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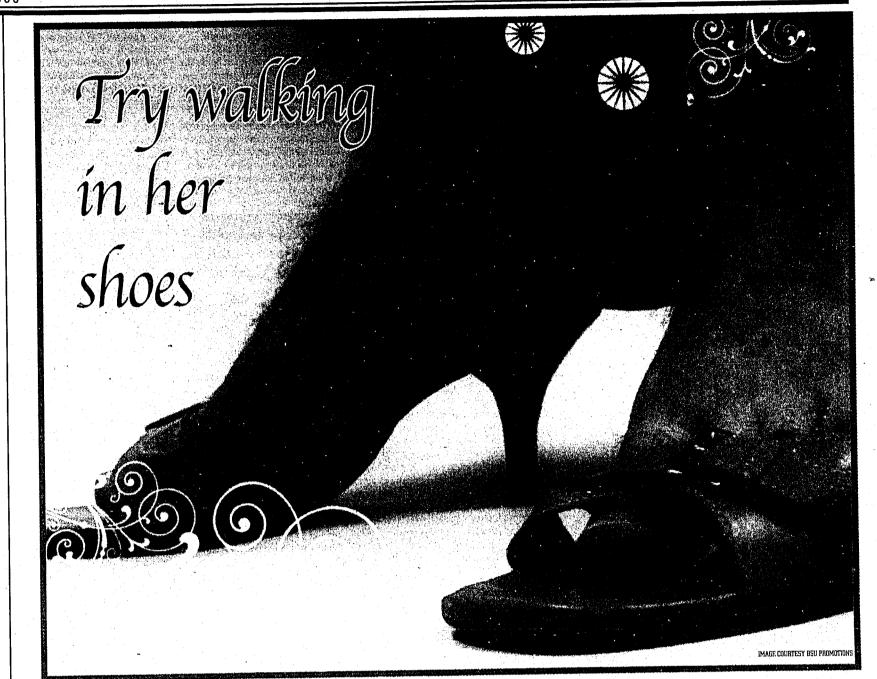
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Below: Boise Chief of Police Mike Masterson demonstrates his support for speaking out against violence toward women during "In Her Shoes," Tuesday.





BY TESSA SCHWEIGERT **News Editor**

Boise State students meandering through the Quad may have noticed something a bit peculiar Tuesday. Boise Chief of Police Mike Masterson was stood in full uniform holding a sign to promote non-violence. But that wasn't the strange part. He was wearing women's shoes. High heels, in fact, which matched rather nicely with his black police garb.

Masterson joined several other high-heelwearing men as part of "In Her Shoes," an event that rallied to end violence against

"We're out here to make a statement, and it's not a fashion statement, although we are in women's shoes," Masterson said. "We're out here in support of our mothers and wives and

sisters. We have to end the violence against others."

Masterson is part of "Men Today, Men Tomorrow" (MT2), a local group that is determined to spearhead social change, specifically speaking out on men's violence against women.

In Her Shoes was sponsored by MT2, in addition to the BSU Women's Center, the Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence and several other organizations. In addition to men walking around in women's shoes on Tuesday, a rally took place at the outdoor amphitheater and The Flicks showed a film called Searching for Angela Shelton.

These events were all targeted toward the same goal - increasing awareness and stopping domestic and sexual violence against women.

"We as men need to speak up and stop the violence," Masterson said.

According to MT2 statistics, one in five women in Idaho is the victim of sexual violence, with men committing 95 percent of all violent crimes.

Those who organized MT2 believe that stopping violence isn't the sole responsibility of women, but encourage men to take an active role in the movement. They believe men can influence social change.

"Domestic violence isn't right and men have a huge role in stopping it. If men can mentor others that this violent behavior is wrong, then we can shrink the number of domestic violence cases we have in this state," said Lindsay Nothern, Sen. Mike Crapo's Press Secretary in Boise.

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-courtesy of "Men Today Men Tomorrow"

Dalai Lama documentary remembers visit

BY MICAH MCLAUGHLIN **News Writer**

This year's Tibetan Festival will feature the world premiere of the Dalai Lama Children's Day Event Documentary this Sunday (Children's Day), April 30, 2005 beginning at 1 p.m. in the Special

Events Center.

The event begins with an opening ceremony including traditional Nepalese dance, a guest speaker, and a performance of the song "The Heart of Every Child," which was performed during the Dalai Lama's visit, of which the film doc-

uments. Tickets for the event are available atthedoor.Theyare\$5foradultsand free for children and BSU students with ID.

The Dalai Lama visited Idaho on

September 12, 2005, to commemorate the 9/11 attacks of 2001.

While he was here he met with children of Idaho

The film documents the Dalai Lama's visit with children this past fall, and highlights some of the children blessed and honored by

The film was produced by Saandra Steinfelt, a student filmmaker and Communications major and Jesse Cordtz, an adjunct professor in the Communications Department.

Steinfelt said she did this as a way to help spread compassion through the community.

This is a fun, safe place for children to come with their parents," continued Steinfelt, "They can go down to the game center; the whole family can have a half-hour

of pool or bowling. I want it to be a fun day for children."

Steinfeltsaidthatthefilmandthe event would not have been possible without the help of Kiril Sokoloff, a Sun Valley Businessman and founder of the Idaho Compassion Foundation.

Sokoloff brought the Dalai Lama to Sun Valley in September, according to Steinfelt.

She also said Department of Communication, the cultural center and the university as a whole aided her greatly and came together as a community to make this event happen.

Steinfelt and Cordtz are currently making another documen-"Idaho's Compassionate Children."

This documentary will follow some of the children honored by



the Dalai Lama during his visit and will record their compassion, according to Steinfelt.

This documentary will be completed over the summer and will be released in time for submission to the annual Sundance Film Festival taking place in January of next year.

The Dalai Lama visited Idaho last fall. A new documentary highlighting his visit will premiere this Saturday.

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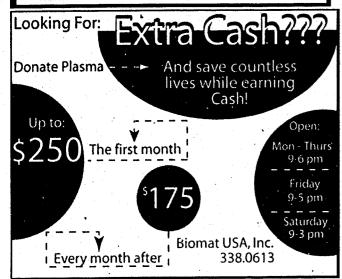
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world

8 dead, 70 injured by **Baghdad car bombs**

BAGHDAD, Iraq - In the first surge of violence since Iraq's politicians agreed on a new prime minister, eight car bombs struck Baghdad on Monday, an onslaught unusual not only for the number of explosions but also because none of them was triggered by a suicide attacker.

Police said the use of remote controls to set off the bombs differentiated them from the suicide explosions that Sunni Muslim insurgents often favored and suggested that the blasts were intended as warnings to the new government — though from whom was unclear. No one claimed responsibility.

Police said the explosions killed at least eight people and wounded more than 70, a surprisingly low toll, which they said also was due to the lack of suicide attackers.

None of the blasts targeted American troops, said Lt. Col. Barry Johnson, a U.S. military spokesman. At least some of them appeared aimed at passing Iraqi police pa-

Johnson said car bombs had averaged 15 a week throughout Iraq in the past six weeks. He didn't have figures for Baghdad alone.

Two incidents accounted for most of the dead Monday. Five people were killed and another 25 were injured when car bombs detonated at the front and back gates of al-Mustansiriya University near Baghdad's Sadr City district, Ministry of Interior officials said. The first exploded as a police convoy passed, police said, while the second seemed intended to harm passers-by.

Three other people died when a car bomb exploded as a convoy of SUVs passed, probably holding foreigners, police said. They didn't identify the occupants of the vehicles further. At

least 20 people were wounded.

Two parked cars exploded in central Baghdad, injuring 15 civilians, and two others exploded near the al-Ghaeer Bridge in eastern Baghdad, wounding four Iraqi soldiers. A homemade bomb hidden in a car in southern Baghdad also exploded, wounding nine people.

On Monday, the bodies of 15 men all of whom had been shot in the head - were found piled in two pickups near the Sunni enclave of Abu Ghraib, police said. Nearly all were Sunnis.

Iraqi leaders began meeting to fill more Cabinet posts. Most important, U.S. and Iraqi leaders agree, is who will head the ministries of interior, which controls the security forces, and defense, which controls the army.

national

Professor's e-mail outrages Muslims

DETROIT — An Islamic student group at Michigan State University demanded Monday that university officials publicly reprimand a professor whose Feb. 28 e-mail called on Muslims who don't "like the values of the West" to leave the United

But MSU officials said there's little that can be done to punish Indrek Wichman, 55, a tenured professor of mechanical engineering, because his comments essentially constitute free speech. Wichman sent the message to the Muslim Students' Association of Michigan State University while it handed out free cocoa during a public awareness event about controversial cartoons that depicted Islam's founder as a terrorist.

"I am offended not by cartoons, but by more mundane things like beheadings of civilians, cowardly attacks on public buildings, suicide

He went on to say: "I counsul you dissatisfied, agressive, brutal, and uncivilized slave-trading Moslems to be very aware of this as you proceed with your infantile `protests."

The Muslim Students' Association, along with 12 other student and advocacy groups, called Monday for the university to issue a letter of reprimand. They have met several times with university officials since Feb. 28 and went public with the email Monday because the school had not acted.

Terry Denbow, spokesman for MSU, said Wichman's views in no way represent the university's views. But, he said, they do not violate the anti-discrimination university's policy.

"He was cautioned that any additional commentary ... could constitute the creation of a hostile environment, and that could ... form the basis of a complaint" under the policy, Denbow said.

He said he considers the comments "very inappropriate. And I personally wish he would apologize to the students."

In addition to a reprimand, the student group wants the university to implement diversity training programs for faculty and a mandatory freshman seminar on hate and dis-

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Boise State student named National Phi Kappa Phi Graduate **Fellow**

Kasey Reed, a history major at Boise State University with a minor in Latin language and literature, has been awarded a prestigious national Phi Kappa Phi graduate fellowship

The award includes \$5,000 toward a graduate program in history. Reed is one of only 60 awardees nation-

wide and the only one from an Idaho institution.

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> Reed, from Garden Valley, is student vice president of the Boise State chapter of Phi Kappa Phi. In addition, she is president of the Boise State chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, treasurer of the BSU chapter of the Golden Key Honor Society and vice president for community service for the Honors Student Association.

> Reed, who received nine awards or scholarships while studying at Boise State, was recently named a university Top Ten Scholar.

> She has traveled internationally in pursuit of her studies of Latin language and Roman history and presented her research at the Phi Alpha Theta Northwest regional confer-

> Reed has done volunteer work for relief efforts for the victims of Hurricane Katrina, the Boise River cleanup, the Idaho Food Bank and Boise State's Volunteer Services Board. She will graduate from Boise State May 13.

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What could possibly go wrong?

Three Russian fishermen took the train from Vladivostok to Ussurisk and brought some dynamite with them to blast fish out of the water.

