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## Cutting the seeds of love Hair goes to children of medical agencies

BY DANIELLE VERHULP  
News Writer

On Saturday, April 16, the BSU Honors Student Association will sponsor the fourth annual Locks of Love Cut-Off. This event encourages students to donate their hair to children who have experienced hair loss as a result of medical conditions or treatments. Locks of Love is a non-profit

organization that uses hair donations to create custom, vacuum-fitted hairpieces for children facing financial hardship.

The Locks of Love Cut-Off is the largest of a series of community service events sponsored by the Honors Student Association. This year, the haircuts will take place at Boise Hair Company West at 2999 North Cole and Top Notch Hairstyling at 280 North 8<sup>th</sup> Street,

Suite 120. Last year, the haircuts were limited to one salon, and hair stylists took donations from 150 individuals. This year, the organization has set a goal of 200 donations.

All BSU students are invited to donate their hair to support the cause. In order to qualify for donation, hair must be at least 10 inches long and be in good condition. It should be contained in

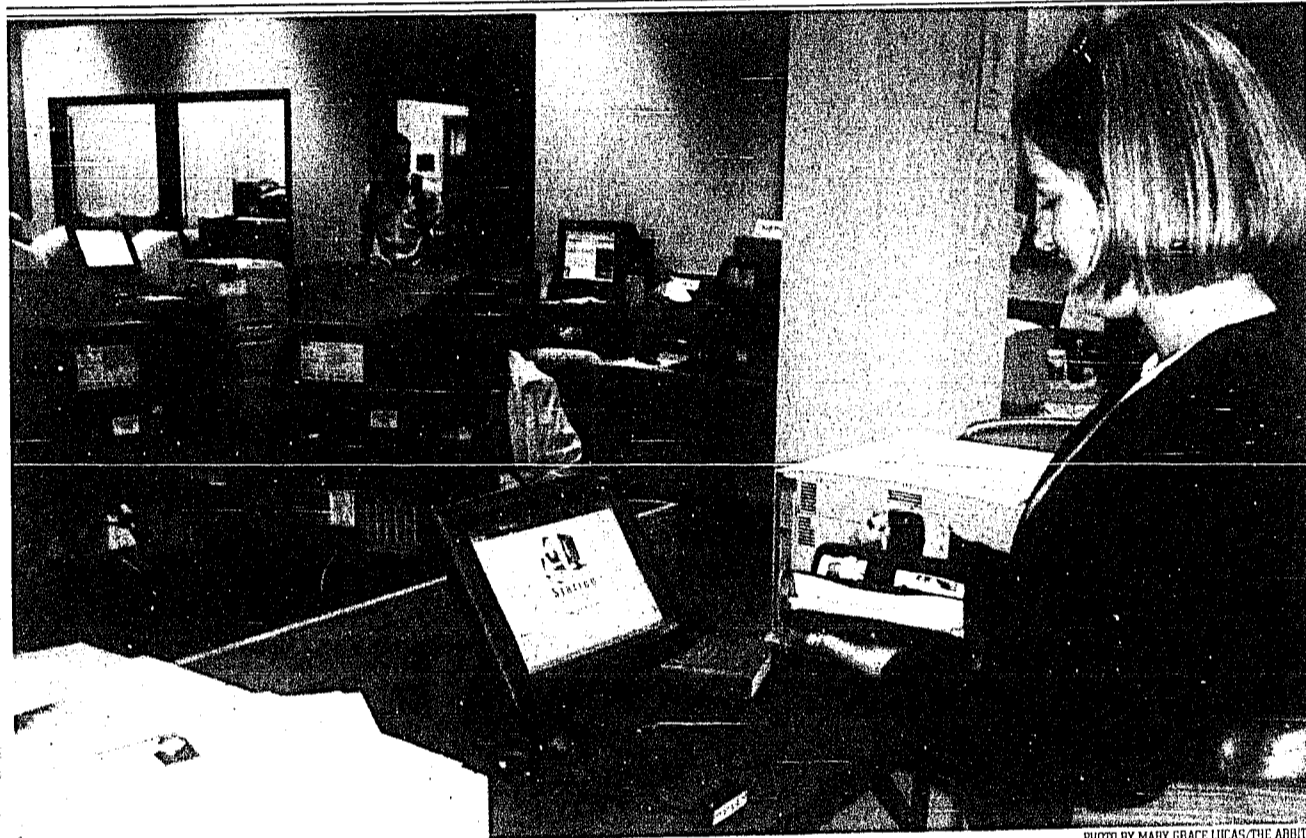
either a ponytail or a braid at the time of the cut. Haircuts are free, but stylists will be accepting donations. Haircuts will take place from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Saturday at either salon. Students wishing to donate hair are encouraged to contact Boise Hair Company West at 376-7622 or Top Notch Hairstyling at 384-5696.

The Honors Student Association provides community service

to various other organizations throughout the year, including the Idaho food bank and the Idaho Sweep and the BSU Holiday Help program. All students involved in the Honors Student Association are also part of the Honors College.

Honors Student Association vice president of community service, Kristin Ziemer, helped to co-

ordinate the event. Ziemer, who is donating a significant portion of her own hair, is excited to sponsor the event for the fourth year in a row. She stated, "This is our biggest community service event, because the donations go directly to the children. The hairpieces created from donations provide these children with confidence and self-esteem."



Boise State student Melissa King participates in a test run on fee-based printing in the Multi-Purpose computer lab.

## Fee-based printing test causes confusion, but less paper waste

BY MARY GRACE LUCAS  
NEWS WRITER

Students using the Multipurpose Building computer lab are still adjusting to a test program for fee-based printing at Boise State University. But officials say despite the initial confusion, students are adapting well, and the program is already cutting down on wasted paper and other resources.

"Waste is way down," said Office of Information Technologies lab

manager Steve Henderson. He says ordinarily one to three recycle bins are emptied weekly in the Multipurpose Building computer lab, totaling anywhere from 10,000 to 30,000 sheets of waste paper. With the new system, Henderson says, not a single barrel has been left completely full. "I suspect we'll see a further reduction."

The Arbiter recently reported that the Boise State University OIT would begin testing a fee-based printing system in the

Multipurpose Building computer lab on March 26.

Since the test began, students in the lab have been asked to swipe their student identification cards in order to print. The program assesses a price to the job, based on the number and format of the pages and, after printing, gives a remaining balance on the student's account.

Henderson says the accounts will be wiped clean of any charges at the end of the semester, and the process will repeat itself in the

summer. He says no students will be charged until the fall semester and students will start out with printing credit already in tact. He also says it is important for students to bring their student ID cards, or they will not be able to print in the labs next fall.

The OIT has researched similar university fee-based printing programs and has created a template for the fall that they say will most likely effect only students who print excessively. The average

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## ASBSU does balancing act

BY DUSTIN LAPRAY  
News Writer

Just the thought of a deficit makes politicians and citizens nervous. But ASBSU President Joe Holladay is taking it in stride.

Holladay introduced his budget for the fiscal year 2006 to the ASBSU Senate Tuesday in the Student Union Forum. Holladay had to cut a number of line items out of the budget because of an approximate budget deficit of \$80,000 left over from the previous fiscal year.

"[Former President] David Morriss put us in a tight spot, an almost impossible spot," Holladay said.

According to ASBSU Chief of Staff Tim Flaherty, Morriss entered his term with a \$50,000 budget surplus from President Ali Ishaq's term, and Morriss left ASBSU more than \$80,000 in the red.

Most of the cuts are in areas such as travel and training. Holladay and Vice President Kamron Ahmed also took pay-cuts to help ease the strain on the budget. Holladay asked the Senate to also take a pay cut, but that is up to the Senate.

"As far as our financial responsibility goes," Holladay began, "We are here to help clubs and organizations. What money we have after that would not satisfy our ambitions. The things we'd like to do would cost a lot more than what we have, even if we had a regular budget."

ASBSU is expected to receive approximately \$446,238.24 from student fees to fund its operations. The amount is lower than last year's total, since Boise State University is expecting a drop in enrollment come fall.

The money is allocated to clubs, organizations, ASBSU staff, the senators, the executive, the judicial, lobbyists, trips to meet with the Idaho State Board of Education, the election board, a Diversity Affairs Fund, a Grant Fund, the Hall of Fame Dinner, Homecoming, student attorney fees, etc.

Although a number of areas will have funding cut, Holladay believes that ASBSU and the student body will survive this crisis.

"I don't think it will hurt," Holladay said. "It will just make life a little tougher for us. We'll have to work a little longer hours and conserve a lot more. ... You try to utilize the money you get the best you can to help the students. We just trimmed the fat."

The Senate sent the budget into its Budget and Finance Committee, where it will be reviewed. The Senate cannot make changes to the budget, but can exercise the right to make suggestions, and it has the power ultimately to refuse or pass the budget.

"Do everything cautiously and research together," Senate Pro Tempore Wyatt Parke advised the new Senate. "This is one of the biggest things we do."

## Remember Alderaan! Shepp Lusk strikes back

BY RANDALL POST  
News Editor

Shepp Lusk has a list of things he'd like to do before he dies, and escaping an elevator Batman-style is one of them.

Lusk, a junior history major, has been a student custodian for the housing department for the past three years. Now a "level 3" custodian at Chaffee Hall (the highest level a student can obtain), Lusk does what he is told, such as changing toilet paper and cleaning up vomit.

"It makes me, as a person, expand; be the best that I can be," Lusk said.

Last weekend, Lusk and his crew had to dismantle a "bomb" someone had left in the bathroom near the front office of Chaffee Hall. The crew wore gloves, goggles, masks, and protective suits to weather the storm.

"We started mixing chemicals

to make the smell bearable, and there was this family touring the dorms while we were trying to unclog this toilet. I said, 'If I die, tell my children I died bravely,'" Lusk said.

When he's not unclogging toilets, Lusk looks over "convict" students, ones who have been caught drinking in the dorms and have been sentenced to work their punishment off in the form of community service.

Lusk has the "convicts" vacuum the carpets and other odd jobs his boss assigns him.

"If my boss says, 'Shepp, move the dolly,' I say, 'Convict number one, move the dolly.'"

While Shepp may joke around about his job, he says he enjoys working for student housing because of their flexible hours.

Recently Lusk and his boss got stuck in an elevator at Chaffee Hall. This delighted Lusk because of the chance to check it off his

"list."

"I was like, yes, let's get on the phone and talk to the mysterious person on the other end. For all I know, it could be a line to the president of the United States. Then, we can crawl up the hatch and be like Batman. But my boss was like, 'No, I've got a radio. We'll call someone to open the door.'"

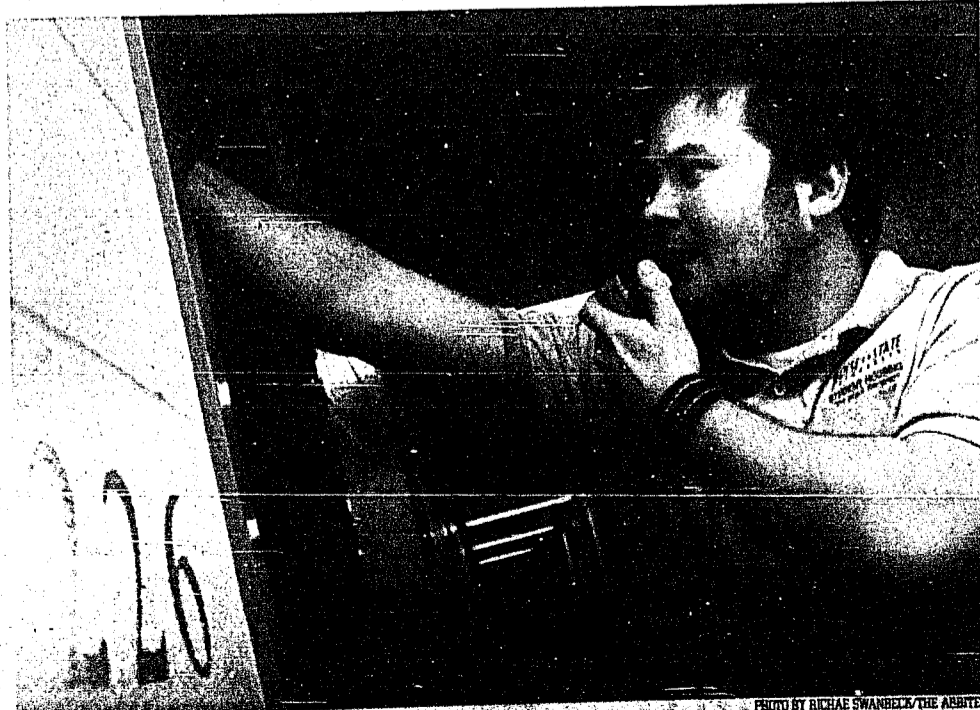
While Lusk disappointedly checked this off his list, there is no question as to what is number one on his list.

