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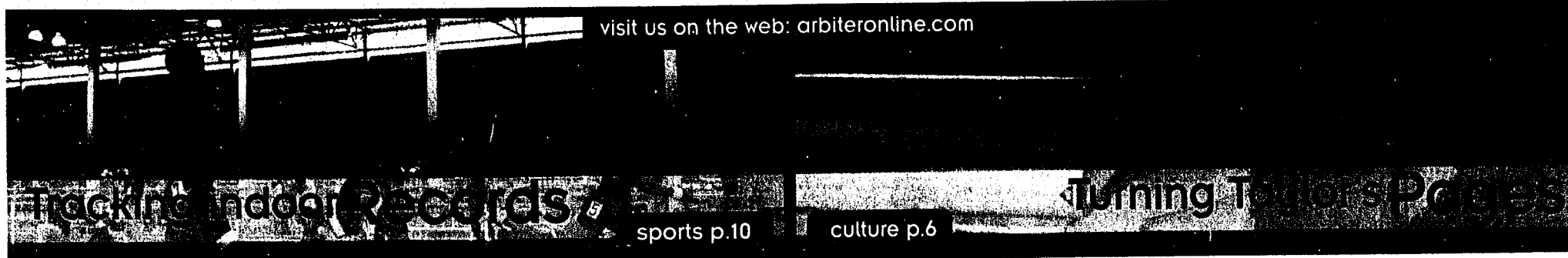
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# The Arbiter

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## Students reward profs who have made a difference in their lives

BY JESSICA WIGLEY  
News Writer

Faculty members from seven departments were recognized for their outstanding characteristics that have impacted a student's life at the ASBSU Faculty Recognition Banquet on Tuesday evening in the Jordan Ballroom of the Student Union Building.

"I never had a chance to say thanks for all the profound differences he made in my life," Boise State University President Bob Kustra said, speaking of his experiences with his mentor, Bob Batson.

Kustra was keynote speaker at the faculty recognition event. Kustra emphasized how meaningful it is to the faculty that the stu-

dents get to recognize and reward their teachers and mentors. "You, [the students] today, have the opportunity to celebrate the impact a faculty member has made on your career and your life," he said.

While this has been a tradition at BSU for the past 20 years, attendance seemed to dwindle this year as about 50 percent of the nominated faculty members attended

the event. Some of the students who nominated the faculty were also absent.

A nomination may be made by an intern, a student who has had numerous personal encounters with a faculty member, or simply a professor who inspired a student to make a life changing decision.

Tony Roark, assistant profes-

sor in the Philosophy department, won the recognition award in the College of Arts and Sciences. Roark was initially surprised by the nomination because, he noted, while the Philosophy department is trying to reach out to students, the faculty don't always have an opportunity to work one on one.

"This is very rewarding. The value of this recognition is knowing

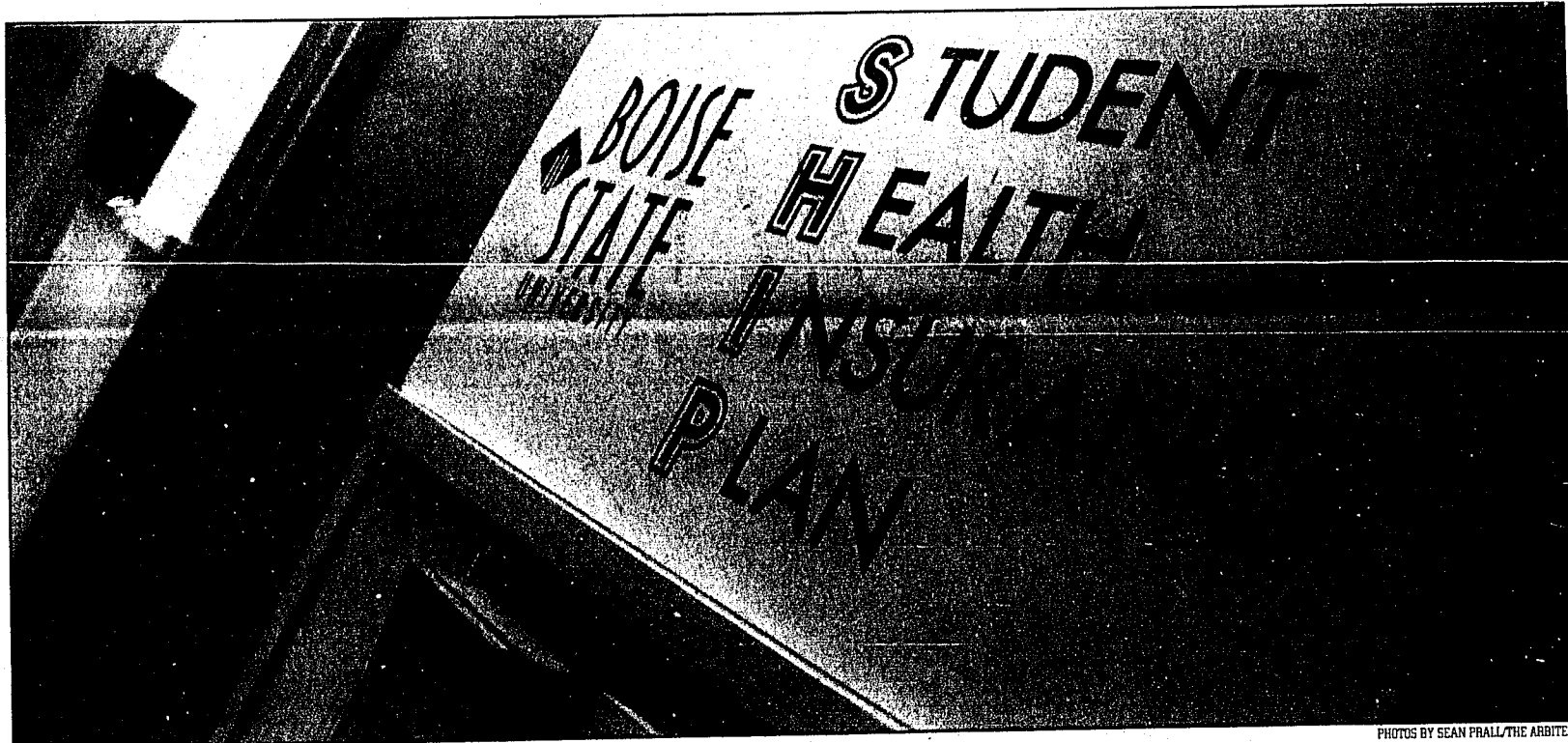
that what I'm doing is working," Roark said.

Brandon Beckham, a former intern of Beckham's, nominated him for the award.

"The truth is that while he is being friendly and approachable, it's creating an environment in which students are enthusiastic about

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## Students have until Jan. 30 to claim their \$453 back



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BY CHAD MENDENHALL  
News Writer

The Health and Wellness Center at Boise State University offers uninsured students an opportunity for coverage, but students already insured by another provider are charged \$453 anyway.

Full-time students attending classes in Idaho are required to maintain adequate health insurance, and only have until Jan.

30 to waive their mandatory Student Health Insurance Plan if enrolled with an alternative insurance provider that meets comparable coverage requirements.

In March 2003, the State Board of Education introduced a bill requiring full-time students to have insurance coverage. Consequently, every time a BSU student registers for eight or more academic credits, a SHIP fee of \$453 will be automatically assessed to their student account. This fee can

be waived if proof of an alternative insurance provider is reported via BroncoWeb.

Pat Branson, SHIP Manager at the Health and Wellness Center, who monitors the waivers said, "It's pretty obvious when a student sends us false insurance information, and if we are unable to establish verification, the waiver will be reversed and the student will be responsible for payment."

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While BSU's Student Health Insurance Plan offers uninsured students medical coverage, the SHIP fee is automatically added to every student's account, whether they are insured or not. Insured students must waive the \$435 fee every semester.

## Fired professor says Nazi ties were an act

BY PATRICIA ALEX  
The Record (Bergen County, N.J.)

A professor fired last spring from his job at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Teaneck, N.J., after he became a vocal promoter of a neo-Nazi group now says the whole thing was just an academic exercise.

Jacques Pluss said his involvement with the National Socialist Movement, and his appearances on the group's radio Internet show in which he disparaged people of color and Jews, was all part of his research for a book he is preparing on "the wacky White power movement."

His disavowal of the National Socialist Movement was posted on the History News Network in an essay entitled "Now It Can Be Told: Why I Pretended to Be a Neo-Nazi."

"As much as was possible, I had to assume the role," Pluss wrote. "... even if that meant forcing myself to wear a neo-Nazi facade until I came to understand, in the core of my poetic sense, the neo-Nazis as the fraudulent thugs my mere intellect told me they were."

Pluss, who lives in northwestern Bergen County, could not be reached for comment. His telephone number has been disconnected. In his essay he says he was threatened and vilified after he quit the movement in August.

FDU relieved Jacques Pluss of his classroom duties in March 2005 after information surfaced about his involvement in the neo-Nazi group. The university said it got rid of Pluss because of excessive absences. They later said his racist views would make his position on campus "untenable." He had ridiculed FDU students of color on the neo-Nazi group's Webcast.

FDU this week had no comment on the latest twist in the Pluss plot. "It's a personnel matter," said Gretchen Johnson, a spokeswoman for the university.

Pluss, 52, had been an adjunct, or part-time, instructor in the History Department from 2002-05. Pluss was a tenured professor at William Paterson from 1984 to 2000, when he resigned to co-own a horse farm.

Students interviewed after his dismissal from FDU seemed stunned by his racist rhetoric, saying he never displayed such a bias in class.

Pluss has a doctorate in medi-

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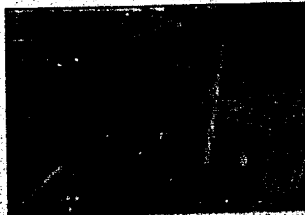
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### Marketing a CD that can take a licking

Tiny nubs, pictured around the CD's edge, prevent it from becoming scratched when it is placed on a flat surface.

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### Restaurants key to New Orleans' recovery



Civic leaders and foodies alike say restoring the New Orleans rich mix of culinary treasures is vital to the city's recovery.

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### 3-day forecast

  
Thursday  
High: 39F  
Low: 30F

  
Friday  
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# the headlines

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## world

### No easy military option to stop Iran, experts say

WASHINGTON — Most analysts agree that military action against Iran is unlikely at this point because the Bush administration and European countries appear intent on pursuing diplomacy first. But what if diplomacy fails?

Many analysts say that in that case, an attack on Iran's nuclear facilities would be relatively easy to carry out. With U.S. troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, and with war planes and ships scattered throughout the Persian Gulf, U.S. forces essentially have Iran hemmed in on three sides. U.S. cruise missiles and stealth aircraft with precision-guided bombs likely would overwhelm Iran's air defenses.

The key questions, however, are whether such an attack would be very effective and how Iran and the rest of the world would respond. Some experts say an attack would delay, not destroy, the Iranian program and would only reinforce Iran's efforts to develop nuclear weapons.

Iran, taking lessons from the Israeli air attack that destroyed Iraq's nuclear facility at Osirak in 1981, has dispersed its atomic research and development facilities in dozens, if not hundreds, of locations above and below ground.

Regardless of the total number of Iran's nuclear facilities, Isfahan and Natanz are the most important because they constitute the "two weak links" in Iran's program, said Cliff Kupchan, an Iran expert and former State Department official in the Clinton administration.

Isfahan, a facility that converts uranium ore into uranium hexafluoride gas, could be bombed easily, said Kupchan, now at the New York-based Eurasia Group, a political risk advisory and consulting firm.

The other, Natanz, is a research facility where experts are trying to master the technique of converting uranium hexafluoride gas into enriched uranium. Low levels of enriched uranium are used for civilian nuclear plants, and more highly enriched fuel is used in nuclear weapons.

International inspectors found the facility after they were tipped off by an Iranian dissident group in 2002. Iran recently resumed research at Natanz and said it was for peaceful purposes, but analysts have expressed doubt because of Natanz's size and the fact that part of it has been constructed underground.

## national

### 2 million in U.S. may carry staph infections

DALLAS — The first nationwide statistical snapshot of a worrisome infection estimates at least 2 million people in the country may be silently carrying a potentially dangerous bacterium. And a second study reports that the germ appears to be creeping into hospital patients at a steady pace.

The studies are the latest clues to the behavior of methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus, or MRSA. Since its appearance in the general population in 1999, the infection has already become notorious for illness among inmates, children and professional athletes.

Last September, MRSA spread among Katrina evacuees at a shelter in Dallas. The St. Louis Rams battled an outbreak that affected five players, who apparently passed the infection to members of the San Francisco 49ers.

On Friday, the Dallas County Department of Health and Human Services issued a warning about MRSA infections picked up in contaminated whirlpool footbaths at some area nail salons.

Most of the time, people carry staph bacteria in their noses without knowing it. Only when it slips through breaks in the skin does MRSA announce itself. It concerns doctors not only because of its potential to cause disease, but also because it resists many traditional treatments.

This month, in the Journal of Infectious Diseases, researchers from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that about 32 percent of the American population harbors S. aureus. About 1 percent of that staph appears to be MRSA. That would mean between 1.2 million and 3.8 million people carry the more dangerous form.

The most likely staph carriers were children, though the MRSA form was most common among older people, especially women.

Doctors are intensifying efforts to control the spread of MRSA.

## local/bsu

### Feb. 15 set as scholarship deadline

The deadline is approaching for new and transfer students who wish to apply for scholarships to Boise State University for the fall

2006 semester.

In order to be automatically considered for Boise State scholarships, students must submit all admission materials to the Admissions Office no later than Feb. 15.

A completed application package consists of:

- A completed application, available online at <http://admissions.boisestate.edu/applying.htm>

- A \$30 non-refundable, one-time application fee

- Official high school and/or college transcripts (or GED score)

- ACT or SAT scores for applicants under 21 years of age. Students who still need to take the ACT have one more chance before the deadline. The residual ACT is offered on campus for Boise State admissions use only. The test is offered Feb. 4 and will be scored in time to meet the application deadline. To sign up, call the Admissions office at (208) 426-1156.

Completed applications will automatically be considered for scholarships at Boise State if a student has a minimum 3.0 grade-point average. Scholarships are competitive, and academic credentials will be compared to those of all other qualified applicants.

An added bonus to meeting the Feb. 15 deadline is that admitted students will receive priority registration opportunities in order to have access to the most complete slate of fall classes. For more information, contact the Boise State New Student Information Center at 426-1820.

### BSU Talkin' Broncos win Tournament

The Boise State debate and speech team brought home 41 individual awards to easily win the

team championship at the inaugural Clackamas College Invitational Forensics Tournament Jan. 13 and 14 in Portland, Ore.

All 12 members of the Talkin' Broncos squad placed in at least one event, contributing to the team total of 211 points. First-place award winners for BSU were: Katy Jibben (sophomore, Boise), who won open division Speech to Entertain; novice Informative Speaking; novice Persuasive Speaking; and novice Program Oral Interpretation; Barton Jackson (junior, Eagle), who placed first in open Informative Speaking and open Impromptu Speaking, and who teamed with debate partner Chad Judy (sophomore, Idaho Falls) to win open Parliamentary Debate; Judy also won junior Rhetorical Analysis.

