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**BY MONICA PRICE**

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**Space is limited, and only 15 children at a time can take class.**

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**Experts say battle against AIDS is being lost**

**BY TIM MURPHY**

Knight-Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Marking World AIDS Day today, experts warned Monday that the war on AIDS is being lost. The National Institutes of Health and the World Health Organization began a six-year plan of four "back-to-back" reports to fight the epidemic.

No one wants to hear that AIDS is on the rise. As AIDS continues to spread, there are many efforts that are being made to stop it. However, there are still some things that need to be done.

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BY NICK CHEN

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In his book Darkness in El Dorado, Patrick Tierney accused Chagnon of intentionally causing a measles outbreak with dangerous vaccines. Tierney, along with scientists from the National Academy of Sciences, have discredited Tierney's claim, but members of the American Anthropological Association remain wary. This discussion is certain to be very eye-opening regarding the media and historical context.

Correction
In an article titled "State Board of Ed Lends Ear to BSU," Gary Schroeder was misidentified as a member of the State Board of Education. His correct position is Chair of the Idaho State Senate Education Committee.

A regional ArchiCAD representative demonstrated the software to students earlier this month. Schlangen and Benton will teach courses on the software during the upcoming spring 2004 semester.

Boise State drafting students benefit from software donation
A $180,000 software donation to the Drafting Technology Program in the Boise State College of Applied Technology will help better prepare students for their work force. The Graphisoft company donated 40 ArchiCAD licenses, valued at $4,500 each, to Boise State. The donation was facilitated by Melissa Schlangen, who is a 2002 graduate of the drafting program, and serves on its technical advisory committee.

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**Condemn the sin, not the sinner**

**By ANDREW BARY-SCHMOLLER**

Special to The Sacramento Bee

LAT—AP News Service

The recent saga of Rush Limbaugh and his associates at The Arbiter raises a simple yet profound question: Is it that simple?

It is a case that has grabbed headlines across the country—rightfully.

But what was the turning point? What brought this about?

First, the airing. Even in a media business where a great deal of emphasis is placed on the airing of stories, a great deal of attention has been focused on the airing of Rush Limbaugh's comments.

Secondly, the airing of the story itself. How do we know when to stop airing a story? When do we know when to look away?

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The Boise State football team hopes to take its NCAA bowl game record of 4-0 into the Fort Worth Bowl next Saturday against TCU. The Broncos are 56-3, the third longest winning streak in college football, and have not lost since losing by 21 points to Arizona on November 3, 2001. The streak is tied for the 25th longest winning streak in the history of the sport.

The Broncos have not been to a bowl game since 1982. They were invited to the Humanitarian Bowl in 1987-88, but turned down the invitation.

Boise State will travel to Hawaii on December 23 to play against the Rainbow Warriors. Boise State is ranked 17/18 in the AP poll and 18/19 in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches' poll. Boise State has never been to a bowl game.

We're going down there to win. But it's not just about the competition. We wanted to make the trip. But rest assured Boise State fans, the Broncos will be facing a formidable opponent in TCU, who actually turned down an invitation from the GMAC Bowl Monday, because it conflicted with the school's final exams. TCU's Sport's Information Director Steve Fink said the Horned Frogs look forward to the opportunity to host a school of Boise State's caliber. The Broncos have a good reason to see the Horned Frogs. Boise State has never lost a conference game against the Horned Frogs, who actually turned down an invitation to the Fort Worth Bowl.

The 11th ranked Boise State football team will be playing in the nationally televised Fort Worth Bowl on December 23 against Texas Christian University. The 11-1 WAC Champion Broncos will take on the Horned Frogs in a game that will be the last bowl to be played.

The Broncos are ready to take their 11-1 record on the road, in an attempt to clinch another conference title. The Broncos have outscored their WAC opponents by an average of 37.3 points per game, the ninth in a row, extending their WAC conference winning streak. The streak is also the third longest in WAC history.

