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The Arbiter's June 28 article, "Part-time students will pay up front for better health," reported that the Recreation Center charges students \$45.50 for summer use. The Recreation Center actually charges \$28 dollars for the summer if a student is not taking classes. If someone is taking classes - even a single credit - there is no additional charge to use the Center.

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Boise State University's Volunteer Services Board will host a Summer Service Saturday at 9 a.m. July 29 at the Student Union Brava! Stage. Service Saturdays are a chance for Boise State students, faculty, staff and community members to give back to the community by participating in service projects. This Saturday, volunteers will be able to help sort food for the hungry and homeless, play board games with the elderly, build doghouses or assist children in exploring science exhibits. The Volunteer Services Board will provide a free continental breakfast to volunteers who RSVP by July 25. To make your reservation, call (208) 426-4248.

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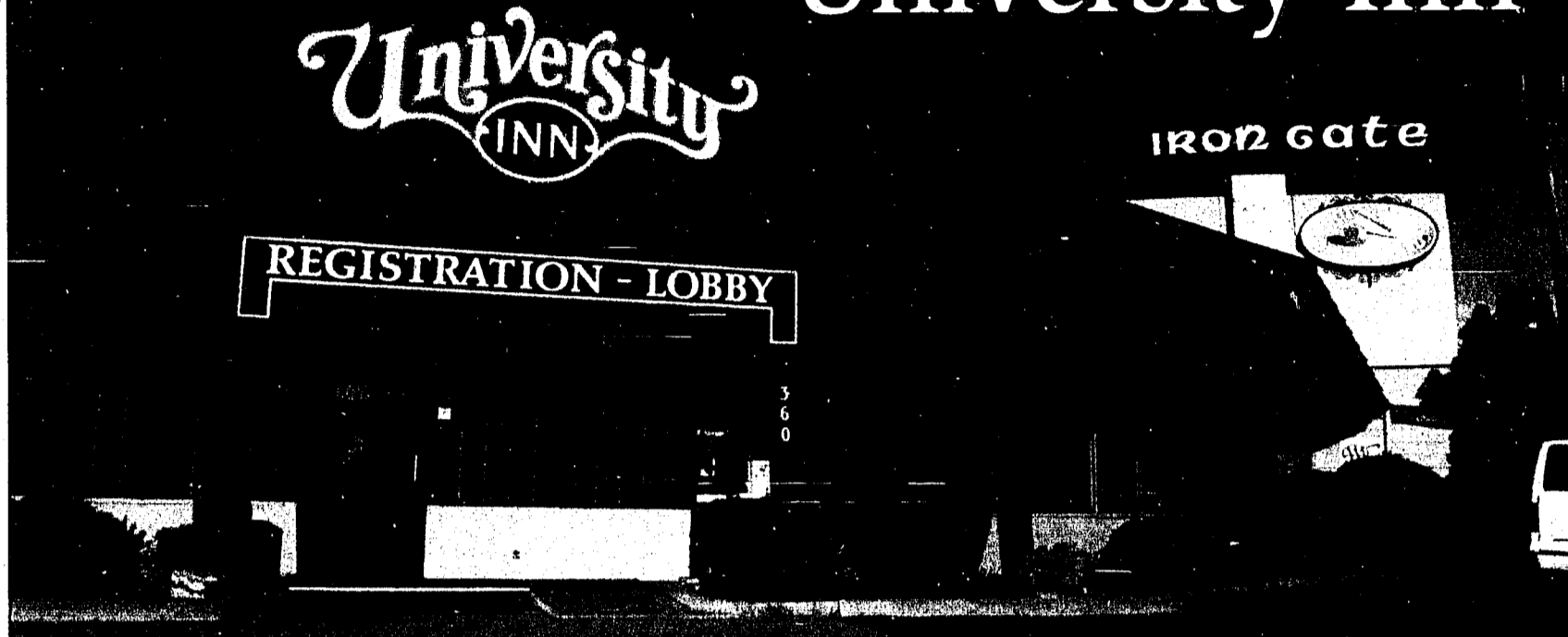
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Boise State purchases University Inn



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Boise State University has purchased University Inn, a hotel located at the northeast corner of Capitol Boulevard and University Drive.

The property is earmarked as the future site of a new College of Business and Economics building as outlined in the Campus Master Plan. The corner will also become a campus gateway, welcoming visitors to the university. Funds are currently being raised for the five-story building that will span more than 100,000 square feet.

The College of Business and Economics building plans include: an atrium and commons lounge; a food court; a financial trading room; a 200-person auditorium; a student services center; space to house the wide variety of professional services and programs that Boise State offers the business community; numerous specialized, high-tech classrooms; a graduate student research facility; a business start-up incubator center and more.

"We are pleased to consummate this transaction to purchase University Inn," said Boise State

President Bob Kustra. "This important acquisition will allow Boise State to continue its long-range Campus Master Plan to make the intersection of University Drive and Capitol Boulevard a scenic gateway onto our campus, highlighted by a state-of-the-art College of Business and Economics Building."

On a site of 1.86 acres, University Inn is comprised of 84 guest rooms and suites, a lounge, two meeting rooms, and parking spaces for 122 cars. For short-term use, the 32,288 square feet of University Inn will be renovated by Boise State for use as faculty office space, overflow

student housing, and meeting and conference space.

As part of the \$3.2 million purchase, University Inn will remain in business through October 31. During the interim period, seller Phil Murelaga will continue to operate the hotel through a lease with Boise State.

University Inn was built in 1957 as the Thunderbird Lodge, with major additions in 1962. It became a Ramada Inn in the late 1960s and then University Inn in 1982. Many remodels and updates were made during Murelaga's 30-year ownership. A plaque will be installed in

the new business building to commemorate the historical location of University Inn.

"Boise State University has had a very positive influence on the success of University Inn, and we have enjoyed our excellent relationship with many departments and the administration," said Murelaga.

"Of course we are saddened by the end of University Inn's operations, which include our interactions with our guests and staff, but we are excited for this very important step of campus development and the overall enhancement of Boise State."

High school students get BSU credit studying abroad

BY JOSLYN SALOW
News Writer

Idaho high school students who travel abroad as part of an educational exchange program can now earn college credit at Boise State University.

Participants typically spend four weeks, one semester, or a full academic year studying abroad during their junior year of high school.

Students who follow state guidelines for documenting their experiences are eligible for one humanities internship credit at Boise State.

This new agreement between Boise State's Concurrent Enrollment Program in the Division of Extended Studies and the State Department of Education is the first of its kind in the country, according to Dan Prinzing, coordinator

for international education for the state.

"Senator Larry Craig co-sponsored a resolution proclaiming 2006 as the Year of Study Abroad," Prinzing said. "Other states, just like Idaho, have been engaged in programs and projects to encourage study abroad opportunities."

According to Prinzing, the student gain is three-fold: the experience will reinforce students' understandings of the Idaho Achievement Standards for the Humanities, the learning experience will be captured in a product that can be shared with the students' school and community, and students begin to consider opportunities available at the university.

"One in every six jobs is linked to international markets," Prinzing said. "Consequently, students (future workers) will need to be equipped with an understanding of other

cultures, a geographic awareness of the world around them, and a realization of global interdependence."

BSU's Concurrent Enrollment Jump Start Program sets several prerequisites for students; they must be 16-years old, have successfully completed half of their high school graduation requirements, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.0.

In order to earn the credit they must complete several learning objectives, document their trip, and complete a paper.

Along with the price of the trip, students have to provide a discounted rate of \$50 per credit. Fabiola Juarez-Coca, concurrent enrollment coordinator at BSU, said the goal of the program is to help students make transitions into the university setting at a low cost.

According to Juarez-Coca, students will earn credit at their high

school as well as at Boise State.

She said they want the students to have studied a second language for at least a year before going on the trip.

The students also are required to stay with a host family for a week.

The credit the students earn will be transferable as an elective.

"The goal is that while they are at the high school the students will be exposed to these other countries and the idea of traveling so that when they get to the university setting they will continue with that," Juarez-Coca said. "They will share what they learned, but also look at the study of our programs at whatever university they end up with and continue with that journey of traveling and meeting people and learning."

The first students who took advantage of the new arrangement were a group at Meridian High

School who just returned from a four-week stay in Germany.

Six out of ten students are planning to obtain college credit.

Anne Hay, who has been a German teacher at Meridian High school for 20 years, accompanied the students on the trip.

Hay said the most important things that students learn while studying abroad is that, "there is a whole world out there which is quite different from the world in which they have grown up; with other ideas, customs, and value systems, not to mention language."

Jaclyn Wight, a student from the group at Meridian High school, said she is planning on earning college credit for the trip.

According to Wight, the most valuable experience was learning about another country's culture and history.

