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Student Union to propose fee increase for '06-'07 school year

BY JESSICA WIGLEY
News Writer

A Boise State University student fee increase for the coming school year is expected to bring nearly $500,000 more to the Student Union budget and heard from Leah Barrett, Student Union director.

As a Student Union officer, Barrett proposed a 5% increase to student fees per semester to "make a difference for the SUB." Also proposed was an additional fee of $34 for the Strategic Facility Fee, covering the expansion of the SUB.

Currently, the facility supports around 236 student organizations, providing over 150,000 hours of service a year and serves as a point of outreach to the greater community.

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For the next few years, Hoeger focused on his job as a Kinesiology professor and writing college textbooks, of which 36 editions have been published. He has taught undergraduate and graduate courses in exercise physiology, athletic conditioning and fitness-sciences related topics. Hoeger has also received grants to conduct research in the areas of body composition, strength training, muscular flexibility and the assessment of physical fitness. Hoeger has also received grants to conduct research in the areas of body composition, strength training, muscular flexibility and the assessment of physical fitness.

While watching the 1980 Olympics in his home in Boise, Hoeger saw images at Bell Arena that made him realize the sport of luge. He contacted Iginia Baccalandro, the first Venezuelan participant in the Winter Olympics in the luge, through the Venezuelan Flag. After much research and analysis, Hoeger contacted her and began pursuing his Olympic dream against the day. Hoeger said he was concerned about how he would be able to begin his Olympic career. He knew that he had to be able to afford to travel back and forth to the Olympics. He knew that he would have to quit his job and begin pursuing his Olympic dream against the day. He eventually convinced his supervisor to fund his trip to the Olympics. He was able to afford to travel back and forth to the Olympics.

It was still doing double back fly screens and five minutes when I was 16," Hoeger said. Baccalandro eventually convinced him to give it a try. Beginning the luge was a challenge for Hoeger. He suffered a few minor injuries during the first practice session. "The next step up was when I was hanging on to the side of the track," Hoeger said. He described the feeling of sliding down the track, starting with your hands, shoulders and feet sliding in a driving position back forward to downtown Boise at 100 mile per hour. "The hip was very technical, the slightest body movement could cause you to crash," Hoeger said.

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Energy Shots
Transcending borders

— one rhythm at a time —

BY AMBER FUGER
Associate Culture Editor

Solfide sounds, jazzy rhythms, and a distinct passion to activate charismatic rhythmic bonds in an enjoyable audience have escalated Solfide band into live ensembles. The bands, Silver, Sphinx, and Remaklus have traveled to exotic regions to enhance their recreational pathways and to experience the exotic “facets of ethnic music, Panamanian, and world rhythms,” of Solfide.

For the second time, Solfide will be making a stop in Havana, tomorrow night at 9 p.m. at Solfide’s historic instrument world sound accompanied by passionate telling lyrics of its musical journey through life and to progress the exotic “fuses acoustic rock, Flamenco, and world rhythms,” of Solfide. It’s a natural talent, he croons before he was old enough for kindergarten. When we meet Solfide, our hero is still preaching away and saving people, have chipped away at whatever interesting character is his complete in hopes of opening the public’s eyes to the shady business of evan- tering documentary, our hero is still to be a failure 34 years later, but Marjoe Gortner is to Pentecostal season, let us not forget the Razzies, nees are in.

As we wade through the awards season, let us forget the Houston, the Razzies, the Academy Awards. Hillary too has to offer. The trenches.

In the worst picture category a kick to the gut was given by The Darkness Did Someone?, “Miracle Soup,” and Friends with Benefits. Marley is a strange model, a black man with a white woman. Women’s March is the day before the Academy Awards.

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So, ANYWAY...

BY TRAVIS ESTYLOD Culture Columnist

As the power of choice. Humans just love and hate life. In fact, they are willing to sacrifice it for something of their own. Teenagers reflect their pain with the music. Rock and roll reaches a wider audience, would be doubly idle without it. And registered some deep well at night in their cozy little beds under the stars that they experience it regularly. So then, in the answer to choose someone’s eyes a bad thing?

Health and beauty tip:

If you have asthma, do you have an allergist?

“I would not want to be allergic to something that I had to take every time I went out. You have to go to the doctor and the medicine is very difficult.”

