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Arbiter, February 8

Students of Boise State University

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**CULTURE**

Sawmillier takes on the Man and his taxation policies.

**WEATHER**

**ON CAMPUS**

- **FRIDAY**
  - High: 50°F / Low: 36°F
  - Chance of rain

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BY KEAN SIEGEL

Assistant News Editor

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BY DUSTIN LAPIR

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An adviser to losing presidential candidate Andrés Manuel López Obrador in Dallas malls and more ille-...
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Nasdaq Composite 4,070.30 (+10.50)
S&P 500 1,490.82 (+2.22)
10 Year Bond 4.79% (+0.02)

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Bank of America (BAC) 53.34 (+0.15)
Huron Technology (WH) 12.97 (+0.03)
Howard Pianolf (FSP) 42.20 (+0.26)
Washington Mutual (WM) 43.94 (-0.25)
Earnings Quotations (CQ) 8.19 (-0.18)

TECHNOLOGY
Apple Computer, Inc. (AAPL) 71.15 (-0.09)
Google Inc. (GOOG) 470.01 (-1.47)
Microsoft Corporation (MSFT) 51.35 (+0.16)
Yahoo! Inc. (YHOO) 19.91 (+0.18)

CURRENCY
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USD to Sterling (GBP) 1.960 (+0.00%)
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Gold 120.680 (+0.358%)
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BIZTECH

TESTING, TESTING, did that record?

BY LUCINDA SUTHERLAND

My search for a digital audio recorder began about the time I realized I would be spending a minimum of two hours a day commuting to college and that time would be wasted unless I could find some technology to help me study while I was driving.

My requirements were that the recorder be easy to operate, with buttons that made sense and that it be secure if I lost it. The recorder also would have an inexpensive battery easily found in stores.

When I began searching in stores I discovered that digital audio recorders were offered an amazing array of choices for very reasonable prices.

For $20.99, I could get an RCA RP2020 with 12 MB of memory and 13 hours of recording time, a wristwatch microphone and jacks for headphones or a hundred-foot microphone (not included) and all this ran from two AAA batteries.

For $149.99, I might choose the Sony M900, which comes with the necessary software and recording software on CD. It also has a built-in speaker, a voice recorder, and offers the ability to transfer data to a computer using the USB cable provided.

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Microsoft had released Office 2007 to be compatible with computers two years ago. Microsoft then waited until January 29th to launch the consumer version on the same day as its new operating system, Vista. It has a different presentation of programs depending on the edition of Office that you buy. The ultimate edition includes Word, Excel, Outlook, and SharePoint Workspace.

With the latest update to the software, you can now update the programs in the office suite. More than 600,000 people have signed up for updates to the software. Microsoft introduced a new option called " blashe." Blashe is a feature similar to one that helps people find often ignored functions. The software is now designed to be more streamlined and will be updated with labeled tabs. Instead of pulling down a drop-down menu, users can now click on a ribbon tab and then click on the appropriate icon.

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By Nemanja Maksimovic

Microsoft Unleashes Office 2007 to Consumers

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Olympus products range in price from $39.99 to $189.99, some with AAA batteries, others using rechargeable batteries. The company has also released a range of other accessories and software to help the user get the most out of the product.

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BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY
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HEARINGS OF THE PROPOSED INCREASES WILL BE HELD
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2007 BEGINNING AT 1:00PM
IN THE JORDAN BALLROOM OF THE
STUDENT UNION BUILDING. PROPOSALS WILL BE
PRESENTED IN THE ORDER LISTED BELOW.

Information regarding these proposed fee increases is available for inspection during regular business hours from the Budget Office, Room 305 of the Administration Building.

All unenrolled Boise State University students, faculty and staff may attend and testify at the hearings or witness testimony before February 15th. All interested Boise State students, faculty and staff wishing to testify at the hearing are asked to provide a written copy of their testimony to the hearing officer.

Individuals not currently affiliated with Boise State University are allowed to testify at the Student Fee Hearings under the following conditions:

1. They must sign up to testify in advance at the hearing or in advance at the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs and are asked to provide a written copy of their testimony to the hearing officer.

2. They must obtain written consent from the student, faculty or staff that they are not affiliated with Boise State University.

3. They must submit a written copy of their testimony prior to testifying.

4. If allowed to testify, they must identify themselves as a non-student at the onset of their verbal testimony.

Requesting Unit | Current Fee/Semester | Proposed Increase | Proposed Fee/Semester
---|---|---|---
Blue Thunder | 6.50 | 0.00 | 6.00
Marching Band | 0.65 | 0.00 | 0.60
General Education & Tuition | 1334.85 | 143.85 | 1478.70
Student Support & Technology Fee | 88.00 | 10.00 | 98.00
Health Wellness and Counseling | 10.00 | 3.30 | 13.30
Intramural Athletics | 90.00 | 5.30 | 95.30
Student Union and Student Involvement | 71.00 | 7.10 | 78.10
Campus Recreation - Club Sports | 3.25 | 0.15 | 3.40
Campus Recreation | 28.00 | 2.00 | 30.00

Summary Information

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Michael Laliberte - Vice President of Student Affairs
Boise State University
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until the workload of higher education.