Because no child in Idaho should go hungry



PHOTOS COURTESY LISA CUSHING



One of Praise in the Park's youngest patrons danced to music at Julia Davis Park while artists from local Christian churches performed for volunteers. Local residents gathered listen to music, eat, and fellowship as part of the annual event benefiting the Idaho Foodbank.

BY ARBITER NEWS STAFF

Local residents gathered in Julia Davis Park to listen to music, eat, and fellowship as part of the annual Praise in the Park benefiting the Idaho Foodbank.

Christian artists from Agape Worship Center, Capital Christian Center, and others from around the valley performed under the roof of the band shell for a delighted audience.

Attendees of the event were asked to bring two cans of food to donate to the Idaho Foodbank and monetary donations were also accepted.

"This is a great opportunity to showcase the talents of local Christian artists and also benefit the community," said Mark Thornton, worship pastor at Capital Christian and longtime performer at Praise in the Park.

Fifty percent of the agencies that the Idaho Foodbank serves are pantries and feeding sites sponsored by faith-based organizations. Praise in

the Park is just one of many events that take place each year on behalf of the Idaho Food Bank.

Various sponsors such as Boise City Parks and Recreation, Albertsons, the US Department of Agriculture, the Idaho State Department of Education, United Way of the Treasure Valley, and the Boys and Girls Club of Ada County, put on events to raise donations and awareness for those in need of a simple meal.

The Idaho Food Bank prides itself on efficiency, partnerships, and compassion. Their motto, "Because no one in Idaho should go hungry," speaks to the commitment and vision the volunteers and sponsors share.

According to the Idaho Food Bank approximately 36 percent of children in Boise schools depend on free or reduced-price lunches. Picnic in the Park and other programs such as Praise in the Park seek to feed those children that are at risk of going hungry during the summer when school breakfasts

and lunches are not available.

Currently the Foodbank is running their summer feeding program through August 18th in which a free lunch is served to anyone between the ages of 1-18 years at various locations in the Boise area.

The locations are Ann Morrison, Winstead, Cassia, Fairmont, Ivy Wild, Owyhee, Elm Grove, and Veterans Memorial parks, and the Boys and Girls Club in Garden City. The hours for the program are 11:20 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

A study conducted by the Corporation for National and Community Service shows that Idaho ranks second in the nation for the annual median number of volunteer hours donated in a year and second for its rate at which college students volunteer.

For more information on donating to the Idaho Foodbank or upcoming donation drives and events visit www.idahofoodbank.org, or call (208) 336-9643.

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world

North Korea test-fires missiles

WASHINGTON - Defying international calls for restraint, North Korea fired at least six missiles into the Sea of Japan on July 4, including a long-range projectile believed capable of reaching the United States.

that blew up about 35 seconds into its flight. U.S. officials said none of the missile launches threatened U.S. territory.

The massive display of firepower by the isolated Stalinist regime came after months of failed efforts to restart six-nation talks aimed at convincing North Korea to abandon its nuclear weapons program in exchange for economic and political rewards.

The Bush administration and North Korea blame each other for the impasse, and the test-firings made chances for a resumption of the so-called six-party talks - which also involve China, Russia, South Korea and Japan - even more remote.

"The North Koreans have again clearly isolated themselves," said White House Press Secretary Tony Snow. "It's clear that whatever the motivation, the result is pretty obvious."

While the White House confirmed five missile launches, South Korea's quasi-official Yonhap news agency (citing intelligence sources) said North Korea launched a total of 10 missiles.

The test-firings came as official Washington prepared to celebrate Independence Day with a traditional evening fireworks display and ended a unilateral moratorium on missile tests that North Korea declared in 1999.

national

Guantanamo ruling may shackle Bush

WASHINGTON -The Supreme Court's recent ruling that the Bush administration can't use ad hoc military commissions to try suspected terrorists may have sweeping implications for other aspects of President Bush's war on terror.

The court's decision has ignited a fierce debate about its full impact among lawyers, legal scholars, administration officials, and members of Congress.

Some believe that the opinion could challenge the administration's claim the National Security Agency is the right to eavesdrop without court approval on Americans who are suspected of

having ties to al-Qaida or other terrorist groups.

The high court's embrace of a central provision of the Geneva Conventions on war could also bolster challenges to U.S. interrogation techniques and the use of secret prisons to detain suspected terrorists. It also could help detainees who are being held without charges, lawyers or trials contest their situations, experts said.

"At this point, almost everything that could be affected by the decision is going to come to a screeching halt," said Neal Sonnett, the chair of the American Bar Association's task force on enemy combatants, referring to the treatment of detainees.

"There is clearly a shot across the bow of the administration," said Scott Silliman, a professor at Duke University Law School and a former senior Air Force lawyer.

"The opinion here has clear implications for the court being willing to look at how we are treating folks."

At its heart, legal experts said, the ruling rebuffed Bush's contention that the president has special powers during wartime to disregard acts of Congress and international treaties.

"I think the court's ruling is a rejection of the administration's post 9/11 legal centerpiece claim, which is the president has inherent authority in all kinds of things in the name of crisis," said Neal Katyal, the lead attorney who argued the case on behalf of detainee and plaintiff Salim Ahmed Hamdan.

"One of the potential implications is that the 'inherent authority' argument pushed by the executive branch may be in retreat," agreed Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., in an interview with McClatchy Newspapers on Friday.

The administration has contended since the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks that the Constitution gives the president as commander in chief "inherent authority" to do virtually anything he wants in the name of protecting national security in time of war.

The court emphatically ruled that Congress and the judiciary share authority with the executive, even in time of war.

local/bsu

Bookstore returns approximately \$1 million to BSU

Thanks in large part to the continued popularity of Bronco merchandise, the Boise State Bookstore was able to return approximately \$1 million in the form of scholarships and support for the university operating budget.

The revenue generated from the Bookstore's operations during the fiscal year that ends this month helped support a \$400,000 donation to the Boise State Foundation's academic scholarship endowment, \$55,000 to institutional research salaries, \$55,000 to the university's graduate assistantship program, and \$45,000 to the Graduate Residential Scholars Program. Other funding went to operating support, merchandise donations, and royalties the Bookstore pays to the university. The Bookstore receives no state appropriations or student fees.

"Sales of Bronco clothing and other merchandise continue to be strong," said Bookstore Director Kim Thomas, who noted that for the second straight year Boise State is listed among the top 50 schools in royalties among schools represented by the Collegiate Licensing Company.

"We look forward to the continued success of the athletic programs, and the continued support that the boosters, alumni, staff, and students have shown for the on-campus store," said Thomas. "By shopping on campus, customers have contributed to the accessibility of higher education. These sales help all of Boise State, not just athletics."

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THE WAY WE SEE IT North Korea played its hand, it's time to play ours

BY ARBITER EDITORIAL BOARD

As America celebrated Independence Day, the Stalin-esque regime in North Korea launched its own firework display over the Sea of Japan. In a deliberate act of international provocation, and despite repeated warnings to the contrary, six missiles were launched toward Japan, Russia and the United States. If the international community—most specifically the United States—does not impart a credible response, future efforts to contain nuclear proliferation will certainly fail.

Warnings against the missile launch were copious and unequivocal. The Japanese—wary of another launch similar to the 1998 fiasco in which a Taepodong missile flew straight over Japan—sternly warned North Korea in 2003 that preparations for missile launch would be considered an “initiation of military attack” and would be met with pre-emptive strikes against missile launch sites. Just weeks ago, Prime Minister Koizumi added, “if they ignore our views and launch a missile, then the Japanese government, consulting with the United States, would have to respond harshly.”

Literally 24 hours before launch, Undersecretary of State Nicholas Burns warned, “[a launch] would be a profoundly unwise step by the North Koreans ... they have heard from just about everybody in the international community, including China, including Russia, that ... it would be opposed by all the countries in the world.” To this UN Ambassador John Bolton added, “launching the missile would have grave ramifications.”

Nonetheless, Korean leader Kim Jong-il volleyed a small barrage of missiles into the Sea of Japan. The most threatening of these was the Taepodong-2, an intercontinental ballistic missile capable of delivering a nuclear payload to the United States. Although the Taepodong missile failed only 40 seconds after launch—a fitting tribute to the general incompetence of the North Korean regime—the missile was on a trajectory course toward Hawaii. On the scale of diplomatic provocation, this ranks a bit higher than thumb biting.

Yet, for all the huff and puff, our response has been minimal. The most substantive development is a non-binding UN resolution to curb foreign procurement of North Korean missiles and halt military subsidies. The resolution must still survive the Security Council gauntlet with almost-certain vetoes from China and Russia. Even if passed, the repercussions for North Korea are negligible.