Jordan Park (freshman, Idaho Falls) placed first in junior Informative Speaking and junior Speech to Entertain; Nate Pohl (sophomore, Boise) won both Prose Interpretation of Literature and Dramatic Interpretation; Camille Levi (senior, Nampa) was first in junior Persuasive Speaking; and Kristin Davidson (senior, Winnipeg, Manitoba) won open Rhetorical Analysis.

Other multiple award winners for Boise State were Francie Beville (senior, Boise), Wayne Rysavy (junior, Ramstein, Germany) and Jessica Wingett (senior, Boise).

## what the?

### This does not look good

Firefighters in Shimohetsugi, Japan, had a cookout at their fire station as part of a fire awareness promotion. The station burned to the ground.

### For a good time, call...

When his girlfriend dumped him, a jilted man in Marburg, Germany, got his revenge by posting a video of her in the nude along with her name, address and phone number.

### It will be romantic

When two ex-lovers decided to get together for a weekend at a Montreal hotel, the man apparently wasn't aware that his former girlfriend had taken their break-up pretty badly. She slipped some pills into his drink to knock him out so, police say, she could slash his throat while he slept. But the man sensed he was being drugged, so he fled the room. The desk clerk called the cops.

### It was like this...

When his pals in a pub in Ipswich, England, heard that a man had caught his genitals in a mousetrap when he was a boy, they urged him to show them how it happened. He was so drunk that he agreed. He exposed himself and walked toward a pool table with a mousetrap set up on it, but he tripped and got his manhood snapped again.

### Hey, has anyone seen Wladislaw?

A woman in Scinawa, Poland, became so frustrated about her 75-year-old husband coming home drunk that she chained him in a doghouse for three weeks. He was finally rescued by his drinking buddies who hadn't seen him in the local bar and wondered where he was.

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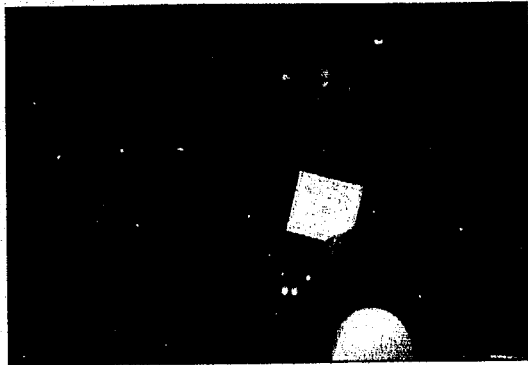
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## Faculty [from page 1]

learning," Beckham stated in Roark's nomination. The majority of nominations were collected by ASBSU through the online nomination forms; others were collected from flyers left

out all over campus for students to fill out and recognize faculty members who have impacted their lives significantly. ASBSU Sen. Katie Jo Rupert served as spokesperson for the event, saying that this event is very important that students know that

faculty members are nominated by their peers. "Recognizing faculty is important because they are who make BSU what it is...without them, we wouldn't be here," Rupert said.

ASBSU President Joe Holladay presented faculty members with their student-nominated awards.

## Fired [from page 1]

eval history from the University of Chicago. In his essay this week, he said he hadn't revealed his true intent to colleagues or students during the course of his involvement with the National Socialist Movement. "I had to become, as much as my very being allowed me, the subject of my study," he wrote. Pluss also has written an autobiographical novel, "Jumping Fences: An Artfully Crafted Madness."

### The following faculty members were recognized and awarded at the event:

College of Applied Technology	Danny Benton
College of Arts and Sciences	Tony Roark
College of Business and Economics	Michelle Stoklosa
College of Education	Jason MacDonald
College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs	Constance Pollard
College of Engineering	Diana Doumas
Outstanding Adjunct Faculty	Elisa Barney Smith and Amlt Jain
	Rand Adams

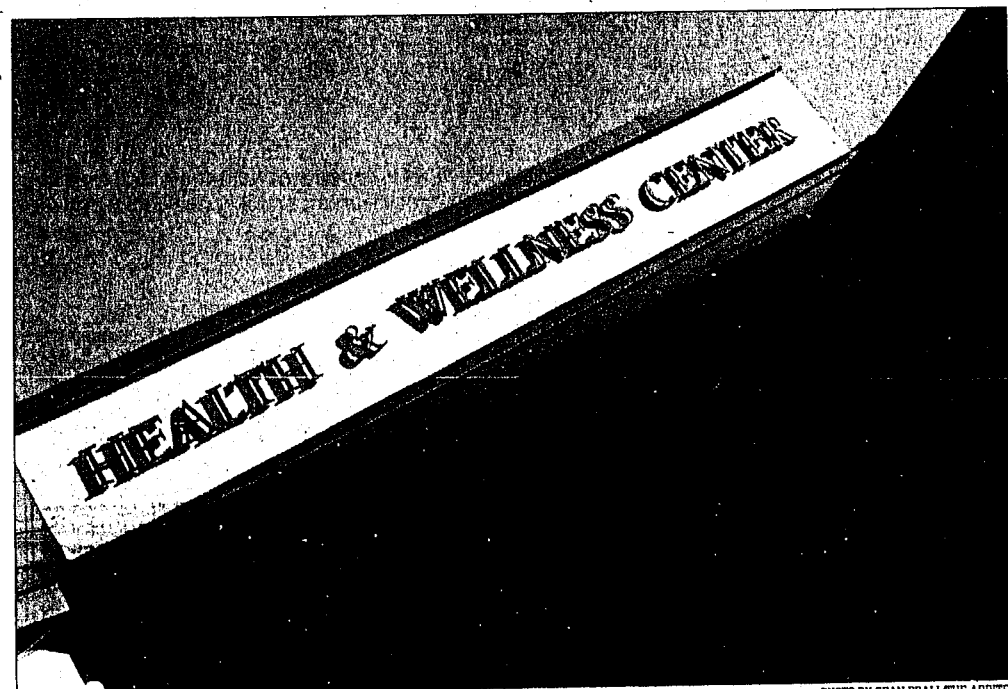


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## Insurance [from page 1]

Eligible waiver requirements include continued coverage through the academic year with an insurance company in full compliance with federal law that is based in the United States, a minimum of \$65,000 per incident limitation, an individual deductible of no more than \$1,000 and standard co-payments cannot exceed 40 percent of charges. "AFLAC won't cut it," said Branson. Supplemental insurances like AFLAC or Colonial are not designed to cover medical expenses. They send customers money to help compensate for expenses indirectly related to the medical treatment. For example, if someone was hospitalized for reconstructive knee surgery, a supplemental insurance company would give that person money to pay for things such as rent or any other debt accrued during hospitalization. Jeff Anderson of Blue Cross Blue Shield said there are other insurance plans available that can cost students less. Anderson referenced a plan that he sells to students that has a higher deductible and a higher maximum benefit than the

BSU insurance plan, which he said would be more fitting for the average healthy college student. "If it were me, I would rather have a little higher deductible with the higher maximum benefits...\$750 will not bankrupt a student, but if you had a \$200,000 kidney transplant, (the BSU plan's maximum benefit of) \$100,000 is far insufficient," Anderson said. Anderson also said outside plans have the benefit of covering students all year, not just during the fall and spring semesters. "Many students end up buying short term plans to cover those months," Anderson said. "A relatively healthy student would save a few hundred off the school plan and stay insured for the summer months." Last year, 5,228 full-time students out of 13,562 were enrolled in the BSU SHIP. The 2006 SHIP is provided by United Healthcare, but is subject to change every year. "I am displeased about the recent change in the health service plan, because laboratory tests are no longer covered," said BSU sophomore Karina Grajeda. "It seems there is no consistency from one plan to another." It may frustrate students switch-

ing from one company to another, but this arrangement allows BSU to shop around for the best coverage for the best price. "We try to make as many people as happy as we can. We try to serve the students," Branson said. She said she believes educating students about their SHIP benefits and coverage is essential in maintaining their health and wellness. Branson spends the majority of her time informing parents and students at orientations all over campus. Under the current health plan, students can expect to visit the Health and Wellness Center without any out-of-pocket expenses, unless treatment requires a prescription, any laboratory tests sent outside the center for interpretation and review, or surgery. In that case, a \$10 co-pay for generic drugs and a \$250 deductible for outside work may apply. Maximum benefits under United Healthcare are \$100,000. Dental and vision are not included. The Health and Wellness Center is open to any student currently registered at BSU, and operates as any other basic family practice medical facility. For more information, visit their Web site at [www.boisestate.edu/healthservices/insurance](http://www.boisestate.edu/healthservices/insurance)

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# Helpful tips for students filing taxes

BY JESSICA WIGLEY  
News Writer

It's that time of year again, tax season. Around the first week of February, many students at Boise State will start to get those official tax forms in the mail and have no idea what to do with them. The following are some helpful tips to prevent errors and to make filing taxes as easy as possible.

### Common Mistakes

Each year taxpayers make one of two mistakes when filing taxes. According to the Idaho State Tax Commission, they either file their taxes too early before receiving all of the necessary paperwork or they don't verify all of the information such as math, social security numbers and signatures.

These minor mistakes could turn major when anticipating a tax return because the return could be delayed up to six weeks. To avoid these mistakes, follow these tips in order to file your taxes correctly and get the maximum refund as soon as possible.

Make sure you receive all papers before filing. Such items may include:

- W-2 forms from all employers in 2005
- 1098T forms from Boise State and any other school attended in 2005
- 1099INT or 1099DIV forms, if applicable
- Employers, banks and all other institu-

tions have until January 31st to mail out these documents. However, these are only a few forms that may be applicable to students.

The most important form is the W-2, which is needed to file both state and federal taxes, so be sure to make copies for your own records.

If you do not receive the documents you may have received last year, the IRS suggests the following:

- Contact your employer(s) for the W-2 form
- Contact the educational institution you attended for the 1098T form
- Contact the financial institution (bank) if you have dividends or investments

### If you decide to file your own taxes:

Go to the tax commission's Web site, [www.tax.idaho.gov](http://www.tax.idaho.gov). Click on the "Free income tax filing" link on the home page.

The site features software companies that offer qualifying taxpayers free electronic filing for both federal and state income tax returns. About 60 percent of filers qualify. Those who are eligible include:

- Taxpayers with an adjusted gross income of \$28,500 or less
- Taxpayers who are age 25 or under

Electronic filing, better known as E-File, is a fast and easy way to file taxes and allows taxpayers to get a refund within 14 days versus 6 to 10 weeks if they file by paper. You can file electronically by going to [www.irs.gov/efile](http://www.irs.gov/efile).

### FREE TAX RETURN HELP

If students need help preparing their federal and state returns, they can go to a VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) site to get free tax assistance. This program is designed specifically to help most elderly, low-income, non-English speaking, and disabled taxpayers with the preparation of their tax returns. In addition, many people that have income under \$37,263 and qualify for the refundable Earned Income Credit (EIC) have their returns prepared by our volunteers.

### Do you qualify for the refundable Earned Income Credit (EIC)?

#### Do you have...

- earned income (wages, tips, etc.)
- a child living with you in your home for over six months
- a valid social security number for you and your child
- income under \$35,263 (\$37,263 for married filing jointly)

#### Or are you...

- single or married filing a joint return WITH NO CHILD
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- earning less than \$11,750 (\$13,750 for married filing jointly)

For more information, visit [www.idahocareline.org](http://www.idahocareline.org)

## TAX FORM DICTIONARY

### W-2 form:

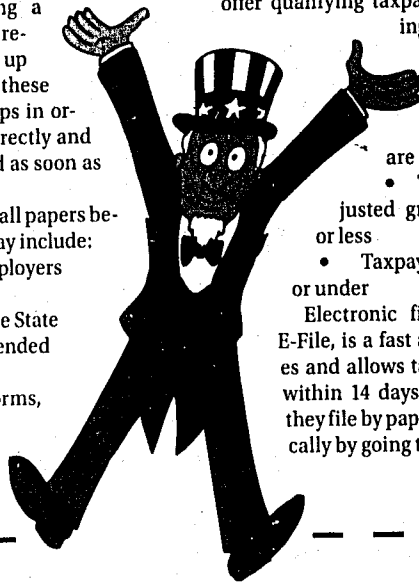
This form consists of the earned income from each employer you worked for in 2005 and also includes the amount of taxes withheld for federal, state and social security. The instructions are listed on the back of the form on how to fill in the blanks with the figures listed on the W-2 form.