"My goal is to find a dead body," Lusk said.

Other notable goals on Lusk's list include tricking a bear into going to college, getting into a high speed car chase, jumping a car off a moving truck, and either jumping or falling out of a two-story window.

"But, I'd have to live and say something witty like, 'You should see the other guy,' or 'Who'll clean the floor?'"

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Shepp Lusk performs maintenance duties in Chaffee Hall.

**world**

**Two Americans protest role of Boston cardinal in Mass for John Paul**

VATICAN CITY - Two American women who say they were molested as children by Roman Catholic priests protested Monday at the Vatican, drawing worldwide attention to the clergy sex-abuse scandal and disgraced Cardinal Bernard Law as he led a Mass to mourn the death of Pope John Paul II.

Barbara Blaine and Barbara Dorris, two leaders of the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests, tried to pass out leaflets to pilgrims in St. Peter's Square before Law addressed several hundred people during the Mass at St. Peter's Basilica.

A crush of reporters from around the world converged on the two women, preventing them from delivering many leaflets.

With cardinals no longer talking to the media and there being few other news developments, the reporters ensured that the women's cause got global attention. At one point, the media crowd became so large that Italian and Vatican police pushed it to a nearby piazza.

Blaine and Dorris said they entered St. Peter's Basilica as Law led the Mass, but didn't linger. There were no incidents during the Mass, which was attended by a crowd of pilgrims, priests, and several dozen other cardinals, including Cardinal Justin Rigali of Philadelphia.

The survivors group's outrage was directed at Law, who resigned from the Archdiocese of Boston in December 2002 over his actions involving predatory priests, including repeatedly reassigning them from parish to parish. Blaine called his actions in the Boston archdiocese "criminal behavior."

**national**

**Armed forces get creative with recruiting tactics**

CHICAGO - Setting up camp at pro wrestling gigs is just one method the military is using to attract new recruits as the armed forces face one of the biggest recruiting challenges in recent history.

The National Guard sponsors a NASCAR racecar, and it parades an 11-

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foot-tall inflatable "GI Johnny" at races. Recruiters show up at state high school basketball tournaments to cheer in the bleachers and hand out pamphlets.

The Guard is big on referrals. One program, called Stripes for Buddies, offers an increase in pay grade to any Guard recruit who provides the name of a prospect who joins up. Another program, Warrior for a Day, encourages new recruits to bring friends to spend a day at boot camp.

The Army's strategy is similar. It brings a "Cinema Van," an 18-wheeler truck fitted with a movie screen, to job fairs and concert venue parking lots, where a movie is shown promoting the Army's training, benefits, and educational opportunities.

The Marines, meanwhile, hunt for new recruits at country music festivals and rock shows, where they bring a pull-up bar and set up an inflatable obstacle course near a Humvee in the parking lot. They have contests and hand out prizes - bumper stickers, T-shirts, and key chains.

"We know our target audience, 18 to 24-year-old males, is at that concert," said Sgt. Michael Freeman, a spokesman for the Marine's Portland recruiting station. "The idea is to get my recruiter kneecap-to-kneecap with them."

**Bush praises Sharon, but disagrees on West Bank settlement**

CRAWFORD, Texas - President Bush gave Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon a political pat on the back and also showed a rare display of disagreement Monday, praising Sharon for his plan to disengage from Gaza and parts of the West Bank and pressing him to drop a proposed expansion of a large Jewish settlement on the West Bank.

Bush objected to Israel's plans to add 3,650 homes to Maaleh Adumim, the West Bank's largest Jewish settlement, saying it would cut off Arab neighborhoods in Jerusalem from the rest of the West Bank and violate the so-called "road map" peace plan.

The road map, devised by the United States, Russia, the United Nations, and the European Union, calls for a freeze on Israeli settlements, for Palestinians to disarm militants, and for both sides to negotiate over disputed territories.

Sharon didn't publicly respond to

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questions about whether construction and expansion of settlements would continue, saying only that the major settlements on the West Bank would remain under Israeli control.

Bush said that, as part of a final peace settlement, Israel must have secure and recognized borders that emerge from negotiations between the two parties. He repeated his April statement that "realities on the ground" make it unrealistic to expect Israel to return to its 1949 armistice lines, in effect accepting Israel's claim to land claimed by settlers on the West Bank.

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**Alumni Association announces opportunity to beat the rate increase for lifetime membership**

In an effort to support the growing Boise State alumni population and continue to provide valuable benefits, events and programs for members, lifetime rates for Alumni Association membership will increase in July. The Alumni Association is currently offering the opportunity to become a lifetime member at the old rate, saving \$150 for an individual or \$250 for a couple by signing up prior to July 1. Join the Alumni Association by calling ext. 1698 or the Alumni Web site.

In 2005, the Lifetime Membership program will help fund the new Alumni Legacy Scholarship. This program offers a child or grandchild of a Boise State graduate a four-year renewable scholarship to attend Boise State.

**ROTC cadets participate in Army recruitment video**

Army ROTC cadets from Boise State and its partner schools, Albertson College of Idaho, Northwest Nazarene University, Brigham Young University-Idaho, and Idaho State University, recently completed field exercises in Idaho City. To kick off the weekend, several cadets participated in filming for a U.S. Army recruitment video featuring Blackhawk and Apache helicopters.

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Approximately 22 cadets were filmed exiting the Blackhawks on a beach above Arrowrock Dam, while two Apache attack helicopters "secured the area." Lt. Col. Michael Mikitish, chair of the military science department at Boise State, and Michael Blankenship, dean of the College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs, observed the exercise from nearby.

The ROTC program at Boise State was established in 1977 as a voluntary program. In preparation to serve in the military, cadets receive a wide variety of leadership instruction and hands-on training, including rappelling, rope-bridge building, land navigation, and small unit tactical training. Its objective is to provide university students who have the ability and desire with an opportunity to become commissioned officers in the Army.

**Lecture April 19 at Boise State focuses on new technologies used to combat war on terrorism**

An inventor of technologies used to detect explosives, narcotics, and concealed weapons will speak at noon Tuesday, April 19, at Boise State University in the Student Union Building Barnwell Room.

Lowell J. Burnett, who has led pioneering research in magnetic sensing technologies used in airport screening devices and for explosive, illegal drug, and land mine screening, will speak on "New Tools in the War Against Terrorism." He will focus on ways to counter terrorism by quickly and accurately screening people and their belongings for the presence of weapons and explosives.

Burnett's free lecture is presented by Boise State's College of Engineering. Free parking is available for attendees in the Student Union Building parking lot. Refreshments will be served.

Burnett is an emeritus professor of physics at San Diego State University and the founder and former CEO of Quantum Magnetics Inc. The San Diego-based company produces high-speed conveyor systems for luggage and cargo inspection, as well as smaller scanners used for detecting explosives and illegal drugs in mail, packages, and carry-on baggage and briefcases.

Burnett will discuss new magnetic

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sensing technologies, including magnetic gradiometer arrays, magnetic tensor tracking, low-field magnetic resonance and zero-field magnetic resonance, often called quadrupole resonance. He will describe applications of these technologies including weapons detection, bomb detection, and mine detection.

**what the?**

**That's it Leo, you've had enough**

A drunk, staggering through a circus in New Zealand after it closed with a group of intoxicated pals, threw a beer into the lion's cage.

The next morning, workers discovered the animal chewing on the neck of the bottle, it's paws wrapped around the bottom. They managed to get it away from him.

**I think we've got exhibit A, boys**

Two 19-year-olds from Australia robbed a bank in Denver of \$171,000, and photographed themselves with the cash in the men's room of a local McDonald's.

Police discovered the film when they arrested the lads in a limousine that was taking them to the airport.

**I'm sure it's just a coincidence**

Television cameras filmed a lawmaker sound asleep in the New Zealand Parliament while the nation's business was being conducted.

The New Zealand Parliament is ordering that all cameras be removed.

**My, what large hands you have**

After his mother died, a man in Istanbul, Turkey, disguised himself as her, and went to the bank to collect her pension. His deep voice gave him away.

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## Shepp (from page 1)

One of the tasks completed was getting into a cab and yelling, "Follow that car!"

The janitor from "Scrubs" is Lusk's role model.

Outside of work, Lusk enjoys reading Todd Splendage, listening to Neil Diamond (which Lusk claims is the greatest American songwriter), anything Star Wars, and being a nerd. He claims he was a nerd before "being a nerd was cool."

"Only a true nerd would know the base armor class of an unarmored humanoid is 10."

Lusk frequently uses the saying, "Remember Alderaan." In Star Wars, Alderaan was Princess Leia's planet that was destroyed by the Death Star.

"They were peaceful at the height of their renaissance, but that was before the dark times, before the Empire."

Lusk says he is a sworn enemy of the Empire.

As part of being a nerd, Lusk listens to Nerd-core music. Nerd-core is like hip-hop music, but instead of rapping about the street, it raps about Star Wars and Dungeons and Dragons.

"I don't sling rock. I don't have bling-bling, but you get me surrounded by five goblins and give me a feat great cleave, and I'll show you what's up, son."

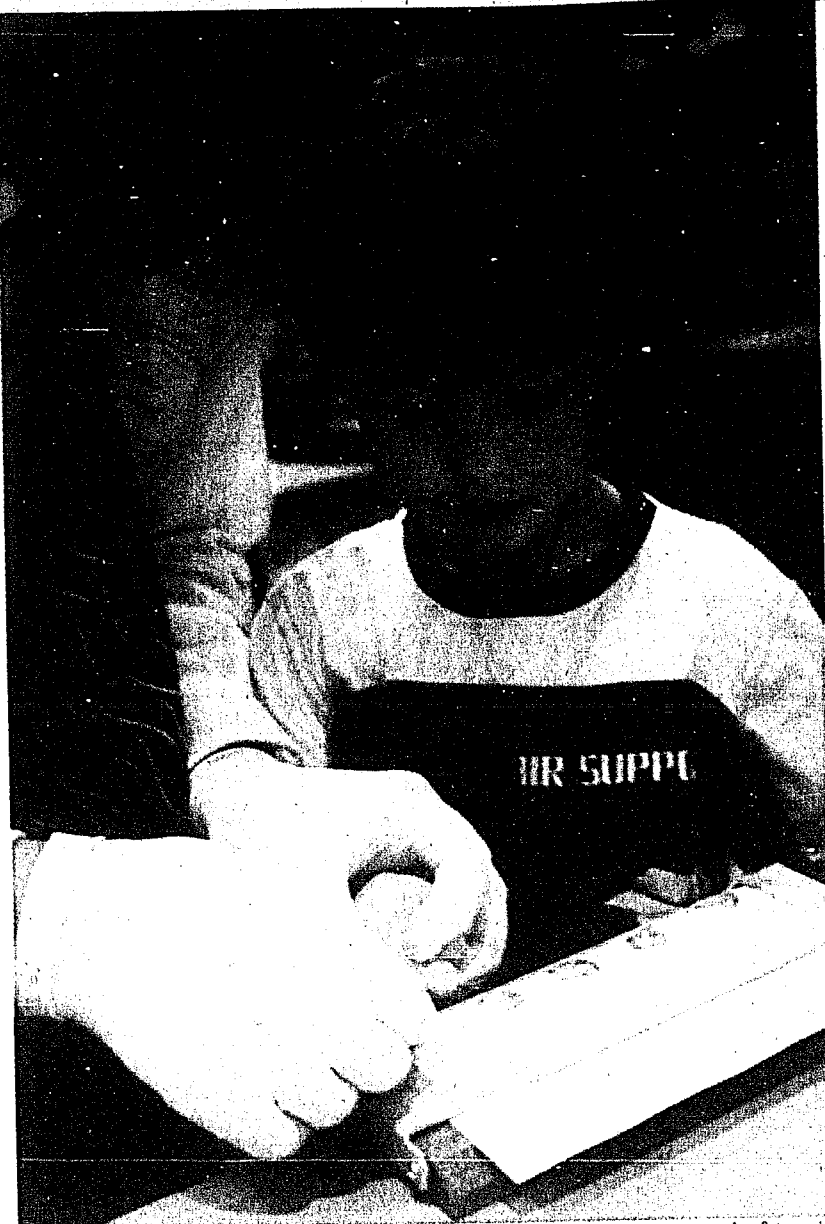
Lusk, who claims the only bling-bling he knows is +5 mithril chain mail, has a suggestion for students to live life to the fullest the next time they eat at Outback Steakhouse. He calls it the "+5 burger."

