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#### ONLINE

Democratic leaders and the Campaign for America's Future held a news teleconference on Sept. 13 to release a new report on rising tuition costs.

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#### WEDNESDAY

"Se Habla Espanol." Cultural Center Lounge. 11:30 a.m. Part of the Language Lunch . Series at the Cultural Center, featuring DJ Don Drave of University Pulse. Bring your own lunch; the Cultural Center will provide beverages, dessert and an opportunity to practice your Spanish.

#### **THURSDAY**

"Rights on the Line, Vigilantes at the Border." Student Union Lookout Room, 4 p.m. A presentation on the Minutema project and the patrolling of the U.S./Mexico border.

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the public can catch the latest thrill in "Agritainment." This year's corn maze features the famous Idaho Trout most commonly seen on license plates as its design. Owners Jim and Hillary Lowe, along with their daughter Brooklyn, hope to put a new and fun spin on the farming industry.

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#### **Arbiter Staff**

The Maize in Meridian, which opened Sept. 15, is a cornfield unlike any other. Its cornstalks stand over 10-feet tall. Its swath stretches more than 10 acres. From the sky, the field takes the shape of an enormous trout, jumping for a fly with mountains set behind it.

In its 10th year and with a new location and new owners, the Maize corporation hopes to entertain thousands.

Operating out of Utah, the Maize organization hails as the world's largest corn maze company. It owns mazes located in almost every state and in various foreign countries, which include: Mexico, Italy, Canada, the United Kingdom and Portugal. According to the company's website, the 10 years of operation include more than 1,000 mazes and a Guinness, record, The new line, of "agritainment", currently operates

picnic areas, hayrides and a pumpkin patch.

This year's owners of the Maize, Jim and Hillary Lowe, along with their daughter Brooklyn, moved the Maize from its original location next to Edward's 21 to its new crop off of Meridian road, south off exit 44.

Before moving to Boise, the Lowe family operated mazes in Layton, Utah, and Colorado Springs. They spent two years in each location. The couple met while attending school at Utah State, where Jim roomed with the creator of the Maize, which reshaped his entire life and the way he looks at agriculture. Jim discussed how exciting it is to work with agriculture in a new light and how everyone can find an appreciation for this developing form of entertainment.

"Everyone's connected to the farm in some way, whether you had an ancestor or someone directly related to you, most worked on a farm a one time," Jim Lowes

Developers and creative artists work together to design a maze that will work efficiently with the public. This portion of the process can take a few days with advance skill, while a first-timer may take up to several weeks to finalize plans.

Jim Lowe designed this year's maze after driving behind a car with the famous Idaho trout on the license plate.

"Our plans at first where to do the Idaho state quarter but they wouldn't release information to us on what it is going to look like," Hillary Lowe said. "But when we saw the license plate we knew it'd be a great idea."

In the past, the couple worked on mazes in the shape of President Reagan's face and other famous people such as Larry King, with suspenders and all.

Once a blueprint of the maze reaches completion, the next step to creating

## Boise bogged down in smog



Researchers have found that the increase in smog is leading to more doctors' office visits

BY JOSLYN SALOW News Writer

Treasure Valley dents may have noticed a decrease in visibility when looking at the foothills or difficulty breathing these last few weeks. Even though these effects of smog may be temporary, there are hidden long-term consequences that are being investigated.

A recent study by Boise State University researchers shows a strong link between a marked decline in air quality in the Treasure Valley and increased visits to doctors' offices, emergency departments and hospitals.

The study involved 27 months of data covering more than a million health care visits for nine different health issues ranging from asthma to hearth attacks.

The pollutant examined was particulate matter (PM). Both PM10, which is coarse particulate matter (from wood burning, road sanding and construction dust) and PM2.5, also called fine particulate matter (from auto exhaust and livestock

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#### world

#### **Bullfighting faces uphill** battle for all audiences

In the corrals behind the Las Ventas bullring, the incense of morning coffee and cigars mingles with the barnyard smells of agitated animals. Agents of the three matadors scheduled to perform in this evening's corrida have gathered to pick the six bulls that will be fought and killed.

After six are selected, they are paired in three lots of two - a balancing process that demands a great deal of knowledge about the fighting habits of bulls.

When Ernest Hemingway described the scene in 1932's "Death in the Afternoon," the numbers of each pair were scribbled on three cigarette papers. The papers were then crumpled and dropped in a cap. These days, slightly more official slips of paper are used.

"The man who holds the cap shakes it, and each representative puts in a brown hand and draws out a tight-rolled cigarette paper," Hemingway wrote. "They unroll them, read them, perhaps take a final look at the two bulls they have drawn and go off to the hotel to find the matador and tell him what he has to kill." Or these days, they might just call the matador on a cell phone. But other than that, little has changed since Hemingway's time in the tradition-bound world of Spanish bullfighting, which is a problem, since many things have changed in Spain.

Bullfighting no longer commands the national stage the way it did in the era of Manolete, who was fatally gored in 1947, or the great Juan Belmonte who retired in 1936.

The names of today's top matadors, Enrique Ponce and Julian Lopez ("El Juli") are not nearly as familiar to Spaniards as Rafael Nadal (the tennis sensation) or Ronaldinho (the Brazilian soccer star who plays for Barcelona). Nor do matadors attract the kind of corporate sponsorship that is showered upon a Nadal or Ronaldinho.

Bullfighting's audience is getting old. The typical aficionado is a 40-plus male according to Paco Delgado, bullfighting critic for Spanish public radio.

Marketing surveys show the number of Spaniards who say they have no interest in bullfighting has risen to more than 70 percent from about 40 percent in 1970. Among young people the lack of interest is even more pronounced.

This has resulted in reduced television coverage, which in turn means new audiences are not exposed to the lore and spectacle of the corrida.

The groups that have become much more interested in bullfighting are the animal rights organizations. They see the killing of bulls as inherently cruel and have lobbied aggressively to outlaw what they describe as the "torture" of animals for sport.

To the true aficionado, bullfighting is neither torture nor sport. It is an artistic performance with its own arcane rites, rituals and vocabulary. Therefor, Spanish newspapers generally cover bullfighting in the culture section.

The Spanish king Juan Carlos I is an aficionado, and Leader of the Opposition Popular Party Mariano Rajoy also is said to enjoy the bulls, but most Spanish politicians won't get near a bullring because of the controversy stirred by the animal rights activists.

In Catalonia, the regional parliament is considering an outright ban on bullfighting, while Barcelona (the provincial capital) has officially declared itself an "anti-bullfighting city." Not long ago, the city had three major bullrings. One was torn down to make way for a shopping mall and another now faces a similar fate.

politicians Nationalist in Catalonia and in other Spanish provinces, clamoring for more autonomy, have formed a powerful alliance with the animal rights activists.

"These nationalist parties that are trying to undo Spain - they want to ban the bulls because they are against anything that represents Spain and our national heritage," said Delgado.

Juan Carlos Beca Belmonte carries himself with the grace of the matador he once was. Beca Belmonte is a bullfighting blueblood. His father was a matador and his grandfather was the incomparable Juan Belmonte, considered

matadors.

"We are the only family with three generations who have gone through the big door at Las Ventas," Beca Belmonte said.

Today he is the general manager of Las Ventas and his job, in part, is to find new ways to fill the seats of Spain's best-known bullring.

One place to start, he noted, is with the seats themselves.

"At all the new football (soccer) stadiums, people have comfortable seats. They expect this. But here they still sit on stone benches. There's no back support. We should start thinking about changes," he said.

What about sky boxes and VIP lounges?

"We're already doing it," Beca Belmonte said. "It's working very well for the companies and their public relations, and it's helping us penetrate new markets. We've seen a 30 percent increase in attendance this year."

And maybe some American-style cheerleaders in skimpy bullfighting outfits?

"No thanks," he said.

A new Hollywood movie based on the life of Manolete, starring American actor Adrien Brody and scheduled to open later this year, could lend some fresh lustre to bullfighting and help introduce it to new audiences.

But Beca Belmonte believes the way to save the bullfight is for Spanish schools to start teaching its traditions and history as a regular part of the curriculum.

"Yes, there is the blood; everyone knows this," he said. "But what you have to teach young people is what the spectacle is about. This is something that is part of our national tradition and it should be taught in the schools."

Despite declining interest and sagging attendance, there's no shortage of bulls or of matadors to fight them, thanks largely to more than 1,200 government-subsidized bull ranches and dozens of government-sponsored bullfighting schools.

According to Delgado, the number of bullfights is actually increasing but the quality is dropping off and the bullrings are rarely more than half-filled.

"There needs to be a stronger business focus in bullfighting," he said. "Everybody is looking for short-term profits. They don't know how to develop a business over the

On a recent Sunday evening, Las Ventas was featuring a novillada (a bullfight in which the bulls have not yet reached their fourth year, the prime fighting age, and the bullfighters have not yet achieved the status of full-fledged matadors).

Because these young matadors re eager to make Madrid, the novilladas are generally considered good fights to watch. But on this evening the bullring is only about a quarter full.