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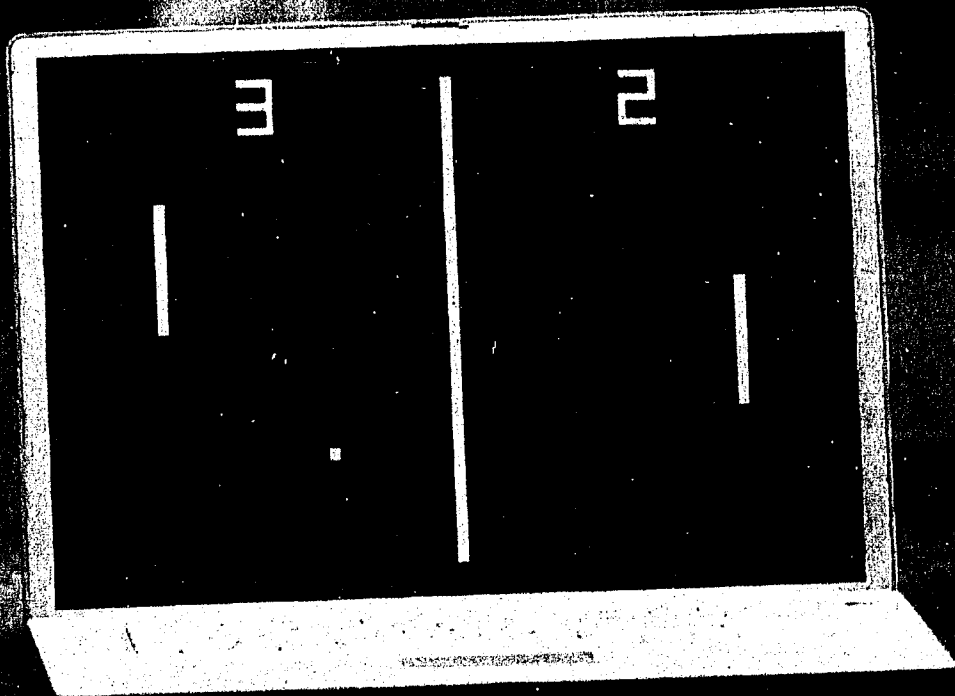
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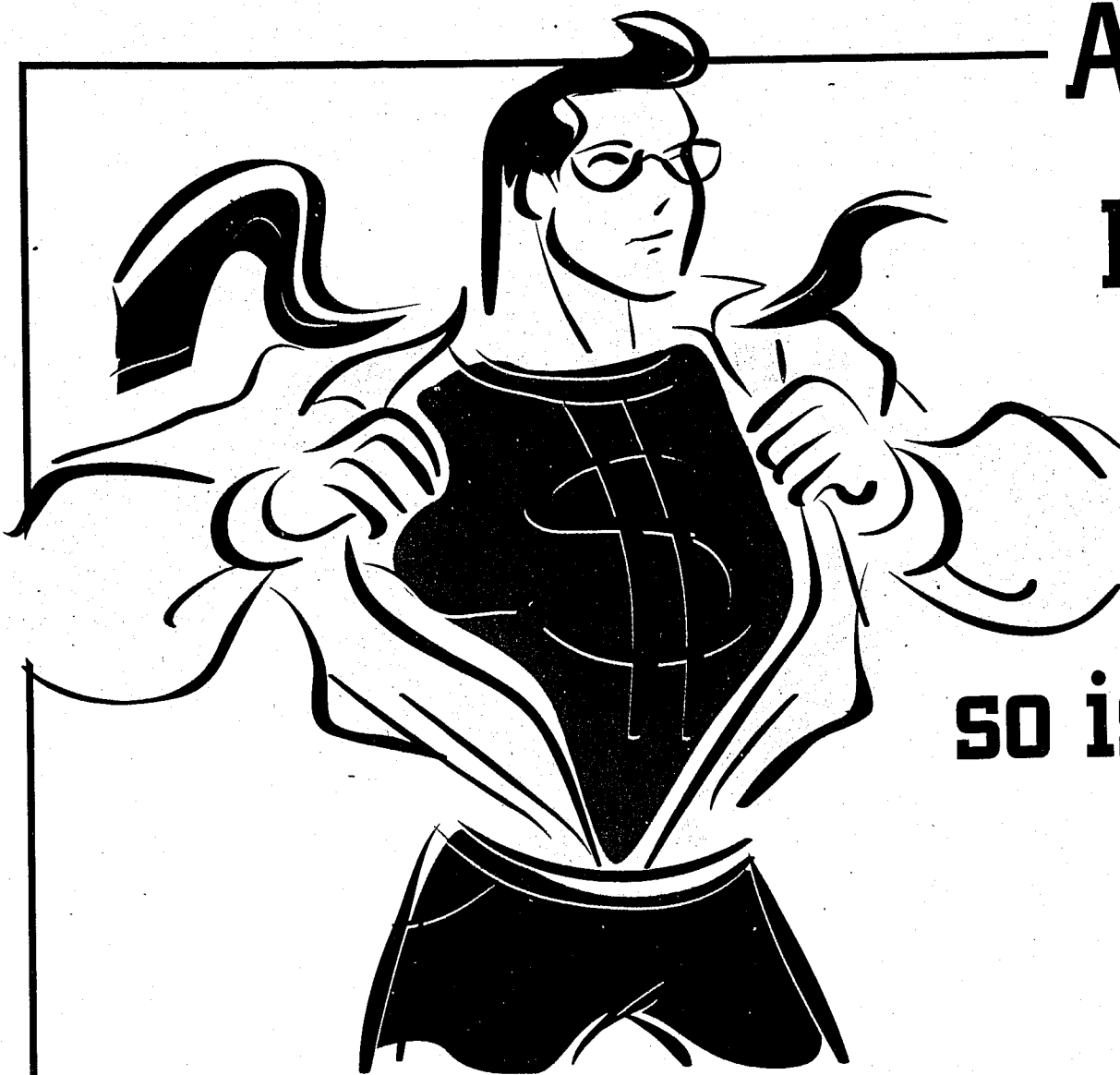
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# opinion



## A teacher pay raise is long overdue, so is respect

What's better than Friedrich Nietzsche and Cap'n Crunch?

BY DREW MAYES  
Opinion Editor

So here it is, another semester. For some of you, this is the first time you can proudly wear the orange and blue and call yourself a member of Bronco Nation. For others, this may be the last time you ever walk the halls of Boise State University. And for many more of you, this semester is just somewhere in between the beginning and the end of your time as a Bronco.

So ask yourself, where are you? Are you thinking about where you've been or where you're going?

Maybe you just got out of high school, maybe you moved here, or maybe you haven't seen the inside of a classroom in 10 years. Whatever the situation is, your mind is consumed with being too young, too old, too new and you just want to go back a few months in your life when everything was not so new, but instead really comfortable.

Or maybe your mind is as far away from school as possible. You've already taken most of the classes, been to all the games you can handle and networked your ass off. Yet, even though you've spent the last four plus years of your life to get to this point, these next few months for you are all about finding a job, or studying for the GRE and getting your letters of recommendation ready for grad school. Whatever the situation is, your mind is consumed with change, change for yourself and change for your future.

That's the unique thing about being in college though. When we finally get here, all we ever think about is how we got to this point and how we're ever going to make it through. And just when you get comfortable, it's time to start thinking about leaving.

So whether this is your first, last or somewhere in between semester, do everything you can to live in the moment. Try not to dwell on where you've been. Forget about where you're going.

The days of meeting new people everyday, debating the merits of Cap'n Crunch versus Lucky Charms on one hand and Nietzsche versus Adler on the other, and your GPA as your biggest life concern are numbered. After all, college is the last time you can have a pizza box on your bedroom floor for days and have it be totally acceptable.

BY BRANDON NOLTA  
Opinion Writer

Our fun lovin', smilin' Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has delivered another fun-filled proposal to the Legislature, and various parts of it are meeting with the usual whooping and hollering. Since Dirk is on his last legs as top inmate in the loony bin known as Idaho, he's more concerned with going out looking like a champ than stirring up any real dust. However, some of his wish list entries are long overdue, especially his proposal to bump up teacher salaries, setting the average starter salary at about \$30,000 a year.

Now, teacher salaries are a

delicate issue for some, mainly because of how people of different biases have come to view public education. I think the problem, though, is not in how much money the public is or isn't throwing at education. Nor does the salary issue really reflect so much on the quality of the education, although most of the loudest shouters in the debate would have everybody think that. No, what it comes down to is how teachers themselves are perceived, and that is an area that needs to be addressed.

See, it seems that teachers have been getting a bum rap in American culture for years. Decades, even. In a culture that historically values can-do spirit, hard work and incessant activity (and other traits that seem to be

honored more in their absence than in their practice), teachers are difficult to classify because their real work is largely invisible.

Sure, there's lecturing, demonstrations, grading papers and all, but that's really ancillary to a teacher's job, which is the process of shaping youth. That's a long, arduous, draining process, and the rewards are slim. It can take years for the real work to show itself, and it's not something that has a lot of discrete goals because education is more than a series of steps. It's a habit, a process and an approach to the world that builds, at its best, intelligent, thoughtful citizens out of the rough clay of childhood.

Teachers don't do this alone, of course, but they're the ones

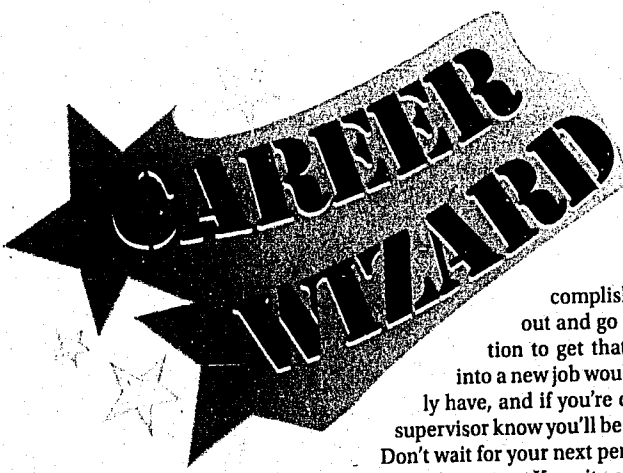
who are running right alongside the machine eight or more hours a day, trying to keep it on track despite pressures and influences from every direction. They're expected to act as parents without the same level of authority and discipline; they're expected to meet the state's demands, the school's policies, parents' expectations and the intellectual needs of students, all on deadlines imposed by forces outside the classroom. It is not a job for nine-to-fivers...and yet, how many people do you know who see teaching that way?

We've all heard that cruel aphorism, "Those who can, do. Those who can't, teach," and I would bet most people who read this know at least one person who has said, at some point, "If

(current career choice) doesn't work out, I could always teach." What the Hell kind of attitude is that?

Being a teacher will never make a person rich, but it is potentially one of the most influential jobs a person could have. Nearly everybody remembers a teacher or two from their youth, some because they were incredible instructors and some because they were mind-bogglingly bad.

When you remember a teacher, you acknowledge the mark they left on your memories, on you, for good or ill. That's power, and that is to be respected. When more people come to respect the profession, within and without the field, that's when real change will begin.



**Q:** Everyone at work except me seems to be getting raises or promotions. I feel like I'm doing a good job, so why am I being overlooked?

**A:** Many job descriptions have a minimum standard of work that needs to be accomplished, but what you want to do is stand out and go "above and beyond" your job description to get that promotion. Remember, a promotion into a new job would entail more duties than you currently have, and if you're doing a "good" job now, how can your supervisor know you'll be able to do a more complicated job? Don't wait for your next performance review; start with talking to your supervisor now. Keep it very positive and talk about your career

aspirations and concerns and come to this meeting prepared. Chart out for yourself a three-month goal of your current duties and what your supervisor feels will put you in that "above expectation" category. Go above and beyond whatever it takes to get the job done. If you are caught up with your responsibilities ask your supervisor what else you can do to help your team. Doing this will show initiative and will help you stand out in the crowd.

Take responsibility for your career development because no one else will; you are your greatest advocate!

**Q:** I can't afford to buy a new wardrobe for job interviews. How can I look sharp for my job interview on a limited budget?

**A:** Thrift stores such as the Salvation Army, Desert Industries, St. Vincent DePaul, the Idaho Youth Ranch, and other stores selling second-hand clothes can be an inexpensive source of interview attire. Many professional people donate quality clothing they have tired of wearing. There are also discount stores that sell new clothes that retail stores have discontinued.



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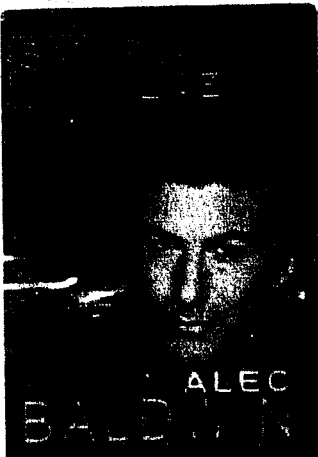
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## Editor's Picks

New DVD releases:  
"Saturday Night Live:  
The Best of Alec Baldwin"  
and  
"Saturday Night Live:  
The Best of David Spade"



You know you've hit it big when "Saturday Night Live" releases a best-of DVD in your name and you've never even been a member of the cast.

That's the story for Alec Baldwin, whose "Saturday Night Live: The Best of" disc is not only less than 10 minutes long due to lack of material, but is actually measurably funnier than castmember David Spade's best-of disc. For whatever reason, Baldwin is funnier on "SNL" than he typically is off it, and he has the skits (Pete Schweddy, Gubernator Buckwell, his perfect Robert De Niro impersonation on "The Joe Pesci Show") to show for it.

## Celebrity news:

Kate Moss to speak to police about cocaine use



Supermodel Kate Moss will speak to British police investigating allegations of cocaine use, but no time-table has been set for her interview by officers, her spokesman said.

Moss, 31, lost valuable contracts with H&M, Burberry and Chanel after the Daily Mirror tabloid in September published pictures of her apparently using cocaine in a west London music studio where her then-boyfriend, rock musician Pete Doherty, was recording.

"Kate has made it absolutely clear all along that she will cooperate with any police investigation when the necessary arrangements can be made," Stuart Higgins, Moss' spokesman, said in a statement.

Since the newspaper revelations, Moss has been outside Britain, entering a rehab clinic in Arizona and working on international assignments.

## Health and Beauty Tip:

### The 411 on migraines

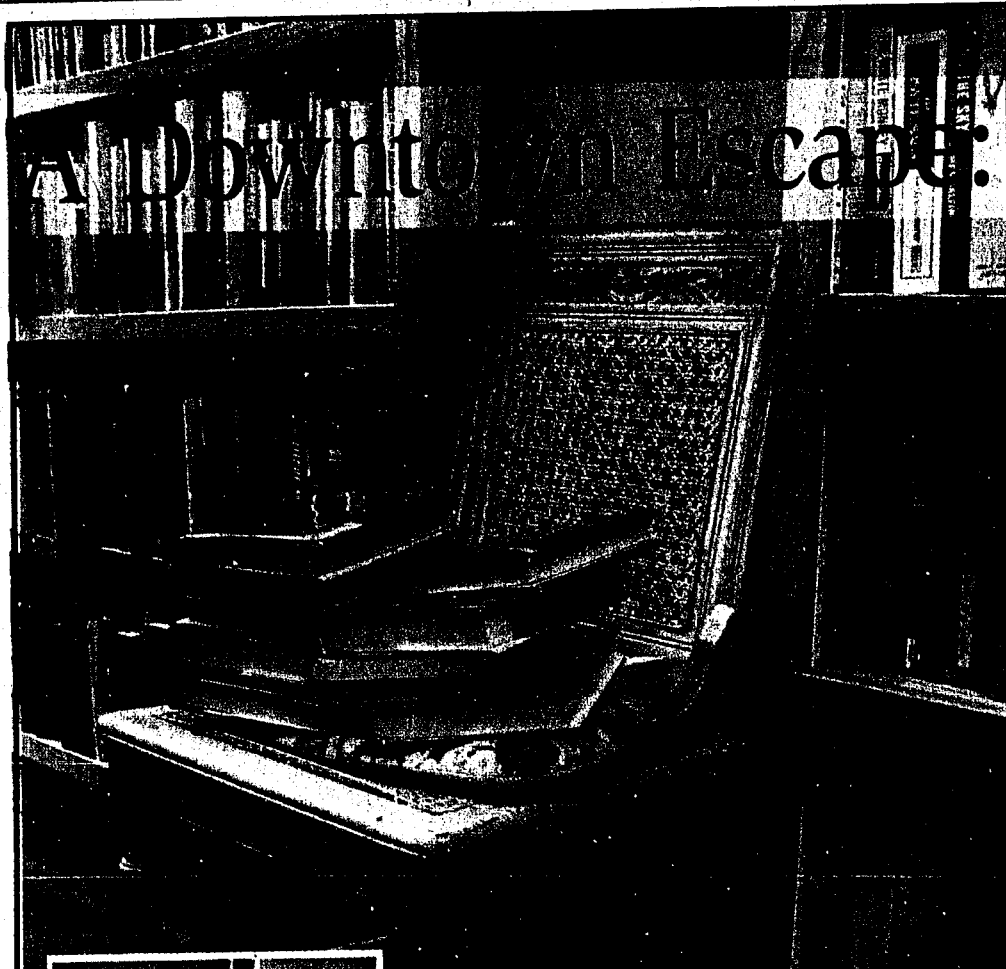
Migraine is characterized by throbbing head pain, usually on one side of the head, often accompanied by nausea and sensitivity to light and/or sound. The combination of disabling pain and associated symptoms often prevents sufferers from performing daily activities.