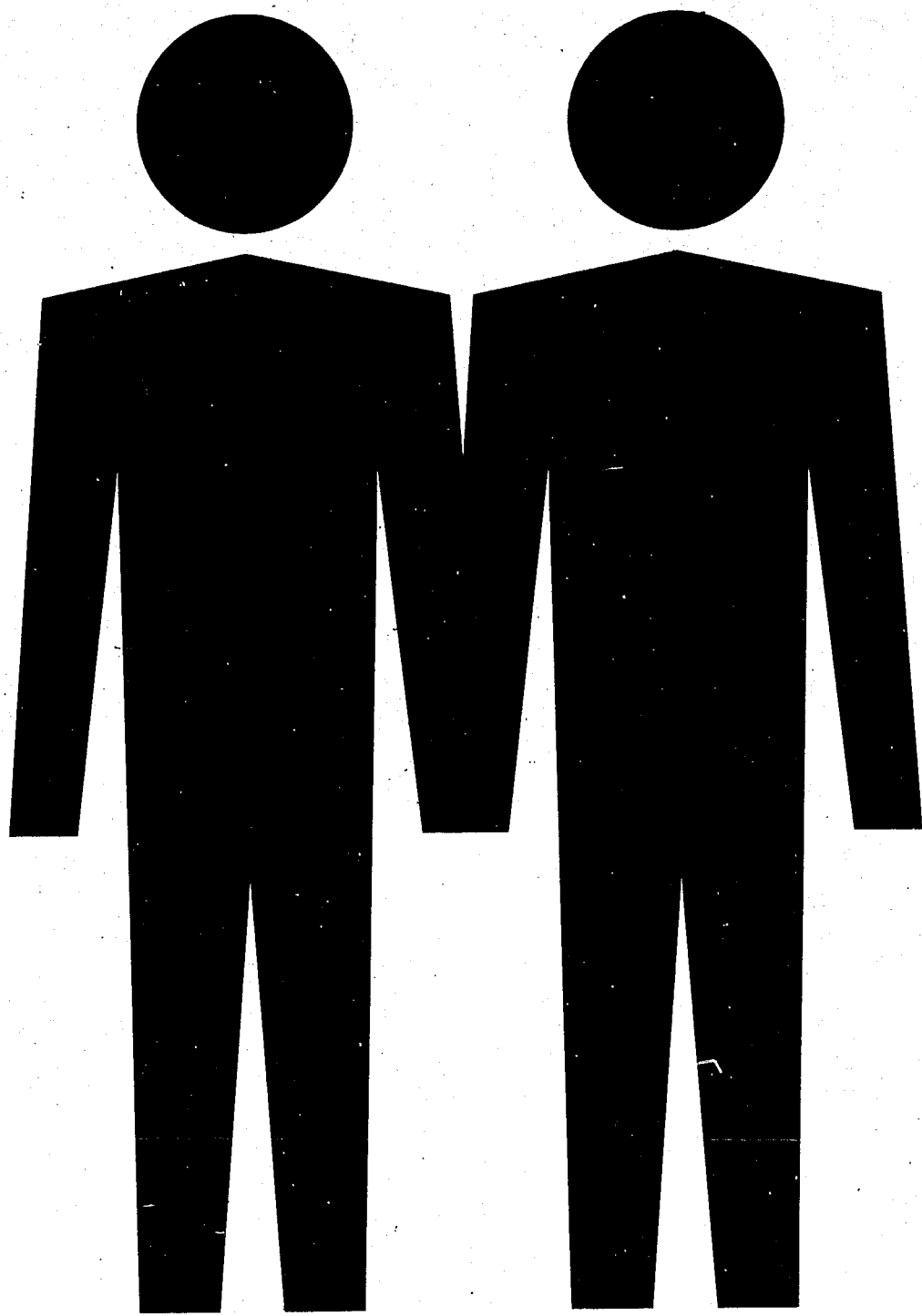
North Korea called our bluff, if indeed we were bluffing. Whatever the case, we have certainly lost credibility abroad. Indeed, we have shown our resolve to “harshly” accept scoffs of defiance and provocation with passive rumblings of discontent. Touché!

If Japan, the United States, and our allies want to be taken seriously, we must play our hand. Some have suggested economic sanctions through China and South Korea. Others, including Clinton's former Defense Secretary William Perry, have called for a military strike against the launch site to curb this “mortal threat to US security.” To up the thumb-biting ante, the US could even deploy a carrier fleet with Aegis cruisers equipped to intercept North Korean missiles, assuming they fly long enough to warrant interception.

Whatever the response, it should be made with haste and steadfastness. The lack of diplomatic and military rejoinder has already emboldened Kim Jong-il—who apparently forgot his missile launch was a complete failure—to issue threats of “war” for any retaliation from the West, asserting his “sovereign right” to launch missiles across Japanese and American airspace.

As North Korea fuels up for another round of fireworks, the time to act is now.

The way we see it is based on the majority opinions of The Arbiter editorial board. Members of the board are Drew Mayes, editor-in-chief; Marcus Hackler, business manager; Heather English, production manager; Dustin Lapray, managing editor; Brandon Stoker, opinion editor; and Hadley Rush, multimedia producer.



Drop the gay marriage crusade

BY CASEY SIEVERS
Guest Opinion

Not that you care what I think, but I need to speak. The current climate in this country is getting frightening for us homosexuals. Many are trying to pass an unconstitutional amendment to prevent loving couples from legally marrying. Why now? Are there not more important issues to be concerned with?

Iraq, for instance—when are we going to bring our

brave men and women home? What happened to the “mission accomplished” jargon Bush was spouting?

What about gas prices? They are higher now than any of us have ever seen. The huge oil companies are making billions of dollars by using the war as a crutch. It would be nice if prices could come down enough to afford gas and food.

I am not even going to discuss our President. Anyone who knows me knows how I feel about him.

So, to keep our minds off of the catastrophes going on, we decide to attack the homosexual population. Keep us from marrying, that will keep America busy!

I am tired of people concerning themselves with what we are doing in the privacy of our own homes. We are not evil people. We are just trying to love. You may not like it, but we may not like the idea of what you do. But, we do not try to take your rights as heterosexuals

away. Many use God to justify the hate they spew.

Did Jesus not preach for us to love our fellow man. I do not recall him saying that homosexuals are immune from His love.

Stop throwing the Bible at us to make your points.

I am a religious man, and I cannot worship a God that will send me to Hell for being how He made me. God made us in his image, are you telling the world that God made mistakes when

he made us? That is a bit judgmental.

People need to realize that being gay does not make us bad people. We only want to love and be left alone.

We do not want special rights, just equal rights. Gay marriage will not cause the collapse of society. We need to treat everyone the same, not pick and choose who gets to pursue happiness.

Casey Sievers is a student at Boise State University

Another overreaction from Israel

BY MICHAEL J. MCLASKEY
Opinion Writer

For the last decade or so, news reports coming out of Israel and Palestine have been horrific, and even became predictable. A Palestinian would target a crowded public square and commit suicide to supposed glory. Later that day, Israel would launch a retaliatory missile strike, and the endless cycle of hatred and violence was thus perpetuated.

In these times, it's no secret that the state of Israel is a favorite pet of President Bush. In multiple public appearances, our president has asserted unequivocally that he would back Israel against any armed conflict with its neighbors.

So it should be no surprise that in these times, Israel has followed the example of the United States, indeed counting on our unwavering support, even if they are in the wrong.

I've never heard of any country employing several tanks in order to rescue one soldier, who has apparently been kidnapped by Hamas forces. Say it ain't so! I don't want to sound jaded or insensitive, but is Corporal Gilad Shalit somehow more important than our men and women getting kidnapped in Iraq?

I don't want to get bogged down in an argument about nationalistic primacy, so let's shift gears here. When the United States invaded Iraq, it was to pre-empt a very real threat to our democracy, posed by al Qaeda working with Saddam Hussein, to deliver weapons of mass destruction. You've heard this long-winded pack of lies many times over by now.

The key difference between the United States and Israel is that the former shares no borders with groups committed to its destruction, whereas, the latter is surrounded on all sides by enemies of the Israeli State. The threat posed

by Hamas was negligible for a time after its stunning landslide election—through the democratic process—until certain people in the U.S. administration saw it fit to freeze all Palestinian assets, lest some of those monies fall into the hands of terror cells.

As we have all seen by now, poverty and stability don't run well together, much like oil and water. A good corollary to this is the United States' support of Israel's new pattern of foreign policy.

Naturally, they're responding to the threat posed by suicide bombers and enraged militants. To our country, softened by the excesses of television and Playstation, running into these problems are a new, confounding phenomenon. But for the modern Israeli, this is old news.