After ordering the "no rules just right burger," in which Outback claims you can have anyway you want, Lusk's curiosity was engaged.

"I asked the server to deep fry the burger in 'Bloomin' Onion' batter. She got the manager, and I told him I had done it in Coeur d'Alene, which was a lie, and they did it."

Midway through eating the burger, Lusk's eyes swelled shut, and he had to leave the restaurant. Aside from the immediate medical emergency, Lusk said it was the best burger he ever ate, claiming it was "a burger plus five."

"I like to test the waters; stick my toes in a bit, see if it's warm."



Jacob Cook, 5, gets fingerprinted by Chuck Cato on Monday afternoon at the forensic science booth in the Jordan Ballroom. The Forensic Science Outreach Program goes to different schools to teach children about forensic science. Their goal is to get kids excited about all sciences, using forensics to get them interested.

## Printing (from page 1)

student at BSU uses around 180 pages per semester, and the OIT is trying not to impact students who use that amount of paper.

In the meantime, Henderson says the test has startled some students. "There's been some confusion. People are under the impression that we've fazed this in with no grace period."

"At first I thought it was a load of crap that we would have to pay for printing," said junior Andy Phelps. But Phelps said after hear-

ing that students would receive credits each semester, he supports the program. "I think it'll be worth it in the long run."

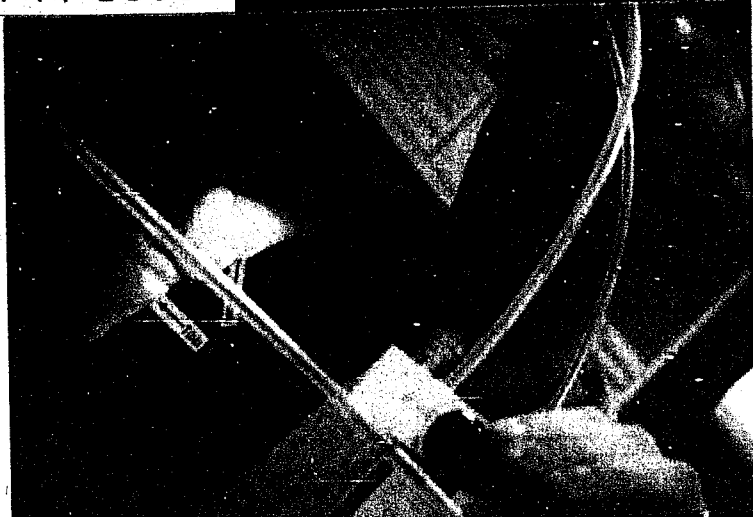
MP lab technician Matt Wald says at first glance most students are confused at the prices and balance given by the test program. But he says that most students are adapting well to the changes. "I think most people are pretty understanding of it."

Henderson says students who spend more than the allotted

amount on printing will be able to add money to their account either by paying cash or purchasing more Bronco Bucks. But students will most likely not be able to use credit and debit cards to pay into the system. "You give it money, and it gives you printing credit."

Henderson says in the long run less wasted paper will also help the labs pay for color printers and other costly resources.

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Charles Scott, a Junior in the College of Engineering, does a demonstration at his booth in the Jordan Ballroom on Friday afternoon. The goal of his research is to help doctors diagnose knee injuries using computer simulation to find out how the bones in the knees work together.

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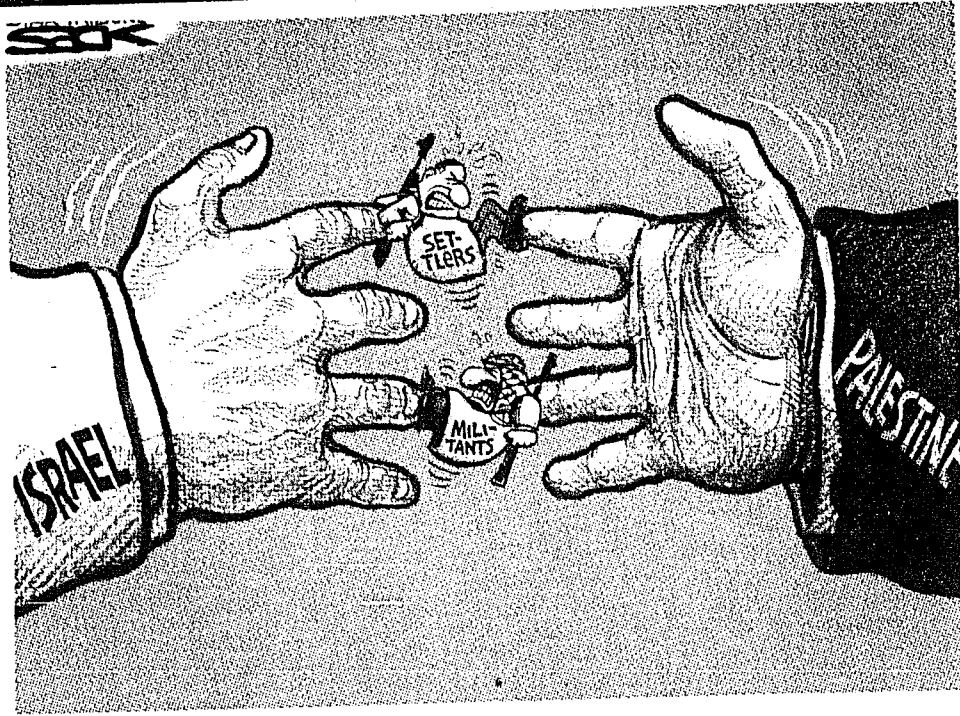
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## Letter to the Editor

### Cartoon off-base and offensive

Dear Editor:

I'm writing in response to a comic that ran in the April 4, 2005 issue of the Arbiter titled "Johnny and the Prof." I was greatly disappointed that a newspaper who is suppose to represent the students of Boise State would run such a sexist comic strip in a desperate attempt at comedy. I fail to see the humor in Johnny's advice to the professor about his marital problems "never trust anything that bleeds for seven days and doesn't die." What this is saying is that women are untrustworthy due to their menstrual cycle, and therefore their feelings should not be concerned. How did you think this was ok to print? Why is it that women can time after time be the root of sexist jokes without anybody acknowledging that it's wrong!! If this was a comic devaluing minori-

ties, homosexuals, or disabled persons, I sincerely doubt you would have used it. I realize it was meant to be a joke, but to me a joke is not worth using if it is going to insult over half of your readers (assuming some men might not find humor in discriminatory comics). Brad Schafer showed a lack of discretion in writing the comic, and The Arbiter showed very poor judgment in running it. I think you both owe Boise State students an apology. I hope in the future you will be more cautious not only about the comics you run in the newspaper, but also about the jokes that you find funny.

Thank you,  
Megan Egbert  
Multi Ethnic Studies

## Work & Life

BY ROSABETH MOSS KANTER  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Have you heard the one about the American businessman and the Mexican fisherman?

A business executive with an MBA was on vacation in a coastal village in Mexico. Seeking a boat and captain to take him fishing, he was referred to a local fisherman, who could be found every evening at an outdoor cafe with his friends. They made a deal.

Starting early the next morning, they found an abundant catch. By noon, the American was still reeling them in, but the fisherman put away his rod, explaining that he'd caught enough fish to feed his family.

The businessman decided to use his MBA smarts to help the poor fisherman. "If you caught more fish," the American told the fisherman, "you could sell the surplus at a profit."

"What would that mean?" the fisherman wondered.

The businessman replied, "You could invest your profits in a second boat, and you could hire someone to catch more fish."

The fisherman looked interested.

The executive continued, "Your second boat would help you finance a whole fleet of boats. You could move to Mexico City and head a big company. You would get wealthy."

The fisherman liked the idea of getting rich. He asked, "What would happen then?"

"That's the best part," the business executive answered. "You could retire, get a house by the ocean, fish as much as you want, and go to a cafe at night."

Ding!

This joke was told to me by a retired investment banker who traded 70-hour Wall Street workweeks for a sailboat and seaside home. Clearly, work-life balance is not just a women's issue. A balanced life is elusive for too many working Americans.

Harvard law professor and bankruptcy expert Elizabeth Warren says that middle-class families increasingly pinched by high costs of housing and health insurance must spend more time at work. Dependent on two incomes, sometimes from more than two jobs, they can't afford to cut work hours or get sick.

The irony is that long hours bring stress that can cause more serious illnesses. U.S. and Japanese workers who work more than 50 hours a week have been found to have much higher rates of hypertension. Long commute times compound the work hours problem, as do anxieties about job security in companies with recent layoffs. Workplace stress from any source is associated with higher blood pressure even while sleeping.

The answer is not to limit work hours. France abandoned its mandatory 35-hour workweek after five years (despite strikes and demonstrations by an estimated million people). The solution lies in greater flexibility.

Younger workers demand flexibility. The New York-based Families and Work Institute reports that about 37 percent of those between 40 and 59 report being chronically overworked, compared to under 30 percent of those under 40. Younger workers are more likely to protect their lives outside of work. This group

includes highly educated women who are leaving the paid work force in a brain drain of massive proportions.

At companies that offer flexible arrangements, just 26 percent of employees report being chronically overworked, compared with 56 percent at companies without flexibility, the FWI study shows.

At Semco in Brazil, a fast-growth company with more than \$160 million in sales that wants to be an international model, employees set their own work hours, bring children to their offices and come and go as they please. CEO Ricardo Semler calls this the "seven-day weekend."

Deloitte & Touche, an accounting and consulting firm, has been honored for policies promoting work-life balance, such as part-time work, flexible hours, and travel limited to no more than three nights a week away from home. But Deloitte's women are more likely than men to opt for flexible schedules.

And here's a disturbing finding. More than a third of the workers FWI surveyed are not taking their full allotment of vacation time.

I worry that more-balanced work lives will take hold only when men want them, too. So here's my recommendation. The next time a business convention needs a speaker, it should get a Mexican fisherman.

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## Imprisoning America's young criminals won't build safe communities

BY JASON ZIEDENBERG  
Guest Opinion

In 1997, Congressman Bill McCollum, then chairman of the House Subcommittee on Crime, said that the nation's young people were "the most dangerous criminals on the face of the Earth." Citing hysterical predictions of a wave of crime from a generation of "super-predators," he led Republicans to introduce "The Violent and Repeat Youth Offender Act," legislation designed to try and imprison more youth in the adult criminal justice system.

Thankfully, those politically charged predictions of "super-predators" turned out to be super-wrong. In fact, crime survey shows that adolescent and teen violence has fallen by more than 64 percent since 1975, making violent crime the lowest it has been in decades. Legislators at the time had the good sense to not pass the anti-youth legislation.

Eight years later, the anti-youth advocates are back, this time under a different guise - the "Gang Deterrence and Community Protection Act of 2005." In this strategy, members of Congress have subtly reintroduced the "super-predator" threat of the '90s, conveniently replacing the word super predator with "gang."

The Gang Deterrence Act is designed to punish young people by lowering the age at which youth can be tried as adults, funding more prosecutors, and expanding ways for the federal government to arrest, detain, and imprison young people. Ironically, a conservative Congress that promotes the idea of getting government out of our lives is expanding federal jurisdiction on youth crime - something traditionally left up to states and local communities.

They were wrong about "super-predators" then, and they are

wrong about what they are calling "super-gangs" now. Research shows young people who are prosecuted as adults are more likely to commit a greater number of crimes upon release than youth who go to the juvenile justice system. Unlike a stream of proven community-based interventions that treat and meet young people's needs close to their homes and families, locking young people up in adult prisons actually compromises public safety.