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Although, initially, the eliminations were bitter, we're getting to play a team we've never played before. We've been playing a Georgia Tech team that's 6-6. Now, we're going to play a team that's in the top-10 most of the time this year, and they've had a great season. There's a lot of early excitement surrounding the game. We've got two teams that are ranked in the first 20. It's going to be a great game, Fink said.

The BIG 12 has never been to Hawaii. But the bigger picture is the Horned Frogs being recognized as one of the nation's elite programs. The opportunity that members of the 1987 Boise State team have not taken is the Horned Frogs. Boise State looks forward to the opportunity to host a school of Boise State's caliber. The Broncos have a good reason to see the Horned Frogs. Boise State has never lost a conference game against the Horned Frogs, who actually turned down an invitation to the Fort Worth Bowl.

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Unions and some of them on becoming impact players. If you watched baseball last week, then you saw Brock Forsey go crazy. He rushed for 134 yards on 27 carries and added another touchdown in his game. He did all this and made the second start of his professional career on Dec. 14 against the Minnesota Vikings. This game was played on Dec. 22, 2003, in the pros now. There are several

How do the Broncos fare in the pros?

This year has turned out to be one of the greatest in Boise State football history. We won the top 25 for the second year in a row with a 12-4 record, and we have more N.F.L. prospects. Ryan Dinwiddie should definitely get his shot and Tim Gillings is well on his way. I want to look at how the guys who have proved the way are doing in the pros now. There are several prospects. Ryan Dinwiddie should definitely get his shot and Tim Gillings is well on his way. I want to look at how the guys who have proved the way are doing in the pros now. There are several prospects.

Garden Valley, Idaho
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MATT HILLIS
Still with Seattle

Matt Hillis is having a good year with 47 catches for 525 yards and 2 touchdowns. He is averaging 4.1 yards per carry and has a long of 17 yards. He also has 3 touchdowns. He is the example for younger Broncos who are entering the NFL.

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STUDENT ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION

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George Karl: Boise State basketball fan

BY TREVOR HORN
Special to The Arbiter

It's always hard to watch your son play his first year in college basketball, but it's that much harder for George Karl. The former Seattle SuperSonics and Milwaukee Bucks coach was in attendance at the Pavilion Tuesday night to watch his son Coby and the Broncos play BYU.

The Broncos lost a close game to the Cougars, 75-69. But the senior Karl had nothing but good things to say about his son and the BSU team.

"They have a good shot this year," Karl said after the game. "With Blackburn and Coby, and their strong seniors, this team can be really good."

As Bronco fans watch the game for pure pleasure, Karl sits in the awkward, idle position of the stands. It must be tough for a man who has spent the last 16 years roaming the courts ide, to be a mere spectator, a father.

"It's hard to watch, but Coby is such an amazing player. I just love to watch him play," Karl said.

But as a coach, and watching the Broncos from that perspective, turns natural. As Karl watched the Bronco play versus a very good BYU team, he stressed the fact that this team does have a great chance to be successful this season.

"The WAC is a very deep conference, but the Bronco showed tonight that they have the ability to play, even as a team that changed a lot this year," Karl said.

As Coby drained a three-pointer with 3:15 left in regulation to bring the Broncos within 5 points, the elder Karl remained stone-faced as the rest crowd erupted.

"I am very proud of my son," Karl said, with a smile only a dad would understand.

As the Broncos play out this season on the hardwood, know that the Bronco nation has adopted one more fan, who just happens to be George Karl - successful NBA coach and proud father.
Once more, TV hauls out its Yule jewels

BY DOUG WHE

Knobs, Knobs, Newspapers (KRT)

It’s beginning to look a lot like Christmas, especially on television. Since the days of early network commercials, television networks have been running holiday spots and specials nonstop. Get ready for even more melodic merriment and holiday cheer amply poured out through a long parade of celebrations with hosts of specials, new- ers and seasonal episodes of popular sitcoms.

There will be some new holiday offerings, but most of the old favorites will be back. Not much will change, if anything.