"Mostly tourists," Echevarria Martel, a mutual fund manager in Madrid said as he surveyed the crowd.

Echevarria said he attends about a dozen bullfights a year and watches them constantly on television.

He roots for the bulls. Not that he wishes to see injury or harm come to the matador; it's just that he comes from a long line of bull ranchers in northern Spain.

"I look for a good bull rather than a good bullfighter," he said.

At the end of the evening, after six bulls have been killed, he pronounced himself satisfied.

"The bulls showed courage and fighting spirit," he said.

He was less impressed by the young matadors, who performed with exaggerated panache but had many rough edges.

#### national

#### House votes to build 700 miles offence along the U.S. - Mexico border

The House voted 283-138 on Thursday, Sept. 14 to construct more than 700 miles of two-layered fencing along the porous Southwest border, but most Democrats denounced the plan as blatant political posturing in advance of the Nov. 7 congressional elections.

Afterward, House GOP leaders unveiled a package of other relatively non-controversial border-security initiatives expressing confidence that they could win passage in the Senate and advance to the president's desk before lawmakers quit work at the end of the month to

But the Senate outlook remained quite uncertain as senators of both parties and President Bush have insisted that tough border security measures should be passed only as a part of more comprehensive leg-

House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., hinted that House leaders might be willing to consider morecontentious elements of immigration legislation (including Bush's proposed guest-worker program) if they are satisfied that Congress has moved aggressively to secure United States borders.

"If we get a virtual no-penetration program on the border, then we can look at a lot of different things," Hastert said.

But other lawmakers said that with time running out it appears virtually impossible for the House and Senate to find common ground on divisive immigration issues that have kept them deadlocked for months.

House leaders have refused to consider a comprehensive Senatepassed bill that would put millions of illegal immigrants on a path toward permanent legal status and U.S. citizenship. The measure also includes a version of the president's guest-worker plan, as well as stiffer border-enforcement measures.

Bush, who met on Capitol Hill with Republican House members this week, renewed his call for a comprehensive overhaul of the nation's immigration laws.

His administration has embraced limited fencing as a partial solution to strengthening the border, but not to the extent proposed by the House.

The fence proposal is identical to one that was included in an immigration enforcement bill that the House passed last December. With that measure sidelined

in the stalemate with the Senate, House leaders resurrected the proposed \$2.2 billion barrier as the first element of their latest border security package.

The "Border Security Now" agenda recycles several provisions from the stalled House and Senate bills, including \$2.3 billion for 1,200 new Border Patrol agents next year, a crackdown on smugglers and criminal aliens and stiff penalties for the construction of border tunnels.

Sixty-four Democrats joined 219 Republicans in voting for the fence: 131 Democrats and six Republicans voted against it.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., who sponsored a similar tunnel provision in the Senate, said she welcomed the House version of her proposal but will withhold judgment on other provisions until she takes a closer look.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a Daddy! How could you?! leading architect of the Senate bill, said he would support proposals to strengthen the border but also said he wants to study the House initiatives before taking a position.

Republicans argued that the fence, when coupled with their other initiatives, would answer public demands for urgently-needed safeguards to shore up the borders against illegal immigration and potential terrorism.

Rep. Jeb Hensarling, R-Texas, called it "the first long step" in a comprehensive border security

"The American people expect us to secure the border," said House Majority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio.

#### local/bsu

#### Idaho's first center for international visitors established at Boise State

Until recently, Idaho was one of only six states in the nation without a Center for International Visitors (CIV) associated with the National Council for International Visitors in Washington, D.C.

Director of Boise State's International Programs Sabine Klahr and History Instructor Carole Schroeder developed the center. Its establishment provides the state of Idaho with a broad range of benefits.

The new center is listed with the U.S. State Department to host international visitors funded by State Department program agencies.

Its purpose is to design and implement professional programs, provide cultural activities and organize home visits for foreign leaders, specialists and international scholars in collaboration with locommunity organizations.

The center will also provide services to emerging foreign leaders who participate in the U.S. Department of State International Visitor Leadership Program and

other international programs. Klahr said the new CIV will strengthen Boise State's connection to the local community and communities across the state, enhance international recognition for the university and for Idaho, advance collaboration with the U.S. Department of State and develop links between local organizations and foreign leaders.

Programs managed by the center have the potential to enhance economic development in Idaho as international partnerships with international visitors and companies are forged.

NCIV is a nonprofit organization dedicated to expanding opportunities for citizen diplomacy.

It represents a national network of independent program agencies and community-based organizations that host short-term international visitors who are sponsored by the U.S. Department of State or affiliated agencies.

The new center may apply for full membership in the NCIV after one year as a provisional member.

Schroeder serves as the executive director of the Idaho CIV and Klahr as the president of the

Other hoard members include: Lynn Gabriel, Global Business Consortium at Boise State: Stephanie Camarillo, International Business & Trade, Idaho Commerce & Labor Department; Amy Benson, U.S. Department of Commerce; Mowbray Brown, convention sales manager, Boise Convention & Visitors Bureau and Richard Slaughter, Boise Committee on Foreign Relations.

As a first step in the provisional membership with NCIV, Schroeder attended the Western Regional NCIV Conference in Denver in August, where she networked with CIV directors from other western states and promoted Idaho to the U.S. Department of State program agencies.

Schroeder and the Idaho CIV will have a Taiwanese state legislator visit in September, and will be hosting a People's Republic of China journalist and a group of 11 Latin-American entrepreneurial businesswomen

The visits are sponsored by the U.S. Department of State program agencies.

#### what the?

A suspicious father in Ocala, Fla., placed a global-positioning satellite tracking device in his 13-yearold daughter's book bag to keep tabs on her. When on her way to school, she stopped off at the home of a 28-year-old man and had sex with him, dad soon found out.

Loverboy was arrested.

#### Sure, come on in boys ...

Three thugs running from police in Sugar Land, Texas, ran into a home to elude them. Alas, it was the home of another police officer.

Shots were fired and the three were arrested.

#### But I'm done now officer, so what can I do for you?

With police trailing, sirens blaring and lights flashing, a man in Miami continued to drive for several blocks before finally pulling over.

He explained to the officer that he didn't stop right away because he wanted to finish his cocaine and beer

#### Oh yeah, I forgot about that

A man in St. Louis confronted police because they watched him as he spoke to a woman in a car at la.m.

They explained to him that they were seeking a suspect in a series of home invasions, and that he didn't fit the description.

Despite this, the irate man insisted they take a mouth swab of his saliva to match with DNA at the crime scenes.

They did.

The swab implicated him in a 6year-old rape case.

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### **Smog**

waste) were found in the study.

Researchers collected data from Blue Cross of Idaho, Regence Blue Shield and Medicaid for patients under the age of 65 who visited a doctor between Oct. 1, 2002 and Dec. 31, 2004.

That data was cross-referenced with air quality monitor data from the Department of Environmental Quality.

Results show a definite increase in upper and lower respiratory disease risk when air quality declines, as well as an increased risk in heart disease within three days after a rise in particulate matter.

The bottom line is that even small changes in the air quality in the Treasure Valley affect health. Every 10 unit increase in PM 2.5 results in a measurable increase in doctors' visits," said Boise State Researcher Lee Hannah, a faculty member in the Department of Community and Environmental Health.

"Instead of thinking of this as an individual problem, we need to approach it from a public health perspective. Increased visits cost money, with all of those costs being paid by Treasure Valley residents through taxes and increased insurance premiums," Hannah said.

On an individual basis however, the problem is evident in students'

lives. Students like Chris Graham, a junior at Boise State University who has pre-existing health problems, fights with the difficulties this stuffy air presents.

"I can't go out when the air is bad without risking my health because of my severe asthma, and I missed three classes because of it," Graham said.

According to News Channel 7's website, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality recently moved the air quality to red alertwhich means that all outdoor burning was prohibited and the elderly, people with asthma and small children were encouraged to stay inside.

The Boise School District was also directing all its schools to keep all students inside.

The fire season was also marked as a prominent contributing factor to the air quality in the Treasure

The season was said to have been long, hot and dry as well as the worst fire season in terms of the number or fires.

"Dry lightning has sparked three more fires in Idaho, bringing the total number of large blazes burning in the state to 17. That's the most in the nation," News Channel 7 said on Sept. 7.

Senator Larry Craig finds the problem of the fire season on his list of priorities and plans for the future.

"As this fire season continues, I will continue to look for and work on ways to promote forest health, such as the recently proposed Healthy Forest Partnership Act, next 20 years will have the greatwhich seeks to foster cooperation across jurisdictional lines in assessing and dealing with threats to forests. We need not wait until our homes or property are smoldering ruins before we act to heal our lands," Craig said.

Despite the fire season this year being longer than usual, Director of the Center for Excellence for Environmental Health and Safety at Boise State Dale Stephenson thinks that there is more to be concerned with in the long term.

