free and open to the public.

ASBSU usually receives about six to eight nominations each year. But this year students nominated 53 faculty members for outstanding contributions to the university or community.

This is the 17th year ASBSU has sponsored the awards.

An "Outstanding Faculty Member" for each of Boise State's eight colleges will be announced at the reception.

## Some graduates: Two degrees are better than one



Amos Legrand will graduate in December from the University of Miami with bachelors degrees in political science and geography.

By Margo Harakas  
South Florida Sun-Sentinel

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Amos Legrand Jr. is a man of ambition. In December, just 3 years after entering the University of Miami, he will snare a double trophy, a bachelor's degree in political science and a bachelor's in geography.

"I think an extra degree gives you a broader education and makes you more marketable," said Legrand, 21, who hopes to get a job with the federal government or in education.

Legrand has made the most of his limited time at the university, packing 18 hours into each of his last three semesters and tacking on summer classes, as well. But in a competitive job market, he expects the effort to pay off.

"I think it shows you're able to handle more work than you have to, and that you can take on a lot of things at once and be successful at them," he said.

Legrand reflects a growing trend in higher education, of students opting not just for a single degree, or a major and a minor, but two degrees, sometimes in seemingly unrelated disciplines.

Sue Levitt, a 38-year-old single mother of four and a junior at Nova Southeastern University in Nova, Fla., is pursuing a dual major in biology and pre-law. "It gives me an option to go to medical school or law school," she said, looking farther down the road.

Levitt lives in Okeechobee, Fla., and commutes two hours each way to the Davie campus. She's tak-

ing 18 credits, with all her classes packed into two days.

"My day starts at 4 in the morning and I don't get home till midnight," she said. On scholarship, she's managed so far to maintain a 3.7 grade point average.

No one is tracking the trend nationally, but admissions officers note the upswing.

Albert Matheny, at the University of Florida in Gainesville, said, "It's becoming fashionable. It's like accessorizing your college experience."

Of the 11,000 students in the College of Arts and Sciences, about 7 percent (or 750) are on the dual degree track, said Matheny, director of the college's advisory center.

That's "probably a 100 percent increase in just four years," he said.

"Part of the reason is that the quality of the freshman class at the University of Florida is getting really, really high. We have smart kids who want to break out of the box. I had a student the other day doing a triple major and it made sense."

Helping to fuel the trend are the Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate and dual-enrollment programs offered in high schools. A high school student taking advantage of these programs can enter college with 30 hours of class time completed, the equivalent of one year.

"That gives you flexibility," said John Barnhill, of Florida State University in Tallahassee.

"Instead of taking freshman English or freshman math, these students can jump into more advanced

courses in those areas, or begin their majors earlier."

Among FSU's fall enrollees are 2,830 students with Advanced Placement scores, up 22 percent from last year, and 154 students with International Baccalaureate diplomas, a 15 percent increase.

Some students use the added credits to fast-forward through college, graduating in three years. Others, said Barnhill, decide, "I can spend the normal four years in college and get an extra degree."

That's the case with Barnhill's daughter, Jennifer, who entered FSU with 39 credits. Her plan was to major in multinational business and minor in Spanish.

"I talked to a teacher at FSU who said why don't you major in Spanish as well, so I decided I'd do both," said Jennifer, who is one hour short of being a junior.


She's now considering seeking yet a third bachelor's, in management information systems.

Two years ago, UM had 1,131 students declaring double majors. Last year the figure was 1,239. That's out of an undergraduate population of 9,418.

Levitt, a former Tampa policewoman, concedes that without the support of her mother, her oldest daughter and her ex-husband, she could not possibly pursue her dream.

"It's a lot of hard work. I'm studying all the time," she said.

"Those two days I'm on campus, I go to five classes. In between classes, I go to the library."



### The 17th Annual Faculty Recognition Reception


Monday, December 9, 2002 at 6:00 pm  
Jordan Ballroom, Student Union.

The following individuals were nominated by students to be a part of the 2002 Faculty Recognition Reception and award ceremony.

**"Outstanding Faculty Member" will be announced for each college that night.**

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inspection missions. His leadership in the U.N Special Commission has been praised by Rolf Ekeus, executive director of UNSCOM, and Richard Butler, Ekeus's successor. UNSCOM was created in 1991 in order to disarm Iraq.

Though he didn't mention it Wednesday, Ritter once described his leadership philosophy - which he related to the inspections teams under his command - in an interview with PBS.

"They're going to bring out guns, they're going to yell, they're going to posture.

It isn't going to work with this team, because there's only one alpha dog in this country, and that's me," he said.

"When the situation goes to hell in a hand-basket, I don't want you running around with fear in your eyes. Don't worry about anything else, because I'm in charge. And we were the most effective teams that operated in Iraq."

Ritter's 1998 resignation sent waves throughout the international community, along with charges that the U.N. Security Counsel and

the United States - under the Clinton administration - weren't interested in enforcing disarmament.

During his speech at Boise State, Ritter laid out a case against regime change, emphasizing his objections to risking American lives in what he called an "unconstitutional" and "unlawful" invasion of Iraq.

"What are we talking about? We're talking about the rule of law. We exist as a community, a national community because of a framework of international law," he said.

"Once we deviate, once we reject the concept of international law, we cease being a civilized society."

At one point in his talk, Ritter asked who in the audience would be willing to join the armed forces and participate in a war in Iraq, or send a son or daughter to the Middle East. None of the over 700 attendees raised their hands in the silence.

This Saturday, the United Nations expects copies of Iraq's arms declaration to arrive in New York, where the U.N. Monitoring, Verification and Inspection

Commission will review them. UNMOVIC replaced UNSCOM with U.N. employees in 1999. The reorganization followed allegations that Ritter and other members of the UNSCOM team had cooperated with Israeli intelligence to provide information on Iraq's weapons of mass destruction.

Ritter has acknowledged that cooperation, and has said that he had permission from the U.S. to do so in order to overcome Iraq's resistance to inspection. He has speculated that UNSCOM stepped on CIA

turf, which could have been a factor, among others, for the reorganization. Whatever the causes and consequences of the reorganization, Ritter says that the new generation of inspectors under Hans Blix don't need such a high level of intelligence because of the war drums beating in the U.S.

"They don't need to do all that. They can go anywhere they want now," he said.

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new idea. Abolition is, and that was uniquely western," he said.

D'souza said what is simultaneously attractive to millions and repulsive to some is the idea that, in America, we can create our own destinies. He added that in America, even the average guy can have a pretty good life, but money does not buy superiority here.

"Having money does not make you an aristocrat in America as it does in many other parts of the world.

If Bill Gates walked up to you on the street and told you to get down on your knees and kiss his feet, would you?" The audience responded to this question with a laugh.

He finished his speech with a discussion on why America is such a controversial country.

"American foreign policy is driven by the theory of the lesser evil. In WWII, we sided with Stalin, an oppressive dictator, to help rid the world of Hitler, an even more dangerous dictator."

"It is not unpatriotic to criticize America. In fact, it is more dangerous not to. But those criticisms should not be based in ignorance," said D'Souza.

"Patriotism is loving your country because it is good. At the end of the day, on the balance, all things considered, we can love our country not only

because it is ours, but because it is good."

College Republican Vice President China Veldhouse said she felt D'Souza's presentation went very well.

"There wasn't as much controversy as there might have been, even though people did try to ask the tough questions," she said.

"I think D'Souza did remarkably well in fielding the questions and responding in a reasonable manner."

When asked about the controversy surrounding the College Republicans and the Scott Ritter presentation by the SPB, Veldhouse said that it came down to inexperience.

"We made some mistakes,

we didn't get on the calendar, but the Ritter planners knew that [D'Souza] was going to be on Wednesday night long before the speech was announced publicly. Ritter was originally supposed to be on a different night, Friday or Monday, but it was changed to Wednesday."

She said that the assertion that the College Republicans received outside funding for D'Souza (whose speech cost the College Republicans \$8,000) was false.

"We put a lot of time and energy into fundraising, and I'm proud of the job we did," Veldhouse said.

gone before," Blake said.

Paluzzi said he's happy to be on this committee and looks forward to resolving the issue.

Paluzzi agreed, "this time it's not the same old, same old."

A subcommittee of students and KBSU staff will meet soon to discuss plans for student radio.

The full committee will meet again after the subcommittee meeting.

not support them," Rudd said.

Travis Owens, president of student radio broadcasting club, wants to keep the current student radio format as well as gain access to one of the better signals.

