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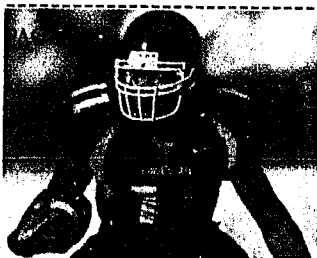
Get a taste of Pacific Subs with the culture section while getting the inside look at "23" and the DVD for "Babel."

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Six members of the Fiesta Bowl Champion Boise State football team moved closer to the 2007 NFL draft after completing the NFL Combine Feb. 21-27.

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The Arbiter news team united to interview all but four of the candidates for positions on the ASBSU staff last week. These interviews are available online under the ASBSU elections tab. Hear what the candidates had to say about the future of BSU and the state of ASBSU.

WEATHER



FRIDAY
High: 43F / Low 33F



SATURDAY
High: 51F / Low 30F



SUNDAY
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ON CAMPUS

THURSDAY
Author and activist Christian Parenti to speak at Boise State. His speech is titled "Defeated - Understanding U.S. Failure in Afghanistan and Iraq." Parenti, who has traveled to Afghanistan three times since 2004, will present an on-the-ground report from his recent Afghan travels as well as insight into the ongoing U.S. occupation of Iraq. A book signing will follow his presentation. This event will take place at the SUB Jordan A/B Ballroom at 7 p.m. and is free to the public.

SATURDAY
Diverse Perspectives Film Series: Race to Execution. "Race to Execution" traces the fates of two death row inmates, Robert Tarver in Alabama and Madison Hobbey in Chicago. Their cases are presented against a backdrop of inequality. In the United States, people who murder whites are more likely to be sentenced to death than those who kill blacks. This event will take place from 10 a.m. to noon in Room 102E at Boise State West.

Publications Board selects Lapray as new editor-in-chief

BY SHEREE' WHITELEY
Arbiter Staff

A new leader at Boise State University was selected on Monday, Feb. 26. It wasn't a new president, senator or chairman - it was the new editor-in-chief of the university's beloved student newspaper, The Arbiter.

Boise State senior and English major Dustin Lapray was chosen for the position. He will succeed this year's editor, Drew Mayes, and begin his term on May 16, 2007. His term will end on May 15, 2008.

Each year the Publications Board interviews and selects students to fill the positions of editor-in-chief and business manager for The Arbiter. The students chosen receive a full tuition waiver and compensation for their time. The editor position is one of the highest paid student positions at Boise State.

Candidates for both positions are required to submit applications and proposal letters to the Publications Board which clarify their qualifications, experience and intentions should they be selected. They are then put through a rigorous interview process, after which members of the board vote, taking into account views expressed by various members of The Arbiter's staff.

This year, The Arbiter staff (which consists solely of student-employees) broke into the worlds of podcasting and webcasting, while continuing to produce newspapers twice per week.

"I'd like to see Dustin build on what we've accomplished. We changed everything this year and laid the foundation for the future, but now everything we did needs to be fine-tuned," said Drew Mayes, editor for the 2006-2007 school year.

That seems to be exactly what Lapray is planning on doing. Podcasting was first produced at



Outgoing Editor-in-Chief Drew Mayes congratulates incoming Editor-in-Chief Dustin Lapray after Lapray was selected to be Mayes' successor in 2007/2008.

the beginning of the fall semester, and webcasting began when staff members traveled to the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl in January.

"My goals for The Arbiter next year are not that dissimilar to what we did last year," Lapray said. "I want to make our multimedia section shoot through the roof. I compared the paper to a giant sculpture, hiding inside a block of stone. Drew took a chainsaw to it and hacked off huge chunks of obstacle and doubt.

It's my job to come in with a fine chisel and make the thing the work of art we want it to be."

Lapray will oversee a staff of 70 to 80 students, including writers, section editors, graphic designers and production managers. The Arbiter is responsible for bringing news to and being the voice of Boise State's student body - a task which has been executed by staff members since 1933.

Lapray served as the manag-

ing editor this last year and was charged with overseeing the editorial staff, copy-editing and training. He is an English major in his eighth year of college and has had an abundance of writing/journalistic experience.

In The Arbiter alone, Lapray has had more than 200 articles published. His work has also been shown in the "Times News" on 225 occasions, in "Penthouse" magazine and in "The Idaho Statesman."

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- Dustin Lapray,
2007-2008 Arbiter
Editor-in-Chief

He is well-liked by staff members and many are excited to see him take office next year.

"I'm pretty excited for Dustin and I think he's going to do a great job. I almost envy him because I know what he's about to go through and what a great experience the next year is going to be for him," Mayes said.

BSU senior Troy Sawyer will return as the business manager for the 2007-2008 school year. He will be responsible for overseeing the advertising and marketing department and is responsible for keeping The Arbiter in good financial standing.

"I believe both Dustin Lapray, the new editor in chief, and Troy Sawyer, the current business manager who was hired for another year, are excellent choices to help move the Arbiter forward in its plans for future growth and expansion into new media. We were very fortunate to attract highly qualified candidates this year for both positions," said University Relations Representative and Publications Board Member Kathleen Craven.

The College of Education looks back on a decade of success

BY BARRY FRANKLIN
Arbiter Staff

The passage of each academic year marks a turning point where active and energetic minds seek out influential roles throughout their community. This is the 10-year anniversary of the first education doctoral program graduation at Boise State.

The graduates have gone on to work in nearly all levels of the Idaho's education field.

Patricia Toney, recently of the State Board of Education, was in the first graduating class in 1997. She had already worked as an educator for several years at Centennial High School and at Albertson College but the new program gave her a chance to further her career without uprooting her life.

"It was very exciting," Toney said of her experience. "We had a great cohort and we bonded very well."

Diane Boothe, dean of the College of Education, thought the students who went through

the program performed remarkably well.

"The education doctoral program in Curriculum and Instruction has graduated over 50 students who are making valuable contributions to the State of Idaho and the nation through their expert knowledge and quality leadership," Boothe said.

Robert Barr, professor emeritus and dean who oversaw the development of the program, said its founders strived to create a plan that would break away from convention.

"[They] set out to develop a doctoral program that was new, unique, distinctive, powerful, creative - we weren't bound by tradition," Barr said. The program was designed around students' lives, Barr said, offering a chance to gain a doctorate without leaving the Treasure Valley, which was impossible before the program began.

"Our first group of doctoral students had been waiting here in the metropolitan area for decades,

waiting for a doctoral program to come to them so that they might not have to resign their jobs, leave their families, leave their church and go out of state to go to a doctoral program," Barr said.

Kelly Cross, assistant principal at Taft Elementary in Boise, entered the program in 2001 after working for nine years as an educator. She said the program completely changed the way she approached her work.

"My experience in the doctoral program was extremely rewarding," Cross said. "I became a much better writer and a more critical reader."

She said the program not only changed her critical analysis skills but also her reading choices.

"It changed the way I read education journals. Now I pore over them; I've learned to look closely at the key points, resources and citations."

As a result, I have a more comprehensive understanding of instruction and curriculum - and I



PHOTO BY RICHAE SWANBECK/THE ARBITER
The Education Building houses many of the classrooms that students pursuing degrees in education attend.

know how to read, interpret and evaluate research."

The College of Education marked the anniversary with an invitation-only event February 7. The event reflected on the program's successes and looked towards the future in Idaho education. Keith

Thiede recently took over as coordinator for the program.

"If you look throughout this valley, you will find our graduates in leadership positions, providing the direction and the substance that truly is taking public education into the future," Barr said.

Bronco alum in California pledges \$250,000 for new building

BY SONIA TREVIZO
News Writer

The mounting success Boise State University experienced recently has become an inspiration to many. Doyle Heaton, a Boise Junior College alum living in California, pledged \$250,000 toward a new College of Business and Economics building.

The momentum of his alma mater and the national media attention to Boise State's football success sparked Heaton's inspiration. When he found out that the Micron Technology Foundation donated \$12.5 million to a new College of Business and Economics building, he quickly responded with his pledge of \$250,000.

"I want to give back to the community and give back to Boise State, which I thoroughly enjoyed," Heaton said.

Heaton is a Boise native and member of the first graduating class at Borah High School in 1959. He graduated with an emphasis in business administration from BJC in 1961. He is now president and owner of Declo Builders and Developers in Walnut Creek, California. With this donation he will leave a legacy at Boise State - the new building will include a room named the Doyle Heaton Seminar Room in honor of his contribution. The room will facilitate case-style instruction and incorporate advanced technology for analyses and

presentations.

"Impressive support such as this will enable us to take a great foundation and turn the college into one of the northwest's premier schools of business," said Howard Smith, dean of the College of Business and Economics.

The new building will be at the corner of Capitol and University and the current business building will be used to facilitate faculty from another college. According to Smith the new building will expand student services, allow better management of existing college resources, improve the college's image and facilitate interactions with the community. The building will provide the space necessary to establish a career center

and offices for student professional clubs and associations. An upgraded Student Advising Center and a food court and reception area for student and college-wide events will also be incorporated into this new building. The major goal for this building is to create a better learning environment for students. Due to its convenient location and new and improved faculty offices, future business students will have access to more services like job placement and access to faculty interaction.

"This building will become an icon for BSU. It sits at the gateway to campus, the capital and the business community. Simply arriving at the building each day students, faculty members' and staff

members' vision will migrate toward downtown and the state capitol and then back to the campus as a whole. That should send a little shiver down everyone's spine and remind them to walk into the building a little taller, a little more determined to excel, a little prouder of the college and BSU, and more motivated to succeed," said Smith.

The plans for this building are still in process. The University will approach the Student Board of Education for approval before summer.

With new construction and additions to the campus at BSU, the university is headed in the direction of a metropolitan research university of distinction.

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THE HEADLINES

WORLD

Blogger gets 4-year prison sentence for posted writings

An Egyptian court recently sentenced an anti-government Internet blogger to a 4-year prison term in a landmark case that has sent shockwaves through the country's growing community of online dissidents.

The case against Kareem Amer, 23, a former student at the Islamic institute of al-Azhar, was Egypt's first prosecution of a blogger specifically for online writings; other bloggers had been detained for their offline political activities.

Amer received three years in prison on charges of contempt of religion and an additional year for defaming U.S.-allied President Hosni Mubarak.

"He's only 23 years old. This verdict will ruin his future," said Mohamed el Sharkawy, another blogger and opposition figure who was arrested and allegedly tortured in a crackdown on dissidents last year. "Security officials tailor-made this charge to shove bloggers and activists into jail. This means that the state cannot tolerate anyone voicing his opinion."

While human rights groups denounced Amer's sentence as further evidence of Mubarak's authoritarian regime backsliding on promised changes, the blogger's postings about Islam were so inflammatory that even some of the most fervent free-speech advocates couldn't bring themselves to support him. As a result, the case not only set a precedent for prosecuting bloggers, but also forced debate on the limits of religious and political expression in conservative Egypt.

"The bloggers are having deep disputes over whether to support this guy or not," said Tarek Mounir of the Cairo office of Reporters Without Borders, a press freedom watchdog group. "The bloggers here are like the political horizon. Some of them are Islamists."

For two years, Amer lashed out at government and religious institutions, taking particular aim at his own school, al-Azhar, one of the bastions of Sunni Muslim thought. He accused al-Azhar clerics of advocating terrorism, stifling progress and shilling for Mubarak's government.

According to a report by Amnesty

International, Amer was detained briefly in October 2005 for tarnishing Islam in his writings about sectarian clashes between Muslims and Coptic Christians. Shortly after that, he was expelled from al-Azhar for blasphemy. He has been in jail on the latest charges since November 2006.