- Alas, the explosives went off prematurely, causing heavy damage to

Are you having haddock or flounder

To combat a rat infestation in their village, villagers in Sanjiang, China, bought 250 cats and set them loose in the fields.

The cats did such a good job in eradicating the vermin that the farmers gave them a fish banquet.

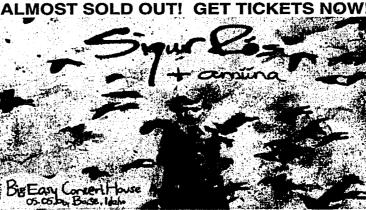






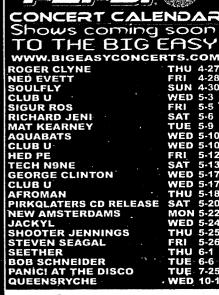














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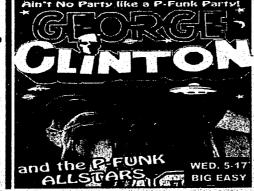
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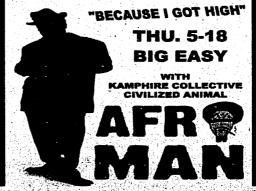
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Cultural Center corrects record, Sawmiller still under fire from Senate guests

BY JESSICA CHRISTENSEN **NEWS WRITER**

Once again, the Associated Students of Boise State University Senate heard negative feedback from multiple senate and gallery guests on Tuesday, in response to the opinion piece by Sen. Jonathan Sawmiller in The Arbiter last week.

In addition, Ro Parker, of the Cultural Center also spoke, seeking to "set the record straight" regarding the \$4,000 in extra funds that was debated during ASBSU's budget presentation.

Throughout the meeting, the tone was less emotional than that of the previous week's gathering, but was still directly critical of Sawmiller and The Arbiter.

Before the guests were allowed to comment, Senate Pro Tem Greg Wilson set guidelines for the meeting, advocating calm discourse.

The senate rules and procedures allow me to maintain quorum in the senate chamber and I would ask that there be no signs of protest held up during the senate guests or their speeches or after. I believe that the speakers themselves are eloquent enough and intelligent enough, far better than any sign could. So

please do not place signs up at any time during the senate meeting. There will be no pounding on the table and no clapping until or unless legislation is passed."

Parker then addressed the senators to clarify the Cultural Center's position on the \$4,000 annual gift that some suggested the center not receive this year.

Parker said that in the arbiteronline.com forums, incorrect postings portrayed members of the center as going back on their word when it came to the annual \$4,000 gift.

The Cultural Center previously proposed a \$2.50 student fee increase to help cover annual costs. At the time, Parker said, the center might not need the extra funds if the full increase was given. When the center was later approved for only a fifty cent increase, that extra \$4,000 was necessary again.

"If we receive the \$2.50, we would no longer need the \$4,000, but what we have been approved for is the fifty cents," Parker said.

In addition, Parker addressed the accusation that the center had not been forthcoming with information about how it spends the extra

She said she had given copies of a spending breakdown of the center's

funds to Sen. Greg Wilson

"If what I provided for him was not what he wanted he failed to communicate that to me ... I think this leads people to believe that we're not wanting to reveal what we spend our funds on. We have never been formally asked," Parker said.

Parker said the only senate member who actually asked her for that information was Sen. Isaac Moffett. Sen. Moffett thanked Parker for the compliment later in the meeting.

After Parker spoke, the meeting focus shifted back to Sawmiller's

Student Juan Morales and Chair of MEChA said he disagreed with Sawmiller's opinion piece and the negative characterization of his organization.

Morales said two main goals of MEChA include political advocacy and education.

"We're just a group that wants to do better for ourselves, and through that, advocate and inform," Morales said. He also said, for him, the term "Raza" meant people in his life who are supportive, not merely members of his race.

As a lifelong affiliate of MEChA, faculty member Juan Martinez also shared his thoughts on the threat he feels as a result of the article.

"The words of that article have struck terror in the heart of a citizen in this country. I no longer feel safe on this campus knowing that there are some that would like to take away my freedom of consciousness and my way of life. I therefore must carefully consider my return this fall. Boise State University has suffered yet another black eye," Martinez said.

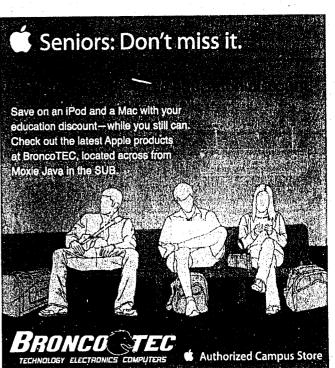
OtherspeakersechoedMartinez's notions that the article unfairly criticized MEChA, a fact which they said could be harmful to the organization and to the campus.

Later, during open business, Martinez walked out after hearing Sen. Moffett mispronounce the word "Chicano." The word had been correctly pronounced many times earlier in the meeting.

Several senators left the Senate table as soon as Moffett finished

The Senate will meet again for the last time on Thursday at 4:45 p.m. in the Student Union Forum.





Experience of WWII internment

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Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston

BY MICAH MCLAUGHLIN News Writer

Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston will

Camp Thursday, at 7 p.m. in the

camp to be addressed tonight

She was one of more than 110,000 Japanese Americans detained in the camps.

Her childhood in the camp will be the focus of the speech to-

Houston coauthored the book 'Farewell to Manzanar" with her husband. "Farewell to Manzanar"

Since its publication in 1973, it has been turned into a screenplay, for which Houston was awarded the Humanities Prize and the

speak about her experiences in Manzanar" is a required text in

tem and is also widely used in

Robert Sims, Professor Emeritus for the Department of History, said that the university is fortunate to have this author come and

He also said that Houston's book is one of the most important

on the subject. "It's of such significance that we were able to bring this author here ...," said Sims, "I think there is something instructive about that experience, what happened to Japanese Americans."

Houston also coauthored "Don't Cry, It's Only Thunder" with Paul G. Hensler in 1984 and authored "Beyond Manzanar and other views of Asian-American Womanhood" in 1985.

Houston studied sociology and journalism at the University of San Jose where she met her hus-

university settings. Student Union Building's Lookout She was sent to Manzanar with her family in 1941, when she was seven years old, and released in speak.

is an account of Houston's childhood in the camp.

Christopher Award among others. "Farewell Currently,

a Japanese American Interment the California Public School sys- band, James D. Houston.

"The benefit of working for a 'small giant' is that it's exciting and fun. They are reinventing the way we do business," he said. "They have been ignored until now, but they are where our future lies."

Burlingham encouraged the students to incorporate mojo into their

"Pay attention to mojo and where it comes from, because it has a huge

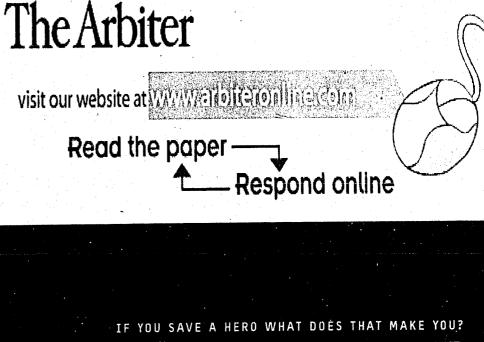
fessor Roy Glen, who introduced Burlingham, praised Burlingham's accurate writing.

books where the authors try to get [the books] to fly off the shelves," he Mike Wise, a junior accounting

"I came in with a certain expectation, but I actually got a lot out of it, and now I want to read the book,"

Burlingham returned the group's compliments, saying he enjoyed the

he said. "They were asking all the right ones, because they are ultimately the future of our economy."





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Burlingham encourages BSU students to pursue excellence

BY CRYSTAL KUPPER Special to The Arbiter

Editor-at-large of Inc. magazine and author Bo Burlingham encouraged a group of 30 business students and faculty to pursue company excellence over size in the Jordan Ballroom at BSU last Thursday af-

The Berkeley, Calif., residentisthe author of "Small Giants: Companies That Choose to be Great Instead of Big" and lectured as part of BSU's College of Business and Economics Distinguished Speaker series.

Burlingham, who joined Inc., a business publication, in 1983, spoke of the business world's obsession with expansion and growth.

"Normally, when we talk about greatness, we usually refer to sales," he said. "But can we really use those standards to measure excellence?"

Burlingham said the model that today's entrepreneurs should imitate is that of 14 privately-owned and time-honored companies he profiled in Small Giants. Instead of pursuing quick growth, he said, these companies chose to keep their unique and standard-setting "mojo," or magnetic qualities, instead of selling out to large public corporations.

Once you start replicating something, it's no longer unique, and probably not as good," Burlingham

One of the companies Burlinghamfeatured was Boise-based Ecco, a manufacturer of backup alarm and amber warning lights for commercial vehicles.

Burlingham, who wrote the book on his publisher's suggestion, said Ecco shares the essential quality of mojo with all the other Small Giants companies.

"Mojo is hard to define, but as soon as you see it, you know it," Burlingham said. "It's the corporate equivalent of charisma. When a business has mojo, you want to be associated with it."

Ecco chief operating officer Chris Thompson said that being featured in Burlingham's book has boosted the morale of Ecco's "team members," or employees.

"We're always glad to be recognized on a national and international level for what we do," Thompson said.

Burlingham, who has written two other business books, said mojo is something companies can gain or lose. In order to keep their mojo, a business must have five critical elements: a solid business identity, a determination to be the best, close relationships with customers and suppliers, a culture of intimacy, and a passion for the business. Once a company has these ingredients, the advantages are endless,

Burlingham said.

own careers.

effect on your business," he said. Associate management pro-

"That kind of professionalism we rarely see, especially in business

major, said Burlingham's speech provided plenty of useful informa-

dialogue following the speech.

"I was impressed with the questions [the students] were asking,"

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People of another race find it harder to read your face



George Washington University students Adrian Lim - Cantonese Chinese; Steve Kwak -Korean; Richard Chin - Chinese; Taeho Kim - Korean. It's not that people of any one race are harder to distinguish; researchers say that individual features vary equally among races. Rather, it's that people of each race have trouble telling people from another race apart. This so-called "cross-race effect" is causing new problems in an increasingly globalized world.

BY IRIS KUO Knight Ridder Tribune

WASHINGTON — In a recent episode of "The Sopranos," Tony Soprano dreamed that he'd been slapped by a Buddhist monk who mistook him for another white man who'd swindled him.

"All Caucasians look alike," explained the unapologetic monk.

They often do, it turns out, at least to people who aren't Caucasian. For that matter, blacks often look alike to whites and Hispanics to Asians. It's not that people of any one race are harder to distinguish; researchers say that individual features vary equally among races. Rather, it's that people have problems telling people from another group apart.