"It's been made clear to us that we won't get our 12 hours on FM. We just want the opportunity to broadcast on FM frequency for a couple of hours a week. We want to be able to put our best stuff out there," Owens said.

"The way it is right now, as far as education goes, we don't have that much opportunity to grow because we don't have that much access."

Amy Zuoeste, KBSU operations manager, said student access to FM is limited because students regularly fail to submit programming on time.

"Greater access would mean students have to turn in programming consistently on time and abide by FCC regulations, and programming should be beneficial for the community," Zuoeste said.

Peg Blake, vice president of student affairs, chaired the meeting and said she hopes to find a solution for student radio soon.

"We're trying to make sure we don't follow down the same path we've always

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curriculum devoted to mass communication within the Communication department would help," Franden said.

Rudd said a medium for student and community voices would benefit the community, even if the community does not support all of the perspectives voiced. He also said it would be appropriate for the university to support the student radio cause.

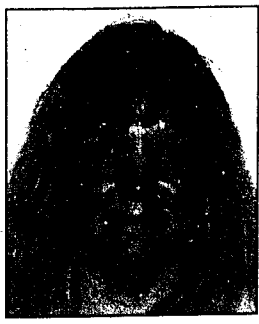
"This shouldn't be a struggle with financial sustainability. It is the role of the university to provide a forum for diversity of voices, though they may be unpopular and the community may

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## Homeland security benefits all Americans



By Tracy Curran  
The Arbiter

I've been reading about the Homeland Security Department within the White House cabinet. I know it's been floating in the news for almost a year now, but I haven't paid much attention to what the Homeland Security Department discussion was about. I assumed it was more of the safety versus liberty issue that circulated around Ashcroft shortly after Sept. 11.

I figured the legislation that passed last year allowing law enforcement agencies to bypass warrants to tap phones — among other things — in the name of terrorist-hunting, was the first nibble at our civil rights that would grow into bigger and bigger bites. Homeland Security

sounded like one of those bites.

When I heard it was struggling in Congress, I was relieved. Then, I heard Bush signed it into law this Nov. 25. I thought I'd better look at it closer. After all, it's hard to rail effectively against something if I don't know the specifics.

It isn't quite the monster I envisioned. In fact, it looks to be a masterful political stroke on Bush's part to clean up 22 cabinet/agencies while building up our emergency services, response and resistance to terrorism.

While in POLS 101, American Government, I learned how easy it was for agencies to be developed, but how difficult it is to slough them off when they have outgrown their usefulness.

Especially interesting to me had been the information that the president cannot fire cabinet heads without some justifiable cause. So every president is stuck with cabinet heads placed there by predecessors and firmly ensconced until the end of their terms.

It doesn't seem like it would invite collaborative leadership when the support-team members support

another regime.

According to Jesse Holland in the Nov. 20 issue of The Miami Herald, the newly created Homeland Security Department is the biggest reorganization in our government since 1947.

The president's plan sets up funding for the first emergency groups to respond to the results of a terrorist attack. That seems like a good idea to me, considering the rush last year for Congress to approve funds for the aftermath and cleanup of the crash sites. The biggest chunk of the budget is proposed to cover the "first responders."

The other areas of the Homeland Security Department will deal with research, development and treatment of bio-terrorism; intelligence gathering; and development of a Citizen Corps at the community level.

I like the reorganization part of the plan.

A whole new Cabinet department has been created that will employ 170,000 people. Employees to fill those positions will be drawn from 22 federal agencies.

All this basic information seems dull on the surface,

but I see a perfect opportunity to separate the chaff from the wheat. Bush gets to name all the leaders of the new Cabinet in accordance with his designated, official duties. With the support of a Republican Congress, he will probably get to have a support team that really supports him.

The 22 agencies that will be absorbed and adapted to the new department include several areas that are experiencing problems in their effectiveness.

A good example is the agency that has been responsible for border patrol and security.

Authorities have cited the number of illegal aliens flooding our borders for years as an almost insurmountable problem. I have to wonder if many of those problems are corrupt officials and employees.

To be fair, the terrorists who flew planes into the Twin Towers, the Pentagon and Pennsylvania were here with legitimate visas, approved through our Immigration Department. But they could as easily have slipped in through our southern borders into Arizona or California.

Other agencies that will be transferred include but are not limited to the Coast Guard, the Secret Service, the portions of the USDA's functions that deal with import/export inspection of agricultural products, Department of Science and Technology in areas that specialize in biotechnology and nuclear-related areas.

Overall the focus of the entire department is any area that will affect our ability to resist and/or respond and recover in the event of any terrorist attack.

Karen Tumulty in the Dec. 2, 2002 issue of Time asks the question "Could such a department have prevented 9/11?" She answers her own question with "Probably not."

There are some things that won't be prevented unless we are willing to lock ourselves in bomb shelters far below the earth and deny the politics that shape our world, like the parents of Brendan Frasier's character in "Blast From the Past."

I think the point of the new Homeland Security Department is to set ourselves up so we won't be caught unprepared and oblivious in the event of

another attempt. It also provides a chance to streamline ponderous departments while girding our defenses.

I bet government employees who thought they had it made are sweating, remembering their late starts every morning, 2-hour lunches and half-hour head starts on 5 o'clock traffic.

They are belatedly thinking of how long it took them to do their reports/projects and how if they'd worked more on them and been less on the phone — long distance to their family and friends on the taxpayers' dime — they could have done twice the work in half the time, and actually earned the paycheck they received.

Even if all the employees are drawn from the existing agencies, they won't cover the personnel needs of the Homeland Security Department. More jobs will be created.

I realize all this streamlining is going to cost the taxpayers big bucks in the new sections being developed and in the scope of the new department. I hope the end product is worth the cost. I know some of the departments as they are, are not.

## ASBSU elections were a joke

### Guest Opinion

By Brooke Baldwin  
Student

I spent the last two years working in ASBSU. I ran in two elections, and loved it.

ASBSU was one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. However, I am extremely disheartened to see what has happened to ASBSU "elections." They have turned into a joke, and one that I would have even refused to have my name associated with.

They have turned into a joke, which not only allows, but also encourages legal cheating. They have become a waste of time.

Rather than pounding the pavement and driving everyone else crazy for two days with campaign promises and the promise of candy, would-be senators (at least the wealthy ones) are renting out marketing booths, bringing daddy's laptop to school and just telling people who walk by to vote for them.

All issues of ethics are out the window.

What's next, a keg with a laptop at the door requiring you to vote for the candidate to get your free cup? Oh wait, that already happened too. It's a sad world when people are willing to throw their ethics away to win at any costs.

Last presidential election,

we were concerned that the hotly contested seat would turn into a battle of who had the fastest modem. Fortunately, this was not the case. All the candidates were too ethical to do that.

*"What's next, a keg with a laptop at the door requiring you to vote for the candidate to get your free cup?"*

Instead, the candidates were out in the rain and the sun trying to actually reach the students — what a novel and strange idea.

However, it was the simple senator-at-large candidates who have destroyed the good name that my colleagues and I have worked long and hard to continue

for ASBSU.

Don't get me wrong; I have serious issues about things that went on when I was in office and things that are going on now. But I am disgusted with this year's elections.

I hear there are no more election polling places, which means that ASBSU has not only made it easier for the rich and the powerful to retain said power, but now they have betrayed the one group that ASBSU has ALWAYS been committed to helping: student organizations.

Historically, paying student clubs to man the election booths was one of the best ways for student organizations to get involved on campus, get their names out, make some money so they can continue to bring great events to campus, and help them match their all-important matching funds.

I find it sad that ASBSU has become so focused on making their own lives better, and have forgotten about the 17,000 other students who they represent, and whose money they spend.

I hope ASBSU gets their priorities straight soon, otherwise it is going to become a pizza-party-throwing joke like every other student government across the country, and Boise State will no longer be able to pride itself on its ability to actually work to make a difference.



### Letters to the Editor

Spackman needs to grow up, join human race

To Mr. Spackman: I do what I do because it is within my rights as an American citizen to do so. Further, I am not calling on anyone to be sensitive to my feelings.

I know that no matter what one tells some people (no matter how much proof that person has) they will continue to believe what they have always believed — unless they are open-minded enough to attempt to understand the new and different position. Not only does this apply to certain religious denominations but it also applies to some gay activists as well.

Further, I know that reading certain language is uncomfortable to certain people. I am of the idea, however, that we should be grown up about it.