NATIONAL

Cheney OK after Afghan suicide bombing by Taliban

After getting a taste of the terrorism that threatens the Afghan government, Vice President Dick Cheney, attempting to give assurances that the United States will stand by Afghanistan, insisted that political leaders in the United States calling for a withdrawal of military forces from Iraq will leave countries in this part of the world vulnerable to dangerous "consequences."

The vice president - who became the most senior member of the Bush administration to spend the night in a war zone after poor weather delayed his trip into Kabul - also came up against some of the violence that threatens the young government of Afghan President Hamid Karzai. At least 23 people died and many more were wounded when a suicide bomber attacked the main gate of Bagram Air Force Base on the morning that Cheney awoke at the vast air base nestled in the mountains.

At the time of the attack, for which the Taliban claimed credit, the vice president was secure and well inside the base, far from the bombing that sent a plume of smoke rising beyond the flight line where his military cargo jet was parked preparing for takeoff for Kabul. As the base called a Code Red, Cheney was moved "for a brief moment" from the room where he was staying, he said, but was returned to his room after the situation "settled down."

The broader meaning of the attack, Cheney said hours later, is that insurgents are pressing for ways to challenge the authority of the Karzai government. Talk of withdrawal of U.S. forces from Iraq only emboldens terrorists operating here and in Pakistan, where he had traveled the day before, he continued.

"I think they clearly try to find

ways to question the authority of the central government," Cheney said during a brief interview in a luxury-cabin mounted inside the cargo bay of the C-17 military transport, dubbed "The Spirit of Strom Thurmond," that had carried him in to Pakistan and Afghanistan and out again.

Terrorists in the region are intent on testing the resolve of the U.S. in Iraq, the Bush administration maintains. And "the continuing threat that exists in this part of the world" is part of the reason that President Bush dispatched the vice president to Pakistan and Afghanistan on Tuesday, according to a senior administration official interviewed near the end of a trip that was supposed to be completed in one day but turned into a two-day affair because of weather in Afghanistan.

LOCAL/BSU

Idaho inmates injured in weather-related van rollover

Seven inmates from the South Idaho Correctional Institution Community Work Center were injured when their van rolled on Pleasant Valley Road. An ambulance took one of the inmates to the hospital for treatment of rib injuries. The other six were evaluated for minor injuries.

The apparently weather-related accident happened at about 6 a.m. when the van slid sideways while going around a corner. The van rolled once and landed back on its wheels.

The accident happened near the gravel pit where Pleasant Valley Road curves south of Boise.

All the inmates were wearing seatbelts.

Courtesy Idaho Press-Tribune

WHAT THE?

Hope you're not mad at me

When a San Rafael, Calif., man wrecked his wife's new car, he was so afraid that she would hit the roof that he told her that he had been kidnapped.

He said that two men held him at gunpoint and he had to crash the car to escape. His story fell apart under police questioning.

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College sees the light in students' campaign

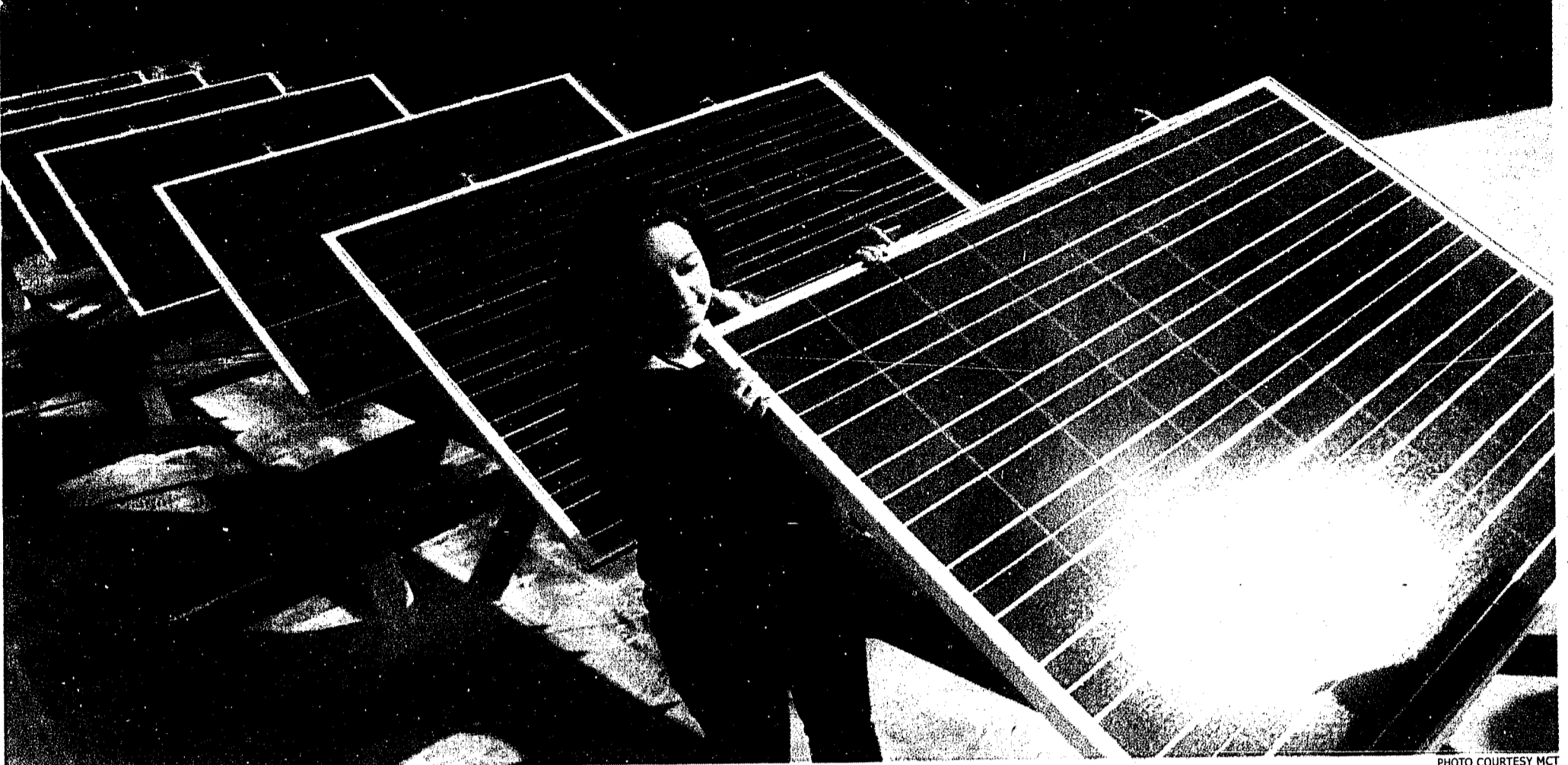


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Sara Shaw, 21, senior in environmental studies at Rollins College, inspects the solar array on top of the Bush Science building on campus in Winter Park, Fla. Feb. 21, 2007. Rollins students called for real action from school administrators to help put a chill in global warming.

BY KEVIN SPEAR
Orlando Sentinel (MCT)

It's a modern version of a campus anti-war protest.

Rollins College students called for real action from school administrators to help put a chill in global warming. What they got was expensive solar equipment and a building to put it on.

Without pay or college credit, Rollins students then helped install the equipment, which will generate roughly 1.6 kilowatts for fluorescent ceiling lights in a science laboratory.

When the juice flows in the next week or so, Rollins will join col-

leges and universities nationwide where students are leading efforts to shine a light on energy alternatives that don't increase air pollution and climate change.

"It's not like we're out protesting with bullhorns," said Sara Shaw, 21, an environmental studies major. "This is a generation that would rather do something than just talk about it."

Shaw and other students started their quest nearly three years ago. They searched for grant money, but that went nowhere. So they turned to Rollins officials, who said they would try to find funding.

"We definitely had to be persistent and let them know we were se-

rious," she said. "Rollins has never done anything like this."

The payoff after countless meetings and presentations, but not confrontations or demands, was nearly \$40,000. Roughly half paid for the panels and the remainder bought steel framing and other mounting materials.

That's significantly more expensive than a homeowner might pay for a housetop system. But the Rollins solar assembly is highly exposed to winds and required stronger anchoring hardware.

To Kirk Hemphill, Rollins College maintenance manager, the array was relatively cheap and is in keeping with an institution

that plans to stay in one place for a long time.

"The payoff is in decades, 50, 60, 70 years or more," Hemphill said. "It's built to last that long, like our buildings are built to last 100 years."

Environmental studies professor Joe Siry said solar panels don't incur the hidden health and environmental costs of strip mining and long-distance hauling by trains that come with the nation's top energy choice: coal.

What's more, the panels will make an impression that classroom lectures can't convey. Siry said future courses will use the panels as a teaching tool. They are

mounted on a second-story roof of the Bush Science Center and have eight separate panels that are adjustable to squarely face the sun during changing seasons.

"Next year's freshmen are going to come in and assume this is standard stuff here," Siry said.

That's rapidly become the norm at other schools, said Liz Veazey, regional coordinator for the Southern Energy Network, which encourages Southeastern schools to collaborate on alternative-energy strategies.

When she started in 2004, only about five universities had student-driven energy programs. Today, students are pursuing en-

ergy efficiency and alternatives at more than 30 schools, she said.

"I think it's one of the biggest issues of our generation," Veazey said about climate change blamed in large part on power-plant emissions of carbon dioxide. "If we don't do the right thing within the next 10 years, there's no going back."

Fiona Harper, assistant biology professor at Rollins, said the eight solar panels on the science-building roof should only be a start.

"What better way for a college to make a difference in this community," she said. "There's a lot of flat roofs on campus. We get all this sun and I see no solar panels on them."

Who knew?

It finally decided to become a Senate

BY DUSTIN LAPRAY AND
CHARLOTTE TAYLOR
Arbiter Staff

For the first time in the Spring 2007 semester, the Associated Students of Boise State University Senate had a full table in the Forum in the Student Union Building. All but one of the senators was present, that was engineering Sen. Jim Musser.

Sen. Bakh Mirkasimov asked Senate Pro Tempore Amy Ortmann why Sen. Musser has been missing meetings.

"I will make no formal announcement [on his status]," Sen. Ortmann said. But the rest of the senators were present and, to the surprise of the gallery, the Senate did work. It introduced four pieces of legislation - three bills and one resolution.

Legislation

The Ways and Means Committee introduced a Senate Bill which would augment the conflict of interest policy within ASBSU. The augmented policy would comply with the policy written and followed by the BSU administration.

The Bill states that since students working for ASBSU earn service awards, they, too, fall under the jurisdiction of the BSU administration and hence should follow the same policy.

"The best way to approach that would be to follow the same rules the university follows," Sen. Terry Gorseth said.

"Sen. Gorseth, could you nutshell it for us?" Sen. Ryan Cooper said.

The Senate became confused because the bill referred to BSU Policy Manual Section 5, Policy 5040 and did not include what that policy was. The Senate chose to move the bill to second reading Tuesday and later moved it to third reading Thursday, on the condition that Sen. Gorseth bring the aforementioned policy to the table.

Out of the Blue

The Senate was again blessed by the presence of Sen. Cyndi Blue,

who came back from her leave of absence with a Fast-Track resolution in hand. The resolution was introduced late and marked "Fast Track." By fast-tracking a resolution, the Senate can bypass many of its regular rules of order. Said documents need not enter committee hearings and can be introduced and passed in one meeting.

