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Hispanic Heritage Month honors Latino independence

BY JESSICA WIGLEY
News Writer

Hispanic Heritage Month is a month long celebration that begins on September 15, the anniversary of independence for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua.

September 7 marks Brazil's independence, while Mexico follows on September 16 and Chile on September 18.

The Boise State Cultural Center has events scheduled throughout the month to recognize Latino Heritage Month. Fiesta Independencia will kick off the celebration with performances, music and food on the Student Union patio at 11 a.m.

"The fiesta is an opportunity for all students on the campus to take advantage [of] and learn more about Latin America, its history, culture, and perspectives," said Roberto Parker, Cultural Center Coordinator.

Events scheduled throughout the month include music speakers, video presentations, and more that focus on integrating Latino culture with current events that occur on a daily basis.

"We chose these events to target the issues that are significant now," said Parker.

Hispanic heritage month was once called Latino heritage month and was a week long celebration. In 1968, Congress authorized President Lyndon B. Johnson to proclaim a week in September as National Hispanic Heritage Week.

The observance was expanded in 1988 to a month long celebration.

During this month, America celebrates the culture and traditions of United States residents who trace their roots to Spain, Mexico and the Spanish-speaking nations of Central America, South America and the Caribbean.

National facts:

The term Hispanic, as defined by the Census Bureau, refers to Spanish-speaking people in the U.S. of any race.

43.7 million: the estimated population of the United States as of July 1, 2005, making people of Hispanic origin the nation's largest ethnic or race minority.

Hispanics constituted 14 percent of the nation's total population.

One of every two people added to the nation's population between July 1, 2004, and July 1, 2005, were Hispanic.

3.3 percent

Percentage increase in the Hispanic population between July 1, 2004, and July 1, 2005, making Hispanics the fastest-growing minority group.

102.6 million

The projected Hispanic population of the United States as of July 1, 2050. According to this projection, Hispanics will constitute 24 percent of the nation's total population on that date.

22.4 million: Hispanic population during the 2000 census, slightly over half the total.

11 percent: rate of Hispanic-owned businesses in 2007 and 2002 (31 percent) compared to the national average (10 percent) for all businesses.

1 million: number of household residents age 5 and over who speak Spanish at home.

Spanish speakers constitute a ratio of more than 1-in-10 U.S. household residents.

Among all those who speak Spanish at home, more than one-half say they speak English "very well." (Source: American FactFinder)

Idaho facts:

Population of Idaho: 1,429,096 people
Hispanic population of Idaho: 129,880

Boise State facts:

Total (record) enrollment this year: 18,876
Total enrollment of Hispanic students: 1,154 - 9% increase from last year

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Academic departments seek dollars

BY BARRY FRANKLIN
News writer

The focus of a university is to inquire and educate. In order to bring this goal to realization, the university must have the proper resources. These two factors often play against one another in a constant battle.

Boise State Philosophy Professor Tony Roark has seen a shift in the past two decades of our cultural conception of what a university really is.

"Universities are institutions of research and learning and knowledge generation and production of intellectual property. A lot of that original core mission has been overshadowed by what used to be sidelines," Roark said.

What underlies the switch of universities from centers for learning to institutions of public entertainment is money. The ability for a university to hire more staff and start new doctorate programs goes only so far as its ability to gain revenue.

"We just cannot get enough mon-

ey from the legislature and we don't want to fleece the students," Roark said. "How do we fill the gaps?"

Mike Mather, director of finance for the BSU Foundation, said through the end of the fiscal year [June 30] the foundation received \$10.9 million. According to Mather, this year endowment funds comprising \$2.6 million were given to the university for investment.

What Mather calls "restricted dollars" totaled \$8.3 million and were put toward a specific purpose.

"Only \$177,000 were unrestricted," Mather said.

Mather said unrestricted dollars comprise an extremely small portion of the money donated to BSU but can be put wherever the university sees fit.

According to Mather, most unrestricted dollars went to facilities and salary for the foundation.

Interest in Boise State has been generated within the private sector. A new skybox/suit addition to Bronco Stadium, called the "Agri Beef Stadium Club," is set to be-

gin construction in 2008. There is money coming in, but where that money goes still stands in question.

Sociology Department Chair Michael Blain has not seen change for a very long time.

"We've had one new faculty position in 20 years," Blain said.

When money is lacking in education, departments within the university fall through the cracks.

"Since the administration can't get enough money from the legislature and student fees to grow the programs they want, some departments are expected to teach huge

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- Bruce Ballenger,
BSU English Dept. Chair

amounts of lower division core classes to bring in the revenue that would then be used to finance other programs," Blain said.

Executive Director for the Boise State Athletic Association Bob Madden said most of the money received by the athletic department is restricted and goes toward scholarships and other needs.

"Our focus is on the athletic programs," Madden said. "Anytime fees go up, it means that scholarships go up too."

According to Madden, a program such as "Bricks and Mortar," which helped build a new stadium weight

room, is an example of how development gives back to students.

The disparity created by a gap between university production and revenue is increasing.

"We've had this massive growth in faculty and enrollment without increased support from the university," English Department Chair Bruce Ballenger said.

Ballenger, who is currently on hiatus, senses an effort from the current administration to bring money to departments like his. He sees an opportunity for the English department to do more.

"We shouldn't sit on our hands and wait for the money to come to us, we should be more proactive," Ballenger said.

Ballenger believes academic programs should find a way to articulate how important they are. In order to gain more public and private interest

"We need people who can understand the importance of what it means to be human," Ballenger said.

Senate calls for constitutional convention

BY BARRY FRANKLIN
News writer

The Associated Students of Boise State University got its first taste of fall legislation Tuesday in the Forum, located on the first floor of the Student Union Building.

A Resolution to update the ASBSU constitution went through first reading of legislation Tuesday Sept 12. According to the legislation sponsor, Sen. Greg Wilson, the constitution has not been updated since 2003.

"We need, as a senate, to call for a convention," Wilson said. Wilson plans to combine articles in the constitution that are repetitious, change conflicting language and shift campus recycling to the exec-

utive branch. Senator Wilson also plans to look at the ASBSU contingency fund. The fund is set aside from the previous year's operating budget and cannot fall below 10 percent. The fund is used to cover unplanned costs.

The Senate had not used the contingency fund in senator Wilson's memory. "Why not give that to other programs?" Wilson said.

The resolution was sent to the ASBSU Ways and Means Committee for editing. It will resurface at Thursday's senate meeting. There was initial fear on the Senate about the committee placement. Ways and Means failed to meet quorum at its last meeting and could not conduct business.

Four senate guests

Ferdinand Schlapper, executive director for BSU Health, Wellness and Counseling services presented to the Senate the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) received by students through the university.

Under Idaho State Board of Education policy, all fee-paying students are required to have adequate health insurance. For students who do not have a plan, BSU offers SHIP.

Senator Bakhrom Mirkasimov voiced concern that Blue Shield of Idaho offers the same coverage for less money. In response, Schlapper informed senators that the plan will be up for bid this year and if the Health, Wellness and Counseling Center finds better coverage, it will give that company a chance to bid

for the university's business.

The BSU Student Activities Program will sponsor a symposium November 8, where students and faculty will present on a theme. Program Coordinator Mahi Takazawa brought themes thought up by the Faculty Senate for ASBSU senators to vote on. By majority vote, the Senate chose the symposium theme, "Ask not what your country can do for you. Political activism: the need for citizen involvement in politics today."

Associate Director of Student Activities Rob Meyer gave five free music concert tickets (one for Third Day and four for DMX) to five different senators. Senator Kayla Davis reluctantly received the Third Day ticket while senators Mary Dawson,

Mirkasimov, Mark Gatecha and Wilson were happy to gain access to DMX, compliments of the president's office.

Financial Support Technician Teri Rapp introduced herself. Rapp is new to the position and will handle payroll issues for the senate.

Appointment to the bench
After some syntactic confusion about whether the senate was able to appoint Russell O'Leary to senior justice or associate justice, they appointed him associate justice.

According to O'Leary, he has extensive experience reviewing code and will play the role of associate justice during the elections next spring.

The Senate meets every Tuesday and Thursday in the SUB Forum.

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Young people recall Sept. 11 - their generation's day of infamy

They were at home or in first period classes at local middle and high schools when they learned that a plane - no, four planes - had smashed into the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and a field in rural Pennsylvania.

Then they heard the towers had crumbled and that the crashes were purposely inflicted by Arab terrorists. Nearly 3,000 people were dead. For today's teenagers and college students, that somber September morning brought their adolescent lives into sharp focus.

"Everyone was super freaked out," said Julie Hopper, who was an eighth-grader in Santa Cruz that day. "There were all these rumors about other attacks in San Francisco, and my aunt worked at the Pentagon, and I didn't really know what was happening with her until later, when my mom found out that she was OK."

Hopper, now a freshman at Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo, said that Sept. 11 definitely sparked her interest in foreign affairs: She plans to major in political science and is eager to take a world religion class to learn more about Islam. "It's like Sept. 11 made me realize there are other things in the world," said Hopper, 18. "I'm really interested in studying abroad, especially now. Living in Santa Cruz you're in this bubble of people that are so liberal, and I want to see other cultures besides the culture of my town."

Muslim Americans

Many young Muslim Americans say they felt the impact personally because the 19 hijackers were all Arab men, 15 of them from Saudi Arabia. At school, some students were harassed. Others saw their local mosques vandalized. And for the first time, many young Muslim Americans had to explore their own feelings about Islam and cultural identity. "I think after Sept. 11 I had a real need to connect and reconnect with other Muslims," said Ahmad Huzair, 20, a senior at the University of California-Berkeley. Born in Sri Lanka, his family moved to Orange County when he was 3-years old.

Huzair was in his first-period advance placement physics class when he learned that the planes hit. He

took a good look around: He knew only one other Muslim student at his high school. But when he arrived at UC-Berkeley as a freshman, Huzair says he immediately gravitated to the Muslim Students Association. The group, which has a strong presence on campus, has grown in size and influence since Sept. 11 and now numbers about 200. Huzair serves on the executive committee.

Mohammad Subeh, 21, a graduate student in medical school, is the president of another Muslim student organization: the Islamic Society of Stanford University. Subeh was born in Kuwait in 1984 and came to the United States during the Persian Gulf War.

On Sept. 11, he was in high school in East Los Angeles. After the attack, his family received anonymous death threats, he said. "There were maybe 10 Muslim students at my high school," he said. "After 9/11, people wanted to know more about themselves. A lot of us grew up in Muslim households where what's Islamic is inherited. But now I feel much more dedicated to the Islamic faith."

The moment they heard

The World War II generation remembers Pearl Harbor. Baby boomers recall the moment they heard that President Kennedy and the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. were assassinated. For young people, their day of infamy is Sept. 11.

In a joint survey conducted by the Horatio Alger Association and Peter D. Hart Research in November 2001, 75 percent of Americans aged 14-18 said they considered 9/11 events to be the "most significant in their lives."

"I didn't understand who al-Qaida was or why they were attacking the United States," said Vivek Musinipally, 16, who was a new sixth-grader at Bret Harte Middle School in San Jose on Sept. 11, 2001.

Vivek said he woke up early that day and was surprised to find his parents glued to the television. Stunned, he watched the smoke and flames and then went to school where much of the day was also spent silently watching television with classmates and teachers. Terrorism on American soil was a lot to absorb for an 11-year-old just starting middle school. Now a junior at Leland High School, Vivek is fascinated by politics and reads the newspaper every morning. He is also active in Leland's award-winning speech and

debate team. Looking back, he says Sept. 11 was life-changing.

"It really kind of opened my eyes to the world outside the U.S.," said Vivek, who was born in the United States to parents who had emigrated from India. "I always thought that America was the greatest place on Earth, and then I realized that a lot of people don't like us. I learned that, like everything, there's another side."

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BSU Foundation announces \$15.6 million fund-raising total

The Boise State University Foundation raised \$15.6 million during the 2006 fiscal year, its second-best fund-raising year ever.

"We are most appreciative of the ongoing generous support of so many friends, alumni and local and regional businesses and foundations," said Rika Clement, interim vice president for university advancement. "Their help and involvement, together with that of our faculty, staff and students, is propelling Boise State toward a metropolitan research university of distinction. And this is good news for the Treasure Valley and Idaho."

Noteworthy gifts included Micron Technology Foundation's \$5 million multi-year commitment to the Electrical and Computer Engineering Doctoral Program; Boise Junior College Graduate Larry Arguinchona's leadership gifts totaling almost \$1 million to athletics and the College of Business and Economics; and the John Vallega Trust's \$900,000 gift for scholarship support, bringing their total giving to Boise State to more than \$1.7 million and a \$2.3 million enhancement of the William H. and Gladys E. Langroise Distinguished Student Endowed Scholarship.

what the?

What smoke, officer?

A man robbed a bank in Orlando, Fla., then stuffed the cash down his pants not realizing that the teller slipped an exploding dye pack in with the money. He fled the scene, but a police officer decided to question him when he saw smoke coming out of the man's pants.

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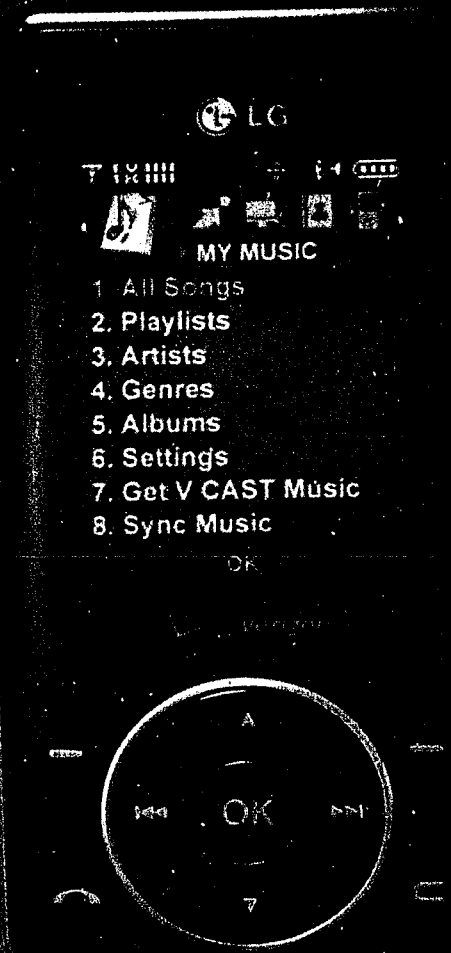
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The way we see it ...

Give Canyon County Hispanics a voice in the Legislature

Canyon County Commissioner Robert Vasquez, perhaps the Valley's best-known Latino politician, advocates the 100-year-old notion of America as a melting pot. As we begin to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month on Friday, it's fitting to re-examine this metaphor.

The melting pot image originated in 1907, when Rabbi Samuel Schulman spoke of America as "the melting pot of nationalities" in a Passover sermon at his New York temple. But the term owes its popularity to a Jewish playwright, Israel Zangwill, whose drama "The Melting-Pot" opened in Washington, D.C., in October 1908.

The melting pot is a metaphor for assimilation, wherein immigrants lose their ethnic distinctions and fuse into a new, uniquely American mush.

Other metaphors have become more popular among academics, specifically the "American stew" or the "American salad." In these models, immigrants intersperse among other ethnic groups but retain many of their ethnic characteristics. They might, for example, continue to speak Spanish as well as English in the home instead of insisting that the new generations only speak English.

Carmen Medina, associate deputy director for intelligence of the Central Intelligence Agency, remarked in an interview with "The Black Collegian," "As a Hispanic, I used to hear the melting pot metaphor all the time. To many people, melting pot means that everyone becomes like them. One day I realized that instead of melting pot, that this is a stew and that this stew changes with the addition of different ingredients ... I don't want everyone to become like the dominant culture: I want all of us to collaborate and work together. That is how an agency creates synergy."