Just do as I do when an individual tries to tell me what I should feel; don't even pay attention to them (unless they have valid, logical arguments).

Finally, I feel that the best way to challenge certain ideas and long held beliefs is to create a conversation on topics that are the antithesis of what the conservative ideal is.

On top of all that, however, I believe that it is high time for certain individuals in the straight community to reap what they have sown.

James R. Rodriguez  
Student

Let's do away with national drinking age

Now that President Bush's daughters are 21 years old and he can't be accused of having a conflict of interest, let's have a push for no age limits on drinking.

Liberals are always saying that we ought to do what Europe does, so this is a perfect opportunity for them to put up or shut up.

I had a glass of beer in a McDonald's this spring on the Champs Elysses in Paris. My 14-year-old son could have had one too, if he had wanted.

It is time that children learned to drink responsibly so they won't act like the drunken savages who destroyed property and set fires in Ohio a couple of weeks ago.

Jack Crawford  
Aspen Hill, Md.

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# America — a love and hate relationship



By Erica Crockett  
The Arbiter

If you've read a few of my editorials this semester, it might be obvious that I have a few problems with America. Everyone knows that in some ways the United States is really nifty. In other ways it really sucks. But this describes just about any nation on the planet.

Granted, the United States is currently the biggest country with the biggest clout in world politics and power. The United States is like the big brother that other countries look up to.

All the other countries

hang on America's every word; they all want to play with the older kids. Yes sir, we're a giant, cuddly, big brother nation.

Yet some countries don't appreciate the United States for all that it is. In fact, some countries don't agree with the way Americans choose to live. They don't like our strange customs of watching television while we eat dinner. They scowl at our reliance on large vehicles to get us a mile down the road to Albertson's. It's evident they're all bitter. Someone loves us best.

But there are things that other countries like about us. It's not the mediocre wit some Americans display in editorial writing. It's not the way we bully other nations into complacency with our political agendas. It's the Coca-Cola and the Levis. It's the products.

Once again someone with lots of money to burn decided to take a poll. The Pew Global Attitudes Project found that many citizens of many countries didn't like the customs of the United

States. The trend was most striking in Muslim countries. Even our supposed allies, like England and Canada, were shaking a finger at our insane American ideas. Yet most of the people polled didn't feel dirty watching movies made in America or listening to our fabulous musicians, like Mariah Carey. No, they were fine with accepting the things made in the United States, just not the selfish ideals of our nation.

Even those who partake of the fruits of America are discriminating individuals. There has been a recent uprising in Palestine. Men who used to smoke Marlboros have now switched to a French brand

of cigarette known as Gauloises. The boycott against the American cigarette manufacturer is a way for Palestinians to demonstrate their disapproval of American support of Israel.

However, the Palestinians have not extended their boycott to other American products. They still drink Coca-Cola because there is a bottling plant in Ramallah. Brave Palestinian people! America may rot their teeth, but they'll let France destroy their lungs.

Countries that decide to incorporate American products into the lives of their citizens aren't just allowing goods to travel from the United States to wherever. When people watch our blockbusters in Italy or drink

our soft drinks in China, they are buying the American way.

Whether or not they are willing to admit it, an adoption of American products into their cultures is an adoption of American customs and ideals.

The United States is a country of mass consumerism. We get money and we spend it, and that's the way things work. If I want a new car, I covet a specific model until I have enough cash for it, or for the down payment, and I get it. In two years I'll want another. If I'm hungry I won't grow my own food. I'll go to McDonald's. If I'm bored I won't make shadow puppets on the wall. I'll go to Disneyland.

Palestinians might make the sugar water in their own country, but gee, what prompted the idea to allow a factory into their community for the purpose of profit for a large corporation at the expense of cheap labor? It was a crisp, refreshing cola! America has duped the world.

They might not like the way we handle things. They might think our president is belligerent and our children are fat. But when they decide to become consumers, they fall neatly into our trap. Our products are our customs, the fools! We'll never need to change them by force.

We need only offer them a hamburger, some mouse ears and a Hollywood movie.

## I lost 80 pounds eating fast food

By Joel Mowbray  
KRT Campus

As we approach the food-filled holidays, it is important to remember that food, fast or otherwise, is not the enemy. If only trial lawyers could figure that out.

Lawsuits blaming the fast-food industry for making fat people, well, fat are becoming so common that CRC Publications just launched the "Obesity Policy Reporter" to keep tabs on the pending litigation. Arguing that the tobacco theory of liability should apply to fast-food shops, trial lawyers are attempting to bilk burger joints for billions.

But the finger should not be pointed at the purveyors of greasy goodies; the blame must fall squarely on the shoulders of people bringing the "fat" lawsuits.

How do I know this? Because I used to be fat. Really fat. I binged on fast food and junk food, and just about anything I could get my hands on. Finally, I decided, "The fat stops here." So, I binged on fast food. I'll explain.

About two years ago, a suit salesman told me that I needed a size 50 jacket. I protested — mightily. But I was wrong, and worse, he was right.

When the tailor was marking the suit for alterations, I told him to cut it tight — because I was going to start losing weight the next day. The 50-ish immigrant from North Africa could sense my dogged determination. He looked at me with sympathetic eyes, and in a thick accent chortled, "Yeah, right."

Much to the tailor's surprise, and most everyone else's, I started losing weight. Having ballooned on the high-carb, low-fat diet, a different strategy was necessary. The high-protein Atkins diet intrigued me, but the cost of constantly preparing chicken and steak seemed prohibitive. Frankly, as a struggling entrepreneur at the time, anything pricier than a 20-cent package of ramen noodles would have put a crimp in my wallet. What to do?

With no time to prepare a home-cooked meal and no money to buy a decent one, fast food became my diet's savior. Without the drive-thru lane, my Atkins diet would not have happened, and I'd probably still be wearing a size 50 jacket.

One of my two daily meals consisted of several double cheeseburgers, minus the buns of course. Because I was too timid (and proud) to order burgers without the buns, I had to separate the beef from the bun manually. Oh, what a sight it was. But after shedding 80 pounds in five months, oh what a sight I was.

The point of my plight is not that everyone should indulge in fast food. But much-maligned fast food, unlike tobacco, can be used to actually benefit people.

If it hadn't been for the



Don Gorske takes a bite out of the 18,000th Big Mac he has eaten since 1972. Gorske consumes at least one a day and some days as many as three, enough to give him the Guinness Book of World Records title for Big Macs consumed.

quick and inexpensive nutrition provided by fast food, weight loss would have eluded me, leaving me at an increased risk for diabetes and heart disease.

But in a society that revels in a cult of victimology, it should not be surprising that trial lawyers are blaming fast food chains for the growing girth of the nation. We have no one to blame but ourselves.

The epidemic of expanding waistlines can be traced directly to the abandonment of personal responsibility. In a world where no one is responsible for his or her actions, why should weight be any different?

Look at how we "diet." We want weight loss in a pill or in pre-packaged foods designed to eliminate sacrifice. Dieting is chic so long as it still includes low-fat cookies and potato chips. No wonder we're an increasingly corpulent country.

I speak from experience that eating low-fat snacks and drinking Diet Coke does little more than soothe the conscience. Our instant gratification society has eschewed

the time-honored tradition of hard work yielding tangible results. We still want the bigger, better, faster, more — we just want it without sacrifice.

Even a diet containing daily doses of fast food requires sacrifice, though. I had to avoid whole host of verboten foods, and I had to coax myself into an actual exercise regiment, and it was worth every ounce of effort I expended.

But if I had wasted my energy suing Ronald McDonald and his buddies, I wouldn't have looked within myself to find the guts to lose my gut.

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## Hawkins agrees to new deal, Broncos honored

By Phil Dailey  
The Arbiter

The Boise State football team was rewarded for its outstanding year with postseason awards from the Western Athletic Conference over the weekend.

Head Coach Dan Hawkins was named WAC Coach of the Year in only his second season at the helm for Boise State.

Shortly after receiving the award, Hawkins agreed to a new five-year contract that will keep him in Boise through the 2007 season.

Hawkins' base salary will be \$300,000 with another \$150,000 available with extra incentives.

Hawkins current salary is nearly \$150,000.

The new deal is the highest overall contract in state history, however the increase is an accumulation from boosters and other private funds.

Hawkins' Broncos are 19-5 over the past two seasons. This year the team went 8-0 en route to its first WAC Championship.