This so-called "cross-race effect" - something of a misnomer because the phenomenon includes ethnic, cultural and regional groups as well as racial ones — can cause trouble in an increasingly globalized world. For example:

-U.S. forces in Iraq sometimes have mistakenly admitted foreign insurgents because they couldn't tell Saudis or Egyptians from Iraqis, according to Steve Casteel, a U.S. security consultant who until recently advised Iraq's interior ministry, which handles domestic security. Iraqi police who later picked up foreign fighters would discover that the foreign insurgents had convinced U.S. screeners that they were Iragis.

-U.S. drug agents sometimes can't tell Colombian leaders of smuggling groups from the Peruvianand Bolivian peasants who work for them, said Casteel, a vice president at Vance International, a worldwide security firm based in Oakton, Va.

An agent's ignorance can be dangerous, he continued, because Colombian smugglers are more likely to be armed and violent.

-The Innocence Project, a New York nonprofit legal clinic that tracks life imprisonment convictions that are overturned by DNA evidence, found that white eyewitnesses misidentified innocent blacks 44 percent of the time. That's nearly twice as often as they misidentified innocent whites.

Misidentifications aren't due to racism, however, said Roy Malpass, a psychology professor at the University of Texas at El Paso who's published widely on the cross-race effect. "People make about 50 percent more errors," he said, whenever they're asked to remember otherrace faces.

Malpass bases his estimate on experiments in which researchers asked subjects to study equal numbers of faces from their race and from a different race. After some time passed, the subjects looked at double the number of faces they'd seen before - half of them seen in the earlier trial and half introduced for the first time - and identified those they thought they'd seen before. They all did much better with their own race.

Practice and motivation - such as courting foreign business or someone of another race - can overcome the cross-race effect to a degree. "But you are much less rapid and accurate," said Scania de Schonen, a neuroscientist at the University Rene Descartes in Paris who's studied the cross-race effect in babies, adoptees and immi-

Humans develop their recognition skills in infancy, honing them

on the faces they see most often, Schonen said, and those are mostly of their own race. Much of that skill building is done by the time they're 3, she believes; nearly all by the time they're 9.

The cross-race effect also often trips up teachers, who must learn to recognize scores of new students every semester. It befuddled Dyske Suematsu when he moved from Japan to California as a teen. Once, he said, he mistook a blond teacher for one of his own and followed him to class, where Suematsu sat for a half-hour before the teacher asked, "Who are you?"

Suematsu has created a Web site on Asians, www.alllooksame.com, that explores the "they all look alike to me" stereotype and makes fun of it. Among other things, the site displays 18 faces of Asians - Chinese, Japanese and Koreans - and asks visitors to identify their nationali-

High scorers, he's found, hail mainly from areas with many - Asians, such as Korea, Taiwan, Hawaii and New York City.

For underage drinkers hoping to get past nightclub bouncers, however, the cross-race effect can be helpful, according to Monica Lee, a Chinese student at George Washington University in Washington. Any ID with an Asian face, no matter how unlike the ID holder's, works, said Lee, now 22.

They see you with dark hair and the stereotypical Asian features and say, 'Oh, that's you," said Lee.

To take the cross-race test and get more information, go to www. alllooksame.com

For more on eyewitness misidentifications, go to www.eyewitness.

April 16

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4/17/06 - Vandalism-Glue was put in change machines and payment machines in the Parking Garage. Report taken.

4/17/06 - Theft - BSU ID card vas stolen from som belongings in the Student Union Building. Report taken.

4/17/06 - Grand Theft - Wallet was taken from a house near campus or it was lost on campus. Report taken.

4/17/06 - Theft - Flat panel computer monitor was taken from a room in the Engineering Technology Building. Report taken

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4/18/06 - Bike Theft - Bike was take from a rack at Chaffee Hall. Report taken.

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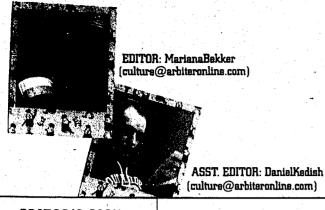
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EDITOR'S PICK: New DVD release "Shopgirl"



Aspiring artist and department store employee Mirabelle (Claire Danes) just wants to be hugged. But does she want to be hugged by Jeremy (Jason Schwartzman), who is poor and weird but supposedly really wonderful once you get to

Or would she prefer the company of Ray (a surprisingly muted Steve Martin, who also wrote the novella on which the film is based), who is successful, sophisticated but in a completely different stage of life than she is?

Neither option is perfect ... but hey, she isn't, either.

"Shopgirl" is a little strange, occasionally painful and, particularly when Schwartzman is in the picture, very funny without straying from what turns out to be an honest trip through the perils of searching for a certain something and learning to accept and love what you find

CELEBRITY NEWS: Temporal insights



Tinseltown magnate Michael Douglas has weighed in on la condition humaine: We shall all falter, fade away, fall down.

"When you have a younger bride, you've got to be careful that you recognize the realities of how old you are, and that you are not pretending to be anything other than that," the 61-year-old "Falling Down" star, who's married to 36-year-old Catherine Zeta-Jones, told London's Evening Standard.

And he paid his "Basic Instinct" costar Sharon Stone the ultimate compliment for her much-ridiculed performance in the sequel: "I haven't seen it."

HEALTH AND BEAUTY TIP: Sweeter than sugar

Here, we look at the real thing sugar - and what are known as the "non-nutritive" artificial sweeten-

Sucrose - Known as: Table sugar What it is: A carbohydrate that results from extensive processing of sugar cane and sugar beets. How sweet it is: It's the gold standard to which artificial sweeteners are measured.

Found in: Everything from sodas and baked goods to fast-food milkshakes. Calories: About 16 per tea-

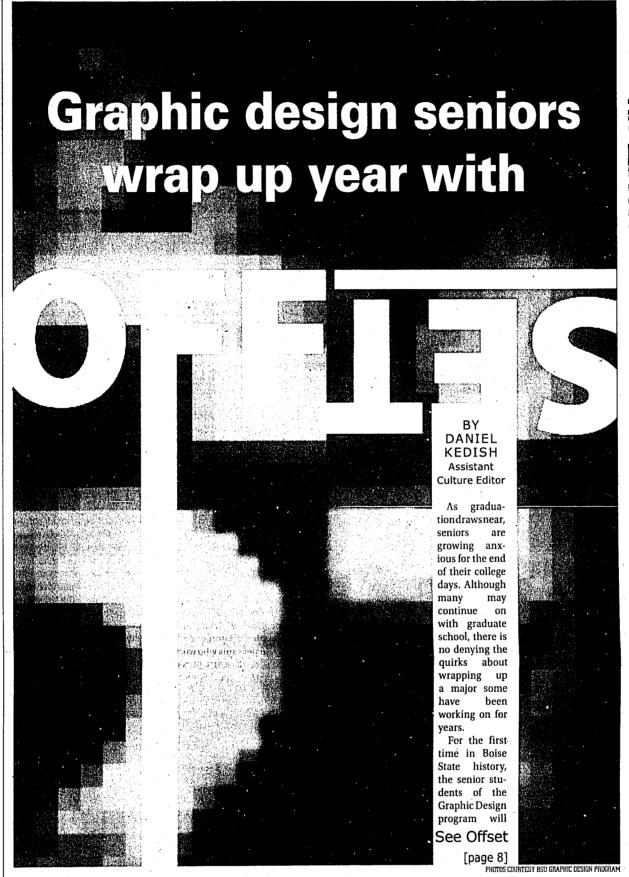
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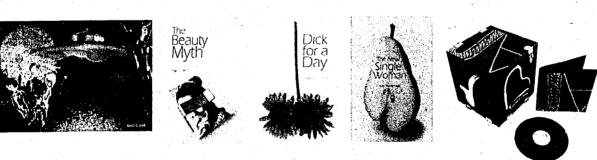
What it is: This is a derivative of phenylalanine and aspartic acid. However, studies show that it poses no danger to those with an inherited sensitivity to phenylketonuria. How sweet it is: 8,000 times sweeter than table sugar. Found in: Cereals, diet snack bars, beverages, chewing gum, baked goods, frozen desserts. Calories: 0.

Sucralose - Known as: Splenda. What it is: This product, approved by the FDA in 1998, is the result of a

chemical reaction between sugar and chlorine. How sweet it is: 500 to 700 times sweeter than table sugar. Found in: Table packets, desserts, dairy products, canned fruits, syrups, baked goods, dairy products.

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Rooney gets down at The Big Easy



Playing a mix of familiar favorite and new tunes, Rooney rocked Boise Sunday night when they performed at the Big Easy.

BY DANIEL KEDISH Assistant Culture Editor

Making their third appearance at The Big Easy in Boise, the band Rooney brought back an array of pop beats and rock hits while expressing the surf tones seen in groups such as the Beach Boys. The authentic five-member ensemble cracked up the tunes Sunday night, bringing in dozens of fans for a night of casual drinks and great entertainment.

Although Sundays seem to attract the smaller crowds to concerts, Rooney played strong for their loyal listeners, some who came to see the band for their second or third time in Idaho.

Playing to an audience of mixed ages and diverse looks, the group performed familiar songs from their first self-titled album produced in 2003, while sampling the newest in their musical creations, which will soon be available on their second album currently untitled.

Watching the show reminded me of an episode from the FOX hit TV show "The O.C.," which the band made a cameo appearance on during the show's first season. With the California flag draped across the back of the stage with the band's name

across it, I could not help but expect to see Mischa Barton watching from the balcony above or Adam Brody dancing down front.

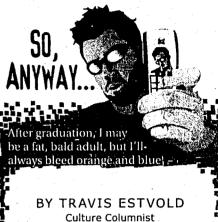
The experience on the show helped the band spread their name internationally

while accumulating new fans. "It was a brand new show at the time, and the creator Josh Schwartz asked us to be on it since he thought Rooney represented the LA music scene well." Ned Brower, the group's drummer and vocalist said. "We shot the part in a day, forgot about it and then saw the show and it boosted our profile in a large way - boosting sales interna-

In addition to their acting on television, the band also appeared in the movie "The Princess Diaries" while members of the group have experienced the world of entertainment through family roots and various job positions.

Brower took the job as a hand model for Nintendo back in the 1980s. The lead singer, Robert Carmine, is first cousins with actor Nicolas Cage and the director of "Lost in Translation," Sophia Coppola. Carmine is also the brother of actor Jason Schwartzman, who appeared in the re-

See Rooney [page 8]



Fifteen days from now, I'm going to graduate from this institution with an undergraduate degree. My family and friends will pack into Taco Bell Arena where they'll hear one of the Doctors Klautsch read my name aloud. In my black cap and gown, I'll take a half-lap around the gym and be handed a piece of paper with fancy text printed on it. Afterwards, people will stream out the building and onto the intramural field and I'll shake hands, be photographed incessantly, introduce this person to that person and that person to this, and I'll partake of the free cookies and punch under the College of Business and Economics tent. Later that day, I'll attend a party or a dinner and I'll hear "Congratulations!" a thousand times. I will go to sleep a graduate of Boise

The following morning, I'll wake up very much the same person, but in a very different world. To paraphrase Alice Cooper's immortal words, school will be out for the summer, but will it be out forever? Will I ever make it back to a classroom for graduate studies? Oh, the pink blossoms outside the Student Union Building will stink like butt every spring, but I won't be around as often to smell them. The Bell of Excellence will ring out as an excited pedestrian gives its wheel a turn, but I will be out of earshot. Jason MacDonald will bag on one of his marketing students, but I won't be in the middle row to chuckle and thank the heavens it wasn't me this time.