As Idaho becomes more urban, and our metropolitan research university of distinction makes recommendations for the transformation of its political structure, we suggest that our social scientists educate the Legislature about the synergy that could be created if our Hispanic citizens were given a greater voice in government policy.

Why not create a "safe" legislative district in Canyon County for Hispanic voters, similar to the safe Democratic district in Boise's North End or any number of districts in Eastern Idaho that are "safe" for farmers? Farmers have far more influence in the Legislature than their numbers merit, and tried to preserve this influence through gerrymandering after the 2000 Census. Wikipedia defines "gerrymandering" as a controversial form of redistricting in which electoral district or constituency boundaries are manipulated for an electoral advantage.

Senate Pro Tem Bob Geddes of Soda Springs attempted, unsuccessfully, in March to amend state law to permit the division of counties for the sole purpose of protecting a political party or a legislative incumbent, according to a "Lewiston Tribune" editorial.

Closer to home, it is unfathomable that Canyon County, with perhaps the largest concentration of Hispanics in the state, is home to legislators who are among the least sympathetic to social programs.

Hispanics deserve a seat in the councils of power.

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 Sheré Whittely, lead copy editor.

The birth of the hyphen-ated American

BY MATTHEW HAWS
Guest Opinion

After reading an article in The Arbiter concerning the legitimacy of the Plan B contraceptive, I was struck by the hasty need for crass labels to be placed on those who oppose the view of the author.

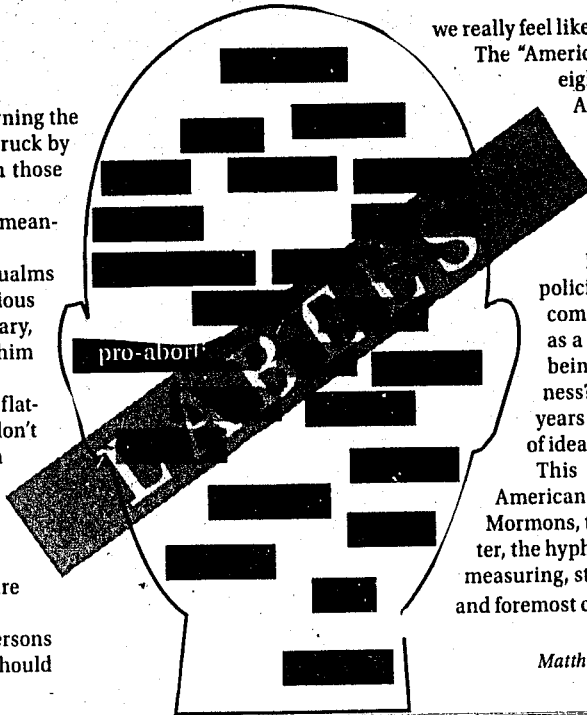
It seems it is now en vogue to spew out a list of meaningless labels for one's own gratification.

The author of the "Plan B" article had no qualms about labeling his opponents as the "religious right." Assuming he is right about his adversary, would he go as far to say that those that support him are among the atheist left?

Would those individuals appreciate being flatly labeled secularist, socialist, sodomists? I don't think so. The point is that these labels, which have invaded most political discussion, get us nowhere near a valid conclusion about any subject.

Are you a liberal, a pro-lifer, a fascist, a racist? Are you a member of NARAL, the NRA, NOW? Are you a Mormon, a Catholic, a Muslim?

A large part of our identities as individual persons in a free society is made up of these labels, but should



we really feel like we are at war with each other?

The "American Heritage Book of English Usage" offers thirty-eight examples of hyphenated words to describe Americans (examples being African-American, Italian-American, etc).

These hyphens and the listed labels are tools of divisiveness, a method of measuring us up, making cliché judgments about us and sending us on our way as support or opposition.

It is divisiveness that breeds hatred, prevents good policies from every being implemented and eradicates common ground. These are the tools that tear us apart as a country. What happened to being an American - to being a united front for liberty and the pursuit of happiness? This country has only recently begun to heal from years of segregation of races- why would the segregation of ideas be any different?

This is the reason why I am calling all my fellow Americans: the WASPs, NRA members, socialists, capitalists, Mormons, those on the right, those on the left, those in the center, the hyphenated and the un-hyphenated to stop the constant measuring, stamping and shipping of those persons who are first and foremost citizens of the United States of America.

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Using the past to benefit our future

BY JORDAN BRADLEY
Opinion Writer

Five years ago, I was walking out of the shower in Chaffee Hall when I was told that a plane had been flown into the World Trade Center. I thought it was a lame joke, but nonetheless turned on CNN to see what was happening. I watched the second plane hit the WTC. I saw the fireballs, heard the people screaming and the cloud of burning debris spread through the streets as the towers imploded. I saw pictures of people jumping from windows, choosing one form of death over another.

Three and a half years ago, I was living in the port city of Messina, Italy when the United States and its allies decided to invade Iraq. The people of the city were afraid. Looking un-mistakenly American, I could not walk down the streets without

being stopped and asked by family men and others my age, "Why war?"

The port, usually bustling with ferries to mainland Italy and the occasional winter cruise ship, was filled with destroyers and transports. The main streets were closed. Lunch shook off the table as an Italian tank division left the military base on the hill and prepared to sail to Iraq in support of the war against terrorism.

Now, five years after 9-11, we are often asked "Why war?" in some form or another.

The old men in Italy, i vecchietti, who lived through the atrocities of WWII know the answer: because life requires it of us. These men saw their cities decimated by bombings, lived off of scant to non-existent rations, and held out hope that someday when the totalitarian regime was removed life would return to normal.

That normality returned with the American invasion. As American tanks entered the cities, the fighting subsided and much-needed rations were distributed. Most vecchietti tear up as they explain the joy that the American soldiers brought to their damaged cities.

Why war? Because life once again requires it of us. There is a threat to worldwide peace that transcends the geographic borders that separate our nations.

Some may hypothesize on the causes of the murderous hatred toward freedom loving people, but such conjecture betrays a startling ingratitude to the generations who have come before us. By Providence or something similar, they have built the foundation of all we have today.

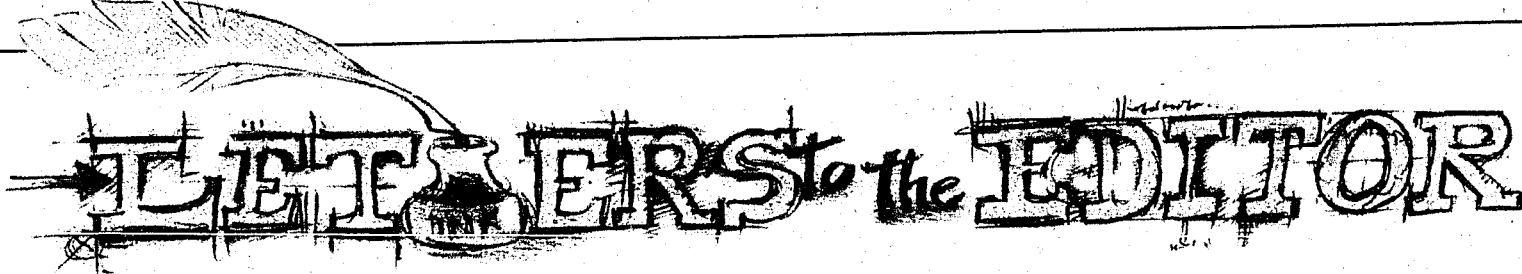
The images of the fireballs ripping through the towers have faded in the darkness of our eyes like the flash of a

camera. We blink incessantly to make the uniform darkness return. The memory of the falling people has faded into the back of our minds like the impenetrable cloud of dust and debris that swept the streets of New York that terrible day.

Perhaps we should recall these images more often so that we may visualize our future should our spirit for freedom atrophy.

We should remember the great responsibility that belongs to our generation: to protect, perpetuate and perfect the freedoms that are ours. We should remember the men and women who have been murdered for living free, as well as the great men and women who have died and live, on to make sure that we can continue to live free.

We have brought peace and hope to the world before, and we will do it again.



"Junk science" is an unfair label for Intelligent Design

Early in August, voters in the Kansas Republican Primary voted to remove several of the conservative members of the state board of education who were responsible for the recent controversy: "Teaching Intelligent Design."

Lost in the media attention over all this was that teachers were not mandated to teach either scientific creationism or intelligent design theory, but "to learn about areas where scientists are raising scientific criticisms of [biological evolution]."

So much for the "Thinly-veiled religious machinations" that Jacob Good complained about in the 28 August edition of The Arbiter. Among the other silly allegations against ID and/or proponents thereof: "illogical idiocy," "hypocrisy" and "fallacious arguments," along with plenty of quips about world-view and politics.

While Good might be embarrassed

to compare his transcripts with this adherent of such "illogical idiocy" as ID, the greater mistake was to assume that ID is junk science.

Intelligent Design theory is based on the notion that we can recognize and assess when and how intelligent agents act.

While rigorous scientific criteria have been established to test this statement, it is intuitively easy to realize that the laptop on which I type was not the result of random chance, but was constructed with a pre-determined end in mind and programmed with the systematic application of information; all by intelligent agents.

The recognition of intelligence is science and is the basis for many valid disciplines. For instance: the Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence program, Crime Scene Investigation, Anthropology, Archaeology and others.

It is simply untrue to hold that ID is religion while Darwinism is science. Both have merit, and both should be

taught -- strengths and weaknesses. No proponent of Intelligent Design is advocating that evolution be discarded, but we are asking for a fair treatment of all the evidence.

Aaron Vandebos, Boise Idaho
Boise State health sciences major and president of the Intelligent Design and Evolution Awareness club

I beg you, no more lectures!

I came across some interesting information in class, stating that BSU is thinking about taking away a large majority of the lecture classes and switching to online courses.

Do they have any idea of how this is going to hinder the students?

Every student, who has paid a grand amount of money for their education, expects to receive an education that fits their needs.

Whether that is lectures, labs, or separate time with the teacher. A large issue that this poses is the certain classes

(such as math, science, art, etc.) that require much more than just visuals on a computer screen. A person will most likely not receive the amount of knowledge that they could retain if they were in a lecture.

I don't think the interests of the students are being viewed very highly and seem to be left out when it comes to the decisions that affect us the most. The classes that are online do benefit others but that does not mean it will benefit everybody!

Although there are the perks of not paying for a permit, housing or gas to get to school, we will be missing out on the most crucial time of our education.

If this is not posted, which I am not expecting, I think it would be an interesting article to look into.

This is going to affect every student in one way or another and the sooner people know maybe the sooner some action will be taken on the subject.

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CULTURE

NO ONE'S INNOCENT



Even Mormon Missionaries

BY HADLEY RUSH
Culture Columnist

How many times have you heard someone say, "I can't - I'm Mormon."

Maybe you've seen someone wearing a shirt or some special ring as some sort of proclamation of their faith, or just as the brunt of a religious joke.

Regardless, Latter Day Saints are regarded by some as lackluster and sans-spice because of certain restrictions their religion preaches.

For example, Mormons can't engage in some of life's guilty pleasures that rest of us are allowed - such as alcohol, cigarettes, coffee, sex (before marriage), revealing tops or cute little mini skirts.

And porn is a definite no no ... or is it?

Perhaps you're familiar with the movie "Orgasmo," a comedic spoof starring Trey Parker (better known for his work associated with the animated series South Park).

In "Orgasmo," Parker plays a Mormon missionary turned adult-film star who possesses the uncanny super-hero ability to make people instantaneously orgasm.

This movie sounds like a far-fetched idea at which any member of the LDS religion would be aghast. At least that's what I thought before I had a conversation with a close friend of mine, who dated a member of the Mormon church a few years back.

When they initially started their courtship, my Catholic friend and her Mormon boyfriend lived in different states. They were forced to keep the flame burning bright through the wonders of technology - meaning they spent more time instant messaging and E-mailing each other than in actual physical contact.

One might foresee this kind of relationship smoldering out after a brief trial run, yet these two kept their young love alive.

One day my friend opened her E-mail to find a picture of her hallowed boyfriend spread eagle and very nude.

This initially struck her as odd, but she chalked it up to nothing more than his kinky means to keep their long-distance romance afloat. So maybe she wasn't the sharpest tool in the shed.

That is, until a few months later when he told her he was having doubts about his upcoming missionary work in Italy.

He was scheduled to depart for the two-year missionary work period in a few short months, and yet he couldn't help but feel torn in another direction. What direction, you may ask?

Catholic girlfriend assured Mormon-missionary-boyfriend their relationship would remain intact over the two years. But this wasn't his primary concern. In fact, Mormon-missionary boyfriend wasn't the least bit concerned about the upcoming relationship test they were about to face.

After a somewhat scandalous Internet secret was unsealed from his past by the adult film industry, Mormon missionary was solicited by one of the premier X-rated film studios in Los Angeles. His choices were:

- A. Become a Mormon missionary, or
- B. Become a porn star.

After this conversation, Catholic girlfriend and her Mormon-missionary-possibly-porn-star boyfriend decided to part ways.

Mormon-missionary boyfriend had a soft-spot for all things hardcore. Or maybe it was a hard spot, for all things hardcore ... I never could get the whole story.

What I did learn was this Mormon-missionary boyfriend was not innocent.

No one is innocent.



This year's Art in the Park brought artists from across the nation to the heart of Boise for a weekend full of original expression.

BY KASHA GLYNN
Culture Writer

Last weekend the Boise Art Museum hosted the 52nd annual Art in the Park. The largest event of its kind in the Northwest, the festival featured over 250 artists offering varied goods from fused glass and metal work to jewelry, textiles, pottery and toys. The event was held in beautiful Julia Davis Park behind the BAM.

To help alleviate traffic and parking stress, free shuttle busses ran every half hour from Boise Town Square Mall, Boise State University and downtown Boise. Patrons who purchased \$5 "I'm a BAM Art in the Park Supporter" stickers also received free admission to the BAM during the Art in the Park weekend to view the "Frank Lloyd Wright" and "House Beautiful" exhibits.

This event welcomed not only lovers of art, but a melting pot of

interests. Live music played in the Gene Harris band shell throughout the duration of the festival and on Saturday from 5:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Patrons enjoyed performances from local jazz musicians in the museum's Sculpture Garden.

For the community's young Picassos, the Beaux Arts Societe sponsored children's arts and crafts activities. There children of all ages could express their own art appreciation through devices like individual paintings and sand art.

Concessions were also present at the outdoor festival. Hungry shoppers could find everything from deep-fried Oreos cookies, Idaho's famous baked potatoes, hot dogs on a stick, old fashioned kettle corn and fresh-squeezed lemonade.

Even man's best friend participated in the festivities, by leash of course. Hundreds came out in support of the BAM and this annual event.

The festivities lacked in showcasing local artists. The majority of art on display came from vendors hailing from outside the Boise area. Even though the festival itself was a success, the general consensus was that it would have been nice to see more of the local Boise art community involved. With the fees for operating a booth set so high, it became difficult for the smaller, local talent to participate, thus opening the doors to outside influences with larger budgets.

All in all the agenda was met and all proceeds collected will go to benefit programming and operations of the BAM.

Art in the Park 2006 was sponsored by "The Boise Weekly," Bogus Basin, Ski Resort, Dawson Taylor Coffee, Sprint, Quest, KTVB News Channel 7, Southwest Airlines, St. Lukes, Rocky Mountain Audio Visual, TableRock Brewpub and Grill and Trendwest.