"I believe one has to concentrate on the future in terms of maintaining suitable air quality in the Treasure Valley. While the recent forest fires have focused attention on air quality, population (and vehicle) growth over the

est impact on integrity of the air we breath in our region. It will be up to us, the general public (including current and future BSU students) to elect politicians that have as a part of their platform the concept of 'smart growth' which minimizes the number of vehicle miles traveled, thus reducing the degree of emissions generated from this major pollution source," Stephenson said. Stephenson is co-chair of the Governor-appointed Treasure Valley Air Quality Council that has recently completed a draft Air Quality Plan.

It is currently under review by a citizens' committee and when it is in final form it will be submitted to the Legislature in the spring of 2007.

## Internationally renowned Holocaust survivor scheduled to speak at BSU

BY CEAN SIEGEL News Writer

Holocaust survivor and author Gerda Weissmann Klein will be giving a special presentation from 7-9 p.m. on Sept. 29 at the Morrison Center at Boise State University.

This lecture is one of several events included during Human Rights Month, which will involve exhibits, lectures and discussions.

Klein is this year's keynote speaker for the Idaho Human Rights Education Center. Executive Director Amy Herzfeld feels that Klein's presentation should be heard by as many people as pos-

"Our marketing has been targeted on high school and junior high students and teachers, but since it's open to the public we expect a full house," Herzfeld said.

All of the Human Rights Month events are free to the public and presented by the Idaho Human Rights Education Center, Boise State University, The Anne Frank Center USA, the Coeur d'Alene Idaho **Human Rights Education Center in** partnership with Coeur d'Alene's Idaho Human Rights Education Institute and Wells Fargo.

Klein was 15 years old when Nazis broke up her family and relocated her from her home in Bielsko, Poland, to labor camps in Marzdorf. Landshut, and finally Gruenberg. In 1945, Klein and 2,000 other women and girls were sent on a 350-mile death march. Only 120 survived. Later on that year, Klein was liberated by the American Army and went on to marry one of the American soldiers, Kurt Klein.

The couple moved to Buffalo, N.Y., and spent decades lecturing around the world. Additionally, they established the Gerda and Kurt Klein Foundation which, according to the Foundation's website, "promotes tolerance for differences, respect for others and the empowerment of students through education and community service." Kurt Klein passed away April 19, 2002.

"Their life together was like a fairy tale," friend Ruth Kahn Stovroff said in an interview with

"The Buffalo News." "They carried a message around the world ... how you can turn any horrible degree of evil into good, with enough courage and faith."

Despite her husband's death, Klein continues to work to spread her message of tolerance - particularly to children.

"My message is not new, but children need it more than ever today. To have freedom, family and unconditional love are the greatest gifts of all," Klein said in an interview with "Teaching Tolerance," a magazine that works to promote respect for differences and appreciation of diversity.

"We have been witnesses to horrible events, and yet they still continue to happen. Genocide is still happening today. I will never understand how someone can kill from nine to five and then go home and listen to Beethoven."

Klein is the author of several books, including "All But My Life" and "A Boring Evening at Home." Additionally, a documentary about her experiences, "One Survivor Remembers," won the Academy Award for best documentary short subject in 1995. "One Survivor Remembers" will be shown as part of Klein's appearance.



Holocaust survivor Gerda Weissmann Klein will speak at BSU's Morrison Center September 29.

### **Campus Crime**

8/29/06 - Vandalism - Back tire of a and Beacon and took a laptop while bike parked at University Square was slashed. Report taken.

9/3/06 - Burglary - Unknown suspect(s) entered a dorm room at Towers and took a CD case and CDs. Report taken.

9/3/06 - Under the influence - Subject admitted to be under the influence of a controlled substance. Subject was contacted near Friendship Bridge north of Albertson's Library. Report

9/4/06 - Illegal Consumption of Alcohol & Providing Alcohol to a Minor Visitor to Chaffee Hall was cited. Report taken.

9/5/06 - Burglary -Unknown suspect(s) entered a house on Manitou owner was away. Report taken.

- Hit and Run - Unknown suspect hit a car parked in the stadium parking lot and left without leaving proper contact information. Report

9/6/06 - Joy Riding - Suspect took a car without permission in the Stadium parking lot. Report taken.

9/6/06 - Theft - Unknown suspect took a purse from the Albertson's Library. Purse found shortly after without wallet and keys. Report taken.

9/8/06 - Bike Theft - Bike lock was cut and bike taken from a rack outside of Morrison Hall. Report taken.

9/8/06 - Narcotics Violation -

Marijuana and paraphernalia found and confiscated from the Square. Suspect cited. Report taken.

9/9/06 - Illegal Consumption of Alcohol - Four people were cited at Chaffee Hall for illegal consumption of alcohol.

9/8/06 - Bike Theft - Bike was taken from a patio on Martha. Report taken.

Vandalism and Illegal Consumption of Alcohol - A section of wooden fence was pulled down causing a cinder block fence to fall. Suspect was an underage individual who had been drinking. Report taken.

9/10/06 - Vehicular Burglary - A folder containing vehicle information was taken from an unsecured vehicle on Vermont Ave. Report taken.

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- "Anne Frank: A Private Photo Album" opening reception. 7 p.m. Sept. 21. Student Union Art Gallery. Exhibition runs from Sept. 18-Oct. 15.
- · "Male Masculinity and the Deconstruction of Sexual and Domestic Violence." 6-8:30 p.m. Sept. 26. Student Union Lookout Room. Film and discussion with Jeff Matsushita of Men Today, Men
- "Fair Trade: The Reasons and the Necessity." 5:30-6:30 p.m. Sept. 27. Student Union Barnwell Room. Interactive discussion with Anna Wulfsong Belt of Ten Thousand Villages.
- "An Evening with Gerda Weissmann Klein." 7-9 p.m. Sept. 29. Morrison Center. Special screening of "One Survivor Remembers" and a presentation by Klein.
- "Refugee Stories through Poetry and Art." 6:30-8:30 p.m. Oct. 2. Student Union Lookout Room. Presentation by refugees, coordinated by the International Rescue Committee.
- Violation?" 6-7:30 p.m. Oct. 9. Student Union Farnsworth Room. Film and discussion with Leo Morales of the Idaho Community Action Network. . "A Closer Walk": A Film on Humanity's Confrontation with the AIDS Fandemic.\* 7-9 p.m. Oct. 11. Student Union Hatch Ballroom, Film and discussion by the Boise State Volunteer Services Board

"Minutemen at the Border and in Idaho: A Human Rights"

\* Human-Right Book Club? Stone Buich Blues by Lealie Femin 7 p.m. Off. 12. Log Cabin Liferary Center, 801 S. Capitol Blvd Discussion With Chain Husting, Pulsa State professor of Cent

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WHAT'S HOT WHAT'S NOT



BY DANIEL KEDISH **Culture Editor** 

#### Globally

#### HOT Idol competition: When winning just isn't enough

While "American Idol" continues to top charts as one of the most watched shows in the nation according to "Entertainment Weekly," the stage competition is about to move to a whole new field: record sales.

Starting September 19, Clay Aiken returns with the debut of his latest ablum "A Thousand Different Ways" and, following his lead, six additional idols plan to release their albums within two months of Aiken's, sparking gossip about who may top the sales charts this fall.

Following Aiken's dark windswept bangs include season rival Ruben Studdard, Fantasia and season five's Kellie Pickler, Tayor Hicks, Katharine McPhee and Chris Daughtry.

One main concern is that Fantasia and Hicks release albums on the same day, making listeners wonder which season's winner will take win the album race.

For the rest of the public, who could ask for more than another idol showdown?

#### NOT Why elder 'Rocky' toys?

This month, toy company Jakks Pacific released its new line of Rocky Balboa toys promoting the latest film in the "Rocky" series to premier this fall.

What I don't understand is what kid wants to play with geriatric dolls.

It may be great that Sylvester Stallone is making a come back, even if it's the same character he ways plays, but to make a completely new line of children's toys - come on!

Rocky may have been a legend back in the day, but with promotions like this one, the movie is destined to flop before the first round.

#### Locally

#### HOT Get in on the fall style

Now that the cold weather has arrived, it's time to break out the sweatshirts and jackets - which makes it the perfect time to hit up the mall and other outlets.

While many of us dislike the idea of shopping, now's the time to make those much-needed fall purchases, especially now that the back-toschool shoppers have left the area.

So for a relaxing day to escape the homework load, check out one of your favorite stores.

#### NOT Losing the daylight hours

Daylight is running out and it's making outdoor entertainment slightly more difficult.

In response to this not-so-hot seasonal change, here are a few ideas to keep you happy that don't involve the sun: Edward's downtown (only \$5 with your student ID), Club U (for the wild teeny-bob inside all of us) and don't forget the various venues around the area offering concerts and theaterical performances.

Fall is the perfect time to support the arts when mother nature decides to breathe her cold air. So get out there and enjoy!

## Hyde Park Street Fair brings Roise together

BY DUSTIN LAPRAY Managing Editor

When telling stories concerning group functions, the order of things shifts from the individual to the whole. The whole I speak of, at Hyde Park and its now-historic fair, is one created from mixtures of opinions and social organizations, artists, craftsmen and hobbyists from backgrounds and mindsets as various as the colors of woven fabric.