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Grown-ups rebuke their parents for it. Starbucks customers would be deathly ill without it. Starbucks customers sleep well under the illusion that they ex- to choose one’s outcome a bad thing? Let me tell you, because as is true with most things, I know your answer to that question. Choice comes to men- ter the outcome has been decided for you already, regardless of what decision you make. Next time I go to the gym, I will go to a 10 a.m. one.
**BY HADLEY RUSH**

Culture Writer

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**The Front Door equation**

**BY TAMARA PARTCH**

Culture Writer

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A试验的idea.

Your first thought might be that this location will certainly charm or keep you satisfied a year-round, but it’s a little disappointing on Friday or Saturday night. You have to be in the know to find it. It’s downtown, near the famous Greenbriar, the Front Door has certainly made a move into a popular downtown location (directly below the First Street Inn) which is known for its. The pizzas, which range from shy to spicy, are delicious and satisfy even the most picky eaters.

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Gender benders are crossing over, into your living room

By Joe Neumaier

Stars: Savannah Guthrie, Felicity Huffman, Randy Castillo, Simon Baker

A buzzed-about new musical has been known to intrigue, shock, and offend. "Somebody’s Coming To Take My Wife" has done just that, and then some. The show’s creator and star, Savannah Guthrie, and the show’s director, Randy Castillo, join the cast of "Transamerica" for a discussion about the show’s controversial themes. And when even a straight-and-narrow audience can’t get enough, the show’s creators share their vision for the future of theater.

In the early days of sports, Hoffman told a story of a group of men who played in the same era. The team was led by a coach who was also a player. In the story, the coach tells the players to put on the uniforms and go out and play. This is the story of Hoffman, and the story of Hoffman’s fictional team.

Hoffman was a coach who had to make tough decisions. He had to decide when to play a player who wasn’t ready, and when to bench a player who was. He had to balance the team’s needs with the players’ desires. And when Hoffman lost a game, he had to face the consequences.

In Hoffman’s world, there was no easy way out. If you wanted to be a part of the team, you had to work hard. And if you wanted to win, you had to be willing to sacrifice.

Hoffman’s team was a family. The players had each other’s backs, and they were always there for each other. They were a tight-knit group, and they were proud of the team they had built.

The show is a celebration of the bond between a coach and a team. It’s a story of friendship and teamwork. And it’s a story of the power of sports.

Hoffman’s team was a symbol of hope. It showed that no matter what obstacles were thrown in their path, the team could survive. And that’s the story of Hoffman, and the story of Hoffman’s fictional team.
It really is Adam and Steve

BY BRANIDON HOLTA

Most people who have a concept of personal liberty have severe opinions. People tend to place that same liberty upon the American ideal. It really is Adam and Steve. If you're gay, you're unnatural. You're scum. You're just a joke. People say you're unnatural for stealing money from the government. It's a joke. People say you're unnatural for stealing money from the government. It's a joke. People say you're unnatural for stealing money from the government. It's a joke. People say you're unnatural for stealing money from the government. It's a joke. People say you're unnatural for stealing money from the government. It's a joke. People say you're unnatural for stealing money from the government. It's a joke. People say you're unnatural for stealing money from the government. It's a joke. People say you're unnatural for stealing money from the government. It's a joke. People say you're unnatural for stealing money from the government. It's a joke. People say you're unnatural for stealing money from the government. It's a joke.

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**Cuaresma is a gymnast with explosive power.**

**BY DUSTIN LARREY**  
Assistant Sports Editor

Cuaresma has been involved in gymnastics since she was five years old. It started like any other sport, but Cuaresma's interest in gymnastics has grown over the years.

Cuaresma has been a member of the Boise State gymnastics team for two years. During this time, she has shown her commitment to the sport and has become an integral part of the team.

Cuaresma is a gymnast with explosive power. She has a natural ability to perform in any apparatus, and her dedication to the sport has earned her the respect of her teammates and coaches.


during his senior season at Mira Mar High School in San Diego, was third-team all-state by CalHiSports. Cuaresma said that she was involved in gymnastics during her freshman year at Capitol. "I really enjoyed (rugby)," Villegas said. "I thought it's a really cool sport. When I first started, there wasn't an official team, so I just went to practice and tried to see if it was something I liked. There are more than 20 club sports available at the campus recreation center. Mostly the demand for students to sign up teams for soccer, basketball, and volleyball. Three new teams are available for registration and are not only allowed to play these sports, but also to check out the equipment, use the facilities, and have a good time. The Boise State rugby club is looking for new players and is also offering to check out the rec center.
Last year was the first time the Seahawks had ever made the Super Bowl. This year, they're hoping to repeat. But to do so, they'll have to face the Pittsburgh Steelers, who are the champions of the AFC. The game is going to be a battle of two of the best teams in the league, and it's sure to be a spectacle. The Seattle Seahawks have a talented roster, with stars like Russell Wilson at quarterback and Richard Sherman at cornerback. The Pittsburgh Steelers, on the other hand, have a strong defense led by James Harrison. It's going to be a exciting game, and I can't wait to see who comes out on top.
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I got the new Apple video iPod on Christmas Day and like any other technological novelty, the novelty of the device lies in its over 10,000 songs as well as access to a wide range of television shows from your fingertips away from home. I even downloaded The Ellen’s “All Things That I Love” music video and the continuity between the audio and video was superb.