While we know that trying youth as adults aggravates

classified as gang activity.

An analysis of the known circumstances in which homicides occur shows that four times as many people were killed in relation to an "argument" than were killed in relation to a "gang," and less than 10 percent of homicides in which the circumstances were known were "gang" related.

Still, communities that suffer high rates of crime deserve to have action taken to make their neighborhoods healthy and safe. But federalizing youth crime, and targeting gang crime in this way will not solve the real problems that create social instability. Rather than dumping resources into policies that have been proven to harm youth and communities, legislators should examine the impact of deteriorating schools, reduced spending on youth interventions and services, and expand employment programs. As Father Gregory Boyle, the founder of Homeboy Ministries, a ministry that serves gang members in east Los Angeles, says, "Nothing stops a bullet like a job."

Rather than pass a highly punitive youth crime bill that throws away the key to many young people's future, Congress should prevent the Bush administration from pressing ahead with budgetary plans to cut funding to prevent youth crime, and cut health and human service programs that assist youth development. Instead of promoting the latest hysterical anti-youth threat, Congress should work to fund programs that are proven to reduce crime and build communities.

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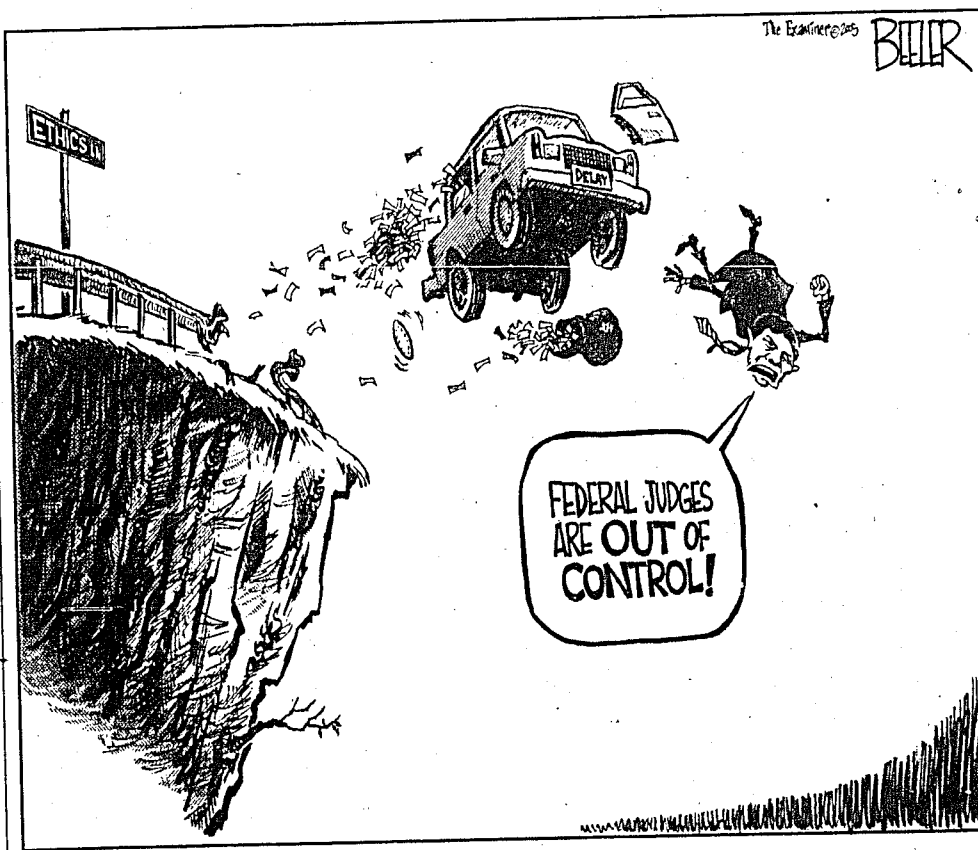
crime, we know very little about the amorphous category of gang "related" crime. The National Crime Information Center casts a wide net over America's youth, defining gangs as three or more people engaged in criminal or delinquent conduct - something so broad that three young people misbehaving in the way many of their parents did would today be

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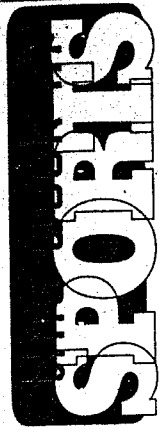
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Bronco Stadium and Rec Field

**Men's tennis**  
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Sunday, vs. Fresno State, 1 p.m.

**Track and field**  
Saturday, Golden Bear Team  
Invitational  
Berkeley, Calif.

## [SIDE-LINE]

### Students get in free for spring scrimmage

The Boise State football team wraps up the 2005 spring drills with the annual Blue-Orange Spring Game tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. The game will be broadcast by ESPN. There will be a meet-and-greet/autograph time with the players after the game. The new 2005 "Amp It Up" football posters and schedules will be available at the game as well. The athletic department is asking all students to come out and support this season's team as they prepare to defend their conference title. ESPN will also tape delay the broadcast at 10:00 p.m. on April 15. ESPN will also re-broadcast the game on April 17, at 5:00 p.m., and numerous other times in the weeks following the spring game. An attendance of around 10,000 is expected, so the atmosphere should be close to that of an actual game at Bronco Stadium. This is just one more way for the university to get student spirit up and build on what was a wonderful fan base last season as the Broncos completed the first undefeated regular season in the school's history as a four-year program.

### Ellis picked in USBL Draft

Jason Ellis, the only Boise State player in school history to score 1,000 career points and grab 900 career rebounds, was picked in the fourth round of the United States Basketball League draft Tuesday. Ellis was drafted by the Westchester Wildfire, then had his rights traded to the Oklahoma Storm. Ellis finished his career with 1,004 points and 948 rebounds. He was named to the WAC All-Tournament team in March after leading the Broncos to three wins and a spot in the championship game. He finished his senior season averaging 10.4 points and 9.0 rebounds per game. Ellis' selection marked the second straight season a Boise State player has been picked in the USBL draft. Aaron Haynes was selected last year after being named first-team All-WAC.

### Freshmen lead Broncos to ninth place finish in Wyoming Cowboy Classic

The Boise State men's golf team shot a final round 282 and finished tied for ninth with a 54-hole score of 863 in the 20-team Wyoming Cowboy Classic on Tuesday at Talking Stick-North Golf Course. The Broncos finished 23 strokes behind team champion UTEP. Freshmen Matt Hastings and Nick Travers paced the Broncos in the third round. Hastings shot a one-under par 69 and finished tied for eighth with a 210. Travers posted a team-best three-under par in the final round and tied for 42nd with a 218. Junior Jason Williams carded a three-over par 73 and tied for 54th with a 220, while junior Brett Kleinkopf also shot a 73 and tied for 68th with a 222. Junior Adam Choy had a final round 76 and tied for 74th with a 223.

## Boise State gymnasts claim their spot in the top 20

BY AMBER FUGER  
Sports Writer

The Boise State gymnastics team was satisfied with finishing 21<sup>st</sup> in the nation. Monday morning, the satisfaction turned to total excitement as the Broncos were notified that they finished 20<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

Head coach Sam Sandmire said the honor of being in the top 20 is very exciting.

"We beat a lot of big schools," Sandmire said. "So it is a big deal to us...it has been a couple of years since we were in the top 20."

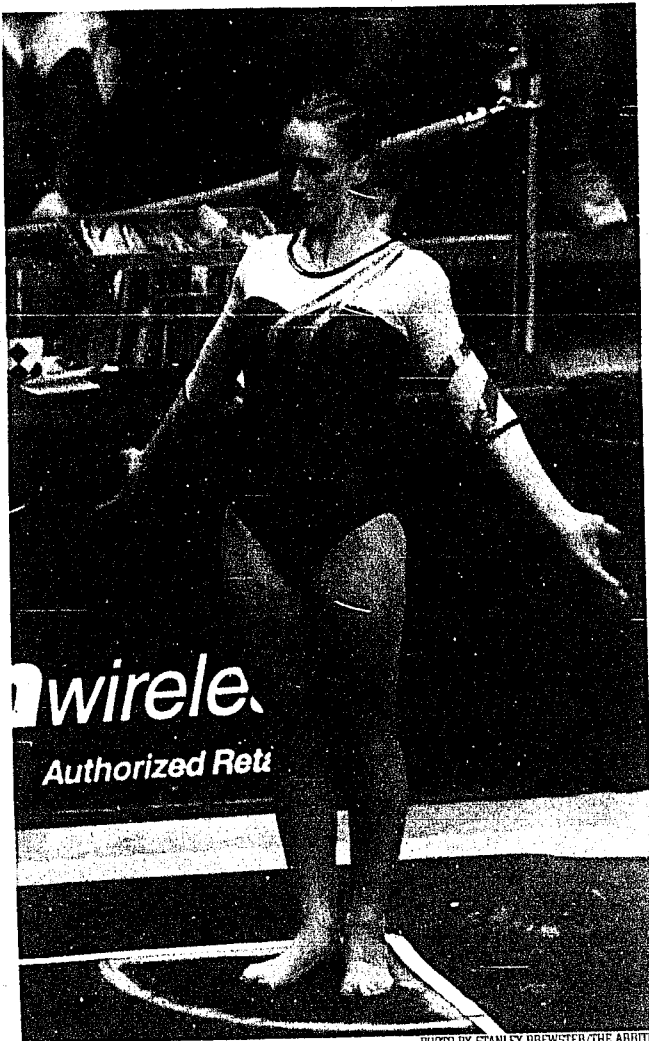
The Broncos finished ahead of all the other teams in the Western Gymnastic Conference and the final standings will only benefit the progress of the 2005-06 team, said Sandmire.

As for sophomore Lindsay Ward, a new season has just begun. It is short consisting of only two days of competition, but the stakes are high and the energy levels are off the chart. Ward showed up Monday morning ready to study film and prepare for the NCAA National Championship meet to be held April 21-22, in Auburn, Ala.

"She is very dedicated and unassuming," Sandmire said.

Ward has thrived off of the support of the seniors this year and will continue to thrive off of their legacy throughout the remainder of her college career. The seniors will leave a legacy behind and take with them an unforgettable experience. "The season has been up and down, so hitting 24 for 24 events at regionals was a great way to go out for the seniors," Sandmire said.

Hitting every event was exactly how the Broncos wanted to go out.



Sophomore Lindsay Ward will be making her second straight national championships next weekend as a Boise State gymnast.

They finished fifth in the region and are now a top 20 gymnastics program. The Broncos were only eight tenths away from qualifying for nationals this year, so next year is going to be even more exciting, said Sandmire. With seven new faces and seven new routines added to the Broncos lineup, the 2005-06 will be full of new challenges and new opportunities.

## The ladies 'left behind'

BY JE T'RIME DAVIS  
Sports Writer

We have all experienced the sense of loss after high school. Suddenly, after years of seeing your closest friends every day, your social group changes. Now you have a new group of people around you: fellow classmates, coworkers, and professors. Student-athletes have the added value of the team, their athletic family, to which they belong. This is where our story begins.

In the women's basketball program, for example, daily practice, potential roommates, traveling, tutoring, and mentoring become a large part of the daily lives of the athletes and staff. The time spent together, the sense of belonging, and the familiar goals and hobbies bring the group even closer together, making them what head coach Jen Warden calls a "basketball family."

In school athletics, unfortunately, the numbers change. Seniors graduate, new recruits are added. The family becomes somewhat revolutionary. The cycling of "family members" can be painful.

When Jamie Hawkins, Denise Hill, Cassidy Blaine, and assistant coach Dana McGraw left the "family" for various reasons, the Boise State and surrounding community found reason to focus their attention on the gap that was left. Everyone became concerned about the program - the winning.

"Get rid of the coach."  
"Without the leading scorer, we're done for."  
"Half the starters leave, and there goes the neighborhood."

Hold on a minute. What about the other three starters? What about the players that are still here, still working just as hard, and still bringing talent and experience to the team?

If you ask the team, they have an opinion. Freshman Jackie Lee explains, "Last year was our rebuilding year. We built a solid core with great talent. This year we are going to come out and play."