The Broncos are currently ranked 15th in the latest ESPN/USA Today coaches' poll and 18th in the Associated Press media poll. The Broncos have also



**Dan Hawkins**  
WAC Coach of the Year

been ranked number one in ESPN's Mid Major Top 10 since Nov. 12.

The WAC named running back Brock Forsey and safety Quintin Mikell offensive and defensive players of the year, respectively.

All 10 WAC coaches make up the committee that chooses the All-WAC team.

Along with Forsey and Mikell, three other offensive players earned first honors.

Quarterback Ryan Dinwiddie and offensive lineman Scott Huff and Rob Vian were also included this season on the first team All-WAC list.

Receiver Billy Wingfield, defensive end Ryan Nelson, linebacker Chauncey Ako and cornerback

Gabe Franklin were all named to the second team.

It was the first time a WAC school has swept all three major postseason awards (offensive, defensive and coach) in one season since Wyoming back in 1988.

Boise State finished its regular season with an 11-1 record and a Humanitarian Bowl bid. In the local bowl, the Broncos will take on the Iowa State Cyclones (7-6) from the Big XII Conference, Dec. 31 at 10 a.m.



**Brock Forsey**  
WAC Offensive Player of the Year



**Quintin Mikell**  
WAC Defensive Player of the Year



Brock Forsey led the nation this season with 29 touchdowns.

Arbiter file photo.

### All-WAC First Team

#### Offense

WR-Justin Colbert, Hawai'i, Sr.  
WR-Nate Burleson, Nevada, Sr.  
WR-Charles Pauley, San Jose State, Sr.  
OL-Scott Huff, Boise State, Sr.  
OL-Rob Vian, Boise State, Sr.  
OL-Joe Schey, Fresno State, Sr.  
OL-Vince Manuwai, Hawai'i, Sr.  
OL-Damian Lavergne, Louisiana Tech, Sr.  
QB-Ryan Dinwiddie, Boise State, Jr.  
RB-Brock Forsey, Boise State, Sr.  
RB-Joe Smith, Louisiana Tech, Sr.

#### Defense

DL-Nick Burley, Fresno State, Sr.  
DL-Jason Stewart, Fresno State, Sr.  
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LB-Curtis Randall, Louisiana Tech, Sr.  
LB-Vic Vilorio, SMU, Sr.  
DB-Quintin Mikell, Boise State, Sr.  
DB-Cameron Worrell, Fresno State, Sr.  
DB-Hyrum Peters, Hawai'i, Jr.  
DB-D.J. Walker, UTEP, Sr.

#### Specialists

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P-Mat McBriar, Hawai'i, Sr.  
ST-Cody Cardwell, SMU, Sr.

\*2001 First Team All WAC



### Refurbished ski and snowboard clubs want you

By Aaron Barton  
The Arbiter

While waiting in anticipation for snow to fly, note that it's not too late to get involved with Boise State's winter sports clubs.

With a Ski Racing Club that has tripled in size and a fresh new snowboarding organization, there's ample opportunity to stay off the couch during the colder months.

The Ski Racing Club has grown from its mere three or four members last season to its current roster of 12. The club offers practices five days a week up at Bogus Basin, and students can earn one credit hour for completing the painstaking task of skiing at least two of the five practice days each week.

The racing club will partake in several intercollegiate competitions this year, where the squad will compete with both club and varsity teams from multiple schools. Races are currently planned for Mt Spokane, Mt. Hood, Sweitzer Mountain, and Brundage Mountain. A regional competition will take place toward the end of the season in Steamboat, CO, for the top ten of the thirteen schools Boise State will be competing against.

Although the emphasis of this club is education in ski racing and techniques, members are not required to take part in the competitions. The club is open for those wishing to merely gain some racing instruction and train with the team.

To aid in the offsetting of expenses for dues and trips, the club has been conducting fundraisers as well as acquiring donations and sponsorships from area businesses.

Entering his fifth season as head coach with the squad, Larry Duke will be attending all of the practices and races to instruct and assist with the organization of the club.

For information on getting involved with the Ski Racing Club, contact club president Hannah Stauts at 713-9497 or vice president Jill Mendenhall at 861-4120.

After a couple seasons of mass disorganization and little or no fund raising, the old snowboarding club has been abolished to make room for the Freeride Snowboard and Ski Club. This new entity will be geared more towards providing an outlet for skiers and riders looking to increase their skills and have a group of others to work with. Practices will take place at Bogus Basin at least once a week.

Intercollegiate contests will not be a part of this organization. However, members will be able to take part in the Newt and Harold's 'Triple Hit Series' competitions at Bogus Basin, as well as the Brundage Mountain competitions. According to club president Cory Pajor, there's an end of the season trip to Mt. Bachelor in the works as well.

All levels of ability are encouraged to come out for the club. All that's needed is a "dedication to snowboarding," says Pajor. Those wanting to join or obtain more information can visit the booth that will be set up this week in the quad, or contact Cory Pajor at 426-7140 or corypajor@boisestate.edu.

## Bronco Hoops

Men beat Thunderbirds, extend winning streak to four games

Jay Collins' 3-point shot rimmed out at the buzzer as Boise State held on to beat Southern Utah 73-71 in Cedar City Saturday night in the Broncos first road game of the year. Southern Utah has won 87.8 percent of their games in the 5,300 seat Centrum.

Collins' miss came after C.J. Williams missed the second of two free throws with 4.4 seconds to play. Williams had hit three straight free throws in the final 23 seconds of the game.

Four players scored in double figures for the

Broncos (4-1) who play at Wyoming tonight in Laramie.

Aaron Haynes led the way with a career-high 20 points. Jason Ellis and Williams chipped in 14 points each, while Booker Nabors had 12 points in his first significant action of the season after a pair of summer knee surgeries.

Ellis added a game-high eight rebounds, while Williams had five assists.

Collins led Southern Utah (2-3) with 15 points and seven assists.

The Broncos return home to take on Eastern Washington on Dec. 18.

-Bronco Sports Information

### Women roll over Vandals

The Boise State women's basketball team defeated Idaho Saturday night, 58-51. The Broncos now play Eastern Washington in Cheney tonight.

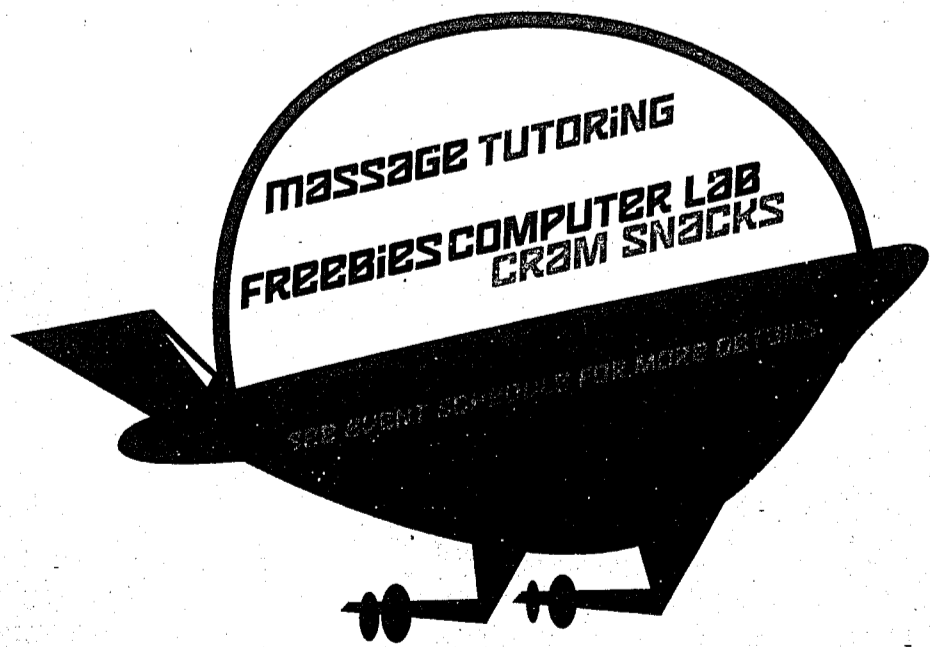
The Vandals came out strong in the first half, but the Broncos took control in the second period. Freshman point-guard Lynnette Grondin scored 16 points and was a perfect 8-of-8 from the free throw line to lead the Broncos. Junior Mandy Welch followed with 12 points. Junior Camille Woodfield led in rebounding with eight boards. Freshman Jamie Hawkins grabbed seven rebounds to follow Woodfield.

Idaho was led by Heather Thoeke who had 22 points and eight rebounds in her first game for the Vandals.