“Snowman” gets things started early, running from 8 to 9 p.m. on CBS. “Rudolph” arrives at 8 p.m., Dec. 6, also on CBS. The beloved “A Charlie Brown Christmas” airs on ABC on Dec. 13.

Once again, the cynical essay “A Christmas Story” will be the most for- gotten special aired this holiday season. Airing at 7 p.m. on TNT on Dec. 17, it will be followed by the 1983 classic “The Year Without a Santa Claus.”

Next on the TV holiday news this season are the 1994 films “Annie” and “Charlie Brown” reruns that air on Dec. 5 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 6 at 7 p.m., respectively.

The number of Christmas specials and movies has soared in recent years to the point where it’s almost impossible to list every one. However, for the sake of this column, we will have special holiday episodes. Finally, the Disney Channel has scheduled a Christmas movie throughout the month of December.

ABC will air its annual holiday show, “Christmas Wishes Come True!” from Dec. 19 through Dec. 25. The show includes holiday movies and favorite shows each season.

Garmin StreetPilot 2610

The newest Garmin navigation device is now available. The StreetPilot 2610 is the first portable unit to offer a high-speed Global Positioning System. Garmin’s new unit will help you find your way with ease.

The StreetPilot 2610 offers driving directions - or you’re with a guy who can’t drive. With a battery life of up to eight hours, you can use the device for long drives. It boasts a resolution of 640 x 480 pixels and connects to a PC through a USB port. You can also use the StreetPilot 2610 for entertainment.

Pioneer DVR-810HD

Pioneer’s new DVD recorders are a digital video recorder, that operates a digital video recorder, imaging to the digital level. Pioneer’s new model DVD recorders.

These devices come in a range of prices to suit any shopping budget. See photo

University at Buffalo

The newest IPod digital music player is here. The new IPod digital music player offers a larger display and more storage capacity than previous models. It is also smaller and more portable.

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BY VICTORIA FIF

CBS MarketWatch

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With phone cameras, users become potential paparazzi?

By Lee Group

South Dakota First in New York.

PORTLAND, Maine—Now, because her sons were so rare and wanted her presence on their photos, smallproblem: Euphoria is in New York.

So Sanchez snapped his picture and worried. And it took only a minute or so.

Selene, 20, of Portland, Me. uses a phone camera that captures your image, which you can set to auto or another picture phone or an electronic camera and send by the Internet.

So Sanchez loses his way might be taking your picture right now, even if you're wearing the gym, at an acing event or a school or a party.

These palm-sized phones are easy to use and you won't even know you're being photographed. As a result, privacy questions are popping up, especially now, as picture phones drop their price and their popularity soars.

"It's just fine," says Sanders, who incidentally, ordered a picture phone to take the young man's photo. "Taking pictures is nothing new."

But with the growing number of people using their cell phones to capture their moments, problems are arising.

People pay Bentkowski, 21, of Laundrum, Me., snaps a nearby street. Hillsides daily send their pictures to family and friends.

But with the creativity of the user, too, like in the foot of a horse. Imagine real-estate agents or city inspectors zooming into their world, people snapped up 20 million in the first half of 1997, and about 100 million for the same period last year.

Many digital gadgets, dropping prices helped fuel the growing hype. The phones once cost about $300. Now with phones and other promotions, they're $100 or so. Some companies integrate into the phones others are attachable. In some cases, the more bells and whistles, of course, the more expensive.

To regular telephone users, phones pay a monthly fee for minutes. But they also pay for a visual package. Costs depending on other phone features -- Internet access, text messaging, video capability. where you can either turn it on, and can be bought.

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You can feel it as you walk outside. It's in the air, building and strengthening, the anticipation of coming snow storms. Old Man Winter has Idaho in his sights at last, or at least we can hope.

I must admit that I live for winter. I can never get enough of it. When it's not winter and I'm dripping from the 110 degree weather, it's in my thoughts. When it's fall and I'm sitting through yet another class I'm possessed by winter's relative proximity. I live for winter.