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'Hollywoodland': what that world is really about

BY JULIA C. ARREDONDO
Culture Writer

The incredibly riveting movie "Hollywoodland" is the true story about the original Superman (George Reeves) and his mysterious death. Though the case was quickly ruled as a suicide, the film focuses on the possibility that it might have been a murder. The opening scene introduces the audience to an already-dead actor. Police are questioning the guests and Reeves' (Ben Affleck) fiancée about the death. The next morning, children all across the country are crushed as the news of his death

reaches the masses. The New York Post's front page announces "TV'S 'SUPERMAN' KILLS SELF." And so what was the end of this man's life-story is only the beginning of this mysterious film.

As the official investigation is closed, in comes Reeves' mother. She hires a private detective, Louis Simo (Adrian Brody), to find the truth. She is absolutely sure that her beloved son could not have chosen to end his life. The investigation Simo

undertakes runs simultaneously alongside the story of how Reeves climbed his way to stardom and fame - beginning the night Reeves meets Toni Mannix (Diane Lane).

Though the movie seems laden with the kinds of characters necessary for a 1950s unsolved mystery (the struggling actor-turned-superstar who falls victim to typecasting due to the major role that

has earned him his name; the witty and troubled detective who finds

himself in deep danger as he works to uncover the truth; the crooked cops; the beautiful vixen; the scandal) it is so much more.

Though the performances are sufficient in relating the story, knowing that this is in fact based on a true story sends chills up the viewer's back.

"Hollywoodland" emphasizes the reality that was as true then as it is now: that Hollywood really is its own private realm, where people cannot only buy each other, but silence each other as well.

Affleck's portrayal of Reeves is exquisite. He does a superb job of showing Reeves' benevolence

for acting and resentment at how the "Superman" role inhibited his career in so many ways. The depression that was said to cause his "suicide" is stark and present in Affleck's eyes as he struggles to prove himself as a true actor.

Likewise, Brody's depiction of Simo and how his career was affected by this one case is perfection.

In the end the audience is reminded that the movie is based on such a sad and true story when there seems to be no resolution, no arrests, nor any conspiracies uncovered - just the sad truth that a beloved and special actor is now gone.



Prepare your parents, the Quinceañera evolution is coming . . .



BY KATRINA L. SAVITZ
Assistant Culture Editor

A young woman's Quinceañera is just one of the most important events in her life. It is something she looks forward to beginning at a young age.

Attending family members' ceremonies and parties, a little girl mentally begins planning her perfect day - from the color of the dresses her female cousins and friends (known as Damas) will wear, to the song that will be played as she dances with her special escort, called a Chambelan.

Similar to the American version of the "Sweet Sixteen," this celebration introduces the 15-year-old into womanhood.

The event begins with a religious service. Luxury cars pull up to the local church and girls in burgundy dresses exit one by one in sync with the music coming from the church organ. A dinner reception follows the ceremony.

Slow cooked lamb called Birria and the traditional rice, beans and tortillas are served to all the guests. The Mariachi's entertain the party with renditions of "Cielito Lindo" and "Volver Volver."

Lastly, the dance portion of the night begins and out comes the Jose Cuervo. The quiet, timid aunt that never says a word is on her eighth tequila shot and she's pinching the butts of all the young men.

Teens and adults alike unite on the dance floor to boogie on down. It isn't too long until Uncle Junior sprains his ankle trying to break dance.

In the independent film "Quinceañera," Magdalena's perfect day comes crashing down during the planning stages when she finds out she's pregnant.

The odd twist is Magdalena nev-

er technically has sex with a boy.

Immaculate Conception? Not quite, but getting warmer. Without turning this review into the sex ed class we all had in sixth grade and ruining the film for you, let's just say no penetration.

Moving on, Magdalena is fourteen and pregnant. Magdalena's father is a minister. He immediately refuses to hear her explanation and kicks her out. Magdalena moves in with her great uncle and homosexual cousin, Carlos.

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What's coming to the movies

BY KATRINA L. SAVITZ
Assistant Culture Editor



The Last Kiss

Zach Braff plays Michael, a man experiencing important life changing events that he is not quite ready for.

Upon meeting an adventurous Kim (Rachel Bilson), Michael begins reconsidering his decisions and reevaluating his goals.

Ultimately, he must choose between care-free fun and committed fatherhood.

The Black Dahlia

Josh Hartnett and Aaron Eckhart are two police officers probing the murder of a young actress.

The gruesome details of her murder, which include mutilation, lure the men into the ghastly world of the Hollywood entertainment industry.

Their appalling revelations surpass their expectations.

September 12, 2006

DVD pick of the week

Lucky Number Slevin

Slevin Kelevra (Josh Hartnett) is caught in

between the crossfire coming from two enemy leaders of organized crime.

Due to a mix up of identity, Kelevra not only has to save himself from the mob, but from the authorities as well.

Although "Lucky" was not well publicized upon its debut in theatres, the star-studded cast is nothing to sneer at.

Sir Ben Kingsley and Morgan Freeman play the mob bosses, meanwhile "Die Hard" star Bruce Willis plays the hit man hired to whack Kelevra.

This film's got everything talent and action.

September 15, 2006

Gridiron Gang

In a juvenile detention camp hidden in the hills of Malibu, young men written off by society miserably reside, waiting for someone to give them a chance to turn their lives around.

The Rock plays camp counselor Sean Porter, who puts everything on the line for these guys and creates a football team.

Days of training prepares these men to go up against local high school teams to demonstrate their talents in a series of competitive football games.

The team experiences additional challenges when the high school team coaches are not too keen on the idea of playing football with delinquents.

Quinceañera [from page 6]

Carlos' parents banish him due to his sexual orientation and, like Magdalena, he is forced to live with their elderly Uncle Tomas who, among other things, sells Champurrada, a popular hot chocolate drink made with masa (maize dough) to thicken it along with hints of piloncillo (Mexican brown sugar) and aniseeds.

Tio Tomas is an accepting and understanding man, no matter the crime. He willingly takes Carlos and Magdalena into his home, even though it is a mere one-bedroom dwelling.

The writers tackle some major issues in "Quinceañera." Among them are pre-marital sex, child bearing out of wed-lock, teenage pregnancy and homosexuality. These topics are highly unacceptable in Latino cultures, but with the years come an increasing recognition and acknowledgement of the

forementioned matters. This film clearly exemplifies this new wave of open-mindedness and approval taking place in the Latino community.

This film gently takes a very traditional cultural event and demonstrates that even though a Quinceañera symbolizes purity, it may not always be so.

Often, extravagances blanket the true significance.

"Quinceañera" reveals a tradition that remains precious, but as is with many cultural rites of passage, it evolves with time.

Cultural practices are not static; families and/or individuals create a dynamic mixture where new customs tend to mirror modern individuality and creativity.

This film is warm depiction of a Latino family growing and learning through each other and through their culture.

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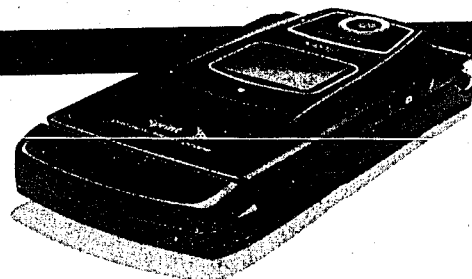
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SPORTS

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Football game fails to receive TV attention

The Boise State football team will be playing for a completely Wyoming based audience on Saturday, with the Broncos game at Wyoming only set to air on local television.

The game will be the first one of the season not seen by Boise viewers.

However, Bronco fans are coming together in hopes of persuading Dish Network to televise the game. It was reported that if 10,000 fans email the company requesting game coverage, there is a chance it will be televised locally.

To get in contact and voice your wishes to see the Broncos at Wyoming, email feedback@echostar.com or feedback@customermail.dishnetwork.com. Game time is set for 1:30 p.m. (Mountain Standard Time) on Saturday, so time is of the essence.

Tadman earns WAC soccer honors

Boise State junior midfielder Nicole Tadman has been named the Western Athletic Conference's Offensive Player of the Week on Sept. 11. Tadman, a junior from Lake Forest, Calif. (Mission Viejo HS/Drake), scored two goals last week helping the Broncos (4-1-0) to wins over Utah Valley State and Eastern Washington.

Tadman recorded the match-winning goal against Utah Valley State on Wednesday, Sept. 6, in Boise, then followed that up with the first of four Bronco goals in an overtime win at Eastern Washington on

Friday, Sept. 8. The two scoring strikes were the first of her Bronco career after transferring to Boise State for her sophomore season in 2005.

Both of Tadman's goals were similar in nature. The scoring shots came following clearances by the opposition's keepers that deflected high outside of the 18-yard box.

Tadman tracked both punch-outs down, then immediately volleyed shots from distance back towards goal that sailed high over the keepers' out-stretched hands and just under the crossbar. On the week she took a combined two shots, both strikes were good for goals.

Tadman's player of the week honor was the first in her career and the eighth for Boise State since joining the WAC in 2001.

BSU receives two WAC football awards

On Monday Boise State running back Ian Johnson, San Jose State linebacker Demetrius Jones and Boise State return specialist Quinton Jones were named the Western Athletic Conference offensive, defensive and special teams players of the week, respectively.

Johnson, a sophomore from San Dimas, Calif. (Damien HS), ran for a career-high 240 yards and five touchdowns in Boise State's 42-14 win over Oregon State on Thursday night.

Johnson is currently the nation's second leading rusher averaging 164.5 yard per game. He is tied for first nationally in scoring, averaging 21 points per game.

Quinton Jones, a senior from Cerritos, Calif. (Las Alamos HS), returned two punts for 17 yards (with a long of 12 yards) and one kickoff for 22 yards in Boise State's win over Oregon State.

Others nominated on offense: sophomore quarterback Chase Holbrook, New Mexico State; junior running back Yonus Davis, San Jose State; and junior tailback Marcus Cross, Utah State.

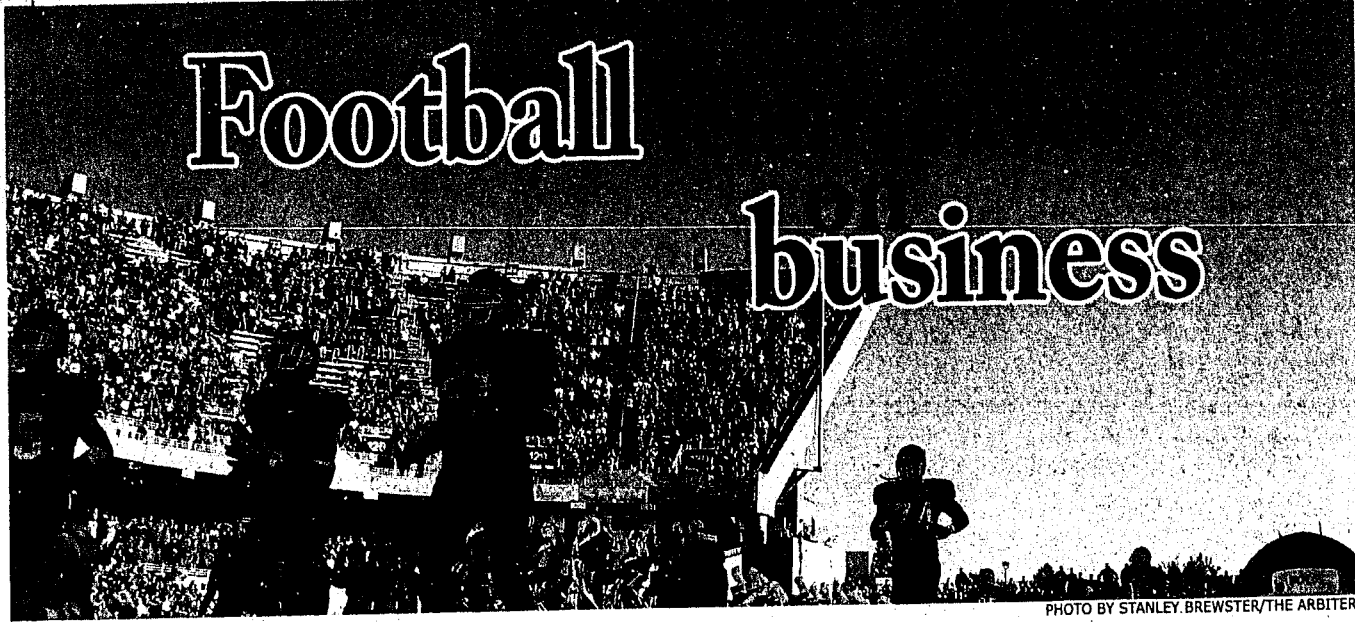
Also nominated on defense: senior linebacker Corey Hall, Boise State; and sophomore linebacker Jake Hutton, Utah State.

Other special teams nominations: none.

Punter makes top 35

Boise State punter Kyle Stringer was recently named to the top 35 watch list for the Ray Guy award.

The award recognizes the nations top punter at the end of the season. Stringer was ranked 32 after the first release of the nominations.



BY JAKE GARCIN
Sports Editor

The Boise State football team's road to an undefeated season stops in Laramie, Wyo. on Saturday. There the Broncos will look to keep moving toward a ranking in the nation's top 25. The team will get its first road test of the season while Head Coach Chris Petersen will also get his first road game in his new position.

The University of Wyoming will host the Broncos in the third meeting between the two teams. BSU is undefeated (2-0) against the Cowboys in the series, but will face one of their toughest challenges this year against Wyoming. "They've got those guys playing hard. They give you a lot of different looks," Petersen said. "A lot of blitzing. We had kind of heard they were gonna go to that style, we saw them play Utah State a few games back and it gave us some wrinkles that we hadn't seen yet."

Perhaps the most concerning factor for Bronco fans this Saturday is the drastic increase in elevation that the game will be played at. Despite playing in a stadium at 7,200 feet above sea level, Petersen is no more concerned with the elevation than he is with what the post-game meal is going to be.

"I really don't think it's going to play into it

that much, unless our players make a bigger deal out of it," Petersen said. "I remember there (at Wyoming) we had an 18-play drive, where I don't think we've ever had an 18-play drive here. Our guys were tired, but no more tired than they would be here on an 18-play drive."

"I think if maybe you're running a marathon or training for a long time there it might affect you," Petersen said. "But when you're going out playing a football game, where you're talking about six-second bursts, I don't think it will affect you much."

Petersen and his staff have continued to keep the team focused after two blowout victories to open the season.

"I think our guys have been around long enough to know we've got 10 more regular season games left. And any one of those teams on our schedule can beat us, unless we bring our 'A-game.' We've done our job as coaches to kind of continue to bring that up to them - but again, those guys know."

"We have guys who have played for three years now, and they've been through some dog fights, through some teams that technically on paper shouldn't have been as good as us. We were lucky to get through on the skin of our teeth. So I think those memories are still fresh in a lot of guys' minds."

The Broncos will continue to rely heavily on some of their newcomers, most specifically runningback Ian Johnson. Johnson was named offensive player of the nation and of the Western Athletic Conference last week after his 240-yard, five-touchdown performance against Oregon State. Johnson is one of many young players that are making a great impression during their first season.

"It's always nice to see those kids, when it comes game time, to step their level of performance up and really make plays when the lights are on. They practice very well and practice very hard. I know when we're practicing at a high level, we're gonna play at an even higher level," Peterson said.

Boise State will return home Sept 23 for its first conference game of the season against Hawaii. Although it is only a week down the line from Wyoming, the Broncos will certainly be more experienced when they take the field.

"The nice thing is we've got a lot of guys that have been on the road with us before, but it's always kind of shocking the first time you go on the road," Petersen said. "There's a few different dynamics working."

"You get on a plane and you're going somewhere with all your buddies so you kind of think it's a vacation. It's far from that: it's a business trip for us."

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Wyoming threatens to tame Broncos

BY KYE JOHNSON
Assistant Sports Editor

The Wyoming Cowboys' 2006 campaign has gotten off to an interesting start. They opened up the season with a convincing win against Utah State, in which the Cowboy offense put up 38 points and 460 yards of total offense. Junior quarterback Jacob Doss (6-2, 210) threw for three touchdowns and 209 yards in the season opener.