Some lower-level classes in the university. Some lower-level classes at BSU do not even have professors, or if they do, only meet with students once a week. When a school focuses solely on lower division courses it can give a better education in those courses.

Community colleges give students with low high school GPAs a chance to get college credit to help them get accepted in four-year universities.

Many non-traditional students, especially those returning to college after a period of perhaps decades, need the enhanced instruction to get them back in the classroom.

The smaller classes give students the opportunity to move into the Treasure Valley economy.

More jobs and inject more money into the local community.

A community college would create the difference in the education of thousands of students.

Guest opinions of no more than 500 words apply. Your name and city, state and major (if applicable) should appear at the top of the first column. If you do not include your name and contact information, we will not run your letter.

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Dench, Blanchett starr in "Notes on a Scandal"

BY FRANCY MARCOTTE
Assistant Culture Editor

Have you ever had a secret or did you wonder what your friends are hiding? The film "Notes on a Scandal" is a story about a woman who discovers her friend's secret and decides to use it for her own benefit.

The main character, Harriet (Cate Blanchett), a respected teacher in London, begins to suspect her friend, Elizabeth (Judi Dench), of having an affair with a young schoolboy. Harriet becomes obsessed with unraveling the truth and starts to take matters into her own hands.

As the story unfolds, Harriet's actions become more desperate, leading to consequences that threaten the lives of those involved. The film raises questions about trust, loyalty, and the consequences of keeping secrets.

"Notes on a Scandal" is a suspenseful thriller that explores themes of权力、betrayal, and morality. The performances of Blanchett and Dench are outstanding, bringing depth and complexity to their characters. The film is a must-watch for fans of the thriller genre and anyone interested in exploring the darker aspects of human nature.
The dreaded ‘F’ word no longer a secret

BY CARRIE FANNIN
Asst. Staff Writer

Oh my gosh, the dreaded “F” word. People always laugh nervously when I say, “I have a new secret.” I know that it’s not a secret. It is definitely a secret, but believe me, I am not alone. In fact, several people have told me that they, too, know the secret. It’s the one that no one talks about.

When I was 23, I taught aerobics at a local gym. I was new to the field, and I was always the first to arrive in the studio. That was 10 years ago.

Only in the last seven years has the weight started creeping up on me. I have been eating better, but I have also been exercising. I have actually gained up to 180 pounds, and I am now wearing a size 20. I am not sure how much I can lose, but I am not quite sure how much I can gain.

The first assignment was a per- sonal interview. I had to tell the story of something we would like to change the weight. I decided to just acknowledge the problem, do something about it, right? I asked my intern if she had any ideas. If you have, but you must not see me right now. Right now.

I had been sitting for too long, and I knew I needed to make some changes. I had noticed that my weight issues were getting worse. I was gaining weight and eating less, and I didn’t know what to do.

The beginning of the show started with the independent singer of Los Angeles resident Martin, who has been known to sing at the Saturday Market. With the stage set with such a lush backdrop (like the love for nature), the audience would find themselves lost in the beauty of the evening.

In “Stromata,” which Martin raves as his best, the beauty of Martin’s singing rend- ered the crowd silent. With a voice of pure power, a range of multiple octaves and a technique he used in “The Nutty Professor” and “Professor,” the crowd went wild.

Starting his portion of the show with “Better than Sunshine,” bringing the crowd to its feet, Martin took the stage and wrote his name in the “Nightcrawler.”

“Dre’am” along comes. The first song of the evening with acoustic rock brought the energy to an all-time high that many audience members will never forget.

It’s the most original thing I’ve done,” Martin said in a phone in- terview a couple weeks earlier. “Charlotte’s a wonderful woman who last visited Boise a year ago at a local bar. Charlotte, known to her friends as “The Plant Lady,” Sophie Henckel von Hannibal, is played for what seemed like a lifetime of relaxation and fun.

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With his great voice, Martin and Aqualung back on stage for an encore, where he played one of his best hits, “Strange Condition,” which filled the night with the sound of happy.

From the experimental music of Martin and the soft ballads of the acoustic rock songs of Pete Yorn, this was one show that made the audience feel like they were living in a different world. The music, the lyrics, the overall experience of the show left the audience wanting more.