Stress may be a trigger, but certain foods, odors, menstrual periods and changes in weather are among many factors that may also trigger headache.

Emotional factors such as depression, anxiety, frustration, letdown and even pleasant excitement may be associated with developing a headache.

Keeping a headache diary will help you determine whether factors such as food, change in weather, and/or mood have any relationship to your headache pattern.

Compiled from KRT wire services



## Aldo White and his escape:



## Trip Taylor offers sanctuary for the avid reader

The owner of Trip Taylor Booksellers, Trip Taylor, grew up being an avid reader, which led him to opening his own bookstore in downtown Boise, Idaho.

A melancholy afternoon; homework is tauntingly weighing you down, your crush doesn't even acknowledge your existence, and you miss your pet Fido from home. To your unrealizable delight, there is a relaxing outlet, an intrinsically valuable pit stop from your hectic schedule. It's time you escape from tedious and often mundane yesterdays and spice up the here-and-now of today. It's time to take a mini vacation (no luggage or passport needed) to the Trip Taylor Bookseller!

BY APRIL RUMORE  
Culture Writer

Growing up, young Trip Taylor was quite the avid reader. Taylor had a strong enthusiasm for the world of binded-paper creations. When Cupid was matchmaking 'Harry' and 'Sally,' Trip Taylor fell for the deep sea of thoughts, ideas, stories and tales enveloped in what we all know as the endless sea of books. In college, Trip nurtured his lifetime passion by majoring in literature. Now he owns and runs his very own little quaint, cozy and eclectic book haven in downtown Boise.

Five years ago, the doors of his personal sanctuary of his lifetime book collections went public in Boise's very own Hyde Park. Located on N. 13<sup>th</sup> street and neighboring other down-home shops that would be found in "Leave It To Beaver-ville," The Trip Taylor Bookseller fit in perfectly. But due to the will and drive to expand his business, Taylor transported his shop to 10<sup>th</sup> street by Macy's this last July. Space, convenience, and visibility were three key factors of Taylor's big transition. Being known for entertainment, shopping, eating and city culture; the new location of downtown Boise has resulted as a wise business upgrade.

Step inside to an oasis of affordable intellectual

delight. High value books with the low cost price tag simply screams college student atmosphere. Conveniently organized, the two story shop is divided into an endless variety of intriguing and valuable sections.

Whether you are interested in fantasy, mystery, fiction or non, crafts, architecture, self-help, psychology, comics, children books, textbooks, cookbooks or exercise techniques, there is a section for you. Don't let the low price make you raise an eyebrow of curiosity. Quality is Taylor's main concern and why his shop remains alive and thriving, while neighboring bookstores went dry.

For all your buying, selling or trading of book needs and desires, Trip Taylor Bookseller is the place to be. Even if you don't have time to read a book, or if that doesn't get your motor runnin', you can contribute to the store's inventory while pocketing a little extra cash by selling your books to Taylor. You can also drop in to simply visit with Taylor, the happy entrepreneur, test the bookstore waters, tap your toe to the soothing jazz and blues music, and bond with his adorable pet poodle, Apollo.

So grab a cup of Joe, turn your cell phone on silent, and hit the road for your personal travel getaway to the Trip Taylor Bookseller.

## SO, ANYWAY...

After today, I'm eighty-sixing jokes about numbers one and two.

BY TRAVIS ESTVOLD  
Culture Columnist

I've talked about pooping and peeing in this column many times. I've talked about my "Everybody Poops" bracelet, I've discussed the high-tech toilets on campus and I've joked about the duality of the number two. One might think I've exhausted the topic of the bathroom and its peripherals. But, much to the chagrin of my family, my friends, and I'm sure, the handful of people who read this column regularly that I don't know, I have not.

However, assuming I make it through today's offering unscathed, I will hereby promise to retire the lavatory as a source of inspiration for my writing. I'm very nearly an adult, and it's probably high time I act like it.

I now make my final foray into foulness.

I was using the restroom today, as I am wont to do from time to time, and I noticed an incongruity. A sign on the wall of a Student Union Building restroom, posted directly above and between the pair of urinals, was advertising an event. Normally, random fliers don't grab my attention, even those above stations designated for men to stand and micturate into.

A brief note: I'm a big fan of advertising. I'm unsure if my support of the art form was a leading factor in my decision to pursue a marketing degree, or rather, my degree-seeking made me hyper-aware of ads in our culture. Either way, I dig it. And I've long-since been a proponent of placing advertisements on the inside doors of bathroom stalls. I can think of no better captive audience than a poor soul with his pants around his ankles, trying to relieve himself of last night's supper.

That being said, don't think me a critic of advertising in general after the following.

Perhaps members of the female gender don't know - which

would be surprising since this topic has been covered in countless sitcoms - but there is an entire unwritten code that governs men's behavior at a urinal. Some rules dictate the spacing required when multiple urinals are available, while others simply imply that if you have to break wind while using that particular stand-up facility, you wait until others are not next to you.

But rule number one - and this is where my complaint against the advertisement comes in - is that under no circumstances are you to look over into the vicinity of the urinal of the person next to you - not for any reason. Not even if he says, "Hey, look, a quarter!" and you infer from the tone of his voice that you absolutely must see this magical coin - still, you must avert your gaze.

Now, for the proprietors of this communique to have positioned it directly between urinal one and urinal two, they have, in my estimation, made themselves a party to the potential breaking of rule number one. Luckily, when I did my slight sideward glance, I was alone in the room, and no harm - or ridicule - befouled me. But I must say, the choice of ad location is not the best I've seen, and I must therefore lobby for its immediate removal or relocation.

So, anyway, as my time at Boise State wanes, and even more urgently, as my days of making light of bathroom humor in this column come to a close, I must leave one departing thought. Though I may have "issues," as I have been told, due to my apparent obsession with joking about the bathroom, if you are offended by what happens behind a closed stall door, perhaps you have issues as well. As my bracelet constantly reminds me, yes, everyone does what you are doing in there, and if you can't talk about it, then it is you - and not what you leave behind - that stinks. Well, maybe you both do.



Travis Estvold writes a weekly column for The Arbitrator, carrying a camera phone with him to document his misadventures.

## The box office report

BY RICK HOLTER  
Knight Ridder Tribune

### THE UP SIDE:

Watch out, Harry: There's a lion on your tail. "The Chronicles of Narnia," still going strong at No. 4, pulled to within \$22 million of "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" in the race for second place among 2005's blockbusters.

### KATE THE GREAT:

Beckinsale slithers back into that leather

ensemble for "Underworld: Evolution." Swami sez: No. 1 with a bullet - and \$19 mil.

### PREDICTION:

"Tristan and Isolde" would last about as long as Nick and Jessica, hitting \$7 mil and unlucky No. 7. Result: Nearly dead on. And we do mean dead. No. 8 with \$7.6 mil. Total so far: 20 out of 32 (63 percent).

### BOMB SQUAD:

A couple of big-budget prestige pics had startling slides out of the top 10. And if

the Oscar noms aren't kind, the \$70 million "Munich" and the even more pricey "Memoirs of a Geisha" might just slide into oblivion. Both have reached semi-wide release, and neither looks like a lock to match its budget domestically.

### PHOTO FINISH:

A neck-and-neck-and-neck race between high-flying hoopsters, a heartwarming rapper and a bike-riding hood climaxed with the closest box-office race in recent memory. "Glory Road," the tale of a barrier-break-

ing Texas Western basketball squad, had the lead after three days, but the fairy-tale surprise "Hoodwinked" surged on MLK Day only to fall just \$48,000 short. That left Queen Latifah with the bronze medal for "Last Holiday," which trailed the hooded one by only \$1.4 million at the finish line, pocket change in box office terms.

### NEW WORLD DISORDER:

After an abortive awards-bid sneak peek last month, Terrence Malick takes on the Pocahontas tale.

# Good liars may be wired differently

BY JEFF GAMMAGE  
Knight Ridder Tribune

For more than 11 years, from the moment of his arrest to the moment of his execution, Roger Keith Coleman lied.

He lied to the courts, to his attorneys, to the news media, to the aunt and uncle who stood by him, to thousands of supporters who took up his cause.

He lied as he sat strapped in Virginia's electric chair in 1992, proclaiming his innocence with such sincerity that his backers pressed on even after his death. His guilt was definitively proven only last week, through new DNA tests.

How could Coleman have lied so long and so well to so many?

The fact is, everybody lies sometimes. But some people step beyond the polite lies that color everyday discourse and into pathology.

The hard question is why that happens. Young children are notorious liars - and that's normal, psychologists say, given their difficulty distinguishing fact from thought, dream or desire. But most kids, as they grow older, go to school and interact with peers, come to learn the difference between truth and imagination, right and wrong. They develop the moral compass known as a conscience.

"The so-called pathological liar has learned from an early age that they get punished more often for telling the truth than they do for lying," says John Rooney, an emeritus professor of psychology at La Salle University. "They get so accustomed to devious behavior that they lie without much thought or emotion."

Recently, University of Southern California scientists offered a possible physical explanation, finding proof of brain abnormalities among people who habitually lie and cheat. Pathological liars had a surplus of white matter, the wiring that can provide tools for deceit, and a deficit of gray matter, which helps restrain the impulse to lie.

Our culture accepts a certain amount of deception, even demands it. If your wife asks you if she's getting fat, there is but one correct reply. Answering in the affirmative doesn't prove that you're honest, it proves you're a fool. But we have less tolerance for people who refuse to come clean when the evidence against them is overwhelming.

For years, Pete Rose maintained he never bet on baseball, and was banned from the game. Rosie Ruiz has become a punch line, still insisting she won the 1980 Boston Marathon, 26 years after she jumped into the race near its end. Korean stem-cell pioneer Hwang Woo-suk, his career in ruins, recently apologized for claiming to have cloned a human embryo.

But as much as we castigate people for lying, some of the blame lies with ourselves. A suc-

cessful lie requires at least two parties, one to tell it and one to believe it. Studies show most of us aren't very good at identifying liars. In fact, the people who think they're good at it actually score lower.

Phillip Maltin, a Los Angeles lawyer who lectures on how to identify people who are lying, was once asked by a group of conspiracy buffs to examine the videotaped confession of James E. Files, an Illinois prison inmate who claims he shot John F. Kennedy.

"He is fantastic," Maltin says, with grudging admiration. "You look for all the indicia of dishonesty: change in tone, pitch, hesitation, change in body language, perspiration. This guy isn't exhibiting this stuff."

Where Files trips up, Maltin says, is when the interviewer asks how much he was paid to kill Kennedy. At that moment, Files exhibits a cluster of behaviors not seen elsewhere on the tape. He shrugs slightly, alters his tone, halts in his speech.

"How would you forget how much you got paid to shoot the president of the United States," Maltin asks, "if you can remember the color of the gun, and the date, time and place you met with Lee Harvey Oswald?"

Maltin cites the research of University of California professor Paul Ekman, who conducted pioneering work in "microexpressions": the small, involuntary facial movements that reveal true emotions. Most people never notice microexpressions in others. But to a trained observer, they represent the brain's recognition of dishonesty, even as the mouth blabbers on.

You don't detect dishonesty by looking for the lie, Maltin says, but by identifying the change in behavior that suggests a person is nervous in a situation where he or she shouldn't be. But there's a caveat.

"If somebody doesn't believe what they're saying is dishonest or deceptive, or if somebody delights in trying to deceive you, that person will not exhibit the characteristics," Maltin says. "You will never, for the most part, be able to identify a liar unless the person has a conscience."

Virginia legal specialist Marie Deans visited Roger Coleman in prison for nearly a decade, talked to him by phone practically every week.

She was with him the night he died and afterward helped to scatter his ashes in the Southwest Virginia mountains.

Throughout their relationship, Coleman insisted he didn't murder 19-year-old Wanda McCoy, his wife's sister.

"My normal way of reacting to people telling me they were innocent was to say, 'Right,' and then ask the next question," Deans says. "But I didn't with Roger. I paid very close attention."

In the early 1980s, when she met Coleman, Deans was wag-

ing a one-woman battle against Virginia's death penalty, founding the Coalition on Jails and Prisons. She was no naïf: She knew the ways of death row and the men who lived there. She also knew the anguish of the victims' families; her mother-in-law had been murdered.

When the DNA results were announced this month, Deans says, she didn't feel betrayed. Instead, she wondered: Is it lying if you honestly believe you're telling the truth?

"Ever since DNA poked its head up, he was like, 'I want one of those tests,'" she says. "If you're guilty and you 'know you're guilty, you're not going to be begging for forensic testing."

She long believed that Coleman suffered from neurological problems, that he had incurred some type of brain damage. He heard things, she says. Sometimes he would seclude himself in his cell, not speaking to anyone, for a week or more.

"I came to the conclusion that if Roger had committed this crime, he didn't know it," Deans says. "I don't believe that Roger was a scammer, or somebody who just decided he could lie his way out of this."

Of course, Coleman never claimed he had a brain injury. He said he was innocent. And in hindsight, one incident seems telling.

In his book about the case, "May God Have Mercy," author John Tucker wrote that Coleman once hesitated at the prospect of DNA testing. Coleman maintained he had had sex with a female corrections officer, and that DNA from that encounter could be used to frame him.

At the time, his fears were dismissed as prison paranoia. To some, the revelation of Coleman's guilt was no revelation.

"Stop the presses: It turns out that rapists and killers are also liars," Michael Paranzino, president of a pro-death-penalty group called Throw Away the Key, told the Associated Press.

To others it's more complicated.

"The reason they're able to lie so effectively is so few of us are good at detecting people who lie," says former U.S. military interrogator Greg Hartley. A lie cannot exist in isolation. It requires the support of innumerable smaller lies, says Hartley, an Atlanta consultant and author of "How to Spot a Liar" (Career Press).

He recalls an exercise where soldiers were being taught to resist interrogation. As the subjects were harassed, they'd try to protect their family by eliminating the line of questioning.

"I'm an orphan," they'd say. The key to decoding that fiction lay not just in the soldiers' body language, but in the details of their story, Hartley says. Where and when did it occur? Was it a one-car crash or two?

Any "orphan" would remember these details.