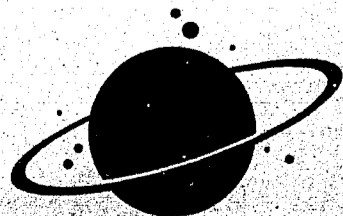
Boise State shot 39 percent from the floor (15-39), 50 percent from three-point range (7-14) and 84 percent from the free throw line (21-25). Idaho shot 33 percent from the floor (17-51), 25 percent from three-point range (3-12) and 67 percent from the free throw line (14-21).

The Broncos won the battle of the boards with 34 to the Vandals' 29. Boise State had 12 assists, 25 turnovers, two blocks and 16 steals. The Vandals had 10 assists, 22 turnovers and three blocks.

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# Johnson expected to take trip to N.Y.

By Dick Jerardi  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Larry Johnson carried Michigan State tacklers into the end zone. He cut back to avoid them. He ran away from them.

If he had been allowed to keep running in his final game at Beaver Stadium Saturday, Johnson might have set records that nobody could even imagine.

There was, however, no point. The point had been made. Imagination had been activated.

The Penn State tailback had rushed for 279 yards on just 19 carries. He had averaged 14.7 yards per carry. There were still 2 1/2 minutes left in the first half. His team led, 48-0.

Penn State (9-3, 5-3 Big Ten) eventually would win, 61-7. Johnson would come back onto the field twice more, but get no more carries. None was necessary.

He had finished the regular season with 2,015 rushing yards, just the ninth player in Division I-A history to hit that magic mark. Heading into the Jan. 1 Capital One Bowl in Orlando, Johnson's 8.02 yards per carry is the best in I-A history.

Before he plays in Florida, Johnson should have a date in New York on Dec. 14. He is just about a cinch to be a

finalist for the Heisman Trophy. Johnson seemed unmoved by it all.

"The way I look at football is a little different than what most people do," Johnson said. "To me, it's like war. If I shoot somebody in a war, I'm not going to jump up and down and say, 'Hey, I got him.'"

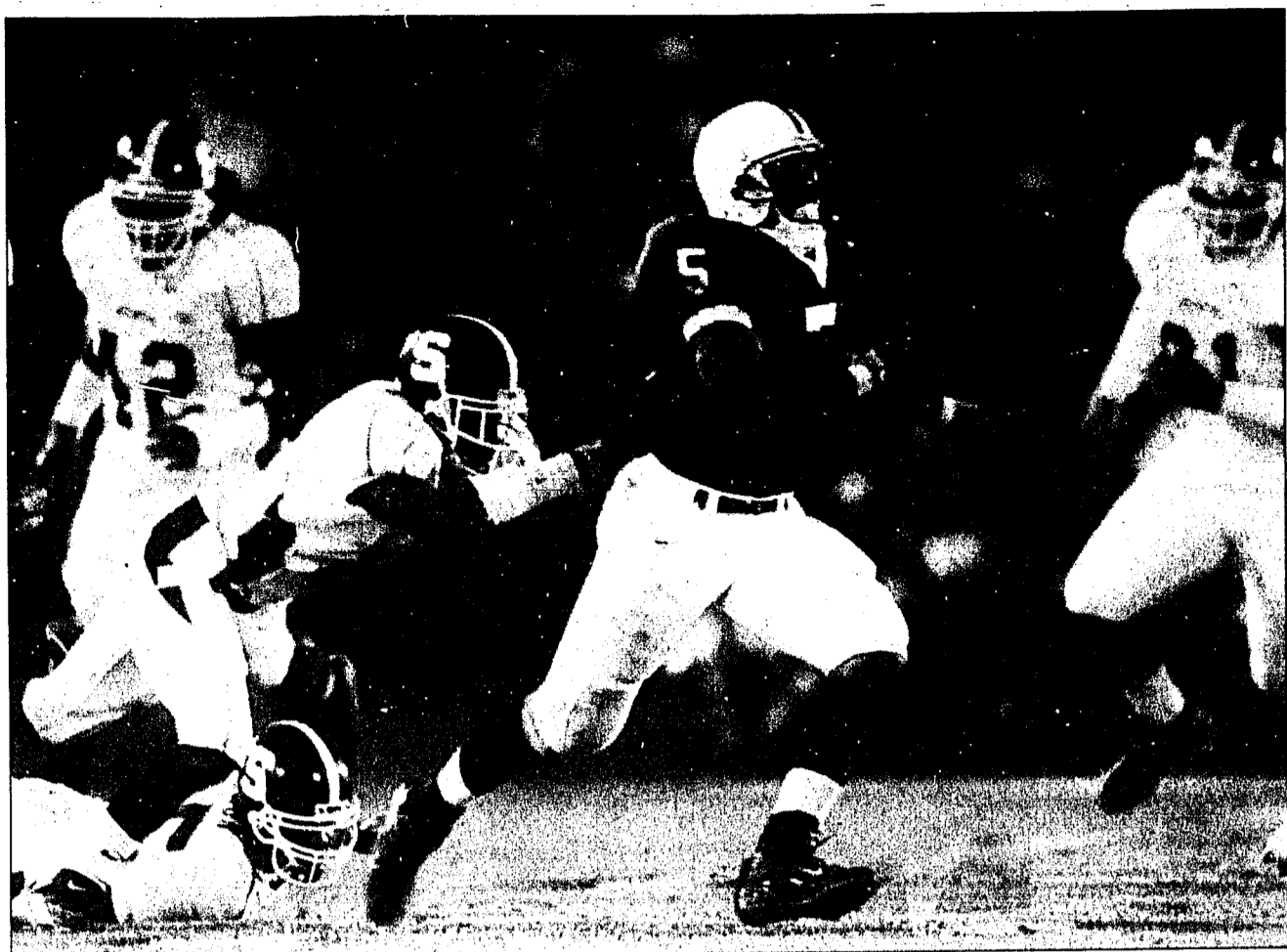
Johnson scored four touchdowns. He blasted in from 11 yards twice. He used nearly the entire field on a 78-yard tour de force. And he concluded his afternoon by running 38 yards with a football as fast as most running backs will run the 40 at the NFL combine.

"He's like a man playing against boys out there right now," Penn State coach Joe Paterno said.

All five of the Lions' second-quarter TDs came in the end zone in front of the student section. Bryant Johnson, the terrific senior wideout, scored once on a long punt return and once on a long catch. LJ got the other three.

Johnson leads Colorado's Chris Brown by 271 yards as he tries to become the Lions' first rushing champ. Brown faces Nebraska Friday and Oklahoma in the Big 12 championship game. For the first time, bowl games will count in statistical records.

In his final six games, Larry Johnson rushed for



Larry Johnson leads the nation in rushing yards with 2,015 this season.

Photo courtesy of KRT.

1,396 yards, averaging nearly a first down every time he ran the ball. He averaged a record 8.8 yards per carry in conference games. He was

the first Big Ten player ever to rush for 2,000 yards in the regular season. He had 20 rushing touchdowns. He set the school season record for

receptions (39) and receiving yards (341) by a running back. He put up numbers that, in a year with no clear-cut Heisman favorite, may

be just what voters are looking for when they sit down with their ballots.

## Like all greats, sportsmanship retires to obscurity

By Jeff Miller  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Michael Jordan does it and makes Page 1, in print as bold as it is big. Dan Marino does it and an entire league stops to listen to his words. Charles Barkley does it and they give him his own noisy TV show.

Yet, the most significant retirement in the history of sports happens, and there is silence, the development not making the tiniest of newsprint, the stuff even wasted on things like personnel moves in the AHL.

We're talking about the retirement of an old, worn-out hero: The retirement of sportsmanship.

He's gone now, as gone as Joe DiMaggio, as spent as George Steinbrenner's millions, as outdated as a can of New Coke.

It no longer is enough to simply beat a team on a scoreboard; you also have to drop that scoreboard on them like a piano. You have to pound your opponent into a pile, then rub their noses in it. You have to embarrass, taunt and ridicule.

Just accept it, OK? He's gone and not coming back. We haven't exactly evolved to this point, but we certainly have advanced here, the whole way flexing and shouting and pulling back our jersey to expose our glorious, warrior heart. So there is no choice but to embrace this new place, even if it feels a little like hugging a burning cactus. There's being old school, then there's being just old, understand?