Last week the Cowboys traveled to Charlottesville, Vir. and nearly came away with a solid win against Virginia of the Atlantic Coast Conference. Behind the leg of true freshman place-kicker Aric Goodman, the Cowboys were able to send the game into overtime tied 6-6.

Goodman connected on field goals of 23 and 39 yards in regulation. Virginia scored on its first possession in overtime, but Doss threw a 2-yard touchdown pass to bring the Cowboys back within a point. A failed extra point try by Goodman sent Wyoming home empty-handed, suffering a heart-breaking loss.

"We had our chances to win it," head coach Joe Glenn said. "We made enough mistakes to where we probably deserved what we got."

The Cowboys had a punt blocked

and fumbled on Virginia's 1-yard line earlier in regulation.

Over the past few years the Cowboys' high-powered offense has been their bread and butter. But interestingly enough, through their first two games this season, the Cowboy defense has not allowed a touchdown in regulation. The only two touchdowns opponents have scored on Wyoming came in overtime against Virginia and on an interception that was returned for a touchdown against Utah State.

"Well, we changed our scheme a little bit," Glenn said. "We have some good linebackers on our roster. Probably not as many down big guys, so with that in mind we moved to a 3-4 to give us better depth" Glenn said. That defense will be put to the test this weekend with Boise State heading to Laramie, Wyo. The last time Boise State and Wyoming met was in 2003 at Bronco stadium. BSU came away with a 33-17 victory backed by a 440-yard offensive performance. Those numbers may be hard to match this time around, as Wyoming's defense will try to continue their impressive streak.

"I'm very, very impressed with the guy," Glenn said about Boise State runningback Ian Johnson. "There's not much you can say, just look at the numbers. He (Ian) can't get through

the line of scrimmage like he did last week. But I'll give the kid credit he hit the hole 90 mph and then kicked in and out ran the secondary on multiple occasions. I hope we're better than (Oregon State) on defense, if not I'm going to be sick."

Glenn is in his fourth season as head coach of the Cowboys. Glenn has posted a total record of 16-21 in just over three seasons, including a 7-5 record in 2004 highlighted by a Las Vegas bowl victory over UCLA.

The Cowboys graduated their two most potent offensive weapons from last year's team with quarterback Corey Bramlet and wide receiver Jovan Bouknight.

Bramlet threw for over 2,600 yards last season, of which Bouknight was responsible for 1,116. Bouknight also caught 12 of Bramlet's 16 touchdowns, leaving the Cowboys passing offense with some serious questions to be answered.

Through two games Doss has thrown for 354 yards and completed 69 percent of his passes. His two main targets are the two most experienced receivers on the Cowboys' roster. Junior Michael Ford (6-2, 203) caught 29 passes last season for 421 yards with no touchdowns. His partner Senior Tyler Holden (6-0, 179) had a less productive junior season than his sophomore year. He

only played in eight games last season due to a foot injury. He did manage to snag 16 catches for 173 yards last season. As a sophomore he had 339 yards on 27 receptions and one touchdown. The production of Ford and Holden will continue to play a major role in the development of the 2006 Wyoming offense.

The Cowboys do return their starting running back from last year, Sophomore Wynel Seldon (6-0, 205). Seldon rushed for a freshman school record last season with 871 yards and 11 touchdowns. Through Seldon's first two games this season, he has gone for 99 and 56 yards with no touchdowns and an average of 4.2 yards-per-carry.

But the key may very well lay in the hands of their defense. Wyoming lost five starters from last year's defense and three of those five were starters in the secondary. Senior free safety John Wendling (6-1, 222) is the lone returning starter in a secondary that has played well in the first two weeks.

If Wyoming can start to click on offense and their defense continues to play the way it has through their first two weeks, the Cowboys could be a handful for not only Boise State, but for all of their Mountain West Conference opponents in 2006.

Cross-country team starts '06 season strong

BY JAKE GARCIN
Sports Editor

The Boise State cross-country teams traveled to Nampa for their first in-state meet of the year on Saturday, Sept 9. Both the men and

women's teams showed their regional power as the men took first place in the team standings and the women took second.

Senior Ty Axtman edged out Bronco teammate Forrest Braden for the men's title at the Northwest

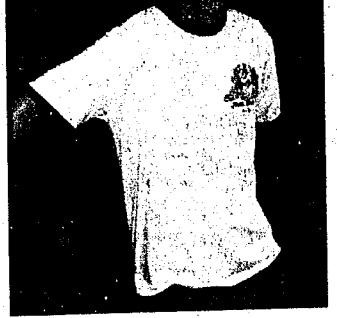
Nazarene Invitational. Axtman and Braden are expected to anchor the men's team this season in Boise State's push at a Western Athletic Conference championship. With both races being won by Bronco runners, track and field coach Mike

Maynard has great hope that 2006 will be another strong year for BSU cross country.

"That was obviously not a super-

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The big eye
in the sky



A date with Monday night

BY BRIAN LUPTAK
Sports columnist

The alarm clock rings, followed by a groan of disgust. There is no working person or student that absolutely loves Monday mornings. If you do, you are a rare breed. However, there is one reason why the rest of us roll out from under the blankets and drag ourselves into the bathroom on that dreadful day at the start of the week.

What makes Mondays tolerable and is the anticipation of oiling up that old recliner, tearing open a bag of chips, inviting over some buddies, and cracking open a couple beers. That's right, the season has officially started and that means it's time for another 16 weeks of Monday Night Football. But if you haven't noticed yet, MNF isn't going to be the same ritual as most of us have come to know. After 35 years of broadcasting the prime-time football event of the week, ABC is handing over the show to its brother company, ESPN. The cost for ESPN to take over the program is a whopping \$1.1 billion per year as designated by its new 8-year contract. Last year, the weekly game only reached 11 percent of the 109.6 million homes with a television. Hopefully ESPN can turn around the rating trend that the broadcast accumulated during the last couple years.

I know that seems impossible to those of us who bleed football during the fall and winter, but it's true. The football fan base is spiraling downward and it's not only on Monday nights. The Sunday games are losing viewers as well. This led to a whole new approach for football broadcasting this season.

NBC will take over Sunday Night Football and starting on Thanksgiving, the occasional Thursday and Saturday games will be covered by NFL network. The announcement didn't bother me too much until I took myself into deeper thought about the subject. First, I realized the fact that being a college student, a lot of my friends don't spend money on cable and can no longer enjoy the game from their own sofa. Cable is becoming available in all price ranges. Yet, there is still broke college students who wouldn't pay the money to watch the game if it meant they couldn't afford the beer to drink during it.

Also, like many fans that view Monday nights as an American tradition, I have become accustomed to the comforting, humorous voices of John Madden and Al Michaels hosting the weekly game. This year will be different, however. With the addition of Monday Night Football to the ESPN network, comes a different crew of play-by-play analysts. While the football will be the same hard-hitting, fast-moving game that we have always enjoyed, the adaptation to new MNF personalities may not come easily.

Replacing Madden and Michaels are sports columnist Tony Kornheiser and former Washington Redskins Joe Theismann. On the play-by-play will be Mike Tirico. Even though I'm confident this trio will provide entertaining commentary to help us enjoy the game, this change may be the hardest part to absorb in my eyes.

With the various changes being applied to our beloved reason for happiness on a Monday morning, we must accept the change as a good thing. After my first look at the new MNF, ESPN did in fact impress me this past Monday with appearances in the box by Jamie Foxx, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and even a spark of humor from the color guys.

For those of you who are furious because you don't have cable, there's always a place to enjoy the game. Supply some chips and dip and I'm sure you will be welcomed on somebody's couch. Putting all technical changes aside, football was still football on Monday night and that's what matters; and it simply doesn't get better than that.

Lucas aims for success

BY ANDREAS KREUTZER
Sports Writer

After leading the Boise State soccer team to back-to-back winning seasons in 2004 and 2005, Head Soccer Coach Steve Lucas wants to take the team to postseason play again at the end of this year. He is in his ninth season with the Broncos and his seventh as a head coach.

Lucas helped build the team from scratch and has developed the program into an established Western Athletic Conference contender since its foundation in 1998. Lucas is happy with the way the team has grown and sees his main accomplishments in the consistency with the players and the close co-operation of the team and the staff.

"Every year we've gotten better players in and we've been able to keep them here and they've bought in to what we're doing," Lucas said.

Having been able to post winning records in the last two seasons, the team has shown that it is skillful on the field. Yet, Lucas' goals include success off the field.

The women's soccer team is known to be a good academic team as well. In 2005, 20 of 28 players were named WAC Scholar Athletes and the Broncos had 15 student-athletes on the

WAC all-academic team. "They know that if they don't graduate from here, we're not gonna be very happy or we haven't done our job," Lucas said. "The other part is that we have obviously academic goals and athletic goals and we want to meet them both. We come close to doing that every year. Our academic advisors are fantastic. They (the players) are monitored by our academic advisors. Eric Kile does a great job with them and Gabe (Rosenvall) and all those guys. Our players take pride in it, so it's good."

Evaluation is a big part of Lucas' coaching philosophy. The staff evaluates each season at the end of the year.

However, they do not limit their evaluation to the players. The coaching staff is being evaluated as well, which gives the team an opportunity to look at the way the season has gone and what they need to change.

"I've realized that every year is different," Lucas said. "You've got to learn from your team. You can't just tell them what to do and expect them to do it. We evaluate everything at the end of the year, but we also evaluate ourselves staff-wise, and especially me."

"I don't want to be in a situa-

tion where it's me against them. It's more fun if everybody is on the same page.

"The biggest thing that I've learned is that you can never stop learning or growing or reviewing things or making adjustments or tweaking your style. If you do, you're gonna get past by. You're not gonna have your players respond."

Lucas, who was named WAC Coach of the Year in 2003, wants to see his team in postseason play again this year. The best six teams will advance to the WAC tournament, which is held in Reno, Nev. in November. The team finished sixth last year and was ranked No. 6 in the preseason poll again this year.

"We want to make it to our conference tournament and go from there," Lucas said. "That's always the thing - postseason play. I think the conference is wide open. It's gonna be a battle. We missed finishing second by half a game last year, so it's tight. Our goals are that: Do well in the classroom and play in the postseason, and if we don't, then we fail."

Before coming to BSU Lucas was assistant coach at New Hampshire College. He has spent several years working in youth soccer, including a 5-year stint as director of coach-

ing and player development for the Les Bois United Soccer Club of Boise from 1996 to 2000. Lucas has a 51-58-9 record as the head coach at Boise State.



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high level meet, but there were some good runner there," Maynard said. "For Ty and Forrest, who were literally thousands of seconds apart, they just raced right to the finish."

Maynard oversees the track and cross-country programs at BSU, while David Welsh is actually the head coach of the cross-country program. Maynard has played a huge part in assembling both teams and knows as well as anyone how important both Axtman and Braden are to the school.

"You know Forrest has been kind of a franchise guy for us, as far as the things he's done," Maynard said. "He's one of the greatest distance runners to come out of the state of Idaho. Then Ty, who's just across the border from Washington in Spokane. To have both those guys, both in their senior year and running at that level is going to be huge for the team."

On the women's side things weren't much different for the Broncos at NNU. Breanna Sande took top honors at the meet, solidifying herself

as the top women's team member for Boise State. Sande and Axtman were both named WAC cross-country athletes of the week for their performances in Nampa. Sande is a sophomore from Coeur d'Alene and rounds out a team of nearly all Idaho talent. As with the men, the women are showing that local talent is as good as any.

"We've got two foreign kids on the team, but everyone else is, if not from Idaho, definitely from the region," Maynard said. "It's important, we don't want any great student-athletes to have to leave (Idaho) to be part of a top level program."

While both teams are still in the early stages of their season, it is expected that the toughest competition remain ahead. The next meet for both teams will be in Seattle at the Sundodger Invitational on Saturday Sept 16.

Once conference meets begin the Broncos will be able to race up to nine runners at a meet with the top five earning points towards a meet's final team standings. While the

men's team only has seven runners on roster, the women will be looking for nine out of eighteen runners to compete in conference meets.

Both teams remain far from where Maynard and Welsh expect them to be at season's end. Unlike a true team sport, cross-country gives a coach much more responsibility to develop every individual runner. This focus on the individual can be the difference between a good team and a great team.

"We're really all about working it towards the individual," Maynard said. "We monitor and structure training around making the individual meet their best."

Without any clear racing lineups yet, the Bronco coaching staff will have to wait to see if their championship goals are going to be met by this group of runners.

"You know it's just a little early," Maynard said. "A lot of teams are like us, we haven't even competed all of the individuals that we think are gonna finally shake out in our top five. Until you finally see that starting lineup, so to speak, you don't really know where they're at."

Flag football season begins

BY KATELYN HOLZER
Special to The Arbiter

Flag football season is finally here. The 2006-07 intramural sports season has begun with 16 teams participating in this year's flag football season. League play began Sunday September 10. During the regular season, teams jockey for first, second and third place in preparation for play-offs.

At season's end a team will be crowned Intramural Flag Football Champion and given the coveted Champion T-shirt to wear. With approximately 200 Boise State students participating, everyone is out there for a good time whether they're really competitive or not.

Zach Dong is the manager of team Bonafide. He feels the intramural programs give students a competitive sporting atmosphere most of us miss after high school.

"It keeps us active and competitive, since we don't play varsity sports like we did in high school," Dong said.

The flag football league is broken into two divisions: Blue and Orange. The Blue Division is more competitive, while the Orange is more for recreational purposes than anything else. This year there are nine Blue teams and seven Orange teams.

In the Orange Division, Off in the Corner and AKL are returning teams that did well last year. Off in the Corner was undefeated all through last year until its first game of the playoffs when it were beat by AKL, the team which won the championship.

"We're going to dominate this season," team members of Off in the Corner said.

AKL claims it will defend its title even though it has lost a few key players. It is a rematch that many students are already looking forward to watching.

Upcoming schedule is as follows:

Thursday Sept. 14, 4:30
Team Manny vs. Return of the Donkey, 5:30 Team Slayers vs. The Penguins.

Sunday Sept. 17, 12:30 The Team vs. AKL 1:30 Hallmark vs. Bonafide, 3:30 Millers Lite vs. Going Deep, 4:30 The Anators vs. Return of the Donkey

Play-offs start Sunday October 1st.

Results from Sunday September 10th:
Bonafide 18, 1st Floor Crew 12
The Anators 40, BAMF's 6
Off in the Corner 16, Millers Lite 8
The Team 18, Hallmark 6

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University President, Dr. Bob Kustra, discusses *Mountains Beyond Mountains*

Wednesday, Sept 27
4:30pm - Student Union Forum
Ross Burkhart discusses *Global Health Care Politics*

October

Wednesday, Oct 11
7:00pm Student Union Hatch Ballroom
Film "A Closer Walk"
This documentary takes viewers around the globe telling a story of AIDS & the world's disadvantaged. Following the screening, Dr. Clay Roscoe MD will lead a discussion about the global AIDS epidemic. Sponsored by Volunteer Services Board.

Thursday, Oct 12
7:00pm - Student Union Hatch Ballroom CD
Film "Rx For Survival: Global Health Champions"
Dr. Waj Nasser MD, from Small Village Foundation, will introduce this documentary about present-day men and women who are saving lives around the world and profoundly changing global health outcomes. Sponsored by Volunteer Services Board.