The resolution would cost BSU nothing, and it was only the tenth introduced this year.

Its purpose is to "give voice to students and citizens of Idaho concerned that there is no hate crime law in Idaho."

This resolution intends to be packaged along with another from the Faculty Senate (which Sen. Blue said she had spoken to twice and it was on board) and taken to the state legislature to help encourage legislators to pass hate crime legislation.

"The state of Idaho is only one of two which does not proclaim that it has a hate crime law," Sen. Blue said. "This is something that most states are starting to deal with. Anything that is to be done must be done immediately."

The Senate was wary about passing the resolution Tuesday, since it hadn't seen the legislation until the meeting started and had not taken the time to read it.

"This is something that the senate has worked on for a while," Sen. Mary Dawson said. "This is a well-researched document."

The Senate took a short recess and after a heated debate, removed the "Fast Track" status from the legislation. After further debate, it was moved into the Senate Ways and Means Committee, which met Wednesday. The Senate actually had to "Call the Question" and did a roll-call vote to move the legislation.

"I understand that a lot of work was done on this," Sen. Jennifer Stolley said. "I'm not arguing that, however I am not familiar with it."

The legislation was written last December amid the crisis resulting in the Not On Our Campus Rally. That week a student received a death threat because of his race

and another reported false claims that he had been assaulted because of his sexual orientation. The report was a hoax, but hate crimes do occur. The rally was debated because of the rescinded claim, but the legislation is in the Senate.

More information on this resolution and the status of the Senate will be printed in Monday's Arbiter issue.

Veterans' Memorial

The first bill introduced at Tuesday's meeting was one that would allocate \$10,000 from the Senate Discretionary Fund to the reconstruction of a Veterans' Memorial on campus. The original memorial was demolished to make room for an addition to the Albertson Library.

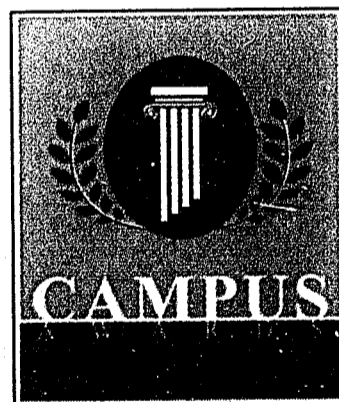
Nearly every year since, the Senate has passed resolutions asking the administration to rebuild the memorial. The bill, proposed by Senator Katie Jo Rupert and Senator Britton Holdaway, cites the recent loss of three BSU students serving in Iraq as the catalyst behind this proposal.

The new memorial would be a part of the SUB expansion, taking place through the next two years. The cost of the reconstruction is estimated at close to \$30,000. A donor had originally offered to fund the entire cost of the project but backed out for unmentioned reasons. The unnamed donor is now only partially funding the construction of the memorial, leaving Senate members searching for other methods of fundraising. The bill was moved to the Budget and Finance Committee for consideration.

Harnessing the power of wind

The Senate also introduced a bill that would help finance the construction of a wind-power generator at Morrison Hall. The generator would have an ecological impact on the BSU campus. The bill asks the Senate to spend \$1,000 on the wind-power-generated residence Hall. More on this story will be printed in Monday's Arbiter issue.

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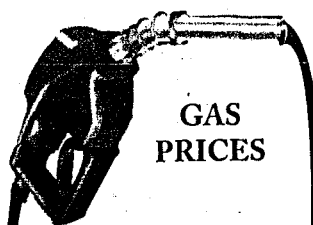
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Another way for business students to Succeed

BY BARRY FRANKLIN
Biztech Editor

Opportunity knocks business students, this is your chance to step through the door and network with the professional world.

The College of Business and Economics at Boise State is implementing a new strategic plan to create a placement system. The placement system involves an open house and networking reception where students can discover career options, discuss their long-term goals and develop valuable insights and relationships.

"This is an integrated career fair and networking event [that] helps inform young students about their options," Lynn Gabriel, managing director for the global business consortium in the College of Business and Economics said. Gabriel said the event which takes place March 21 will begin with an open house held in the Student Union Building Hatch Ballroom from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

"We want students to have more in depth conversations with these people ... this is different from a job fair, this is about relationship building," Gabriel said.

Students can then move to the Lookout Room in the Student Union Building from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for a reception and round table discussion hosted by multiple business representatives. Gabriel said the reception consists of a question and answer session and round table discussion concerning specific areas of interest in different business fields.

Students who wish to attend the reception must register via website at <http://cobe.boisestate.edu/ib/careerconnections.htm> or email at gbc@boisestate.edu. Due to limited space, spots are given out on a first come, first served basis.

Carlene Hansen, program assistant for the global consortium in the College of Business and Economics said this

is the inaugural event in what will be a string of opportunities.

"There might even be a couple of companies who are recruiting for underclassmen," Hansen said.

Hansen and Gabriel are looking for up to 20 businesses to participate.

Thus far they have firm consent from seven including Wells Fargo, Washington Group, Dillards, Northern Mutual Financial Network, A&B Financial, Stein Distributing and New York Life Insurance.

The idea, according to Gabriel, is form a long-term relationship between students and businesses in which both will succeed.

"They [businesses] may find that they will fill a particular need and see an opportunity to explore career options," Gabriel said.

Under the new strategic plan students may have the chance to be a protocol host.

"This would be someone who shows a recruiter around, someone who is assigned to them," Gabriel said. "Not every company will want or need this but it's something we're offering."

Hansen and Gabriel said student organizations played a major role in bringing this event to fruition.

Among the many student groups who took part in the planning is the Association for Operations Management.

The Association for Operations Management Chapter President, Courtney Kirchner said the Dean of the College of Business and Economics asked all business clubs to take part in a round table discussion concerning job prospects.

"We thought it would be really beneficial for students to have a more specific opportunity," Kirchner said.

Kirchner feels this situation is most beneficial for underclassmen.

"The sooner a student can start building their network, the better. Any freshman going in might make a bond with an industry professional over four years," Kirchner said.



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College of Business and Economics offers a new executive MBA program



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"We [are] able to pair people with an individual leadership coach, executive coach and communication coach and help them excel ... it's interactive and energetic."

- Kirk Smith,
Associate Dean
BSU College of
Business and Economics

BY BARRY FRANKLIN
Biztech Editor

Business students considering the lavish lifestyle of an upper echelon career now have a local opportunity.

Last fall, the College of Business and Economics began offering an executive MBA program.

Kirk Smith, associate dean for the College of Business and Economics Graduate Studies and Executive Education said the program is designed for people who are a midlevel executive.

"These are people with at least six years of managerial experience ... who have tremendous skill in a narrow area [such as] lawyers, engineers or scientists," Smith said.

Participants meet once a month for an entire day over the course of two years.

They discuss situations involving conflict resolution, industry evolution, working with people from other cultures and problem solving.

Smith said the program's main goal is to help people take their company to really exceptional places and to give previously experienced individuals the skills to rise through the ranks in their profession.

"We [are] able to pair people with an individual leadership coach, executive coach and communication coach and help them excel ... it's interactive and energetic," Smith said.

The College of Business and Economics developed the executive masters program with about 25 businesses in the area possessing an integrated interest.

The eight businesses most involved include: Albertson's Inc., IDACORP Inc., J.R. Simplot Company, Smokey Mountain Pizza and Pasta, Hewlett-Packard, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Micron Technology and Woodgrain Millwork.

Smith said the program is the first and only one of its kind in Idaho and one of fewer than 100 in the United States.

"This is diametrically opposite to a lecture type situation," Smith said. "People who complete this program typically do well."

Cheryl Maile and Patrick Coyne work closely with the participants in the executive MBA program.

"We help to guide faculty as well as make sure it all comes off seamlessly," Maile said.

Coyne went through the regular MBA program at Boise State and now is the Program Manager of the College of Business and Economics Executive Education. He said he has seen a very different situation in the executive program.

"It is much different, really interesting to see this unfolding and what they go through," Coyne said.

Maile said the rigorosity of the program adds a whole new level of stress to the participants.

They often have families and

are already working high stress jobs, she said.

Maile said the program comes to \$38,000 but the sum is all-inclusive.

Coyne said the executive MBA is a generalized, well-rounded degree with a focus on business areas.

"What they really need is a wide verity of knowledge," Coyne said.

Smith said students who graduate with an undergraduate degree, step into the work place and feel a position as president or vice president is possible are perfect candidates for the new MBA program.

"We only let about 28 people into the group," Smith said. "This is not MBA light, this is a big deal for people who already have big jobs."



The next size up

BY SHEREE' WHITELEY
Arbiter Staff

I once watched an episode of TLC's "What Not To Wear" in which the woman undergoing a style transformation owned what seemed to be a million T-shirts depicting various cartoon characters.

As the two hosts of the show trashed these shirts, the woman tried desperately to salvage them.

I thought she might actually attempt to engage in a fistfight in order to save these atrocious fabric monstrosities.

Now, if someone were to come into my closet and try to strip my favorite pair of heels or jeans from me, I would be throwing fists. But these were T-shirts created for 12-year-olds, and this lady had to be pushing 30.

Congratulations to her for being able to fit into child-sized shirts, but seriously - grow up.

She couldn't see how ridiculous and inappropriate these shirts looked on her, and how obvious it was that she was trying to hold onto something that she'd outgrown.

I can empathize. I clung to my Barbie dolls until I was a teenager (an early teenager, mind you). When everyone else my age had put their Barbies in boxes or sold them off at yard sales, I was still occasionally putting them in their pink Corvettes and pushing them across the carpet (secretly, of course).

It wasn't until I started trying the activities that my peers were enjoying that I realized that I had also outgrown Barbie dolls.

There's nothing wrong with being an individual, and there definitely isn't a reason that we all need to kow-tow to the normalities constructed by society.

But when we reach an age or point in our lives when certain things aren't appropriate or don't work for us anymore, we need to recognize it.

It's not always easy.

At a Nickelback concert a few months ago, I saw a woman in an itty-bitty corset-style tank and jeans.

The only problem was that this woman wasn't nearly as itty-bitty as her top or jeans - she had literally outgrown her attire.

Back fat, side bulges and a belly that looked as if she had just downed a keg of beer by herself.

Not to mention she was about 25 years too old for an outfit like that. I asked myself, "How can she not see that? How can she look in the mirror, walk out the door and think that's OK?"

Some of the things that seem to so obviously not be good fits for us are things that we can't see.

Case-and-point: the "bad for you" boyfriend/girlfriend.

All of your friends can see how much of a jackass he/she is, but it takes you a whole lot longer to figure it out.

Usually they're not bad for you at the start (if they were, why would you continue to date them?) but you outgrow them and then can't see what a poor fit for you they are.

Friendships are the same way. Looking back on my friend record, I've seen many come and go.

It's the ones that grew with me that stuck around.

The ones with minds similar to 16-year-olds were ousted alongside my Backstreet Boys albums and overalls.

Nothing is forever (well, maybe some things - like Chanel suits) so don't fret too much when what works for you now doesn't anymore.

Yes, it's scary, but soon what's new will become what's comfortable.

Pacific Subs makes a tasty sandwich, combo sold separately

BY STEVE AHLBORN
Culture Writer

After finding the restaurant I located a parking spot behind the building - chose to ignore the sign wanting me to pay a \$3 charge, since it was after 5 p.m. on Monday - that way I could spend it on my meal.

As I stepped through the front door, the cashier gave me a smile, greeted me and then proceeded to ask what I wanted to eat. I noticed that the music was louder than I usually enjoy, but it was a modern-style rock, which I generally like.