This problem dates back to the founding of the state of Israel in 1948. The United Nations was formed around the idea of reparations for the people of Judah, and

its first action was to carve out a niche in Muslim holy land for the survivors of the Holocaust. This was probably irritating to the average Palestinian, like a rash that just won't go away, no matter how many creams you try.

For years there has been a massive land-grab give-and-take between these embattled peoples, whose boundaries are no more certain than the average daily credit rate, or the boundary between pre-emption and imperialism.

Now, with the splendid example of the United States, Israel has carte blanche to deal with Hamas militants or just plain poor Palestinians as they please.

It's an awful situation, true, and one with little or no good solutions to the fight over ancient holy sites. Both sides would just have to give up their claims to those ancient soils and let the lands of Israel become what it has been all along—a desert wasteland.

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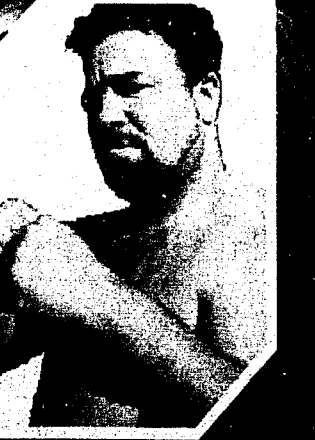
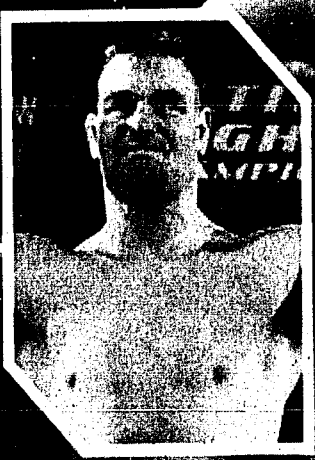
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Even sorority girls

BY HADLEY RUSH
Culture Columnist

A week or so ago, I ventured to the small "town" of Haugan, Mont. for my best friend (and former sorority sister's) wedding. Even under a significantly magnified microscope, this town would appear no larger than the tendril of a bacterial cilia. There was, quite literally, one gas station that doubled as the only bar, and tripled as the only restaurant in town. Men with badger-tooth and bear-claw jewelry smiled absent-tooth smiles and introduced me to locals. "Coon Dog" (who had a license plate that read 'C Dog' on his orange beater of a truck) was among some of them. This was a Montana wedding in every definition of the word.

As I stuffed myself into the flounce-iful, Pepto-Bismol, tulle-cupcake of a bridesmaid dress, I thought back over the shenanigans of the bachelorette party the night prior.

Though innocence and sororities aren't exactly synonymous by definition, I spent two years of my youth as an arch nemesis Idaho Vandal and (gasp) a sorority girl in Moscow, Idaho. I now refer lovingly to this sorority as "Pi Beta Plastic" because of the genuine dispositions and sincere and unpretentious nature of the girls in the house.

Sarcasm. Incidentally, this is time I'll never get back. Time wasted on beer bonging, serenading drunk frat boys and helping my fellow sisters recover from their walks of shame (IE: staggering home the following morning, in last night's clothes and slightly askew make-up). But really, I thought as I adjusted a jewel encrusted hair clip in the mirror, and contemplated just what color of pink I was decorated in ... (Bubbleyum?) Just how conniving and devious can a sorority girl be?

I mean, sure they're known for their less than honorable party nature. But sorority girls are good at a lot of things too. Like, oral sex, eating disorders and wearing matching shirts while singing off-key in unison.

We stood at the bar counter at my friend's bachelorette party and last evening of her absolute independence and ordered shots of "Hot Damn." something that was both fun to slam as a shot and shout out in sorority-girl-harmony.

"Hm," said Blonde Sorority Girl. "I don't feel like paying for drinks anymore." I looked at her and cocked my head.

"Watch this" Sorority Girl said as she smiled her Crest-White-strip-smile and topically smudged deep red lipstick on her upper lip with the tip of her finger (crookedly I noted). "Looks nice," I said.

Sarcasm.

She pounded her "Panty Dropper" shot as the bartenders back faced us, then turned the shot glass upside down and smashed it on the counter causing shards of glass to crack away from the rim of the small tumbler. "What the hell?" I started to say as she began her con and hushed me with a knowing look.

"Oh ouch," she said, cupping the glass and putting a manicured finger to her lip. "Bartender..."

The bartender spun around and looked at Sorority Girl in horror. "I cut my lip on your shot glass" she said as she leaned over and pressed tan cleavage together. "Can I get some shots for my girls?"

"Drinks on the house all night," said the bartender. "For the whole bachelorette party!" He grinned.

Sorority Girl winked at me in a way that would arise any frat guy- or Montanan, for that matter. Blonde Sorority Girl did not want to pay for her drinks. Sorority Girl was not innocent.

No one is innocent.

Anne Frank Memorial honors struggle for peace in Boise



BY LINDSEY PARKER
Culture Writer

In this country many people enjoy basic freedoms which are illustrated as human rights. It is because of the hardships and sacrifices by people of the past that we are now able to enjoy our opportunity-laden lives.

Therefore, it's important to reflect upon our freedoms and remember the sacrifices generations of people have made.

As citizens of the United States, we live in a country that brims with equality, prosperity, and hope for a better future.

History is packed with stories of individuals who fought against injustice and helped promote equal rights.

Human rights activists such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Mahatma Gandhi, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Abraham Lincoln, Betty Freidan, and Rosa Parks helped reduce intolerance and prejudices amongst their generations and helped to forge new laws for today's youth.

Similar to these individuals, Anne Frank's story illustrates one

of the many important lessons history has to teach us about embracing diversity, pursuing peace, expelling compassion, and showing love among humankind.

She didn't commit treason against her country or her god, and endured the hatred that was bestowed upon herself and six million other members of the Jewish faith.

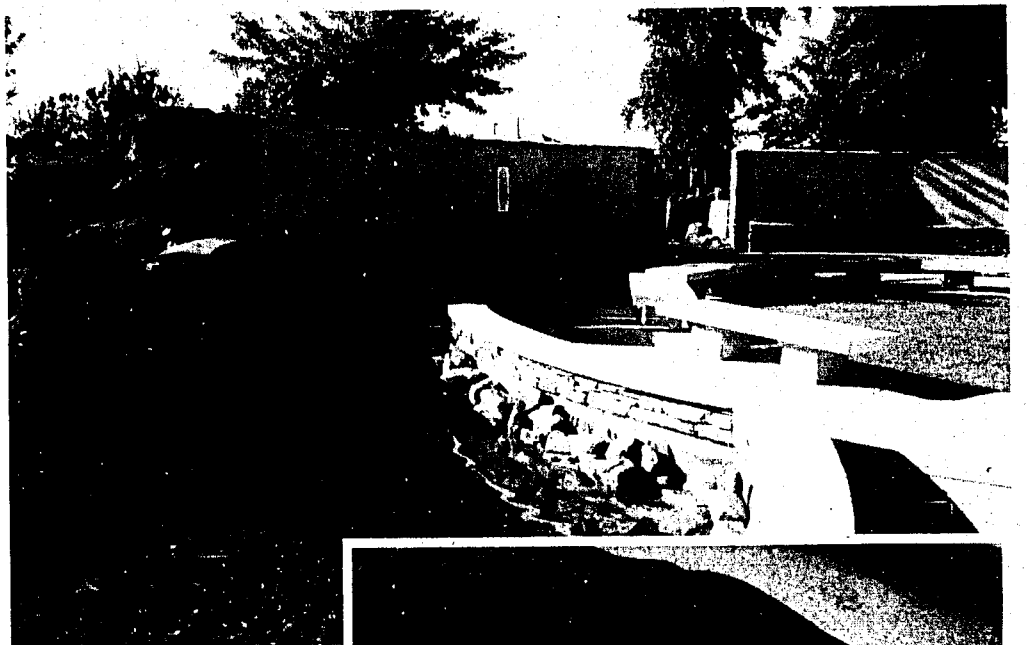
Anne was the youngest daughter of Otto and Edith Frank, and a German-born Jew who lived in Amsterdam during the German occupation in 1942.

The Nazi regime forced the entire Frank family, the Van Daan family, and an acquaintance (Mr. Dussel) into hiding in an annex above Otto Frank's office. This took place soon after Anne celebrated her 13th birthday.

The families collected food with the help of Otto's associates, and the group was forced to endure two years in hiding.

Anne's diary told the story of the personal hopes and dreams of an old adolescent girl living in isolation and fear of discovery by the Nazis.

Anne's entries in her diary



Celebrating freedom, nature and activism, the Idaho Human Rights Education Center offers the public a memorial tribute showcasing Anne Frank and others who have fought for humanity.