Other players nod in agreement. Leading scorer and starting point guard Tasha Harris says, "We are going to have a great season. Sure, we lost a couple players, and it hurts. People seem to be taking us for granted, like we can't do this without them."

The thing is, three players and a coach do not make the team. Teamwork, school spirit, commonality, and cooperation make a team. Loyalty and trust make a team.

Junior forward Benita Buggs joins her teammates in expressing the excitement for the next season, "We are still playing a consistent game, and we are going to have a good season."

Warden reassures us that there are players that can do the work, and she is excited to see what they can make of this opportunity.

## BSU men's tennis host final regular season home matches

BY AMBER FUGER  
Sports Writer

The Boise State men's tennis team will host their final regular season home matches of the 2004-05 season tomorrow and Sunday. The 31<sup>st</sup> ranked Broncos will challenge the No. 55 Brigham Young Cougars to a match full of intensity tomorrow at 1 p.m. at the Appleton Tennis Center. Sunday, the Broncos go up against the No. 60 team in the nation, the Fresno State Bulldogs, same time and same court.

Last weekend, the Broncos swept both the University of Montana and Montana State 7-0 each and are now 25-7 on the season. The magnificent part of both those sweeps rests in the dominating aggressive tendencies each member of the Bronco tennis team possess. The Broncos did not give up a single set during last weekend's amazing display of college tennis at its best.

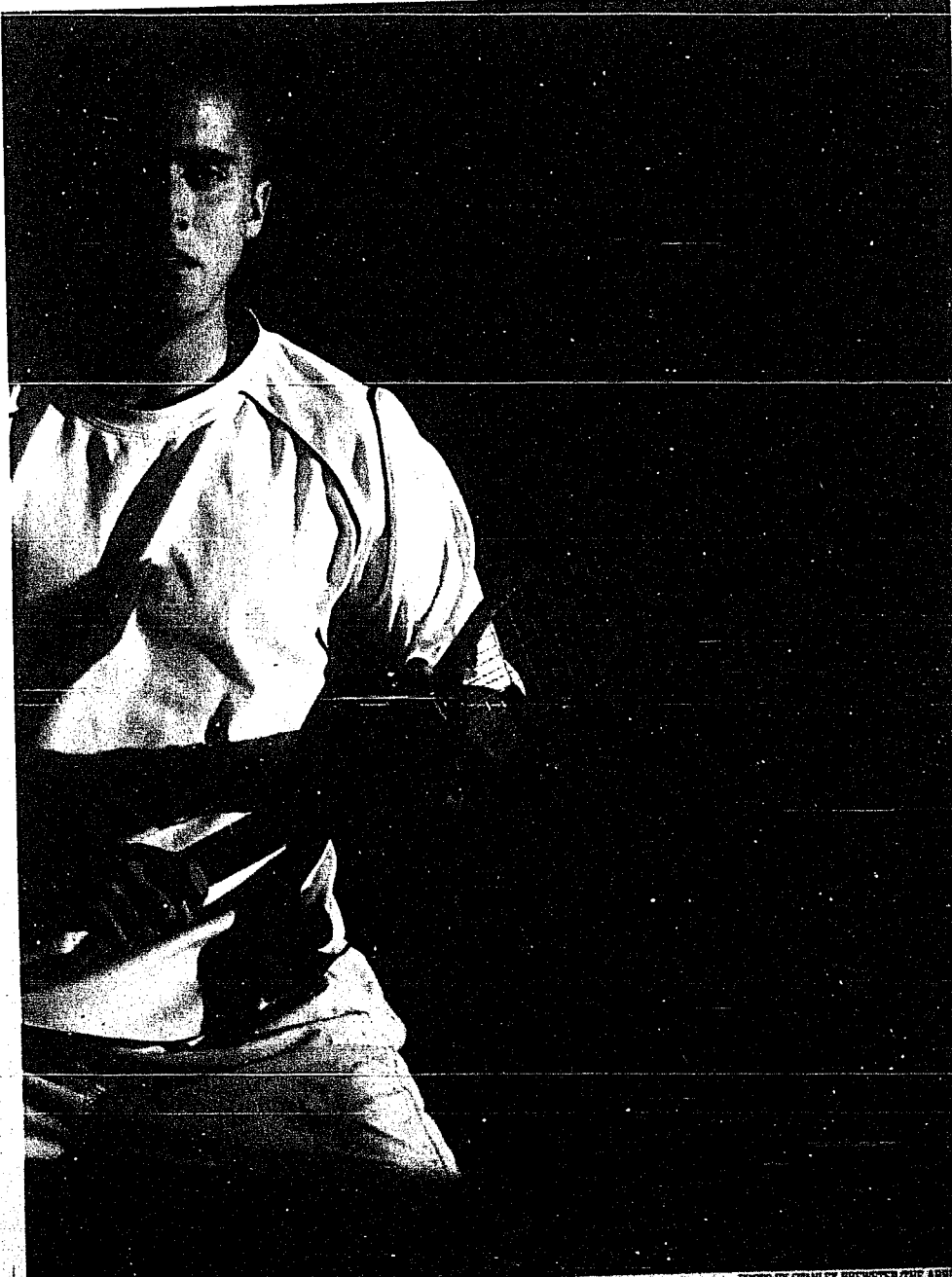
Head coach Greg Patton is optimistic about the first round of the NCAA Team Championship Tournament being held here at Boise State, but the honor is not claimed until the Broncos get through this weekend. They have one final road meet against the University of Hawaii Manoa and the Western Athletic Conference Championship to be held in Honolulu, Hawaii on April 22-24.

Taking on one challenge at a time, the Broncos are focused on the upcoming battles against BYU and Fresno State. It is crucial to face each match as if you were playing the number one team in the nation, the key is to make them play your game and not theirs, Patton said.

BYU is 16-5 on the season and recently beat Air Force. Fresno State is coming off of a 5-2 win over UC Santa Barbara. The mentality of these two teams will be framed around knocking the Broncos out of the No. 31 spot in order to make a run at qualifying for nationals themselves. Patton and the Broncos are ready for this game plan and are not going to go easy on any team they face.

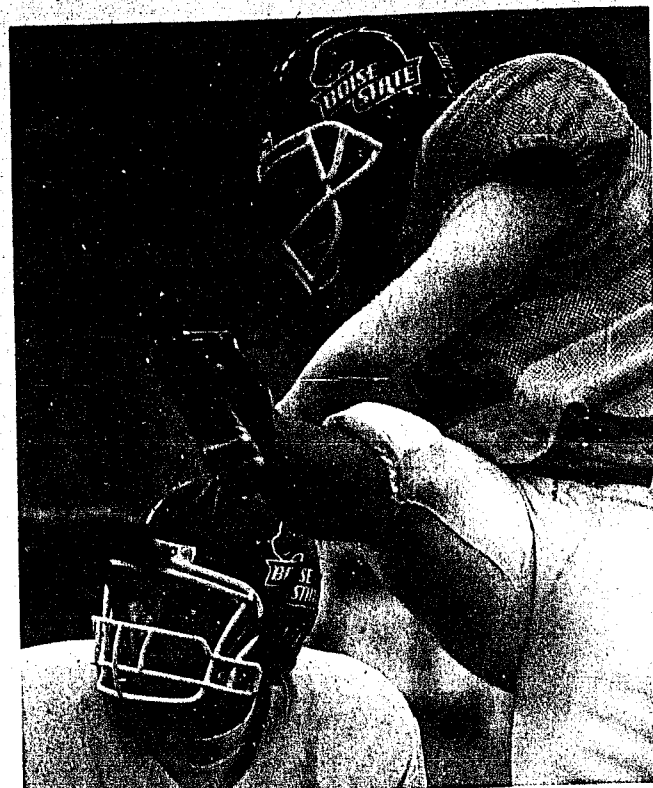
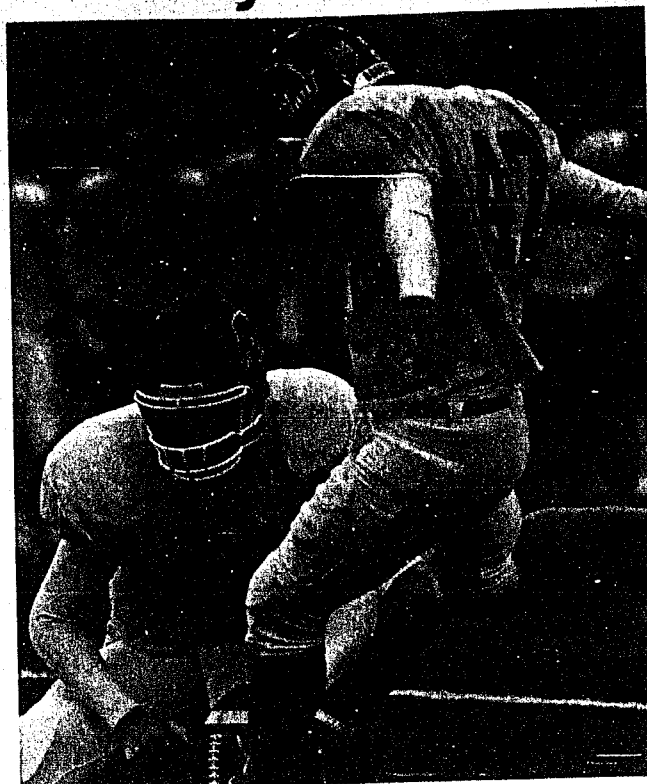
The Broncos use a special sports psychologist to focus their mental game on using their weariness to push themselves to a higher playing level. It has proven to be a useful tool as the Broncos get stronger and more aggressive down the home stretch of the season. When they get to Hawaii, the season starts over at the same time it ends. And when the WAC tournament is over, the Broncos will start their engines again and go to battle with the best teams in the country.

Expectations are high, and the team energy is on the same level. The Broncos are at the top of their game, but they are humble and eager to battle and learn from each battle, win or lose. The time is now and the Broncos are ready to make the most of it. With their sights set on maintaining their ranking or moving up in the rankings, the Broncos are prepared to light the Appleton Tennis Center up.

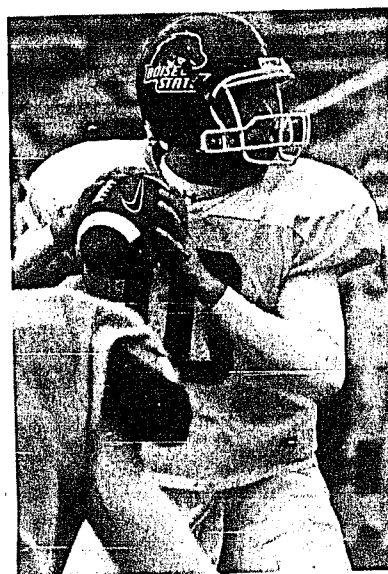


The Boise State men's tennis team hosts BYU and Fresno State this weekend at the Appleton Tennis Center.

# All eyes on me, Zabransky ready to take on the nation



The final installment of The Arbiter's six-part series on the 2005 Boise State football team looks at the quarterback and kicker positions. Jared Zabransky will be taking on a load of national attention that he seems ready for, and a junior punter will need to step up and do what only a few in the nation can.



BY TREVOR HORN  
Sports Editor

Tupac coined the phrase, "all eyes on me," but Boise State quarterback Jared Zabransky should just go right ahead and make that his own.

The junior from Herminston, Ore., will be embarking on a few firsts for himself and the Broncos football program.

And all eyes are going to be on him.

"I'm just staying focused on what I need to work on," Zabransky said. "I'm not worried about any hype or what people expect me to do, it's that I have larger expectations for myself."

For Zabransky, this is the first spring where he is alone atop the depth chart for the Broncos. Two seasons ago, he was a backup to Ryan Dinwiddie and came in basically to run the QB option. Last season, he battled then fifth-year senior Mike Sanford for the starting job up until just days before the first game versus Idaho.

Now it's his team. A team that could see their first preseason top 25 ranking in school history and needing to play like a top 10 in order to beat Georgia in Athens to start the season off.

As a sophomore last season, Zabransky showed good reason for the coaches to pick him over Sanford.

Postseason awards went from Boise State offensive player of the year, to second-team All-WAC, to Sports Illustrated.com All-American. And the Touchdown Club of Columbus, Ohio, has even named the junior a "Player to Watch" in 2005.