I tried to order a sandwich that was similar to the cold cut trio that I always get at Subway. Unlike Subway's six and 12-inch sandwich lengths, I was offered the choice of a five, eight or 11-inch sandwich. Instead of five different varieties of bread, I was given two options - white or wheat. I decided on an 11-inch club sandwich, including turkey breast, ham, bacon, lettuce and mayo on white.

I figured a drink and chips would come with the meal, considering I paid about \$7.50 (the amount I usually pay at Subway). A cup never entered my hand and soon I realized that I had to pay extra for the combo, \$2.19 plus tax. The meal turned out to be around \$10. Fortunately, parking was \$3 off for a limited time only or else I would receive a ticket.

The floor was rustic while

the tables and chairs were made of shiny metal. Every piece of furniture I shuffled passed was spotless.

I was the only customer there.

As I finished filling my cup with soda from the machine, it was announced that my sandwich was done.

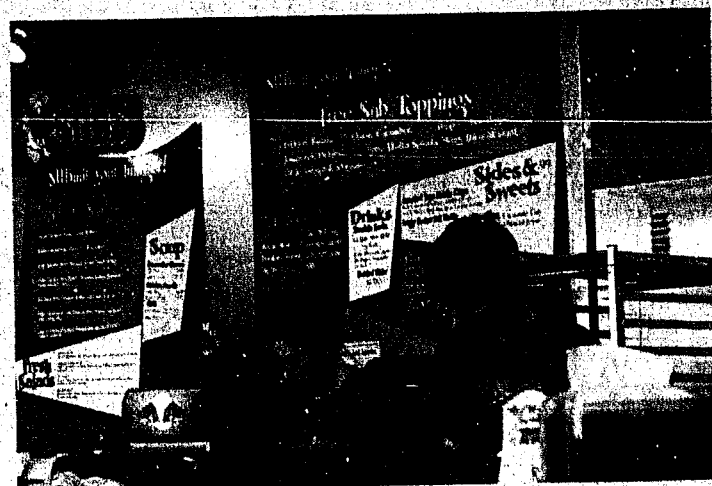
Here laid the true test. Most of the ingredients I usually like on my Subway sandwiches were also on this one. Wrapped in generic white paper, it impressed me that the company did not flash their logo around on it, the napkins or the cup.

I have to admit, after opening my sandwich, it stayed more in tact than any sandwich I have ever had at Subway. It had a different taste from that of Subway, but was still good. As I scraped a mound of lettuce off the second half of my sandwich I had an interesting thought. Do all of the sub sandwich places meet together and make it mandatory to pile on as much lettuce as it takes to make the sandwich look bigger?

On a scale from 8 - 15, 8 being the best and 15 being the worst, I would rate my overall experience at an 11, three points shy of perfection.

This is due to the parking, loud music and prices. It is an above-average rating because of the rustic atmosphere, friendly service and good food.

Pacific Subs is located at 509 Main Street - Fifth and Main in downtown Boise.



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'23' falls flat

BY DALE EISINGER
Culture Writer

If you take the number of minutes of this flick, divide them by the cost of a ticket, add one frightfully bored audience, and subtract a Friday night, you know what you get? A truly humdrum film.

Jim Carrey's new movie, "The Number 23," is full of similar arithmetic litanies. It centers on a man (Walter Sparrow, played by Carrey) who becomes obsessed with,

Sparrow derives 23 from all sorts of other numbers using seemingly arbitrary methods: he finds 23 in his name after giving letters number values, he finds 23 in his address, his social security number and in all sorts of random places, including street corners and license plates. It would be utterly amazing if this were a documentary, but seeing as it isn't, the novelty wears off rather quickly. Of course this numeric obsession doesn't come out of nowhere for Sparrow. After he is given a book with the same title as the film does he begins concocting ways to find 23. As the plot unfolds, Sparrow becomes sure that the book is a warped confession of a murder that happened when he was in college, and he becomes bent on finding the author. Spoilers aside, "The Number 23" wraps up with a predictable and highly-foreshadowed twist.

The choice of Sparrow as a role for Carrey has allowed him to sprinkle his performance with the backhanded sarcasm Carrey has recently been known for, injecting his humor into what would presumably be an austere role for him - this is, after all, billed as a thriller.

Sparrow is a truly "normal guy," and the first act of the movie emphasizes just how routine (yet fulfilling) Sparrow's life is. He has a beautiful wife and home, a loving son, a job that seems to serve a purpose and an incredibly sharp wit.

It seems like a great role for Carrey at first. The most true-to-life and admittedly heart-warming scenes are those in which he interacts with his family.

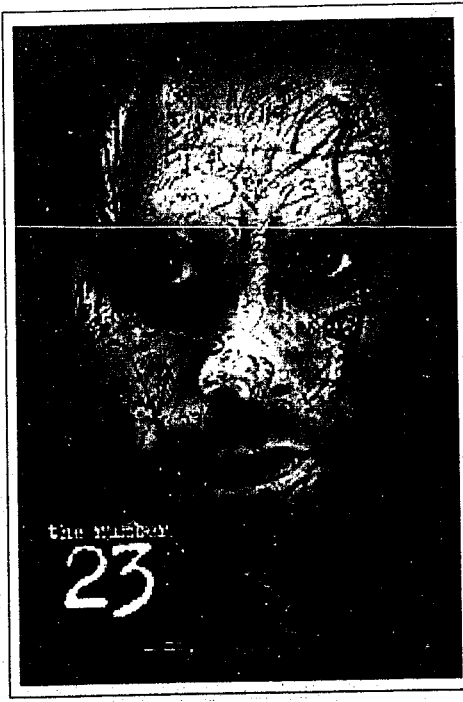
But as the story develops and Sparrow becomes more obsessed with the book and number, Carrey's performance loses its sheen.

His humor duly takes a backseat to a mediocre representation of a mind gone off track, losing steam as his attempts to portray obsession and madness continually fall flat. It would be a fine part for an actor with a darker edge (Christian Bale might have been perfect) but Carrey simply lacks the intensity needed to make the contrast between the carefree and the manic Sparrow work.

Yet as Sparrow's actions become more questionable, the laughs don't stop. There are lines in the movie that are absurdly revealing in their attempt to tie the story together. Couple this with Carrey's watered-down madman delivery of them, and these scenes have the whole audience at least guffawing. This detached-audience syndrome was a theme throughout the flick.

Instead of gripping seats, the young, late-night audience checked watches and cell phones, munched absentmindedly on popcorn and even made out during scenes intended to be the most powerful.

All of this could have been accomplished at home, without the overextended math problems.



'Babel' DVD thrills audiences

BY FRANCY MARCOTTE
Assistant Culture Editor

An American tourist gets shot in Morocco, setting off a chain of events affecting four families in three countries.

Each family is connected, but they don't know it.

Thus the stage is set for "Babel," 2006's Oscar-nominated film centering on language barriers and connections.

Director Alejandro González Iñárritu ("Amores Perros," "21 Grams") brings together an ensemble cast headlined by Brad Pitt, Cate Blanchett, Gael García Bernal, Adriana Barraza and Rinko Kikuchi to tell each family's story with the tagline in mind: "If you want to be understood ... listen."

On Feb. 20, the DVD version of the film hit store shelves and attracted a whole new audience.

"Babel" opens with a pair of impoverished Moroccan brothers receiving a rifle from their father.

While playing around with it, they aim it at a tourist bus and unintentionally shoot a woman (Blanchett) in the neck.

Her story continues as her husband (Pitt) desperately tries to work with local inhabitants to get her out of the desert and into a hospital.

Meanwhile, the couple's children receive their own dose of culture shock when their babysitter (Barraza) takes them to Mexico for her son's wedding, exposing them to a new group of people and customs.

For instance, in one scene the babysitter's nephew (Bernal) yanks the head off a live chicken, instilling anxiety in the children for their surroundings.

Finally, in Japan, an adolescent girl (Kikuchi) struggles with her deafness, her mother's suicide and being unable to communicate with others in the way she would like.

The film received seven Oscar nominations this year, including two nominations for Best Supporting Actress (Barraza and Kikuchi), Best Original Screenplay, Best Director and Best Picture.

It took home the Oscar for Best Original Score.

Unfortunately, the DVD version of "Babel" fails to live up to the wide amount of attention it received. For those who watch DVDs mainly for the special features, they won't find anything accompanying "Babel" except for a few movie previews and English and Spanish subtitle options.

Fun stuff, right?

Though watching those behind-the-scenes specials commonly found on DVDs can entertain and easily kill 30 minutes, "Babel" provides enough intrigues to still make the DVD worth investing in.

The sophisticated cinematography of the Moroccan desert or Downtown Tokyo, along with the interlocking storylines engage viewers enough to make the film's 2.5 hour run time go by quickly.

The film also scores in the acting department. For some reason, whether because of poor film choices in the past or his admittedly rugged good looks, Pitt manages to get on the bad side of moviegoers.

However, his performance in "Babel" brings out a softer, more emotional side to him that films like "Fight Club" and "Troy" brushed to the side.

The two Oscar-nominated actresses, Barraza and Kikuchi, also connect to the audience on an emotional level.

However, both of them do it in different languages.

Barraza speaks most of her lines in Spanish, while Kikuchi conveys her feelings through sign language.

Despite the possible communication barriers, both actresses deliver performances worthy of the recognition they've received.

Despite its lack of special features, "Babel" still makes an entertaining DVD, without all the extra, time-killing fluff.

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Poet Alice Notely entertains Boise State

BY CHARITY VARNER
Culture Writer

Alice Notely presented a reading on campus February 26 as a segment of the Boise State MFA Reading Series that brings nationally known authors to the University.

Notely was born in Arizona in 1945. She received a B.A. from Barnard College in 1967 and went on to earn her M.F.A. from the University of Iowa in 1969.

She is an artist with an array of talents ranging from sketches and watercolors to collages and poetry. Her most profound and recognizable work is her verse, which she shared with a room overly crowded with eager ears in the Bishop Barnwell room Monday night.

The poetry of Alice Notely explores the complexities of American Culture and often uses her words as a springboard for social reform. Her main intent is to captivate the reader with the beauty of her words while at the same time instilling a hint of social awareness. She describes her voice as, "the new wife, and the new mother."

A main theme running throughout her works is her fascination with deserts where she grew up.

Her talent has gained her recognition around the world.

A collection of her poems entitled, "Mysteries of Small Houses" was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize. Another collection, "How Spring

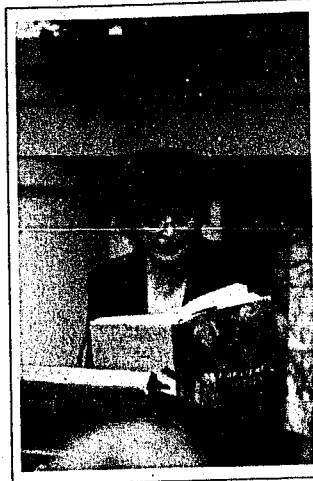


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BSU hosted a special poetry reading by Alice Notely on Feb. 26 in the SUB as part of the Boise State MFA Reading Series.

Comes," received the San Francisco Poetry Center Book Award in 1982. In spring of 2001, she was presented with an award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters as well as the Poetry Society of America's Shelly Memorial Award.

She began her reading from her book, "Grave of Light."

The poetry inscribed in this book can best be described as songs resembling intimate journal entries. One such 'song' was called a "Eulogy

for my Brother, Robert," which expressed a difficult descent into the grief and frustration of losing a life dear to you. The story of a lost soul was woven deeper into the bigger issue of war and the grief of losing many. She spoke of the war that raged in Vietnam.

