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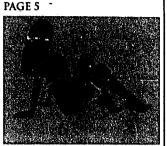
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Democrats take over U.S. Congress, but Idaho is still Idaho

Compiled by Arbiter Staff The races

It's a new day for the American government. The people voted for change in Tuesday's national elections. The Democratic Party took control of the U.S. House of Representatives for the first time since 1994.

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Idaho voters chose to stay the same, electing Republican incumbent from the Second District Mike Simpson and first-term Republican Bill Sali to Idaho's first congressional seats. Although many Idahoans switched party affiliations, the state remained "red" after Tuesday's elections.

The rest of the country had other ideas. The Democratic Party gained at least 29 seats in the house, giving it the simple majority. At press time, Democrats held 229 spots in the House and Republicans held 196 (10 seats were still undecided). For the next two years, Democrats will chair every committee in the House and will elect a speaker. That speaker is almost guaranteed to be Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif. Pelosi would be the first female Speaker of the House in the history of the United States. The Speaker of the House is third in line for the presidency.

Pelosi has said that in the first 100 hours of her speakership she will push for action: implementing all 9/11 Commission recommendations on national security, raising the minimum wage to \$7.25, eliminating corporate subsidies for oil companies, allowing the government to negotiate Medicare drug prices, imposing new restrictions on lobbyists, cutting interest rates on college loans and supporting embryonic stem-cell research. She also plans tax cuts for the middle class, but none for wealthier Americans.

The major concerns for voters Tuesday were the War in Iraq, terrorism in general, social issues and Republican scandals which surfaced in the last two months.

Waves of change rippled through he states of this union. The

is up for election every two years. Senators serve 6-year terms).

Close Senate races won by Democrats surfaced in Missouri (Democrat Claire McCaskill beat incumbent James Talent), Montana (where farmer and former music teacher Jon Tester defeated threeterm Senator Conrad Burns by a few thousand votes) and Virginia (where Jim Webb announced his victory over incumbent George F. Allen: Allen had not conceded at press time, but was trailing by 8,000 votes with 99 percent of votes counted).

Democrats also won Republicanheld seats in Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Ohio.

Neither of Idaho's two U.S. Senate seats was up for election this year.

The Democrats also scored big in gubernatorial races, picking up governorships in six states, while keeping all of their own. The Democrats won key elections for governor in New York, Colorado, Rhode Island and Connecticut.

In Idaho's race for governor, the race to replace' Dirk Kempthorne (who left office to become the U.S. Secretary of the Interior), C.L. "Butch" Otter ran away with the victory over Jerry Brady. Current Governor Jim Risch also won a seat for the Republican Party. Risch will beIdaho's next Lieutenant Governor, a seat he previously held during Kempthorne's administration.

In all, none of the Democratic incumbents in the races for the Senate, the House or the governorship lost Tuesday.

Idaho Statehouse

Despite a 4-1 Republican majority remaining in the Idaho Statehouse, Democrats picked up as many as six seats in urban areas in Idaho Falls and Boise. In northern Idaho, Sen. John Goedde (a Republican from Coeur d'Alene) narrowly defeated Steven Foxx by 192 votes.

Democrat Jerry Shively defeated seven-term Republican Jack Barraclough in Idaho Falls.

In Boise, five Democrats unseated Republican foes, including House Rep. Julie Ellsworth, who is cur-

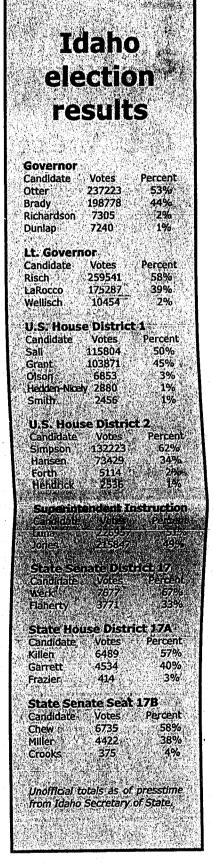
high-profile initiative was in South Dakota, where voters defeated a law that would make almost all abortions illegal, even in cases of rape or incest. The defeat of the law was a victory for pro-choice groups across the country. If the voters of South Dakota had passed the law, lawsuits could have emerged in the state. which could have eventually gone to the U.S. Supreme Court. The Court could then reverse the 1973 Roe v Wade decision, which legalized abortion in America.

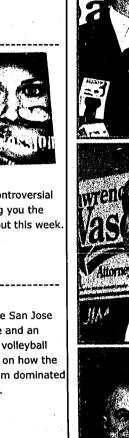
Eight states had ban-same-sexmarriage amendments on their ballots, including Idaho. South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Wisconsin, Colorado and South Dakota all passed the measure. Colorado voters also shot down an amendment which would have allowed domestic partnerships. Only Arizona voters said-no to the ban on same-sex marriage, which still doesn't make it legal.

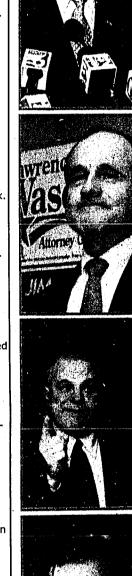
In Boise, citizens voted 53 percent to 47 percent against a measure which would have put a 10 Commandments monument in Julia Davis Park. In Meridian, voters passed a measure to build a new library.

Idaho voters also passed a measure that would put funds received in a 90s lawsuit victory over the tobacco industry into an account to provide constant funding for years to come. Voters also shot down both Proposition 1 and Proposition 2. Prop. 1 would have raised the sales tax in Idaho to six cents to help pay for education in Idaho Schools. Prop. 2 would have broadened the definition of eminent domain when used for economic development, permitting just compensation for regulatory takings.

Arizona, Montana, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio and Colorado (all six states with amendments to raise the minimum wage) passed the amendments. Arizona passed a measure making English the state's official language. It also shot down a measure that would have awarded \$1 million to a random voter.







"Arbiter Sports Talk" where the sports guys yap about male model ball boys and "The Dish" and hear about Britney's break.

WEATHER



MONDAY High: 52F / Low 37F



TUESDAY High: 45F / Low 31F



WEDNESDAY High: 47F / Low 38F

ON CAMPUS

FRIDAY

Tunnel of Oppression. The Boise State Cultural Center presents an interactive experience, which encourages participants to delve into issues that affect the country and world. This year's themes include domestic violence, human trafficking, global AIDS, disabilities and civil rights. Student Union Hatch Ballroom. Friday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SATURDAY

Armchair Football. Student Union Braval Stage. 2:30 p.m. Watch the Boise State Broncos play San Jose State.



HJR 2

Republican Party seemed to lose its moderate voters, who came out in record numbers (for mid-term elections) in some districts.

The Democrats also looked to seize power of the U.S. Senate. The Party needed to gain six seats to take control, while not losing any of their PHOTOS COURTESY own seats up for grabs this elec-IDAHO PRESS TRIBUNE tion. (Only one-third of the Senate

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Proposition 1

rently the Republican caucus chairwoman.

Ballot initiatives

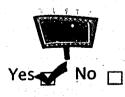
States across the union asked their constituents to vote on a plethora of initiatives regarding the future of same-sex marriages, stem-cell research, abortion and land use rights.

The most controversial and

Colorado and Nevada voters also narrowly defeated measures that would have legalized residents to carry up to an ounce of marijuana. South Dakota citizens also voted against a measure that would have legalized medical marijuana.

Ohio voters declined a measure that would have legalized slot machines in the state.

Advisory vote

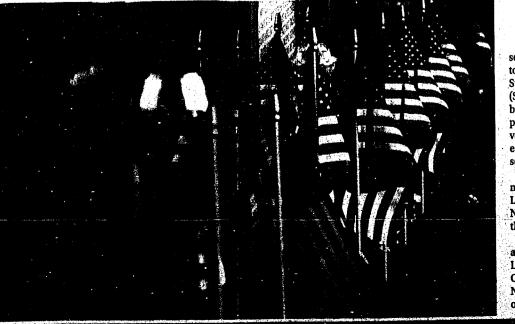




Yes 🗖

Proposition 2

No



BY CASSIE GUTIERREZ News Writer

SJR 107

No No

Boise State University will be presenting a Veterans Day celebration tomorrow, Friday Nov. 10, in the Student Union Special Events Center (SPEC) from noon to 1 p.m. The celebration is free of charge, open to the public and will be held to honor the veterans' contributions and sacrificesthatthey made for freedom and the security of the United States.

During this celebration, keynote speaker Maj. Gen. Lawrence Lafrenze, a leader of the Idaho National Guard, will be speaking on the importance of these veterans.

In addition to Lafrenze's speech, a video message from Idaho Senator Larry Craig will be presented. Craig is a supporter of Idaho's National Guard and a member of the Subcommittee on Military

Construction and Veteran Affairs. Craig has made many contributions to veterans in the past. along with becoming involved in veteran affairs.

One of Craig's contributions to veterans was made in September when he helped Veteran Karl Goesele receive a free computer through the Purple Heart Service Foundation.

not only Boise State is throwing the ceremony for the general public, but for all veterans in the community as well.

Boise State alone has about 400 students, faculty and staff who are veterans.

Special services will be provided, such as refreshments for those who, attend, after the ceremony. Parking will be available in the Student Union visitor lot.

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WORLD

Hussein verdict hailed as a 'milestone' for Iraq, U.S.

Amid celebratory gunfire, the embattled government in Iraq declared Sunday's death sentence for Saddam Hussein as the end of an ugly chapter and an opportunity for the strifetorn country to begin to unify. But purported loyalists to Hussein, who was convicted of crimes against humanity and murder, vowed revenge - and the nation braced itself for a potential new wave of violence.

The Iraqi court's sentence of a hanging death gave President Bush the first opportunity in weeks to speak of a success in Iraq.

"Saddam Hussein's trial is a milestone in the Iraqi people's efforts to replace the rule of a tyrant with the rule of law," he said in Waco, Texas, before launching his final pre-election campaign trip. "It's a major achievement for Iraq's young democracy and its constitutional government."

In Hussein's hometown of Tikrit, residents carried pictures of the former dictator and promised a wave of retaliatory attacks if the former president is killed.

"If our president and his colleagues are executed, rivers of blood will flow," said a 47 year-old grocery store owner who only wanted to be referred to as Abu Ahmed. Sunni politicians complained that Hussein and his seven co-defendants were convicted before an illegitimate court, designed to serve America's interests, not Iraq's.

The Iraqi Special Tribunal sentenced Hussein and two of his codefendants to death in a case, saying that they ordered the execution of 148 people after an unsuccessful assassination attempt against Hussein in Dujail in 1982. As his sentence was read, Saddam initially reverted to his more violent rhetoric. "God is greater," he told Judge Raouf Abdul Rahman repeatedly as the judge read the sentence: Death for murder, 10 years for forcible deportation, 10

"Long live the Iraqi people, damnation for the damned," Hussein told the panel of judges. "You are the servants of the colonizers."

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Hussein faced six charges, including murder and crimes against humanity, and was convicted of all but one of the charges - of enforced disappearance. An automatic appeals process was immediately launched, so Hussein 's hanging could be months away. He also is still being tried for allegedly gassing thousands of Kurds in the late 1980s, and he is scheduled to be back in court Tuesday for the next hearing in that case.

NATIONAL

'Ritual' results in suspension for Florida fraternity

Police called to a University of Central Florida fraternity house two weeks ago found young men crawling on hands and knees, screaming profanely and wearing women's underwear, fairy wings and a diaper.

University police released this account of the incident Thursday, the same day the national headquarters of Sigma Alpha Epsilon suspended the UCF chapter, pending its own investigation of how three men at the house ended up being taken to a hospital.

"After reviewing the police report, we are disturbed," SAE Spokesman Brandon Weghorst said from

that we expect from our members. It goes against everything that Sigma Alpha Epsilon stands for."

UCF already has suspended the chapter from campus activities while it investigates allegations of hazing, alcohol and disorderly conduct. UCF police are conducting an investigation. Hazing is a crime in Florida.

"We take this very seriously," University Spokeswoman Linda Gray said.

Chapter President Dru Dalton said he could not comment Thursday and referred calls to the national fraternity. UCF police responded early Oct. 26 to the on-campus fraternity house, which sports a large gold lion statue out front and purple doors. Officers heard weeping, moaning and "aggressive screaming," according to their report.

When officers entered, they saw seven or eight men wearing bras and women's underpants, one man sobbing on the floor wearing a rainbowcolored wig and a diaper, and all of the men crawling on the floor.

One man wearing a pink tank top, women's underwear and a blond wig lay on the floor vomiting while another participant held his head up, the report states.