The Hyde Park Street Fair, now in its 27th year, has outgrown its namesake. With more than 60 vendors and tents, bands and places to score grub, the event has outgrown the main drag of 13th street in Hyde Park and has bulged into the vast grasses and sloping contours of Camel's Back Park.

"Without the park, we wouldn't have the fair," Julia Mantle, chair of the Hyde Park Fair Committee said. "It got so big, it had to move out of the street."

and shoulders the load of a Bohemian neighborhood in search of an identity its own, I got drunk.

At Joe's Traveling Bar I found 1554, a New Belgium Brew, and left sobriety in the grasses in the park. It served Stella Artois, Fat Tire and Kokanee if you wanted to save a buck, but I always paid four and left a buck in the jar for the cause.

I gave a buck to the lone-fiddler waving his bow and tipping his mid-teen brow as I missed his case and the bill flittered into the grass. He thanked me true thanks.

I gave two bucks to The Tell-A-Tales, a fourman band of teenagers, but I think some may have been in grade school. They played percussion instruments and sang real words along with Love (a local clown) helping them

"We didn't get a stage," Sam Berman, lead vocalist and youth leader said. "But not for a lack of talent, but for a want not to sell out."

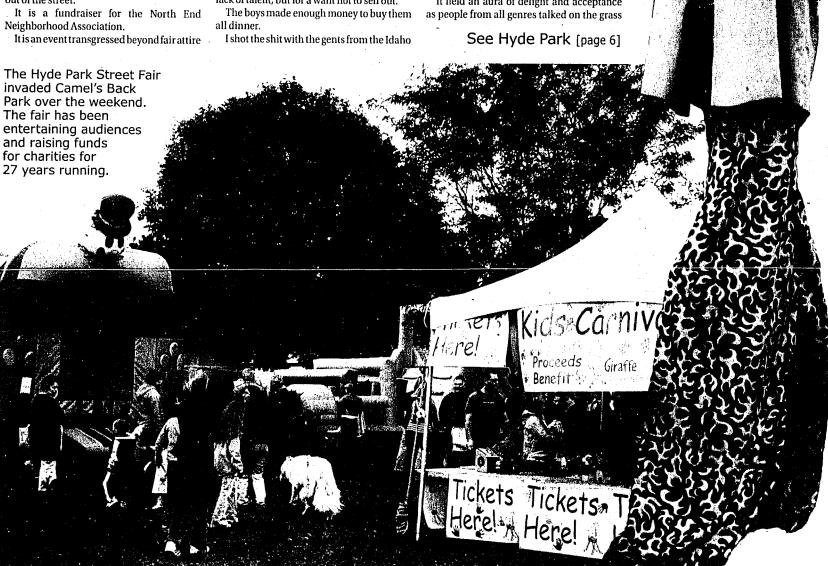
Atheists. They told me they weren't trying to convert anyone, but rather begged for equal rights under the first amendment and be allowed the freedom to not be forced to abide by religious rules.

"The government should be neutral when it comes to religion," member Gary Bennett said. "We're just trying to say we have rights as citizens."

I watched pre-teens steal condoms from the Planned Parenthood booth. My friend Erin slipped their literature into my pocket because I was smoking a cigar and did not venture in to ask. They said the boys had been there repeatedly; what they intended to do with the condoms, no one knew.

The fair gives space to local vendors, unlike Art in the Park or the Western Idaho Fair, This fair was fair to its constituents. The neighbors are willing to allow the crowds, which were some 30,000 strong this year.

It held an aura of delight and acceptance



### Theater Arts Dept. to premiere 'In the Sawtooths'

BY MEL TROUT Culture Writer

This fall Boise State's Theater Arts Department will be premiering the original play "In the Sawtooths." Performances are scheduled for September 28-30, and October 4-7 at 7:30 PM; September 30, October 1, 7, and 8 at 2 p.m. All performances will be held at stage II of the Morrison Center.

Boise State Graduate Dano Madden wrote "In the Sawtooths" as his thesis project at Rutgers University where he will be receiving his MFA in Playwriting this year.

Madden further developed his play at the Seven Devils Playwriting Conference in McCall this past year, however the play was originally

written in September 2004. While one another as well. The play stars ters. While the bulk of the story ocread at the Northwest Playwright's Alliance in Olympia, Wash.; The Seven Devils Playwrights Conference; Midtown The International Theatre Festival in New York and most recently at the Boise Contemporary Theatre's 5x5 Reading Series.

"In the Sawtooths" is the story of three best friends from high school who, now in their early thirties, have found themselves slipping away from their past selves as well as their friendship.

A tragedy occurs just as their annual backpacking trip in the Sawtooth Mountains is approaching and affects not only the tone of the trip but their interactions with

"I wanted to write a play that really explores the changing nature of friendship," Dano said.

"In the Sawtooths" does just that as the audience is granted several snapshots into the lives of these individuals as both fancy-free high school buddies as well as adults. They must ask themselves if they will commit to being friends for life. This is a common theme in Dano's life as well.

"My mom once told me that when I got older I would be able to count my truly good friends on one hand. I think as I've gotten a bit older I've started to believe this more."

The setting of the play is just as important as the plots and charac-

this is the first official performance Loren Jones as Darrin, Kyle Barrow curs in the Sawtooth Mountains, State is given the privilege to preof "In the Sawtooths," it has been as Oby and Dylan Hughes as Nellic. there are many parts that take place in downtown Boise. "In the Sawtooths" makes several references to occurrences and places that are exclusive to the Boisean lifestyle.

> "The passion that these three men share for the outdoors is a very important part of being from Idaho for many people," Dano said.

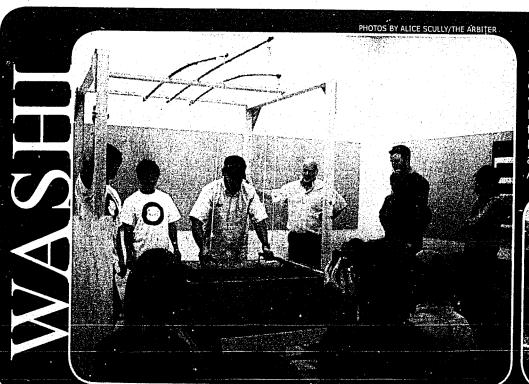
Hughes agrees that this play has near-limitless appeal, particularly for Idaho natives and Boise State students. "It's written very honestly and it's pretty easy to relate to characters," Hughes said. While the topic seems heavy-handed, Hughes assures that there are elements of comedy written into the script as

It is a rare occasion that Boise miere the original work of one ot its most talented graduates.

Because it was written by an Idahoan, it captures many of the things Boiseans love about Idaho. as well as the struggles they face and relationships that occur. This may be the only opportunity students have to see this local gem performed live on stage.

Boise State students, faculty and staff receive one free ticket with their ID at the SUB Select-A-Seat. Otherwise ticket prices are \$12 general admission and \$10 non-Boise State students, alumni and senior citizens.

Due to graphic language, it is recommended that children be left



WASHI: Art of Japanese Papermaking

Twenty-eight year old artist, Hironao Hamada, and his brother Osamu Hamada lead a lecture, demonstration and workshop of Tengucho-style washi papermaking Thursday, September 14. Boise State was the second of four stops on their tour which includes Helena, Mont. and Denver, Col. For more information on the brothers and their art visit The Japanese Foundation Los Angeles at www.jflalc.org.



## Three cheers for La Fiesta Independencia *arbiter*

BY SHANNON MORGAN
Arbiter Staff

If you were out and about in the Student Union Building on September 15 you couldn't help but notice the Fiesta Independencia, hosted by Boise State University's Cultural Center. Fiesta Independencia was a celebration recognizing several Latino countries and honoring their individual independence days taking place in September. Talk about a rip-roaring good time!

"Events like this are a great way to show the rest of the world the Spanish culture, which is one of the most fun cultures out there," Spanish Club Representative Justin White said.

Stepping onto the patio in the Student Union Building, it was impossible to avoid the sudden urge to start shaking your "Bon-Bon" as the song by Ricky Martin blared on the speakers, followed by a sizzling mix of Latin dance music which caused some difficulty in keeping your hips still.

As most self-respecting broke-asa-joke college students do, I began scoping out the free food upon arrival to the event.

Bingo!
I spotted the delectable tummy temptations right off the bat and ventured over to indulge in one of the most cherished snack foods items of all time - Chips and Salsa!

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for discussion of serious

culture-related issues.

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Just then Program Assistant for the Cultural Center Juan Morales and dance partner Maddie Hasart stepped onto the stage.

Morales commanded the attention of the audience with an impassioned joyous cry of "el grito del pueblo." All I could think is, "Ricky Martin eat your heart out!" as I watched the two dancers wow the audience with their hot-and-spicy Salsa dance..