So when the Editor-in-Chief of The Arbiter asked me if I would like to help with this year's Winter Rec Guide I jumped at the chance. I thought what better way to satisfy my anticipation with the coming of winter than by working on a map to all that it entails?

I am not alone in my anticipation. Over the next few weeks a new species of college student will begin to emerge. Look for students with blank stares uttering something about steep lines, deep powder and big air. Over the next few weeks the WinterNut will begin to emerge from its hibernation in anticipation of fresh snows.

On a more serious note, enclosed are a few examples of the many winter recreation opportunities available in this isolated corner of the world we call Idaho. Idaho is blessed with an abundance of outdoor year-around recreation opportunities, and winter is no exception. From world-class ski areas to the abundance of remote winter backcountry available here in the heart of the Rockies, Idaho is blessed with copious amounts of winter spoil. Head to the north, from there the opportunities for winter fun are only limited to the imagination.

With that in mind I would like to thank you for reading this year's Winter Rec Guide and wish you many powder days to come. Enjoy.
**1. Bogus Basin**
- Vertical Drop: 1600 feet
- Summit elevation: 7582 feet
- Skiable terrain: 2500 acres
- Average Snowfall: 300+ inches
- More Info: www.bogusbasin.com
- Claim to fame: Family friendly, great powder.

**2. Brundage Mountain**
- Vertical Drop: 1500 feet
- Summit elevation: 7440 feet
- Skiable terrain: 1300 acres
- Average Snowfall: 300+ inches
- More Info: www.brundage.com
- Claim to fame: Pasadena, and close proximity to Boise.

**3. Grand Targhee**
- Vertical Drop: 2295 feet
- Summit elevation: 10,000 feet
- Skiable terrain: 2000 acres
- Average Snowfall: 600 inches
- More Info: www.grandtarghee.com
- Claim to fame: Two words: Incredible powder.

**4. Jackson Hole**
- Vertical Drop: 4139 feet
- Summit elevation: 10,450 feet
- Skiable terrain: 2500 acres
- Average Snowfall: 402 inches
- More Info: www.jacksonhole.com
- Claim to fame: Largest continuous vertical drop in the U.S., 4139 feet

**5. Soldier Mountain**
- Vertical Drop: 1400 feet
- Summit elevation: 7200 feet
- Skiable terrain: Lift served—1147 acres.
- Average Snowfall: 200 inches
- More Info: www.soldiermountain.com
- Claim to fame: A quality all mountain experience with a consistent pitch from top to bottom that is in a league of its own.

**6. Sun Valley**
- Vertical Drop: 4600 feet
- Summit elevation: 9150 feet
- Skiable terrain: 2054 acres
- Average Snowfall: 200 inches
- More Info: www.sunvalley.com
- Claim to fame: Bozeman have an awesome winter recreational opportunity located just 16 miles from one of the premier nonprofit ski resorts in the Rockies: Bogus Basin. The resort, whose summit sits 5,800 feet above Boise, offers a spectacular view and diverse terrain for the winter sport enthusiast. The resort has something for everyone, whether beginner, intermediate or advanced skier or snowboarder. Bogus is the resort of choice, offering long, leisurely trails, or fast, difficult and challenging runs. Blessed liberally with over 2,600 acres to ski or snowboard, Bogus competes as one of the best values money can buy. The mountain has over 51 groomed trails along many accessible areas of untouched snow for those who thrive on a challenge. Bogus is the second largest nonprofit ski area in the United States, ranking second only to Winter Park, Colorado.

Bogus isn't restricted to skiers and snowboarders; beginning this season Bogus will offer a lane designated especially for snow-tubers. This run ends the search that comes each winter to find a snow-covered hill to tube. With a tow-pull, there is no longer a need to tirelessly trek the mountain trip after trip. For the freestyler and snow junkie seeking the extreme, Bogus is opening a 1600 foot snow drop. The nearby mountain looks like a skate boarder's dream. With their friendly approach, Bogus is an all ready to meet the need for the sample services of rental shop, as well as recreationists. For those who thrive on a challenge, Bogus is the second largest nonprofit ski area in the United States, ranking second only to Winter Park, Colorado.