Three men were taken to Florida Hospital East Orlando because they

> One day after the midterm elections, President Bush announced that Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld is stepping down. Bush said he plans to nominate Robert Gates, former head of the CIA, to replace Rumsfeld.

Ben Lee

cated, according to authorities. They were released that morning.

LOCAL/BSU

Boise police shoot, kill gunman in parking lot

Boise police shot and killed a 40 year-old man Monday during a standoff with officers in the parking lot of a Fred Meyer store at the intersection of Overland and Five Mile roads. The Ada County Coroner's Office identified the man as Tyler J. Lowrey. Police had been looking for the man earlier that day after his former mother-in-law reported that he had threatened her with a gun.

Boise Police Chief Mike Masterson said nearly 30 officers from Boise and Ada County Sheriff's Offices responded to the scene and talked with Lowrey for about 20 minutes before shots rang out close to 10 a.m. Masterson said Lowrey raised a handgun he was carrying and pointed it in the direction of the police officers, prompting six officers to shoot at him. It had not been determined by Monday afternoon if the suspect's gun had been fired.During a 20-minute conversation before the shooting, reports indicated that Lowrey said multiple times he was "not going back to prison."

A coroner's report found that officers shot the man eight times in the chest, abdomen and extremities. Masterson said police also used less-than-lethal weapons including beanbag shots and a Tazer.

Paramedics provided emergency treatment at the scene for the fallen man moments after the shots rang out. Lowrey was then taken to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, where he died at about 10:30 a.m.

Courtesy of Idaho Press Tribune

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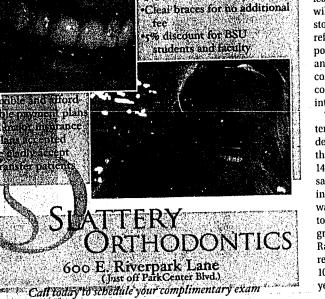
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An employee of a pizza place in Coralville, Iowa, accidentally left his marijuana stash in the bank bag when he dropped the day's receipts in the night deposit box of the local bank. He was arrested.

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NEWS

Micron Technology sponsors photo and video contest

BY MARTEE ORTIZ **News Writer**

DrexelUniversityinPennsylvania and Boise State University will enter the Micron Mobile Theater Contest.

Twenty students from both universities will cross swords, or rather camera phones, for cash prizes, and perhaps most exciting of all, an allexpense-paid trip to the Spanish city of Barcelona.

competition, This sponsored by Micron Technology Inc., intends to display the capability of the latest camera phones' photography.

The competing students reside in Keiser Hall of the College of Business and Economics residential college. These students also operate Dawson's 4.0 coffee shop, which is located in the Multipurpose Classroom Building lobby.

Each university has five teams of four students who will attempt to seize the remarkable, the innovative and the compelling in continuous video and single pictures. Micron makes this possible by having designed the memory and image sensors. Micron will provide four phones to each team: a VGA, a 1.3-megapixel, a two-megapixel and a three-megapixel. All 20 team members must take one still image and one video clip with their phones.

"What we really have to capture is real-life events and just use creativity," said Boise State student Jessica Korsen. Micron equiped Korsen



with an LG800.

"It's the new version of White Chocolate," Korsen said, "We don't exactly have any guidelines." LG has not made this phone avail-

able on the United States market. In fact, Jessica must use an adapter to charge her phone in the standard outlet.

"We've had [the phones] for two

weeks, and we have two weeks left. We're halfway through the competition, and this is the point where people are getting stressed out," Korsen said.

Students experience new technology as they participate in a photo/video contest with their phones.

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"Popular editor of The Photography and Imaging" magazine, a professional photographer and a Micron imaging executive will judge the students' photos and videos. The winning team will display their first prize entries in Barcelona, Feb. 13-17 at the 3GSM World Conference.

Each member will also receive \$1.250.

"They'll also get a chance to experience some new technology," Paul Bahnson, chair of the Accountancy Department and faculty in residence at the COBE residential college, said.

As far as Micron goes, "It provides a unique opportunity to see how our technology is impacting camera phones," Micron staff member Kristin Bordner said.

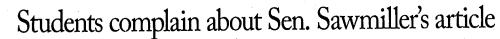
"Micron is the leader in camera phones ... we have the top phones on the market. The most popular phone on the market has our technology in it," she said.

Micron will continue to strive for excellence. This competition will benefit both students and Micron.

"We are encouraging these students to use their imagination and creativity to maximize the mobile imaging innovations designed into today's camera phones," Vice President of Micron's imaging group Bob Gove said.

"As the camera phone imaging leader, we are advancing the picture quality of today's camera-equipped mobile phones.

"While the contest is designed to demonstrate the photographic and video capabilities of today's mobile phones, it also provides a unique perspective to how our technology impacts camera phone imaging," Grove said.



BY BARRY FRANKLIN News Writer

Of the 36 available seats in the Forum, only one was left vacant for the Associated Students of Boise State University's meeting on Tuesday.

Students representing minorities, representatives from the ASBSU executive branch, ASBSU advisors and Provost Sona Andrews filled the forum. Most of the people present were there in response to an article written by Sen. Jonathan Sawmiller.

Sawmiller is not only a senator on ASBSU, but also an opinion writer for The Arbiter.

The article, "Protect marriage from violence - vote yes on HJR2," focused on the marriage amendment, which passed in Tuesday's election. HJR2 added, "A marriage between a man and a woman is the only domestic legal union that shall be valid or recognized in this state," to the Idaho constitution.

Newbold addressed the senate not as ASBSU press secretary but as a student. Newbold had issues with what he felt was an undercurrent of hate emanating from Sawmiller's article. He said the article did nothing for the cohesiveness of students at Boise State.

"[This article] does nothing to allow people to speak freely. What I take issue with is the way with which this article was written," Newbold said.

The Senate then opened comments to the gallery. Senate Pro tem Amy Ortmann laid down ground rules for each speaker from the gallery. In order to maintain a level of respect, each comment could only last two minutes, no single person could be accused of anything and there would be no applause.

Each senate guest and all whom commented from the gallery were respectful of Ortmann's rules, but their questions were still self-evident in whose direction they were

Senate? I ask him to choose one or the other," Howard said.

Kate Neal, a student working for the Cultural Center, reminded Sawmiller that he should know where he is getting his information from and make sure it is right.

"You're writing as a senator who represents a population of the campus and I don't think you represent me," Neal said.

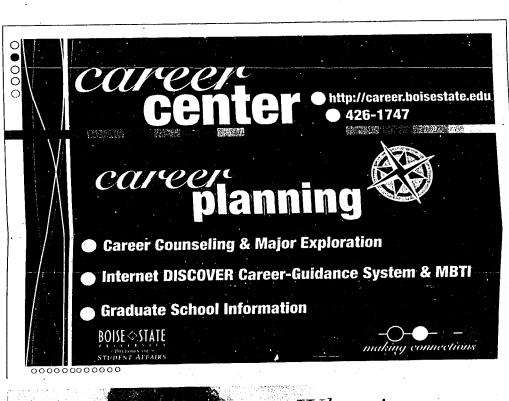
Sawmiller was unable to respond to the two senate guests or gallery comments during the meeting.

Afterward, he said he wanted readers to know he wrote the article not as a senator but as an opinion writer. Sawmiller said he felt the people

who called him intolerant were intolerant of him.

"I don't think I should be forced to quit my internship [with The Arbiter]," Sawmiller said. "I ran on a platform for conservative students. I shouldn't have to stop because a segment of the student population thinks I should."

Ortmann thought the central



In the article, Sawmiller focused on "Intimate partner violence." He drew a statistical connection between same-sex marriages and intimate partner violence by citing a Bureau of Justice Statistics Special Report.

"Do we really want to legalize adoption into violent, suicidal, abusive homes?" Sawmiller wrote.

The first to respond were two senate guests, Deni Mcleod and Taylor Newbold. Mcleod pointed out the responsibility that comes with free speech. She mentioned an incident in Wyoming in which a gay teen was killed, and Rwanda where people have to hide in fear.

"Remember that as long as we allow hate, we are no longer practicing the ideals of free speech," Mcleod said.

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pointed. BSU student Rodney Curley spent time in California. His background induced surprise when he read Sawmiller's article. He said civility

was lacking at BSU. "Think about who you're representing and what your job is. I can pick up The Arbiter anytime and all we're arguing about [are] the same semantics," Curley said.

Woody Howard, president of BSU's chapter of BGLAD, called Sawmiller's source into question.

After doing his own research, he found errors in the study and asked him to be more carful about where he obtains his information from and how he uses it.

"How can this individual reconcile his way of reporting to the

sue was the discussion the article created. She saw people who were open and willing to discuss what they felt.

"At the end of the day it's my responsibility to represent students and their concerns," Ortmann said.

She wants everyone to feel welcome to attend the senate meetings and to speak their minds. She hopes all senators feel this way.

"People need to realize that Ionathan Sawmiller's opinion is his own and not the senators'," Ortmann said. "I don't have to accept it, we all have a right to our own opinion."

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10/26/06 - Theft - Sunglasses were taken from a table in the library. Report taken

10/26/06 - Hit and Run - Suspect hit a car while trying to park. Report taken and citation issued.

10/27/06 - Trespassing - Subject was cited for trespassing at the University Square Apartments. Report taken, citation issued.

10/27/06 - Suspicious circumstances - Females were offered cigarettes that were possibly drugged. Report taken.

10/31/06 - Harassment - Unknown suspect called and left an offensively-worded message on a student's cell phone, referring to her parking abilities. Report taken.

11/1/06 - Grand Theft - Woman stole

money from her boyfriend at a residence on Joyce Street. Report taken.

Trespassing/Resisting and 11/1/06 Obstructing – Suspect was being dis-ruptive to officers while they were dealing with a fight at the Bronco Stadium. Report taken.

11/2/06 - Theft - A purse left in an un-locked locker at the Recreation Center was stolen. Report taken.

11/2/06 - Bike Theft - an unsecured bicycle was taken from the Taco Bell Arena parking lot. Report taken.

11/3/06 - Burglary - Unknown suspect(s) entered a residence on Oakland Street and stole a mini bike and tools. Report taken.

11/4/06 - Hit and Run - A vehicle struck another vehicle at University and Capitol and left the scene. Report taken

11/4/06 - Grand Theft - Two laptop computers were stolen from a residence on Grant Street. Report taken.







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The way we see it ... If you're aggravated, write about it!

The Arbiter produces or covers one firestorm of controversy after another. Whether it's an edgy map of the Boise State campus or a controversial opinion piece, the content of our student paper is notoriously provocative. If you are moved by something on our pages, jump into the fray and share your opinion.

The editorial staff at The Arbiter is committed to delivering a balanced perspective. Essential to that balance is the general participation of the university community. While we fancy ourselves as a somewhat representative sample of the student body, we can't anticipate the thoughts and concerns of every individual on campus.

That is where you come in. Without your contribution, we all miss out on a potential learning experience. Unfortunately, those students seriously irked by our content, writers and guests usually pursue one of three less-effective avenues to vent and opine:

First, you have the dorm-room soapboxers. They come home every Monday and Thursday, Arbiter in-hand, casting all manner of criticism upon the Neanderthals writing for the student newspaper. They are well versed in the most-vile prose imaginable, transforming the crude trade of insult into a fine art.

The second option is the student Senate, preferred by those holed-up in the Student Union. This is a particularly attractive option when Arbiter staff writers happen to work for student government. These critics generally pile into The Forum for a chance to tongue-lash the menacing culprit. While the criticism is therapeutic, the audience of such demonstrations includes little more than a small band of complacent senators, the proverbial "choir."

Finally, many students say nothing at all. Rage is bottled up, stashed in the inactive stores of central nervous systems. These people are like powder kegs waiting to explode on any unsuspecting Arbiter employee whom crosses them at the wrong moment.

The preceding approaches are means of expressing your constitutional right to free speech, but are aimed at the wrong audience.

The rational and effective response to an offensive (or commendable) article is to respond in the editorial pages of The Arbiter from whence the article originated. Why respond to an article read by an audience in excess of 18,000 people by lamenting to a small crowd of generally uninterested and apathetic peers? Raise your sights a little. Get the word out. Lets us be your bully pulpit. We always accept guest opinions and letters to the editor. We always will. We are open to all criticism and all angles of opinion from all sources willing to get up and exercise their right. Twice a week we exercise the freedom of the press; our pages are open for you to do the same. If you have something to say, say it from the source, be the source, be the Americans you are. Get writing.

Arbiter football ad oppresses women and offends all

BY DAN SCOTT Guest Opinion

While browsing through the last issue of The Arbiter I encountered the image of a woman in silhouette, which seemed shockingly out of place.