Cheer Warren Sapp for hospitalizing a man with an unnecessary, cheap-but-perfectly-legal hit. Dance with

UM's punt team after it kicks defeated Syracuse in the gut by not kicking at all, a trick play even the opposing coach praised as "good preparation." Thump your chest along with Kenyon Martin as his New Jersey Nets throw alley-oop passes off the backboard in an absurdly easy rout of Denver.

This is the norm now, the standard response. If any of these images disturb you, let go of the feelings. Grow up. Join us in today. Get a grip on your fragile emotions. Better yet, get a grip on someone else's fragile emotions. Then squeeze them silly.

The beauty is that as chest-pokers and grave-dancers we are blameless. You see, taunting is what sells, which makes it acceptable. In videos. In music. In everything Xbox. Therefore, these

same actions are justified in a world that isn't animated.

Better still, it is now a fact that if you don't want to be laughed at, if you don't want to have defeat giggled in your face like Kyle Turley's middle finger, you should do something about it on the field. And if you don't prevent it, well Mr. Loser, you deserve whatever brash flavor of disrespect is shoved sideways down your throat.

Now that's perfect, huh? We can show up anybody we want by doing anything we want and it's their fault. The only thing better than being able to act free of responsibility is being able to act freely because someone else is responsible.

In truth, we're playing catch-up in this game. Others figured out the joy in demoralizing the beaten long ago. Think Terrell Owens and his

Sharpie pen were outrageous? Please. Take Kamau Peterson, a wide receiver for Calgary in the CFL. After scoring a clinching fourth-quarter touchdown this season, he laid down and aimed an imaginary remote control at the JumboTron, pretending to turn it off. Peterson and his teammates weren't pleased, however, against Edmonton in another game, when several Eskimo players celebrated a score by pretending to dig a grave for their opponents.

This sort of behavior used to be considered a lack of class. Now, it's a ticket to SportsCenter, which has become as coveted a destination for our pro athletes as even Atlanta's finest strip clubs.

Yes, we have a ways to go, but we are moving quickly in the right direction, with

every prance after points, with every postgame hand that goes unshaken, with every late punt fake run by a team that has outscored that particular opponent 134-7 in three games.

Sportsmanship had a distinguished career, right up to the point where he wasn't distinguished anymore. Will he be missed? Do you miss the laces on a basketball? Manual scoreboards? Helmets without facemasks? We move on and everything improves as we do, right?

Sportsmanship walked away sad and defeated, but who really cares? We don't have time to mourn him. At least not when it's so much easier to mock him.

## Athletes win judgment in secret porn video scam

By Rebecca Blatt  
Daily Pennsylvanian  
(U. Pennsylvania)

(U-WIRE) When most athletes change clothes in the locker room after a long practice or a tough game, they never imagine that their naked bodies are being caught on camera.

But that's exactly what happened to several University of Pennsylvania athletes sometime between 1996 and 1998. And last week, the former students were each awarded \$11 million in compensatory and punitive damages.

The students were filmed

by cameras hidden in a shower of a University athletic facility. Clips from these films were spliced together and sold as pornographic videos with titles like *Straight off the Mat*. In addition, portions of the videos were shown on the Internet to coax viewers into purchasing them.

The Penn students were not the only victims of the pornographic scam, however. The students' attorney, Cindy Fluxgold, represented a total of 46 student athletes filmed in locker rooms across the country between 1995 and 1999.

Fluxgold said all of the

students were either football players or wrestlers but would not specify which Penn team the scam involved.

The federal court's judgment came on the grounds that the production of the tapes was an invasion of privacy.

"If ever there was an invasion of privacy, it's when you're being filmed naked without your knowledge, and then the film is being sold worldwide over the Internet without your permission," Fluxgold said.

Fluxgold explained that in each of the cases, cameras had been planted in places

like gym bags and showers. Additionally, some cameras had been held manually and moved around.

Fluxgold added that the footage focused especially on frontal nudity and included athletes weighing in, urinating, showering and slapping each other.

The scam was uncovered in 1999 by a student who recognized one of his friends in an online clip according to Fluxgold. At that point about 30 students filed a civil suit against the video distributors

and the Internet servers who hosted their Web sites.

The court eventually decided that the servers could not be held accountable because of regulations granting them immunity. According to Fluxgold, servers are not liable for material present on the Web sites of their customers.

However, the court did hold eight companies and three individuals accountable.

The ruling was considered a "default judgment"

because none of the defendants chose to appear in court.

Regardless, all of the companies and the individuals will have to pay a total of \$506 million in damages and legal fees.

Fluxgold said she was pleased with the judgment.

"This was the number we had asked the court for, and the court awarded it to us," she said.

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## Canal sculpture brings Boise's history to light

### Alum lands commission for public art

By Kate Roberson  
The Arbiter

Boise State graduate and Basic Design T.A. Amy Westover has been laboring over her public art piece for several months, and now, as the year draws to a close, her project nears completion.

The sculpture, tentatively slated to be dedicated in mid-January, is a site-specific piece to be installed at 9th and Grove Streets.

The sculpture, which is large enough to walk through, will be paired with location and landscape design to create a unique addition to the downtown scene.

The piece is composed of three circles made of aluminum, acrylic and neon, each divided at a different point and set in the ground.

Manhole covers built from iron and cast glass will be placed on the ground running in a straight line through the loose tunnel that the sculpture forms, which reads "BOISE CANAL."

The idea of the Canal became Westover's inspiration for designing the sculpture to come.

"When Grove Street was a wealthy neighborhood [in the 1800s] it had a canal that ran along the street on the north side, and big water wheels were placed every fifty to a hundred feet and lifted water to irrigate the big estates," said Westover.

"The water wheel at C.W. Moore Park on 5th Street, the original site of the Moore mansion, is the last of these water wheels in Boise. Not only was [the canal] a big part of establishing the city ... but it's running underground right through the middle of the site."

The city wanted a historical piece, which Westover

readily provided. The sculpture will have historical information routed onto the aluminum. The text, style and scroll match what would have been used in the 1800s. Westover silk-screened distorted photographs onto acrylic panels, which fit inside the circles.

The panels will be backlit with green neon, creating ghostly images that glow in the evening.

"Bridging the gap between the past and the present is really what I'm trying to do, but through the essence of the canal and focusing on that historical aspect of our city."

— Amy Westover

"Bridging the gap between the past and the present is really what I'm trying to do, but through the essence of the canal and focusing on that historical aspect of our city," she said.

In addition to the canal, Westover's inspiration came from the Idaho State Historical Library located downtown, where she spent considerable time researching Grove Street, looking at photos to see what Boise was prior to the urban renewal craze in the 70s, which tore everything down.

"As I was looking through the photographs, it really struck me ... how beautiful it was and what a loss that we've suffered from not preserving these buildings," she said.

Westover was selected for the project based on her portfolio and interviews, after which she set about researching and developing the sculpture along with a team of designers.

"The biggest difference between [my personal work and this] is the other people that are involved," Westover said.

"With working on something like this I have a lot of input and a lot of help and I'm really reliant on other people's skills and expertise, where as with my own work it's just me, my skills that are going into it. It makes it perhaps less complicated, but equally rewarding."

The artist's own work is a completely different animal in scale, time and material.

Westover says that this sculpture differs in that it will be a permanent piece; her own work tends to be less permanent.

"I was using natural elements in my own work, like carrots, and printing onto carrots and they only last three weeks. But here I'm focusing on building something that's going to last as long as possible, hopefully," she said.

Despite the differences between creating public and private art, Westover also cites the similarity between the works, the biggest one being the way in which she goes about being inspired and actually designing the piece.

"It's the same as how I would do my own work, like research and trying to find a thread that I'm interested in or inspired by, from some kind of issue, some kind of circumstance that I'm wanting to go forward with and then everything comes back to that," she said.

Westover's overwhelming feeling about completing of the project is one of excitement.

"I hope that people enjoy the historical aspect of it, because I really wanted to bring to light the history of our city, because I think it's a rich history, I think it's very beautiful, and I love those old photographs. I tried to incorporate all that," she said.



Amy Westover contemplates the finishing of her project.

Photo by Kelly Day, The Arbiter.

### Fort Hazel releases 'Swallowed by Machinery'

#### Local musicians bring worldwide bands together

By Robert Seal  
The Arbiter

In 1995, local musicians Tristan Andreas and Jeremy Miller took a handful of their four-track recordings and made a compilation for some friends. They named the project Fort Hazel Smorgasbord, inspired by their fort-like apartment off of Hazel.