"That guy has lost one game as a starter, so he's doing something right," offensive coordinator Chris Petersen said. "Our standards are very, very high. So we are just pushing guys to be perfect."

Throwing for nearly 3,000 yards and coming in second on the team in rushing yards (326) and rushing touchdowns (13), Zabransky brings more than just a good arm to the table.

This will be a hard test for Zabransky and the Broncos, as they will be taking on one of their hardest, if not the hardest, non-conference schedule this season.

So far this spring, it looks as if he is not slowing down a bit either. Zabransky has completed 16 of his 25 passes for 226 yards and one touchdown. He also scored on a rushing touchdown in the first scrimmage.

Zabransky is not alone at the quarterback position. He is backed up by three highly touted players this season, two of which are vying for their chance to back Zabransky.

Sophomore Taylor Tharp has looked the best this spring. The sophomore from Boulder, Colo., has passed for 177 yards and three touchdowns, and has shown great ability to hold up in the pocket. Another aspect that he has shown is his ability to run, as he scooted for 20 yards rushing last Friday, but he says that is not a new addition to his game.

"I still say I'm a pocket passer. You're not going to see me getting out and trying to run a lot," Tharp said.

The other player looking for his chance is red-shirt freshman Bush Hamden. Some say he may

have the best arm of the bunch, but it looks as if he might be a bit overwhelmed by the system early on this spring.

"It's a lot of learning, but it's been fun for a guy like me to get a lot of reps and finally get to be on the field," Hamden said.

Taking nothing away from his ability to play this season, he did show good leadership on the field and is a very intelligent and well-coached quarterback.

"There's a little confusion," Petersen said. "Bush is just in his first year." Petersen added that it takes about two years to really learn the offense as a quarterback.

The kicking game will be looking for junior tri-captain Kyle Stringer to step up and take on all three kicking roles this season. As a 2004 Lou Groza Award finalist, Tyler Jones prepares for the NFL draft next weekend. Stringer will need to go from a very talented punter in the college game to something he hasn't done since high school.

Stringer was one of the best punters in the nation last season, but he did not have enough attempts to qualify. His 43.9 average last season was a school record and would have been 2nd in the conference and 8th in that nation if he would have had enough punts.

Backing up Stringer is freshman Jamison Davis, who does have a very strong leg, but just needs a little time to work on accuracy.

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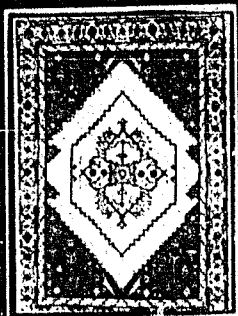
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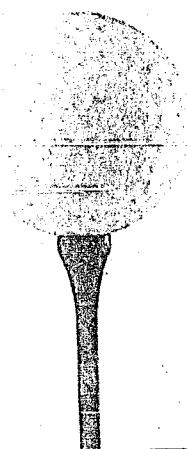
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# Swedish born athlete makes his mark in the U.S.

BY TREVOR HORN  
Sports Editor

It could be called a Swedish invasion for the Boise State men's track and field team, with three of their best individual athletes hailing from the European country. But for one of those student-athletes, it's more of a hurricane than an invasion - quick in, quick out, but making a lot of noise.

Senior javelin thrower Gabe Wallin is a 23-year-old native of Sodertalje, Sweden, who is here in the U.S. for 18 months and is darn sure making the most of it.

"It's been like a one and a half year training camp, but it's worked out pretty well," Wallin said.

Arriving on campus in January of 2004, Wallin has gone from Swedish Junior National Champion in 2003, but an unknown to the U.S. track world, the

2004 NCAA National Champion in the javelin.

Boise State head coach Mike Maynard recruited Wallin because Maynard knew that he was a stellar athlete.

"This guy is a great athlete," Maynard said. "I think one of the things that makes Gabe and I very successful together is that he is a very bright person and someone I can sit and talk to about training."

Wallin wanted to come to Boise State because he knew that Maynard was a great throwers coach.

"He's a well known coach," Wallin said. "I knew he was good."

Looks like the two have made a wonderful match of it all.

Last season, Wallin was hampered by a few nagging injuries that left him out of the spotlight

of javelin throwers around the nation.

"I had a bunch of injuries prior to that," Wallin said.

The 'that' of which he is speaking is his month long torrid advance to the top of the collegiate world.

Wallin won the Western Athletic Conference title in the javelin last season with a throw of 229 feet, 7 inches. Advancing to the NCAA West Regionals, Wallin moved on to the championships with a throw of 235-9. And it was there in Austin, Texas, where he left his mark on the track world. On his next to last throw in the finals, Wallin let loose with an astounding throw of 264-9, better than eight feet over that of any other competitor.

"Everything was just clicking in Austin," Wallin said, Wallin became just the third

Boise State athlete to win a national title, and Wallin now has a chance to repeat and possibly become the first two-time national champion in school history.

"No one else is going to put more pressure on me than I do on myself," Wallin said. "I know I am in a better position this year than last year to win it."

Wallin has also helped give the Broncos a boost early on in the season. The men's team is currently ranked 12th in the nation by the Trackwire Top 25, and Wallin is listed as the top performer in the Trackwire Dandy Dozen.

Wallin's first competition as the defending champion is Saturday at the Golden Bear Team Invitational in Berkeley, Calif.

"The guy is just exceptionally disciplined, very talented, and a great competitor," Maynard added.

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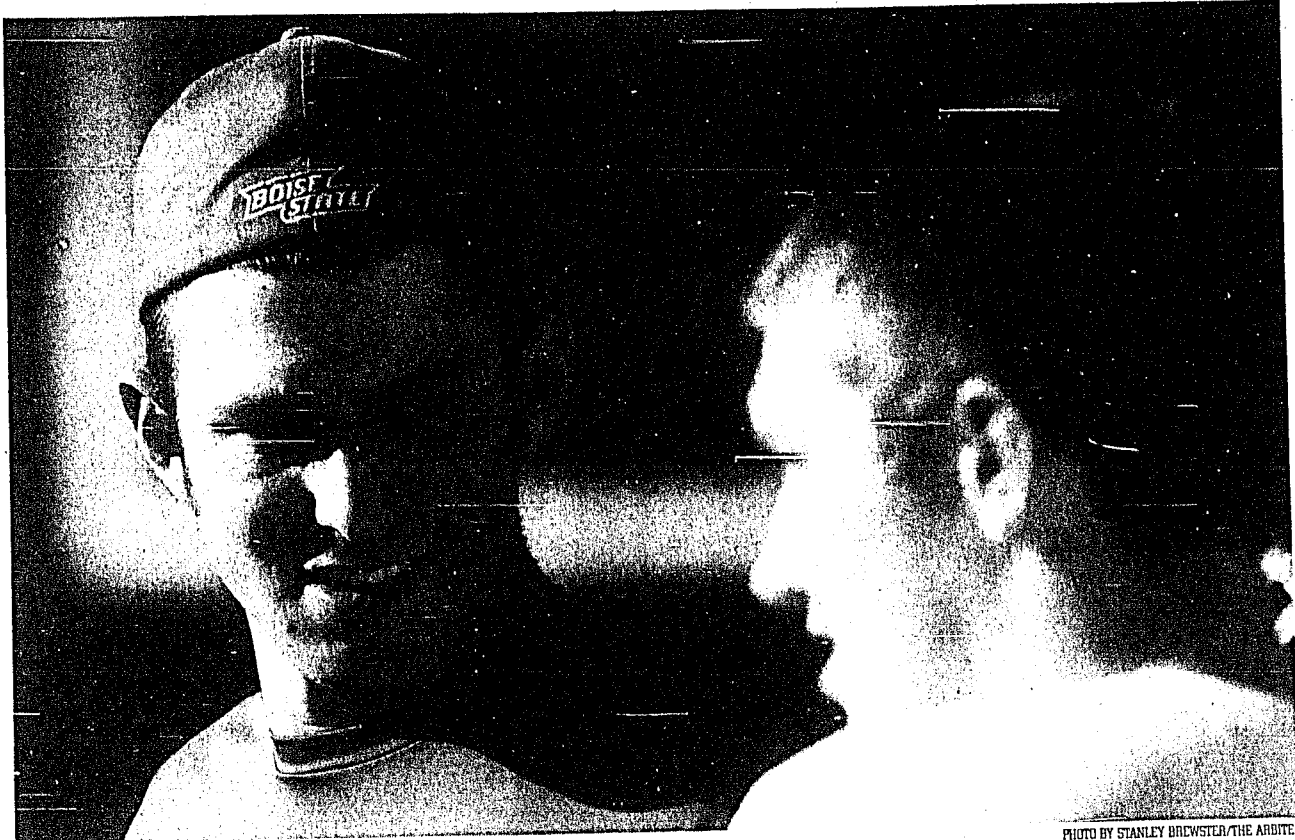


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Former Boise State quarterback Mike Sanford has spent numerous hours this spring teaching the young quarterbacks before he leaves to become a coach at UNLV.

## Former quarterback teaching the young ones

BY TREVOR HORN  
Sports Editor

The Boise State football team has their own "quarterback club" this spring, and it may be because the connection the current players have with a former Bronco quarterback.

Mike Sanford spent five seasons with the Broncos as a backup quarterback. He nearly became the starter last season, but was narrowly beaten out by sophomore Jared Zabransky just days before the season began.

Now Sanford is just weeks away from graduating with a political science degree before leaving Boise for the bright lights of Las Vegas to become a graduate assistant on the football team at the University of Nevada Las Vegas. Sanford will be working for his father, Mike Sanford Sr., who took over the program as the head coach after two years as the offensive coordinator at Utah.

So instead of relaxing and studying for finals, young Sanford has been spending everyday tutoring and nurturing the young quarterbacks that are the future of the Boise State program.

"I got an invested interest in a couple of these guys. You trust in the quarterbacks and hav-

ing been here and taught them a little bit in the last couple of years with Taylor Tharp and Bush [Hamden]," Sanford said.

That's a lot to say for a guy who only passed for 337 yards in his career, but still sticks around and is at practice everyday with the players.

"This program has given a lot to me as a person, and I just want to give back to it," Sanford said.

"That guy, even before spring practice, I had personal meetings with him just going over a bunch of the stuff. There's not enough good things I can say about that guy," freshman quarterback Bush Hamden said. "He doesn't have to be out here. He's getting ready to graduate, but that guy is one of the main ingredients why this program has got to where it got."

Hamden and fellow backup quarterback Taylor Tharp both agree that their added friendship together is attributed to the times that they have spent with Sanford during this offseason.

"He's just sharing his knowledge with us and it's been a benefit for us," Tharp said.

Hamden even credited Sanford with being a key reason why he chose Boise State during his recruiting visit.

"When I came on my recruiting

trip, he took me around, and here-ally has been like a second brother to me," Hamden said. "In the standpoint of football, he's been awesome. Anytime I have a question I can call him at 10 o'clock at night and just ask him about that. And on the standpoint of a friend, he's one of the most solid guys I have ever met."

It's also been a huge benefit for the young quarterback to have the one guy who knows the programs offense back and forth.


"I think 90 percent of the game is mental for a quarterback, and I would do anything to help these guys to know the system in and out," Sanford said.

That time included spending a couple of hours a day with Hamden in the offseason going over the system and helping the freshman to get better acquainted with one of the more complex offenses in college football.

The time spent has not only been a learning experience for the younger guys, but Sanford says that he has also learned a lot about being a coach with these young men.

Now all he has to do is graduate, pack his things up, and get ready for the 16 hour a day life of being a college football coach.

"It will be an adjustment."




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## Where's the action?

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### TODAY (4/14)

8 p.m. in the Student Union Building's Special Events Center Idaho Dance Theater performance. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students and those 17 and under. For more information, call 331-9592.

### FRIDAY (4/15)

5 p.m. at Bronco Stadium Family Football Day. Bring your family to the BSU football scrimmage. There'll be free drink/food vouchers for the game, face painting for kids, Bronco gear giveaways, and autographs from players after the game. The game starts at 6:30, and activities are free if you RSVP. Contact Kristin at 426-3874 or at family@boisestate.edu.