I'll get a real job and bitch about vacation time. I'll still go to Bronco games, but for the first time in four years, I'll have to pay for entrance. Time will pass, marked off only by pay periods or payment due dates. no longer by class projects or midterms. My wardrobe will change, and eventually I'll own a suit. Babies born in 1990 will begin college - yes, kids who turned four the year Kurt Cobain disbanded Nirvana.

Eventually, I'll have a mortgage and I'll wish I'd taken better notes in Finance. My IRA will take precedence over what's going on in the NBA. And I'll never leave home without my American Express. If I'm lucky enough to keep it, my mane will be cut short and I'll have to stop wearing so many hats. Beer will become light beer. Keggers will become wine parties. Yard work will no longer be seasonal but weekly. Wednesday lunch hours with a friend will replace Friday night bar hopping endurance tests.

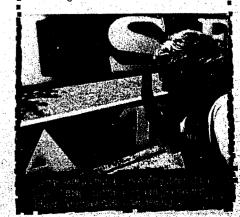
And hair may begin to grow on my back and out of my ears.

Pessimistic outlook or realistic prognostication? I guess that's for me to decide. All I know is that with graduation looming, I'm getting nervous. Life as I know it is going

to end. I've been fending off the onset of adulthood pretty much since I was born. Come May 13, I may have to finally succumb. But as I do so, I look back on the past four years at Boise State with a melancholy, yet fond eye. Should the road ahead call for bald-headed obesity or underwhelming financial success, at least I can always recall the time I spent here with a grin. So, anyway, like my friend (and former

ASBSU president) Joe Holladay says, "I will bleed orange and blue until the day I die." And it's true. We're no Ivy League institution. We're no Pac-10 powerhouse. But a trip down University Drive does and always will put a smile on my face - provided I can find somewhere to park. What's the deal with parking here? Has anyone looked into this?

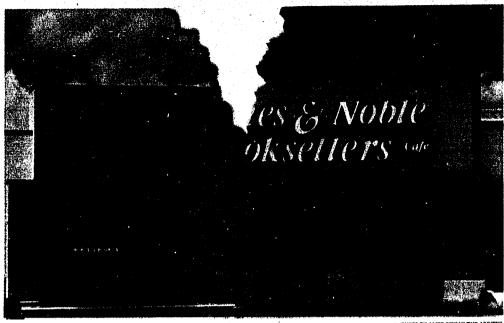
Juuust kidding. But allow me to say one last thing. I love it here. And I will miss it.



Graduation day too boring? Jump with Skydown Sport Skydiving for charity

ning of May 13, Boise The morning of May 13, Boise State students will begin . it's graduation day. Will these it's grad be students that didn't quite be students that did make the grade and can't take make the it anymore? Heck no, it's all in the name of fun and **for** The second annual Dive for charity. Tundraiser is Diabetes skydive fundraiser is The second antill Diabetes skyll! Le that Saturday set to take place that Saturday set to take (W) Skydown Sport morning at Skydown Sport a Caldwell, Idaho. Skydiving in Caldwell, Idaho. morning, Sudent that signs Skydlvin For every student that signs jump, Skydown will up for the jump, Skydown will For every No No Limits, a donate \$15 to No Limits, a up for t|W| wifit organization local non-profit organization donate 🕸 Womoting, local noi!!! dedicated to promoting, hspiring an educating, and inspiring an dedigate" educatilif style for all active, healthy lifestyle for all active, Illik people with diabetes. people Wil , Event registration costs are Event roll \$130 per person, which inclades a tandem skydive, a \$130 pel.1% e ticket, live music, and a include# raffle tich " Weste. Action is required a barbey^{∦ll} Metaly for all interested immedi**∌**" 🖳 🎮 ugh. A nonrewn payment student જાજ[ા] `roordinafundabli', a sydffill a is due 🙌 COME DIVE FOR DIABETES MAY 13TH & 14TH Registration is only \$130 per person Call Matt Score@208-484-4757 to register today!

Battle of the bookstores: Which one will win?



BY FRANCY MARCOTTE Culture Writer

I've always found it humorous that Barnes and Noble and Borders are located across the street from each other off of Milwaukee.

Two huge bookstore chains, practically identical in the merchandise they sell: books, movies, CDs, coffee, and other items like blank journals and witty cards, battling it out day after day for customers.

I was originally a Barnes and Noble girl. This happened when I was 15 and my college-age, hipster sister decided I needed to become just as hip and pretentious as she

"No, no, you don't do your homework at home," she told me one day, "What you do is take your books to Barnes and Noble, buy some coffee, and then sit in the café for hours and do it. That's the cool thing to do. That's what all the college kids

Okay, those weren't her exact words, but that was the idea. I shrugged and was like "All right. I want to act like a hip college kid,"

and trotted after her to Barnes and Noble where we sat in the café, and looked very studious with our lattes and stacks of school books.

That was the start of my addiction. I hung out at Barnes and Noble for the next two years. Oftentimes, I would invite my friends to come with me, and we'd have a party.

Then, about a year ago, I went into Borders for the first time. It was completely innocent. The café at Barnes and Noble was ridiculously crowded, so I hiked across the street to Borders.

The store appealed to me. The space was slightly smaller than Barnes and Noble, and less crowd-

I walked into the practically deserted café and ordered an iced chai. The barista, instead, suggested a blended chai. "It's like a chai frappacino," he said. I had one and had to admit it was delicious.

While Starbucks lovers might appreciate the Barnes and Noble café, coffee and tea taste the same to me, no matter where I go.

However, this blended chai drink was one reason I came back to

Borders again...and again.

While I felt perfectly scandalous engaging in this affair with Borders, with my beloved Barnes and Noble just across the street, I couldn't help but appreciate the calm atmosphere Borders offered.

The crowds and lines that I constantly battled at Barnes and Noble were not an issue within the tranquility of Borders.

When summer came around last year, I stopped going to both Barnes and Noble and Borders. I'm ashamed to admit I haven't been faithful to either one since. However, with finals just around the corner, I'll need some way to make the arduous hours of studying entertaining.

Where will I go to be a studious college student?

Well, I was in Borders just the other day, had a chai tea, and was pleased once again. If you want. Starbucks with your school books, go to Starbucks or Barnes and Noble.

If you want a good chai tea, stop in at Borders. I'm always up for a good chai tea.

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The Newlydeads have just released a greatest hits CD. "Dreams from a Dirt Nap" contains 17 songs and spans the band's entire career. Six of the songs are from their self-titled 1997 CD that is now out of print. It also contains two new tracks that were recorded for the unreleased "Black and Shiny" CD.

Full Effect Records is offering downloads of sample tracks on their website.

This may be the Newlydeads final release. Singer Taime Down and his current crew may sound very Newlydeads-influenced. But, they are now going by the name of Down's late 1980s band Faster Pussycat.

The band has turned into a musical mix of both The Newlydeads

industrial goth, and Faster Pussycat's punk influenced rock.

A Faster Pussycat CD of new material is planned for release later this year.

Betty Blowtorch movie



They started out as the first punk rock band to sign a worldwide record deal with EMI since the Sex Pistols. When singer Thom Bone quit in the middle of a show, Bianca Butthole took over lead vocals and the band Butt Trumpet was reborn as Betty Blowtorch.

Betty Blowtorch released two CDs. The first release "Get Off" was produced by Guns N' Roses

bass player Duff McKagan. In 2001 they released "Are you Man Enough?" and, just as the band was starting to build some national attention, tragedy struck.

After a show in New Orleans, singer Bianca Butthole was killed in a high speed auto accident. The documentary that was being made at the time about a vibrant and promising all-girl band has just been released on DVD.

"Betty Blowtorch and Her Amazing True Life Adventures" contains the complete story of the band's career with footage dating back 10 years. It contains rare live performances of Butt Trumpet and Betty Blowtorch, and interviews with the surviving members of both bands.

New Tool CD leaked on the Internet

The new Tool CD "10,000 Days" leaked onto the internet a full two weeks before its release date. The band went through great lengths

to keep this highly anticipated release from being leaked, and at this point in time no one seems to know its origin. The official release date is May 2.

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Hendrix movie directed by Quentin Tarantino



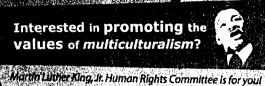
The script is already written and according to starpulse.com, Quentin Tarantino has signed on to direct a movie of the life and times of Jimi Hendrix.

With the help Hendrix's brother Leon. Tarantino will have full access to all music and likeness. This includes interviews and live footage that will be incorporated into the film. Production on the film will begin later this year in Seattle, Wash.

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Symphonic Winds Concert: Low attendance, solid music

BY KRISTINA LINDAHL Special to The Arbiter

The BSU Symplionic Winds gave their Spring Concert in the main hall of the Morrison Center Sunday afternoon, led by professor Marcellus Brown and guest conductor John King. Far too few had a chance to hear them.

The concert was held in the main hall of the Morrison Center, and the crowd looked rather small for such a large auditori-

The event was advertised in the Spotlight and to all instrumental musical educators in the Freasure Valley area, but not promoted to the general public in any other way.

As a result, volunteer Maxine Hoene said, "They never quite know how many to expect for a concert like this." A highly unofficial count, taken toward the end of intermission, suggests there were around 100 people in attendance.

The concert started with the energetic and lively 20th century piece "Whirr, Whirr, Whirr," by Raiph Hultgren.

The symphony then moved on to the calmer "Sanctuary" by contemporary composer Frank Ticheli, and just before intermission, a selection of Renaissance Dances from "The Danserye," composed by Tielman Susato and transcribed for concert band by Patrick Dunnigan.

After the intermission, the crowd was treated to Sergei Rachmaninoff's Bogoroditse Devo, transcribed by Timothy Salzman.

Guest conductor John King, director of the University All Campus Concert Band, conducted the piece Brown introduced as "the Russian Orthodox Ave Maria." The professor also took a moment to explain the slight confusion just before intermis-

An experienced concert audience knows that one does not clap between the separate movements of a symphony, but holds all applause until the last one is

Accordingly, when movement VII followed directly after VI without pause, the crowd waited several moments for the ninth movement to start, until Brown discretely signaled that it was indeed over now.

The applause was mixed with chuckles.

ProfessorBrownintroducedthe last piece, Ticheli's "Symphony more thoroughly. Dedicated to Dr. James Croft, the symphony was commissioned by his students and friends as a gesture of appreciation when he retired from the position of director of bands at Florida State University. Drastically different from "Sanctuary," Ticheli's symphony ended the concert as energetically and joyfully as Hultgren's "Whirr, Whirr, Whirr," started it.