"With the growing numbers in Latin culture it's nice that people can come out and sample the food, music and dancing. It gives students a chance to educate themselves about our culture. Not necessarily Latin culture, there's a lot of culture here. We have the Single Parents Club; The Women's Center; Bisexuals, Gays, Lesbians, & Allies for Diversity and more - all out here to support culture and diversity, which is very important not only for our school but for society," Morales said.

This sentiment echoed later that day when Cultural Center Coordinator Ro Alvarado- Parker sat down for an interview for an episode of "On the Flip Side," a podcast recorded in The Arbiter studio.

"What our center is in charge of doing is raising awareness about issues that are often invisible or marginalized. It's also charged with creating programming for the entire student body at Boise State University to understand inclusion and diversity and their part in it.

We realize that there is a percentage that we have to do of raising awareness and educating, but we also need to include celebratory events like this.

We have several different festivals throughout the year that do this very same thing for the different cultures that are represented on campus," Alvarado-Parker said.

"Hosting a celebratory event is one of the nicest things that we do because no one really challenges that, people aren't uncomfortable with it. They get a chance to take part in something without feeling uncomfortable and I think it's necessary for people to start there.

If people are uncomfortable talking about a certain subject then maybe they should come to a celebratory event and experience that then go to the next step. We like to provide that opportunity to everyone."

The Fiesta Independencia did exactly that. Looking around at the faces of the people in attendance, it was refreshing to see representatives of the many different cultures and lifestyles present that day.

All were smiling, laughing and tapping their feet to the music. But more importantly they were celebrating and learning about the rich and vibrant Latino Heritage.

Bravo to the Culture Center for providing us all with the opportunity to attend this event and learn about this wonderful culture.

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#### Zack Braff delivers the ultimate 'Last Kiss'



Assistant Culture Editor

Where do you see yourself in Dve years? Have you planned it out that far? Do you see yourself happy or unhappy, rich or poor, married or single? Is there any room in your plan for devia-tion; spontaneity or fun, or is it So dull that you're not even sure you like your plan? We're all fold that we should prepare for the future and pearly all of us do. bin what happens when you get to your future and there aren't any more surprises?

That's the situation that himself in when his live-in girlfriend Jenna (Jacinda Barrett) of three years becomes pregnant. Thoughts of uncertainty and finalization plague him, not to mention that every relationship around him is under turmoil.

Italian writer Gabriele Muccino creates several reallife instances that every twentysomething person approaching

experience.
Emotional sceries with genuine dialogue convince audiences that life can be perfectly planned, in fact life lessons are what bring people to that very realization, Mistakes have consequences and so do responsibilities - it is those two variables that assist people with their de-

Comedic relief breaks up the heavy situations by exemplifying the as serious as life can be, a little humor never hurt anyone. With too much somberness you're doomed to crack on a treadmili.

This film is not just for voung adults entering mid-life. Parallel story lines between the characters show that relationship problems cross over the generational lines. Specifically with performances by Jenna's parents (Blythe Danner and Tom Wilkinson) who encounter the same uncertainties after thirty years of marriage. These

es that plans are not solid and modifications are essential in any relationship.

Infidelity and incompatibility are the major issues that "The Last Kiss" tackles. Curiosity with a younger woman (Rachel Bilson) fills any unsatisfied interests Braff may have had in his life. It is then that he realizes Jenna is the one. Meanwhile, Casev Afflect's character contemplates the strength of his dysfunctional marriage.

Reflecting on this amazing film with its impeccable cast has influenced me to reconsider my plan for the future and will assist you in yours. It's never too late to make alterations or additions, since life sometimes has a funny way of changing it for

Bring tissues and equip yourselves with your most charming lines of validation for your significant other, because this film prompts couples to re-evaluate their futures together.

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### Hyde Park [from page 4]

and listened to bands play Pink Floyd covers and gospel blue grass

I saw the Pinto Bennett Trio Friday night in the chilled ambience, waiting for just one more raindrop to pierce my skin. By the way, the trio had four members - weird huh?

The rains were the first to grace the Boise sky since Independence Day. Fitting, I figured, since the event was one wrought from the core of the individuality and rights upon which this country was founded.

I saw the dog whisperer - yeah. Stopped at the Mary Kay booth and they knew my Godmother (my Aunt Barbara) who peddles the cosmetics. I told the woman I was an Irish Spring kind of guy and she laughed. I learned how to bang a drum, tap a drum, play a drum and saw a group of rookie drummers come together Saturday in a confluence of sounds vibrant and raw, yet cool as the other side of the pillow.

If you ever felt the need to buy a gargovle, you could have bought one there. If you wanted to vote, you could have gotten registered. You could join the Idaho Women's Network (which admits men too. They also give portions of their funds to assist the Idaho Progressive Student Alliance at Boise State University).

I almost bought a hemp-woven dragon, but it scared me. Carissa looked good in this 12-colored hat, but she didn't grab it. The incense smelled good, I guess.

There were nuclear watchdog groups (a.k.a the Snake River Alliance) dedicated to jailing the smoking gun of INL/INEEL/INEL and its belligerent actions regarding the Snake River Aquifer.

bastards knowingly Those dumped depleted uranium rods and waste into a well, which has reached into the aguifer under Southern Idaho. My friends bought kettle corn (delicious) and roasted nuts. I bought brisket Friday and went with the Cajun chicken Saturday, although they gave me shrimp.

The girls bought oriental cuisine and I gagged when I drank the Chai Bubble tea (this stuff had dumplings in it, which you sucked through a straw).

I saw belly dancers and this dude with a dog in his backpack. I saw another guy with a shirt that read "The X-Mormon Drinking Team." A man in a wheelchair had a bumpersticker which read "Save Water, Shower

With a Friend."

I talked with the Idaho Veterans for Peace, who said their only aim was to end this war (In Iraq), to end all war and to get that jackass off the hill.

I heard the United States referred to as a "gangster for capitalism."

I saw people sumo wrestling and kids playing on the inflated Kids Carnival apparatuses.

I saw an old friend from that night playing trivial pursuit and talked with Leona at the base of Camel's Back, overlooking the grandiose spectacle that is the Hyde Park Street Fair. I swallowed American air. I caught rain on my cheeks. I tapped my foot to gospel bluegrass and cheered when I won a button by spinning a wheel.

The fair isn't for just anyone. It is for everybody, as long as you subscribe to the cool, the deliverance, the majesty of a community come together in spite of all its differences. A community diverse and splendid, in full reverie of its own power and earthly substance.

If you missed it I am sorry, but I guarantee you, it will be back next September for its 28th year.

Bring your eyes and ears. If you intend to learn anything from the fair, you will need them open and clear.

#### **Corn Maze** [from page 1]

a certain field and found out later the location was actually 10 feet smaller." Jim Lowe said.

He discussed the difficulties of his line of work and how often times things do change and alterations occur, whether it means taking out a few pathways, or redesigning an entire section.

This year's maze moved from its original spot after city developers brought the land to build businesses; this occurrence is the number one threat to the corn maze industry, the same fatal conclusion many regular farm-

"It's rough to see fields taken over by businesses," Jim Lowe said. "I guess businesses are more important than corn mazes in the end."

However, while the future does look gloomy for those passionate aboutcornmazes, "Agritainment" seems to be growing in popularitv, with more families taking part in the festivities each year and new mazes popping up across the globe:

This year's maze plans to run through Halloween, and hours of operation vary according to day. Once the maze finishes out this. season's up, tie Lowe family plans to parvest he field for an imaliced to Localitating

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For decades upon decades, people have turned to newspapers to obtain knowledge about current events. This medium of information has since expanded to television broadcasts and online news, making information about our world accessible at the touch of a button or click of a mouse. However, as accessibility to news expands, so does scrutiny about the media publishing it.

It's often been said that the media help to convict or set people free through what they publish, and what is available to be seen on big-time news networks is only what the few, socially elite want the world to see. There has been a longstanding theory that the news media are biased and attempting to brainwash the world; caring only about ratings and awards.

What the world ought to realize is that without media, there isn't any news. Without newspapers and television broadcasts we would be forced to resort to the days when news traveled by word-of-mouth and the Pony Express. Biased or unbiased, news is news.

The media's job is to make information available to the masses - not fabricate that information. What's seen in the news is a direct reflection of our modern world; newspapers simply act as literary mirrors.

Perhaps all of this outrage toward the media stems from the fact that people are going to see what they want to see. Extreme conservatives will label what they don't like "liberal," those that see a person as innocent will claim that the papers are portraying that person as a hardened criminal. What we don't want to believe about ourselves we deny: no one likes the idea that a school teacher could be murdering students or that religious leaders could be child molesters, and so the media serves as a societal scapegoat for what we don't want to see as being true. The citizens of the world create the headlines - the media put them into words for us all to read.

Undoubtedly biased forms of news exist – no industry is completely pure. But the notion that all newspapers are forms of propaganda and not to be trusted is ridiculous. Members of the media aren't cooperating in a gigantic scheme to brainwash the planet and the news isn't full of subliminal messages. If it were, you'd be getting coffee for Arbiter staff members every morning.