Later, when their band Fury 3 was releasing its album, they decided that the name would look better on a label, and Fort Hazel Magic was born.

Fury 3 may no longer exist, but after dropping the Magic in 2000, Fort Hazel is still here, delivering new music.

One of their newest releases, *Swallowed by Machinery Volume Three*, is a compilation of 17 songs. Contributing artists range from local talent to bands from across the country. The album even features a band

from Germany.

When choosing the music, Miller said he looked for "a wide mix of people taking music to a different level ... approaching music [more] as art less than something to get people on the dance floor or tune into their radio."

"I just like putting out music to expose people to new things. I rarely put out music that I don't like, but I like diverse enough music that I think I can find something for everyone," Miller said.

Miller encourages anyone recording themselves to send in music for the compilation series. They listen to all submissions and consider the recordings for different projects. They can be found on the web at [www.forthazel.com](http://www.forthazel.com).

As a whole, the *Swallowed by Machinery* series is based around the concept of getting unreleased material together and then making unique, handmade covers for each one.

*Swallowed by Machinery* alone has a thousand different covers. The series has

included such artists as Built To Spill and Deerhoof.

Fort Hazel itself isn't what you might call a traditional label. For the most part, they work with bands down in Kashimunji, their recording studio. They leave the promotional side of the music business up to the bands themselves.

As far as future releases, Fort Hazel is considering putting out a collection of early recordings by alt-country sensation Ryan Adams.

Also on the horizon is a new CD from Lowbelly, tentatively titled *The Letter L*. Lowbelly is one of Fort Hazel's house bands and is a constantly evolving project.

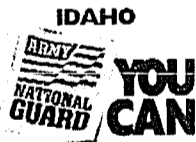
Tomorrow night Fort Hazel will be hosting a record-release party for *Swallowed by Machinery* at J.D. and Friends.

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Billy Crystal (left) and Robert DeNiro star in Warner Bros. Pictures' and Village Roadshow Pictures' comedy *Analyze That*.

## It takes two to get into 'Heaven'

By Jim Toweill  
The Arbiter

The script for *Heaven* was written by the late Polish filmmaker Krzysztof Kieslowski as the first part of a trilogy planned before his death in 1996.

Tom Tykwer (*Run Lola Run*, *The Princess and The Warrior*), who took up the challenge of directing the film, stays faithful to Kieslowski's legacy.

Cate Blanchett (*Lord of the Rings*, *Elizabeth*) stars as Philippa, a woman whose attempt to kill a drug dealer has had severe unintended consequences.

During her interrogation by the corrupt Italian police, she encounters an honest and sympathetic soul in a young officer (Giovanni Ribisi) who understands her sense of justice.

Predictably, a kind of romance ensues, but a very cold and delicate one, removed from typical Hollywood passion.

Ribisi, who might seem an odd choice for an artsy European film with his roles in U.S. films like *Gone in 60 Seconds*, is notable as the multifaceted Filippo, who is confident and ingenious, but thoroughly, almost boyishly naïve, idealistic and kind.

Blanchett's performance is compelling as well, getting the most out of her dark, emotionally complex role, even with a script that is the opposite of verbose.

The dialogue, partially owing to the language barrier between the two main characters, is sparse, but what is said is somber and important. This adds much to the movie's seri-

ous and generally overcast tone.

*Heaven* isn't a light-hearted romp and won't let you go without considering several ethical, societal and even metaphysical issues. But while it doesn't hand-feed you, it isn't difficult to watch, unless subtitles are a problem.

The plot development is fairly straightforward, the pacing is fairly quick (though nowhere near that of *Run Lola Run*) and there is a substantial amount of action and suspense.

Visually, the Italian architecture and landscapes are given a lot of attention, providing us with views of the impressively claustrophobic grandeur of Torino and the idyllic rolling countryside. Cate Blanchett is also highly attractive with and without hair.

Though lengthening the film might have hurt it commercially, and Tykwer was working with a fixed plot, some of the themes and characters' backgrounds might have been expanded upon.

Filippo's motivations are implied but are still too vague, and we are unable to grasp a complete sense of his identity.

Still, Kieslowski has, from beyond the grave, remained adept at depicting deep, but strangely detached and imperfect human connections brought on by odd and difficult situations.

*Heaven* is a highly pessimistic, yet ultimately romantic film with some of the most magically intimate scenes you'll see this year.

## When analyzed, 'That' can't match 'This'

By Philip Wuntch  
The Dallas Morning News

Robert De Niro, Billy Crystal and director Harold Ramis may curse the day *The Sopranos* was born.

Their current venture, *Analyze That*, a continuation of 1999's *Analyze This*, benefits from the De Niro/Crystal bonhomie and several sharp one-liners.

But the film is never as pungent, clever or resonant as HBO's inspection of the angst-filled baggage that comes with organized crime.

Attempting to recapture the electricity of *Analyze This* was possibly futile. That film was released three years ago, when the idea of De Niro making merry was still a novelty.

By now, his comedic scowls and boisterous blustering are funny, but familiar. Viewers get the idea that they're watching him audition for a movie version of *All in the Family*.

Once again, Crystal plays psychiatrist Ben Sobel. When first seen, Dr. Sobel is preparing to speak at the funeral of his father, a psychotherapist loved by everyone but his family.

Just as the surviving Sobel is about to eulogize, a cell phone rings and, in a cute sight gag, everyone at the service checks to see if it's theirs.

The call is from Sing-Sing Prison, where mob boss Paul Vitti (De Niro) fakes a nervous breakdown and is released in Dr. Sobel's care.

In the increasingly outlandish chain of events, Vitti tries a number of short-lived "civilian" jobs before becoming consultant on "Little Caesar," a television series about organized crime.

Meanwhile, Dr. Sobel fluctuates between trying to care for Vitti and coming to terms with the demise of an unloved parent.

The screenplay flounders under the weight of too many storylines. To use pop-psych vernacular, the movie's many plots never achieve a sense of closure.

Under Ramis' adequate but uninspired direction, the large supporting cast responds with mixed results. In a tiny role as Dr. Sobel's wife, Lisa Kudrow appears to be in a consistent

and understandable - foul mood.

Cathy Moriarty-Gentile, billed simply as Cathy Moriarty in her *Raging Bull* days, nimbly goes through the motions of an underworld godmother, while Joe Viterelli's mobster is a walking sight gag.

Don't be surprised if one day *Analyze That* turns up on a movie trivia show as the flick in which De Niro sings a *West Side Story* medley.

He commits this misdeed in *Sing-Sing* in order to prove that he's going bananas. His singing voice is horrifyingly funny, and that's probably the one thing everyone will remember from *Analyze That*.

## Few are raising voices for protest music

By Greg Kot  
Chicago Tribune

History tells us it's high time for a wake-up call, a blast of state-of-the-nation rage 'n' roll from the world of rock and rap.

The headlines lately have been nothing but trouble: War brewing with Iraq. Economy on the rise. Terrorism in a tailspin.

And social and political unrest traditionally translates into more substantive music, if not outright protest songs in the tradition of Neil Young's *Ohio* or Grandmaster Flash and the Furious Five's *The Message*.

But so far, the rock-rap political commentary has been more of a ripple than a wave.

Make no mistake: A number of pointed songs questioning American policy and addressing the news outside the margins of CNN headlines have emerged from more than just the usual suspects, yet the pop charts are still crammed with music (Christina Aguilera, Eminem, Faith Hill) that isn't all that different from the escapist fare that commanded consumers' attention two years ago, when the economy was sailing along and the World Trade Center still towered over the Manhattan skyline.

It's not so much that protest songs aren't still being written, said Pearl Jam's Eddie Vedder. It's more a matter of just how many people are paying attention.

For artists and record labels, there is little commercial incentive to create music

of greater substance, he said. The only topical album in recent months to break through to a wide audience has been Bruce Springsteen's *The Rising*, a relatively uncontroversial statement on post-Sept. 11 mourning that has sold more than 2 million copies after a massive multimedia publicity campaign.

"People primarily use music to escape," Vedder said. "That isn't going to change. Sales have a lot to do with what gets people in the music industry excited, and that has overwhelmed any instinct to improve the content. The industry is still in a girls-just-wanna-have-fun phase."

The pop mainstream is coming off several years of mostly vapid music, in which teen-pop performers and self-obsessed rap and metal acts catered to the most heavily marketed group of young people in history: the 71 million young people born between 1977 and 1994.

Now, with Americans facing the prospect of war in the Middle East and continuing threats of terrorist destruction at home, the most ambitious songwriters are starting to weigh in on far more substantive subjects.