Any students interested in attending future events can find more information at the music department's webpage, www. boisestate.edu/music/.

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Bowling, barley and tradition: Why skipping holidays is always better than not

BY HADLEY RUSH Culture Writer

It was in the middle of the third frame, after my first spare, when I realized just how odd my family is. Not that this was a revelation of any kind- not a newfound kin-exposé, not an "Ohmigod-I-come-fromcrazy-blood" internal dialogue by any means. More than anything, I think it was my first preview of acceptance of this many-tiered-tree I claim as my lineage. And that was eerie. But then again, acceptance is always a bit eerie. After all, it was Easter Sunday and I was drinking Heineken while bowling in the basement of the Sun Valley Lodge with seven of my closest relatives and my cousin's 21-year-old snowboarding instructor, Zach.

In between swigs of my "barlev soda" as Zach had referred to it- (who was incidentally very bad at bowling, though very skilled in snow sports) I thought over my bizarre yet fortunate childhood. As my uncle gave my grandmother a high-five proceeding a timely strike, I thought how seemingly white trash we would appear, if it weren't for the fact that we were drinking imported beer, carrying designer bags, and bowling in one of the most highly esteemed (and posh ski resorts in the world.) But then again, we always did seem to do holidays a touch differently in my family.

Take for example, our means of celebrating Christmas. It was after a very unfortunate occurrence with my now-deceased grandfather that we were all keen on the idea of skipping Christmas all together, and instead, going somewhere tropical to

sunbathe-away our sorrows. So began our family's St. Nick tradition of destination Christmases.

The first was a trip to Hawaii, followed by Mexico, then Fiji, Barotonga, Aitutaki, then Slovakia and Austria (though not tropical, equally bizarre places to celebrate the birth of Jesus and the coming of Dasher and Dancer.) Which brings me to our most recent Christmas, this year when we decided to forego our crazy traveling and try a "traditional" Christmas at home after six years of spending the holidays out of the country.

This last Christmas as my mother, father, and I sat in our empty living room two days before Santa was due to come, I recall the dialogue between the three of us:

Dad: "Should we get a tree?" Mom: "Hm..."

Me: "I don't see that as a necessity, after all, we haven't had one for six years."

Dad: So we don't need one?" Mom: "Meh..." Me: "Meh..."

And so the debate ensued, apathetically, with a plethora of shoulder shrugging. Though we did eventually end up with a tree (my dad cursing the thing as he tried to stake the trunk into the tree stand) we once again remembered why we "skip" Christmas.

So this Easter, as my third Heineken kicked into effect with my bowling ball in-hand, I concentrated on the indistinct, blurred lines that, had I been more sober, would possibly guide my ball swiftly down the lane. I looked back at my family lovingly. My uncle, aunt, cousin, grandma, mom and dad cheered for me as I concurrently (and accidentally) let the ball slip from my

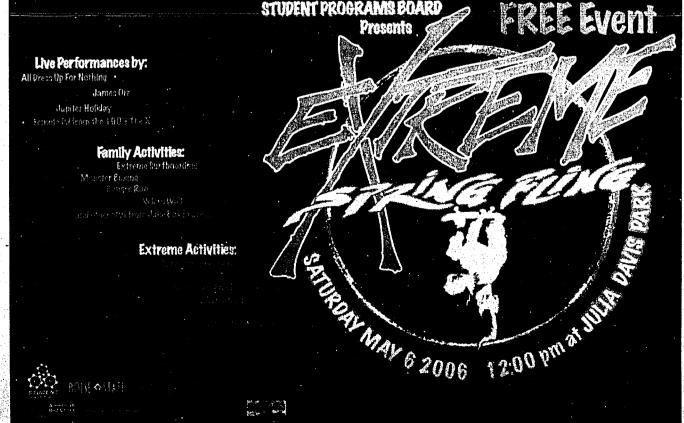
French tipped fingers and heaved it not down the bowling lane, but behind me, rapidly towards them. I thought to myself, as the ball flew, slow-motion-like nearer and nearer my dearest clan, how fitting it was that I hurled a 15-pound bowling ball at them on the day of Jesus' rebirth. "Perhaps," I thought, as my family shrieked and screamed whilst the ball flew closer, "I've instigated a new family tradition for springtime. "



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GRAPHIC DESIGN PROGRAM:

"Offset" starts today and runs through April 29 at the Visual Arts Collective located on Grove Street.

end their years in academia with a show titled "Offset." The portfolio showcase begins Thursday, April 27 and runs through April 29, at the Visual Arts Collective on Grove

Street in Boise's Linen District.

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Fifteen students joined together to create the gallery, each bringing their own art and style to the show, giving "Offset" a variety in shapes, forms and textures. With the display, the students hope to attract interest from prospective employers, clients and the community.

Those attending "Offset" on its opening night will be treated to extra entertainment, which includes the sounds of the Boise Experimental Music Festival and a student documentary film created by Brian Sprague.

The film gives audiences a look at the process of developing the show from the inside out, with footage from the designers' homes as they worked on their pieces.

According to Amber Hawton-Hill, a graphic design student involved in "Offset," she speaks high-

ly of the film and the quality of work each student has put into their art.

"It gives us all chills to see the almost finished version because it made us realize what we have overcome in order to make this show real." Hawton-Hill said.

Hawton-Hill, like many of her fellow peers, continues her work in the field of graphic design outside of BSU, with a design/marketing internship for the Idaho Lottery. However, she is not the only student involved in "Offset" that is working for the Idaho Lottery.

Nicolet Laursen, a former North Idaho College student who continued her education at BSU, won the Idaho Lottery's design a ticket competition, rewarding her with an internship with the company.

"This internship taught me how to work with other designers, talk to printers, do press checks, and work

In the spring of 2005, she left the internship through the use of the National Student Exchange, allowing her to spend a semester studying in Providence, Rhode Island.

Back in Boise, Laursen got a job working for the Taco Bell Arena as their only graphic designer. She continues to work there as well as with the Idaho Lottery.

Creating "Offset" will allow her and other students a chance to further their careers and experiences.

"I think this show will be a great way to finish off my education," Laursen said, "I'm not sure exactly what the future holds for me. But I'm okay with that. Graphic Design is so broad, it seems you can go almost anywhere with it."

To create the show, Laursen describes that the students split into

with advertising agencies," Laursen separate groups to tackle every aspect of the show.

"We had to consider many things. What would be the name of the show? What should out image be? When should we have this event, and where? Will we have shrimp or funny little finger foods? It seemed the questions were endless," Laursen said. "But we answered them one by one and came up with some fantastic ideas."

Outside of BSU, Laursen, Hawton-Hill and others look for what the future may hold, while some students involved in "Offset" have a clear idea of what they hope to achieve with their knowledge in the field.

DuAnn Wright will be 54-yearsold on graduation day, and found going back to school in the field of graphic design a rewarding experi-

"I chose the area of graphic de-

sign because I thought it would be very helpful for my plans in operating my own business and perhaps doing book layouts for a book publisher," Wright said. "Putting the portfolio show together has been very exciting, working together as a team with fellow class mates and our energetic and wonderful professor, Jennifer Woods."

Ironically, the show is not only made up of graphic design majors. Chris Teeter, the current president of the local Kappa Sigma fraternity chapter, is an illustration major.

"I'm a bit of the odd one out in this show. Everyone else is majoring in graphic design," Teeter said.

Teeter joined the Art 495 class, which is putting on the show, to gain experience, technical proficiency and to get involved in the design community. He describes, "Offset" as a show unlike any other.

"I think our show will have a more 'art show' feel," Teeter said. "I think it will appeal to the fine art as well as graphic design communities. We have a well designed show to compliment our work."

Judy Tallada, another student involved in "Offset," is excited about the future opportunities the show may provide for her and her abili-

"Finishing the graphic design program gives me the opportunity of reaching the desire of becoming a professional artist and designer," Tallada said 🛌

According to the professor helping with the program, Woods finds pleasure in seeing the show come together and her students succeed.

'This year we are extremely proud of this enthusiastic group, who are a great representation of design coming out of the art department at Boise State," Woods said.

So with one more milestone to overcome, the graphic design seniors hope people will attend the show in appreciation of the hard work they have endured over the

As Laursen said, "A lot of work goes into creating an amazing portfolio show, and take it from me, "Offset" will be amazing!"

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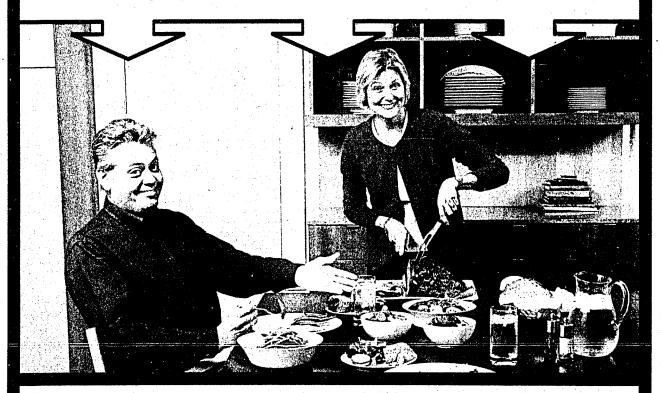
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Carmine changed his last name to honor his grandfather, according to a fan Web site. Although Rooney experimented in acting, their main focus remains

Rooney

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the band and the music they produce. "We are committed to music,

make of "Bewitched" as well as "Shop Girl," starring Claire Danes.

not acting. We put the band first," Brower said. Watching the group perform Sunday, I could see the passion these musicians express in their

music. Many compare their songs to those of The Beatles and Tom Petty, but their mixture of westcoast culture with modern rock and classical influence make Rooney a one-of-a-kind crew that brings listeners feelings of laying on the beach under the hot summer sun soaking up the rays.

The current tour continues further on across America, reaching various cities along the way in promotion of their album, which the band expects to release late summer or early fall.

According to Rooney's own myspace page, they hope to accumulate more fans along the tour while keeping the ones that were there from the start of their careers six years ago.

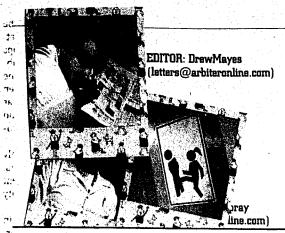
When I asked Brower about his thoughts on generating new interest from the public while keeping true to their first fans he discussed the group's constant goal to take time to give back to them.

"We try to stick to our guns and keep doing what we are doing. We like to keep relations with all fans," Brower said. "I remember the fans at our first shows and I still see them at our current concerts. If we didn't have fans, we wouldn't have a band."

As the showed ended, as did the weekend, I could only begin to count the days until the release of their new album, which is currently available for sampling online.

Rooney is now off to the concert halls of Arizona and California, where they plan to wrap up their tour. The members look forward to a trip later this year to Baja California to work on cover art for the album.