I checked myself to make sure that I was seeing what I thought I was seeing,

I considered the implied point of view and found that the horizon line for the depicted subject was at the bottom of the rib cage.

This meant that the implied position of the viewer was either crawling on the ground or, more likely, the subject is elevated on a stage or platform.

I then considered the narrative aspects of the subject. The only indication of clothing is a pair of stiletto heeled shoes. The subject seems to be arching her back. The subject's legs are either spread or, as was suggested by the editor, crossed. What then am I, the viewer, meant to

know about this woman? Perhaps that she is a woman who is

young, fit, desirable and sexually available; is she there for my pleasure? Is she the filter through which I am meant to understand the relationship of sports to the university?

What I feel when I look at this image is that The Arbiter and, by extension the University, does not understand the way that words and images form ideas. I am very invested in the students that I teach at Boise State, in their progress and in their welfare.

This type of depiction of women attacks my students and it attacks the content of the courses that I teach.

I am outraged for my students, both male and female. I am offended for my friends and colleagues who are oppressed by imagery like this, which is counter to the University's Anti-Harassment Policy.

I am also offended for myself and the position of culpability that is assumed because I am a man and am therefore the target audience.

This is an image of a woman who is trading on her body. This is an image of woman as object, as plaything, as victim, as property.

Is it truly the intention of The Arbiter to communicate that view?

Is The Arbiter really serving the University and its female students by demeaning them? Does The Arbiter have so little faith in its sports writ-



ing that it needs to support it with this twisted view of women?

The words of BSU President Bob Kustra, in a letter to employees describing efforts to build an appropriate atmosphere on campus, seem particularly relevant here:

"Attitudes of condescension, hostility, role stereotyping and sexual innuendoes are counter to these efforts."

This image sits below a caption,

which reads, "The Arbiter's football coverage is looking better than ever." Frankly, this is not a new and improved "look"; it is old, tired and oppresses us all.

The perpetuation of this view of women is unworthy of this institution.

Dan Scott is an Assistant Professor at Boise State

Sen. Sawmiller is a champion of free speech

BY DALLIN WELSH Guest Opinion

Along with dozens of other students, I attended last Tuesday's Associated Students of Boise State University Senate meeting.

Normally, Senate meetings are devoid of visitors, but Tuesday's meeting was packed, and apparently all because of a newspaper article that appeared in The Arbiter.

The article, entitled "Protect marriage from violence - vote yes on HJR2" was written by Jonathan Sawmiller, who also happens to be an ASBSU Senator. I read the opinion article, which sat directly across the page from an article opposing HJR2, and thought it was great that The Arbiter was presenting opinions on both sides of the issue.

My sentiments weren't shared by the group of students who filled the left side of the Forum. One after another, they stood up to attack Sen. Sawmiller and the newspaper article he wrote. One student, Kate Neal, who identified herself as an employee of the Cultural Center, claimed that Sawmiller's plea for students to vote yes on HJR2 constituted hate speech.

Hate speech?

Asking students to vote yes on a ballot initiative is hate speech? Political speech is one of the most valuable and protected forms of free speech, a concept that some students can't seem to grasp.

Another student, Deni McLeod, spoke on free speech, and the limitations she believed it should have. According to her, newspaper articles such as this shouldn't be printed because they lead to violence.

She even claimed "free speech killed six million Jews."

Excuse me?

I thought a guy named Adolf Hitler who stomped on free speech and propagandized and controlled German media was the one who killed the Jews. At any rate, the idea that voting yes on HJR2 is comparable to the Holocaust is ludicrous.

My favorite quote of the night, though, was from Taylor Newbold, a student who also works for ASBSU.

"This article, and Sen. Sawmiller, demonstrated intolerance towards marginalized people. We can't tolerate this at BSU," Newbold said.

We can't tolerate someone's views

because we think they're intolerant? Wait a minute. Wouldn't that be ... intolerant?

It was apparent that the crowd which showed up to bash Senator Sawmiller has a serious problem with intellectual diversity.

I was disappointed that some students think free speech means student government should shut down opinion writers who write articles that some say don't support "diversity."

Personally, I'm glad that Sawmiller has the balls to write what he believes and The Arbiter has the fortitude to publish both sides of public policy debates. That's true diversity and freedom of speech.

> Dallin Welsh is a student at Boise State

How about some new classrooms to go with that stadium?

BY BARRY C. LEWIS

Jack Best directed the Boise Junior College Band during its performance at the Potato Bowl in Bakersfield. That was

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, Troy Sawyer, business manager; Heather English, production manager; Dustin Lapray, managing editor; Brandon Stoker, opinion editor; Harsh Mantri, online editor; and Sheree Whiteley, lead copy editor.

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Opinion Writer

This morning at the breakfast table I wrote out a check for \$12 million.

The dog just stared at me as if to say, that's the beef, where's the bacon?

I don't have \$12 million, of course. I just wanted to see how it would feel being a big donor to the academic end of campus, the end opposite Bronco Stadium, the end where nursing and biology and psychology students get the pleasure of studying human anatomy and physiology with tissue slides labeled "BJC."

That stands for Boise Junior College, which hasn't existed for 41 years.

If 40-year-old slides are good enough for Boise State biology lab students, then 40-year-old helmets and cleats are good enough for the football team.

I hope those slides weren't new when

Correction:

College Band during its performance at the Potato Bowl in Bakersfield. That was 1949. I say let's have our Broncos line up against the Vandals this weekend decked out in BJC football gear. Unsafe for the players, you say? Embarrassing and humiliating, you say?

Of course. The university's regular national television exposure via the football program cannot be jedpardized by having the team seen in 40-year-old gear.

Not true, apparently, for nursing and biology students who squint away day after day in non-televised lab sessions with microscopes trained on tissue slides that often resemble nothing in their modern textbooks.

Don't misunderstand. I'm a lifelong football fan and know from previous college experience what tremendous value the entire university gains from But the 40-year-old BJC tissue slides remain, up in the lab, stored next to the plastic organ models that are either missing organs or study keys correctly identifying the parts.

Fortunately, penniless whiners like me take the backseat to people like Duane and Lori Stueckle of Boise.

They helped lead off fundraising efforts for the Caven-Williams Indoor Athletic Facility.

Last year the Stueckles made possible a Dean's Distinguished Professor award in the Department of Biology.

Now they have given Boise State over \$1.5 million for a new endowed chair in the same department, providing what the news release called "annual support for...research and teaching with biomedical applications, particularly Also this month came a "significant contribution" from 100-year-old Vera Marie Morrow to her late daughter Sara Evelyn Morrow's Nursing Scholarship at Boise State.

Money is coming in to the end of campus opposite the football stadium (where a \$90 million expansion begins next year). I want more, so thousands of students can have effective education experiences in addition to great football games. Perhaps the infamously famous Linda Hopkins Shapiro—better known as Tera Patrick, of the adult entertainment business—could step up.

She briefly studied for a nursing degree at BSU some years ago.

Surely she's closer to being able to write a good \$12 million donation check than me.

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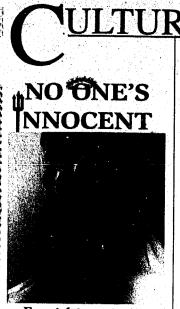
In the Oct.19 issue of The Arbiter, Peter Mundt wrote a guest opinion. He was misquoted as being a student at Boise State University, but he is actually a resident of Boise and not a student.

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Even job interviewees BY HADLEY RUSH **Culture Columnist**

As the second semester of school pokes its stress-ridden head around the corner, graduation becomes more real to many students. Accompanying that graduation is the inevitable job search. And unless you're happily-jobless, living on student loans and nigiri sushi instead of working between classes and scrounging couch change for a Tuna Helper dinner, you've probably had to endure a pit-soaking, nerve-racking job interview.

As BSU students begin fittings for their caps and gowns and compile resumes for the real world, keep in mind how easy it is to self-sabotage away the perfect job.

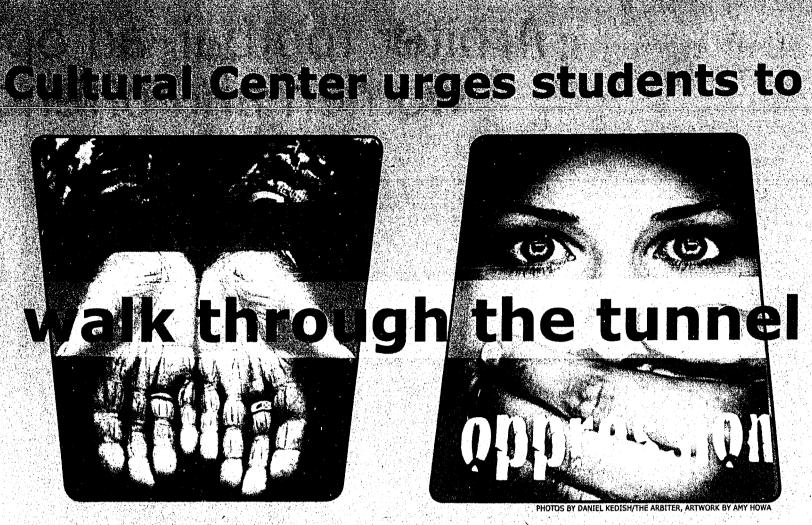
It could take something as miniscule as the inadvertent voice quiver, an uninformed comment, or something more dire - something like the following.

1. One early morning, after a potential employee arrived for an interview at a prestigious company, she asked to make a quick phone call from the hiring manager's office phone. As she sat across the desk from the hiring manager, the job seeker dialed a number, then began a faux coughing-fit and proceeded to call in sick to her current boss.

2. After looking over what seemed to be a promising applicant, one hiring manager called to set an interview date. When the applicant didn't answer, she left a message asking him to bring a copy of his resume, a cover letter and four references. He called back later to say he couldn't coordinate a date when all four references could come.

3. After a prospective employee's drug screen came back positive, the company called to inform the drugenthusiasthe, quite obviously, didn't qualify for the position. The man responded, "I smoked pot three weeks ago at a party. I didn't think it would show, but now it should be OK. Can I take it again?"

4. One day a man entered an establishment and asked to fill out an application. After he left, the hiring manager read over his responses. When he reached the part that



Cultural Center Coordinator Ro Parker described the "Tunnel of Oppression" as "an interactive exhibit" modeled after the Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles and the Holocaust Museum in Washington D.C. The tunnel will be exibited Friday and Saturday in the Student Union Building. Themes are set to include domestic violence, HIV/AIDS, human trafficking, civil rights and disabilities.

BY FRANCY MARCOTTE **Culture Writer**

The Student Union Building will be the site of a new exhibit later this week. However, it won't be any ordinary, walkthrough display. Instead, guides will lead people through a tunnel.

On Friday, Nov. 10 and Saturday, Nov. 11, the Boise State University Cultural Center will host the "Tunnel of Oppression" in the Student Union Hatch Ballroom. The free event will take place from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.

The Cultural Center co-sponsors the event with the Martin Luther King Jr./ Human Rights Celebration Committee and Gender Studies Program at BSU.

This is the exhibit's second year at the **BSU** campus.

Cultural Center Coordinator Ro Parker described the "Tunnel of Oppression" as "an interactive exhibit" modeled after the Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles and the Holocaust Museum in Washington D.C. It first appeared at Western Illinois University in the 1990s and later spread to other campuses. The exhibit's purpose is to raise public awareness about different types of oppression in society.

"We really want to showcase how helpless people feel when they are oppressed," Parker said, "We want participants to know what it feels like to walk a mile in someone else's shoes.'

Parker said that five themes are picked for the exhibit each year. Students select the themes while faculty help develop them for the exhibit. This year, the "Tunnel of Oppression" will highlight domestic violence, human trafficking, HIV/ AIDS, civil rights and disabilities.

The Cultural Center's Website said these themes will be presented to participants through guided tours. Parker also said an art gallery called "Faces of Oppression" and a social justice fair will be open to attendees. The social justice fair will inform attendees how they can get involved and fight oppression.

Furthermore, Parker explained that counselors will be available to speak with participants about the exhibit's subject matter. She said it will help participants cope with and acquire a better understanding of the injustices shown.

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"I think we get desensitized to these issues," Parker said. She also said sometimes people don't realize the severity of different forms of injustice unless they feel like they are in those situations.

Parker encourages people interested in viewing the "Tunnel of Oppression" to register for a tour in advance. The Cultural Center's Website offers a registration form at http:// culturalcenter.boisestate.edu/tunnel.

Parker also said participants should arrive 15 minutes before their tour to read and sign a consent form.