Last season, Bogus celebrated its 60-year anniversary. In over 100 years to the tradition, Bogus get it: that occurred in 1863. A claim and supposedly now Bogus Basin. It turned out that way, Bogus get it: that occurred in 1863. A claim and supposedly now Bogus Basin. It turned out that way, Bogus get it: that occurred in 1863. A claim and supposedly now Bogus Basin. It turned out that way, Bogus get it:

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In 1938 construction on the road to Bogus began, and three years later in 1941 the ski area was ready to open. However, opening was postponed for a year, because of the attacks on Pearl Harbor in World War II. On Dec. 20, 1942, Bogus Basin Ski Area officially opened its gates for business. It wasn’t until 1962 that the road to Bogus was finally paved. As a non-profit ski resort, Bogus Basin offers some of the most competitive rates in the industry. College students receive some of the greatest discount rates Bogus offers. Students save $170 off the regular season pass price, paying only $229.

Prior to 1998, a regular season pass ran as high as $500. Under the leadership of general manager Mike Shirley, Bogus slashed their prices by more than 50 percent, to $199. Shirley made the decision after seeing a similar concept worked for Southwest airlines. After offering the cheapest fares in their industry, the airline filled its passenger seats.

In 1997 the resort sold only 2,800 season passes. In 1998, after drastically cutting prices, the resort sold over 25,000 season passes. Since then, Bogus has seen a dramatic increase in skier visits per year. The number has steadily increased from approximately 199,000 in 1997 to well over 370,000 last year.

If you have extra money to spare this season, consider investing in a Bogus season pass. With Bogus in such close proximity to Boise, you’ll have ample opportunity to make use of it and you will delight at the value for your dollar.

For more information call (208) 332-5100, and to find out about snow conditions call 1 (800) 696-4511.
As most locals know, a benediction of winter rests still in the air. While the temperature has dropped, the storms have retreated, and the snow has settled on the hillsides. This is when the dormant ski area begins to awake.

Ancestral snowfall has covered the landscape with a blanket of white, creating a world of wonder and excitement for those who venture into the area. The ski lifts begin to hum to life, signifying the beginning of the ski season. Each run is a canvas of untouched snow, waiting to be explored.

At the top of the mountain, the summit offers panoramic views of the surrounding valleys and peaks. The awe-inspiring snowy mountainous terrain stretches beyond the horizon, a testament to the raw beauty of nature. The crisp air carries the scent of freshly cut trees, and the sound of skis slicing through the snow fills the ears.

There is a sense of anticipation in the air, a feeling that this is the beginning of something special—a new chapter in the story of winter sports. The ski area is buzzing with activity as skiers and snowboarders prepare for the first run of the season. The lifts transport them to the top, where they will descend the slopes, testing their skills and enjoying the thrill of the ride.

As the day progresses, the snowpack becomes more compacted, offering different challenges for the skiers and snowboarders. The powdery snow gives way to icy patches, requiring a constant adjustment of technique. The adrenaline levels rise with each descent, and the sense of accomplishment grows as they conquer new runs.

The afternoon brings a cooler temperature, and the light changes to a golden hue, casting long shadows on the slopes. The ski area is still bustling, but the air has a more relaxed feel. Skiers and snowboarders take a break, sipping hot beverages and swapping stories of their day's adventures.

As the day draws to a close, the ski lifts slowly come to a halt, signaling the end of the ski day. The skiers and snowboarders return to their lodges, exhausted but exhilarated. The lights of the ski area begin to flicker, and the sound of engines and skis can be heard in the distance. It is a day that will be remembered, a day of adventure and challenge, and the promise of more to come.

The ski area is Opportune and Inviting, offering a world of possibilities for those who dare to explore. The snow remains a constant companion, offering a canvas that is ever-changing, ever-adapting. The thrill of the ride is never-ending, and the spirit of adventure is alive and well.
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