"No one cared that he went there/ No one cared what was lost."

The words are haunting and real, with the current parallel of the war in Iraq.

The mood of melancholy and political contemplation was replaced by lighthearted humor with a selection of poems entitled, "Postcards." The audience was at one moment silent and serious and the next laughing with no restraint.

Only a truly talented speaker can induce an audience in such a manner. The second set of readings came from another book of her works, "Alma, or the Dead Women." Alma is considered the true God.

She is a woman and a junkie shooting up heroin through a hole in her forehead. She "dreams and suffers our nightmares with us."

Notely tries to bring storytelling back to sound and rhythm, back to poetry. "Her use of language is amazing which makes you see ordinary things in a new light," noted Kendra L., a sophomore majoring in English at BSU.

After all, language is the foundation of much of the American Culture.

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What's coming to the movies

BY FRANCY MARCOTTE
Assistant Culture Editor

Black Snake Moan

This is how Christina Ricci makes a comeback:

After her boyfriend abandons her, Rae (Ricci) runs off and gets into some trouble.

An isolated bluesman (Samuel L. Jackson) takes her in and learns that she experienced sexual abuse as a child.

He eventually holds her captive, determined to help her overcome her past and live a better life.

Wild Hogs

Living in the middle of suburbia tends to make life dull. At least,

that's what the main characters of "Wild Hogs" (Tim Allen, Martin Lawrence, William H. Macy and John Travolta) think.

In an effort to spice up their monotonous lives, the four friends embark on a cross-country motorcycle trip.

Their adventure soon becomes a showdown when they come face-to-face with Del Fuegos, a motorcycle gang known for disliking new riders.

Zodiac

Director David Fincher ("Fight Club," "Seven") brings a new movie to theaters this week. "Zodiac" follows the true story of a series of unsolved murders in 1970s San Francisco.

An elusive serial killer terrorizes the city, leaving letters and identity clues for the police in each crime scene.

Three investigators (Jake Gyllenhaal, Mark Ruffalo and Anthony Edwards) take on the case,

unaware that the hunt for the killer will consume their lives.

On the indie scene Abduction: The Megumi Yokota Story

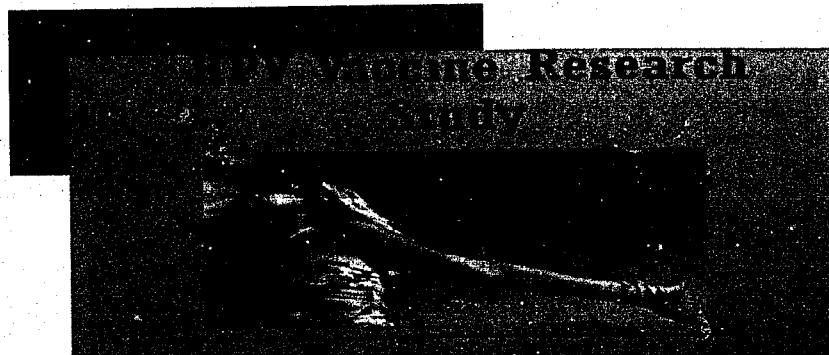
On Thursday, March 1 at 7 p.m., The Flicks, along with the Idaho Department of Commerce and Labor and Consul General Akio Egawa will show a free screening of "Abduction: The Megumi Yokota Story."

This film follows a group of Japanese citizens kidnapped by the North Korean government.

The film is unrated.

Venus

Eight-time Oscar Nominee Peter O'Toole ("Lawrence of Arabia") stars in this film about an aging actor Maurice (O'Toole) and his best friend Ian (Leslie Phillips) who starts to fear the coming of death. Ian invites his niece's daughter to come live with him and Maurice begins to feel attracted to her. "Venus" opens at The Flicks on March 2.



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OPINION

The way we see it ...

Avoid another pathetic Senate: Get to know your ASBSU candidates before you vote

Yes students, it's that time of year again.

The time of year when frat boys roll around on golf carts passing out oranges and others stand in the quad giving away free buttons, soda pop and a big ol' cheesy smiles.

It's that time of year to keep your hand sanitizer nearby as you walk through the Student Union Building, because odds are you'll be accosted by a variety of out-of-breath-from-empty-promises student politicians wanting to shake your hand.

It's time for the Associated Students of Boise State University elections.

While the current executive administration has done exactly what they promised students last spring - fighting the plus/minus grading system (although unsuccessful in their fight) and implementing a free student textbook library - the student senate has been pathetic.

Not only has the majority of student senators failed to deliver on their campaign promises, most of them found it too inconvenient to attend their own meetings. All year the Senate had trouble making quorum, resulting in just nine resolutions passed since they took office last spring. Previous senates have passed more than 30 resolutions in the same length of time.

While we'd like to celebrate the departure of such an inept group of individuals from student government, the scary thing is that a handful of them are running for president and vice president.

So do yourself and the students of Boise State a favor by finding out who wants to represent you in the next year. Find out what each candidate stands for and hold them accountable for their record, or lack thereof.

Presidential and vice presidential candidates will debate one another today at noon in the SUB in the last of three ASBSU campaign debates.

If you can't make this event or missed the previous two senate debates, don't worry. Several of the candidates running for office did too. And just like you, can go to www.arbiteronline.com and download the audio of the debates to get caught up on all the rhetoric.

While you're there, you can also listen to one-on-one interviews The Arbiter did with each of the candidates that accepted our invitation last week to come talk about their candidacy.

In addition, post your questions and/or comments directly to the candidates themselves with our online forum.

The more active and serious candidates have already begun replying to students' questions, comments and concerns.

Remember, it's your money they want to spend it, so take the time to learn about the candidates and vote wisely.

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; Barry Franklin, opinion editor; Harsh Mantri, online editor; and Sheree Whiteley, lead copy editor.

Summer jobs aren't all a scam

BY JACOB BORG
Guest Opinion

My name is Jacob Borg; I graduated from Boise State's school of business in 2002. I have a few concerns in reference to the article written recently by Richard Rapp titled, "Students lured into scam jobs." I know nothing about Mr. Rapp and his personal experience working with employers that recruit and hire students from BSU.

I do know that I was surprised by his generalizations and tactics used in this article. While I was a student at Boise State I was taught to think critically and write by presenting facts and examples to support my cause. With such a striking headline I was certain that I would find data and facts related to which companies were "scamming" students and what students had been "lured" into these scheme jobs. Instead, as I continued to read further the article went down a one-sided path filled with generalizations and broad stroking opinions.

There were a few bits and pieces

of good advice but no substantive offering of the other side of the spectrum. At one point Mr. Rapp even mentioned that there was something wrong with summer employers recruiting students to work out of state during the summer time. As if there is something wrong with that. Was this his litmus test for a scam job I wondered? When I was at BSU employers were recruiting students to take jobs out of state all the time.

As a student at BSU one of my most vivid memories is listening to one of the founders and former executives of Micron describe one of his greatest learning experiences as a young man. He talked about a job he had in Salt Lake City as a tire salesman. It was commission only. If he didn't sell tires, he didn't put food on his plate or pay his rent. He talked about the learning that took place while he worked there and the powers of persuasion that he developed.

I remember him telling us that these skills helped him as much, if not more than his engineering degree or law

degree. I am sure Mr. Rapp had good intentions but I think he did the students a disservice by not offering a bit more substance and the other side of the story. You see, when I was a sophomore in College I was being advised by professors, parents and others to get an internship, work construction, go to Alaska, and other opportunities for summer work. But, I chose to go against the grain and moved to California to work for a Marketing Company that sold Pest Control Contracts door-to-door for Orkin Pest Control (the second largest Pest Control Company in the U.S.).

My very first summer working with Eclipse, I earned over \$20,000 in four months. I continued to work for this company throughout college and in subsequent years made \$60,000 two summers in a row and \$90,000 the summer after graduating with my Marketing Degree.

That summer I had three first-year employees who worked for me and they made \$22,000, \$30,000 and \$35,000 each. All were students trying

to find ways to pay for their education in between college semesters. Since that summer, I went to work for another large corporation where I was paid a salary with opportunities to advance, although I never exceeded the pay that I made in one summer with Eclipse.

Three years later, I quit and have since gotten back involved with Eclipse full time showing students how to make the most out of their summer. I am not the exception. Many friends and co-workers have had similar experiences.

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I wonder where the headlines were when I was at Boise State ... "Student nets \$90,000 in four months working summer sales job." Surely everyone would have been interested in a job like that!

Jacob Borg is a Boise State alumnus

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Black, female or Republican: Who will be our next president?

BY MICHAEL J. MCLASKEY
Opinion Writer

As the presidential candidate race gallops along, I hear more and more news pundits talking about the fever pitch surrounding Hillary Clinton, the first female president and Barack Obama, the first black president. When I think about the single-minded focus these folks have put on both gender and ethnicity, I wonder. Doesn't this sort of rhetoric offend anyone else? Not only that, but in order to live in a nation that values diversity, isn't this focus on such small characteristics counterproductive?

I understand America's shameful past regarding both women and African-American rights, and it seems we've an

obdurate focus on cleansing these sins of our fathers. However, aren't we reinforcing the divisions that have kept America under the heels of both class and racial divisions by focusing on how huge a milestone this is for our national character, that the good old boys political system would even consider someone other than a rich, old, white man for the office.

What I fear is that those news pundits will keep focusing on gender and ethnicity to the point that a forest, or platform, can't be seen for the trees, or the other side is camouflage. Would FOX News do that? I don't doubt it.

Given their apparent ideological leanings, it would benefit FOX News to stay focused on Obama's blackness, and Hillary's womanhood. That way,

the complete lack of a Republican platform won't be obvious. I haven't seen anyone from the Republican side stand up in a serious bid for the White House. There's talk, and there always is, about a few candidates, but it seems the red side isn't concerned as much with campaigning as the Democratic side is.

I hope they're not just expecting to ride the coat tails of President Bush's approval rating straight into the Oval Office. In fact, if I can take the word of the average person I meet on the street for credibility, the Republicans are the ones who should be racing for a solid candidate. After the last six years of Republican leadership, America is ready for a change, and our last midterm election proved that. The red side is going to have to pull one impressive rabbit out of

its hat soon, or the Democrats will take the White House.

So who will be the next President of the United States? Will he or she remain committed to the war on terror? Will our next Commander-in-Chief get us out of Iraq? Will they nationalize health care? To be honest, I hope I'm in another country by then. I want a country free of corrupt politicians that value businessmen over the workers that keep those businessmen rich. I want a country that values its educational system over the Defense Department, and I want a leader I can support, trusting that every executive decision has the authentic stroke of honesty, truth and justice. I want a President that can make that old adage of the American way more than an empty promise echoed by an empty suit.

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BSU includes Southern Mississippi on football schedule

Boise State University Director of Athletic Gene Bleymaier has announced that the 2007 Bronco football season will open Thursday, Aug. 30, at home against Weber State University. Bleymaier also announced the University of Southern Mississippi will visit Bronco Stadium Saturday, Sept. 22.

The addition of Southern Mississippi brings Boise State's schedule of non-conference games to five. The Broncos play at the University of Washington Saturday, Sept. 7, and Bowling Green State University Saturday, Sept. 29, while hosting the University of Wyoming Saturday, Sept. 15.

Bleymaier also stated that the 2007 Western Athletic Conference schedule is still being worked on by the league office and he hopes to be able to announce the rest of Bronco schedule in the very near future.