For more information on the "Tunnel of Oppression," check out the Cultural Center's Website: http://culturalcenter. boisestate.edu, or contact the Cultural Center at 426-5950.

'Borat' creates new meaning for comedy

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BY MATTHEW BOYLE **Culture Writer**

Borat Sagdiyev (Sacha Baron passed away. Cohen) er, is sent on a mission to America by the Kazakh government to learn better ways to do things for his country. Azamat (Ken Davitian), Borat's producer, goes along with Borat on the journey to America.

The next day at the hotel Borat receives a telegraph from his old town, reporting that his wife has

time, a gay pride parade is happening. Borat brings two gay men back to his hotel room, which leads the audience to throngs of laughter.



asked if the man had ever committed a crime, he'd written, "Yes. A Mr. Mean-er.'

5. During an interview that had gotten off to a rather promising start, the interviewer asked the jobcandidate if there was anything in particular he didn't like to do. The interviewer, of course, expected the man to give an answer relating to the computer software programming position for which he was applying. After a long pause and a head scratch he answered, "I don't like to clean my bathtub."

6. Upon viewing some applications for a warehouse-assistant position, an employer came upon a somewhat bizarre answer. Under the section that inquired of the applicant's ethnic race, the box "other" was checked. Handwritten next to it, "human" was written.

7. While an employer was in the middle of a telephone conversation with an applicant's reference he heard an odd sound in the background. After a few moments, the interviewer realized it was the familiar and obvious sound of someone using the bathroom. And number two, at that.

8. During the interview process for a sales representative position, an employer asked the man if he had any weaknesses. Without missing a beat, the man answered matter-of-factly, "Yes, I'm allergic to kryptonite."

9. In the midst of an interview, a bald-interviewee excused himself to go to the restroom. He returned moments later, wearing a hairpiece. 10. After a potential employer began asking an applicant some generic interview questions, the interviewee asked if she could call her therapist for advice on how to answer the interview questions.

Job interviewees are not innocent.

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No one is innocent.

Borat is introduced to the audience in his village in Kazakhstan, preparing to leave for his trip to America.

It is here that we learn of his hatred of lews and his ignorance of female intelligence, which are the. focus of the entire movie.

Upon arriving in New York City, Borat finds a tree in a park to release a bowel movement on. Revolting as this may be, Borat further disgusts audiences later in the scene by masturbating in front of a shop window.

In his hotel room, he eventually figures out how to use the television with the help of the bellman. He finds the show "Baywatch," starring Pamela Anderson as C.J. He watches the show all night, resulting in a new found love for Pamela Anderson.

His reaction is slightly different than how most men would react upon hearing of the death of their wife: he rejoices and gives the man with the telegraph a high-five.

Now that his wife is out of the way, he can pursue the new-woman of his dreams: Pamela Anderson.

Borat convinces Azamat to go on a crosscountry journey to California, in order to find Anderson.

Before they can embark on their journey, Borat needs to take driver's education. During the certification process, Borat decides to take out his flask and try to drink before the instructor takes it from him, explaining that drinking and driving is illegal.

After buying his new car (a used ice cream truck), that according the dealer is a chick magnet, he and Azamat commence on their journey across America.

Many different cultural settings have been set up for Borat along the way.

The first place they stop at is Washington D.C. where, at the

Another instance of this cultural confusion occurs in the deep South where he is invited to a dinner with upper class white people and invites a large, black prostitute to dinner as his guest.

Borat also sings the Kazakhstan national anthem to the tune of the American national anthem at a rodeo in Texas after he inadvertently rallies the entire audience for the war on terror and in Iraq.

The most grotesquely funny part of the movie occurs when Azamat is found pleasuring himself to a "Baywatch" magazine by Borat.

Borat finds this appalling and the two men fight in the hotel, completely naked.

Azamat's overweight nudeness revolts audiences, and the only censorship during the fight is a little black box over the genitalia of Azamat and Borat.

Borat finally finds his way to California, only to be disappointed by Pamela's reaction to him.

The film portrays a clever emand actions of a simple, ignorant barrassment of both Arabs and Middle Easterner. The film is a Americans through the mouth must-see as it shows the modern



Borat,' starring Sacha Baron Cohen, takes audiences on a journey from Kazakhstan to America with clever, grotesque humor.



prejudices between the Middle East and America in a clever, funny way, with some grotesque humor.

Going without monthly 'curse' just a pill away

BY ELLEN WARREN

Chicago Tribune

Little girls can't wait to grow up. We mess around with lipstick and makeup as soon as we're big enough to root through Mommy's purse.

Our birthday money goes to lip gloss and nail polish. Twenty different shades of pink, and we can tell you the official name of each and every one.

And then we are "a woman" and spend the rest of our lives trying to recapture fragments of our girlhood.

Some of these efforts can be expensive (face-lifts, a younger man) and others not terribly effective (more makeup).

But until recently, there was one aspect of femaleness that we were taught we could do nothing about, that irksome monthly matter at the very core of womanhood.

There are good reasons our mothers and grandmothers called this physical phenomenon "the curse." That monthly period was the price we paid for our double X chromosomes. Pregnancy and (sometimes) its corollary (breast feeding)

of products to tinker with our hormonal makeup.

Take Seasonale, Barr Pharmaceutical's heavily marketed and expensive (more than \$650 a year) daily birth control pill that promises to cut down the customary monthly period to only four a year.

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It's just one of several different prescription drugs now or soon available to tamper with what we thought was our inevitable female plight.

The Food and Drug Administration is likely to soon OK another daily oral contraceptive, Wyeth's Lybrel, that allows users to stop periods altogether while taking the pill.

Doctors don't agree on whether these period-suppression drugs are a good thing or not. Women aren't sure. either.

But at least there are choices

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where before there were none.

Now women get to decide for themselves if they'll go with the flow.

The pill is the most popular form of birth control (30.6 percent), followed by tubal sterilization (27 percent), condom use (18 percent), vasectomy (9.2 percent) and injectible contraceptives (5.3 percent).

Among users of the pill, the effectiveness rate is 92 percent, meaning eight out of 100 women taking it for a year will become pregnant. Source: the MAYO clinic.

were the only methods of putting a stop to the rhythms of nature every 28 days or so. Now comes a whole new array

Internships: the diploma is the paycheck

BY JULIA C. ARREDONDO **Culture Writer**

Graduation is near, so near we can almost taste it.

Careers await us in hospitals, schools, publishing houses and newsrooms.

before But we finstudies, before ish our we receive that degree - the biggest paycheck we'll ever earn - many of us have to complete internships.

Internship.

The word can sound scary to a freshman or a sophomore, maybe even to a junior, but to a senior working hard on his or her last semester, it can sound terrifying.

The pressures of stress, work, class and deadlines aren't new; but yet, somehow an internship is different.

It's a job.

A job that's supposed to help us prepare, and finding one can be as hard as MATH25 or as easy as a walk through the Quad (especially if you've been networking throughout your college career).

For senior Crystal Young, finding her internship at the Cultural Center was surprisingly easy.

She received an e-mail from a friend letting her know about the position.

On the last day applications were due, she got hers in and was hired for the position of marketing promotions intern.

She was assigned to the center's newsletter. She is majoring in English with a writing emphasis. Right before the fall semester began, Young and 14 others from the Cultural Center set off for a threeday retreat to McCall.

The retreat was a chance for meaningful conversations and discussions between people with different perspectives. It was an opportunity to be "honest, open" Young said. "[We] truly connected."

Boise State has close to 700 interns enrolled every academic semester.

The Career Center is the administrative portion of each department's internships.

Usually there are several internship positions posted on BroncoJobs.

There you can find basic information like what the position is, where it's located and if it's a paid position. Hoping that you land the right one can be somewhat strenuous — but do not despair, you will find one.

the kids with her and her irrespon-

sible nephew (Gael Garcia Bernal)

to her son's wedding south of the

border. It's a bad decision, and what

follows is as harrowing for the chil-

dren as what's happening to their

The third of the "Babel" stories

takes us to Tokyo, into the lives of

a deaf teenage girl (Rinko Kikuchi)

and her widowed father (Koji

Yakusho), the original owner of the

rifle, which U.S. and Moroccan of-

ficials think may have been used in

This section is not about the fall-

out of the shooting, but of the ear-

lier suicide of the businessman's

wife and his relationship with his

troubled (and doubly silent) daugh-

ter. While this is the most intimate

parents in Morocco.

an act of terrorism.

In the English Department, there are 44 students filling 104 internships this semester alone.

That is 5,200 hours of internship work, and is equivalent to someone working full-time, 52 weeks a year, no vacation or sick days, for 2.5 years, according to Roger Munger, the internship coordinator for the English Department. Young is one of those students.

On the second floor of the Student Union Building in the corner of the Cultural Center, is the office Young shares with four other people. She's there between ten and fifteen hours every week and does not get paid.

However, Young will be staying on and continue to work until the end of the year, even though she will complete her 150 hours of work for three credits before the semester is over.

Young said that the internship has been a good experience for her. It's been different from her old job, where communication and interacting with co-workers did not play a major role.

The incredible flexibility with her schedule has been one of her favorite things. Anything to lessen the pressure during a final semester is always welcomed.

Part of her job requires interviewing and talking with individuals whom she features in the newsletter.

"It's sink or swim," she said about having to keep up with all of it, but she's doing fine.

So are a lot of other BSU interns working diligently and harder than they ever have in the past - just to get their hand on that future paycheck.

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'Babel' triggers international interest



BY JACK MATHEWS New York Daily News

A shot rings out in the arid mountains of Morocco and the bullet rips into the lives of the shooter, his family, his victim, her family, a Mexican nanny in San Diego and a deaf teenager and her widowed father in Tokyo.

Oh, and it triggers an international crisis.

Welcome to "Babel" and the riveting, roundabout world of director Alejandro Mexican Gonzalez Inarritu and his brilliant screenwriting countryman, Guillermo Arriaga.

Following their collaborations on "Amores Perros" and "21 Grams" - both of which told overlapping, time-scrambled stories of people connected by a single event -"Babel" completes what they might call their trilogy of chance.

The focus of "Babel," as the title implies, is the communication trouble between people speaking different languages, and six languages are spoken here. Like the first two films, the triggering incident involves a vehicle - this one a tour bus winding its way through the dusty roads of Morocco.

Among the tourists inside are Richard (Brad Pitt) and Susan (Cate Blanchett), a San Diego couple who have taken a holiday to shore up their strained marriage.

The bullet that changes the subject fired by a young Berber shepherd boy testing the range of his father's new high-powered rifle tears through Susan's left shoulder. While the boy and his older brother scramble into the hills, frightened, Richard frantically tries to find help for his wife.

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Back in San Diego, their chilof the film's three parts, it doesn't so dren's stranded nanny, Amelia much intertwine with the others as (Adriana Barraza), decides to take distract us from them.

"Babel" is nonetheless a powerful movie that should win all the year's ensemble acting awards. Pitt has never done better dramatic work. Blanchett is as convincing as always, and in introducing themselves to American audiences veteran Mexican actress Barraza and Japan's Kikuchi are revelations.

But the greatest marvel of "Babel" may be the performances Gonzalez Inarritu got from Elle Fanning (younger sister of Dakota Fanning) and Nathan Gamble. You will never see more authentic looks of fear in the faces and body language of small children than when Debbie and Mike are lost in the desert with their panic-stricken nanny.

That is, you hope you will never see such fear.



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Shopping without cash: the back alley way

BY JULIA C. ARREDONDO **Culture Writer**

Last summer Rod's friend Tracy moved into a two-bedroom apartment close to Boise State. The first time Rod_visited only the most basic pieces furnished the rooms: a couch, a coffee table and some beds.

This type of setup is typical of most college students moving out of the dorms and into an owned or leased home. For the first time there just isn't enough "stuff" to fill up all the open space.

apartments don't However, stay that bare forever. Eventually the walls are filled with art, the shelves with meaningful knick-knacks and the kitchen with appliances.

Every time Rod visited Tracy at her apartment he noticed a few new items. Tasteful artwork now adorned the walls, shelves were thematically decorated and suddenly an end table was available to put his beer on.

The apartment seemed to eventually look more and more a real home. He knew from experience how expensive household and decorative items could be. Tracy was working as a server in a chain restaurant and barely making ends meet.

The apartment, Rod realized, was decorated in a much nicer fashion than his own and this phenomenon had occured in a much shorter amount of time than it had taken him to acquire all his belong-

"Do you like what I've done with the place?" she asked him. Jealously he admitted that he did. It was then that she attributed her success to "alley shopping." She

explained to Rod how alley shopping was not "Dumpster diving" - not at all. Alley shopping is a hobby, not a lifestyle. To Tracy alley shopping eventually became a fun errand - like going to the mall - but with a bottomless pocket of cash.