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### SUNDAY (4/17)

2 p.m. in the Student Union Building's Special Events Center Idaho Dance Theater performance. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students and those 17 and under. For more information, call 331-9592.

### MONDAY (4/18)

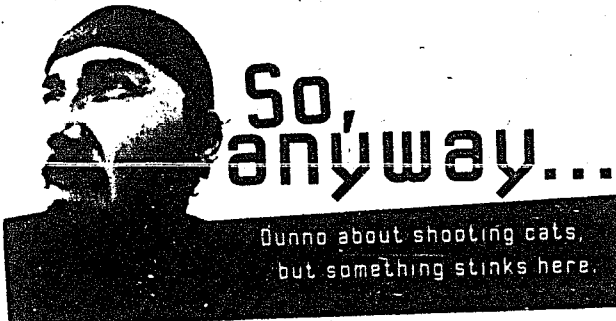
7:30 p.m. at The Big Easy Adema and Five Foot Thick in concert. Tickets are \$12.50.

### TUESDAY (4/19)

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Reef in downtown Boise MTV's "The Real World" open casting call. Open to everyone between the ages of 18-24. Auditioners should bring a recent photo (that won't be returned) and a photo ID.

5:30 p.m. in the BSU Cultural Center, 2nd floor of the SUB "Last Letter." Detailed observations of daily life in the ghetto. Reveals the fear, courage, frailty, compassion, and dignity of this woman as she reflects on her Jewish heritage.

7:30 p.m. at the Bank of America Centre Sarah McLachlan and The Perishers in concert. Tickets are \$42.50 and \$49.50, depending on scale. Call 331-TIXS or visit idahotickets.com.



So, anyway...

Dunno about shooting cats, but something stinks here.

BY TRAVIS ESTVOLD  
CULTURE COLUMNIST

It's spring. Yeah, yeah, yeah; I've said it about a hundred times. The weather's getting warmer, people are playing outside, and the trees are beginning to smell like an unwashed butt.

Huh? Yes, it's true. If you've spent any time this spring wandering around campus aimlessly, as I have, then you have smelled them, too. There are random trees planted at strategic areas about the Boise State campus and the city at large that are now, with the ushering in of the new season, stinking up their surroundings.

I'm not sure what kind of tree could smell this badly, nor am I sure what genius decided to plant malodorous vegetation. I am certain, however, that I don't like the smell of butt.

Don't get me wrong, the trees have beautiful white blossoms sprouting from their limbs, but much like President Bush appears intelligent right up until you hear him speak, these trees are only pretty only until you get a whiff of them.

My only suggestion is that the grounds crew plant roses just beneath each of these funk-secreting trees. No, it won't solve the problem, but in my experience, people prefer the smell of butt-scented roses to the smell of plain old butt.

In other outdoor news, did you know that one day soon, it may be legal to shoot stray cats in the state of Wisconsin? Yes, that's right. The Wisconsin Conservation Congress is in the process of formulating a recommendation on this very topic to forward to the state Natural Resources Board. Opponents are rallying around the felines and obviously all have the

same question on their minds: "If people start shooting cats, then what is my dog supposed to chase?"

South Dakota and Minnesota already have laws in place allowing residents to take shots at wild cats, but Wisconsinites seem to still be resisting the idea. In fact, the Wisconsin Cat-Action Team, or WisconsinCAT, has assembled a Web site dedicated to protecting the lives of the cheese state's homeless kitties. Dontshootthecat.com has a slew of both pro-cat sentiments and anti-legislation quotes that make the ideas of feline target practice seem absurd.

Unfortunately, a graphic designer may have unknowingly hindered their cause. In choosing the logo for its site, the group selected a picture of a cat just outside the center crosshairs of what one could assume to be a gun scope. Simple as this image is, it looks vaguely similar to a cat on a barbecue or some other heating element. With a little luck, no one else will notice this oversight.

Prominent and oft-mispronounced Wisconsinite Brett Favre has yet to weigh in on this topic publicly, but sources close to me suggest he is "not for it." Jesse "the former governor of Minnesota" Ventura was also unreachable for comment when this column went to press.

So, anyway, where I stand on the above issues can be summed up by stealing lines from our country's greatest leaders. From George H.W. Bush, "It wouldn't be prudent" to shoot the cats. From Bill Clinton, "I did not have sexual relations" with any of the cats. And from the Backstreet Boys, "Quit playing games with my" cat.

And one from me: "Seriously, let's get rid of trees that smell like butt."



Sting at the Idaho Center Saturday night. Singer/guitarist and Phantom Planet bassist Sam Farrar energize the crowd. PHOTOS BY MICHAEL THOMPSON/THE ARBITER

## Sting and Phantom Planet present evening of crossovers in Nampa

BY DAN MCNEESE  
Culture Writer

A rock icon and what used to be an underground jam band graced the Idaho Center Saturday night. Former Police frontman Sting and Los Angeles based rockers Phantom Planet were the headliners. In a drastic demographic crossover, the evening was highlighted by great music and by professional showmen.

Opening for nearly a sold out crowd, Phantom Planet paved the way for an elaborate display of funk and fusion. Crossed with hard rock overtones, the band wasn't in the shadow of Sting's limelight as much as they complemented the world superstar.

Said Phantom Planet bassist Sam Farrar, "It's quite the honor to be on tour with Sting. For someone like me who has listened to the Police their whole lives, it's pretty cool."

With three major studio albums and a collection of b-sides and outtakes for the diehard fans, the band was at the forefront of success Saturday night. Once known as the breeding ground for current actor Jason Schwartzman, the band has progressed in the past few years and played with inventiveness and perfection. Since Schwartzman's departure, the band has concentrated on new music and is currently working on a follow-up to their latest album.

Now on tour with Sting, the band spends the day playing Halo and taking music lessons taught by Sting during the acts' down time.

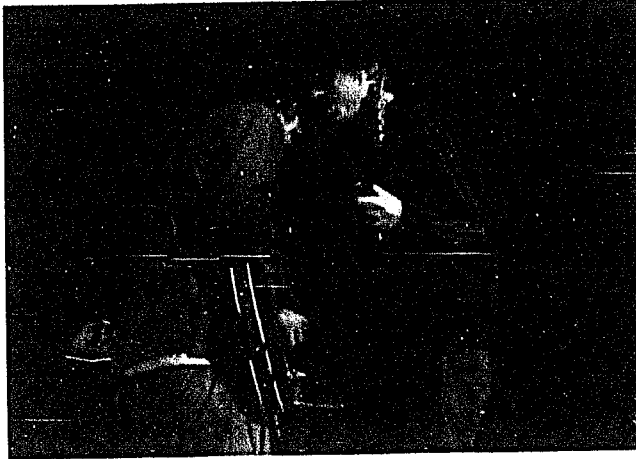
Being mentored by a rock legend is a definite perk. Said Farrar, "How cool is that? I'm pissed I missed the class today, but he teaches them all the time."

Well composed, Sting was amply backed at the Idaho Center by his own band for the night. Joining the stadium at the height of the crowds cheering, Sting was greeted by a warm welcome from nearly 4,000 fans. Dominated by mid-aged housewives, the crowd's enthusiasm level surpassed that of the most recent Harry Connick, Jr. show.

Opening with oldies and current songs alike, the concert was a recap of Sting's career. Covering Police hits intermittently placed between his solo smash successes, Sting delivered a great performance and in mild volume.

A superior wail for a superior song, the crowd didn't die down after the first Police hit. Even with the always-romantic tune "Fields of Gold," a Sting solo ballad, the masses sang along with the utmost respect. Where the concert was loud enough to rock out to, Sting played timidly enough to carry serenity and a few conversations with the crowd in between songs.

Asking the audience if foxes



were native to the Idaho area, Sting lead into a song just about foxes. A lesser-known tune, many still sang along.

With the house lights on full red, the band played the opening bars of "Roxanne" to a subtle vibe of recognition. The up-tempo dub echoed through the facility and the reggae theme of past times was brought back to 2005.

Still, the highlight of the show was the ever-popular and everlasting smash "Every Breath You Take." Once pawed off to a sampled rap remix, the tune stood impressively in the hands of the originator. As the second song of the encore, no one doubted the classic would be forgotten. With the ring of reverb bass, hearts melted and couples crooned.

The sub-stalker melody has become Americana as well as world-renowned and in its extended version for the Boise show, the set was almost complete. Though some Police songs were missed, the finale was of Sting's own liking and the audience fell in love with Sting for one last song.

The impression the concert left was of joy, as everyone walked away with a sense of satisfaction. Though many know Sting as adult-contemporary, the concert uprooted Sting's upbringing. Everyone was reminded of the dub/punk origins that made the man who he is today, and though nowhere near present, the Police were remembered as relevant in the heart of rock 'n' roll history.

## Idaho Dance Theater offers spectacular spring show

BY JOSEF FIRNAGE  
CULTURE WRITER

The Idaho Dance Theatre is putting on their spring show. This is a one time chance to see completely new and original contemporary pieces done by highly trained and professional dancers. This isn't a chance to see classical ballet where a tux and evening gown are required, sorry to disappoint. No, the Idaho Dance Theatre's focus is not on the standards.

I had a chance to sit down with founding artistic director Marla Hansen, who said, "Classical ballets such as Swan Lake have a wonderful place, but they're just not exciting for today's audience as they once were. Plus it's not very exciting to do."

The spring performance consists of five original works. Each work is set to contemporary music ranging from Tracy Chapman to music from "STOMP!," which promises to be "really, really high energy. It's like drum and bugle corps plus African music all mixed together." There is also a piece which is "sort of belly dancing meets ballet. It's very sensual."

So why should you go? The IDT dancers are all highly trained professionals with some student dancers among them. Hansen is a full time faculty member, and IDT trains right here at BSU. Each piece is completely original, high-energy, and sometimes seductive. The dancers put in more time than the football team, and are a lot more pleasant to talk to, not to mention, look at. Here's another reason to go: Have you ever seen contemporary dance by professional dancers? It will blow you away. It will inspire you. This is fine art you can enjoy.

So go. Did I mention the girls are pretty (and they work out too)? And for the ladies, they have men, too, in tights, with muscles.

If you go, the tickets are marked down for students. So forgo your beer and pay a measly \$10 with your student ID on campus or call Select-A-Seat. The performance times are as follows: Tonight, Friday the 15th, and Saturday the 16th at 8 p.m., and Sunday the 17th at 2 p.m. And it all happens in the Student Union Building's Special Events Center.



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# 'Down and Derby' finishes somewhere in the middle

BY JOSEF FIRNAGE  
Culture Writer

"Down and Derby," which opens nationwide April 15, is the newest in the line of family comedies. "Derby" takes place somewhere in suburban America where the biggest problem families face is controlling the child within the father. Needless to say, this is a safe movie where families can enjoy comfortable entertainment. The story centers on an upcoming pinewood derby.

Those familiar with the Boy Scouts of America should know what the Derby is all about, but for those not too familiar, the Pinewood Derby was started in 1953 in Manhattan Beach, Calif. The cars raced are built from a simple block of pine, four nails acting as axels, and four black plastic wheels. Regulation size and weight are for each car to weigh no more than five ounces and be no longer than seven inches. Since its inception, more than 100 million pinewood derby cars have been raced, making it one of the most anticipated events of a young scout's life.

Enter the movie written and directed by Eric Hendershot. Greg Germann (Richard Fish from "Ally McBeal") plays Phil Davis, a man with a severe case of envy. As a young boy, he ruled every event until Ace Montana moved into town and took the leading role as number one at everything he touched. Twenty-five years later the story hasn't changed, but now

Davis and Montana are neighbors and both are happily married with children.

Introducing the pinewood derby is Davis' wife, Kim, who happens to be a scoutmaster, played by Lauren Holly ("Dumb and Dumber" and TV's "Picket Fences"). As the story unfolds, the Derby becomes Davis' chance to finally beat Montana. The kids step aside as the men in the story become obsessed with creating the perfect car.

The story is funny. After all, I have had my run-ins with the derby as a child. Just a few weeks ago, one of my roommates became obsessed with making his own pinewood derby car, which by the way turned out to look a lot like the BMW from the movie "The Transporter." He has since invented a shrinking machine and drives his little pinewood car around the apartment.