Wednesday, Oct 18
7:00pm Student Union Jordan Ballroom
Saving Lives, Transforming Communities, and Changing the World: A Call to be Bold"
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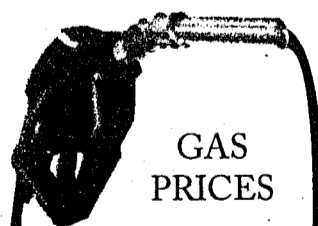
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The iPod nano: even thinner

BY HARSH MANTRI
Arbiter Staff

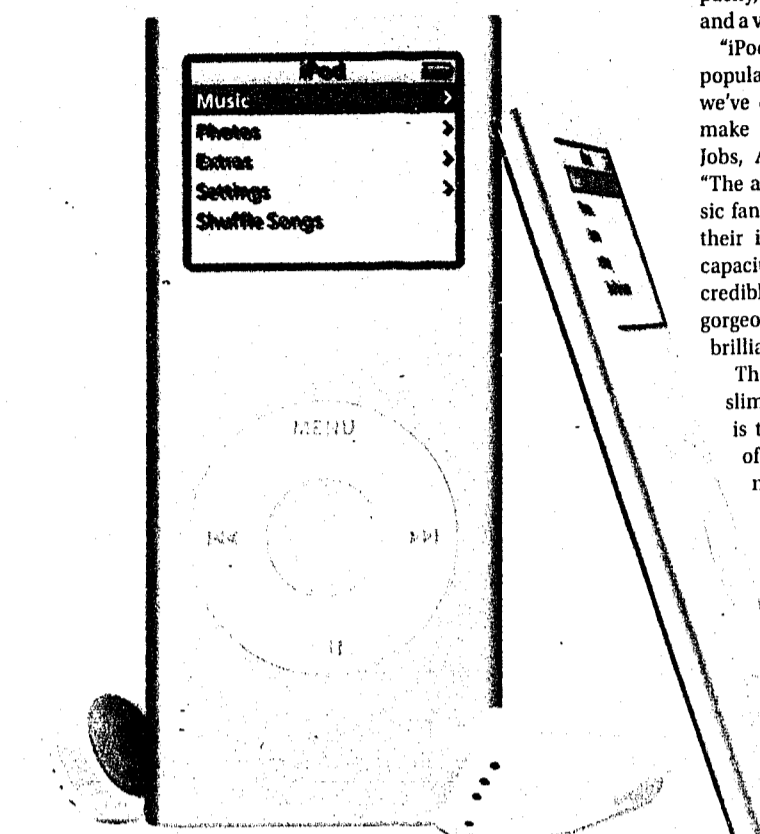


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Apple unveiled the all new iPod nano at the special event "It's Showtime" at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Theater in San Francisco, Calif. The second-generation iPod nano features an aluminum enclosure, double the capacity, up to 24 hours of battery life and a variety of colors.

"iPod nano is the world's most popular digital music player, and we've completely redesigned it to make it even better," said Steve Jobs, Apple's CEO, at the event. "The all-new iPod nano gives music fans more of what they love in their iPods — twice the storage capacity at the same price, an incredible 24-hour battery life and a gorgeous aluminum design in five brilliant colors."

The new iPod nano now has a slimmer and light design. Gone is the old scratchy glossy look of the nano which spawned a number of lawsuits against Apple. Now the nano has a stunning aluminum enclosure similar to the one used in the new MacBook Pro and is available in colors like pink, silver, blue, black and green.

The iPod also has a host of new features like instant searching where the click wheel is used to do

a live search of the iPod contents, gapless playback which supports MP3, AAC, Apple Lossless format and other uncompressed music files. The new nano also sports a stunning high-resolution display which makes viewing photos and album art even more enjoyable than its predecessor.

The new models for the iPod nano are 2GB, priced at \$149 (available only in silver), 4GB priced at \$199 (available in pink, blue, green, silver) and the all new 8GB priced at \$249 (available exclusively in black). All of these models have a battery life of up to 24 hours which is more than double the battery life of the original.

The iPod comes with the all-new redesigned earbud headphones which took Apple 18 months to configure. It also comes with an unbelievably compact USB power cable to allow for ease of traveling.

Apple has gone the extra mile and even made the packaging of the new iPod nano thinner. The iPod now comes in a smaller, thinner box, which is not that much bigger than the nano itself. The iPod nano also works seamlessly with the new Nike + iPod sports kit (which Apple has sold 450,000 units of in the first 90 days).

Another thing Steve Jobs introduced today is a new version of the iPod Shuffle which makes it the "world's smallest MP3 player." Like

the other members of the iPod family, the Shuffle weighs only half an ounce. It's the size of a matchbox. The iPod Shuffle now comes only in the 1GB model available for \$79.

Apple also introduced iTunes 7, its most significant improvement to the world's most popular online music store.

"Here we go again! First music, then TV shows and now movies," Jobs said. The online store now boasts new features like album and cover flows of music, television shows and movies allowing users to find files in their library.

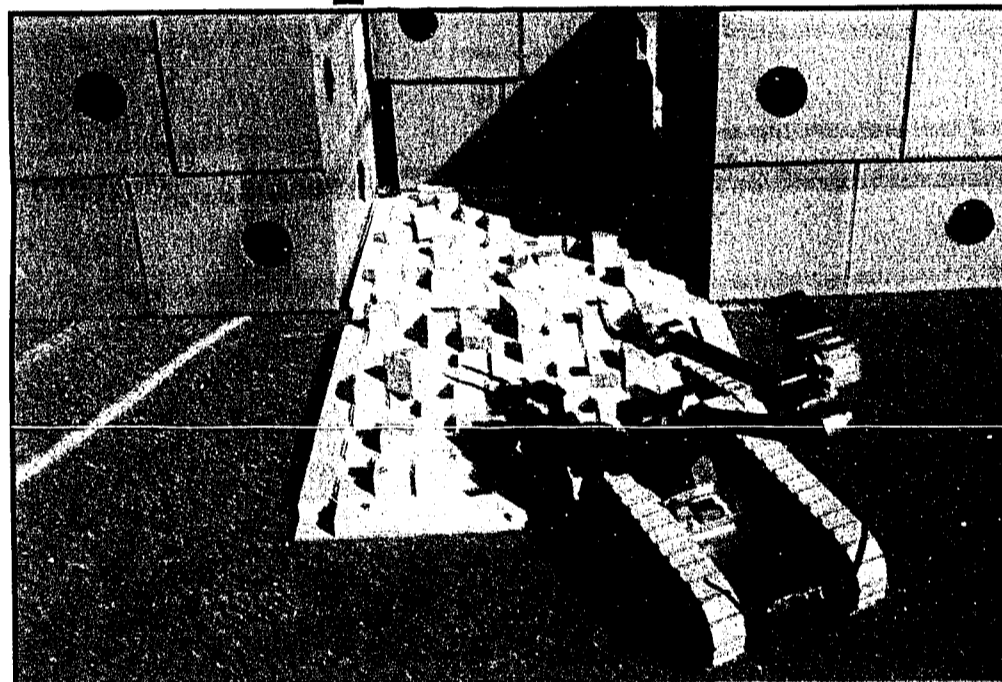
The store has a collection of 75-plus movies available to download, in addition to television shows and music. The store also offers more than 220 television shows up to download and almost one million videos are sold every week from the world's most popular video download store.

Movies will be available at the iTunes store the same day they are released on DVD. The price will range from \$9.99 to \$14.99 for new movies.

The videos downloaded from the store will have a resolution of 640 x 480 (nearly four times higher than before) and will have near-DVD quality.

New games available for the iPod can also be downloaded from the iTunes store for \$4.99 per game.

War, natural disasters driving the push for smarter robots



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BY ROBERT S. BOYD
McClatchy Newspapers

A "PacBot Scout" checks out a gasoline tanker truck in a robotics demonstration at the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Training Academy in Rockville, Maryland. Newfangled machines are becoming indispensable in both military combat and civilian catastrophes.

Like the four horsemen of the apocalypse, war, terrorism, crime and disaster are driving the development and deployment of fresh armies of robots.

Equipped with "eyes," "ears" and "noses," improved mobility and manual dexterity plus rudimentary "intelligence," many newfangled machines are being tested for use in military situations and civilian catastrophes.

Their sponsors hope they can

get over the serious problems and weaknesses that have limited their usefulness in the past.

In Afghanistan, for example, Taliban fighters have developed ways to foil robots that were trying to search caves by using ladders and flipping them onto their sides. Last week, however, robot makers showed off a robot that could

climb a steeply slanted roof without falling off.

It was one of a pack of machines that demonstrated their prowess at a demonstration sponsored by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in Gaithersburg, Md.

Unfortunately, even the newest gadgets sometimes didn't work as

well as their makers or their users had hoped.

During one demonstration, eight out of 16 robots failed a simple test. They were supposed to drive to a set of checkpoints, but their radios interfered with one another's signals so badly that they couldn't communicate with their controllers.

"It was difficult even to get from

the start point to the first building," said Kate Remley, a NIST researcher. "This would be a serious problem in a real situation."

In Iraq, robots have had mixed success. They're useful in detecting hidden explosives, but they fre-

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Answers to top student money questions: Part 2

BY SANYIKA CALLOWAY BOYCE
Young Money magazine

Thanks for taking me up on my offer to help you answer your questions about money, credit, debt, romance and finance and landing (or keeping) a job.

For all of you who were courageous enough to ask your questions, I applaud you.

For those of you who still have questions that need answering, I hope what follows will offer you some insight and direction.

MONEY

What's the best way to lower my credit card interest rate?

It's simple, call the credit

card company and ask them for a rate reduction.

If you've been good about paying your credit card bills on time and not maxing them out or going over the limit, then you'll be in a much better position to ask for an interest rate reduction.

The bottom line is that credit card companies don't want to lose your business.

So if they have to lower your interest rate by a few points to keep you as a customer, they usually will do so.

Always remind the creditor that there are other companies who want your business and have them look for ways that they can keep you as a customer.

They may even offer fee re-

ductions or waivers as a way to keep you satisfied.

ROMANCE & FINANCE
I want to buy my girlfriend/boyfriend nice things but how much is too much?

It's hard to put a dollar amount on how much to spend, especially when it comes to birthdays and holidays.

Often we want to impress and get the big WOW reaction, but I have been guilty of breaking the bank and maxing out credit cards only to pay the hefty price tag later.

The best advice I can give is to set spending limits upfront on gifts, this will take off the pressure and turn on the

creativity.

When you stop focusing on the amount you're spending and put the attention into the thought behind the gift it'll last a lot longer and mean a whole lot more.

Also, reduce the pressure to produce that one-of-a-kind gift by giving smaller gifts more often rather than putting all of your energy into the big gift.

DREAM JOB

How soon should I start putting money in my 401k plan after I get a job?

As soon as your company allows — it's free money! Even if you can only save \$50 per paycheck, you have to start some-

where. There is no such thing as playing "catch-up" if you don't discipline yourself at the beginning.

It'll be much harder to make the switch later on.

Also, look into other pre-tax benefits such as travel allowances, flex-spending accounts and any other opportunities that your company offers to lower your taxable income.

On average every \$1,000 you put in (the max is \$5,000 per year) cuts your tax bill by about \$300.

Do you have a question for Sanyika? E-mail her at questions@collegestudentusa.com

Web site of the week: Last.fm

BY ERIC GOODWIN
MCT Campus

For many people, music is more than just something to listen to — it defines who you are. Your personality, likes and dislikes are reflected in your favorite tunes.

Last.fm (<http://www.last.fm>) seizes on this idea creating a unique social bookmarking Web site that allows users to network with other people based on their musical interests and discover new music along the way.

To take advantage of the site's features, you need to sign up for a free account and download the Last.fm music player (the application is available for Windows, Mac and Linux users).

Once you open the music player, you can choose to search for songs either by artist or by Last.fm-user generated keywords.

Let's say you choose the artist option; Last.fm will stream music that's similar to tunes by the performer you entered.

Some of the tracks you hear over the stream may be familiar, while others may be completely new to you. It's like having your own personal deejay!

As you listen to various streams, Last.fm tracks what you listen to and updates your online profile accordingly.

After you've used the music player for a while, Last.fm will then show you a list of your "neighbors" — other users who share your tastes — and

what they are listening to.

You can then click on a neighbor's name to find out more about the tracks they like and, if you so choose, add them to your friends list and leave them a note — similar to MySpace.

Another way you can interact with fellow Last.fm users is to join a group.

Each group has its own forum where users can post questions to each other, charts that track the listening habits of members (including most listened to artists, updated weekly) and more.

These features are only a few of the tools available from the site. Last.fm truly opens up the potential of the Internet and is a music-lover's dream come true.

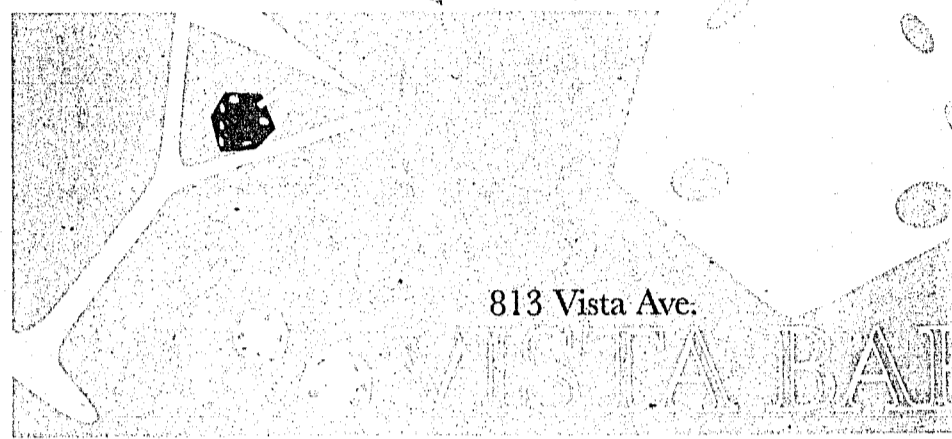
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Get involved abroad:

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COURTESY SARAH GIUFRE

Want to Travel to Australia? New Zealand? Thailand? Or how about Ecuador or Costa Rica or the Dominican Republic? Want to be more than a tourist and make a difference to these countries? Well here's your chance.

International Student Volunteers is on campus this week seeking students who are interested in travel with a purpose.

If you're selected to participate, you'll have the adventure of a lifetime while giving back to the communities you are traveling through (often known as travel philanthropy). ISV offers a range of programs, with components comprising of 2 weeks of volunteer work and 2 weeks of adrenalin based adventure travel.

Students participate in projects ranging from: working with Australian wildlife, teaching kids English, building houses for refugees, working with endangered sea turtles, improving the quality of life in impoverished villages, and working in refuges for endangered monkeys in tropical rainforests.

The adventure tours allow students to explore ecosystems and natural wonders first hand with amazing activities like scuba diving the Great Barrier Reef, elephant safaris in Thailand, white water rafting through Costa Rica, kayaking through the Amazon jungle and glacier climbing in New Zealand.

The ISV program has several educational elements, and many students receive academic credit for taking part in this program. During the 4 weeks, students learn about the social and environmental issues facing that country and volunteer their time to make a difference. Because ISV is a not for profit organization, students can offset the cost of the program through tax deductible sponsorship donations from the community.

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Robots

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quently get stuck, fall over or fail to distinguish between humans and animals.

"Some maps made by robots have so many errors they are useless," said Steve Balakitsky, an electronics engineer at NIST.

Adam Jacoff, an urban search-and-rescue expert at NIST, said mobile robots had difficulty with such things as curbs, manhole covers, high grass and light poles.

"Dangling wires, plastic bags, dust can bring a robot to a screeching halt," Jacoff said. "Obstacles come up everywhere."

Experts at the Gaithersburg demonstration conceded that humans even dogs usually can do better than machines in search-and-rescue missions.

Dave Lesh, the leader of a Federal Emergency Management Agency "first responder" team from Riverside, Calif., said, "Dogs were our most valuable asset" in the hunt for victims of Hurricane Katrina last year.