She invited Rod to join on the next shopping trip. At first Rod was reluctant, walking through neighborhood alleys and going through other people's trash didn't sound very enticing. But he really needed a vacuum and couldn't afford a new one.

On trash pick-up day they went to the North End, which was one of Tracy's favorite spots.

Tracy knew the pick up days and times for her favorite neighborhoods. There were four other people there besides Tracy and Rod that were going to participate in the spree.

They split into pairs and Rod and Tracy paired off together. His skeptical shopping list contained only one thing: a vacuum cleaner.

He recalled his surprise at finding one so fast: "Seriously, within like half an hour ... and there was this vacuum cleaner." [There's] gotta be something wrong with it, he thought. But then he thought longer. If there was something wrong with it he could probably fix it.

"I felt kinda stupid walking through the North End with a vacuum cleaner," he said. But when he got it home that afternoon — along with a couple of house plants he picked up - it worked. All it needed was a wipe down and vacuum bags he bought at Wal-Mart for just \$2.

Since then he's acquired a bright red lamp that resembles the Chiquita Banana icon's hat and a black leather loveseat that had a small tear in the armrest (which he fixed with black electric tape).

Now his "eclectically" themed apartment - where most everything is recycled-makes visitors reconsider the meaning of the term "used."

"At the very least it's a great way to furnish and decorate your apartment when you're strapped for cash," he said.

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Stranger Than Fiction Emma Thompson plays Kay Eiffel, a prominent novelist who is experiencing a bit of a dilemma.

How will she kill off the main character, Harold Crick, in her unfinished novel?

While she spends hours in herapartment writing her novel, it appears that she is simultaneously narrating the life of a real person named Harold Crick, played by Will Farrell.

Audiences follow Crick on his journey to find Eiffel and save his life.

Dustin Hoffman, Queen Latifah and Maggie Gyllenhaal co-star in this hilarious comedy.

The Return

The queen of horror films (Sarah Michelle Gellar) returns to the big screen in the

Gellar plays a business woman who begins having dreams about a 15 yearold unsolved murder.

Immediately captivated by the dreams, Gellar goes on a journey to look into the murder, but by doing so ends up in the middle of an extremely dangerous situation.

A Good Year

Russell Crowe plays an English businessman who recently learns that his uncle has died.

Crow inherits his uncle's vineyard in France.

Upon visiting the vineyard, Crowe remembers all the wonderful memories. he experienced there as a child.

Crowe must chose whether to sell the vineyard and return to his high-rise lifestyle, or keep it and live the life he 2001's "Y tu mama tambien." has always cherished.

What's coming to the movies

Harsh Times

Feelings of worthlessness over-(Christian Jim Davis come Bale) when he is not hired on by the LAPD.

He and his childhood buddy Mike Alonzo (Freddy Rodriguez) paint the town red as they blow off some steam; unfortunately Davis goes a little too far, putting both of their lives in jeopardy.

On the indie scene

Babel

Three different stories taking place in four countries intertwine as the people involved are united and affected by the same event.

This film takes a look at terrorism, fear and cultural differences in a world fully absorbed by violence.

This film stars Brad Pitt, Cate Blanchett and Gael Garcia Bernal of

BY KATRINA L. SAVITZ Asstistant Culture Editor

A Guide to Recognizing Your Saints Surviving in a harsh part of Queens, N.Y., a young man believes that his survival is due to the help he receives from saints. Robert Downey Jr. stars in this film alongside Rosario Dawson. It was the winner for best cast award at Sundance in 2006.

Hot DVD releases

Cars

This animated family film is about a champion race car (voice of Owen Wilson) that ends up doing time in a little town in the middle of nowhere.

He fears he'll miss the race of a lifetime in California, but ends up learning the lesson of a lifetime.

This film has many laughs and kids love it. So order in and settle down with a great movie for the whole family.

Porked-up pets reflect U.S. obesity epidemic

BY DAWN FALLIK The Philadelphia Inquirer

Harsh Times

It was no Weight Watchers meeting. Under the glittering chandeliers at New York's famous Tavern on the Green restaurant, Thunder (formerly known as the "black flabrador retriever") padded up to the scale. His competition: a miniature pinscher, a beagle, an English Lab and a Chesapeake Bay retriever.

Starting off at 178.8 pounds, the question was, would Thunder be the biggest loser in the canine slimdown competition? Thunder was always mighty big, but when his owner, Linda Leigh Sacco of Abescon, N.J., got busy with two jobs, he became mighty fat.

"He never ate a lot. He just didn't get a lot of exercise," Sacco said. "He's just a larger-boned breed."

People know that childhood and adult obesity pose health and social problems. But on animals, just rub that soft belly! Look at that cute waddle! Give that cuddly muffin a treat!

Except that it's not so cute anymore. With 40 percent of animals over the age of four regarded as overweight, veterinarians say they are seeing more diabetes, joint problems and other health issues similar to those of their heavy humans. And they are calling on owners to step up to the plate, so to speak, and put their pets on a diet.

"There really is an obesity epi-

cal director of VCA Cat Hospital in Philadelphia. "As a profession, we're recognizing it more and more, and it's preventable."

In the interests of full disclosure, Bohn admitted that both her cats. Simon and Stanley, are dieting. They had shed pounds chasing her laser pointer, but gained it right back after Bohn went on vacation.

"My friend just put down food, and they ate as much as they wanted," she said. "They gained two pounds back each."

Vets say pet fat is not totally the fault of people. More animals are spaved and neutered, slowing metabolism and increasing obesity.

Animals tend to stay indoors

demic," said Christine Bohn, medi- more, particularly in urban areas. Apartments may be safer, but cats burn more calories climbing trees than couches. Not everything can be blamed on environment, said Kathryn 'Michel, an associate professor of nutrition at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine.

"The largest growth in the pet industry is the treat division," Michel said. "There didn't use to be cat treats." Last year, she studied the success of the "CatKins" all-protein diet. It worked just as it does in people. "The bottom line is that if they had their calorie intake restricted, they lost weight," said Michel. who is now studying whether dieting dogs are more aggressive.

"Those on low carbs and low calories lost exactly the same amountof weight." Sounds easy, right? You control the food and the exercise. You'retheboss.ButevenJaneBrydon, a dog trainer, is powerless over her pooch. Brydon said Gracie does a "knockout" rollover and never jumps on visitors. But when it comes to snarfing the cat food, even Brydon cannot prevent "counter-surfing."

"I have a baby gate that blocks off the kitchen from the living room, and now I have a rocking chair blocking the baby gate," said Brydon, whose Jack Russell-Chihuahua mix weighs 12 pounds, instead of the optimum nine. Even people who motivate human clients to climb mountains and drop pounds melt in the face of, well, that face; the one with the liquid eyes and the begging and the pet-my-belly plea.

Jillian Michaels, the tough personal trainer who bullied contestants on the weight-loss show "The Biggest Loser," was a complete softie when it came to her Chihuahua, Baxter. "I just thought it was cute and he's a dog, who cares?" she said.

There were meatballs. Scraps. Accidental treats, like the entire box of hard candy her friend left on the kitchen table. Suddenly, he was 12

pounds. When her vet told Michaels that her dog could live an extra five years if he shed some weight, the trainer got motivated.

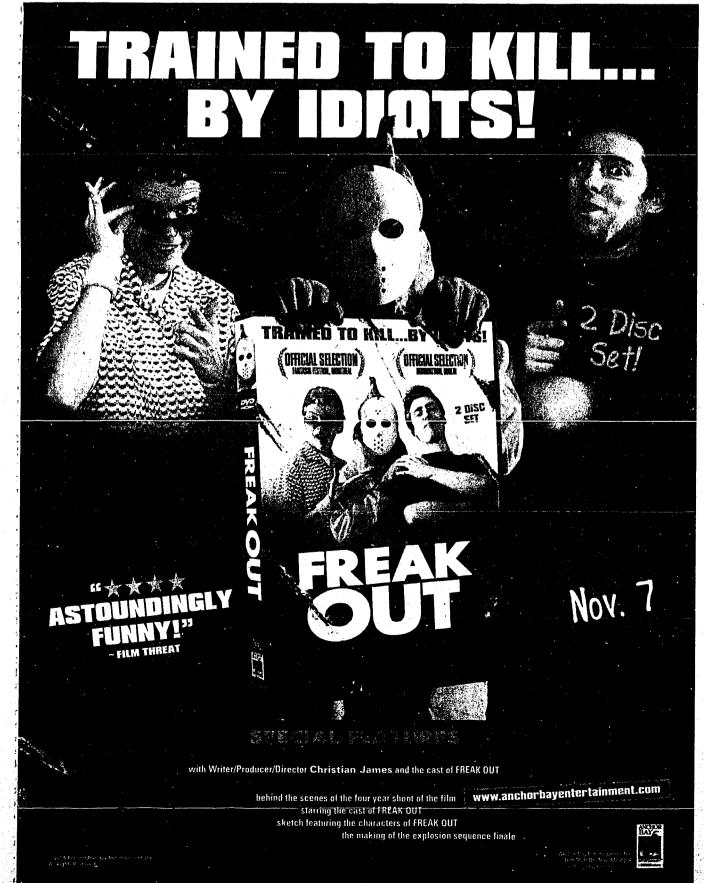
Now instead of meatballs, he gets Science Diet treats. "It's like methadone to a heroin addict," she said.

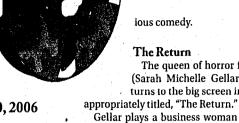
Michaels was one of the judges at the recent National PetFit Challenge, sponsored by Hill's Pet Nutrition, Inc. With the Tavern on the Green's normally tourist-filled hallway covered in cat litter boxes, and a terrace available for canine relief, Baxter's final weigh-in was a success down to 8.6 pounds. Thunder also proved to be an excellent example, dropping 44.4 pounds to an athletic 134.4 with the help of daily walks and low-carb, highfiber pet food.

Alas, he wasn't the biggest loser; Milo, the miniature pinscher, stole the crown after dropping from 22.8 pounds to 10.6. Thunder took it in stride. He padded back outside, and relieved himself.

"Now he knows when it's time to go walking," his owner said. "Sometimes he brings the leash, but sometimes he brings his dog bowl."

Old habits die hard.





Eye-catching eyewear

BY DIANE MCCARTNEY **McClatchy Newspapers**

They're part of your face maybe the first thing people see when they look at you. They're more important to your appearance than makeup or jewelry, maybe even the clothes you wear. And it's time they got the attention they deserve. We're talking about your glasses. "Eyeglasses are becoming the new fashion accessory," said Carol Staats at MyOptix Fashion Eyewear in Wichita, Kan.

"A lot of people are liking wearing glasses because they're fun."

If you've always thought glasses were boring and unattractive, a visit to evewear boutiques may change your point of view.

Glasses are available now in so many styles, colors, shapes and materials with embellishments like jewels and cutouts that some people are finding it hard to limit themselves to just one pair.

"It's not unusual for people to have five or six pairs," Staats said, "for fall. summer, dressy, fun or funky."

Even people who don't need prescription lenses to see are accessorizing with eyewear, opticians say. "It's like shoes," said Carla Brown at Howard's Optique in Wichita. "None of us want to wear the same pair of shoes every day, in the same color."

Consumers have more choices in eyewear than ever before, said Roxie Miller, co-owner of Kent & Roxie's Spectacle Shoppe in Wichita. Trends in frames are "all over the place," Roxie said, from small to large but with "bold looks and lots of color."

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And while bling is still important, it's more refined than in past years, Kent Miller said.

Brown agrees that subtle bling is the in thing. Her shop sells glasses with diamonds, semi-precious stones or Austrian crystals gracing the temples. Lenses come in all sizes and shapes, she said, while frames range from "delicate to something that's real bold and out there."

"Frames can either whisper or shout," Brown said. "It really is all about personality."

Colors include reds, blues, greens and purples, but the color frame you choose need not dictate your wardrobe, opticians say. If a frame "works with your facial tone," Brown said, "it's going to work with anything in your closet.

Which glasses are right for you?

Before you go to the optical store, the Vision Council of America suggests you consider these questions:

Do you want a frame that's delicate or bold, retro or modern, conservative or "out there"?

Will you wear this frame all the time, mainly at work, or just when you go out on the town?

What colors are you drawn to, what are your hair and skin colors, and what are the main colors in your wardrobe?

What is your face shape?

What do you like or not like about your current eyeglasses?

Marchon Eyewear offers an online quiz on choosing a frame, Visit www.marchon.com/htmls_2004/ rightframe.html.