News stories should be seen as factual reports - take what you want from them and leave the rest alone. Newspapers don't convict or kill people – those jobs are for juries and criminals. Billions of papers, news broadcasts and web pages exist, so if one is believed to be unfair there are plenty of other options, and before calling a paper biased make sure that you're not reading the editorial section.

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 Shereé Whiteley, lead copy editor.

## What would Jesus do? Probably not yell

BY SHANNON MORGAN Arbiter Staff

Some of you may have been unlucky enough to run into the Christian extremists that were on campus a while back and witness the unrest they caused among the students they harassed.

I didn't observe it myself, but many students have approached me since then and asked if The Arbiter was going to cover what happened. Most were angry, some enraged at what

took place that day. Some students were so upset they were ready to resort to physical violence after being told they were going to hell, that they were sinners or immoral, some were even told they were devil himself. I've tried to wrap my head around how exactly this approach is going to bring people to God or save anyone's sole.

I'm not a Christian and I don't belong to an organized religion, but I have a healthy respect for those who are, and for the many different ways people chose to worship God. In my search to find a spiritual truth that's right for me, I've made a point to ask people I encounter about the religion they practice.

These conversations have been some of the most fulfilling and enlightening I've ever had. Usually because those involved are respectful of my beliefs and are open to the free exchange of ideas on religion and what God is to me.

While having these discussions, I listen to others describe the figure heads of their faiths and imagine how these ancient deities would look and behave as a modern day 20-something college student at Boise State. In my mind Jesus looks just like any other stu-

dent here. For some reason he's a Skater to me but perhaps to you he's an Abercrombie kid or would walk up bumping some Kanye West.

Either way, I don't see him having trouble relating to and of those types of people because Jesus was just that kind of guy.

I think you might even spot him downtown at The Bistro on a Friday night. Lord knows I've seen people there who could use his good advice and insight.

Which ever way we chose to imagine Jesus, I think most people can agree that he wouldn't be carrying around his cross, screaming out

that we're all going to hell and verbally assaulting those he wished to save. That's no more imaginable to me than the Profit Mohammed boarding a bus with a bomb strapped to his stomach in order to bring us

I have to wonder how it is people can get so far off the mark when it comes to spreading the positive messages in the religions they practice.

It's no wonder we have so much confusion and anger when it comes to having an open dialog about God and it's in our nature to fear what we don't understand. Our fear and

lack of understanding is what causes most of the chaos in the world right now.

It's true that I'm not a Christian but I still ask myself, "What would Jesus do if he were here to tell me about the Christian faith?"

I think it's safe to say that it isn't what happened here on campus anymore than some of the other things that are carried out in his name.



#### Leave intelligent design to philosophy

This is in response to Aaron Vandenbos's letter to the editor advocating that intelligent design be taught in our classrooms.

Unfortunately, Mr. Vandenbos seems to have a poor understanding of how science works. Science is about making theoretical predictions that can be tested empirically with experiment. The theory of evolution — which Vandenbos calls "Darwinism" — satisfies this criteria; intelligent design

Intelligent design postulates that the complexity we observe in the universe could have only arose by the design of some superior intelligence. This idea does not explain how the complexity arose, it just sweeps the complexity under the rug so that we don't have to explain it—we just have to say that it was designed.

But then isn't the designer also complex by his/her very act of designing complexity? So the designer must have also been designed, and that designer was also designed, and so on into an infinite regression.

Mr. Vandenbos asks for fair treatment of all the evidence. Scientists will gladly consider the evidence for intelligent design when intelligent design has provided some empirical evidence or theoretical prediction, which has

yet to happen.

In the scientific community, philosophical speculation and wishful thinking are not considered evidence. The fact of the matter is that intelligent design makes no predictions that can be verified by empirical observation or experiment.

Therefore it is not a scientific theory, but rather a philosophy. Once intelligent design offers a prediction that can be experimentally verified, or offers an explanation for an empirical observation, it will be an idea that should be considered in the

Until then, leave intelligent design in a philosophy or religion course, where ideas like intelligent design belong.

> J.J. Durrant, Boise, ID

#### It's time to change the double standard

Isn't it nice how homosexuals have to live by different standards than their straight counterparts? If you are straight, it is fine for you to make a spectacle of yourself with your significant other. I cannot count the number of times I have had to endure a couple swapping spit in front of the world. If they're a man and a woman, that

is fine. But, Lord forbid if two men express themselves in the same fashion. They would be subject to ridicule, and also they could get attacked or even killed for doing what straight people take for granted.

Why do we have to live by different standards? Are we not all guaranteed the same rights? If so, then why are people doing their utmost to persecute homosexuals? Uh, oh. I may be touching a nerve here - too bad When was the last time straight people have faced legislation on their personal lives? When was the last time a traignt person was murgered for flirting with someone?

It seems that homosexuals are accepted if they stay in the closet and not disturb the fragile sensibility of the straight world.

I spent 29 years being a good homosexual, but I am sick of it. We, as a community, need to step up and demand the same rights afforded to heterosexuals. We have been treated like second class citizens for too long.

I am sick of having to censor what I say so as not to offend straight people. If I have to hear about your boyfriend or girlfriend, then you should hear about my significant other. Fair is fair, and right is right. I refuse to be who I am not to make others comfortable.

> Casey Sievers Boise Idaho

## Finding out who you are

BY RO ALVARADO PARKER **Guest Opinion** 

My entire life, I have grown up hearing people refer to me as, "Spanish", or "Hispanic." I even began to believe that Hispanic was an ethnicity for a while. But as I entered college and began to learn more about the history that was never taught to me, not by the school system I attended at least, I began to realize that I was not Hispanic - because Hispanic is not an ethnicity.

Hispanic, however was and is a term that most people feel comfortable with because it offers a 'blanket" over those people who speak Spanish. It became a term that many of my White fellow students and co-workers felt more comfortable in calling me.

But I was not comfortable with that term; mainly because I did not understand the origin of it. It is a term, af-

ter all created by the U.S. Government to categorize people for convenience. This term has

made my life anything but convenient. It has confused me growing up. It made me feel as though I had to conform to some definition of what dominant culture thought term was; that ( I began to realize that I was not Hispanic because Hispanic is not an ethnicity.

somehow my culture and value system should be

the same as all Spanish speaking individuals. It also made me think that it was a way to cover up my "Mexicaness," as if being called a Mexican was something offensive.

Oh don't get me wrong, no one ever outright told me that, but I got the message loud and clear.

"What are you?" was a question that would instill great anxiety on my part. Should I say Hispanic? Should I say Mexican?

Why people had to qualify me before they could continue talking to me was beyond me, but it was the answer expected that I always struggled with.

One day I was shopping downtown when a Native man, assuming I was also Native, asked me what tribe I was from. The answer fell easily from my mouth. "Chicano tribe" I said. He smiled and I began to feel better about how to answer that question.

Since then, I have been identifying myself as Chicana. It is a term where I finally found pride. It gave me a strong sense of identity and I daresay it empowered me to feel something other than guilt (as the term Hispanic did) when I used it.

But just because I find the term to fit comfortably, doesn't mean that other Mexicans will.

Some still prefer to be called Hispanic and others like Latino. Groups, you see, much like individuals, go through development of their identities.

Why people prefer one term over another is a complex answer; as complex as the life experiences that have shaped them. When one of my colleagues, students or friends makes the comment that they are not sure what to call people anymore, I first point out that this is an attribute of all groups, including Whites. After all, throughout my life, I have heard my White friends refer to themselves as Caucasian, Anglo, European-American and as of

No one ever throws their hands up in exasperation at not knowing what to call them. But what I do suggest is that if they have to qualify someone (and think about why you would really need to do that), they should ask that person how they identify.

This is a respectful way to acknowledge how people (any people, not just people of color) identify themselves. And if one person identifies differently than another, be accepting of instead of frustrated

It took me a while to find the term I could identify with and my guess is that many people are in similar stages. We should not be irritated that people have the freedom to express themselves this way - instead we should value it.

> Ro Alvarado Parker is the Culture Center coordinator at Boise State University

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## [THIS WEEK IN SPORTS] Broncos buck Cowboys

BY JAKE GARCIN **Sports Editor** 

It was a battle between "cowboy tough" and "blue collar" work ethic in Laramie, Wyo. on Saturday when the Boise State football team traveled to the University of Wyoming for the Broncos' first road game of the season. The Broncos managed to hold off a late Cowboy push for a 17-10 win to improve their season record to 3-0.

A tough UW defense wasn't the only opponent Coach Petersen's guys had to fight with on Saturday. The game was surrounded by 35 miles per hour winds, which made the BSU offense reliant on their running attack once again. The game time temperature was a brisk 46 degrees, but with a 37 degree wind chill and a short snow flurry filling the stadium, Petersen and company were tested against the cold for the first time all year.

After building a 17-point lead in the first half, BSU needed a late interception by Orlando Scandrick to stop the Cowboys' final push to tie the score with just 2:20 left in regula-

"We got a lot of confidence in our defense," Bronco quarterback Jared Zabransky said. "We knew we needed to get the ball back, we knew what we had to do and we went and did it."