PHOTO BY ALICE SCULLY/THE ARBITER

flowed from descriptions of daily activities, to uncertain feelings toward her first crush, and later questions about basic humanity and religious persecution.

A poster at the Human Rights Memorial in Boise describes the tragic end of Anne's life, as well as the hope her legacy brought to millions of people.

Anne's diary ended after two years of entries on August 1, 1944.

She was arrested and imprisoned at Bergen Belsen concentration camp where she died of starvation, exposure, brutality, and disease at age 15.

Anne Frank's diary is a worldwide bestselling nonfiction novel which has been translated into more than 60 languages.

It is regarded by most historians as one of the most important documents of the 20th century.

This very real look into the mind of an innocent young girl in Nazi-occupied Amsterdam is the inspiration for the Idaho Anne Frank Human Rights Memorial.

The Memorial is located at 770 S. 8th St. next to the Idaho Human Rights Education Center, and is seen by many as being a tribute to

nature, art, and activism.

Kurt Karst, an Idaho Falls architect, designed the Memorial which mixes the beauty of natural elements with the message of hope in humanity.

The memorial is categorized into three main areas:

The Human Rights Wall, the complete text of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the statue of Anne Frank.

The one hundred-eighty foot long human rights wall holds fifty-four quotations about humanity, justice, and peace derived from various people of the past, including slaves and former presidents, as well as quotes by Anne Frank herself.

"If God lets me live...I shall not remain insignificant. I shall work in the world and for Mankind". Anne M. Frank, April 4, 1944.

The wall is a marvelous work of stone, with a pristine waterfall and stream winding next to it.

The second area in the memorial consists of the complete Universal Declaration of Human Rights, a stone writing table, and a reproduction of Anne's diary.

The Universal Declaration of

Human Rights was established by the United Nations December 10, 1948 proclaiming the "inalienable rights and fundamental freedoms of all people. It also promotes "social progress, freedom, and better standards of life."

The third area of the memorial is an amphitheater which surrounds the statue of Anne Frank, who's "peering out from behind a window with the narrow steps of Amsterdam behind her."

The statue of Anne Frank was sculpted by Greg Stone of Massachusetts, and paid for by funds collected by Idaho school children.

The amphitheater is meant to be an outdoor gathering place for meetings, presentations, and assemblies promoting human rights.

The dedication and work of the artists, contractors, architects, and the Idaho Human Rights Education Center who donated the memorial to the city in 2002, is very evident.

Everyone should take time to visit this breathtaking memorial, reflect upon their own personal freedoms, and appreciate those individuals who died for those causes.

Northstar Cycle Courier Inc: Do it right, do it by bike!

BY ANDREA OYARZABAL
Culture Writer

Northstar Cycle Courier Inc., an independently owned and locally operated professional bicycle messenger service in Boise, is raising the standard for local courier services. Northstar's claim to fame is

that they are completely emissions free and Chris Scuglia, owner/operator says, "Bikes are completely eco-friendly and not dependent on fuel of any kind (except for food and coffee). This means that our prices are not subject to the price of oil."

Northstar Cycle Courier Inc. officially opened for business on August 1, 2005 in Boise after San Francisco transplants, Patrick Sweeney (who wears short pants and enjoys Basquiat and Bukowski) and Chris Scuglia (who is a shorts purist and believes shorts should

fall above the knee and whose heroes include Jeff Spicoli and Angus Young) moved to Boise independently of each other and recognized one another in town. "I had been here for a year before I ran into Patrick at the gas station on Bogus Basin Rd. I was walking in as he was leaving and recognized him from the SF messenger scene. He shot me a look like 'why is this weirdo looking at me?' I asked him if he was from San Francisco, he recognized me then and a few months later we were in business together. Weird."

Patrick and Chris were both messengers in San Francisco and with their shared 25 years of experience they started their own courier service in Boise. Their main goal is to make an industry in Boise for bicycle messengers and to provide fast and friendly service to their customers. "We'd love to be able to get to the point where we can hire and create jobs in Boise as well."

Parcel delivery, legal filings, research and copy work, mobile notary services, bank deposits/change, and poster/flyer distribution are just a few services that Northstar

has to offer. Lately, Northstar has also been doing scheduled beauty supply pick-ups.

Recently, during a grand version of the "what if" game, I asked Patrick if I was stuck at school, but had forgotten to make copies of papers for a workshop, would Northstar do a run to Kinko's, make copies, and deliver them back to BSU? "Definitely. We can do almost anything. Let's say that you forgot your wallet at home and desperately need it, but can't get away from the office. Call us. We can do a run for you."

The strangest pick-ups and deliveries that Chris Scuglia has ever done include dry cleaning, milkshakes, and even a microwave oven.

Although Northstar Cycle Courier Inc. is committed to dependable service, they aren't just all work. They host messenger style bike races called "alleycats."

"An Alleycat race is a race started by messengers to test their skills against each other by simulating a (high speed abbreviated) workday. These are typically after work on say, a Friday night when evening

traffic is thick. However they are also held on weekends from time to time.

These races involve completing a list of manifested checkpoints. The check points may involve receiving a signature or answering a bit of trivia or obtaining an object. It's all up to the organizer of the race. There really is no set format so anything goes."

Northstar has hosted 4 alleycats in the past, one on Cinco de Mayo, Halloween "Hellracer", and St. Paddy's Day "Liverdance".

The most recent race, "Bars & Stripes" on July 8th was presented in part by Boise Weekly and Pabst Blue Ribbon.

Testimonials from loyal customers as well as rates and more information on services available from Northstar Cycle Courier Inc. can be found at www.northstarcyclecourier.com.

At the site there is additional information about Patrick, Chris, and upcoming events. To schedule an immediate appointment, please contact Northstar via phone at (208) 331-5056.



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Move aside, Superman: You're not the only superhero in town

BY FRANCY MARCOTTE
Culture Writer

exactly makes him so super as compared to other popular heroes like Batman and Spiderman?

Watching "Superman Returns" raises an important question. What

It's not like he's completely unique. Superman has several

characteristics that are similar to the other two in question. For instance there are the costumes. It must be unwritten law that superheroes are required to wear tights. Superman and Spiderman even sport the same colors on their costumes: red and blue.

But give him a little credit. Superman is one of the few heroes who does not wear a mask. Does he have more self-confidence? Does he not care if anyone recognizes him as his human guise Clark Kent? Perhaps he just loves to show off his handsome face.

Speaking of costumes, there's the idea of secret identities. All superheroes need some sort of alias so they can keep that essence of mystique about them.

Most superheroes choose inverted, somewhat nerdy guises like Superman's Clark Kent and Spiderman's Peter Parker. Parker and Kent also both work for newspapers. Meanwhile, Batman, lives a

double life as Bruce Wayne, an opulent billionaire.

No matter what their nature, all three of these superheroes choose to live alternate lives that are completely different from their true identities. This offers them anonymity and protection from their enemies.

But why become a superhero? How did these guys get stuck with the responsibility of saving the world again and again? Batman and Spiderman both converted to avenge the murder of close family members. Superman, on the other hand, just flew in from another planet, powers intact, though undeveloped. Transforming into a superhero became just a natural step for Superman.

Now how about these superpowers? Who's really got the power? Superman possesses super speed, strength, superior vision, flight, and breath that can freeze any object.

However, his greatest vulnerabil-

ity comes in the form of kryptonite. This radioactive material from his home planet limits Superman's powers, and is the only object that can give him pain.

One bite from a spider, and hum-drum Peter Parker gets his own set of spider powers.

Spiderman's most popular superpowers are his ability to stick to and climb up walls, super strength, and excellent balance. Besides these physical capabilities, Spiderman is also highly intellectual, and invents gadgets to help him fight crimes. For instance, who can forget those spiderwebs he shoots out of his arms?

Though Batman was not given superpowers from an outside source, he made his own by becoming a superior fighter, and using intellect to drive away villains.

Take the Batmobile and his gadget-adorned utility belt. Has Batman ever gone on a mission without one of these inventions?

No matter what their powers may be, Spiderman and Batman have a leg up on Superman. They're human. They're limited in what they can do both physically and mentally, whereas Superman, being from another world and possessing superpowers from birth, has a restricted amount of weaknesses. Sure, being practically invincible is all well and good, but perfection also equals dull.

Fans of the other two heroes can take part in their human lives. They can laugh at Bruce Wayne's ridiculously lavish lifestyle, or pine for Peter Parker and his crush, Mary Jane to get together. With Superman, that human touch becomes lost within his godlike nature.

Is Superman really that super compared to his fellow crimefighters?


That's up to the individual to decide, but the Man of Steel clearly has competition for that top spot.