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Davey O'Brien Foundation names Zabransky in top 18

The Davey O'Brien Foundation announced the semifinalists for the 2006 Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award and Boise State University quarterback Jared Zabrasky is one of the 18 selected. The award is presented annually to the nation's best college quarterback.

TheO'BrienSelectionCommittee, made up of a nationwide panel of sportswriters, commentators and former O'Brien Award winners, will vote later this month to narrow the field again. The three finalists will be announced Nov. 21 by the National College Football Awards Association in a joint effort among college football award programs.

A senior from Hermiston, Ore., Zabransky has been the starting quarterback at Boise State the past three years, compiling an overall record of 29-5 (85.3 percent). This year he is enjoying his best year in leading the Bronco offense, completing 117 of 189 passes for 1.609 yards, 16 touchdowns and an efficiency rating of 156.06. He is ranked fourth all-time at Boise State in career passing yards with 8,145 and fifth for career touchdown passes with 51. He has also scored 29 career touchdowns running the football and scored 180 total points. Combining his passing and rushing touchdowns, Zabransky has been responsible for 80 touchdowns during his Bronco career.

The 18 semifinalists, in alphabetical order, are: Erik Ainge, Tenn., Jr., SEC; John Beck, BYU, Sr., MWC; John David Booty, USC, Jr., PAC-10; Colt Brennan, Hawaii, Jr., WAC: Brian Brohm, Louisville, Jr., Big East; Chad Henne, Michigan, Jr., Big Ten; Kevin Kolb, Houston, Sr., C-USA; Chris Leak, Florida, Sr., SEC; Nate Longshore, Calif., Soph., PAC-10; Colt McCoy, Texas, Fr., Big 12: Tyler Palko, Pittsburgh, Sr., Big East; Brady Quinn, Notre Dame, Sr., Ind.; Bobby Reid, Oklahoma State, Soph., Big 12; JaMarcus Russell, LSU, Jr., SEC; Troy Smith, Ohio State, Sr., Big Ten; John Stocco, Wisconsin, Sr., Big Ten; Pat White, West Virginia, Soph., Big East and Jared Zabransky, Boise State, Sr., WAC.

Miami lineman shot Tuesday

University of Miami defensive lineman Bryan Pata was pronounced dead Tuesday night after being shot in front of his off-campus apartment complex. Pata, a 22 year-



BSU defense looks to shut dow up-and-coming San Jose



PHOTO BY STANLEY BREWSTER/THE ARBITER



Korey Hall (left) and the Boise State defense will look to slow down San Jose State, which is led by junior quarterback Adam Tafralis (right). Tafralis has thrown 11 touchdowns and five interceptions.

BY KYE JOHNSON Assistant Sports Editor

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Not many people expected that the Boise State Broncos' late season match-up with usual cellar-dwelling San Jose State would be a game of implication.

Not many people would have expected San Jose State to have a 6-2 record and be sitting in third place in the Western Athletic Conference at this point in the season either.

"Halfway through the season, to be in the race and to have a chance to play a game that's meaningful as far as the conference race is concerned, that's very exciting to us," Spartan Head Coach Dick Tomey said.

Behind the surprising play of junior quarterback Adam Tafralis the Spartans are in a position to come away with their first winning season since 2000.

Even more surprising is that Tafralis (6-2, 215) wasn't the starter coming into fall camp."

"Well, Adam's done a great job," Tomev said. "As it's been well documented, Adam probably would not have been our starter - we probably would have started a young man named Sean Flynn - who was a junior-college transfer - who did a fabulous job for us in the spring and early fall."

Tafralis has thrown 11 touchdowns this season for a total of 1,407 yards. He has been the catalyst behind the Spartan offense. which has thrown fewer interceptions than any other team in the WAC. His dual-threat capabilities have also helped San Jose State's offense rank No. 2 in the WAC in rushing with 213.2 rushing yards per contest.

"He's done a better and better job of managing the game, doing what he needs to do to help us win," Tomev said. "He's gone from a high 40 percent passer to a high 60 percent passer and again is running the ball effectively and making more decisive decisions about when to run. He's handling the option well. He's just been a real outstanding player for us."

Tafralis isn't the only source of potency in the Spartan offense. Junior running back Yonus Davis (5-7, 180) is the second-leading rusher in the WAC. He comes into this weekend's matchup averaging pressive WAC-leading 7.4 yards per carry. Davis is second only to Boise State's Ian Johnson in rushing yards and rushing yards-per-game on the season.

Davis does, however, lead lohnson in one other category, as he has the longest run on the season when he broke open a 90-yard touchdown run two weeks ago against Louisiana Tech. Davis has rushed for 100 or more yards four times in 2006.

The San Jose defense has provided the biggest spark in reaching the 6-2 start.

The Spartans rank first in the WAC in pass defense this season. San Jose is only allowing 189.5 yards per game through the air by

their opponents. They rank No. 2 in scoring defense, giving up just under 20 points per game, and their rush defense ranks No. 4 in the conference.

Junior cornerback Dwight Lowery (6-1, 185) has had the biggest individual impact for the Spartan defense so far. Lowery is tied for the WAC lead with eight interceptions.

Along with Lowery, junior linebacker Matt Castelo (5-10, 210) has also been very productive. He is currently, with 100 tackles, second in the WAC in tackles.

With San Jose State playing the unfamiliar role near the top of the WAC standings, Boise State Head Coach Chris Peterson knows his Broncos cannot overlook this game.

'We expect a dog fight," Peterson said. "San Jose played us pretty good last year and two years ago. They're much improved. It's going to be a good, hard fought game and I think that's how we like it. They're believing and when teams are believing that's a scary situation."



BY KYE JOHNSON Assistant Sports Editor

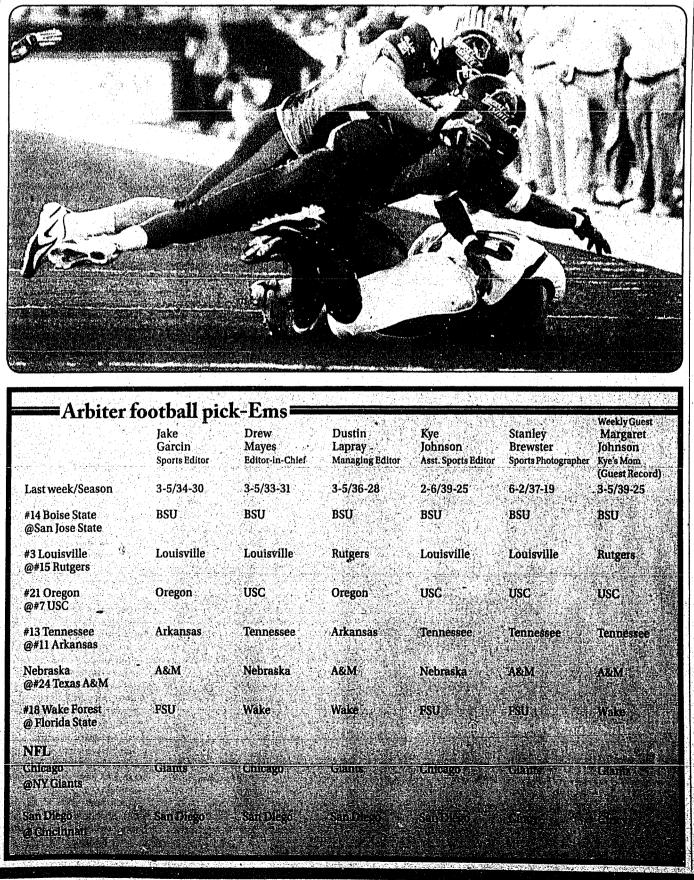
I don't know what it is, but there's just something about the University of Louisville's football team that I can't get over.

It's almost like a personal bias against them but I couldn't tell you why. Maybe it's because they came out of nowhere or because they haven't been playing in a power conference for very long. But there's just something about the Cardinals that I don't really like. Don't worry - I do feel bad about it.

Here's what I mean: When Louisville played West Virginia last week in maybe the biggest college football game of the season I found myself rooting strongly against Louisville. I kept telling myself that the winner of that game would likely take the Big East championship, breeze through the rest of its games, go undefeated and play for the National Championship. That was all good and fine assuming West Virginia won. But even as Louisville continued to hammer West Virginia - even as the Cardinal defense forced West Virginia running back and Heisman hopeful Steve Slaton to cough up the ball on what seemed like every carry - I still couldn't get myself to believe that they are worthy of playing for the national title.

It really makes no sense why I or any other person would think this. For the most part, the nation did in fact believe that if West Virginia went undefeated and won the Big East they should play for the national title game, instead of a one-loss team from, say, the Southeastern Conference (SEC) or the Big 10. Largely because West Virginia would have been the best team from a surprisingly tough Big East and they would have had no losses - qualifying them worthy of playing for it all.

But hold on - wouldn't that be the same scenario for Louisville? They will potentially meet every single criterion that people were saying West Virginia needed to get into the national title game. Yet I, and most other people around the country, can't see them playing for the title. I don't think they are one of the two best teams in the country even though they have done everything they needed to do up to this point. I've recently become a huge Rutgers fan. When I say recently I mean as soon as Louisville beat West Virginia and remained unbeaten. Rutgers, too, hasn't lost a game and they play this week on national television. As for myself, I - and everyone else in the country that doesn't like the idea of Louisville playing for the national title - will support, root and maybe even pray for a Rutgers win to knock Louisville out of the race. Why, you ask? Because I don't like them. I haven't even mentioned the fact that at one point Louisville had lost its starting running back and quarterback and has still remained among the nation's top-five rankings. That says something, for a team to not fold or crack when it loses two key aspects like that. But still, I can't do it; I can't get myself to believe Louisville is actually that good. Louisville is where you race horses or make baseball bats, not where you produce quality football teams. Come on, everyone knows that. If I had a vote to somehow decide the national championship game and who played in it I would pick a team like Florida or the loser of the Michigan/Ohio State game instead of Louisville. I'm sorry Louisville. there's nothing I can do here. I don't see you as one of the two best teams in the country and I don't want to see you in the national title game. But if you somehow do make it, in spite of my irrational hate for you, then I will tip my cap to you in congratulations. But until then: 'GO **RUTGERS!**"



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old senior, was raised in Miami and was in his fourth season playing for the Hurricanes. The case has been ruled a homicide by the Miami Police Department, who received a 911 phone call at 7:30 p.m. No motive has been released.

In his career at Miami, Pata started 23 games and appeared in 41 altogether. Miami Head Coach Larry Coker announced Tuesday the team would not cancel its next scheduled game against University of Maryland. Coker said he felt the decision is important to represent the University and Bryan Pata.

Pata's death marks the fourth time in ten years the University of Miami has been stricken with tragedy. In 1996, reserve linebacker Marlin Barnes was murdered in a campus apartment. In 2003, former safety Al Blades died in a car accident. Blades' accident occurred almost a year after former linebacker Chris Campbell also died in a crash.

Doctor orders Paterno off sidelines

Penn State Head Coach Joe Paterno has been denied approval to coach on the sidelines for Penn State's next football game against Temple. Paterno suffered a broken leg and torn knee ligaments following a collision on the sidelines during his team's loss against Wisconsin last Saturday.

The 79 year-old Paterno is listed as day-to-day on his hospital release. In his 41-year head-coaching career Paterno has only missed one game. Paterno still plans on coaching Penn State's game against Temple. His doctor, Wayne Sebastianelli, has ordered Paterno to remain in the stadium box if he is going to attend Saturday's game.

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ESPN pulls cord on San Jose State game

BY JAKE GARCIN Sports Editor

Following the Boise State football team's decisive win over Fresno State Nov. 1, ESPN announced it was working on a deal to pick up BSU's next game at San Jose State. The Boise State Athletic Department even gave word the game would be moved from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. to accommodate the broadcast.

Just five days after the announcement was made, ESPN took .

it all back. The Western Athletic Conference and BSU Athletic Department both released statements about ESPN's decision not to coverthegame.WACCommissioner Karl Benson expressed his discontent with the development.

"It is very unfair to both San Jose State and Boise State," Benson said. "San Jose State acted in good faith to move the game to accommodate ESPN. Coach Dick Tomey and his team deserve much better treatment."

Boise State Head Coach Chris

Petersen addressed the media Monday afternoon on the possibility that ESPN would change their mind about the broadcast. At the time word had gotten around that ESPN was unsure about their commitment to the game. However, Petersen said he wasn't overly concerned with whether the game is broadcast on ESPN or a local Boise station.

"We definitely like to be on ESPN. It's been a tremendous boost for our program. Players like to be on it. We like to show our program off as much as we can. If it works out, great, but if it doesn't we're okay with that too."