For further information on Rooney and their music, check out their official Web site www.rooneyband.com and read their myspace.



opinion

Hate-filled rhetoric has no place on our campus

BY ROBERT MCCARL **Guest Opinion**

In the short space of nine paragraphs, Mr. Sawmiller executes a test case example of how to use meaningless and vapid buzzwords that have no basis in fact to fan the flames of anti-immigration senti-

Mr. Sawmiller links diversity to anti-Americanism; borders = "criminals, terrorists, drug dealers and illegal aliens" (Canadians are not going to like that equation); Latino brotherhood and mestizo history ="racist Neo-Nazis;" the exclusion of Chicanos from the collective noun American; Hispanic = gangs = ethnic cleansing; Mecha = bigotry, racism, hatred and treason; diversity and multiculturalism = treason and the overthrow of America.

Mr. Sawmiller's hyperbole is matched only by his inability to actually say anything of substance. Diversity means just that, diversity.

Boise State just implemented a diversity requirement, which simply expands our collective ability to see academic subjects from a variety of cultural and historical perspectives. Borders do not confain any inherent values: they are simply political constructs of na-

Aztlan and mestizo cultures historically and geographically preceded the contemporary United States and much of the present day southwest was Mexican territory. I have no idea how Mr. Sawmiller

makes the connection between Hispanics and ethnic cleansing, but I do know that ethnic profiling (Sam Byrd calls it being guilty of "driving while being Hispanic") is quite common in our community. And finally, the notion that diversity and multiculturalism are treasonist and advocate the overthrow of the government is simply

absurd. Gordon Allport in the 1950's defined stereotyping as "an exaggerated belief associated with a category. Its function is to justify (rationalize) our conduct in relation to that category." Demonizing the students of MECHa as racist and vilifying their call for cross-cultural understanding in the current immigration discourse, is too simplis-

tic. It is so much easier to deal with the complexity of millions of landless workers by demonizing them as a collective threat. The danger, however, is that this stereotypical language often leads to physical expression and possibly violence.

I have worked with Latino students on this campus for a number of years. In my opinion, these students are working very hard to be successful students, good citizens and active participants in the social life of our community. A group of these students - many of them active in MECHa and other campus organizations - recently organized presentations about the DREAM act to the faculty and student senates. This act is a non-partisan effort in congress to allow Latino students to attend college at reasonable, in state rates, so that these sons and daughters of immigrants can work toward a better future. The proposals supporting the DREAM act passed both bodies unanimously.

I would suggest that Mr. Sawmiller withdraw his accusations, apologize to the students of MECHa and educate himself about the political, social and economic realities about which he writes. As an individual, he certainly has a right to his opinion. As an elected student official, his stereotyping and hate filled-rhetoric constitutes harassment and have no place at

Robert McCarl is an associate professor at Boise State



Letter to the Editor inaccurate

In response to the "Letter to the Editor," in the April 20, 2006 edition of The Arbiter, a reader wrote that, ... students that use (the Children's Center) receive no discounted rate." University students who have their children enrolled in Boise State's NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children). accredited program do receive a discounted rate, as much as 14 percent compared to university faculty and staff or community families that are enrolled at the Children's Center. Furthermore, families that bring their children to the center can apply for assistance through financial aide with respect to their child care

I would also point out that the center provides services to many other Boise State students. The Child Care &DevelopmentProgramthroughthe College of Applied Technology, the Early Childhood Studies Program through the College of Education and Service Learning use the Center for internships, practicum placements, volunteer opportunities and as a classroom observation site. Last year the Center welcomed over 200. of these and other Boise State students. And did you know that we have 30 student employment posi-

The Children's Center and its team of early childhood professionals appreciate the support of the students of Boise State University. We aim to provide the highest quality of care to help our children grow and develop. We are currently accepting applications for summer and fall enrollment. Call us at 426.4404 or please come visit the Center. We are located at 1830 Beacon St., next to University Manor Apartments.

Hob Boazman director, Boise State Children's Center

What an inspiring article

Ms. Morgan's article on the value of art programs was very inspiring. After reading the article, I want to remember two things: Never lose sight in making a difference or empowering Boise State students' in their education and their lives, and learn what part or role we can play in all learners' education and in the 'No Child Left Behind Act.' We must continue to proactive and make positive change, for our kids' sake. Thanks and way to go, Shannon!

> RoseMary Porter Boise, Idaho

Sawmiller hit the mark

In regards to Jon Sawmiller's latest articles I just wanted to say, excellent job! Right on, the truth about these racist Mexican organizations.

Please keep informing people of the true agenda these illegal Mexicans have, Mr. Sawmiller did his homework!

> Mark S. McGrew El Paso, Texas

China: The world's next superpower

BY BRANDON NOLTA Opinion Writer

It's an article of faith to many here in this land of ours that America is the number one nation on Earth, the last superpower to stand astride the global interplay of politics and economics. We were raised to think that way, our media helps shape that impression in numerous ways and to a certain extent, we are justified in thinking that because it is largely

But, just because its true now doesn't mean it'll stay true, which is why it is interesting to observe China and the fits many, many pundits seem to have over Chinas relationship with America. Pick an accusation: China artificially manipulates their currency, the yuan, the detriment of its trading partners; the government allows rampant piracy and intellectual theft to go unchecked, costing media companies and software firms billions; China has governmental policies, especially in regard to human rights, that are often considered barbaric.

There are many more to choose from, and its difficult to argue these things, because the Chinese government (not to be confused with its people) doesn't go out of its way to deny them. Then again, they don't

What rubs these pundits the wrong way is the fact that China, right or wrong, is acting the way America does. I'm not talking about specific policies or events here; I'm talking about the unseen credo that American foreign policy has seemed to follow for decades, which is: We

Might make's right, he who has the gold has the rules, the early bird gets the worm, and so on. China does what it does because it has one of the most booming economies ever, its a player in an increasing number of industries, it has a middle class larger than the total American population and it represents a well of potential intellectual, cultural, economic and otherwise that hasn't been seen in the world since ... well, us.

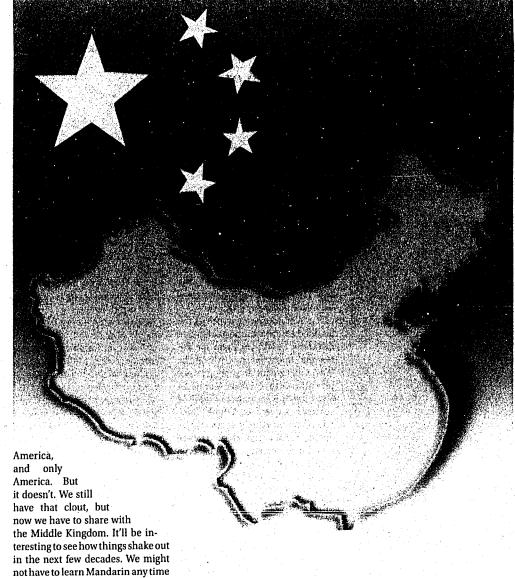
Every nation in the world knows China is the next superpower. No other single nation is in its league in terms of resources and possibilities, and the Chinese know this.

That's one reason why the United States has a \$200 billion trade deficit with China. That's why Google and Yahoo, among others, are willing to overlook China's less-than-forgiving censorship rules in order to do business there. That's why China gets 'Most Favored Nation' trading status despite some awfully odd practices concerning their political prisoners, including the revival of accusations that they are using prisoners as unwilling organ donors.

Things have improved, though; China was suspected in the 1990s of botching executions intentionally to assure freshness. Now they're just accused of harvesting after execution without gaining consent.

In any event, China has clout that is approaching ours, and although they don't have the swagger yet, they have the will to use that clout. And that's just not right say the pundits and the officials and the angry Americans who rail against China's economic might, yet shop happily at Wal-Mart every week.

That kind of power belongs to



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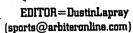
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THIS WEEK IN SPORTS]

Track and field YMCA Invitational Friday-Saturday 2 p.m.

Bronco Stadium

WAC Championships Monday-Wednesday

Men's Golf

Gomez of host San Jose State Crane Creek GC University. Boise, Idaho Lindsay Huebert finished tied for

par for the tournament.

14th place at 19-over par. She en-

Courtesy Broncosports

SANJOSE, Calif. -- Mandi Hedberg

finished tied for fourth place in

the Western Athletic Conference

tournament Wednesday at Coyote

Hedberg had led going into the

third round, but Wednesday shot

10-over par 82 to finish at 13-over

behind WAC champion Jenelle

Hedberg finished just two shots

Creek Golf Club.

tered the day in that same position. BSU's Katie Street finished tied for 21st place at the end of play Wednesday. Britney Hayes finished in sole possession of 28th place at 29-over par for the tournament.

Lindsay Shean finished 35th. The Bronco team finished in last place in the tournament, 25 shots behind team champion San Jose

Following a 2-under 70 in the second round of the Western Athletic Conference Women's Golf Championships, April 25, freshman Mandi Hedberg catapulted up the leaderboard to take sole posses-

With a total of 147 (+3) at the par-72, 6,143-yard Coyote Creek Golf Club, Hedberg led a trio of players by three strokes heading into Wednesday's final round.

Hedberg Led WAC Championships going in to final day

Hedberg's round was not only the lowest thus far in the tournament; it also sets a school record for lowest single-round score in a conference championship, besting the previous mark by three strokes.

Junior Lindsey Huebert also moved up the leaderboard, Tuesday. Huebert entered the second round tied for 19th, but moved into a tie for 14th after posting a 78 (+6). Her two-round total of 157 (+13) has her only two strokes back of the top 10.

As a team the Broncos are in seventh place with a 637, five strokes back of Hawaii.

Wednesday's final round was scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m.

Following the opening round of the Western Athletic Conference Women's Golf Championships, April 24, freshman Mandi Hedberg was tied for 10th place.

Playing in her first ever WAC Championships, Hedberg, a Twin Falls, Idaho, native, recorded four birdies en route to posting a 77 (+5) at Coyote Creek Golf Club.

She was five strokes back of firstround leader Carmina Calle of San Jose State, and three strokes back of a five-way tie for second.

Juniors Lindsey Huebert and Katie Street also found themselves in the top 25 heading into Tuesday's second round.

Huebert was tied for 19th after shooting 79 (+7), while Street was tied for 25th with an 80 (+8).

The Broncos were in seventh place as a team after posting a 317. However, Boise State was only nine strokes back of third place Nevada.

Tournament-host San Jose State led the event with a 297.

Bronco men sign College of Southern Idaho's Reggie Larry

Courtesy Broncosports

Greg Graham, head men's basketball coach at Boise State University, announced today the signing of Reggie Larry, a 6-foot-6, 225pound forward from the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. Larry is Boise State's first recruit from CSI since Steve Swanson, who played for the Broncos during the 1973-74 season.