However, downloading that one four-minute video took my iTunes with dial-up Internet about two hours, whereas accessing it was just a click. That is where the screen scratches really easily. The battery life is great; I think I have charged it once this week and I have four bars left.

Despite all of this, the Ditty is comparable to the IPodShuffle. It has 512 MB and holds up to 200 songs, depending on the length of the songs. I have a few Chili Peppers songs from their “Live in Hyde Park” albums that take up a lot more space. I also have some CC's and did not expect very long battery life with a 2 GB hard drive.

Yes, I really like this Ditty. It is easy to manage and came with my computer to manage my device. I can re- move songs easily and add photos, albums, etc. The battery life is great. I think I have charged it once since I added my hard drive.

This device is new to me so I am still fidgeting with it, trying to see how to use the play modes options and on. But I can download musicbooks and upload my IPod, which is easier to use, and the shuffle option has been wonderful as I bop around campus;

You can download songs all through the Internet through Dell MusicMatch which is powered by Yahoo. For more information on the Ditty log into dealeercars and it should lead you to the spot.

I will keep you posted on the latest things.

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The Arbiter
Women's ski team blazes new trail

By Dustin Lapray - Assistant Sports Editor

The Boise State women's ski team, that's right BSU has a women's ski team, opens its season Jan. 7-8 at the Utah Collegiate Nordic Invitational, then heads to the Montana State Collegiate Jan. 14-15.

The Utah invite is held in Soldier Hollow, Utah (the same site of the 2002 Winter Olympic Nordic competition). The Invitational is held in conjunction with the U.S. Nationals.

"Not only is it the first race of the year, but it's one of the hardest courses in the country," BSU senior Taylee Foulger said.

Foulger and teammate April Sanders both compete in the Nordic (cross-country) competition. The Nordic event at Soldier Hollow is a 5 K race, but the Broncos will compete in races up to 15 K later in the season.

"I'm nervous for the pain," Sanders said. "From the start to finish is a mental battle, a physical battle, getting up those hills, flying down the hills and having enough energy to get up the next one. And our technique, that suffers when you are tired."

The team competes in five meets this season, two before school starts and three after. The meets are to be held in Montana, Colorado, Utah and California. The two-day events include a pair of races, either on Friday-Saturday or Monday-Sunday. The Broncos currently are in training at Bogus Basin Ski Resort, where they have been working since Nov. 4.

Last season the Broncos practiced mostly at Tamarack Resort, in McCall, due to a lack of snow at Bogus Basin, but this winter the early storms offered enough snow so that Bogus was fit for practice.

BSU Nordic coach Aniya Deitz said that the girls have been training all year, practicing on the Boise Greenbelt and other "top secret locations" on short, aluminum roller skis.

Sanders and Foulger are joined on the BSU women's ski team by freshman Jacqueline Martain, who competes in the Alpine events (Slalom and Giant Slalom). The three are the only players on the BSU team.

"We're looking to grow big time" Deitz said. "The next couple of years will be really progressive."

The BSU ski team doesn't get much notice around campus. Many students don't even know there is a team here. The program is only in its second year as part of the Rocky Mountain Intercollegiate Conference.

"People on campus are like, 'What? You ski?' No one really knows about it," Sanders said. "That's kind of frustrating because we put in all the training and the practice, and nobody really knows about us."

The team will spend the holidays in Utah. All three athletes and coach Deitz are Utah natives.

"We're going to be skiing the entire time," Deitz said.
Female Snowboarders Rise and Represent

BY AMBER FUGER
Assistant Culture Editor

Ripping and roaring through fresh powder, busting indie-grabs and rodeos off 30-foot jumps, and competing with the best of the best. One might think that this describes the most recent competition or scene at a ski resort, which is absolutely right, except - what gender pops into the mind when describing big air and sick tricks? Most likely it’s a man. Well ladies, tune in because pro-female snowboarders are on the rise and they are representing.