Nevertheless, Lesh said he was encouraged by some of the new robot skills demonstrated in Gaithersburg.

"I've seen stuff here I never

thought would be possible," Lesh said after watching the machines perform their repertory of tricks.

Snake-like robots with cameras on their heads wriggled into tiny spaces where a person couldn't fit. Robots rolling on miniature tank tracks climbed stairs and flipped onto their backs to scramble over obstacles.

A diminutive helicopter buzzed overhead, sending back pictures of the scene below. A power mower-sized robot popped the hood, opened the trunk and yanked the door off of a car that could have concealed a bomb.

"They're saving lives in Iraq right now," said Charles Shoemaker, a veteran robot expert who recently retired from the Army Research Laboratory in Adelphi, Md.

"They would have been a big help in New Orleans," said Mark Hundley, a hazardous-materials specialist from Virginia Beach, Va., who worked with a FEMA team after Hurricane Katrina.

Elena Messina, a senior engineer in NIST's Intelligent Systems Division, said, "Events in the past few years have stimulated interest in the application of unmanned systems." For example, she said, "Unmanned aerial vehicles developed by the military are starting to be used in border security and other

civilian domains."

Besides military and national-security duty, robots also are beginning to find useful niches in everyday life.

"The next computer revolution might be the personal robot (which will) physically interact with and assist people in their daily life," said Henrik Christensen, a robotics researcher at the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta.

"It's already started in trivial applications like vacuum cleaners, pool cleaners and lawn mowers," he said. "Now we're ready to go to the next level."

Christensen suggested that a robot could help an elderly person get up from the couch or navigate around the house.

But he cautioned that present methods of connecting humans and robots are "really poor. ... People see Hollywood movies and project a lot of intelligence on robots that they don't have."

"We want these machines to be smarter and do more on their own," said James Gunderson, an executive at Gamma-Two Inc., a computer-software company in Denver.

"It's clear that we need robots," Christensen said. "But are they ready? Are they mature enough? It's not a simple problem."

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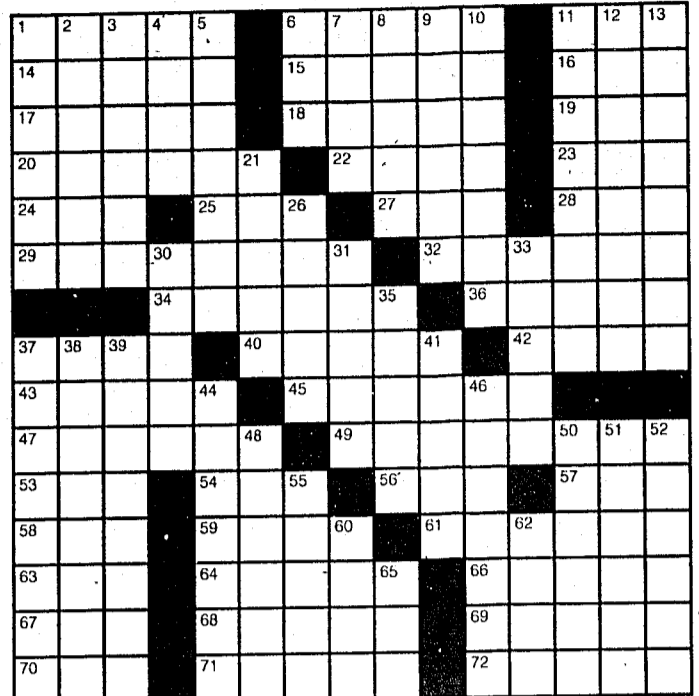
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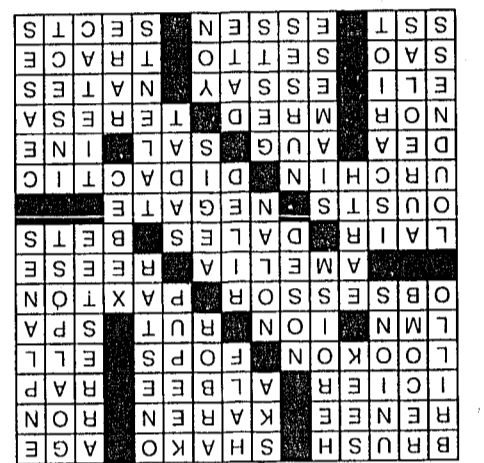
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You'll venture into new territory this year, but don't be afraid. Put together a crew of innovators and you'll have great fun. The greater the planning, the fewer the surprises. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)
Today is a 7 - Changes are required, but don't simply react. Have a definite objective in mind, and be patient. This may take several tries.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)
Today is a 7 - Resist the urge to buy pretty things that you don't really need. Build a strong foundation now; you can add the frills later.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)
Today is a 7 - The assignment is to not only do the tough job, but to actually have fun at it. This may require a shift in attitude. You can do it.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)
Today is a 6 - You're right, costs can be cut even further. Some associates are afraid this means they'll have to do without. Be persistent, they'll survive.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)
Today is a 7 - You certainly don't like somebody else to tell you what to do. When that person's right, however, it would be wise of you to listen.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Today is a 7 - You don't like to stir up controversy, but it may be necessary. Don't allow somebody else's lack of interest to ruin your grade.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
Today is an 8 - Pay attention to what you're doing. There are lots of distractions, but if you give in to them, you'll be sorry you did. Keep your eyes on the prize.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Today is a 6 - Don't talk about being frugal and nobody will even notice. You're looking good, so you don't have to tell them you got the outfit on sale.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Today is a 7 - You can't do everything, nor should you. Let somebody else assist by running errands and bringing you what you need. This includes colas and pizzas.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Today is a 6 - Don't be stopped by a failure, they happen all the time. Don't run away from a tough situation, either. You can figure it out.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Today is an 8 - Managing time and money are excellent skills to master. You'll get a chance to practice now. Don't complain; it's a valuable lesson.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
Today is a 6 - You have a spiritual advantage, but learning to use it takes practice. With help from those who love you, life will get a lot easier.

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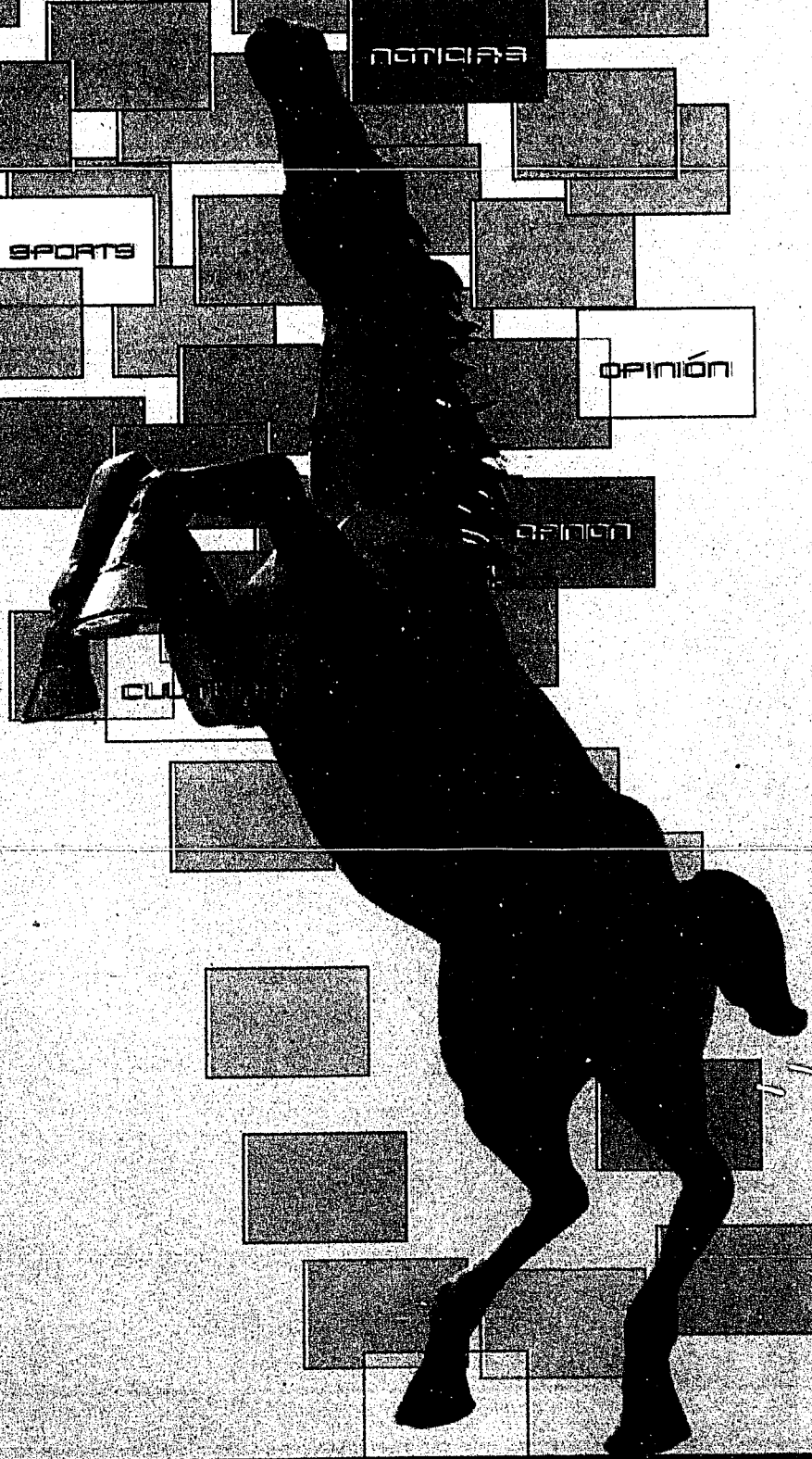
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Septiembre, el mes de la herencia Latina

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El Centro Cultural de Boise State University presenta varias acontecimientos para celebrar el mes de la herencia Latina.

Los festividades empiezen el 15 de Septiembre a las 11 a.m. con la Fiesta Independencia para reconocer los ocho países dentro de Latino America

conmemorando los aniversarios independencias. Estudiantes pueden probar musica y comida Latino.

"La fiesta es un oportunidad para aprovechar los estudiantes de este institución y aprender mas historia, cultura y arte de Latino America," dice la coordinadora del Centro Cultural, Ro Parker.

Otros acontecimientos planado son oradores especiales, presentaciones de videos, obras de teatro y muchos

actividades relatando con la cultura Latina y noticias afectando Latinos del mundo.

"Nosotros elegimos estes acontecimientos para 'objectivar los asuntos que son muy significado ahora", dice Parker.

Anteriormente el mes de la herencia Latina estaba reconocido como 'el mes de la herencia Hispanico' y la celebraciones quedo un mero semana.

En 1968, Congreso autorizaren el Presidente Lyndon B. Johnson a proclamar un semana solamente para observar la herencia Hispanico en Septiembre.

Ese proclamacion extendio por un mes en 1988. Desde ese punto los Estados Unidos has celebrado la cultura y tradiciones de sus ciudadanos que son de España, Mexico y los países en Centro America, Sudamerica y el Caribe que habla espanol.

Hechos de Nacionales

El departamento del Census dicen que la palabra "Hispanico" referirse a personas que hablan espanol y viven in los Estados Unido, sin tener en cuenta el nacionalidad de las personas.

42.7 millón es el numero de Latinos en el Estados Unidos de Septiembre 1, 2005. Ahora los Latinos son el mas grande étnico.

Una de cada dos personas llegando en el Estados Unidos son Latinos.

El Latino comen el 3% de los alimentos entre Julio 1, 2005.

El gobierno de Estados Unidos esperan que el Latino comen el 10% de los alimentos hasta 2010.

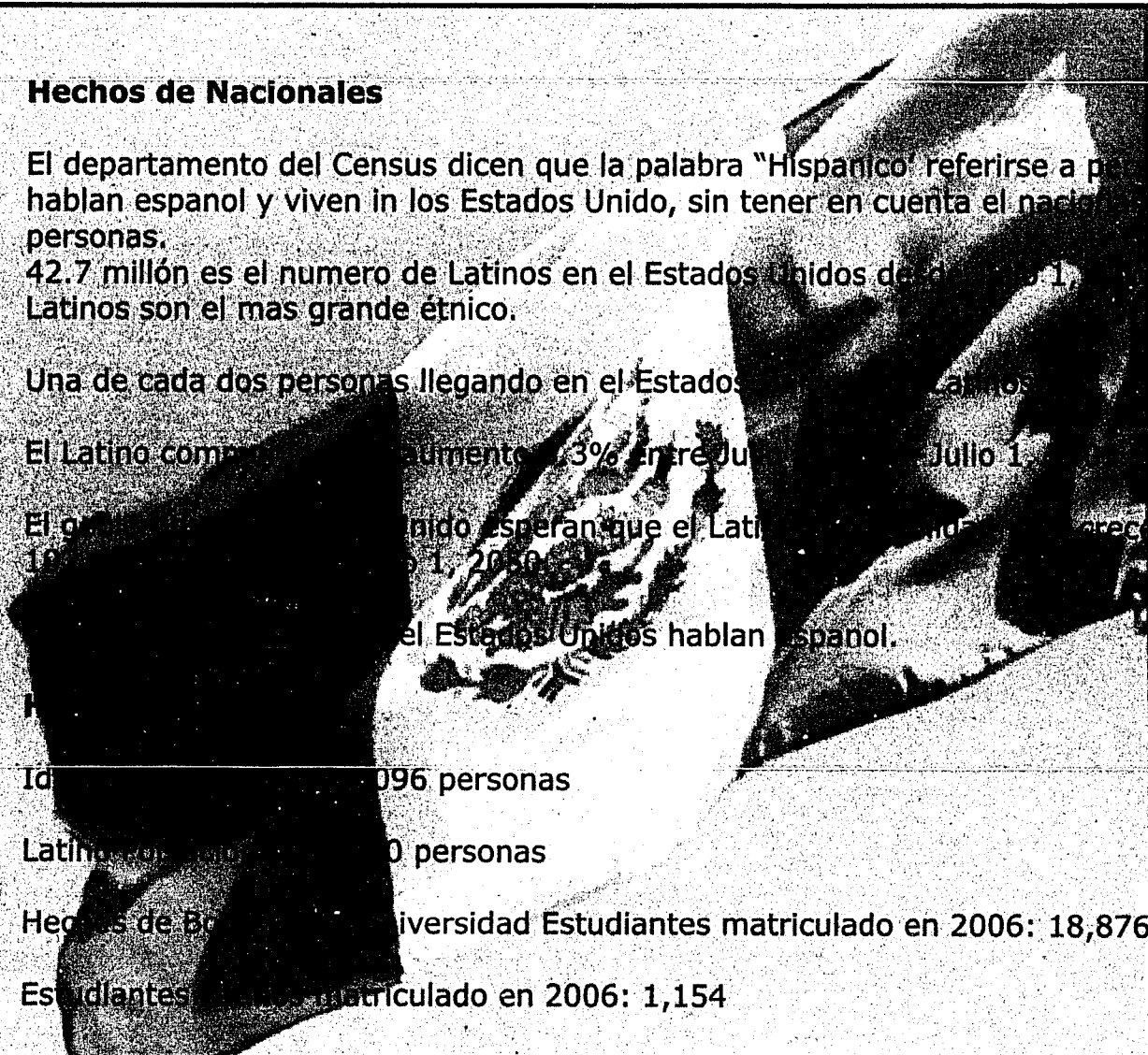
El 10% de los Latinos en los Estados Unidos hablan espanol.

Identificación de 1096 personas

Latinos con un grado de 10 personas

Hechos de Boise State University Estudiantes matriculado en 2006: 18,876

Estudiantes de Latino Americano matriculado en 2006: 1,154



La manera en que nosotros lo vemos...