"We are very excited about Reggie's decision," Graham said. "He provides us with a quality front line player who can come in and help us right away. He has the ability to play both inside and outside and his versatility will be very valuable to us."

Larry averaged 15.2 points and a team-high 8.2 rebounds per game, while making 50.5 percent of his field goals as a sophomore. He was named to the 2006 Junior College All-National Tournament Team in Hutchinson, Kansas, after averaging 21.0 points and 11.7 rebounds in CSI's three games. He led the tournament in rebounds per game grab-

bing 12 against both Southwestern Illinois and Southwest Tennessee and 15 against Monroe. He finished fifth in points per game in the tournament and 11th in points scored getting 17 points against Southwestern Illinois, 22 against Southwest Tennessee and 24 against Monroe.

The Newark, New Jersey, native also was named to the 2005-2006 Scenic West Athletic Conference All-Tournament Team after leading the Golden Eagles to the tournament title by averaging 23.5 points and 9.0 rebounds per game. He scored 27 points and grabbed nine rebounds in CSI's semifinal win over the College of Eastern Utah and had 20 points and nine rebounds in the championship game against Dixie State College.

Larry led the SWAC in rebounding (offensive, defensive and total) and blocked shots (1.46 per game), while finishing fourth in scoring and eighth in field goal percentage. He scored a career-high 39 points in CSI's season opener against Westchester and had 12 games of 20-plus points and 26 double-digit scoring games during his sophomore season. Larry also grabbed a career-high 16 rebounds twice and had 10 double-digit rebounding games. He had nine doubledoubles as a sophomore and 10 in his career at CSI. As a freshman he averaged 6.5 points and 3.5 rebounds and had nine double digit scoring games and one double digit rebounding game.

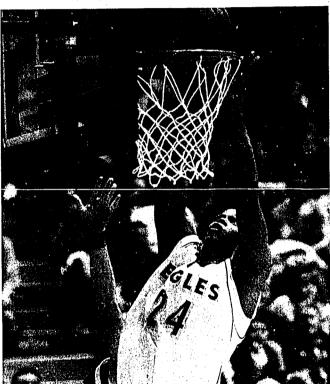
Larry graduated from Barringer High School where he led his team to the New Jersey state tournament as a sophomore and again as a senior. As a senior he averaged 20.5 points, 11 rebounds and three blocks per game and was named to the all-city and all-county teams. As a junior he earned all-city honors after averaging 15 points, six rebounds and two blocks per game.

Larry is the fifth players the Broncos have signed. The other four (Shawn Rouse, Paul Noonan, Zach Moritz, and Tyler Young) signed during November's early signing period.

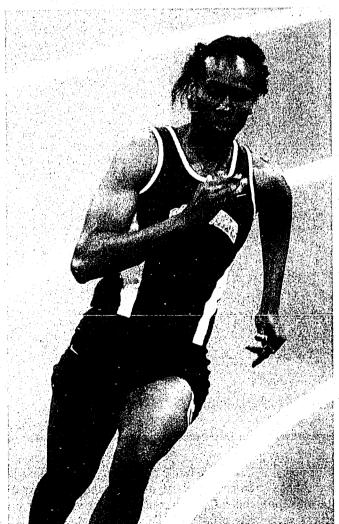


Reggie Larry joined the Boise State Bronco basketball team Tuesday. Larry transferred from the College of Southern

Idaho, a premier junior college basketball program.



Bronco track and Field comes home for final meet



Jackieann Morain is two tenths of a second away from qualifying for the NCAA Regional in the 400 meter run.

BY DUSTIN LAPRAY Sports Editor

This is their chance to sat goodbye one last time

Ten Boise State track and field athletes will compete at home for the final meet of the 2006 outdoor season at Bronco Stadium Friday and Saturday in the YMCA Invitational

tournament. "The meet is a fairly low-level

meet," BSU head track and field coach Mike Maynard said. "That's what we need. We've been going to high-level meets the last few weekends. As our student athletes look forward to final exams, it's important that we're able to stay home and have an easier weekend. The competition level is a little bit low, but that's by design. It gives us a chance to gather up and get ready for the WAC championships."

Western Athletic Conference Championships will be held in Honolulu, Hawaii May 10-

"This is a chance for our 10 seniors t close out their careers at home," Maynard said. "This is the only home meet we have here in the outdoor season. This is their opportunity outside to say goodbye.

The WAC tournament meet is the last for the Broncos to post times and distances qualifying them for the regional tournament. A win at the WAC tournament does not guarantee entrance to regionals. More than anything, the entire track and field season is a quest for a mark. Once attained, that mark gets an athlete an 'in', a seat at the table, a chance to compete for championships at the regional and national level.

Leading the Broncos this season on the men's side is a set of seven seniors, many of whom have already qualified for the regional tourna-

Antoine Echols qualified for the 200 meters with a time of 21.18 sec-

Staffam Jonsson qualified in the discus with a throw of 195-feet-11inches.

Keron Francis, Nate Putnam and Scott Viafore each qualified in the javelin throw. Francis is the only senior of that trio. His distance of 242-3 leads the Broncos this season.

Matthias Jons and Simon Wardhaugh each qualified in the hammer throw, with Jons leading the Broncos with a distance of 230-8

Jons is peaking at the right time. "It takes a lot of throws until you get into the feeling again when your throw the hammer," Jons said. "The body responds better to the good weather. It's a helluva lot better than throwing in the rain. The body understands or feels the movement when you throw. The body understands more and more, the more you

Jons has accomplished a lot in his years at Boise State. He was named the WAC track athlete of the week last week. But more than anything he has studied and improved his

throw."

"I learned a lot of things, definitely technical things," Jons said, "Doing more is not necessarily doing it better, when it comes to technique at least. You have to have patience and you can't fight against the implement, whatever implement you throw. You have to work with it. That way it will fly farther."

The throwing events take a mixture of strength and agility, although Jons isn't the biggest thrower out there, he is one of the best because of his attention to detail, to movement, to getting the most out of his body.

"There's more than one way to Rome," Jons said."There's people that are really big and they can do really well, and there are people who are pretty small who can do really well too. You have to do the best you can with what you're born with.

"You want to put all the power you can produce in your body into the implement. All those technical adjustments that coach (Maynard) makes is a way for him to utilize all

Although the senior is in his final stretch of collegiate competition, Jons is far from donw throwing.

"I don't' feel like I am done competing or anything," Jons said. "This will be our last meet here, competing for Boise State, but hopefully I can continue throwing for awhile, even after I'm done with college."

He said he will probably return to Sweden and play for a club team.

An interview with a runner

On the women's side of the spectrum, the team is extremely young. 20 freshmen are listed on the Bronco

"They're young, but they're pretty talented," Maynard said. "We've done a good job and we're looking for good things on the women's

There are only two Bronco seniors on the women's side. Robin Nixon runs the 5,000 meters, with Becky Guyette, a junior, already qualified for the 5.000 ahead of Nixon.

Jackieann Morain leads the Bronco women in the 400 meters, just two tenths of a second off of the qualifying time. Her best this season was last week (54.89), the qualifying time is 54.61.

"I always start off the season with my slowest time and each weekend I will bring my time down," Morain said. "Every week, the coach can expect a better time from me. It's just natural. My slowest time is at the beginning and I peak at the end. It's no pressure."

Morain has spent her whole life running. She is a Caribbean native and has run for the Grenada National Team. She is a member of the national record-holding 4x400 relay team.

"I came in being one of the good 400 runners," Morain said. "A lot of the athletes look up to me, even the ones that had been here before me. Right now, most of the sprinters are freshmen, but even the throwers and jumpers, we all have a good re-

This weekend's YMCA Invite will also be Morain's final as a Bronco at home.

"I view it like it's the same as all the other meets, except that this is our track and I'm going to go out there and win the 400 no matter what," Morain said, "I'll still give all I have. I want to try to make at least something good on the track to remember."

Although Morain has to race against other runners, she is chasing that qualifying time. She is racing against a time right now, not

"I just go out there and run my own race," Morain said. "You gotta run with the people in the race, but you still have to run your own race, because if you go out too hard, you won't have any energy at the end. You have to know what you practice, what you learn all season and bring that into your race."

Morain said that the practice is much more intensive than one would expect. She doesn't even run the 400 in practice. She runs differ-

ent distances to hone different aspects of running in general that will help her in the 400.

I know what I'm capable of doing and I do that." Morain said. "Right now, I am close to qualifying. I know I can run faster." Mattias Jons, a senior on the

men's track and field team at Boise State University, has been named the Xbox Live WAC Male Track and Field Athlete of the Week following his record breaking performance at last Saturday's (April 22) Oregon Invitational. Jons threw the hammer over the 70 meter mark for the first time in

his career, winning the event with a throw of 230-8 (70.30m). In the process of surpassing the 70-meter mark, Jons also broke his own school record and posted the third best collegiate throw in the country this season. His previous record was 227-10 (69.44m) set during the 2005

Jons is behind two throwers from Virginia Tech University in current NCAA rankings. Spyridon Jullien has the country's top throw at 238-3 (72.63m), while Mohsen Anani has the second best mark at 231-5 (70.55m). Jullien is the defending NCAA national champion, with Jons finishing runner-up at last year's national meet.

This marks the fifth time in Jons career he has received the WAC's athlete of the week honor. He earned two during the 2005 season (one indoor and one outdoor), and two during the 2006 indoor season in the 35-pound weight throw.

The award is also the seventh time, out of a possible 12 weeks of competition, that a Boise State student-athlete has earned the league's weekly award. Other winners this year include Forest Braden (indoor), Staffan Jonsson (outdoor), Nate Putnam (outdoor) and Keron Francis (outdoor).

Jons, along with the rest of the Boise State men and women's teams, are back in action this Friday and Saturday (April 28 and 29) for the YMCA Invitational at Bronco

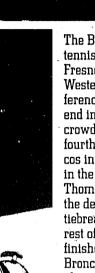
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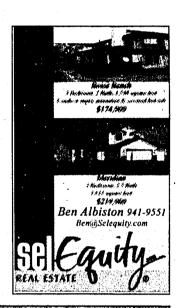








The Boise State men's tennis team defeated Fresno State in the Western Athletic Conference final last weekend in from of a raucous crowd. The title was the fourth for the Broncos in their five years in the WAC. Senior Thomas Schoeck won the deciding match in a tiebreaker well after the rest of the matches were finished. Many of the Broncos were awarded plaques for their strong performances.





The Boise State women's tennis team also competed in the Western Athletic Conference tournament last weekend. The women's team fell to Fresno State 4-3 in the conference final, also at Boise State. The women had a stretch this season where they had won 12 matches in a row and had a string of 32 doubles matches won in a row.