Tentative Schedule - as of Feb. 26, 2007

Aug. 30 (Thur.) Weber State at Boise
Sept. 8 (Sat.) at Washington Seattle, Wash.
Sept. 15 (Sat.) Wyoming at Boise
Sept. 22 (Sat.) Southern Miss. at Boise
Sept. 29 (Sat.) at Bowling Green Bowling Green, Ohio
WAC Games (Dates TBA)
TBA Idaho at Boise
TBA Nevada at Boise
TBA New Mexico State at Boise
TBA San Jose State at Boise
TBA Fresno State Fresno, Calif.
TBA at Hawaii Honolulu, Hawaii
TBA at Louisiana Tech Ruston, La.
TBA at Utah State Logan, Utah

BSU sends two wrestlers to national tournament

The Boise State University wrestling team will send Nate Lee and Tyler Sherfey to the NCAA Championships after both captured third place in their respective weight classes at the Pacific-10 Championships last Sunday in Bakersfield, Calif.

This is the first time in eight seasons BSU did not finish in the top three at the Pac-10 Championships. The NCAA Championships will be held Mar. 15-17 at Palace of Auburn Hills at Auburn Hills, Mich.

Women's lacrosse hosts games this weekend

The Boise State women's lacrosse club is hosting its first spring games of the 2007 season Saturday, March 3, and Sunday, March 4. Saturday the women play Gonzaga University at 9 a.m. and Whitman College at 1 p.m.

Sunday the women host another double-header with a 9 a.m. game against Eastern Washington University and a 1 p.m. game against Montana State University. All four games will be on the recreation field outside of the Student Union Building.

Men's fast-pitch softball seeks players

The Treasure Valley men's fast-pitch softball league is seeking players and teams to participate in upcoming 2007 season. The schedule is tentatively set for 15 games, which will begin mid-May. Games will be played weekly at Ann Morrison Park in Boise.

Prior baseball/softball experience is not necessary but it is helpful in the highly-competitive league that features two teams who have placed at national tournaments - including one national championship. The deadline to sign up is April 1.

For more information, call 208-447-7551.

Correction

The Arbiter would like to issue a correction to an article written in the culture section of the Feb. 26 issue. An article previewing the Sawtooth Mountain Film Festival noted that the festival begins Saturday, March 2.

The actual date of the Festival is Friday, March 2.

Tickets can still be purchased through the Boise State REC-Center Outdoor programs office and any questions can be directed to 426-1946.

2007 NFL Combine:

Six former players represent Boise State

GARCIN
Sports Editor

Six former Boise State football players took part in the 2007 NFL Combine Feb. 27-28 in Indianapolis, Ind. The NFL draft and invites over 300 players to participate in various athletic tests for NFL scouts from every team in the league.

Five of the six former BSU players testing at the combine finished first in at least one test for their position. Tight end Safety Gerald Alexander actually tested with the second highest vertical jump of the entire combine, registering a 41-inch vertical leap. Quarterback Jared Zabransky finished first in his

40-yard shuttle, the 20-yard shuttle and the vertical jump.

All six former BSU players expected to participate in the NFL team workout session for BSU players March 5. The NFL draft is scheduled for April 28-29 in New York City, N.Y.



BY KYE JOHNSON
Assistant Sports Editor

Imagine this: You are a college football player trying to get into the National Football League (NFL). Now you're that same college football player at the NFL draft combine where you'll be put to the test for every imaginable physical skill one could possess. Hundreds of scouts, coaches, team owners, trainers and agents will all be there to see how well you test. Why? So everyone in the world knows where you deserve to be selected in the NFL draft come April 28.

Some of the categories they test you on at the combine are just absurd too. Sure, they'll see how fast you are, find out how much you can bench press and determine what kind of agility you have. But then they'll see how big your hands are and how well you can talk to a reporter, and measure how tall you are to within a one-hundredth of an inch. Believe me, anything you could possibly imagine being tested for you'll find it at the NFL combine. Everything except how good of a football player you actually are, of course.

Here's what I mean. The NFL combine will tell you Jerry Rice is too slow, Drew Brees and Emmitt Smith are too small and that Vince Young isn't smart enough to be an NFL quarterback.

Well apparently Rice, Smith and Brees felt they weren't gifted enough, and that Vince Young guy? Turns out he was at least smart enough to win the Rookie of the Year Award.

What else does the combine do? Well it will tell you that Ricky Williams is going to be the next Walter Payton. It will tell you that Brian Bosworth is the best linebacker to ever grace the face of this earth.

It will tell you Akili Smith is going to lead the Cincinnati Bengals to Super Bowl after Super Bowl and it will also tell you that it's a better idea to choose Mario Williams with that first overall pick than Reggie Bush. And we all know how great of an idea that was.

Now yes, the combine can in fact help a lot of players but it doesn't really help the team. You can find some diamond in the rough that runs a great 40-yard dash and has a huge vertical leap and then wonder why his name wasn't all over the place in college. It's really a simple concept - the guy isn't a great football player, as opposed to being a great physical specimen.

The combine will also tell you Cincinnati Bengal wide-receiver T.J. Housmanzadeh is a last-round caliber pick but that ex-Viking, ex-Seahawk, current Green Bay Packer and DWI felon Koren Robinson is a top-ten pick.

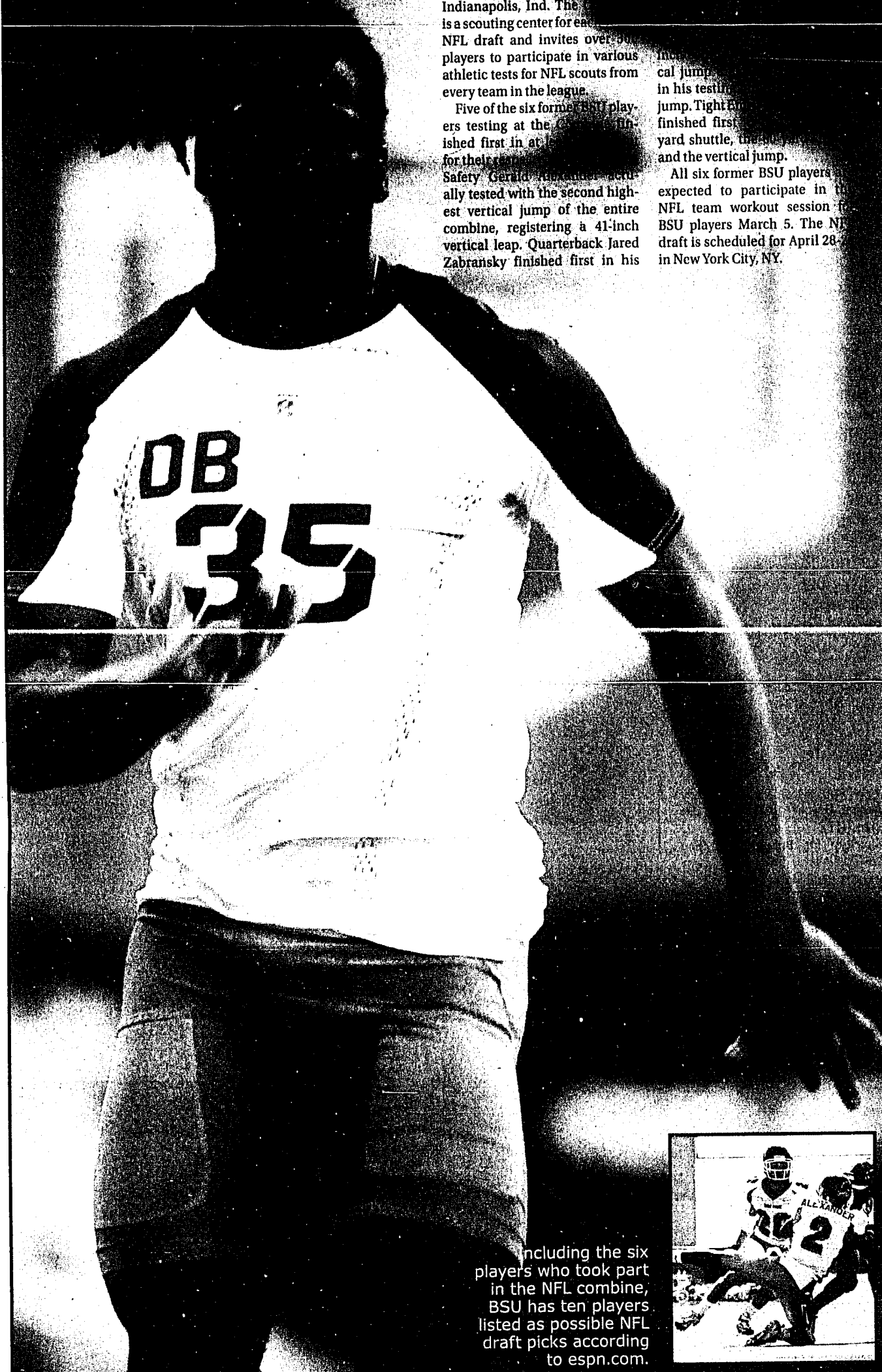
My main point is that the scouts, the coaches and everyone else put way too much emphasis on the way people test or how fast they run at the combine. The NFL is so obsessed with seeing who's "stock" is rising and falling due to their combine performance that often great players are completely overshadowed and lost in the mix of it all.

For Boise State fans the name Mike Hass should be vaguely familiar. He was that receiver from Oregon State who torched the Broncos for 293 yards and three touchdowns a few years back. That same guy was also Oregon State's all-time leading receiver and the Fred Biletnikoff Award winner (Best Wide-Receiver in College Football) his senior year. He also set the Pac-10 record for most receiving yards in a game and the most in a season and ranks No. 8 in the conference all-time in receptions.

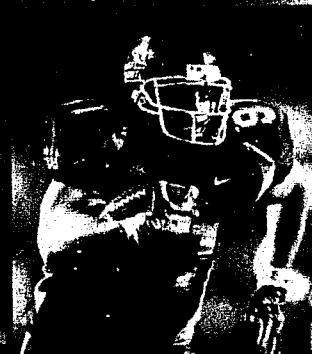
How does a guy like that get drafted in the sixth round of the NFL draft? You guessed it. The combine said Hass was too slow and too short. Yet he proved time and time again how great a football player he is.

Sure, the NFL has many great physical specimens who can run fast and bench press an oak tree. But the NFL also has a lot of guys who aren't great football players and end up flopping. The league is really missing out on a lot of good players for no reason other than the hype around the combine.

Will that hype to perform in the combine ever die down? I don't know. I hope so - and I have a feeling the Houston Texans do too.



Including the six players who took part in the NFL combine, BSU has ten players listed as possible NFL draft picks according to espn.com.



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Men's basketball team looks to finish season strong

BY TATE CASTLETON
Sports Writer

The Boise State men's basketball team controls its own destiny this weekend as they head into the final week of regular season play.

With the Western Athletic Conference tournament looming March 8-10 the Broncos still have a lot of work ahead of them to get where Head Coach Greg Graham wants the team to be. Last Saturday night's loss against No. 10 Nevada, 95-81, was perhaps the biggest game of the season for the Broncos.

However, this weekend is without question the most pivotal. BSU (16-11 overall, 8-6 WAC) currently sits in a three-way tie for third place in the WAC alongside Utah State (20-9 overall, 8-6 WAC) and Fresno State (20-8 overall, 8-6 WAC). Should the Broncos win-out this weekend and finish 10-6 in conference play, they would lock up a No. 3 seed, going into the tournament. If they lose, the Broncos could find themselves in the conference cellar with possible first-round match-ups against the third or fourth-place finisher in the conference. According to Graham, it's all up to his team on how far they can go.