Los Hispanos del Canyon merecen tener voz en la Legislatura

Traductor Monica Zarazua

El Comisionado del Condado Canyon Robert Rodríguez, uno de los políticos latinos más reconocidos en el Valle, aboga la idea concebida hace 100 años de ver a los Estados Unidos de América como un "Melting Pot". Al comenzar el mes de la celebración de la Herencia Hispana este viernes, es adecuado re-examinar esta metáfora. La imagen de "Melting Pot" se originó en 1907 cuando el Rabino Samuel Schulman mencionó durante un sermón en su templo de Nueva York que los Estados Unidos de América eran "El Melting Pot de las nacionalidades." Pero el término le debe su popularidad al escritor judío, Israel Zangwill, cuyo drama teatral *The Melting Pot* se estrenó en Washington D.C. en octubre de 1908.

"Melting Pot" es una metáfora de asimilación, en la cual los inmigrantes pierden sus distinciones étnicas y se funden creando una nueva y única masa "Americana."

Otras metáforas se han vuelto muy populares entre académicos, específicamente las de "El guisado Americano" y "la Ensalada Americana." En estos modelos los inmigrantes se mezclan con otros grupos étnicos, pero mantienen muchas de sus características étnicas. Un ejemplo sería el continuar hablando español en casa en vez de insistir en que las nuevas generaciones solo hablen inglés.

En una entrevista con "The Black Collegian", Carmen Medina, la subdirectora asociada del área de inteligencia de la Agencia Central de Inteligencia, dijo: "Por ser hispana yo solía escuchar la metáfora de "Melting Pot" todo el tiempo." Para muchas personas "Melting Pot" significa que todos pierden sus características étnicas y se transforman en lo mismo. "Un día me dí cuenta que en vez de un "Melting Pot" esto es como un guisado y este guisado cambia cuando se le agregan nuevos ingredientes" No quiero que todos adoptemos la cultura dominante: quiero que todos colaboremos y trabajemos juntos. Así es como una agencia crea sinergia."

Ya que Idaho se está convirtiendo en un lugar más urbano y ya que nuestra distinguida Universidad metropolitana de investigación hace recomendaciones para transformar su estructura política, nosotros sugerimos que nuestros científicos sociales den a conocer a la Legislatura acerca de la sinergia que se podría crear si los ciudadanos Hispanos tuvieran una participación más grande en la política gubernamental.

¿Porque no crear un distrito legislativo "seguro" para los votantes hispanos en el Condado Canyon, similar al distrito Democrático en el North End de Boise o todos los otros distritos en el Este de Idaho que son "seguros" para los campesinos?

Los campesinos tienen mucha más influencia en la legislatura de la que se muestra en base a la cantidad de personas y trata de preservar dicha influencia a través de "gerrymandering" después del censo del 2000. Wikipedia define "gerrymandering" como una forma controversial de reposicionar los límites de un distrito electoral, los cuales son manipulados por una ventaja electoral.

Durante el último reposicionamiento de distritos, la Cámara Hispana de Idaho le pidió a la corte del estado que creara un distrito legislativo estatal para la Mayoría Hispana en el área del Condado Canyon.

Sin embargo, la corte encontró que no había una población hispana suficientemente grande en esa área como para crear tal distrito por lo cual rechazaron la petición. De 165,000 residentes del Condado Canyon, 32,000 son hispanos, por esta razón los legisladores podrían crear un distrito maximizando el número de votantes hispanos. De la misma forma los encargados de reposicionar distritos podrían salir del Condado para encontrar más grupos de gente hispana.

Esfuerzos como estos ya son una tradición en la política de Idaho. De acuerdo a la editorial *Lewiston Tribune*, en Marzo el senador temporal Bob Geddes, de Soda Springs, trató de enmendar una ley estatal para permitir la división de condados con el único propósito de proteger un partido político o un incumbente legislativo, pero no tuvo éxito.

Es ridículo que el Condado Canyon, posiblemente teniendo la mayor concentración de Hispanos en el estado, sea la casa de legisladores que no apoyan programas sociales.

Los Hispanos merecen un asiento en el ayuntamiento.

El nacimiento del algo-Americano

RO PARKER
Guest Opinion

Toda mi vida, he crecido siendo referida como, "española," o "hispanica." Por un rato comencé a creer que el hispanico era una pertenencia étnica.

Pero cuando entré a la universidad y comencé a aprender más sobre la historia de mi gente, que nunca fue enseñada, no por el sistema escolar que atendí por lo menos, yo comencé a realizar que yo no era hispanica, por la razón que ser hispanica no es una pertenencia étnica.

Hispanico, era y es un término que la mayoría de la gente se siente cómoda usando porque ofrece una "manta" sobre esa gente de habla español. Se convirtió en un término que muchos de mis estudiantes y compañeros de trabajo blancos se sentían más cómodos en llamarme.

Pero yo no estuve cómoda con este término; principalmente porque no entendía el origen de él.

Es un término creado por el gobierno de ESTADOS UNIDOS para categorizar a gente para la conveniencia. Pero este término ha hecho mi vida cualquier cosa pero conveniente.

Me confundió en mi niñez. Me hizo pensar que tenía que conformarme con una cierta definición en los ojos de la cultura dominante; que de alguna manera mi cultura y mis valores debían ser igual que todos los individuos de habla hispana.

También me hizo pensar que era una manera de cubrir encima ser "Mexicana," como si que ser llamado Mexicana fuera algo ofensivo. Nadie tuvo que decirme esto francamente, pero yo sin embargo, recibí este mensaje bien claro.

Hasta oía otros mexicanos rechazar el término porque ellos también habían aprendido que este término se había convertido de alguna manera a una palabra sucia. "¿Que eres?" era una pregunta que inculcaba gran ansiedad en mi parte.

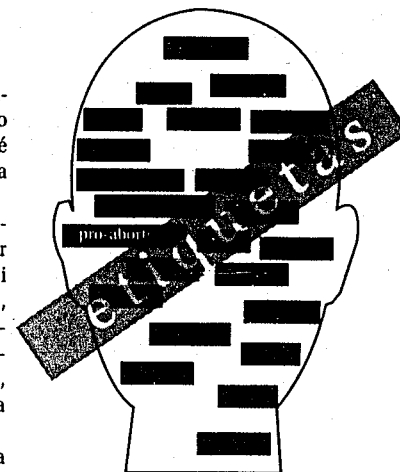
¿Debo decir que soy hispanica?

¿Debo decir que soy mexicana?

Porqué la gente tenía que calificarme antes de que pudiera continuar hablando con mígo era algo que yo no podía entender.

Un día hacía compras hacia el centro de la ciudad cuando un hombre nativo que asumía que yo era también nativa, me preguntó de qué tribu yo era. La respuesta salió fácilmente de mi boca. "tribu chicano." dije.

Él sonrió y comencé a sentirme mejor sobre cómo contestar esta pregunta. Desde entonces, me he identificando como Chicana. Es un término donde finalmente encontré



orgullo.

Me dio un sentido fuerte de la identidad e me autorizó para sentir algo con excepción de culpabilidad (como lo hizo el término hispanico) cuando lo utilizaba. Pero solamente porque yo me siento cómoda en identificarme como Chicana, no significa que otro Mexicano se siente igual.

Algunos todavía prefieren ser llamados Hispanic y otros como Latino. Los grupos, usted ve, como individuos, pasan con el desarrollo de sus identidades. Porqué la gente prefiere un término a otro es un complejo contesta; tan complejo como las experiencias de la vida que nos han formado.

Cuando uno de mis colegas, estudiantes o mis amigos hacen el comentario que hay tantos nombres o términos que ya casi no saben como llamarle a la gente, yo les recuerdo que ésta es una cualidad de todos los grupos, incluyendo los blancos.

Después de todo, a través de mi vida, he oído a mis amigos blancos referirse como Caucásicos, anglo, Europeo-Americano y hoy en fecha como Blancos.

Nadie lanza sus manos para arriba en exasperación en no saber qué llamarles a la gente Blanca, así como lo hacen con la gente de color.

Y sigo explicando qué si tienen que calificar a una persona (y piensen porqué usted realmente necesitaría hacer esto), deben de preguntar a esa persona cómo ellos se identifican. Esto es la manera-más respetosa de reconocer cómo la gente (cualquier gente, no solamente gente de color) se identifica.

Y si una persona identifica diferentemente que otra, acepten eso en vez de ser frustrados. Yo me tomé un rato para encontrar el término con cual yo podría identificar y yo pienso que mucha gente está en etapas similares.

No debemos ser irritados que tengamos la libertad para expresarnos en esta manera tan variada, si no debemos valorarla.

¡Padres prepárense! La evolución de la Quinceañera viene en camino

Traductor Antonio Teruel-Matheu

Los quince años de una joven es uno de los eventos más importantes y memorables de su vida. Es algo a lo que ella aspira desde una temprana edad. Participando en eventos familiares y fiestas, la niña, mentalmente, empieza a planear su gran día. Desde el color de su vestido y el que sus primas y amigas (también conocidas como Damas) llevarán puesto, hasta la canción que ella bailará con su pareja o Chambelán.

Esta celebración sirve como evento para presentar a la quinceañera a la sociedad como una dama; similar al evento Estado Unidense conocido como sweet sixteen o dulces dieciséis.

El evento comienza con una ceremonia religiosa donde los autos de lujo se estacionan al lado de la Iglesia y las damas con vestidos de color rosa/perla salen del coche una por una en sintonía con la música de órgano proveniente de la iglesia. Después de la ceremonia hay una recepción en donde sirven platillos típicos como la birria (cordero cocinado a fuego lento), arroz, frijoles y tortillas, mientras que los mariachis deleitan la fiesta con interpretaciones como Cielito Lindo y Volver Volver. Por último, el baile comienza y los invitados dejan sus tragos para ir a la pista de baile. La tía tímida y callada que nunca dice una palabra y esta en

su octavo trago de tequila le pellizca el trasero a todos los muchachos jóvenes. Todos en la fiesta, adultos y adolescentes, se unen en la pista para bailar. No pasa mucho tiempo antes de que el Tío se doble el tobillo tratando de hacer una movida en el baile.

En la cinta independiente "Quinceañera" el día más esperado por Magdalena se derrumba en la face de planeamiento cuando ella se entera de que está embarazada. Lo extraño del asunto es que Magdalena técnicamente nunca sostuvo relaciones sexuales. ¿Inmaculada concepción? No necesariamente, pero cerca. Magdalena tiene 14 años y está embarazada. El padre de Magdalena es un ministro en el gobierno y se rehusa a escuchar a su hija y la echa de la casa. Magdalena se muda con su tíoabuelo y su primo homosexual, Carlos.

Los padres de Carlos lo desheredaron por su orientación sexual y así como Magdalena él también se muda con su tíoabuelo Tomás, quien entre otras cosas vende champurrada, una bebida caliente de chocolate hecho con maza de maíz para espesarlo con el piloncillo y anís. El tío Tomás es una persona comprensible que acepta a las personas sin importar sus acciones. Él con mucho gusto acepta

a Carlos y Magdalena en su humilde casa de una recámara.

Los escritores afrontan temas importantes en "Quinceañera". Entre ellos relaciones premaritales, embarazo de adolescentes y homosexualidad que son temas muy delicados y no tan aceptables en la cultura Latina, sin embargo en los años recientes ha habido un alto reconocimiento de los temas ya mencionados. Esta película claramente ejemplifica la nueva ola de mentes abiertas y aceptación que se da en la comunidad Latina.

La película gentilmente toma un evento cultural, muy tradicional de América Latina y

demuestra que aunque una Quinceañera simboliza pureza, no siempre es así. Muchas veces las extravagancias cubren el verdadero significado. "Quinceañera" revela una tradición que permanece preciada, pero así como sucede con muchos ritos culturales también evoluciona con el tiempo. Las prácticas culturales no son estáticas; las familias y/o individuos crean una mezcla dinámica donde nuevas costumbres tienden a reflejar individualidad y creatividad moderna.

Esta película es una cálida representación de una familia Latina creciendo y aprendiendo entre ellos y su cultura.



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El equipo de Futbol Americano sale de casa

ESCRITO POR JAKE GARCIN

Editor Deportivo

Taducido por Mónica Zarazúa con la colaboración de Edwin González

El camino que conduce al equipo de futbol americano de Boise State a una temporada invicta tiene su próxima parada en Laramie, Wyo este sábado, ahí los Broncos continuarán su esfuerzo para conseguir un lugar entre los 25 mejores de la nación. Este será el primer juego que los Broncos enfrentarán fuera de casa, al mismo tiempo este será el primer juego como visitantes en el que el entrenador Petersen participará como entrenador principal.

La Universidad de Wyoming recibirá a los Broncos siendo esta la tercera vez que se enfrentan estos dos equipos. BSU sigue invicto (2-0) contra los "Cowboys" en las series, pero enfrentará unos de sus retos mas grandes este año al jugar

contra Wyoming.

"Ese equipo ha estado entrenando muy duro", dijo el entrenador Petersen. "Los vimos jugar contra Utah State hace unos días y verdaderamente nos sorprendieron con una estrategia que no esperabamos".

Probablemente el hecho que mas preocupa a los fans de los Broncos, es el incremento de altitud en el que jugarán este sábado. A pesar de que jugarán en un estadio ubicado a más de 7,000 pies por encima del nivel del mar, Petersen no muestra mucha preocupación.

"Mientras que los jugadores no le den mucha importancia, no creo que la altitud del estadio nos afecte mucho" dijo Petersen. "Recuerdo que una vez en Wyoming logramos una jugada con 18 diferentes acciones, mientras que aqui nunca hemos hecho algo asi. Nuestros jugadores estaban cansados, pero no mucho mas cansados de lo que estarian si hicieran tal jugada aqui".

"Yo creo que probablemente si estuvieran corriendo un

maratón o entrenando por mucho tiempo ahí, la altitud podría afectar" dijo Petersen.

Petersen y su "staff" continúan manteniendo al equipo enfocado después de haber conseguido dos impresionantes victorias al inicio de esta temporada. Una de las cualidades mas grandes de Petersen es la experiencia que tiene y las inolvidables memorias del año pasado.

"Yo creo que nuestros muchachos han estado aqui suficiente tiempo como para saber que nos faltan 10 juegos más en la temporada regular. Cualquiera de esos equipos que enfrentaremos nos pueden derrotar a menos de que juguemos lo mejor posible. Nosotros como entrenadores hemos hecho todo lo posible para recordarles eso, pero como dije antes, los muchachos ya lo saben".

"Tenemos muchachos que han jugado aqui por 3 años, ellos han jugado partidos muy duros y también han jugado partidos contra equipos que

según las estadísticas no son tan fuertes como nosotros. Tuvimos mucha suerte en haber ganado algunos juegos que casi perdimos, por lo mismo creo que esas memorias permanecen frescas en las mentes de nuestros jugadores".

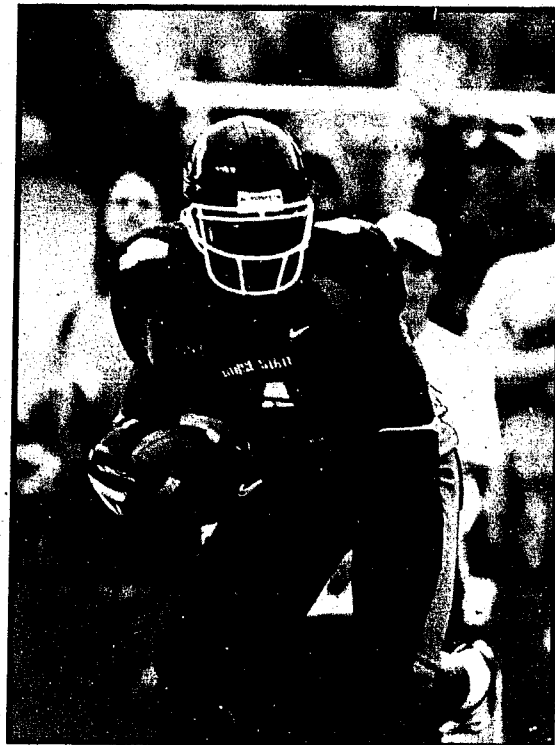
Los Broncos seguirán contando con la participación de los nuevos integrantes del equipo, más específicamente, la participación de el "runningback" Ian Johnson. Johnson fue nombrado "Jugador ofensivo de la nación y de la Conferencia Atlética del Oeste" la semana pasada después de su gran actuación corriendo 240 yardas y anotando 5 "touchdowns" contra el equipo de Oregon State. Johnson es uno de los muchos jugadores jóvenes que hacen el trabajo de Petersen mucho más fácil en su primera temporada.