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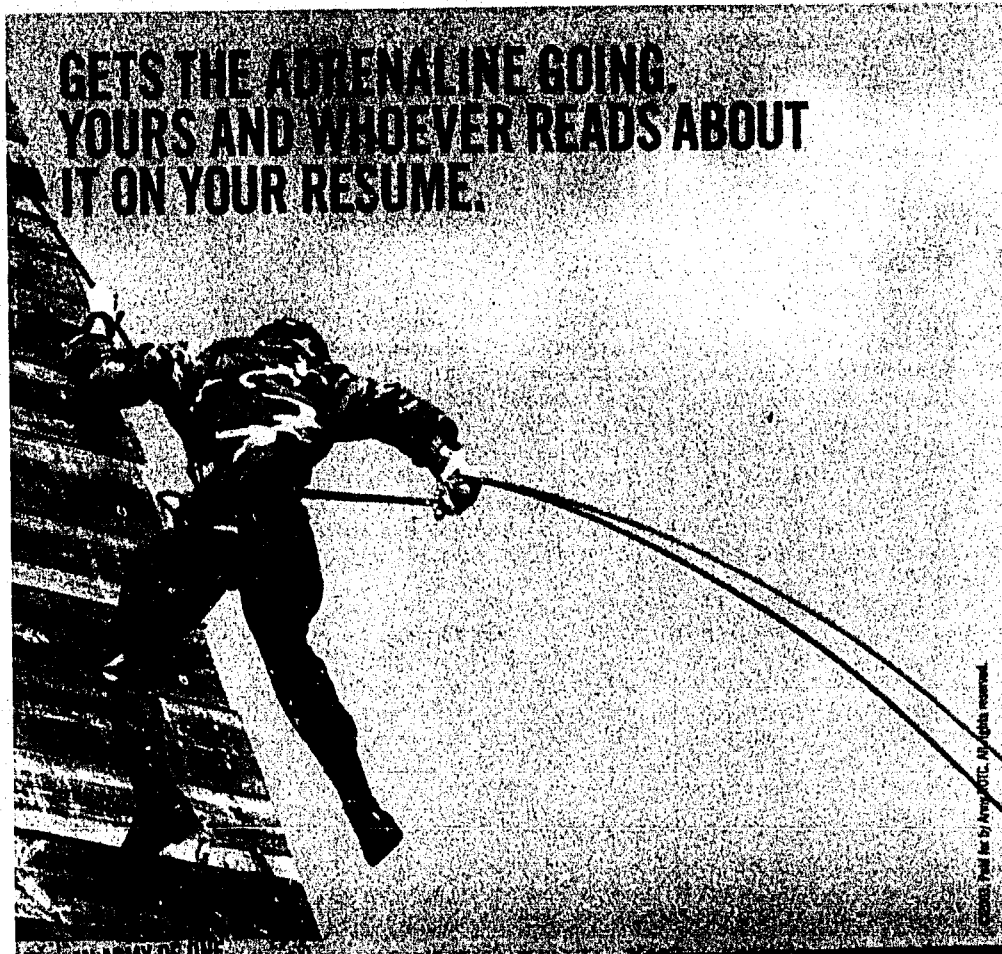
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## 'The New World' brings new experiences for Christian Bale



Q'Orlanka Kilcher as "Pocahontas," protects Colin Farrell as "Captain John Smith" in New Line Cinema's upcoming film, "The New World."



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BY DANIEL FIENBERG  
Knight Ridder Tribune

LOS ANGELES - Get Christian Bale talking about his "New World" director Terrence Malick and it's very difficult for the 31-year-old actor to stop.

"I just like his style of working so much," Bale raves. "He's such a calming director. He's so curious and he's appreciative of absolutely everything and there's never a sense that you're kind of being tested."

"Sometimes, with a movie, where there's such a hard, fast idea from the director about exactly what the scene should be, then it's very much like you are being tested, you know? You better achieve that line there, you better get that one in there and this one has to have this inflection and you've gotta switch here. And it stops being natural."

It's immediately obvious that Bale, who plays John Rolfe in this latest retelling of the Pocahontas legend, has joined that legion of actors willing to sacrifice various and sundry limbs to work with the reclusive Malick ("The Thin

Red Line").

Although Bale ("Batman Begins") has cemented a place as one of the industry's rising leading men, he eagerly took on a supporting role in "The New World." Rolfe, famous for his role in the Virginia tobacco industry, shows up well into the film to romance Pocahontas (newcomer Q'Orlanka Kilcher) after her heart has been broken by John Smith (Colin Farrell). Bale never minded playing second fiddle to the other actors, or even to Malick's own eccentricities.

"There were absolutely times where we'd be in the middle of doing a scene and it was, 'Oh God, look at the sun, look at the way that, look at the trees, the way they're moving right now. Quick,'" Bale recalls. "And people would run over there, get that, you know, or hey, Q'Orlanka, chase that grasshopper ... Go on. There you go.' Or somebody would walk past with a caterpillar on their hand and it would be, 'Heeeeey! Come on, get the caterpillar now!' But it was great, so you never knew what was gonna happen and Terry was just endlessly enthusiastic."

Of course, concentrating on sunsets,

grasshoppers and caterpillars often meant that pages of dialogue in the script would be reduced to a yearning glance or two on screen, somewhat negating the time Bale spent in the library learning about the real Rolfe.

"As usual, I tend to find that by the time I finish the movie I think, 'Ah yeah, once again Christian, you did all that research and it wasn't needed,'" Bale laughs. "But I just can't help it. It's nice to know. I just enjoy finding out as much as I can."

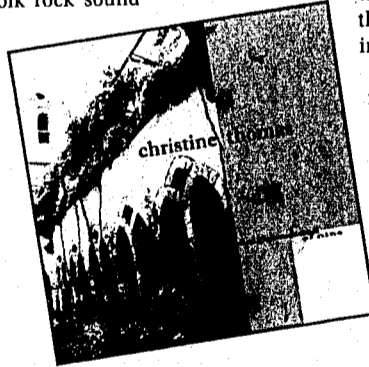
Watching the final product, Bale doesn't miss the scenes of character development for Rolfe or any of the myriad moments that were left out of the final cut. His main regret seems to be that he didn't have more opportunities to be edited out of the film.

"The only thing that I would have liked is just to have been involved more actually there, actually in the filming. You know, because I ended up only being there for I think four or five weeks or something. And I just like his style of working so much."



BY TRACEY SPERLING  
Culture Writer

This past November many people gathered at the Boise Little Theatre to support local singer/songwriter Christine Thomas with the release of her first solo album, titled "Neighborhood of Nine." Performing the song "State of Bliss," Thomas's folk rock sound



and artistic ensemble produced a positive vibe, and left several people to dancing in their seats, throughout the theatre.

Although Thomas's sound has been compared to that of Natalie Merchant's, she truly possesses her own unique style, her voice rich with passion. "Neighborhood of Nine" has a great mix of tunes that'll make you want to get up and dance, and a few that'll make you wish you were soaking in a tub surrounded by candles.

Thomas began her musical career in the late 1980s and has performed in the bands Major Lingo in Arizona, and Jackson Thorne and Trailer Park, both of Boise. Jackson Thorne and Trailer Park have played at popular venues such as Grainey's, the Blues Bouquet, and have also performed in the Hyde Park Street Fair.

Thomas's lyrics are emotive

and genuine. She wrote the song "For Moni," which she performs a cappella, as a tribute to her friend Monica who died of breast cancer. Thomas sang "For Moni" at a Boarding for Breast Cancer charity concert in Lake Tahoe. The songs lyrics are also displayed on the inside cover of the book "Why I Wore Lipstick To My Mastectomy," by Author Gerylyn Lucas. A portion of the proceeds of "Neighborhood of Nine" and of "For Moni" on iTunes will go towards the charity Boarding for Breast Cancer.

With such original lyrics, one could wonder where the creative intuition for her songwriting really comes from. Thomas admitted on stage that she sometimes has a hard time getting lunch dates with her friends as she habitually will turn their real life events into a song, hence the lyrics to "Tell Me What Happened."

There were a few hands in the pot with the composition of "Neighborhood of Nine." Listening to the songs you will also hear the talented sounds of a few of Thomas's friends, including local artists Steve Fulton and Bill Coffey.

"Neighborhood of Nine" was number one at The Record Exchange for two weeks over the holidays, and number 45 on the top 200 selling albums of the year.

Thomas's songs present a pleasant mixture of instruments from the cello, bongos, maracas, tambourines, and mandolin, to an assortment of guitars. Combine this with Thomas's enticing, mesmeric voice and you have yourself an exquisite musical treat.

## Christine Thomas shares a state of bliss

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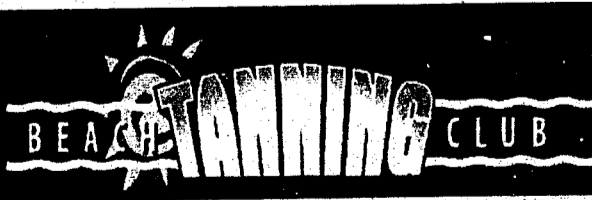
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BY GREG WALLACE  
CULTURE WRITER

#### New Tool record:

As with almost everything they do, Tool have announced the spring 2006 release of a new CD in a very unusual way. They have not used a press release, let it slip out to their favorite journalist, or posted on their Web site.

Instead, Tool has released two new DVD singles, one for "Schism" and one for "Parabola." The sticker on the outside packaging of these DVD's contains the announcement, "Look for new Tool release, spring 2006." No other information is available at this time, and maybe none is needed, but Tool fans are excitedly awaiting their next move.

For fans that just can not wait for a new CD, singer Maynard Keenan has two new songs in stores now. Tool front man and founder Keenan has released these songs as a side project named Puscifer. The first is "Rev 22:20" and is available on the soundtrack to the movie "Saw II," and just released on Jan. 10 is the song "The Undertaker" on the soundtrack of the movie "Underworld: Evolution."

#### More Guns N' Roses news:

Just as my last column went to print, announcing the rumored March release of Guns N' Roses' long awaited "Chinese Democracy" CD, Axl Rose finally spoke to the press about the record.

Rose spoke to reporter Steve Baltin at a record release party for the band Korn. Following the conversation, Baltin posted the story on RollingStone.com on Jan. 17. Although Baltin did not get a release date, Rose's official word on the situation was, "People will hear music this year." This may seem like a very vague statement, but Rose was referring to the release of the CD "Chinese Democracy." To everyone's disappointment, Rose also announced that the record was not yet complete, making a March release highly unlikely.

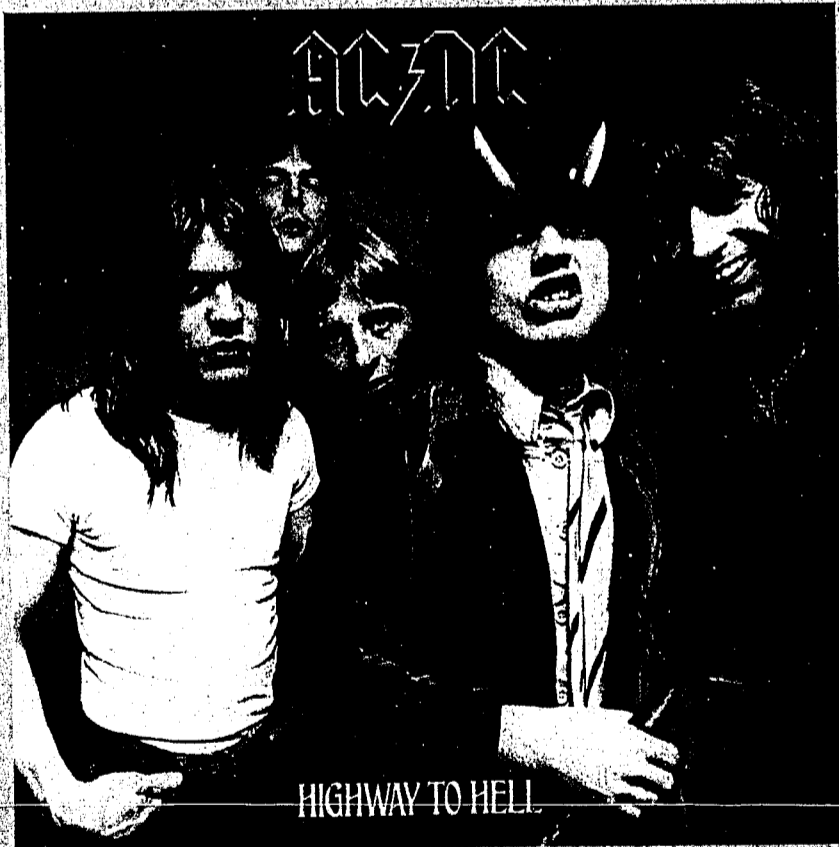
#### Gene Simmons of Kiss, a reality TV star?

Move over Ozzy Osbourne, Gene Simmons of the band Kiss will bring his family to reality TV in 2006. The show will revolve around Simmons, his wife Shannon and their two kids. It will be titled "Gene Simmons Family Jewels," and will air on the cable channel A & E later this year.

This comes hot on the heels of VH1's "Rock School," Simmons' first venture into reality TV.

#### New AC/DC:

Rumors have been circulating about a new CD and tour in 2006 by one of the all time great rock n' roll bands AC/DC. It would give the band a chance to see AC/DC live in concert once again, and any information to confirm this rumor. I did find a release date for a new CD of old material that will be released in 2006, "The Essential Music of AC/DC: The Bon Scott Years." We will have to keep our fingers crossed on this one.



#### Korn to play Boise:

Korn have announced that their "See You on the Other Side" tour will stop at the Idaho center on March 6. Tickets are now on sale. Opening acts for Korn include Mudvayne and 10 Years.

This comes on the eve of their \$25 million record contract they signed with Virgin Records. The contract gave the label a piece of the profits for the band's future tours, and merchandising sales. In all reality this contract may have signed away some of the profits of all new bands seeking a recording contract from an industry frantically looking for new ways to make money in the age of music downloading.