In the third annual TransWorld Snowboarding Business/National Ski Areas Association survey released in 1998, female snowboarders were said to comprise 38.4 percent of snowboarders shredding down the hill. This same study claims that the greatest effected areas by this growing female trend will be resorts in the Rockies and Pacific West. According to a TransWorld Industry news article by John Stouffer, over the last 13 years snowboarding has grown a total of 269 percent. “In 2003 the total number of riders grew from 7.69 million to 7.82 million in the United States.”

According to a report from the New York Times, 1.8 million are women and in the 2004 National Skier/Boarder Opinion Survey, 40 percent of riders were female, as stated on graytaxis.com.

In past major competitions and tours, women have been allotted a few categories. Now there are competitions, tours, films, and clinics reserved for females looking to shred and show off their skills, just like the men.

Just hours from Boise, where snow seems to always land, is Grand Targhee. This resort holds multiple clinics designed solely for women. From tele-skiing to alpine skiing to snowboarding, females can partake in clinics designed to enhance performance, skill level, and passion for their chosen sport.

On Feb. 24-Feb. 26, the infamous “Chicks’ Rule Snowboard Camp” will be held. According to Grand Targhee’s Web site, “This camp is for women only,” so guys, even if you think chick’s rule, take your board’s elsewhere. “If this friendly learning environment we stress camaraderie over competition and you’ll quickly improve your riding in a nurturing group setting. Our team of professional coaches will cover a multitude of topics from basic carving to switch riding and much more.”

Clinics like Grand Targhee’s highlight the female snowboarder to a different level, one where competitions and tours are quickly revamping categories to include and single out the female facet of the progressing world of snowboarding.

Female riders like Barret Christy, Tara Dakides, Jessica Dalplaz, Jara Meyen and others are paving the way for ladies looking to make their mark or just earn some respect on the hill. In an interview posted on gw ListItem.com, Christy offered some advice to young ladies looking to break the sexual divide and delve into the life of female professional snowboarding. “Just have fun and keep riding. Don’t take it all too seriously. You don’t need to hire a coach to learn how to become pro, just watch and learn and ask your friends or other riders how they do it,” Christy said. It just so happens that Christy’s favorite place to ride is Jackson Hole, Wyo. just hours away from Boise.

Dakides has been said to be “hands down the best female snowboarder in the world.” Dakides, like fellow pro female riders, has had to cross the gender barrier in the sport. She has taken the snowboard world by storm with her ability to “rise above most men in the realm of freestyle,” according to blockatahoo.com.

As females strap in and get ready to glide down mountains upon mountains of prime powder, groomed runs, or some wild backcountry, they will represent to the fullest extent. Women all over are tuned in and ready to ride.
Backyard shredding:

1. **Bogus Basin**
   - 16 miles from Boise
   - Estimated travel time: 40 min. (good roads)
   - 2600 ride-able acres
   - 54 runs with terrain park
   - 1,800-foot vertical drop
   - 250 inches average snowfall
   - [www.bogusbasin.com](http://www.bogusbasin.com)

2. **Brundage**
   - Close to 106 miles from Boise in McCall
   - Estimated travel time: 2.5 hours
   - 1,340 ride-able acres
   - 51 runs two terrain parks (depending on conditions)
   - 1800-foot vertical drop
   - 300 inches average snowfall
   - [www.brundage.com](http://www.brundage.com)

3. **Tamarack**
   - Close to 94 miles from Boise in Donnelly
   - Estimated travel time: two hours
   - 580 ride-able acres
   - 2,800-foot vertical drop
   - 35 runs with 500-foot super pipe and terrain park
   - 300 inches average snowfall
   - [www.tamarackidaho.com](http://www.tamarackidaho.com)

**Neighborly distance shredding:**

4. **Soldier Mountain**
   - Close to 115 miles from Boise in Fairfield; estimated travel time: two hours
   - 1,600 ride-able acres
   - 2,800-foot vertical drop
   - 35 runs with 10-15 acres of terrain park

5. **Sun Valley**
   - Close to 153 miles from Boise
   - Estimated travel time: three hours
   - 2,600 ride-able acres
   - 1,000-foot vertical drop
   - 75 runs with terrain park
   - 220 inches average snowfall