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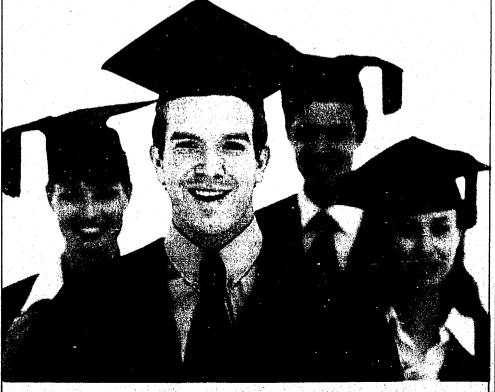
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NFL drafts it's next generation

BY DUSTIN LAPRAY Sports Editor

The first three rounds of the NFL Draft are Saturday April 29. The final four rounds are Sunday April 30. Both days will be shown on Live on ESPN. Here are my picks for the first round.

College Team Player

Southern Cal Reggie Bush Reggie Bush is the most dynamic player to enter the NFL draft since Barry Sanders, though he is more like a LaDanian Tomlinson. Basically, if the Texans don't select the man at No. 1 it will be the biggest draft blunder in years.

This team has a lot of troubles, but may have solved its problems at quarterback with Drew Brees. Williams is a stud on the corner. He will make an impact in New Orleans, even if the Saints still don't play there.

Southern Cal With an aging Steve McNair, the Titans have a chance here to grab a quarterback with confidence abounding. The question is,

when will he actually get to play? D'Brickashaw Ferguson The Jets got better in the off-season and there is an urge to take a quarterback, but Ferguson has an edge and skill to be a pro-

bowl caliber tackle, protecting whoever the Jets put at QB. The Packers too have questions at quarterback, but how can they turn Hawk down. He's a Midwest guy and the Packers's con-

cerns, though varied, are biggest on the defensive side Vernon Davis The 49ers have muddled in mediocrity fro years, but there is a vibe edging toward recuperation in the City by the Bay. Davis is a

piece of an offensive puzzle the team has been constructing. He will give the offense a threat it's been missing.

Oh yeah buddy! If Young actually slips this far it will be a surprise, but most teams are afraid of selecting the man who ran the Longhorns to the national title four months ago. Al Davis has a tendency to leap at talent. Though the Raider's needs are plenty, the future of the franchise may rest in Young's arms.

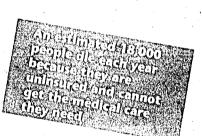
The Bills seem confused lately. The offense has potential, but the team lacks funding. He new collective bargaining agreement gives the Bills cash from revenue sharing, but that still doesn't truly help. Huff is a shut-down corner, big, experienced and he already has a ring.

Florida State Bunkley? In the middle of the line on the team that has struggled on defense ever since I started watching football? Yeah, the Lions have spent first round pick after first round pick on offense, but it's gotten them nowhere. It's time to build this team from the inside out.

Talk about a team on the rise. The Cardinals are my pick to win the NFC West this year, that's right Seahawks fans. Ngata is a run stopper and a big one. Coach Dennis Green has his team primed to change the desert sterotype. We'll see.

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- ocal public and private organizations have come together to provide various events and clinics throughout this coming week, includin
 - * Enrollment drives for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and the Access Card premium assistance program. Those who have heen declined before due to assets should reapply because the asset test was eliminated this spring by the Idaho Legislature.
 - Presentations titled "Conversations on the Uninsured in Idaho: Today and Tomorrow"
 - Various low- and no-cost health clinics provided by Central District Health Department
 - ◆ Visit www.CoverTheUninsured.org to learn more about this important issue and what you can do to make a difference

Calendar of Events

CHIP Enrollment Drive

Province Guls Clubs, 610 East 42nd St., Garden City Time: 5 - 7 p.m.

Immunization Clinics

(available throughout the week) Central District Health Department Call for appointments at 327-7450

WIC Clinics

(awailable throughout the week) WIC is a supplemental nutrition program for pregnant and nursing women, infants and children up to age 5. It provides nutritious supplemental foods, nutrition education and referral to health care services _ at no cost to eligible families. To determine eligibility phone 327-7488 or access eligibility information by computer at www.cdhd.idaho.gov

CHIP Enrollment Drive

TUE-MAY2

Boys & Girls Clubs, 201 East Idaho Ave., Meridian Time: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

CHIP Enrollment Drive BSU Health & Wellness Center,

2103 University Drive, Boise Time: 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Free Fluoride Varnish Clinic for

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Health Department

Panel Discussion: Conversations on the Uninsured in Idaho: Today and Tomorrow **BSU SUB Lookout Room** Time: 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Topics:

- Access Card Program • Health Savings Accounts
- Community Health Centers
- Coverage Models in Other States No Charge / Free Parking

WED-MAY3.

Terry Reilly Health Services, 211 16th Ave., Nampa (Admin. Building Board Room) Time: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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Future site of new Terry Reilly Health Clinic (currently Even Start location),

2005 Arlington Ave., Caldwell Time: noon - 3 p.m.

Garden City Clinic, 215 West 35th St., Garden City Time: 5 - 7 p.m.

CHIP Enrollment Drive

THU-MAY4

Speaker: Dr. Elizabeth Foster Conversations on the

Uninsured in Idaho: Today and Tomorrow **BSU SUB Lookout Room** Time: 7 - 9 p.m. Topic:

Economics of Health Care in Idaho

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Saint Alphonsus, Patient Financial Services Office (Main entrance, room on the right), 1055 North Curtis Road, Boise Time: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

CHIP Enrollment Drive

Downtown YMCA, 1050 West State St., Boise Time: 5 – 7 p.m.







Funded in part by the Health Resources and Services Administration Ada County enrollment drives conducted by Covering Kids & Families Project in Ada County, funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Employers examining job applicants' personal Web pages

BY JULIE FORSTER Knight Ridder Tribune

Worried that potential employers might peruse online postings at Facebook, Steve Lindgren used privacy settings to shut off access to his profile, pictures and musings to all but a limited circle of friends.

His friends will see that his favorite quote comes from Homer Simpson, that he makes a mean PB&J sandwich and they'll see photos of his travels and "random partying." All college humor type of stuff, Lindgren says, acknowledging that it's still not anything he'd want an employer to see

"I'm not ashamed of anything but it would be easy to get a different perspective of who I am," said the 22year-old St. Cloud State University senior who is interviewing for finance jobs. "If I am directing it towards my friends, employers are probably not going to be too impressed with the profile."

As more students and young job seekers turn to social networking sites such as MySpace, Friendster and Facebook to connect with friends and write about their personal lives, employers and recruiters are following right behind. They are tapping into Internet search engines to cull information about job candidates.

Job seekers have reason to worry: In some cases employers and recruiters are using the information to weed out candidates.

Three quarters of 102 executive recruiters surveyed last fall by ExecuNet, of Norwalk, Conn. said they use search engines as part of the process to uncover information about job candidates. More than one-in-four said they have eliminated candidates due to what they found about the person on the Internet.

There's an explosion in the amount of personal material being launched into cyberspace by people who seemingly have no qualms about revealing details of their sexual escapades or not-so-hidden desires.

They'll carry digital cameras to bars and parties and post photos of drunken friends to their web pages and to those of their friends. On one MySpace posting, a 19-year-old Wisconsin girl writes about her pastimes: "I deî. like to party ... I don't smoke but I drink a lot ... like a lot."

In a few years, Internet searches on job candidates will become even more commonplace, predicts Minneapolis employment attorney Tamara Olsen. She advises those who bare their souls and, um, other things online should consider the consequences.

"The Internet is like a billboard or painting on the side of a building," said Olsen, who advises companies on electronic communication issues. "But because people are doing the communicating from a computer in their bedroom, they think of the Internet as private. Right now we are in a funny place where people are posting private things and they have no idea how public it really is.

In Minnesota, it is generally not unlawful for an employer to take into account personal information found on the Internet in making hiring decisions. Of course, it's illegal to make hiring decisions based on sex, race, color, religion, or national origin. In most cases, job candidates will never know the reason why they were turned down or that the employer was looking at their postings in the first place.

Morgan Kinross-Wright, director of the undergraduate career center at the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management, said there is so much buzz about recruiters reading Facebook postings that she is considering a "town hall" meeting with students to drive home the point that what they post online could affect their future.

"Recruiters are using what is on their personal space to make professional decisions," she said.

To Ryan Schunk's point of view, what he does in his personal life is not an employer's business. He's not swaved by warnings from professors and isn't about to change what is posted on his Facebook page.

For one, Schunk's friend posted a picture of Schunk dancing on the stage at a bar after having too much to drink. While the University of Minnesota Duluth junior admits that it's not a flattering photo, he's not about to be cowed by the specter of employers peeking in on his personal life.

"Whether or not they are going to or not, that's fine but I don't think it's any of their business," Schunk said. "You get to the point where, then you have to start watching what you are doing in your private life. It just seems ridiculous.'

Schunk's 18-year-old sister Reyanna, is more cautious. She diligently edits her entries on MySpace, asking herself what the managers would think at the restaurant where she works. Reyanna, who attends Century College in White Bear Lake, says she doesn't want to give the impression that she only has a party side. "MySpace can really give out the wrong image of someone," she said. "It all depends what you put up

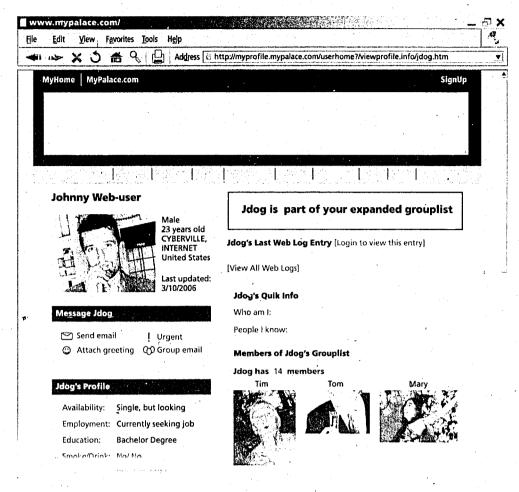


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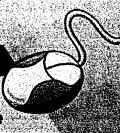


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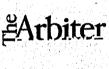
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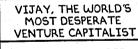
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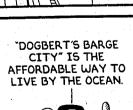
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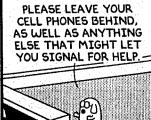


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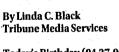


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tant people hear about your recent success. Put it on your resume, maybe even in a press release. Well, you decide what will work

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Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Today is a 5 - Listen intently to one who demands more of your attention. This will help you discover

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is an 8 - You judge people more by what they do than by what

a better way to do your job.

ous which ones you can trust. Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is a 7 - Soon you'll be up to taking on a new challenge. Never

fear, there's one waiting right around the corner. Never a dull moment.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

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Today is an 8 - Conditions for love are excellent, both today and tomorrow. If you're self-employed. arrange to take your weekend early. Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Today is a 5 - Stay home for the next few days, or at least as much as you can manage. If you can work from there, fine. If not, sleep.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) Today is an 8 - Invest some of your newfound wealth in your own education. The more you know, the more you can take care of yourself and your family.

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