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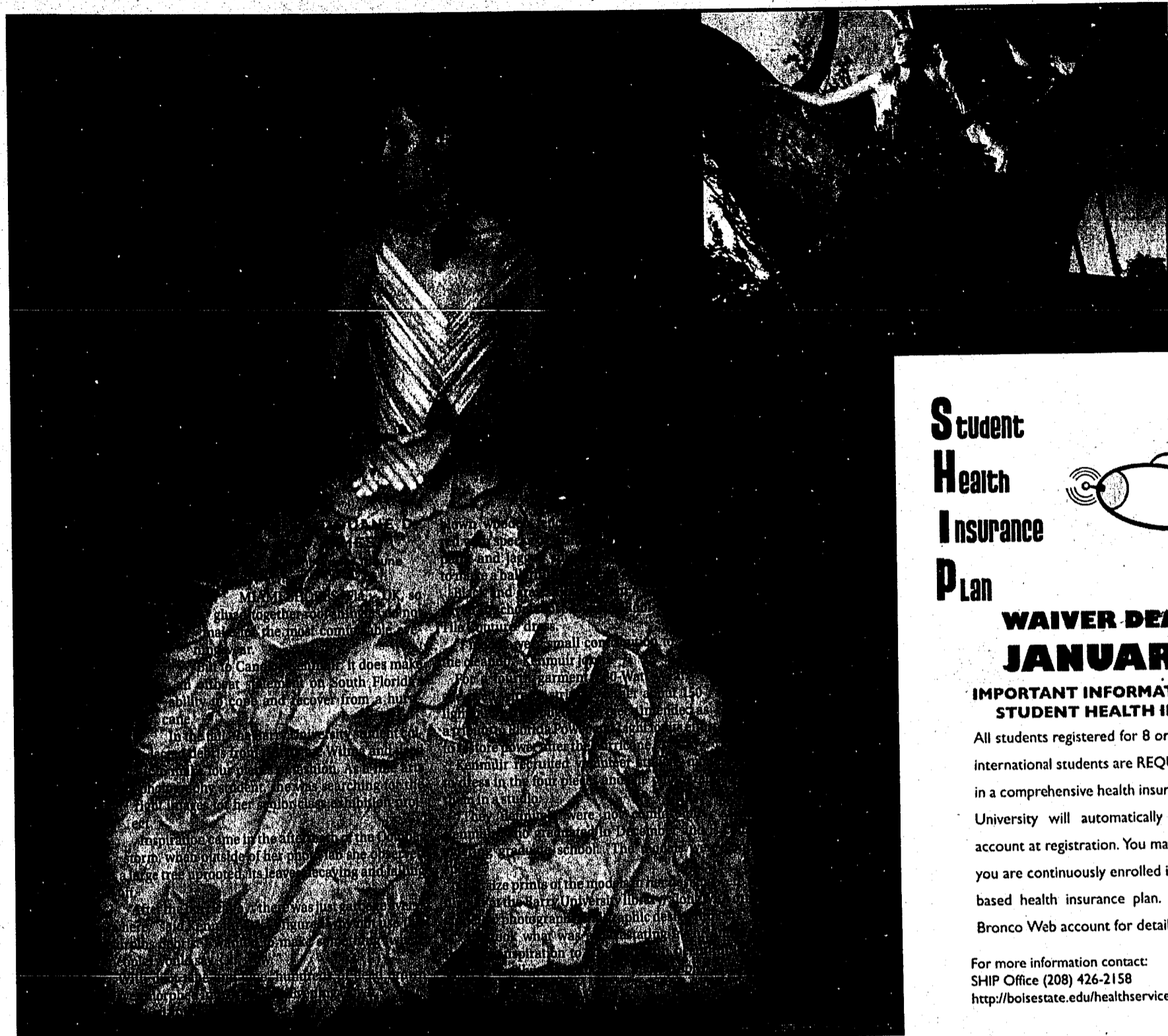
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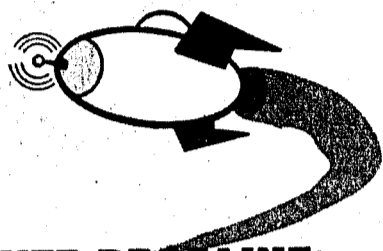
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Saturday  
BSU @ Idaho  
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### Women's Basketball

Thursday  
BSU @ Nevada 7 p.m. (PT)  
Saturday  
Idaho @ BSU, 2 p.m.

### Gymnastics

Friday  
BSU @ UC Davis, TBA

### Skiing

Friday-Saturday  
Colorado Nordic Collegiate  
Steamboat Junction, Colo.

### Men's Tennis

Thursday  
BSU @ Pepperdine  
1 p.m. (PT)  
Malibu, Calif.

### Friday

BSU @ UCLA  
1:30 p.m. (PT)  
Los Angeles

### Sunday

Texas A&M @ BSU  
1 p.m.

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BSU vs. Portland, TBA

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Eugene, Ore.

### Track & Field

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Athletes Invitational  
Nampa, Idaho

## [SIDE LINE]

### Colledge to play in Senior Bowl

Boise State offensive lineman Daryn Colledge is among the 100 top senior NFL draft prospects participating in the 2006 Senior Bowl this week in Mobile, Ala.

Colledge is a member of the Senior Bowl's North squad, which is being coached by Tennessee Titans head coach Jeff Fisher and his staff.

Kickoff is set for 2:00 p.m. (MT) and the contest will be nationally televised by ESPN. The contest is also a complete sellout in 40,646-seat Ladd-Peebles Stadium.

ESPN and the NFL Network are also televising Senior Bowl practices this year with over 11 hours of coverage during the week. Remaining ESPN practice telecasts air from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. today and Friday. The Senior Bowl is the nation's premier pre-draft showcase, annually featuring the top senior NFL draft prospects on teams coached by the entire coaching staffs of two National Football League teams. San Francisco 49ers head coach Mike Nolan and his staff are coaching the South squad in this year's game.

In 2005, ten Senior Bowlers were chosen in the first-round of the NFL Draft and 83 players were drafted overall. Ninety-five percent of last year's Senior Bowl players made active rosters in the NFL in 2005, including the NFL's Offensive Rookie of the Year - running back Cadillac Williams of Tampa Bay.

Over 560 former Senior Bowl players were on active rosters in the NFL in 2005. Twenty-six former Senior Bowlers were named to rosters for this year's NFL Pro Bowl game including the league's MVP, running back Shaun Alexander of the Seahawks, and Bears' linebacker Brian Urlacher, the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year.

## Broncos win 11th game, on the road tonight in Reno

BY TREVOR HORN  
Sports Editor

This can be called a crazy week for the Boise State women's basketball team, just by the theatrics on Monday night. And the team still has two more games coming this weekend. The Broncos have three games in six nights, including tonight at Nevada (7:00 p.m. PT) and at home against in-state rival Idaho on Saturday at 2:00 p.m. in Taco Bell Arena. Monday night, the Broncos beat Hawaii (10-

6 overall, 1-4 Western Athletic Conference) 83-75 despite losing their point guard to an ankle injury in the first minute of the game, and some odd decisions by the officiating crew. Boise State head coach Gordy Presnell was called for a technical foul at the half way point of the second half by an official with the game tied at 66. Just minutes later, the same ref yelled out to a fan in the first row behind the press table, "one more word, and I will have you throw out," in the middle of a play. This all went on while the Hawaii head coach

reportedly yelled at fans behind the visitor's bench.

"It's one of those things. Basketball is a funny game because sometimes things work to your favor momentum wise, and some things don't," Presnell said.

That momentum was the Broncos out scoring the Wahine 17 to 9 the rest of the game.

Nadia Begay hurt her ankle while coming down the court with the ball on the sec-

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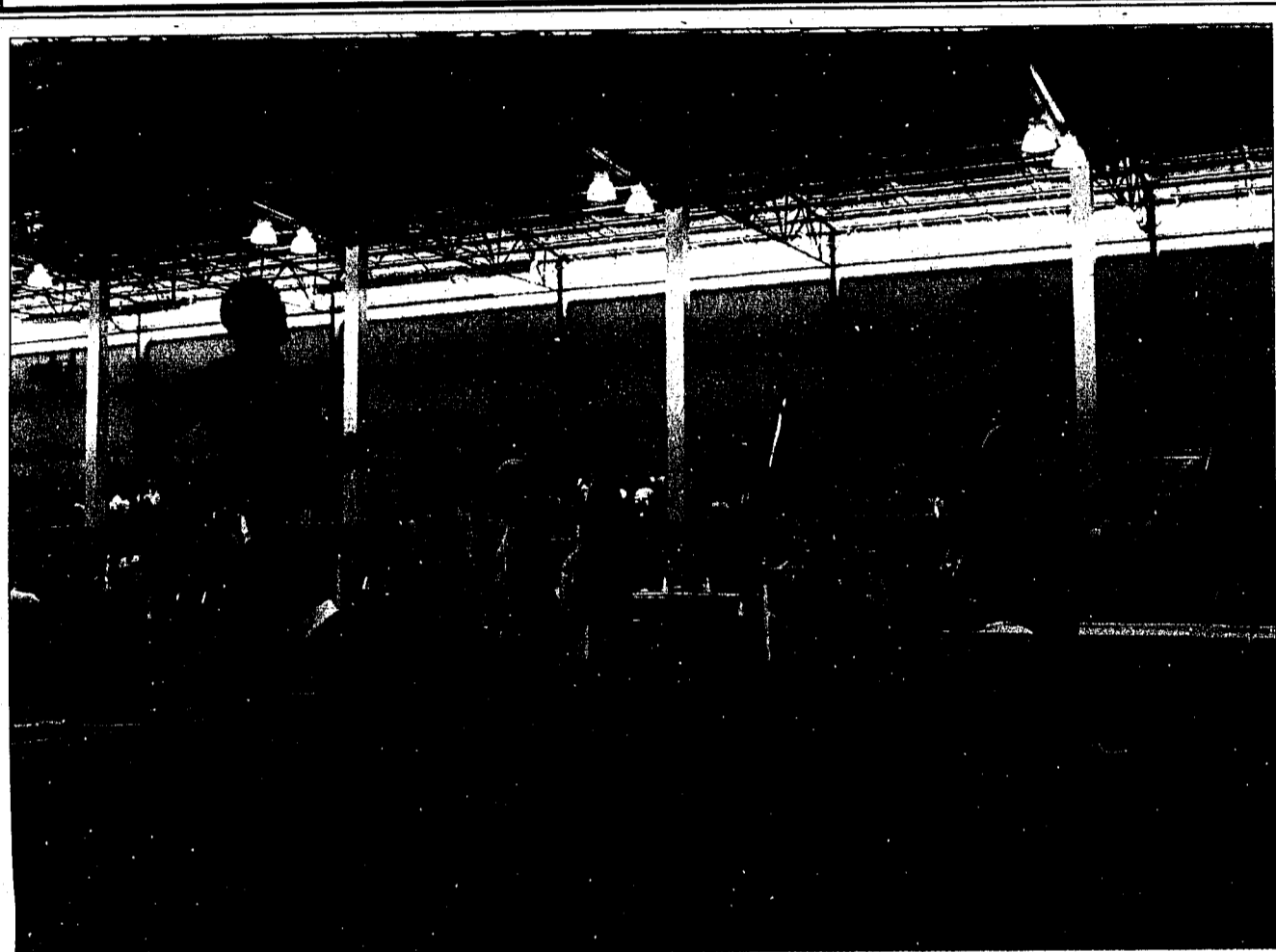


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Boise State football players Drisan James (left) and Lee Marks (far lane) are also competing for the Boise State indoor track and field team this season. Punt returner Quinton Jones and freshman wide receiver Aiona Key will also be on the team.

## Football and track make a speedy combination

BY TREVOR HORN  
Sports Editor

The blend of speed and power are nearing full throttle for some of the Boise State football players now that they are members of the track and field team.

Four players in all are competing during the indoor track and field season, which continues tomorrow and Saturday in the Athletes Invitational on the Jackson's Track at the Idaho Sports Center.

"It's fantastic," Boise State track and field head coach Mike Maynard said. "I think the transition of the new football program and Chris Petersen is going to be exceptional for us. Two of the most successful programs on cam-

pus—their national ranking and our national ranking are similar and I think can be of great help to each other."

Last weekend, the indoor season began for the Broncos in the Hampton Inn & Suites Classic in Nampa where former running back Lee Marks competed for the Broncos in the 60-meter dash. Senior-to-be wide receiver Drisan James also competed in the 60, but ran unattached, as did redshirt freshman receiver Aiona Key in the high jump. All-american punt returner Quinton Jones is expected to compete for the Broncos once he is cleared to play both sports.

Maynard explains how important this is for both teams.

"What it does for those football players is it

adds exceptional speed. What that does to our team is it gives us the ability to score many more points. What it does to those individual such as Andre (Summers) and Antoine (Echols) and the rest of our sprinters, is it allows us to take some of the load off and utilize them," Maynard said.

Last season, Echols competed in the 60-, 200- and 400-meter dashes, along with the triple jump.

"We won't have to do that now because with people like Drisan James and Lee (Marks) and Quinton (Jones), when he's with us," Maynard said. "They are going to have a major impact. It's going to help that we can be helpful to the football program with regards to recruiting."

Jones is listed as the fastest football player

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## Time to start sizing up Super Bowl XL

COMMENTARY  
BY DON PIERSON  
Chicago Tribune

DENVER - Roethlisberger vs. Hasselbeck sounds more like a beer-tasting contest than a Super Bowl. In Pittsburgh and Seattle, they don't care. It is a matchup not many expected, and the winner might be even harder to predict.

The Steelers have been to Super Bowls before. The Seahawks haven't been anyplace.

Somebody will send a map of how to get to Detroit, and it will be fascinating to hear how many of Seattle's "12th man" fans can

make the trip.

"Everybody in the stadium is coming," Seattle coach Mike Holmgren said.

But this game will be a home date for the Steelers, and not just because running back Jerome Bettis grew up in Detroit.

The Steelers are as national as a sports team gets. The Seahawks are so regional not everybody remembers they played in the AFC for most of their 30-year history.

Pittsburgh fans will descend on Detroit in droves. For one thing, they can drive. They already have the chains on their tires. They have so much experience finding tickets that places

like Cincinnati, Cleveland and Indianapolis plot ways to keep them away.

They invaded the Denver airport Saturday night waving their yellow Terrible Towels. They were on the streets, in parking lots and scattered throughout the stadium.

"We're a road team," safety Troy Polamalu said. "We're the Pittsburgh Steelers. We have fans everywhere."

Yet you can hear it now. The Steelers will do everything in their power to keep playing the underdog role.

They are the first sixth seed to make it. The Seahawks are

the No. 1 seed in the NFC. The Seahawks are the league's top-scoring team. The Seahawks have the league's most valuable player, Shaun Alexander. All the Steelers have is a run-down, 33-year-old Bettis.

No quarterback as young as Ben Roethlisberger ever has won a Super Bowl. Seattle's Matt Hasselbeck has been around longer and paid more dues. Seahawks coach Mike Holmgren won a Super Bowl with Green Bay in 1996. Steelers coach Bill Cowher lost one in 1995.

The Seahawks led the league

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## Men's hoops continues on a nasty week

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The Boise State men's basketball team continue the torrid week tonight at home against Nevada at 7:30 p.m. in Taco Bell Arena.

From Monday to this Saturday, the Broncos will have played three teams in three different time zones.

Monday, the Broncos (9-8 overall, 2-4 Western Athletic Conference) lost to Hawaii, 72-61 in Honolulu. Eric Lane led the Broncos with 15 points on 5 of 9 shooting from three-point range, but the Broncos could not beat the Warriors, who are an impressive 10-2 at home.

Broncos leading scorer, Coby Karl shot just 21 percent from the field including missing his first nine shots, but did score 12 points and eclipsed 1,000 points for his career at Boise State.

Karl and Hawaii's Julian Sensley each reached the 1,000-point milestone in the game, less than one minute apart. Karl, who needed seven points heading into the game, nailed a 3-pointer with 8:36 to play to reach the milestone.

Tonight, the Broncos face a Nevada team (13-5, 3-3 WAC) coming off a home loss to Utah State Monday night. Nevada is led by junior center Nick Fazekas. Nevada beat Boise State on Jan. 14 81-67 in Reno.

Saturday is the first of two conference games against in-state rival Idaho. Saturday will be the first conference match-up between the two teams since both played in the Big West Conference in 2000-01. Idaho is 3-13 overall this season, but is winless (0-5) in the WAC going into Saturday's game in Moscow.