6. **Pomerelle**
   - Close to 190 miles from Boise just outside of Albion
   - Estimated travel time: three hours
   - 500 ride-able acres
   - 1,000-foot vertical drop
   - 24 runs with dispersed terrain features around the mountain (www.pomerelle-mtn.com)

**Southeastern and Eastern Idaho representing:**

7. **Pebble Creek**
   - Head to Pocatello for about three hours. Stay on freeway headed towards Salt Lake. Take Inkom exit and follow signs to Pebble Creek. Estimated travel time: 3.5 hours
   - 1,100 ride-able acres
   - 2,200-foot vertical drop
   - 54 runs with terrain park (www.pebblecreekskiarea.com)

8. **Kelly Canyon**
   - Head to Idaho Falls, then to Swan Valley. Follow signs to Kelly Canyon. Estimated travel time: four to six hours
   - 740 ride-able acres
   - 1,000-foot vertical drop
   - 26 runs with terrain park (www.kellycanyon.com)

9. **Grand Targhee**
   - Close to 356 miles from Boise
   - Estimated travel time: five to six hours
   - Bogus Season Pass holders ski for free when lodging at Grand Targhee.
   - 3,000 ride-able acres
   - 2,200-foot vertical drop
   - 72 runs with two terrain parks
   - 500 inches average snowfall

**Up North:**

10. **Lost Trail Powder Mountain**
    - 50 miles outside of Salmon
    - Estimated travel time: five to six hours
    - 1,000 ride-able acres
    - 1,800-foot vertical drop
    - 35 runs with a rail park
    - 300 inches average snowfall (www.losttrail.com)

11. **Lookout Pass**
    - Just outside of Wallace, north of Coeur d'Alene
    - 540 ride-able acres
    - 1,150-foot vertical drop
    - 23 runs with two terrain parks including a 1,111-foot quarter pipe
    - 400 inches average snowfall
Region Ski/Snowboard Resorts

12. Silver Mountain
Outside of Kellogg, east of Coeur d’Alene
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www.skisilver.com

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Eleven miles northwest of Sandpoint
2,500 ride-able acres
2,400-foot vertical drop
67 runs with 250 acres of terrain park
300 inches average snowfall
www.schweitzer.com

Over yonder...

14. Alta
367 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: six to seven hours
2,200 ride-able acres
2,020-foot vertical drop
www.alta.com

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383 miles from Boise
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1,745-foot vertical drop
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18. Snowbasin
321 miles from Boise
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2,660 ride-able acres
3,000-foot vertical drop
www.snowbasin.com

19. Park City
370 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: 6.5 hours
2,330 ride-able acres
3,100-foot vertical drop
www.parkcitymountain.com

20. Snowbird
367 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: six to seven hours
2,600 ride-able acres
3,420-foot vertical drop
www.snowbird.com

21. Solitude
370 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: six to seven hours
1,200 ride-able acres
2,047-foot vertical drop
www.skisolitude.com

OREGON:
22. Anthony Lakes
140 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: two to four hours
300 ride-able acres
900-foot vertical drop
www.anthonylakes.com

23. Mt. Bachelor
317 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: six hours
3,683 ride-able acres
3,365-foot vertical drop
370 inches average snowfall
www.mtbachelor.com

24. Mt. Hood Meadows
493 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: six and one half hours
2,120 ride-able acres
2,512-foot vertical drop
www.mthoodmeadows.com

25. Mt. Hood Skibowl
411 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: seven hours
960 ride-able acres
1,500-foot vertical drop
www.skibowl.com

WYOMING:
26. Jackson Hole
379 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: seven and a half to eight hours
2,500 ride-able acres
4,139-foot vertical drop
www.jacksonhole.com

MONTANA:
27. Big Sky
476 miles from Boise
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3,600 ride-able acres
4,350-foot vertical drop
www.big-mountain.com

28. Bridger Bowl
476 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: nine hours
1,500 ride-able acres
2,600-foot vertical drop
www.bridgerbowl.com

29. Discovery Basin
498 miles from Boise
Estimated travel time: seven hours
614 ride-able acres
1,670-foot vertical drop
www.skidiscovery.com

WASHINGTON:
30. Mt. Baker Ski Area
90 miles from Bellingham
Estimated travel time: eight hours
5,225 ride-able acres
1,500-foot vertical drop
www.mt-baker.com

31. Bluebird
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Estimated travel time: six hours
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(208) 524-4433

32. Crystal Mountain Ski Resort
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2,300 ride-able acres
3,100-foot vertical drop
www.skicrystal.com