Scandrick's interception came after a one-yard quarterback keeper by Jacob Doss with 8:02 left to play in the fourth quarter. The score was followed by a UW defensive stand that held the Broncos to three and out on their next offensive possession. Despite having momentum on the Wyoming sidelines for the first time all afternoon, Doss was picked off for

ending the Cowboys' hope of a last-second upset.

Wyoming did find the scoreboard first with a 31-yard field goal from Aric Goodman on the first drive of the game, Boise State answered with a field goal of its own from Anthony Montgomery to even the score at three after the first period. The Broncos received their only offensive touchdown of the game on a six-yard run by Zabransky, capping a 13-play, 84-yard drive.

Quinton Jones returned an interception 61 yards for a score midway through the second quarter. The touchdown wound up being the deciding score of the contest.

Boise State Head Coach Chris Petersen recognized the defensive effort after the game, but he also admitted the offensive will have some adjustments to make after a less-than-spectacular performance on Saturday.

"We're going to go over the tape with a fine-tooth comb," Petersen said. "There were some mistakes. The weather had some to do with it but we have things we need to correct."

"This was a good team for our team," Petersen said. "Our defense was spectacular and I will say this; our offensive didn't turn the ball over, which was big. If we continue to play good defense and not turn the ball over we're gonna continue to win some games." Despite tallying only 246 offensive yards against the

Cowboy defense, it was the Bronco ability to keep a hold of the football that proved to be the difference maker in the game. Running back Ian Johnson provided his second consecutive 100-yard rushing performance of the season, finishing with 119 yards on 23 carries. Zabransky was barely over the century mark in passing for the second consecutive game, completing 12 of 20 passes for 116 yards. However, once again the Broncos found

a balanced offensive attack to give their defense just enough cushion to stay perfect on the season. On defense it was senior linebacker Korey Hall who led the BSU defense once again. Hall led the team in tackles with 11. Six of Hall's tackles were assisted. Hall also recorded his first sack of the season.

> He finished with one-and-a-half sacks officially in the game. Boise State returns home for its first Western Athletic Conference game of the season when Hawaii visits Boise Saturday, Sept. 23. With a win against Wyoming, BSU remains in contention for a Bowl Championship Series bid at season's end. However, there are far more important things on the minds of the Bronco players with seventy-five percent of the season still ahead.

"We're not thinking about an undefeated season," Orlando Scandrick said after the Wyoming game. "We are gonna take it a game at a time. We know championship teams have to win some dog fights, but we aren't thinking too far ahead."

## [SIDE LINES]

Braden takes second at Sundodger

Boise State University senior All-American Forest Braden led the Bronco cross country teams at Sundodger Invitational Saturday, finishing in second place individually.

Braden ran the eight-kilometer race in 23 minutes - 59 seconds, finishing 16 seconds behind men's invitational champion Scotty Baughs of Chico State.

Fellow senior Ty Axtman, who recorded his first-career individual victory last week at the Hampton Inn and Suites Fall Harrier Classic, posted the only other top-20 finish for the Broncos at the event. Axtman finished No. 12 with a time of 24:29.

On the women's side, sophomore Breanna Sande, who also recorded her first-career individual victory at last week's Fall Harrier Classic, led the Broncos with a six-kilometer time of 21:46, finishing 36th.

As a team, the Bronco men finished in seventh, while the Bronco women finished 11th. Both the men and women continue their season at the Willamette Invitational, Sept. 30. in Salem, Ore.

> Sundodger Invitational Lincoln Park; Seattle, Wash. Sept. 16, 2006

Men's Invitational Team Results: 1. Chico State 40; 2. Washington 82; 3. Wash. State 85: 4. UC Riverside 114; 5. UC Davis 122; 6. Club Northwest 135; 7. Boise State 164; 8. Idaho 228; 9. Gonzaga 250; 10. Santa Clara 275; 11. Seattle Running Club 307; 12. Portland State 331.

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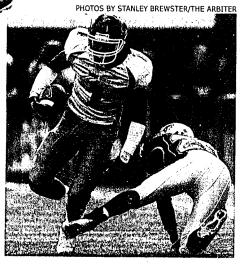


Boise State defensive back Quinton Jones returned an intercep-

tion 61 yards for a touchdown at Wyoming. The Broncos could only

muster one offensive touchdown in the 17-10 win over the Cowboys.





BY JAKE GARCIN Sports Editor

Three games into the new college football season and the never-ending speculations that surround every other year have already begun

For the 2006 Bronco football team, it is postseason bowl talk that can't be left alone for more than a day. Whether it's the media or BSU fans making the push, reaching a Bowl Championship Series bowl game at season's end seems to be the only destination that will be acceptable for the big blue this year.

The Broncos improved to 3-0 with a win at the University of Wyoming on Saturday. Immediately after the game it was already time for questions about the BCS picture and players' thoughts on what they

needed to do to show the country they belong. After a blowout against Oregon State, people asked if BSU had earned any respect, while after a close one like Wyoming, people wondered if the win will give fuel to the critics who say Boise State can't run with the big boys.

After Saturday's game at UW, there was a lot of speculation in the press box if Boise State's defense had made a statement to the country about its importance to this football team. Running back Ian Johnson shrugged off such indications, making it perfectly clear that Boise State is only concerned about Boise State right now.

"We don't need to prove anything to anyone," Johnson said. "[The defense] will be recognized for being one of the main reasons we won. But it's not something that we are

focused on."

One of the most common contentions made since BSU joined the national spotlight is that if it isn't a blow out, it isn't going to help the Bronco cause. Because the Broncos have the highest-scoring offense in the country since the 2000 season, Bronco fans have become accustomed to big numbers on offense and very few nail biters during the season. However, with improved preseason schedules every year and a much more balanced Western Athletic Conference, regularly scheduled blowouts may be a thing of the past. For Head Coach Chris Petersen, games like the one against Wyoming are expected to become the norm for the rest of

"That's football," Petersen said. "Wyoming has 85 scholarships,

they have good coaches, good fans. Things didn't line up, but I don't expect every game to be 35-0. Most games from here on out won't be like that at all."

"I was a little frustrated in the fourth quarter," Petersen said. "I didn't' think it should come down to this. But you have to give credit to Wyoming."

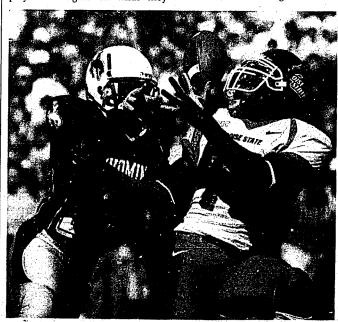
Senior special teams' wizard Quinton Jones intercepted Wyoming quarterback Jacob Doss on arguably the biggest play of the UW game. The defensive effort seemed to signify the weight in which the Bronco defense was willing to shoulder the win in Laramie. For Jones, bowl talk is hype right now and getting too wrapped up in that could take away all the joy from what the Broncos do each week.

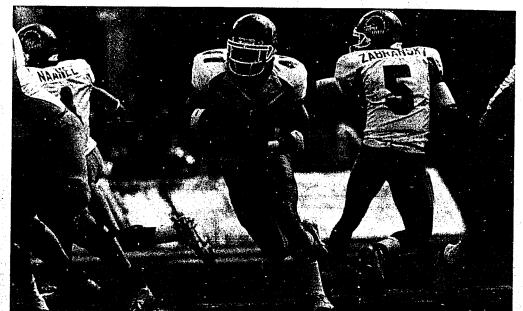
"A win's a win," Jones said.

"We need to enjoy every victory. Whether you win by 50 or not, you have to celebrate all wins."

As BSU enters the fourth game on its schedule, it spies the Hawaii Warriors. It will undeniably get harder to dismiss bowl-game speculations as the season progresses. Boise State is currently in search of its fifth straight WAC championship, which is tied with the University of Southern California for the longest active conference championship streak in the country. Coach Petersen and company expect to rely on home crowd support to power the Broncos deep into another successful season.

"There's no place like home," Petersen said. "We're gonna need our Bronco fans behind us. They know what a dog fight we were in





# Broncos split weekend series



The Boise State volleyball team beat Gonzaga University in three games this weekend and lost in three games to Oregon University.

BY BRIAN LUPTAK Sports Writer

The Boise State volleyball team tallied both a win and a loss this Saturdaý while hosting Gonzaga and Oregon at the Boise State Tournament.

BSU came out strong against Gonzaga in their opening contest. The first game of the match lasted nearly the entire day. The score stayed within three points for the majority of the game, but the Broncos later pulled away, getting ahead by as much as seven points before ending the first game with a score of 30-26.

The Broncos came out with a vengeance in game two, creating another evenly-paced battle. Gonzaga played well, but the BSU intensity became the deciding factor, pushing them to another 30-26 win.

The Broncos' drive carried into the third game, keeping them in the lead for most of its duration.