"Right now there's about six of us that [control our own destiny]," Graham said. "Everybody is in the same boat. If you lose two you'll end up at six or seven. If you win two you're in third. If you split you'll be anywhere in between."

The Broncos will begin their quest for the number-three seed tonight, facing off against Fresno State on the road.

The Broncos take the court for the regular season finale Saturday against Hawaii in Honolulu at 5 p.m. (HT).

Luckily for Boise State, they are playing some of the best basketball of the season coming down the stretch.

"We're playing well," Graham said. "We play well on the road. We've only won a couple, but we've been close in a bunch of them. Maybe it's breakthrough time."

Boise State is certainly hoping a breakthrough is in the cards, having beaten both foes at home earlier this season.

"Obviously, you'd rather be sit-

ting at home for the last weekend," Graham said. "But it's two teams we beat the first time around and we know we can play them. We're just going to go have at it."

Coach Graham said he hopes the Broncos can compete on the road the way they did against Nevada on their home court last Saturday.

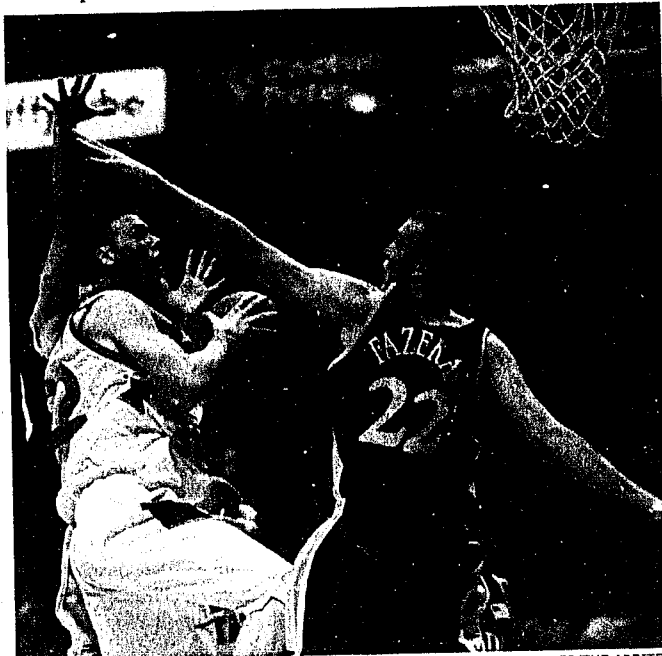
"They're [Nevada] solid and we played right with them," Graham said.

The top-ranked Wolf Pack played

some of the most physical basketball Boise State had seen all season. Graham said he hopes they can use what they learned from Nevada on the road this weekend in preparation for tournament play.

"They [Nevada] kept their composure," Graham said. "They don't get rattled. They know how to win and they know what it takes to win."

The WAC tournament will be held March 8-10 in Las Cruces, N.M.



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The Boise State men's basketball team (16-11, 8-6) finish regular season play at Fresno State and Hawaii.

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From the blue turf to the red carpet

BY JAKE GARCIN
Sports Editor

Boise State University officials announced Tuesday the school is attempting to finalize working negotiations with a local group of filmmakers who are interested in procuring the story rights to the 2006 undefeated BSU football season.

The group is comprised of Michael Hoffman, Heather Rae and Russell Friedenberg. A working agreement is in place with the university. However, a final contract is still pending State Board of Education review.

"I trust that things will go well with the State Board of Education," Hoffman said. "I believe I'm correct in saying the university is in favor of what's happening. We feel confident enough we can start having conversations with the principle players and coaches in the drama."

If a deal is made final, Hoffman said his intentions are to begin working on the documentary immediately.

"The documentary, I think, we would like to be out by the beginning of next season," Hoffman said. "It's really on a fast track."

Hoffman also said his group plans on using the documentary as a working progress toward producing a feature film on the story as well.

"The good thing about the documentary is (and I think it can be a great film in its own right) it will end up supplying research for the feature," Hoffman said. "You do the documentary and you are think-

ing all the time about how you structure the feature. Then there will be a time when we start talking more specifically with people in Hollywood about the feature and what it is."

Hoffman is a former student body president of BSU and began his filmmaking career in student productions and in semi-professional stage productions in Idaho.

Hoffman directed the film "Restoration," which won two Oscars in 1995. He is expected to be the director of any films done on the BSU football team.

"I've never worked locally as a filmmaker," Hoffman said. "So it's particularly exciting to me to be back doing something in [Boise]. I'm really intrigued by what this means for the university as a whole - the way in which it ends up complementing the academic programs and the kind of visibility it gives to the university. Not just the kind of athletes it might encourage or allow Boise State to attract."

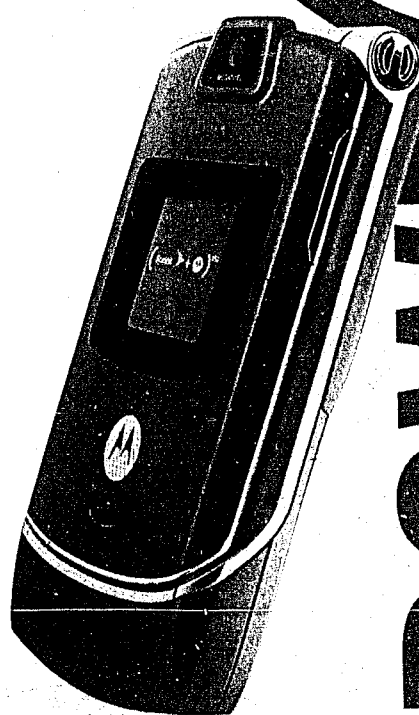
Rae has worked in the film industry for 17 years and has had a part in producing nearly 20 documentaries and features.

Rae grew up in Idaho and spent six years as the head of the Native Program at the Sundance Institute and programmer for the Sundance Film Festival. Rae currently teaches film studies at BSU.

Friedenberg began his career as a stunt coordinator on the Disney football feature, "The Program." He also currently teaches film studies at BSU and is expected to work as a writer and producer for any films on Bronco football.

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A farewell for three:

The BSU women's basketball team says goodbye to its three seniors

BY KYE JOHNSON
Assistant Sports Editor

For three members of the Boise State women's basketball team Saturday night will be their final game played in Taco Bell Arena as a BSU Bronco. Post Michelle Hessing, wing Jackie Thompson and guard Nadia Begay are BSU's only seniors and each player has left a legacy behind that will be remembered.

"Michelle has had a great year and we're certainly hoping she's named all conference," BSU Head Coach Gordy Presnell said about Hessing. "She has given us a great post presence, great leadership if we can finish this out, she'd have a great close to her career at Boise State. I know she's close to 1,000 points so hopefully we can get that for her as well."

Hessing has averaged 9.1 points per game in her four years at Boise State - the highest mark among the three seniors. She's also one of the best rebounders on the team too. Hessing is bringing in over five boards per game this season and just fewer than five per game for her career.

Presnell said he also knows how helpful it is to have a dominant inside player on your team.

"It's helped a lot but I think more than anything else with her leadership is that she's bought into what we're trying to do," Presnell said. "And sense she's buying in, everyone's buying in. She's really been a leader in that regard and I've really been appreciative of it."

BSU guard Nadia Begay will likely be remembered for her ability to score and, more likely than not, her ability to shoot the long ball.

"Nadia has been our three-point shooter," Presnell said. "Last year she really helped turn our program around and really got us some respect early."

Begay averaged over 12 points per contest last season in Presnell's first season as head coach. But she's had a different role this season coming off the bench and seeing more limited time than before.

Nonetheless, Begay is still one of the best three-point shooters on the team. She's second on the team in three-pointers made this season and she's been averaging close to eight points per game this season.

Both Begay and Hessing have experience winning and losing during their four years at Boise State and Presnell knows how big their impact has been turning that losing corner.

"They've done a lot to change that," Presnell said. "They've both been player of the week here and they've helped turn this program around."

As for Jackie Thompson, she has played the game underrated and below the radar. She's not a big scorer, doesn't put up huge stats and yet she's the player who's seemingly always coming down with the loose ball, the offensive rebound or the key steal when the Broncos need it.

"Jackie is our most enthusiastic and our most athletic player and we're not the same team without her on the floor," Presnell said.

He would know. Thompson has missed a huge part of the second half of the season due to an injury and is just now getting back to playing.

"She's had a great two years," Presnell said about the two-year transfer from Panola College. "I feel like she's grown a lot and she's certainly helped our program out a lot."

Thompson has started 17 of the 18 games she's played in this year, while shooting an incredible 63 percent from the floor. Her work ethic will be sorely missed after her career at Boise State is done.

Not only have the three seniors made each of their senior years more enjoyable by winning, they've helped set the standard for future seasons as well.

"I hope [the younger players] see the amount of time and effort put in and see the experience they've had in turning this around and that they have to start building a tradition here and that they have to keep this thing going," Presnell said.

These three seniors have helped re-shape the way people look at Boise State women's basketball, because they have provided the experienced leadership during this program's two-year makeover.

"You get a new job and you want people to buy into what you're trying to do and those three did. It made what we're trying to do here so much easier," Presnell said. "And I'm really fortunate to have them as part of a team I got to coach."



Nadia Begay

Games Played/Started - 104/19	FT Percentage - .820
Minutes/Average - 207/19.9	Rebound Total - 200
Points/Average - 763/7.3	Rebound Average - 1.9
FG/FG Attempts - 249/693	Assists - 133
FG Percentage - .359	Turnovers - 199
3-PT FG/FG Attempts - 151/466	Blocks - 5
3-PT Percentage - .324	Steals - 63



Jackie Thompson

Games Played/Started - 53/48	FT Percentage - .561
Minutes/Average - 147/12.7	Rebound Total - 215
Points/Average - 143/9.0	Rebound Average - 4.6
FG/FG Attempts - 60/105	Assists - 21
FG Percentage - .571	Turnovers - 56
3-PT FG/FG Attempts - 0/0	Blocks - 7
3-PT Percentage - .000	Steals - 27

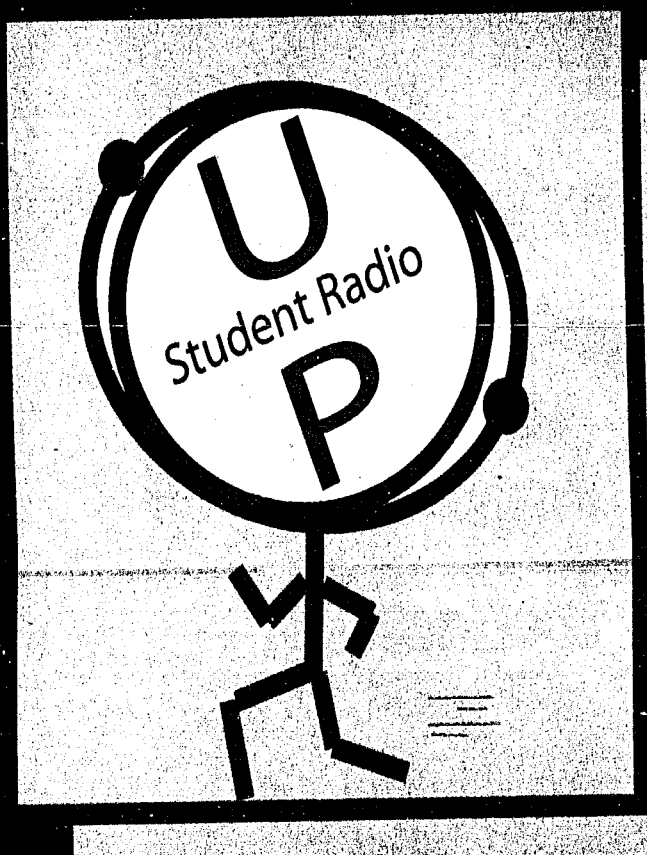


Michelle Hessing

Games Played/Started - 105/75	FT Percentage - .694
Minutes/Average - 2305/22.0	Rebound Total - 474
Points/Average - 959/9.1	Rebound Average - 4.5
FG/FG Attempts - 358/753	Assists - 77
FG Percentage - .487	Turnovers - 167
3-PT FG/FG Attempts - 3/4	Blocks - 89
3-PT Percentage - .750	Steals - 85