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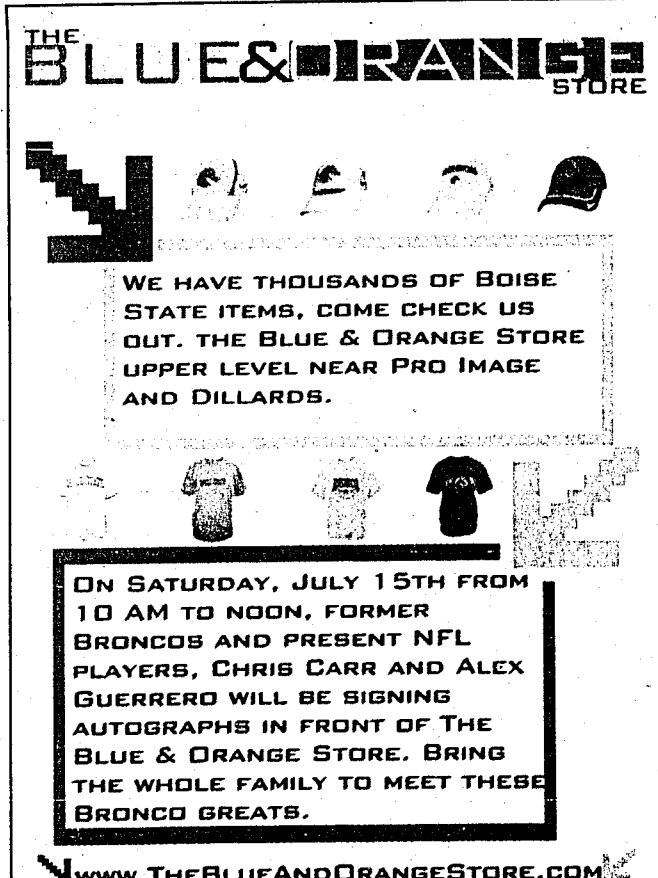
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Superman 'steals' the show in 'Superman Returns'

BY FRANCY MARCOTTE
Culture Writer

"Superman Returns" has it all: action, romance, and men in tights. Brandon Routh stars as the Man of Steel, Kate Bosworth as his cynical love interest Lois Lane, and Kevin Spacey as the evil villain Lex Luthor. The newest edition to the Superman saga really knows how to deliver.

After decades of fighting crime through comic books, movies, and several television series, Superman was due for a little rest and relaxation on his home planet Krypton. In "Superman Returns" he comes back to the city of Metropolis after a long hiatus.

Using his alias, Clark Kent, Superman tries to re-establish his life-particularly in the area of his old flame, Lois Lane.

However, Lois has moved on to a new life without the Man of Steel. She even wrote an article entitled "Why the World Doesn't Need Superman," which earned her a Pulitzer Prize. Ouch.

As if all that drama wasn't bad enough, Superman discovers that Lex Luthor has concocted a dire

scheme. Let's just say it involves Luthor creating his own nifty continent (made out of Kryptonian crystals) that would result in a world flood.

Once again it's up to Superman to save the day, and it doesn't take rocket science to figure out if he'll be victorious.

Though the plot is predictable, the film possesses many positive qualities-most notably the special effects. In one scene, Superman uses his power of flight and tremendous strength to stop a plane from crashing.

The sophisticated special effects make his powers realistic as he flies through the air at the speed of light and brings the doomed plane safely to the ground.

The acting is also nothing to sneeze at. Newcomer Routh has some big shoes to fill, but he does an exceptional job carrying on the Man of Steel role made famous by the late Christopher Reeve.

Like a chameleon, Routh easily shifts back and forth between the shy Clark Kent and the almost-invincible Superman who still gets weak in the knees over Lois Lane.

Taking a turn from her hardcore surfer role in "Blue Crush,"

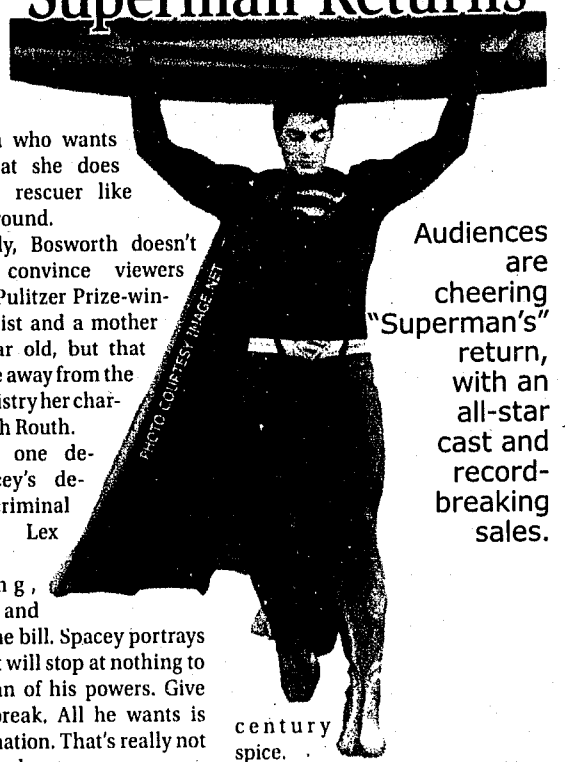
Bosworth portrays Lois Lane as a woman who wants to prove that she does not need a rescuer like Superman around.

Admittedly, Bosworth doesn't completely convince viewers that she's a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and a mother of a five-year old, but that does not take away from the strong chemistry her character has with Routh.

How can one describe Spacey's depiction of criminal mastermind Lex Luthor?

Cunning, ruthless, and bald all fit the bill. Spacey portrays a villain that will stop at nothing to rid Superman of his powers. Give the guy a break. All he wants is world domination. That's really not too much to ask.

"Superman Returns" gives viewers a world where guys fly around in capes and save the world with no questions asked. The new movie stays true to its origins, but doesn't hesitate to include a little 21st



Audiences are cheering "Superman's" return, with an all-star cast and record-breaking sales.

century spice.

Though Lois Lane may not think the world needs Superman, the world still enjoys having him around. Vacation's over Superman.

Welcome back to Earth.



What's coming to the movies

KATRINA SAVITZ
Assistant Culture Editor

Lady in the Water
Like all of M. Night Shyamalan's work, audiences are confused and continually guessing what the twist to "Lady in the Water" will be.

All anybody knows is that Paul Giamatti of the 2005 Oscar award-winning film "Sideways" is at what appears to be an apartment building. He saves a woman from the outdoor pool and it all seems really creepy. The mystery still remains-is the woman a good witch, a bad witch, or what? I guess we all will have to just wait and see.

Monster House
This animated family comedy

is about three kids who believe that the eerie rundown house in their neighborhood is alive and will terrorize anyone who comes across it. Nobody believes their theory and they decide to go inside to find out what the real dealio with the house is.

Comedic dialogue keeps even adults amused, and the storyline causes audience members to reminisce about the ghoulish houses and investigative times of their childhoods.

Clerks II
"Clerks II" is the sequel to Kevin Smith's 1994 cult classic "Clerks." Dante and Randall are back, but this time they're at a fast food joint and their hittin' their thirties.

Jay and Silent Bob, along with their shenanigans, rejoin

the whiney duo.

Meanwhile, Clerks newbie Rosario Dawson of "Sin City" graces us with her always-stunning appearance and talent.

My Super Ex-Girlfriend
"My Super Ex-Girlfriend" is every woman's wish- that is, to use their super powers to make their ex-boyfriend that dumped them for someone else pay royally. Uma Thurman is "G-Girl"-female super hero and the unfortunate dumpee.

Luke Wilson is the evil ex-boyfriend who feels that Thurman is "super" high maintenance. Wilson has his eye on his fellow co-worker (Anna Faris of the "Scary Movie" anthology).

A combination of action and comedy entertains audiences as Thurman takes revenge.



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Pete Cavender to miss season after rupturing his achilles tendon

Junior Pete Cavender will miss the 2006 season after rupturing his Achilles Tendon during summer conditioning drills in late June.

Cavender (Elko, NV/Elko HS) started nine games at right guard for the Broncos in 2004, helping the Broncos finish ninth in the country in scoring, 19th in rushing and fifth in rushing touchdowns. He split time as the starter at right guard as a sophomore, helping the Broncos finish second in the nation in scoring and fourth in total offense while ranking 14th in rushing and 20th in passing.

Cavender was listed as the co-starter at right guard before the injury.

Boise State awarded 2010 NCAA Men's basketball tournament

The NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee released future sites for its national championships July 6, and it was announced that Boise State University will once again host first and second round tournament games.

Four first-round and two second-round games will be played at Boise State's Taco Bell Arena on March 18 and 20 (Thursday and Saturday), 2010.