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The Boise State men's basketball team will host Western Oregon University on Tuesday, Feb. 6, at Taco Bell Arena. The game was scheduled to make up the Colorado State game Dec. 20 that was canceled due to a meniscus injury.

women's basketball schedules. This will be the second game in the two-game homestand for the Broncos as they look to get the series sweep against Western Oregon. The Broncos defeated the Wolves 73-70 on Saturday and will attempt to do the same on Tuesday. The Western Oregon game is also a conference game as the Broncos are members of the Northwest Athletic Conference.

Boise State's schedule will now feature 14 home games and 14 away games. The pair will be televised on the Mountain West Network, and fans are encouraged to purchase tickets online at boisestate.edu/tickets or by calling (800) 829-6300.

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BSU welcomes Gymnastics, wrestling come together Friday

BY JAY GARCIA

February 8, 2007

Sports

Determined to improve on its recent performances, the Bronco gymnastics team is ready to take on the challenge of enhancing its skills. The team is focused on improving its overall performance and aims to set new benchmarks in the sport. With dedication and hard work, the gymnasts are determined to excel in their practice, ensuring a strong showing in their upcoming events. The gymnastics program is a testament to the Bronco commitment to excellence, and it reflects the team's passion for the sport. The gymnasts are motivated to showcase their skills and prove their potential in the upcoming competition.

Not your average beauty pageant
BSU gymnastics gears up for big event

BY JAKE MARTIN

Sports Editor

BSU has a couple of teams that have been dubbed "the Beauty and the Beast". The BSU women's gymnastics team and the BSU wrestling team are a perfect example of this. The gymnastics team has been successful in recent years and has a strong fan base. The wrestling team, on the other hand, has been struggling to attract fans. The BSU women's gymnastics team is looking to expand its fan base by partnering with the BSU wrestling team. The gymnastics team will be using its success to attract new fans to the wrestling team.

BWU wrestlers eyes 'main event'

BY KYE JOHNSON

Sports Editor

Baptist wrestling coach Brent Beal hopes to improve his team's overall record this season. The BWU wrestling team has struggled in recent years, and Beal is hoping to change that. Beal is a former NCAA wrestling champion, and he brings a wealth of experience to the coaching staff. The BWU wrestling team has a young and talented roster, and Beal is confident that they can achieve success. The BWU wrestling team will be focusing on improving its overall record and building a strong foundation for future years.

This Week in Bronco Athletics

Friday: 2/9

Beauty & the Beast

- 7:00pm

- Taco Bell Arena

- Gymnastics vs. So. Utah

- Wrestling vs. Stanford

Student Admission FREE with ID

Friday: 2/9

Women's Tennis

- 9:30am vs. Montana

- 4:30pm vs. Nevada

- Boas Tennis Center

BroncoSports.com
BY JAKE GARCIN
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When excellence is expected, the pressure to produce seems to be greater than ever.
Fortunately for Boise State women's tennis coach Mark Tichenor his team is doing everything they can to live up to the expectations.

"I think you just get on the wave and keep riding it," Tichenor said about continuing the winning tradition at BSU. "Anybody that looks on [broncosports.com], it's every team that's [winning]. Our team knows how other teams are doing."

Tichenor said his team is doing its part in carrying over the fast start of the men's tennis program and also the Fiesta Bowl champion BSU football team.

The women are 3-0 in 2007 coming off wins against Montana State- Billings and University of Utah Feb. 2-3.

"We had a really good week," Tichenor said. "We pretty much went down there and played unbelievable. I thought our doubles were really good considering we had to mix it up. Our girls play hard. They play passionately. They play as a team and that's one thing we stress more than anything."

The Broncos continue their season with the Boise State Invitational this Friday through Sunday.

Coach Tichenor said he is excited about the fast start and he is confident his team has the potential to keep the success coming.

"We're playing two really good teams (this weekend)," Tichenor said. "They're going to be really good matches. There will be opportunities, just the injuries or anything else. There is always an opportunity for everybody."

The Boise State University of Montana, University of Nevada-Reno and Wichita State University in the first home tournament of the season.

"As fun playing at home," Tichenor said. "We have great fans come watch us at home. It's fun for the girls to play in front of their friends."

Tichenor did say it can be tough transitioning from the fall set of competition to the spring meets because of the awkward lay off between each season.

The team conditioned through the winter months and essentially spent from Nov. 12 to Feb. 1 off the courts preparing physically.

"Right now the biggest improvement is conditioning," Tichenor said. "You can tell, basically, our match against Utah we were stronger, we were faster. They feel good. They feel like they're in good shape."

The Broncos will only have the privilege of playing in Boise two times during the regular season.

BSU hosts Washington State University March 31 and also the Boise State Spring Classic April 12-15.

Boise is the host site for the 2007 Western Athletic Conference championships, which will give BSU a huge advantage in hosting the conference tournament at home.

"We have to keep improving, taking it one match at a time, one day at a time," Tichenor said. "We have to keep improving and see what happens. It's a long season it's not a sprint."
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