Boise State is currently in seventh place in the conference. Louisiana Tech is atop the standing with a 5-1 record. Utah State (5-2) and Hawaii (4-2) round out the top three and only a game and a half separates fourth and seventh place. A win tonight against Nevada for Boise State and a Fresno State (2-3) win over New Mexico State (3-2) would push the Broncos into a tie with Nevada in fifth place.

The Broncos are 7-2 at home this season, with the two losses coming only to Weber State on Nov. 21 and to La Tech on Jan. 5 on a desperation three-pointer by Paul Milsap, as time expired.

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# Gymnast balances beam, bars and biochemistry

BY DUSTIN LAPRAY  
Assistant Sports Editor

Imagine standing one-footed on a solid beam, four inches wide, and launching your body into the air, cartwheeling, dismounting with a back flip-360 and sticking the landing. Imagine curling your body in elegant gestures and contorting your frame into positions most humans are incapable of. Imagine the focus, the concentration on perfection, with judges criticizing your every move. That is the plight of the college gymnast: to achieve perfection in a sport in which a "10" is nearly impossible of attaining, yet continually attempting that perfection.

Boise State junior gymnast Lindsay Ward makes such attempts for her team, herself and the history of a program that finished No. 20 in the nation last season.

Ward, on top of her achievements in the gymnastic arena, is a biochemistry major, taking classes like Calculus III and Organic Chemistry. As an upper-division student, Ward has completed all her electives and prerequisites.

"You have to take these classes. It's all planned out. It's kind of nice, they just tell me what to do, but it's all math and science classes from here on out."

Ward said she wants to go into the prescription drug field. She did an internship with the BSU chemistry lab last summer working with enzymes involving cancer medications.

Ward said that she has had to adjust her schedule, with the more difficult classes and the structure of a gymnastics season.

"In the fall, you have the weekends off, so you can go to the mall and stuff like that, but come gymnastics season, I can't do that stuff," Ward said. "I have to sit down and



do my homework."

Ward said that Coach Sam Sandmire and the rest of the BSU coaching staff are very helpful when it comes to academics, allowing for Sunday practices and requiring high standards for the women on the team.

Ward got into gymnastics at an early age at the suggestion of her dance instructor. She said that, in dance, she did jazz, tap and acrobatics. Gymnastics was a mild transition. It brought a competitive angle to her athletic endeavors.

"It's really helpful," Ward said. "Dancers always have good posture. (In gymnastics) you push yourself really hard. It's really fun, though, I wouldn't do it if it wasn't. Just the feeling you get from competition, it's like the best feeling you can have; to see your hard work pay off."

As a teenager Ward hit a growth spurt, gaining four inches in height in a single year. The spurt threw off her technique and catapulted her to 5-foot-8, which is tall for a gymnast.

"I pretty much lost everything," Ward said. "I couldn't do any of my skills any more. I think it helps now,

**"In the fall, you have the weekends off, so you can go to the mall and stuff like that, but come gymnastics season, I can't do that stuff. I have to sit down and do my homework."**

-Lindsay Ward, BSU Gymnast

being tall, with long legs. It looks really good, there's definitely an advantage with that range. I think it looks more beautiful."

Ward also indicated that her height was a disadvantage for many things, such as tumbling and the contortions that a gymnast must be able to perform.

"It's really a disadvantage for a lot of different things," Ward said. "When you're used to lifting 90 pounds and then you have to lift 20 more, it's just so much harder."

Ward said that her favorite events were the balance beam and the uneven bars. She added that the floor exercise and the vault were more difficult for her, since they incorporate maneuvers that don't come as naturally for her.

Whichever events Ward considers her favorites, she is proficient in all four. She won the all-around at the Beauty and the Beast competition last weekend and went to nationals in 2005.

Outside of school, Ward said that she enjoys those summer runs, not indoors where you must run laps for a certain time or a number of laps. She said she can look around and see the world, run to some place and come back.

## Gymnasts head for UC Davis

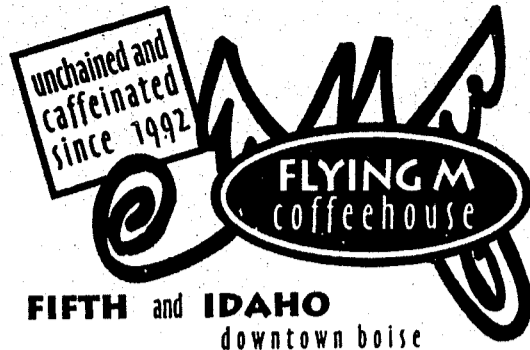
The Boise State gymnastics team travels to Davis, Calif. to a dual with UC Davis Saturday. The Broncos are 1-1 so far this season, downing the Aggies at Taco Bell Arena last Friday.

The early season has the young Broncos figuring out roles and learning the techniques they will need later in the season when they will need secure performances to reach the regional tournament and qualify for nationals.

"I want our team to peak when it counts," BSU head coach Sam Sandmire said. "In gymnastics, the score is so much more important than the win-loss. We try to not focus on our opponent, to focus on ourselves and our performance, to focus on what we need to do at that exact moment."

The Broncos scored a 190.325 against UC Davis, but Sandmire wants the team to score in the mid-190's when regionals roll around. This will be the road dual for the Broncos this season.

"The first road trip is a chance for the team to bond," Sandmire said.



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## Brash skiers such as Miller are nothing new

BY MECHELLE VOEPEL  
Knight Ridder Tribune

The "renegade" skier who speaks his mind, chafes at restrictions, makes his own rules and always seems to be annoying the establishment. Bode Miller, you say? Well, if that's really what he is, then he's only the latest in a long line.

The sport of alpine skiing has never lacked for competitors who fit the above personality description to some degree. Remember, these are folks who go up to 85 mph down icy mountains.

The ability to ignore fear - or at least overcome it - is a prerequisite for being a successful alpine skier. So we should not be surprised when people whose occupation requires that they quite literally live on the edge sometimes don't "obey authority."

Back in those quaint days when Olympic leaders were trying to enforce a strict concept of amateurism, the great Jean-Claude Killy ran afoul of the establishment. The Frenchman thrilled his country by sweeping the three men's alpine events of the 1968 Games in Grenoble, France.

But then-International Olympic Committee president Avery Brundage criticized Killy and other alpine skiers for intentionally allowing the trademark brands on their equipment to always be facing the camera in post-race photographs. Pretty much everyone knew that cash exchanged hands for these supposedly inadvertent "endorsements," but Killy pulled it off and got the gold medals.

Four years later in the Sapporo Games, though, the crusading Brundage disqualified Austrian skier Karl Schranz for being a so-

called professional. It was a dirty word then in the Olympics. But Schranz's outspoken criticism of Brundage - which then branded him as a rebel - now seems like common sense railing against an unfair, unrealistic and outdated standard.

The word "brash" is a classic description of alpine skiers. It's been used extensively with competitors such as American Bill Johnson, Italy's Alberto Tomba and Miller. And the most famous fictional U.S. skier - Robert Redford's David Chappellet in the 1969 movie "Downhill Racer" - was the embodiment of the stereotype: cocky, reckless, self-focused and determined to "do it his way."

Miller, though, is a real flesh-and-blood, highly skilled athlete who may well be the best American skier ever. And wouldn't you know - he has a history of being more or less unmanageable for the U.S. Ski Team.

A year ago, after he became the first American in two decades to win the World Cup overall title, Miller floated the idea of skipping the Turin Olympics altogether. He also talked then about starting an alternative skiing circuit and criticized the International Ski Federation and the U.S. Ski Team.

Miller told reporters at the time: "There's coaches, fans, a lot of people who want me to do one thing or another, who attach themselves to your success. It creates a conflict of emotion because it's easy to listen to your own voice in your head if you're the only one talking. But if there's a million different people talking, you can't help but revert back to the loudest voice you hear in your head."

Although many Winter

Olympians would just as soon not compete in relative obscurity, that's what Miller would prefer. Except it's his fame that has helped make him wealthy enough to feel he doesn't have to answer to anyone.

The U.S. Ski Team has never been overburdened with stars or success. So the organization probably needs Miller more than he needs it. Miller has said and done what he pleased, including complain about drug testing and equipment checks, boast about pre-race partying and clash with U.S. ski coach Phil McNichol.

Miller was criticized roundly for his comments on "60 Minutes" about skiing under the influence of alcohol. Although Miller apologized, one suspects the "real Bode" probably didn't feel too sorry at all.

For all the stories written about Miller's unconventional childhood and young adulthood as a parentally encouraged free spirit growing up in New Hampshire, the best is told by Miller himself.

In his autobiography, Bode: Go Fast, Be Good, Have Fun, he makes it clear that he insists on living his own way and that his success is because of that, not in spite of it.

Street told the Los Angeles Times last week she thought Miller wanted to see how hard he could push and that he was still growing up at age 28.

Meanwhile, McNichol told reporters in regard to Miller, "We've been pretty busy cleaning up after our one outspoken cowboy."

McNichol suggested maybe Miller should go it alone in Italy and not be part of the U.S. Ski Team, although he could compete for the United States. The U.S. alpine team will be announced Wednesday in Las Vegas.

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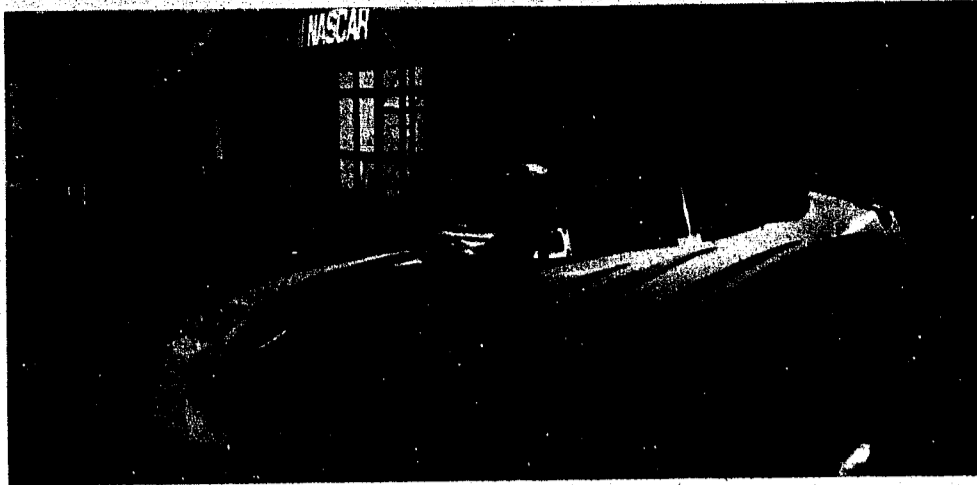
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## What'll Bryant do next? Take on Lex Luthor?

COMMENTARY  
BY DAVID MOORE  
The Dallas Morning News

Now that he's flaunted the laws of physics and NBA box scores, it's only natural to wonder if he can do more.

Kobe Bryant isn't constrained by the mundane boundaries of reality and history. He's one of those rare athletes who tempt you to believe the impossible may now be possible.

This is what Bryant has done with his 81-point game. He's forced us to examine the assumption that Wilt Chamberlain's record will

never be broken.

The 100 points the Big Dipper scored on March 2, 1962, are the product of a bygone era when Chamberlain was bigger and stronger than anyone he faced and defenses weren't nearly as sophisticated. It's one of those athletic feats, along with Joe DiMaggio's 56-game hitting streak in baseball, revered as untouchable. "If one person did it, it's possible that someone else can accomplish the same feat," argued George Gervin, who once scored 63 points in a game and now works in community relations for the San Antonio Spurs. "All the young kids who have people tell them you can't do this, you can't do that, those who hear Wilt's record will never be broken {ellipses}"

"Kobe has proven things like that can happen."

Maybe it can. But it's not likely. That's the difference - OK, one of many differences - between a four-time NBA scoring champion and a jaded journalist. Gervin looks at the highest scoring game in nearly 44 years and sees more.

I look at Bryant's brilliant performance and see why Chamberlain's record is safe.

I'm not alone. After the Los Angeles Lakers star autographed copies of the box score for teammates and staff, he was asked about Chamberlain's record.

"That's unthinkable," Bryant

said. "It's pretty exhausting to think about."

He wasn't being gracious. Breaking 100 in today's game is unthinkable.

Chamberlain scored 100 points in a season in which the league average was 118.8 points. Only five teams are above 100 in the NBA this season, and the average is 96.7 points.

The possibility of Bryant, or any player, scoring more than the league average is absurd.

Another crucial consideration is the number of possessions.

The Lakers average 80.8 shots a game. That's 27 less than teams averaged during the 1961-62 season. It's part of the reason seven of the 10 highest scoring games in league history came between 1960 and '63.

Not everything about this era puts Bryant and others at a disadvantage. The Lakers guard picked up seven additional points behind the 3-point arch that wasn't available when Chamberlain played. Rule changes that prevent defenders from hand-checking an opponent have opened up the game on the perimeter.

Chicago's Michael Jordan never scored more than 69 points in a game. Portland coach Nate McMillan is one who believes Jordan would have scored 100 points under the current rules.

"You better believe it makes

a difference," said Gervin, who holds the record for most points in a quarter with 33.

"Back in the day, you could be held. A defender used to be able to put a hand on your side or an arm in your back. I was 185 pounds and had guys at 225 pounds putting their hands on me. It was like trying to move a stump.

"I'm not saying it's easier now, but it's different."

Very different. And that makes for a spirited debate.

The Lakers' Phil Jackson said he's never witnessed anything like what Bryant did to Toronto, which is pretty heady stuff when you consider he coached Jordan. Gervin considers Bryant's 81 as impressive as Chamberlain's 100.

Bryant did shoot better and score a greater percentage of his team's points (66.4 percent to 59.2 percent) than Chamberlain did in his 100-point effort.

"To compare it to anybody would be useless," Gervin said. "He set himself apart from everyone else. Everyone looks for another Michael Jordan, and there probably won't be one.

"What Kobe did was establish himself as one of the greatest scorers of all time at an early age. He's a phenom. I'm a believer, man.

"Now we've got to sit back and wait and see if anyone scores 82."

Notice he said 82. Not 101.

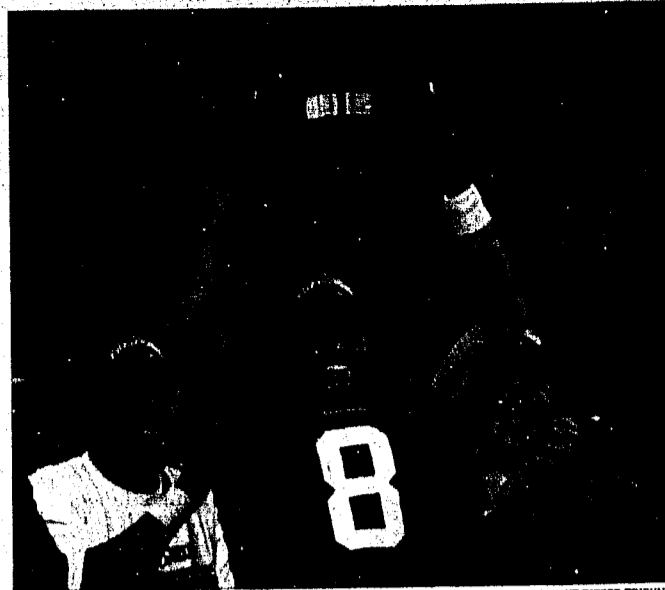


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Seattle quarterback Matt Hasselbeck holds up the NFC championship trophy as Shaun Alexander (left) smiles along.