"Siempre es muy bonito ver como nuestros chicos aumentan su nivel de juego cuando entran a la cancha y hacen muy buenas jugadas cuando las luces del estadio se encienden. Ellos practican mucho y entrenan muy fuerte. Cuando practicamos a un nivel alto, sé que el día del juego vamos a jugar a un nivel todavía más alto."

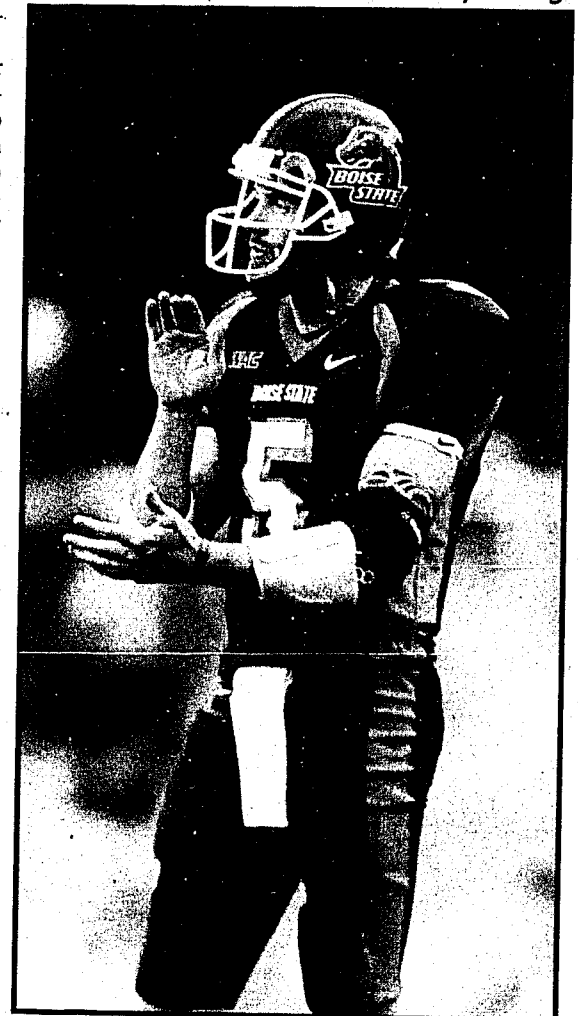
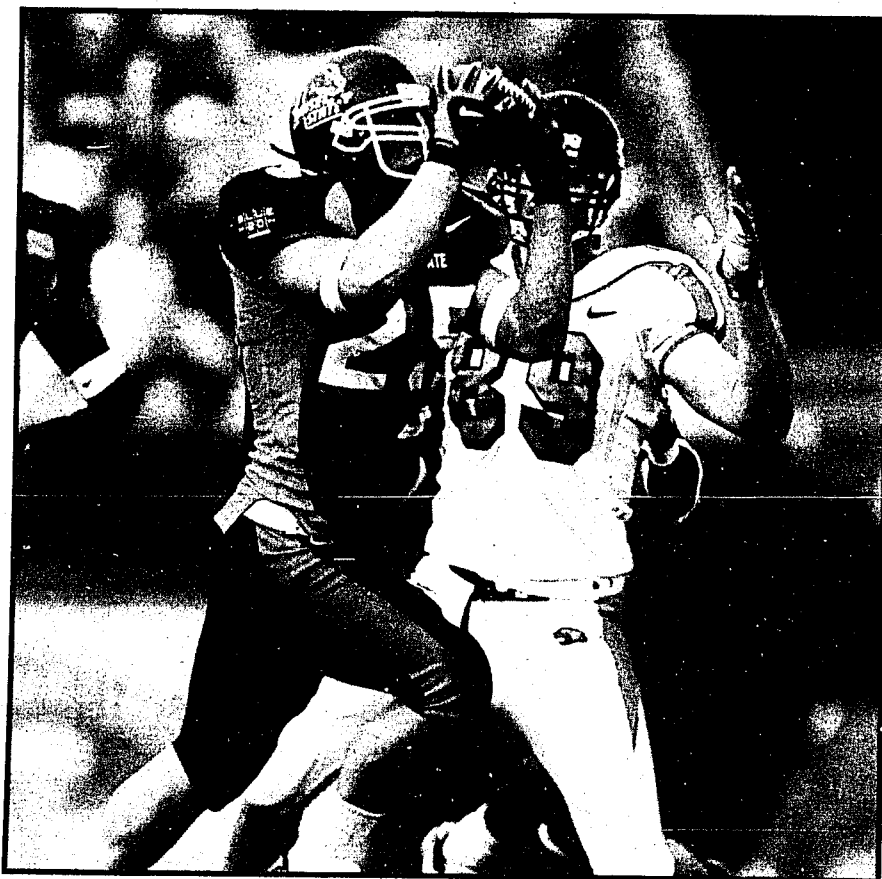
Boise State regresará a casa el 23 de septiembre para tener su primer juego de la temporada contra Hawaii. Aunque solo falta una semana para el juego contra Wyoming, seguramente Los Broncos serán un equipo mucho más experimentado cuando regresen a jugar en su estadio otra vez.

"Lo bueno es que tenemos muchos muchachos que han estado con nosotros por mucho tiempo, pero el primer juego para muchos es impactante," dijo Petersen. "Hay unas cuantas dinámicas diferentes".

"Te subes a un avión y te diriges a algún lugar con todos tus amigos así que piensas que es como una vacación," dijo Petersen. "Pero no es así, es un viaje de negocios para nosotros."



El equipo de futbol americano de BSU viaja a Laramie, Wyo este Sábado para jugar contra los Cowboys de la Universidad de Wyoming.



FOTOGRAFIAS POR STANLEY BREWSTER/THE ARBITER

Lucas se dirige al éxito dentro y fuera de la cancha



ESCRITO POR ANDREAS
KREUTZER

Escritor deportivo

Traducido por

Antonio Teruel Matheu

Después de Dirigir al equipo de fútbol (balomPíe) de Boise State, temporada tras temporada victoriosa en el 2004 y 2005, el Director Técnico Steve Lucas quiere llevar al equipo al torneo de post temporada nuevamente al finalizar este año. Él está en su novena temporada con los Broncos, y su séptima como director técnico del equipo.

Lucas ha ayudado a forjar y desarrollar al equipo de la nada, a un programa que se ha establecido como un fuerte contendiente en la Western Athletic Conference (WAC), desde su fundación en 1998. Lucas está satisfecho de ver como el equipo ha crecido y contempla su logro principal en la constancia de las jugadoras y la cooperación mutua del equipo con el personal.

"Cada año hemos obtenido mejores jugadoras y hemos podido mantenerlas aquí, y están convencidas de lo que estamos haciendo" dijo Lucas. "También, cada año nuestro personal y las jugadoras aprenden uno del otro y saben que es lo que funciona y que es lo que se tiene que cambiar.

Nos vemos a nosotros mismos y ellas, (las jugadoras) me dicen lo que piensan debería ser diferente y nosotros les decimos lo que queremos que sea diferente. Ha sido un gran trabajo de grupo realizar las mejoras."

Habiendo puesto marcas victoriosas en las últimas dos temporadas, el equipo ha demostrado que es un verdadero contendiente en la cancha. Sin embargo, los objetivos de Lucas también incluyen éxitos fuera del campo.

El equipo de fútbol (balomPíe) femenino se le ha conocido por tener una buena reputación académica. En el 2005, 20 de 28 jugadoras fueron nombradas WAC scholar athletes o estudiantes atletas erúditas de la conferencia WAC de las cuales los Broncos solo tenían 15 estudiantes atletas en el WAC all-academic team.

"Ellas saben que si no se gradúan de aquí, no estaremos satisfechos o no habremos hecho bien nuestro trabajo." Dijo Lucas. "La otra parte es que, obviamente tenemos objetivos académicos y atléticos y queremos cumplir con ambos. Cada año estamos cerca de cumplir con estos objetivos. Nuestros guías académicos son espectaculares. Ellas, (las jugadoras) son monitoreadas por nuestros guías académicos. Eric Kile hace un

trabajo excelente con ellas así como Gabe Rosenvall y todos los demás. Nuestras jugadoras se enorgullecen de esto, así que están bien."

La evaluación es una gran parte de la filosofía de Lucas. El personal evalúa cada temporada al finalizar el ciclo anual. Sin embargo, no limitan la evaluación a las jugadoras. El personal de entrenamiento también está bajo evaluación, lo cual le da al equipo una oportunidad para ver como estuvo la temporada y que se necesita cambiar.

"Me he dado cuenta de que cada año es distinto," dijo Lucas. "Uno tiene que aprender de su equipo. No se trata de decirles que hagan algo y esperar que lo cumplan. Evaluamos todo al finalizar el año, pero nos examinamos a nosotros también, al personal y especialmente a mí. No quisiera estar en una situación en la que yo esté en contra de todos. Es mucho mejor si todos tenemos el mismo objetivo. La cosa más importante que he aprendido es que uno nunca deja de aprender o de desarrollarse o de revisar cada cosa o de hacer ajustes o cambiar de estilo. Si uno lo hace, las jugadoras no responderán."

Lucas, quien fue nombrado el director técnico de la WAC del año 2003, quiere ver a su equipo en el

torneo de post temporada otra vez. Los mejores seis equipos avanzarán al torneo de la WAC que se llevará a cabo en Reno, Nevada en Noviembre. El equipo terminó en sexto el año pasado y fue categorizado nuevamente número seis en la encuesta de la pre temporada este año.

"Queremos llegar al torneo de nuestra conferencia y partir de allí." Dijo Lucas.

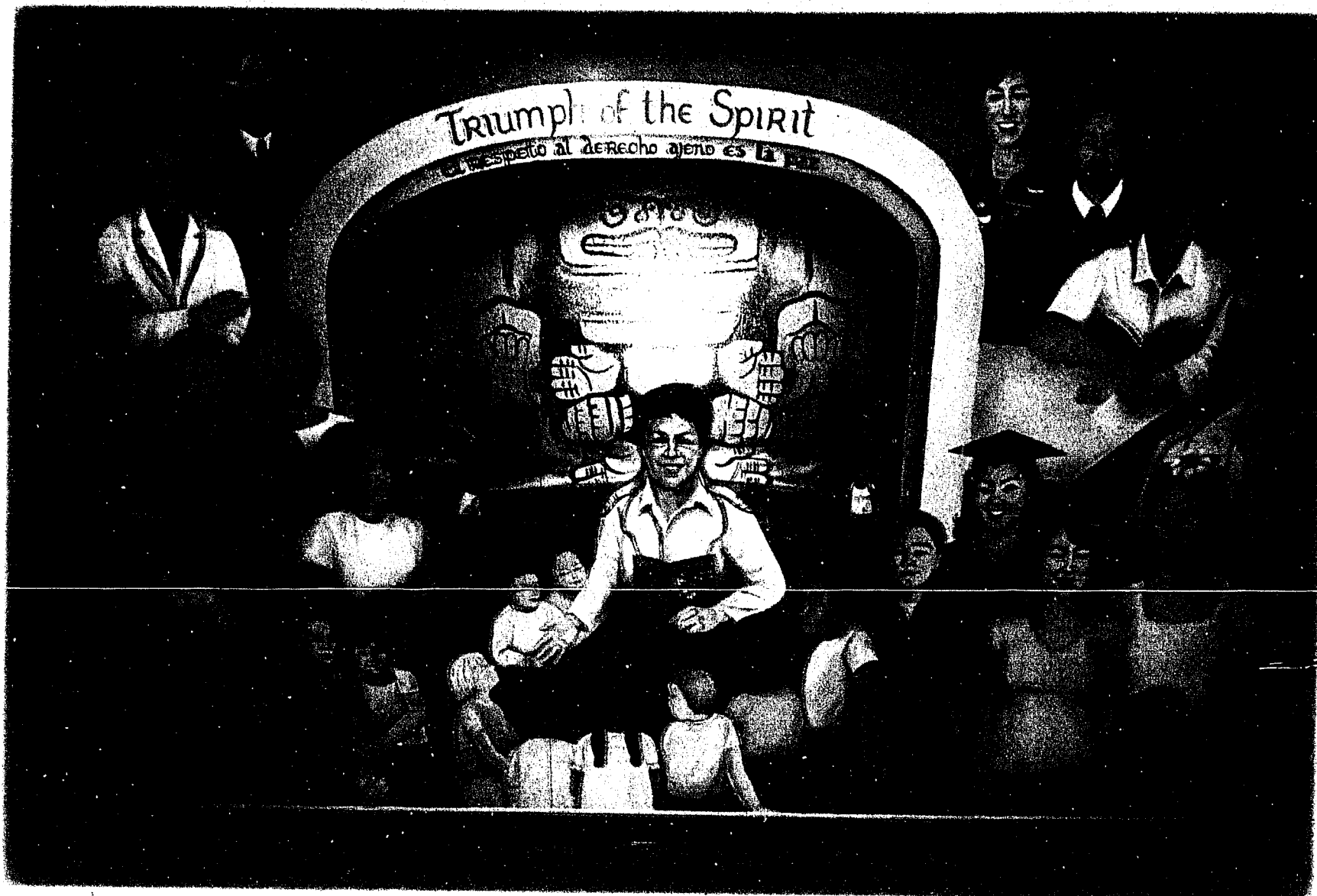
"Siempre es la misma cosa, el torneo de post temporada. Opino que la conferencia está abierta a todo y será una batalla en la cancha. Fallamos en terminar en Segundo lugar por juego y medio el año pasado, así que será riguroso. Nuestros objetivos son: Empeñate en la clase y juega en la post temporada y si no lo logramos, entonces hemos fallado."

Lucas empezó como asistente del programa en 1998 y fue nombrado director técnico en el 2000. Antes de llegar a BSU Lucas era el asistente de entrenamiento en el New Hampshire College. Él dedicó varios años al Fútbol juvenil incluyendo un período de cinco años como director de desarrollo de entrenadores y jugadores para el Le Bois United Fútbol Club de Boise de 1996 al 2000. Lucas tiene una marca de 51-58-9 como el director técnico de Boise State.

El equipo de fútbol de Boise State ha empezado la temporada 4-1. El director técnico Steve Lucas condujo al equipo a dos temporadas victoriosas.

Danielle Schwalbe (arriba) y Brennan Lau (abajo) ambas titulares del equipo.





FOTOGRAFIAS POR JOHN TOWNER/THE ARBITER

El mural "Triumph of the spirit" (Triunfo del Espíritu) fue creado por Alma Gómez quien es una artista chicana conocida en toda la nación y también es consejera y profesora adjunct de Boise State. Gómez dijo "el propósito del mural es dar a conocer latinos que han hecho contribuciones significativas para la comunidad latina y la sociedad." En el mural se aprecian héroes locales y regionales tales como el Juez Sergio Gutierrez, Cesar Chavez, Frida Kahlo, Sor Juana Inez de la Cruz, Juan Morales y Pablo Neruda entre otros.