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Ode to Snow
BY DUSTIN LAPRAY

You Frozen H2O cluster
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dragged by gravity’s tug
and whipped by the whimsy of wind

You twitched my nose last night, falling
in that indescribable slit of open air
between hat & scarf and I licked
your supple droplet as the heat of
my tongue destroyed your infinite
structure of individuality

I smell you at least 2 days coming
I can feel you in my knees
taste the change
in the barometric gauge

At first the earth is too warm
it melts you into run-off gutter races
But you hang in shadows until
November becomes February and you
cling to The Frozen ground,
like immigrants troubled by bearings,
yet secure in footholds

I catch you on my boots when
I trumble through fields
stacked with your cousins and friends
I ball you up & toss you at mine, just to
get a rise out of their everyday motions

I see you paint my mountains
I wallow in your excesses
I glide across your surface
on waxed appendages

I praise your chill, for in May you are a
run-away youth who only returns home
when it’s too cold to stay out all night
Tamarack Resort

Idaho’s first all-year resort expands terrain, lodging facilities

BY SARA BAHNSON  
News Editor

Tamarack, the newest addition to Idaho’s ski and snowboard resorts, has expanded its terrain this winter to include ten new runs, two new quad lifts, as well as new lodging facilities. The resort is located in Donnelly, Idaho and is two hours north of Boise.

Tamarack skiers and snowboarders now have access to 14 trails and 250 acres on the top half of the mountain.

The number of named runs have also increased from 25 to 35 and the off-trail terrain will double, according to www.tamarackidaho.com.

Jessica Flynn of the Tamarack Resort Public Relations Team said Tamarack will become a two-pod mountain, which means skiers and snowboarders will have two different types of terrain to experience. She said 140 acres are now available on the north side of the mountain.

“There’s more snow, more trees and more of an opportunity for off-trail skiing and snowboarding,” Flynn said.

Flynn said this new terrain should be open by Christmas.

More snowmaking capabilities will allow Tamarack to say open at least until Mother’s Day, as well as provide for more Nordic skiing on the 30K trail system, Flynn said.

Tamarack Resort’s second season started Nov. 23 with hundreds of skiers and snowboarders hitting the slopes.

The resort received national attention when President George W. Bush visited with his wife in August. During their week at Tamarack, the Bushes rode through the resort on a 16-mile mountain biking route, toured Lake Cascade and fished off a pontoon boat.

“We got so much media coverage,” Flynn said. “The Tamarack name is really out there and I think it [Bush’s visit] highlighted Tamarack as an all-season resort.”

Tamarack has also seen success this year with the sale of their new Village Plaza condos. The condos were introduced to the public on Oct. 22 this year and all 129 dwellings were sold within the day.

“Four of our five real estate resales have been sold out,” Flynn said. “We still have real estate available and we do two resales a year.”

Flynn said the Village Plaza should be open with all of the amenities in 2008.

New lodging should be open at the beginning of 2006, Flynn said. The Members Lodge and Spa will be the first hotel at Tamarack Resort, and will include a spa, Morel’s restaurant and a Nordic shop.

The resort is the first all-season resort to be built in the U.S. in over 23 years. Tamarack provides for a number of activities including skiing, hiking, mountain biking, and golfing. The resort also emphasizes its close proximity to Lake Cascade and the swimming, boating, fishing, sailing and sea kayaking it has to offer.

Tamarack and Brundage Mountain Resort will host the Payette River Valley Snowboard Series, a United States of America Snowboard Association sanctioned competition this winter.

The event will include three Slopestyle and SuperPipe events at Tamarack. Point leaders of the competitions will qualify for the USASA National Championship at “Northstar-at-Tahoe” in Truckee, Calif. The Payette River Valley Snowboard Series begins at Brundage on Dec. 17. The events at Tamarack begin Jan. 14.

“It’s a big deal for people to be able to qualify for nationals at Tamarack,” Flynn said.

Tamarack will also be hosting the Winter Games of Idaho during the second week of February. The games will include a SuperPipe freestyle competition and a “Big Air” competition.

The competitions will be broken down by age, gender and skier or snowboarder.

Registration for the event ends Feb. 8. The Winter Games will also include a “Nordic Race” competition.

Tamarack’s lifts are open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. More information is available at www.tamarackidaho.com.

Above: Fresh tracks and prime powder.  
Left: Snowboarders on Tamarack’s opening day.  
Below: Skier tearing it up in terrain park.

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