Just hours after Petersen's comments, both the WAC and the BSU Athletic Department released statements about the game retraction. Local television station KTVB-TV was set to air the game prior to ESPN's interest. Following ESPN dropping the game, KTVB has rescheduled to air Saturday's game.

Game time has also been moved back to its original time of 3 p.m. (PT). Some fans are concerned the game switch will be a problem for team preparation. Coach Petersen remains adamant his team will be ready whenever they're told to play.

"I just feel like the past five or six years we've been trained for these situations," Petersen said. "We play every day of the week [at] weird times: nine in the morning, eight at night. We play Sunday, Wednesday. We just need to know what time we play and we'll be there, ready to go."

There has been some speculation the recent failed partnership stemmed from ongoing negotiations for Boise State's final road game against the University of Nevada-Reno.

ESPN has attempted to move the Nevada game to Friday night instead of its scheduled date on Saturday, Nov. 25.

Neither Boise State nor the WAC has agreed to change the Nevada game yet. ESPN has made no confirmation that their decision to cancel the San Jose State broadcast was connected to the Nevada game in any way.



ESPN announced Monday it would not air Saturday's game at San Jose State. Game time had been moved to 7 p.m. (PT) for ESPN, but is back to 3 p.m. (PT).





Women's tennis sweeps home tournament

Laura Baum (left) and



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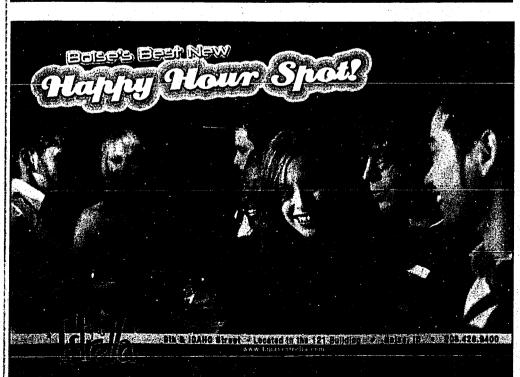
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Tiffany Coll helped lead the Broncos to a 25-0 record at the Boise State Invitational.

BY ADAM ADER Sports Writer

It's been a difficult road for the Boise State women's tennis team this past year.

The team has battled injuries and the loss of key seniors. Members can only worry about playing and improving now. Last weekend the women played perfectly in the Boise State Invitational, winning 25 out of 25 matches against University of Idaho and Weber State University.

Despite the dominating weekend, they are still looking to get better.

"We're looking for improvement," Boise State Head Coach Mark Tichenor said. "We're looking at our players. Sometimes you can get caught up in saying we won all these matches. But you're still looking for improvement. Are we getting better? You can definitely look at the tournament and say we were." Tichenor is happy to see his players dealing with challeng-es and preparing for the Duck Invitational

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Tiffany Coll, who is coming off we got to the semi-finals of of shoulder surgery. Lara Baum has also had various hand problems, according to Tichenor.

"That was kind of the best thing, to be able to see Laura play four singles matches and three doubles matches out of the weekend," Tichenor said, "And Tiff coming off a shoulder surgery to be able to play four singles and three doubles, so that was really good."

Tichenor emphasizes improvement for his team every single time they step onto the tennis court.

stepping stone to the next.

"We're going to Oregon this week to play in the Duck Invitational with Oregon, Washington, Santa Clara," Tichenor said. "We're going to use this tournament as a springboard for the Duck

Invitational. "That's our last tournament so that will be a really good; tournament to end on." True to his style, Tichenor has been improving the program over the last couple years. entine better tout

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One of the biggest keys to the

"If our team is quiet and just

Broncos' success has been team

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not pushing, we're an aver-age team," Tichenor said, "But

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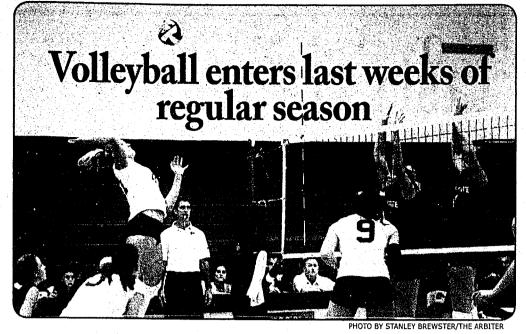
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BSU is 3-8 in WAC play entering its final five games of the 2006 regular season.

BY BRIAN LUPTAK Sports Writer

The volleyball season has reached its final two weeks of regular season competition. With the Western Athletic Conference Tournament in sight, Boise State is searching for some desperate wins during its last five games. Currently the team is ranked seventh in the WAC; the goal after next week is to be in the sixth position.

If the Broncos drop to eighth in the conference, the WAC tournament could be a short-lived experience. At the end of regular season play the bottom two teams (eighth and ninth place) play each other to see who is able to advance to play the first-seeded team that same night.

"It's a bad place to be. We don't want to be there [eight vs. nine game]," Head Coach Robin Davis said. "The seven seed would put you against the number two team in the conference, which is a top 25 team right now. So that's no good either. We want the five or six [seed]. The Utah State match next week is really, really big for us."

Utah State (5-8) is currently in possession of sixth place in the conference. The Broncos host the Aggies a week from tonight in a game that is imperative to the team's standings going into the conference tournament.

This past weekend the Broncos added a tally to each column on their record with a loss to New Mexico State and a 'win over Louisiana Tech. The two games brought the team's record to 3-8 in the conference – numbers that look worse than the team's actual condition.

"I think you've just got to be better each week," Davis said. "It's not always about the wins and losses. Few teams buy that after losing a couple matches, but our kids have. The last three weeks they've continued to get better. It's frustrating that we're losing a match each week, but we're winning the games we should and we're close on the other match-

Even with a record less than .500, the Broncos are comfortably holding on to their sixth-place rank in the conference. Fresno State and Louisiana Tech currently hold the last two spots. However, with one match left to play against Fresno State this week, a win would be important in their quest to secure a sixth or better position.

"I'm really proud of the way they're hanging in," Davis said. "They're working really hard in the practice gym. Our goals are still alive."

Davis also added that the girls are coming together in support of one another and developing positive chemistry. Junior Jamie Claussen also feels that the positive relationships within the team have influenced its play lately.

"The weekend went really well," Claussen said. "We found ourselves coming together as a team."

Claussen led the team with kills against New Mexico State, which is nationally ranked No. 23. She recorded 13 in the game and added another five Saturday against Louisiana Tech.

Sophomore Jeanette Jenkins had the second most kills for the Broncos against La. Tech. She followed senior teammate Cameron Flunder's 11 with nine of her own. Jenkins accredited her efforts to dedication for the seniors.

"We're just looking to keep up the intensity," Jenkins said. "We're really trying to do it for our seniors because it's their last games."

The Broncos have only five regular season games remaining, the first being tonight at San Jose State. Saturday they will face the Bulldogs of Fresno State and next week the team will return to Bronco Gym for three important home games against Hawaii Wednesday, State Thursday and Utah Nevada Saturday.

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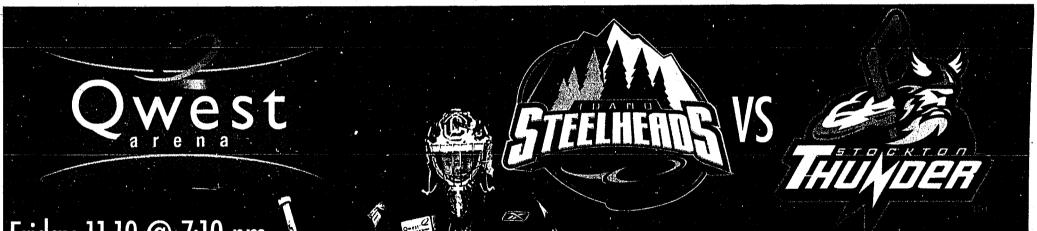
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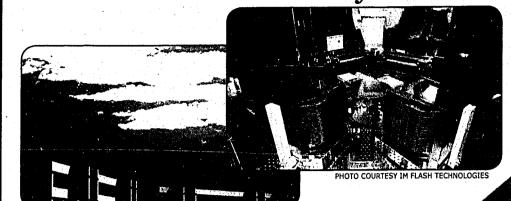
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TECHNOLOGY

NAND flash memory: joint venture right on track



IM Flash Technologies manufacturing facility near Salt Lake City, in Lehi, Utah

BY HARSH MANTRI Arbiter Staff

Micron Technology, Inc. and Intel Corporation announced Nov. 6 they were ahead of schedule on their development of their NAND flash memory joint venture, IM Flash Technologies.

In January 2006, Micron Technology, Inc. (one of the world's leading provider of advanced semiconductor solutions) and Intel Corporation (a worldwide leader in silicon innovation and the world's largest chip maker) joined forces to form a new joint venture, IM Flash Technologies, LLC to manufacture NAND Flash memory exclusively for Intel and Micron.

NAND (Not AND) Flash is one type of nonvolatile solidstate memory. Unlike DRAM (Dynamic Random Access Memory), NAND flash memory has the capability to hold and store the data even when the power is turned off.

This feature eliminates the need to have a separate hard disk to store data in a lot of applications.

This kind of memory can also be viewed as a silicon version of a small hard disk.

NAND Flash memory is increasingly being used in consumer electronics like cell phones, mp3 players, removable storage devices and handheld communication devices like PDA's

Since the formation of the IM Flash Technologies, the two companies have brought a stateof-the-art 300 millimeter NAND fabrication facility in Manassas, Va., and in Lehi, Utah. The 300

mm facility is on track to be used in production early next year.

"We are quite pleased with the progress IM Flash Technologies has made in a very short period of time, positioning us for future growth in the NAND marketplace," said Brian Harrison, vice president and general manager of Flash Memory Group, an Intel Corporation.

Harrison also said Intel expects to become one of the top manufactures of NAND Flash Memory in the coming years.

Micron and Intel also introduced the industry's first NAND flash memory samples built on 50 nanometer process technology in Iulv.

Both companies are sampling four gigabit 50nm devices now and starting next year plan to manufacture a variety of prod-

nounced this week their intent to form a new joint venture in Singapore.

This new venture will add a fourth fabrication facility to their NAND Flash Memory manufacturing capability.

This venture is subject to execution of final agreements for the creation of the joint venture.

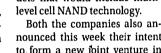
The new facility in Singapore is anticipated to cost around \$3 billion and is expected to employ around 1,500 workers

The joint venture facility will

most likely come Online in the asecond half of 2008. It will initially use the 50nm process technology on the 300mm wafers.

"Micron has a long history of conducting business in Singapore with our manufacturing facility there, and this decision with Intel is a natural extension of our positive experience in Singapore," said Steve Appleton, Micron chairman, CEO and president. "Singapore offers a great place for high technology with well-developed infrastructure and an educated workforce. It's an ideal location for a manufacturing facility."

ucts that would include multi-





BY MONIA HATCHER **McClatchy Tribune**

Like many students who come to South Florida for college, Peter Bielagus lost no time hitting the club scene in South Beach with his friend - cover charges, cab fare and \$10 cocktails were conveniently financed with the help of his eight new credit cards.

year at the University of Miami, his tab totaled \$5,000 and minimum monthly payments were well beyond his reach. "That was when I knew something was wrong," said Bielagus, now 29, who shared the story of his financial hangover with students at Broward Community College on Sept. 27 and 28. A licensed financial advisor and author, Bielagus speaks to young people across the country about managing debt, building credit, saving, investing and budgeting. "Young America is ignored (by the financial planning industry) for the very simple reason that they have no money," he said, after speaking to a receptive group of some 70 students at BCC's Coconut

College students learn ins, outs of personal finance

Creek campus.

Six months into his freshman

Ignored, he stresses, except when it comes to providing them with credit cards.

In his hour-long presentation, he touched on issues that most adults don't always fully understand. Students heard about the realities of credit card debt and credit scores and how they can affect everything from what you pay for car insurance to getting a job.

"This number," Bielagus said, pointing to the word FICO written

Every time someone applies for a credit card, their score takes a hit, he said because it indicates to lenders that you are someone who is always trying to borrow.

Levinson Desinord, who attended the presentation, said he never knew about the high interest rates that accompany credit cards. "I just thought you paid them off,"

Desinord said. At age 22, he has eight credit cards and \$7,280 in debt.

He works 30 hours a week at Taco Bell and devotes one entire paycheck to whittling down his balance.

FIVE WAYS TO IMPROVE YOUR CREDIT SCORE

Peter Bielagus, reformed credit-binger, current financial advisor and author of Getting Loaded: A Complete Personal Finance Guide For Students and Young Professionals, gave this advice to students at Broward Community College Thursday:

• Fix mistakes. Check your consumer credit report once or more a

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on an eraser board, "will determine how expensive your life will be."