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in sacks, so who are the Steelers to brag about their stifling defense?

The Seahawks won the NFC title game Sunday by a bigger margin than the Steelers won the AFC.

The Seahawks and Steelers last played in 2003, and Seattle won. The Seahawks have won eight of 14 games between the two franchises.

The Seahawks got to stay home and win two playoff games. The Steelers had to go on the road for three games and beat the top three seeds, wearing themselves to a frazzle.

By Monday night, the Steelers and their fans will happily conclude that no one in their right mind will give them a chance of succeeding in Detroit.

It will be tough duty, but they will find a way to stay "disrespected." On Sunday, they said this year was easier for them than last year, when they were 15-1 and lost the AFC title game at home to New England.

"Everyone put overwhelming pressure on us," receiver Hines Ward said. "It was overwhelming for everyone, including the veterans."

This year?

"People said there was no way we could do this three weeks in a row," Ward said. "There was more pressure on (the Broncos) than on us."

The Steelers will use the same reasoning against the Seahawks, who coasted down the stretch after wrapping up home-field advantage.

By contrast, the Steelers have been in playoff mode since Dec. 11, when the Bears went to Pittsburgh after the Steelers had lost three games in a row. The Steelers ran all over the Bears and started on a seven-game winning streak.

"The Chicago game was a big game for us establishing ourselves as a running football team," Cowher said. "We started to get Ben back at that time, too, when he came back from his (knee and thumb) injuries."

The Steelers and Seahawks both love to run and stop the run, the twin keys to success. It's a familiar formula on which the Bears pride themselves.

It also is telling to note that both the Steelers and Seahawks ran and stopped the run better this year than the Bears did.

Because the best teams play run defense as well as they run, the biggest games usually get decided by which quarterback passes better. Roethlisberger's passer efficiency rating for the season was 98.6, Hasselbeck's 98.2.

That makes it hard for either team to play underdog, not that both won't be trying every day for the next two weeks.

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# Mens' tennis to play three top-15 teams in four days

BY TREVOR HORN  
Sports Editor

If the rankings and head coach Greg Patton don't lie, this is an enormous weekend for the Boise State men's tennis team.

Following a home loss to begin the 2006 spring season to Utah last Saturday, 4-3, the Broncos will play three teams in the top-15 in the nation.

"It's really big," Patton said. "It's like we got thrown in the dungeon and now we have to get out of it. I really believe we can win. With everything that has happened to us, I believe we can win."

Today, the Broncos will play No. 9 Pepperdine in Malibu, Calif.

"The great thing about it is Pepperdine just beat the number one team in the nation. They're good. What a great opportunity for us. Now instead of us having the target on our backs, now it will take the pressure off so we can be free to play," Patton said.

The Broncos, who are ranked 28th in the nation by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association, then play No. 5 UCLA on Friday in Los Angeles.

"This is as big as it gets. We are in

a ditch and we need to get ourselves out of it. We have a chance to play teams that we want to play and we think we can play with the top-20 teams. So we are going to see where we are," Patton said.

Despite the opening loss to Utah, Patton is optimistic about this season for the Broncos.

"I think we got a great team. Nothing has changed I think in a lot of ways this was really good losing to Utah," Patton said.

There are three Broncos who are currently ranked by the ITA. Sophomore All-American Luke Shields is ranked No. 13 individually and is ranked No. 7 in doubles with fellow All-American Thomas Schoeck. Sophomore Brent Werbeck is ranked No. 89 in singles.

Following the two tough road matches, the Broncos return home Sunday to host Texas A&M at the Boise Racquet and Swim Club.

The Aggies beat Boise State in Boise last season to oust the Broncos from the NCAA tournament.

"Every time you lose, the next match is redemption," Patton said. "By that time, we will be battle hardened."

The Broncos send seven players

this weekend to Southern California. Along with Shields, Schoeck and Werbeck, the Broncos will also have sophomore Eric Roberson, senior Ehren Vaughn, and freshmen Steve Robertson and Clancy Shields, the younger brother of Luke Shields.

Clancy lost last weekend in his first collegiate match, but Patton has high hopes for the youngster.

"Clancy is a great player. It was his first college match, where everything was on the line and he's going to be great for us," Patton said.

If the Broncos want to be successful during this hyped season, hyped because of the individual performances of the Shields' brothers, Werbeck, and the doubles play of Shields and Schoeck, Patton will need his younger players to step up.

"The schedule is demanding and we have got several guys that we are waiting to be able to play," Patton said. "So we are doing good. We have a lot of depth."

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## Women's tennis begins season

The Boise State women's tennis team opens their season beginning Saturday in Eugene, Ore.

The Broncos play Santa Clara and Portland State Saturday, and wrap up the opening weekend against Oregon on Sunday.

Of the three teams that the Broncos will face this week, Oregon is the only ranked opponent.

The Ducks are ranked No. 27 by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association.

The senior duo of Megan Bjorkman and Hadley MacFarlane for Boise State are the Central Region's No. 5 doubles team. Freshman Tatiana Ganzha is ranked No. 13 in singles in the Central Region.

In the West Region, Oregon boasts five ranked players. Dominika

Dieskova, ranked No. 8 in the region, is also ranked No. 26 nationally. The doubles team of Dieskova and Ana Olivos is ranked No. 6 in the region, as well as No. 49 nationally.

Anna Leksinska and Claudia Hirt are the 11th ranked doubles team in the West Region.

In singles, Olivos is ranked No. 24 in the West, and Carmen Seremeta is ranked No. 25.

The Broncos played Oregon earlier this season at both the Jack Taylor Invitational and the Husky Invitational, going 8-7 against the Ducks in singles.

Boise State also played many of the girls from Portland this fall, going 6-3 in singles against the Pilots.

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ever at Boise State in the 40-meter dash. Key, last season at Mira Loma high school, outside of Sacramento, Calif., high jumped seven feet. Last weekend, the 6 foot, 4 inch freshman competed unattached and cleared six feet, eleven inches. James took second to Andre Summers last weekend in the 60 at 7.06 seconds to Summers' 6.88. Marks finished third with a time of 7.16 and junior college transfer for the track team, Nick Cunningham, finished fourth at 7.17.

### Jons earns weekly WAC award

Weight thrower Mattias Jones earned the Western Athletic Conference X-Box Live men's athlete of the week award following his record-breaking performance last weekend.

Jons broke his own school record in the 35-pound weight throw. His winning throw of 69 feet, 7 inches broke his old record of 67-2.25.

"Mattias' training levels this year have really been exceptional. Obviously last year he had a great season. He was second in the indoor championships and has really stepped it up since then," Maynard said.

His throw also surpassed the NCAA automatic qualifying standard for this year's NCAA National Championships to be held March 10 and 11 in Fayetteville, Ark. His throw is the fourth best collegiate mark in the country this season.

### Two former Broncos leave program

Former All-American high jumper Miruna Mataoanu and pentathlon standout Sophie Lundstrom did not return for the 2006 season.

Mataoanu, who was a 2004 All-American in the outdoor high jump transferred to the University of Alabama, for what Maynard said was "to be near her sister."

Lundstrom decided to go back home to Sweden.

"There was no discipline issues," Maynard said. "They just wanted to be close to home and family."

## Hoops (from page 10)

ond possession of the game for Boise State, forcing Presnell to keep true freshman shooting guard Jessica Thompson in the game for the entire 40 minutes. Thompson scored 19 points in the first half, but to score just two points after halftime—both from the line late in the game.

"Jessica kind of geeked out and Jackie picked it up for us. But Nadia is our point guard and when she goes out, she is the only one on the team that plays point guard so that's why (Jessica Thompson) had to go 40 (minutes). She muscled up," Presnell said.

It will be a game time decision tomorrow whether Begay will play tonight against Nevada.

If she doesn't, it may mean more minutes for Thompson, something that was apparently hard on her body Monday night.

"I was definitely tired. My team totally stepped it up," Thompson said. "They finished the game off. Coach always emphasizes to always to just go play by play and not worry about your mistakes or missed shots or turnovers."

Sophomore Jackie Lee, much like Thompson Monday night, had one great half, and one to forget.

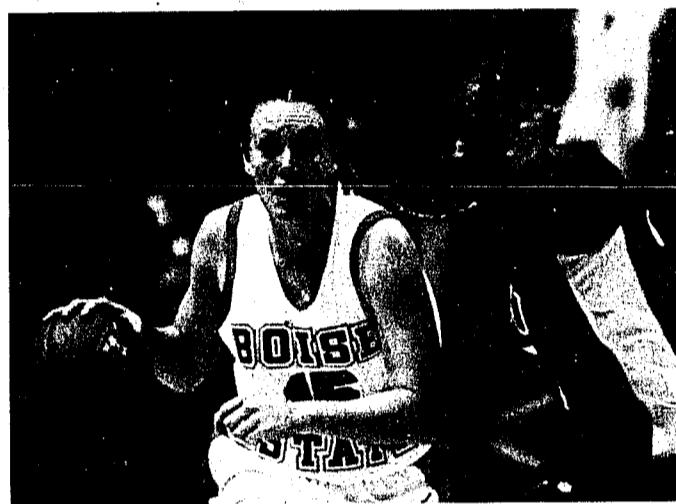
Lee started the game off just 2 for 7 from the field in the first half, and just two points. But Lee finished the game with 20 points, seven rebounds and six assists.

"Our three biggest scorers, Nadia, Jess and Jackie Lee—when they are all playing well, we've got a good team. When one or two show up, then we can be beat pretty easily," Presnell said.

Unlike Idaho (7-10, 3-3 WAC), which comes in Saturday with an entire week off, the Broncos (11-7, 3-3 WAC) will continue to play through the odd week schedule.

"The schedule, I don't understand it," Presnell said. "We've got three games and Idaho doesn't play at all this week and they are just sitting there waiting for us. That part is a bit frustrating, but you have to go with what you are dealt and we will just have to see."

The win Monday was the 11th of the season for Boise State, the first time the program has had over 10 wins since the 2000-01 season.



True freshman guard Jessica Thompson played all 40 minutes of Monday night's game against Hawaii for Boise State after point guard Nadia Begay left the game with an ankle injury.

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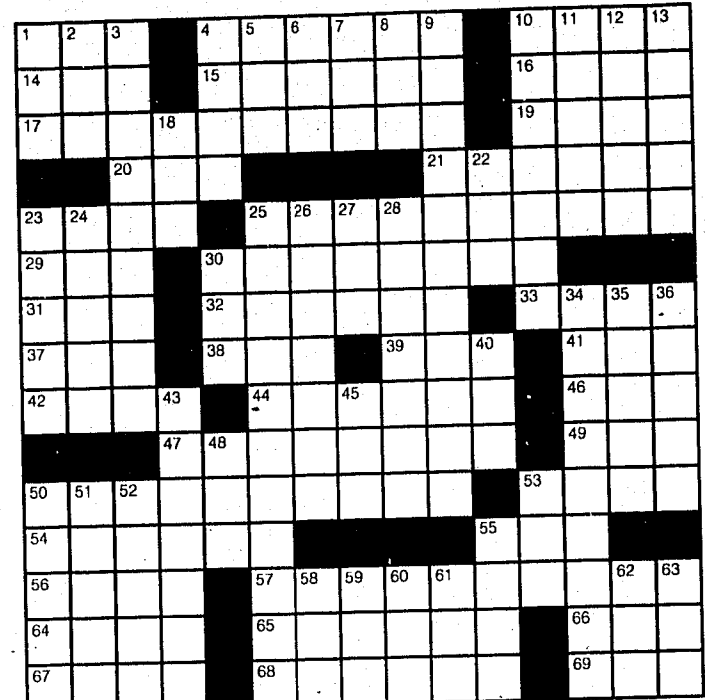
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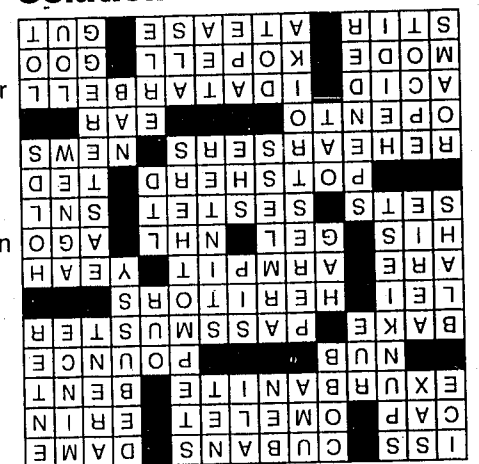
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1 Orbiting loc.  
4 Havana populace  
10 Female noble  
14 Tube top  
15 Brunch order  
16 \_\_\_ go brag!  
17 Long distance commuter  
19 Crooked  
20 Gist  
21 Surprise and grab  
23 Harden ceramics  
25 Measure up  
29 Floral neckwear  
30 Expectant beneficiaries  
31 Metric square measure  
32 Axilla  
33 Slangy assent  
37 Howdies  
38 Salon goo  
39 Org. of Flames  
41 Before now  
42 Solidifies  
44 Sonnet section  
46 NBC classic  
47 Archaeological fragment  
49 Mack or Koppel  
50 Those doing a run-through  
53 Tidings  
54 Willing to listen  
55 Pitcher part  
56 Etcher's substance  
57 Noted muckraker  
64 Pie a la \_\_\_  
65 "Love Boat" co-star  
66 Moo \_\_\_ gai pan  
67 The clink  
68 Relaxing  
69 Kind of feeling

**DOWN**  
1 Rink flooring  
2 Jazzy instrument  
3 Most spirited  
4 Tommy Lee Jones film  
5 Ms. Thurman  
6 Golfer Hogan  
7 Ring great  
8 Butterfly snare



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## Solutions



9 Fairy-tale baddies, often  
10 "La Mer" composer  
11 \_\_\_ you the clever one!  
12 Chop into tiny bits  
13 Go in  
18 Road to Rouen  
22 Sharer's pronoun  
23 Doldrums  
24 F.O.E. chapter  
25 Gorbachev's reforms  
26 Like the Venus de Milo  
27 Use a straw  
28 Corner-cutter  
30 Crone  
34 Faberge item  
35 Nixon's V.P.  
36 Half and full nelsons  
40 Old Ford model  
43 "The Still Centre" poet  
45 Ship's pronoun

48 Mare's morsel  
50 Checks out the terrain  
51 Disney World attraction  
52 Spyri novel  
53 Grab  
55 Perry's creator  
58 Period  
59 Mimic  
60 Hyson, e.g.  
61 Hirt and Pacino  
62 Ironman Gehrig  
63 Land parcel

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"I hate to disagree with you, Thag, but I think it's more logical to pillage BEFORE we burn."



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