During the third game, senior Cameron Flunder went down with a turned left ankle, bringing a moment of worry to Bronco Gym. She recovered quickly, re-entering the game and earning a kill on the first play of her return.

Head Coach Robin Davis felt Flunder's return added some good momentum to the end of the game.

"She had that big kill right after she went in," Davis said. "That allowed us to make a big run of three or four points right after that kill."

Courtesy Bronco Sports

The Boise State University men's

golf team will travel to Layton,

Utah, to compete in the Purple

The tournament, co-hosted by

Weber State University and the

University of Utah, will be held

Sept. 18-19 at the Valley View

Boise State will be joined at the

Matt Hastings leads a young

Bronco golf team which features

two junior varsity transfers and

and Red Invitational.

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six freshmen.

Game three was another very close game, but the Broncos finished strong with a Jeanette Jenkins spike confirming the win at 30-28.

BSU had a total of 58 kills. Sophomore Jeanette Jenkins led the way with 18. Cameron Flunder and freshman Arlee Tamietti each had 13. Senior libero Jackie Stroud had 14 of the team's 43 digs and the Broncos accumulated a total of four blocks for the game.

Coach Davis felt the performance of Tamietti was huge for the

"The bright side was Arlee," Davis said. "Arlee started for us for the second time this year and she hadn't started for a few games. She was the big bright spot. She's figured it out," Davis said.

However, the three-game win. was not quite perfect according to

"We struggled in spots in all three games," Davis said. "We don't feel like we really played to our potential. It came down to Gonzaga making a few more errors than we did."

In the second match of the day, the Broncos faced the undefeated Oregon Ducks. Playing without Cameron Flunder (who was taking care of her ankle), the Broncos struggled to find an offensive attack. Oregon came out strong. It built a respectable lead right away.

Impressive offensive and defensive efforts from Jeanette Jenkins gave the Broncos some momentum, but it was not enough to overcome

Men's golf travels to Utah

Last season at the Purple and

Red Invitational Hastings shot

a 214 (-2) to finish tied for 10th.

He finished in the top 10 in

three of nine events last sea-

son, and placed in the top 25 in

Also playing for Boise State are

iunior Trov Merritt and freshmen

Robbie Richards, Robbie Heithecker

Merritt, a native of Fridley,

Minn., hails from the junior college

ranks where he earned Northern

Sun Intercollegiate Conference

and Central Region

accolades. Merritt also

six of the competitions.

and Shawn Tonkin.

Oregon's lead. The Ducks claimed the first game 12-30.

BSU stayed within reach of Oregon in the second game, but Oregon kept the lead throughout and took game two with a score of

The third game brought a different attitude to the gym. The Broncos started well and they claimed a 5-1 lead quickly.

Oregon soon caught up and eventually took the lead, but BSU remained close behind. The Broncos claimed the lead once more but could not hold on to it and dropped the game 28-30. Oregon took the match three games to none.

Arlee Tamietti earned 11 kills in the contest offensively. Jackie Stroud tallied 15 defensive digs for the Broncos. However, the most influential

stat of the match was the Broncos' nine blocks, the majority of them coming in game three. "It looked different and it felt dif-

ferent," Davis said. "They're starting to get some of that stuff as far as the game plan.

We've been working on the basics of blocking in practice and yeah, it's starting to show up."

Freshman Arlee Tamietti and senior Jackie Stroud received all-tournament honors for the weekend.

The Broncos (6-6) will travel to Louisiana Tech this Thursday to face the Bulldogs in their first Western Athletic Conference game of the Bronco season.

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Richards comes to Boise State

from Tea Gardens, Australia,

where he won the South West

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Heithecker, an Idaho native, led

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### Women's golf opens at Salbasgeon Suites Invite

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The Boise State University women's golf team travels to Corvallis, Ore., to compete in the Salbasgeon Suites Invitational Sept. 18-19.

The tournament will be held at the par-72, 6,271-yard Trysting Tree Golf Club. The tournament opens Monday with 36 holes beginning with a shotgun start at 9 a.m., and concludes with 18 holes and tee times starting at 7:30 a.m.

The field at the Salbasgeon Suites Invitational will feature 17 teams, including Boise State. Also competing are Colorado, Denver, Eastern Washington, Gonzaga, Idaho,

Long Beach State, Nevada, Oregon, Oregon State, Portland, Portland State, UC Davis, UC Irvine, UC Riverside and Washington State.

The Boise State women's golf team is led by returning seniors Katie Street and Lindsey Huebert.

Street is tied for third on the Bronco career list for top 25 finishes, and last season captured her first individual title at the Wolf Pack Invitational.

Last season Street was also named the Western Athletic Golfer of the Conference Month for both Sept. and Oct., and earned second-team All-WAC honors.

Huebert finished in the top 20 in two tournaments last season, including a tie for 14th at the WAC Championships.

Also competing in Salbasgeon Suites Invitational are newcomers Iris Ocariza, Jana Mosesson and Nikki Olsen.

Olsen joins the Broncos from Lewis-ClarkStateCollegewhereshe was named an NAIA All-American, finishing tied for 13th at the 2006 NAIA Nationals.

Mosesson, who also joins Boise State from the junior college ranks, captured two individual NAIA titles in 2006. She was named MVP for Lindenwood College in 2005.

Ocariža, who hails from Honolulu, Hawaii, was named MVP of her Moanalua High School team and finished sixth at State.



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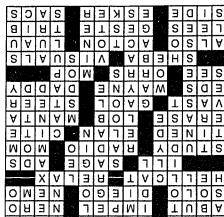
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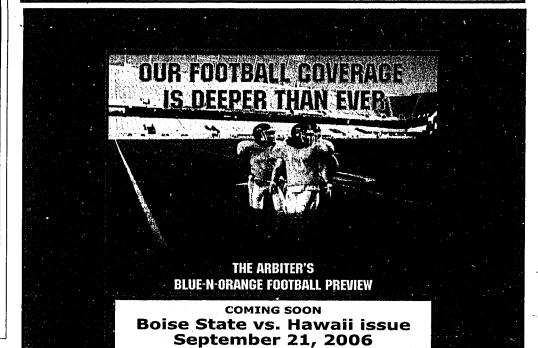
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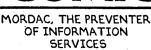
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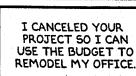


THIS WEEK I TRIED TRIED CLOSING THE TO WORK, BUT POP-POP-UP WINDOWS, UP MESSAGES KEPT BUT THEY JUST KEPT TELLING ME TO UPDATE COMING BACK, THERE MY COMPUTER'S WERE TOO MANY OF



ATTITUDE ABOUT

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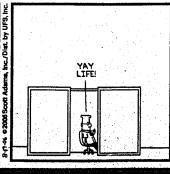
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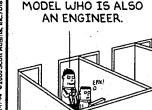
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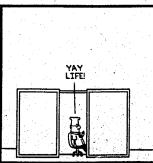




I'M THINKING EITHER YETI OR A BIKINI MODEL WHO IS ALSO AN ENGINEER.



DID GREAT. YOU I SEE **UPGRADE** WHOSE YOUR SIDE SOFT-YOURE WARE?



#### Today's Birthday (09-18-06)

Don't be afraid to explore, this year, the closets of your mind. You'll find a few promises still to keep, and magnificent treasures as well. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

#### Arles (March 21-April 19)

Today is an 8 - You can be very

strict sometimes, and that is a

wonderful thing. Let everybody

know what you're going to do, and then go do it. Taurus (April 20-May 20) Today is a 6 - Staying home is not a punishment. For you, it can be a

lucrative endeavor. A home-based

business, especially now, provides

#### Gemini (May 21-June 21)

great rewards.

Today is a 6 - Figure out what you want to accomplish. That's more than half the battle. With your excellent communication skills, you can get others to go along.

#### Cancer (June 22-July 22)

Today is a 6 - You'd do anything for your family, but that doesn't mean you're crazy. Don't pay retail for something you can get for wholesale.

Today is an 8 - When you start

nosing around into other people's

#### business, they can get a little irritated. Expect that, and proceed, with caution.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today is a 7 - Not knowing what you're talking about tends to make you timid. That doesn't have to happen now, however. Make sure it doesn't.

#### Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today is a 7 \_ It's wonderful to be appreciated, but don't let it go to your head. When you know you're good, it doesn't throw you for a loop when somebody says so. Be cool.

#### Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is a 6 \_ It's always good to

know what's going on behind the scenes. Ask a few of your informant friends to find out for you.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is an 8 - Be cautious, and be well prepared. Even though you're riding the waves well, you're going over a dangerous reef. Wait for the best time.

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#### Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today is a 7 - Conditions are better formaking money than for spending

it now. If you sell something and

have a surplus, put it in the bank.

Stay away from the mall. Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Today is a 7 - The assignment you're undertaking now will require help from others. Draw up

a plan and a schedule, so they'll

#### know what to do. Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Today is a 7 - Enjoy yourself, and you can make a tough job look easy. For you, it is, but it's not for everyone. It's OK to take credit.

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