The 2010 tournament will mark the eighth time Boise State has hosted first and second-round games of the men's national tournament. Boise State first hosted games in 1983, and again in 1989, 1992, 1995, 1998, 2001, and 2005.

All the games have been played at Taco Bell Arena. Boise State also hosted the NCAA Division I women's west regional basketball tournament in 2002.

In the announcement, the NCAA awarded a total of 24 cities which will serve as hosts for first-round, second-round, and regional games for the 2009 and 2010 tournaments. In 2003, the Men's Basketball Committee announced that Detroit would host the 2009 Final Four and Indianapolis would be the 2010 Final Four site.

Another pre-season All-America Team, another honor for BSU

Boise State placed eight Broncos on the CollegeFootballNews.com Pre-season All-WAC team and three more on the second team. Boise State linebacker Corey Hall, who was one of the eight named to the first-team was selected as the Preseason Defensive Player of the Year by the Web site.

Joining Hall on the first-team are four other defensive players—senior defensive tackle Andrew Browning, senior linebacker Colt Brooks, senior defensive back Gerald Alexander and junior defensive back Marty Tadman. The Broncos placed two defensive players—senior defensive tackle Mike G. Williams and sophomore defensive back Orlando Scandrick on the second team.

On offense, sophomore offensive tackle Ryan Clady and junior offensive guard Tad Miller were selected to the first team. On special teams, senior Quinton Jones was a first-team pick as the punt returner and Kyle Stringer was the second-team selection as the punter. The website also released its 30 top players in the WAC, seven of which were Broncos.

Football.com named kick returner Quinton Jones to its All-America Third Team as a punt returner. The senior from Cerritos, California, is also one of nine Broncos named first or second team All-WAC by Football.com. He is one of five Broncos earning first-team honors, joining defensive tackle Andrew Browning, linebacker Corey Hall, safety Marty Tadman and punter Kyle Stringer. Running back Jan Johnson, quarterback Jared Zabransky, offensive tackle Ryan Clady and linebacker Colt Brooks were all named to the second team.

Marks moves from gridiron to ring



PHOTO COURTESY BRONCOSPORTS

Fans can watch Lee Marks and his opponent weigh in Friday night at the Crescent Bar-Grill.

BY MERIN TIGERT
Sports Editor

Extreme Fighting Series, a Mixed Martial Arts event similar to the popular Ultimate Fighting Championship series, premiers at Qwest Arena July 15.

Presented by KnockOut promotions, this will be the largest MMA event hosted in Boise. The card boasts UFC fighters Mike Kyle of Boise and, and Kyacey Uscola, as well as former Boise State football tailback, Lee Marks. Scheduled to fight Marks was Brian Roberts, former University of Idaho Lacrosse player, and current Borah High school lacrosse coach. "We couldn't come to an agreement whether

or not it was going to be a boxing match or if it was going to be a little bit of MMA," Marks said. "I wanted to do boxing only because it's easier for me to prepare for that. I've never trained for MMA where you take people to the ground. I have a black belt in Tae Kwan Doe, and have boxed a little before in the past."

Because of the disagreement, Roberts pulled from the fight. His replacement, Manuel Perez from University of Idaho.

"I don't really know a whole lot about him just that he's going to be my opponent and I have to go in there and take care of business," Marks said. Marks has been training with Boise favorite Cleveland Corder. Fighting at 183 pounds,

Marks' training has been concentrating on cardio, strength, endurance, speed and punching.

"I've never boxed in a ring in front of people. I have only fought in sparring studios and that was a long time ago so I've definitely continued to brush up on my skills," Marks said. "I expect good things to happen, I'm not a very cocky person so I won't say exactly what's supposed to happen in the fight. I mean it's going to be very serious, there's not going to be any joking around."

"And this is not a staged fight, where Lee is supposed to knock some guy out. But I'm not going to say because that's not in my personality to be cocky about any-

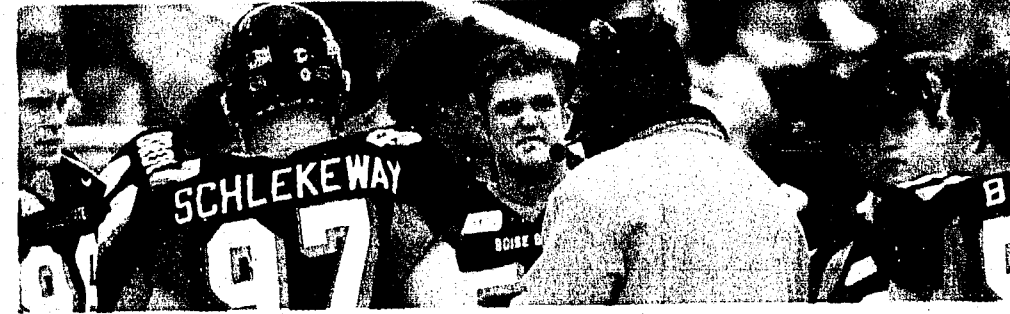
thing, whether I'm playing football or fighting. I'm just going to go out there and try to do what I do."

"I just want to go out there one more time against a Vandal. Just go out there and give the fans something to cheer about in Boise, but you never know you might see me in Boise playing football next year."

In the next two years, Marks doesn't plan on becoming an ultimate fighter.

"I just plan on finishing school and making it to the NFL, or play some type of professional level football, because I can't do this forever. If football doesn't workout in the near future I think I'll become a graduate assistant for Football, and get my master's."

Web site calls anti-BCS fans to action



BY CAMERON MAY
Special to the Arbiter

For ten years now, the Bowl Championship Series has worked diligently to prevent the so-called "mid-majors" of college football from any meaningful shot at a national title.

In so doing, they have also been phenomenally successful at hoarding post-season payouts to their aristocratically appointed selection of conferences and teams. In the 2005-06 season alone, bowl payouts totaled \$175.5 million for the six BCS conferences, versus a paltry \$14.7 million for the other half of college football.

A determined crew of football fans from the Non-BCS conferences is finally taking a stand, and they are extending a broad invitation to the tens of millions of other victims of the current BCS system to join them. "It's really a simple plan," explains Cameron May, founder of BCSvictims.com. "The BCS has flourished because their victims have remained relatively silent and, most importantly, faceless. The BCS knows the numbers: 5 Non-BCS

conferences, 53 teams, millions of fans and alumni, zero chance for a national championship. Over a million of us show up every fall weekend and cheer for our neglected teams, and that's over a million missed opportunities every week to shine a harsh spotlight on the BCS. We know that the alumni, athletes, and fans of Boise State University feel that they have no chance for a football National Championship under the current BCS system, but we are here to request the aide of those very fans in finally bringing about equal opportunity for all."

What is an average fan to do? "Here's what we propose," May continues. "We would like to provide every available Non-BCS fan with their own unique victim number, which will be emblazoned on a simple white t-shirt. They will become 'BCS Victim #1234', for example. They then need only go to a football game. Or several. Just be seen in the shirt. Every fan counts, and every non-BCS fan is a victim of the current system. We plan for tens of thousands, but hope for many, many more than that to show up this fall to help us bring shame to a shameless system. With

the cooperation of our fellow fans, last season will have represented the BCS' final opportunity to broadcast a college football game anywhere in the country without millions of viewers seeing the faces of oceans of BCS victims."

"We're tired of watching the trickle-down effect of under-funded programs cost universities their gymnastics and wrestling programs, and we hate trying to compete for recruits with feeble enticements like 'A conference title and a second-rate bowl is really much better than it sounds.' But most of all, we want a shot at a national championship via a post-season tournament, just like anybody else. It's only fair."

"Furthermore, we strongly encourage institutions and their leadership to officially register their opposition to the BCS system on our Web site, BCSvictims.com. I'm talking about coaches, schools, conferences, publications, public figures, everybody. The BCS needs to see how entrenched the opposition is."

"This thing can't help but snowball. This is an all-out assault on the BCS monopoly by the true fans of college football."

BCS for dummies

BY ARBITER
SPORTS STAFF

The Bowl Championship Series has been in place since 1998. It is a formula that selects the college football matches for the five prestigious games: the Fiesta Bowl, the FedEx Orange Bowl, the Nokia Sugar Bowl, and The Rose Bowl. The teams selected include the conference champion from each of the six BCS conferences, which consist of the Atlantic Coast Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big East Conference, Big Ten Conference, Pacific Ten Conference, and the Southeastern Conference, plus two "at-large" selections from non BCS NCAA Division I-A Football Conferences, which includes the Western Athletic Conference. The top-ranked and second-ranked teams play in the BCS National Championship Game in order to crown an unofficial NCAA Division I-A national football champion.