This movie tries too hard, and as a result, it's too far-fetched to be considered funny through most of its 98 minutes. During almost the entire first half, as a couple of roommates and I watched, no one made a sound, and secretly I was embarrassed to have brought the film into their lives. There was no laughing. And there was supposed to be laughing. The director intended us to be laughing.

Personally, I'm a fan of Lauren Holly and Greg Germann, and the comedian Ross Brockley who plays the best friend of Davis is hilarious. I love the guy - I'm sure we'll be seeing him a lot more. And

to top it all off, Pat Morita shows up; it's like having Mr. Miyagi in a movie about pinewood derby-obsessed dads. (Oh wait, that's exactly what this is).

Nevertheless, I can't recommend this movie to you, unless that is, you have a kid who has raced in or knows of the pinewood derby. When the credits were rolling (and we were pretty happy they finally were), we did

laugh more than once, and we did like Ross Brockley. (Seriously, I love this guy.)

The movie is worthy of the PG rating and the message is a good one: Don't let your over-competitive dad take over a project that is meant for both of you. And always put Pat Morita in a movie about little pine cars.



# Adema rocks the world on tour in support of their new album

BY JUSTIN PRESCOTT  
Culture Writer

Hard rock act Adema will play the Big Easy this coming Monday after spending some time in the Persian Gulf with U.S. troops. They are touring in support of their latest album, "Planets."

With newsinger Luke Caraccioli, the word is, they are stronger than ever musically and ready for the U.S. tour that began on April 10, in Buffalo, NY. The small Persian Gulf tour was Caraccioli's first chance to perform with the group, which includes guitarist Tim Fluckey, bassist Dave De

Roo, and drummer Kris Kohls. According to the official Web site, things went well.

Adema played five shows in the Persian Gulf at various bases (undisclosed locations for safety and security). The group's Web site (ademaonline.com) has a short diary of the trip written by Fluckey. It appears they had a good time and are proud of their support of the troops.

On to the new album, "Planets" is a slight change of pace for Adema. It is more subdued and less angry than their past efforts. Caraccioli's vocals are more melodic than those of last singer

Marky Chavez, and his lyrics are less about being angry and more about a deeper pool of emotions. There are more ballad-type songs on "Planets" and the heavier songs aren't quite as energetic as on past albums.

What this album lacks in pure grit, it makes up for in thought and depth. The songs are more complex and the general themes give the listener something more to think about.

If you feel like checking Adema out, they play the Big Easy at 7:30 this Monday with openers Five Foot Thick.

# New Grisham book a thriller to the end

BY MARIJANE WEITENSTEINER  
Culture Writer

John Grisham's "The Broker" is a thrilling and suspenseful book full of conspiracies, assassination

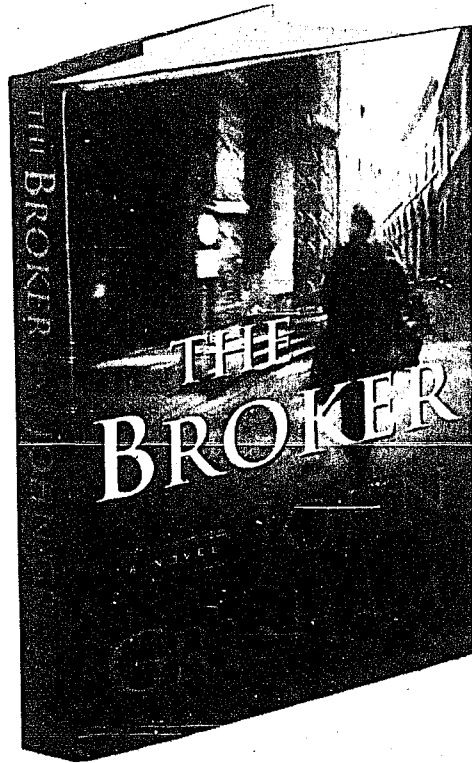
attempts, and murder. The protagonist is Joel Backman, a former Washington law firm broker that pleads guilty to a crime connecting him to a group of Chinese Neptune satellites.

After six years in prison, Joel gets pardoned by the outgoing president and is sent to Italy for safe keeping. He is watched by an Italian CIA contact. There is a plot to get rid of Backman, overseen by the elderly head of the CIA, Teddy Maynard. Once he makes sure that Joel is "safely integrated" into Italy's language and culture, Maynard plans to have Backman's whereabouts leaked to

countries (Russia, China, Saudi Arabia, and Israel) that want him dead. He will also give information and program details on the Neptune satellites that much blood has already been spilt over.

Backman (under his new CIA-issued identity, Marco Lazzari) uncovers the plot and who is keeping tabs on him for the CIA, and he learns of the four countries that want him dead so they can control the satellites. With the help of his son, who is still in America, and an Italian friend, Joel tries to stay one step ahead in a deadly game of cat and mouse, a game that his enemies hope to win.

The story is exciting, with every turn of the page inciting readers to wonder if Joel is going to escape the deadly web the CIA has woven into his life. Readers follow Joel as he runs around Europe and Washington D.C. trying to stay alive, and they wonder what will happen next in the deadly game being played with the lives of Joel, his friends, and his family. I recommend this book to those who love anything by John Grisham and to those who want to read an action-packed story full of suspense and controversy.



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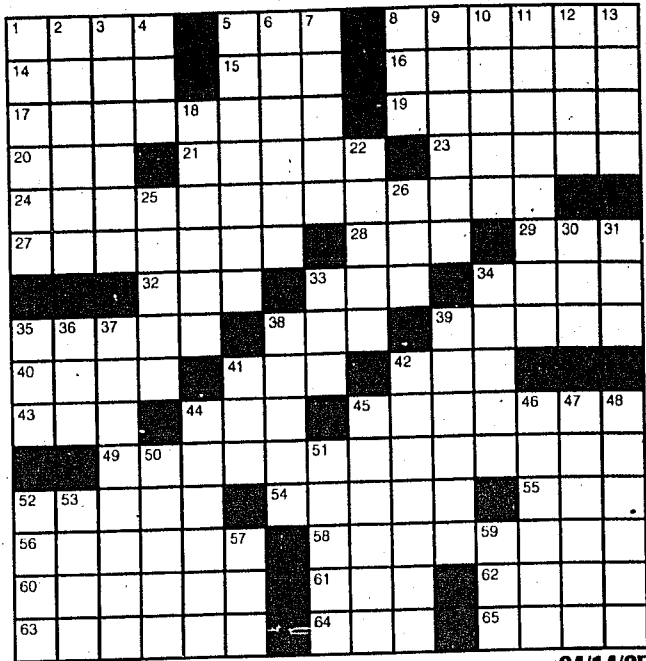
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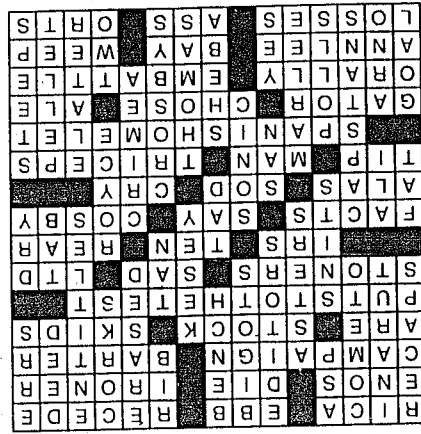
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## horoscopes

By Linda C. Black  
 Tribune Media Services

**Today's Birthday (04-14-05)**  
 Let friends motivate you and give you hope that dreams can come true. Figure out what you want for your home, and invite them to help.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)**  
 Today is a 7 - You're inspired to get involved in a massive worldwide project. Don't leave quite yet, however. There are still things to do here at home.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)**  
 Today is a 6 - Use some of your recent earnings to update your library. You might as well learn how to do your assignments the easy way.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)**  
 Today is an 8 - Wrap up the festivities so you can get back to business. Today and tomorrow are good for hauling in the money.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)**  
 Today is a 5 - Accept a generous offer, even if you wonder if it's true. The odds are good you'll do well now with work, savings and shared benefits.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
 Today is an 8 - The big talkers are going so fast, that they may temporarily be totally incomprehensible. This phenomenon is not your fault. They're buzzing.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
 Today is a 6 - You've made a good impression on the people who issue the orders. This is just the beginning of a very profitable phase.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
 Today is an 8 - Quick action is required. There's not a moment to lose. Do that crazy thing that furthers your creative career. And do it well.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
 Today is a 6 - You've been putting in the hours, and you've earned the bonus. Accept whatever you're offered; it's worth more than you think.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
 Today is a 7 - Keep asking impertinent questions, even if you're not getting the answer that you're looking for. With enough clues, you can figure it out for yourself.

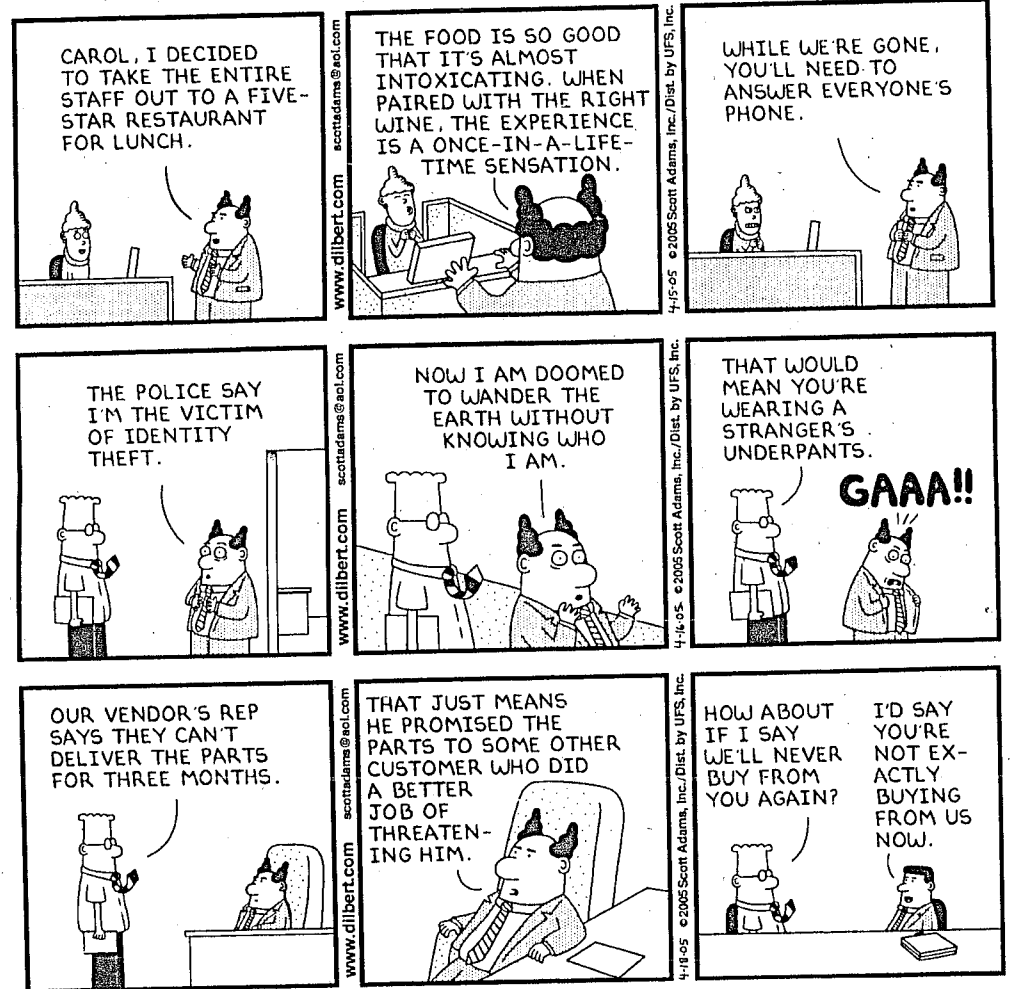
**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
 Today is a 6 - You're about to reach a plateau. You'll be able to rest for a bit. Look at what you've just done; then make corrections and improvements.

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 Today is an 8 - You think of yourself as a scientific type, but recently you've also had amazing psychic insights. Don't ignore them just because you can't explain them.

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 Today is a 6 - Add a touch of luxury to your household decor. Make your food preparation and consumption area more comfortable. You'll save enough to pay for it by staying in more often.

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