Springsteen is less politically bold on his recent album, *The Rising* (Columbia), preferring to stake out a universal middle ground that addresses themes of loss, grief and healing in the aftermath of the terrorist bombings.

But he's been speaking

out on his world tour, prefacing his oft-misinterpreted 1984 protest anthem *Born in the USA* by lamenting that the Bush administration has run "roughshod over our civil liberties" and cautioning, "It's never served this country well to rush into war."

His remarks were greeted with scattered boos in Chicago and other cities. A handful of people who attended Springsteen's Chicago show e-mailed me to say how offended they were by Springsteen's "inappropriate" remarks. "He should shut up about things he knows nothing about," one wrote.

If nothing else, the reaction to Springsteen's remarks illustrates the risk involved for any artist who doesn't tow the mainstream line in what is still a sensitive time for many Americans caught in Sept. 11 fallout.

"Politics in our country is considered a luxury many of us can't afford," said Springsteen's longtime E Street Band sidekick Steve Van Zandt.

"That's somebody else's job. Most families are kept busy working two jobs, having kids; they don't have time to pay attention. It's important to at least bring some of it up. In that brief sentence or two, Bruce is suggesting: let's pay attention, because next thing you know we're going to be in a war and people are going to die; and just because it's not me or you, it could be our friends or families."

It's a notion seconded by the Boston rapper Mr. Lif,

a.k.a Jeffrey Haynes.

On the track "Home of the Brave" from his recent EP *Emergency Rations* (Definitive Jux), Lif harshly questions American foreign policy in the wake of Sept. 11.

"Here's what your history books won't show/You're a dead man for (expletive) with American dough," he rapped.

Haynes debuted the song a few months ago in lower Manhattan, only tracks from the World Trade Center site.

"I was wondering what would happen - am I gonna catch a beat-down tonight?" he said.

"But surprisingly enough, a lot of people know we are being fed truckloads of bull by our government, or at least just want to hear a different perspective. There is a fear in this country right now about making a radical statement of any kind, but I felt I needed to respond in some way to the propaganda generated since 9-11 to justify the war on Afghanistan."

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**it**  
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**WIN FREE TEXTBOOKS CONTEST TRIVIA**

**How to play:**  
Read the Monday edition of The Arbitrator & find the trivia question of the week, then submit your answer to contest@arbitratoronline.com. The correct answer will be printed in the Thursday's edition. If you were right, you'll be rewarded with two entries for the monthly drawing—if you were wrong, your answer will be passed around the office and laughed at!

**Contest rules:**  
All e-mails must include an answer (preferably a correct one), your name, address and a phone number—so we can hunt you down if you win. Monthly winners will be notified by email or mail, along with an announcement in the first edition after the winner is chosen. The Grand Prize winner will be announced in the Dec. 16th Finals Relief issue. Contest runs 09/09/02 though 12/12/02.

Okay, okay—if you were wrong, you can still send another e-mail to contest@arbitratoronline.com with the correct answer, and you'll be rewarded with one entry for the weekly drawing just for being so persistent!

**Look for this week's question on pg. 3!**

All winners will be selected by a random drawing of eligible entries. All entries containing the correct answer will be entered into a grand prize drawing, to be held at the end of the semester. No purchase necessary. All prizes will be awarded. Grand prize will be one semester of free books, to be provided by the BSU Bookstore. Used books will be provided where available. This offer is void where prohibited or restricted by federal, state, or local laws. Employees of The Arbitrator, the BSU Student Union, their families and government employees are not eligible. Applicable taxes are the sole responsibility of the winners.

## Horoscopes

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**Today's Birthday** (Dec. 9). You've had just about enough of "putting up with." You're ready to do whatever's necessary to make your life easier and more satisfying. Yes, you will have to learn a few new skills. It'll be fun when you start getting results.

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 9. If you want to make changes, start now. Follow a friend's suggestion and go farther than you've ever gone before. You'll make it back, but you won't be the same.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20)  
Today is a 5. Limitations prevent you from doing exactly what you'd like to do, but that just makes the game more interesting. And right now the game is all about procuring abundance.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21)  
Today is an 8. Something unusual from far away could be just the thing you're after. You'll find it in a favorite place. Check there again, even if you've looked there before.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22)  
Today is a 6. Have you noticed lately that you've stopped minding words and beating around the bush? You're more willing to say what's on your mind, even if feathers are ruffled. This is good.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
Today is an 8. You don't think you have to do it all personally, do you? You'll accomplish more by sharing the work, and it's a lot more fun that way.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
Today is a 5. The orders are coming in fast and furious. There's not much time for conversation, but you can sneak in a few kind words. They'll be much appreciated.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
Today is a 10. Recent discoveries open up new possibilities. A romantic fantasy you've long cherished could come true. Lookin' good!

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
Today is a 5. To the naked eye, it may appear that you're sitting perfectly still. But you're actually thinking, and waiting for the perfect time to make your move—which will be tomorrow. Be prepared.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
Today is an 8. You may have to hit the books in order to keep up with the others. Don't feel dumb. Actually, that's pretty smart.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
Today is a 6. The game is to work smarter, not harder.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
Today is a 9. You can get your message across if you persevere. If you can't find a way, ask a friend who's good at thinking outside the box.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
Today is a 5. If you stop and think about it, you can fix just about anything. The problem is finding the time, so try to think about it while you're doing something else. Don't stop.

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**DILBERT**

MY MAGNETIC-CANCELLATION WHEEL WILL CREATE UNLIMITED FREE ENERGY.

BUWAHAHA!!! I WILL USE THIS TECHNOLOGY TO RULE THE WORLD!!!

UM... IT'S NOT YOURS. WHAT TIME ARE YOU GOING TO BED?

MY DREAM WAS TO SOMEDAY DECOMPOSE AND BECOME FOSSIL FUEL.

BUT DILBERT'S CRUEL INVENTION WILL MAKE FUEL UNNECESSARY. NOW MY LIFE HAS NO PURPOSE!

I-I-I CAN?

WE'LL ARTIFICIALLY BOOST REVENUES BY SELLING TO OUR OWN OFFSHORE SUBSIDIARY.

THEN WE'LL BOOK OUR EXPENSES AS CAPITAL, LIE TO THE MEDIA ABOUT OUR PROSPECTS, BRIBE AN INDUSTRY ANALYST, AND CASH OUT!

I KNOW I'M DOING SOMETHING RIGHT WHEN MY BUSINESS PRACTICES GAG A RAT.

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## Crossword

ACROSS  
1 Wanderer  
6 Highland boy  
9 Sword handles  
14 San Antonio landmark  
15 Anger  
16 Bathsheba's husband  
17 Bear in the NFL Hall of Fame  
19 African snake  
20 Uniform  
21 Extra, extra helpings!  
23 voyage!  
24 Moines  
25 Taken care of  
26 Reserve  
27 Does the butterfly  
29 Pueblo people  
31 Superlatively tangy  
33 Import dishonestly  
37 Kitchen knife  
38 Lucy's best friend  
39 Small carpet  
42 WWII craft  
44 Maiden or Marx centers  
45 Doughnut  
46 Donations to the poor  
49 Fats of music  
51 T. Turner channel  
54 Bronx cheer  
55 Of rodents  
56 African succulent  
57 Small antelope  
59 Repetitious  
61 Remove brides  
62 Letter following zeta  
63 Putter's surface  
64 Young adults  
65 Draft letters  
66 Ahead of time

DOWN  
1 Called  
2 Popey's honey  
3 Confirms  
4 Prayer conclusion  
5 Pentagon grp.  
6 Most limber  
7 Alan or Adam  
8 Shorlages  
9 Buzzes  
10 Lyricist  
11 Gerstwin  
12 Intermediate state  
13 Societal no-no  
14 Knee-ankle connection  
18 List components  
22 Tragic destiny  
25 Leone  
26 Largest piggy?  
28 Inflicts  
30 Southwestern dwelling  
31 Fat farm  
32 Sculling instrument  
34 More horrific  
35 Tennis do-over  
36 Ernie of the PGA  
40 Language of Pakistan  
41 Exults  
42 Barnum's first name  
43 Skin cream  
46 In the vicinity  
47 Michaels of "SNL"  
48 Watered silk  
50 Fielders' gloves  
52 Of a new kind  
53 Itsy-bitsy  
55 Russ. jets  
56 Gillette shaver  
58 Open container  
60 Historical epoch

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