The formula was revamped after the 2003-04 controversy in which the top team in the human polls, the University of Southern California, was denied a place in the title game. Schedule strength, losses, and quality wins are no longer considered distinct components in the formula. However, human voters remain free to consider any factors they feel valid. The formula was made public, consisting of an arithmetic average of the following three statistics:

1. Harris Interactive College Football Poll: This poll consists of a panel of former players, coaches, administrators and current and former media who submit rankings of college teams each week. A team's poll number is the percentage of the possible points it could receive in the poll.

2. Coaches' Poll: This is calculated in the same manner as the Harris Interactive College Football Poll number.

3. Computer Average: The BCS uses six computer rating systems (Anderson-Hester, Billingsley, Colley, Massey, Sagarin, and Wolfe) and drops the highest and lowest ranking of each team. Then, it gives a team 25 points for a Number 1 ranking in an individual system, 24 points for Number 2, and so on. Each team's ranking points are then added, making the number compatible with the percentages from the two polls.

More changes have taken place in the BCS for the 2006-07 season. A game, separate from the games already in the BCS, matching the top two teams in the BCS rankings will take place at the site of one of the Bowl Games one week after the Bowl Game as the current rotation will continue. Due to that, the addition of two more "at large" teams will take place. Also, a new rule states that if a non-BCS team above a rating of 16th is more highly rated than a BCS conference champion, the non-BCS team will be selected.

Notre Dame pitcher/tight end gets his shot with the Boise Hawks

BY DUSTIN LAPRAY
Managing Editor

Notre Dame tight end Jeff Samardzija found that though the distance from South Bend to Boise is expansive, baseball never changes. It's still nine innings, six outs per. For Samardzija, it's a slice of a similar pie.

The All-America end made his first minor-league start Thursday, July 5, for the Boise Hawks, a short-season Class A affiliate of the Chicago Cubs.

The Cubs drafted Samardzija in the third-round of the 2006 draft and moved him to Boise in June to prepare for the season.

"It's exciting," Samardzija said. "It's cool to come out; it's my first time in the Northwest, living. They have a great fan base out here for every game. It's nice to make my first start here. It actually felt good."

The Hawks play their ball at Hawks Memorial Stadium, a mere 100 yards over the centerfield wall from the Boise River. Fittingly, the stadium is host to a nesting pair of Harrier Hawks, living in a set of lights on the first-base side.

Although Boise is quite different, geographically, from South Bend, Ind., Samardzija has found similarities and says he feels quite comfortable in his new surroundings.

"(South Bend and Boise) are prob-

ably a lot alike," Samardzija said. "They're both kind of smaller cities. There's a lot of people, but it's not like a Chicago or an Indianapolis or Minneapolis or something like that, which are pretty common in my area. So it's a little bit different. But again, it's the same. Like South Bend, there's a lot of people, but it still has that small-town mentality."

As far as baseball goes, Samardzija still has a lot to learn. That's why he's in Boise, to learn, to improve his craft. Samardzija relied heavily on his fastball Thursday night, leaving little question to opposing hitters what was coming their way.

"It's still early here, with the Cubs and everything, so obviously I'm going to throw a lot of fastballs and work the off-speed in where I can," Samardzija said.

"The more it starts coming, the more it will be used. Right now, we're just trying to get my feet wet and throw a lot of fast balls, which is probably my best pitch, and just go from there."

Samardzija pitched four solid innings and received a no-decision in the Hawks 5-1 win Thursday over the Tri-City Dust Devils, moving the Hawks into a tie in the Northwest League standings with the Spokane Rangers. Both are 8-10 on the season.

Samardzija received a gentle

awakening to his professional baseball career, giving up a hit on his first pitch, a bunt single by Anthony Jackson. Jackson quickly stole second base and later scored the Dust Devils' only run on a 4-3 ground-out.

Hawks pitching coach David Rosario needed to take a visit to the mound in the first, to calm the young pitcher.

Samardzija was limited to a 60-pitch count for Thursday's game. He used up 25 of those pitches to get out of the first.

But he did survive, giving up the lone run, one hit and one hit batsman.

He needed just 28 pitches to get through the next three innings, recording his only strikeout in the fourth inning.

He was aided by two double plays and two diving catches by right fielder Alfred Joseph. Joseph also went 2-for-3 with a pair of RBI in the game. Samardzija also recorded a walk and a throwing error on what would have been a double play.

Samardzija seemed cognizant of the upgrade in competition, moving from college to professional baseball, even if it is just Single A.

"Obviously when you make it to the next level it's going to be a step up," Samardzija said. "You gotta improve with it. It's going to be tough competition anywhere you



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go in this league, whether you're in Single A or Double A or whatever. Every time you go up, you just gotta play better. That's the way I approach it. There's a lot of good hitters and you just have to be on top of your game."

Samardzija's game will be tested sporadically for the Hawks, who intend to put him in the rotation, but realize that the 6-5 right-handed hurler is a long-term investment and will keep his pitch counts down. The details of his contract, were not available.

For now, Samardzija is just excited to be playing ball, especially for the Cubs.

"It's great, especially being a local guy to Chicago," Samardzija said. "It's even that much more exciting. All your buddies are Cubs fans. And

you yourself are a Cubs fan. It's kind of cool to actually have it work out like you wanted to."

Fall camp begins for the Notre Dame football team August 6. Samardzija plans to get in as much time playing baseball with the Hawks as possible until he has to return to South Bend for the school year.

"I love playing baseball and getting an opportunity to play for a summer for a great team like the Cubs, it's a great...not only accomplishment, but opportunity too," Samardzija said.

Samardzija has two semesters left at Notre Dame, after which he will be faced with a quandary, deciding whether to play in the NFL (where the pre-season All-America nominee is likely to be drafted after his senior season) or stick with the Cubs and give baseball a try. In the past, some professionals have done both.

For now, Samardzija is just a minor league hurler, bunking with a host family and enjoying the Northwest lifestyle.

The sun is bright in Boise. Summer thunderstorms will continue to roll into the valley and over the Foothills.

If you can make it to the Boise this summer, you can catch the Hawks, along with the lightning, illuminating the night.

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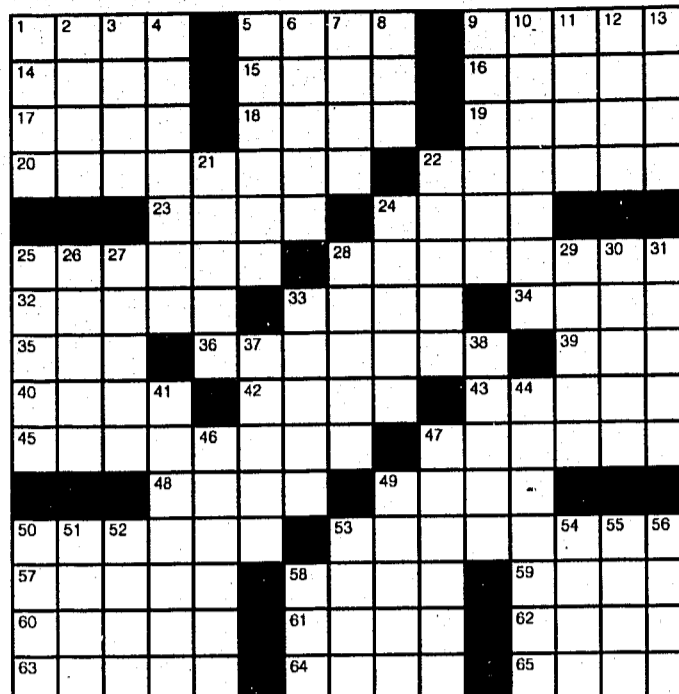
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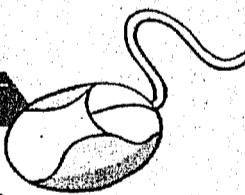


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Today's Birthday (07-12-06) Don't spend more than you have this year, and don't make wild speculations. Only borrow as much as you're certain you'll be able to pay back. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) Today is a 7 - You'll need the others to help you achieve the goals you've set for yourself. Get their agreement first. Don't assume they already know what you want.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Today is a 7 - The money's steady, but you could sure find uses for more of it. For the next several months, extra thriftiness is the best bet. If you have kids, put them to work.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) Today is a 7 - You can't do everything all by yourself, not that you would want to. It's always nicer to have somebody else along, with a good sense of humor. Make the invitation.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) Today is a 6 - Don't get out on the little branches where money's concerned. Don't believe everything other people tell you, either. Trust and verify.

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Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is a 7 - You need a few new things around the house, but don't get crazy. Find a great deal on one thing so you can afford retail on another.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is a 7 - You're hot on the trail of a technical breakthrough. This could make your life much easier. There is a slight learning curve, so find a quiet place to study and, read the manual.

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Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Today is a 6 - You're providing inspiration. Others are busily trying to figure out how to build what you envision. This is a good thing.

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