The FICO score was developed by Fair Isaac Corporation as a method of determining the likelihood that an individual will pay his or her bills.

Scores range between 300 and 850. Bielagus went on to explain that someone with a relatively low FICO score of 550 could end up paying on average \$7,000 more in interest for a new car and \$250,000 in more interest for a new home than someone with a 720.

About 40 percent of the population have a FICO score between 620 and 745, according to MyFICO.com.

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"I'm working just to pay the credit card," he said with a shrug.

Archie Asar, who works for BCC scheduling speakers, said Bielagus brought an essential message to students, "who are just beginning their credit card lives."

"This information, you can't get anywhere," he said.

Wilfred Joseph, 24, a student majoring in elementary education agreed.

"(Fewer) students would be in debt because they would know how to deal with their money and how to manage it," he said.

year for mistakes.

Bielagus says roughly 70 percent of Americans have a mistake on their report that is not their fault; 30 percent have a serious mistake that may significantly affect their score.

• Pay off your debt.

• Establish a payment history even if it means making one purchase a month and paying it off.

• Stop applying for credit cards you don't need. Every time you apply for a new card, your score can drop five to 15 points, based on your current score.

• Become an authorized user on a credit card belonging to someone who has good credit, such as a close friend, parent or relative.

Web site of the week: Princeton Review

BY ERIC GOODWIN **McClatchy Tribune**

One of the most comprehensive college prep sites on the Internet, The Princeton Review (http:// www.princetonreview.com) keeps getting better. Each year, the site adds new features to an already impressive stockpile of research and preparatory tools. High school students (and parents) getting ready for standardized tests and college applications should add Princeton Review to their set of bookmarks.

Embracing digital audio, Princeton Review now offers podcasts at a price everyone can afford -- they're free (you can download them from the Princeton Review Web site or subscribe to them in iTunes, myYahoo and my AOL among others). The Vocab Minute podcast use catchy melodies and lyrics to help you learn complex vocabulary terms. For example, take these lyrics from "Social Classes"

mp3 song: "As soon as I became a strong young man,

I got me (sic) a job working with my hands,

I got a blue collar shirt and a yellow hard hat,

I became a member of the proletariat."

Parents can get in on the action too, with the Princeton Review Parents podcasts. About 10 minutes in length, each episode is devoted to a specific topic. The episode exploring campus life, for example, looks at the latest trends in dorm living, from washing machines that e-mail students when they're done to college's new approach to dining plans.

The Princeton Review's college resources are top-notch, giving you just about everything you need to know about a school. The site's college profiles include tuition rates and student body statistics as well as an admissions

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factors chart, which rates the importance each school places various criteria such as class rankings, standardized test scores and extracurricular activities.

Recently, Princeton Review has partnered with theU.com (www. theU.com) to add video tours of several top colleges and universities to the site. Taking a cue from MTVs popular show "MTV Cribs," these videos feature real students talking about what life is like on their school's campus (only clips are available on the Princeton Review site).

The clips are uncensored, so don't expect the kinds of things you'd hear on an official tour -- in addition to academics these students give you the lowdown on the dating and party scene, also what they think of their fellow students.

These are but a few of the features you'll find at the Princeton Review Web site. If college is in your future, be sure to check it out.

ARBITERONLINE.COM POLL RESULTS If there were a forum for you, as a student, to debate and discuss the war in Iraq - would you be interested in attending? Votes No, I would not attend something like this

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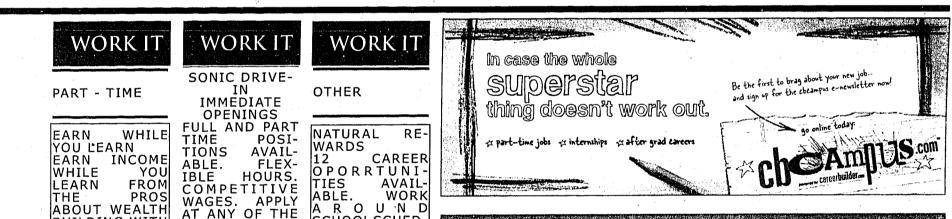
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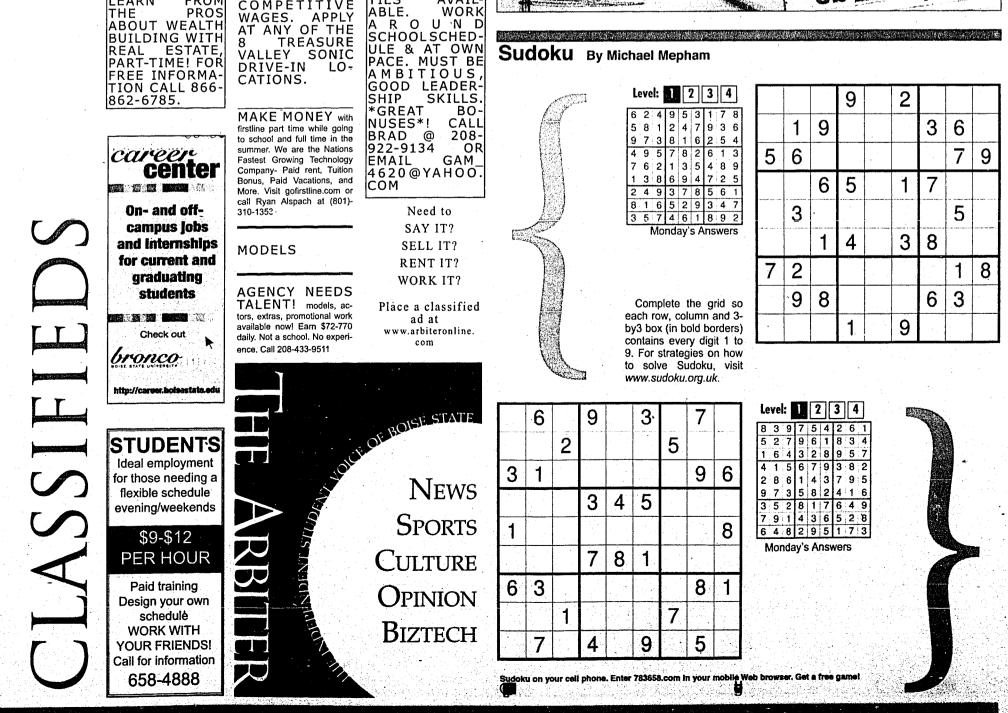
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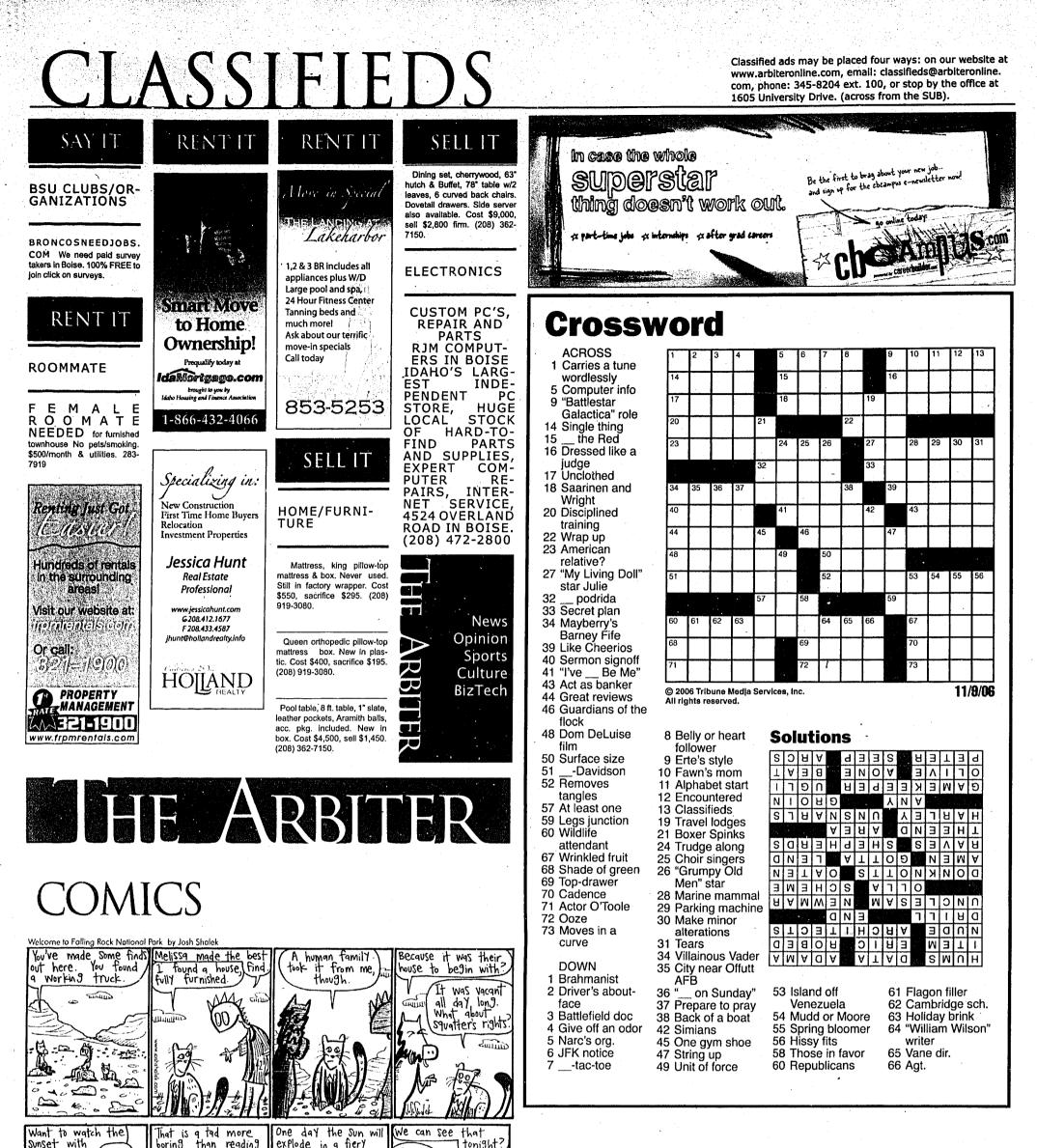
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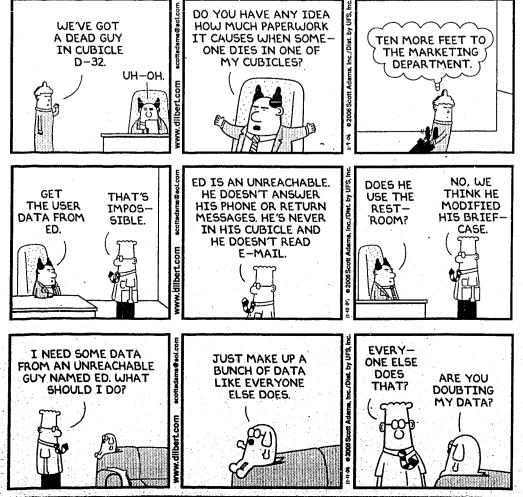


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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) Today is a 6 With the help of your whole family, set away stores for the future. An old-fashioned recipe and-or method still works quite well.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Today is a 9 - Others are doing the negotiations but you're supply ing the data. The more information they have, the more you all will win.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) Today is a 4 - You're getting better at doing the job, so it's becoming more fun. That's the objective, anyway. Keep at it until that happens. at least.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) Today is a 10 - Others may be afraid there's not going to be enough to go around. You're not worried, because you know how to get whatever you need. Be creative.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Today is a 5 - Be practical and you'll continue to use good judgment to make your decisions. You love the applause, but it's always best when it comes from people you trust.

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Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today is a 9 - If you're sweet, and you certainly can be, people will tell you everything. That's what you should be doing now, to get the entire story.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Today is a 4 - There are several ways to acquire wealth. One way is to ask. You'll be surprised at how well you do, using this simple method.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is a 10 - Others look to you for direction, which you're glad to supply. Help them with the motive tion, too, and the logistics.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is a 6-Besides asking questions, you need to keep tlack of the money. Follow where it goes, and you'll solve the mystery.

BY LINDA C. BLACK Tribune Media Services

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Today is a 9 - There's nothing as romantic as having dinner in with a person you think is wonderful. Offer to do the cooking, and you'll probably get the date.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Today is a 4 - You have more than enough to keep you busy. You may have to invent a way to do three or four things at once. Luckily, you can do this.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) Today is a 10 - You'll have a lor more fun now, since the worst phase is finally over. You did better than you thought you would. Reat on your laurels.

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