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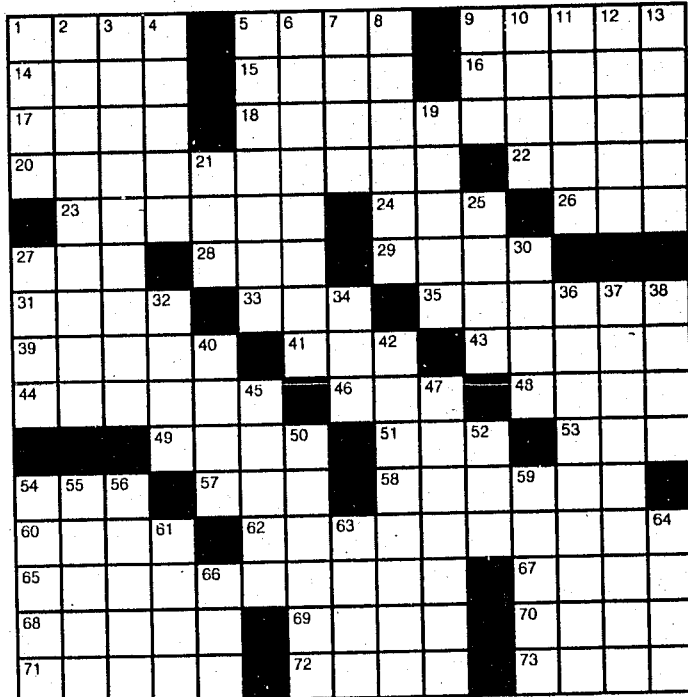
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14 Johnnycake
15 Plus
16 "Fame" singer
17 Curving courses
18 Certain military officer
20 Ecdysiast's act
22 Jacob's twin
23 Assign to a feedlot
24 Fraction of a joule
26 Part of a pelvis
27 Tyke
28 Knack
29 Stalemate
31 Landed
33 Houston or Rayburn
35 Faces the day
39 Drama dialogue
41 Cut back
43 Haircare tool
44 French brandy
46 AEC's replacement
48 Mrs. Peel of "The Avengers"
49 Tap problem
51 The Greatest
53 Ryan or Foster
54 Actress Novak
57 JFK notice
58 Nextel Cup org.
60 Operatic song
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68 Tear open
69 Trifling
70 Ore deposit
71 Serengeti cats
72 Give guff to
73 Ginger cookie



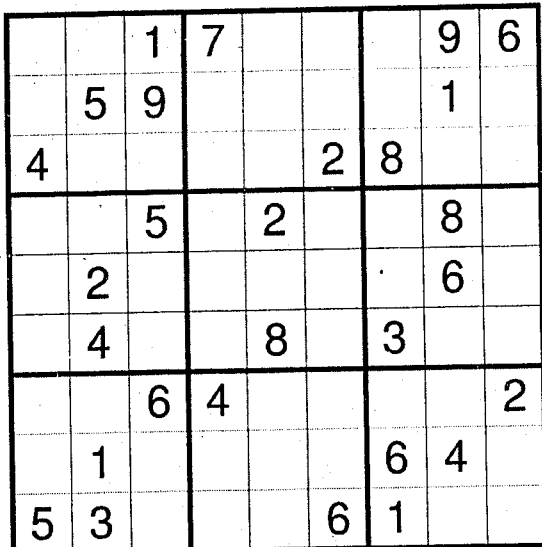
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Solutions

DOWN
1 Health resorts
2 Paper tote
3 Doing a mailroom job
4 Go back to committee
5 Preservers of a sort
6 Of customers
7 On the Aegean
8 Stirred up
9 Homer's dad
10 Marrow container
11 Flooded
12 Biblical mount
13 Overly excited
19 firma
21 After-sch. grp.
25 Characteristic clothes
27 Body powder
30 Finish line
32 Watch over
34 Calendar abbr.
36 Concluding remarks
37 Alice Ghostley on "Bewitched"
38 Uneven hairdo
40 Poet Teasdale
42 Springing horses
45 Approximately
47 Contract provisions
50 Spectrum makers
52 Small pc. of land
54 Capital of Afghanistan
55 Shiraz resident
56 Computer classification
59 Reiner and Jung
61 Related (to)
63 Ostrichlike bird
64 Profound
66 CDs' ancestors

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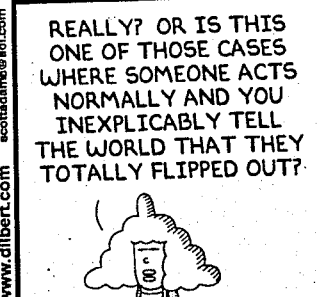
UM... ALL I ASKED WAS... GAAA! YOU'RE TOTALLY LOSING IT NOW!



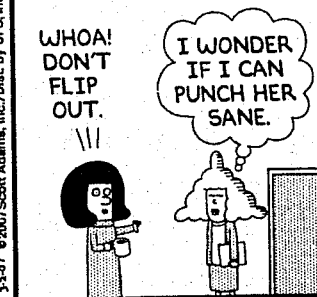
DILBERT TOTALLY FLIPPED OUT WHEN I SHOWED HIM THE COST ESTIMATES.



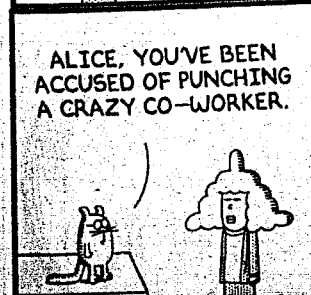
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Today is a 7. Don't spend a lot, but do show everybody your appreciation. It means more to them than you know, but you'll learn as you go along. Besides, it's fun.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Today is a 5. Keep thinking about the reward you'll give yourself, when this project's done. Don't wait around for somebody else's praise. Take credit for your own.

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Today is a 5. A remarkable recovery disrupts your routine. Make a change in priorities. Set aside what you were going for now.

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195/65HR-14	71.70	215/60HR-15	84.22	215/55VR-16	109.39	215/40ZR-17	114.82
195/65HR-15	70.57	205/60HR-16	86.96	225/55VR-17	106.25	225/50VR-17	124.62
195/65HR-15	75.47	215/60HR-16	97.12	225/55VR-17	126.61	205/45ZR-16	100.39
205/65HR-15	89.90	225/60HR-16	107.80	195/50VR-15	73.37	215/45ZR-17	113.94
205/65HR-15	85.57	225/60VR-16	112.99	205/50VR-15	79.39	225/45ZR-17	116.90
215/65HR-15	87.15	235/60HR-16	110.21	225/50VR-15	99.82	235/45ZR-17	117.41
185/60HR-14	64.24	195/55VR-15	73.09	205/50VR-16	91.67	245/45ZR-17	125.83
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215/55VR-16	115.09	215/45ZR-17	138.54	285/40ZR-18	147.80	255/35ZR-22	206.05
225/55VR-17	117.33	225/45ZR-17	147.33	215/40ZR-18	189.63	285/35ZR-18	239.34
225/55ZR-17	141.48	225/45ZR-17	151.84	225/40ZR-18	160.29	285/35ZR-18	328.47
185/50VR-15	69.39	245/45ZR-17	154.18	235/40ZR-18	100.32	215/35ZR-18	236.39
205/50VR-15	82.51	225/45ZR-18	180.43	245/40ZR-18	193.38	255/35ZR-20	237.91
225/50VR-15	92.15	245/45ZR-18	205.36	275/40ZR-20	237.72	255/35ZR-20	248.33
195/50VR-16	85.56	255/45ZR-18	100.85	215/35ZR-18	177.33	225/35ZR-22	276.22
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225/50VR-16	108.61	255/45ZR-20	204.21	215/35ZR-19	193.80	225/35ZR-22	356.04
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P185/80R-13	40.15	P235/75R-15	52.23	205/70R-14	49.31
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215/65HR-14	50.24	225/55VR-16	71.67	235/40VR-17	100.03
185/65HR-15	46.83	195/50VR-15	57.32	245/40VR-17	97.79
195/65HR-15	47.14	205/50VR-15	61.33	245/40VR-17	114.64
205/65HR-15	52.00	195/50VR-16	64.16	215/40ZR-18	118.41
215/65HR-15	56.70	205/50VR-16	70.65	225/40ZR-18	118.88
175/60HR-13	35.15	235/50VR-16	73.95	235/40ZR-18	127.75
185/60HR-13	35.15	235/50ZR-17	99.14	245/40ZR-18	140.24
185/60HR-14	41.32	235/50VR-17	128.72	215/35ZR-18	119.88
195/60HR-14	45.78	205/45VR-16	84.59	225/35ZR-18	131.73
205/60HR-14	48.78	205/45VR-17	87.66	235/35ZR-18	174.10
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215/60HR-15	52.25	235/45VR-17	101.18	235/35ZR-20XL	207.30
205/60HR-16	58.08	245/45VR-17	107.21	245/35ZR-20	210.18
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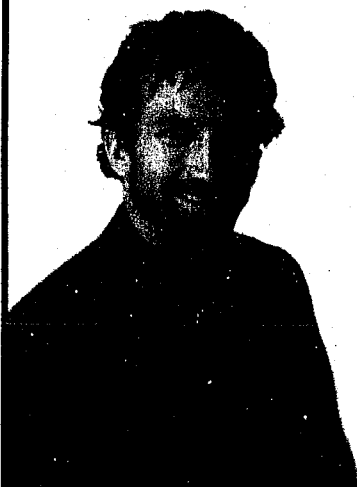
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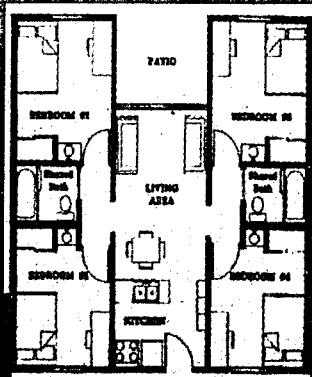


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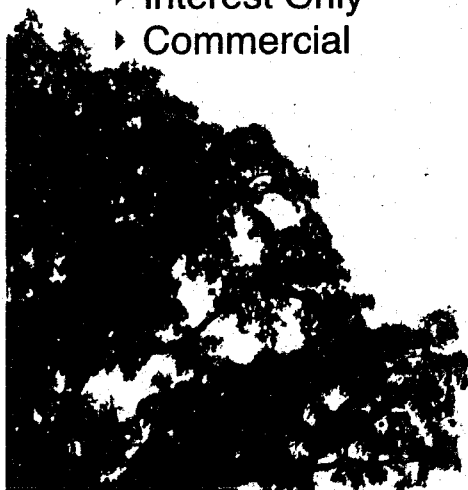
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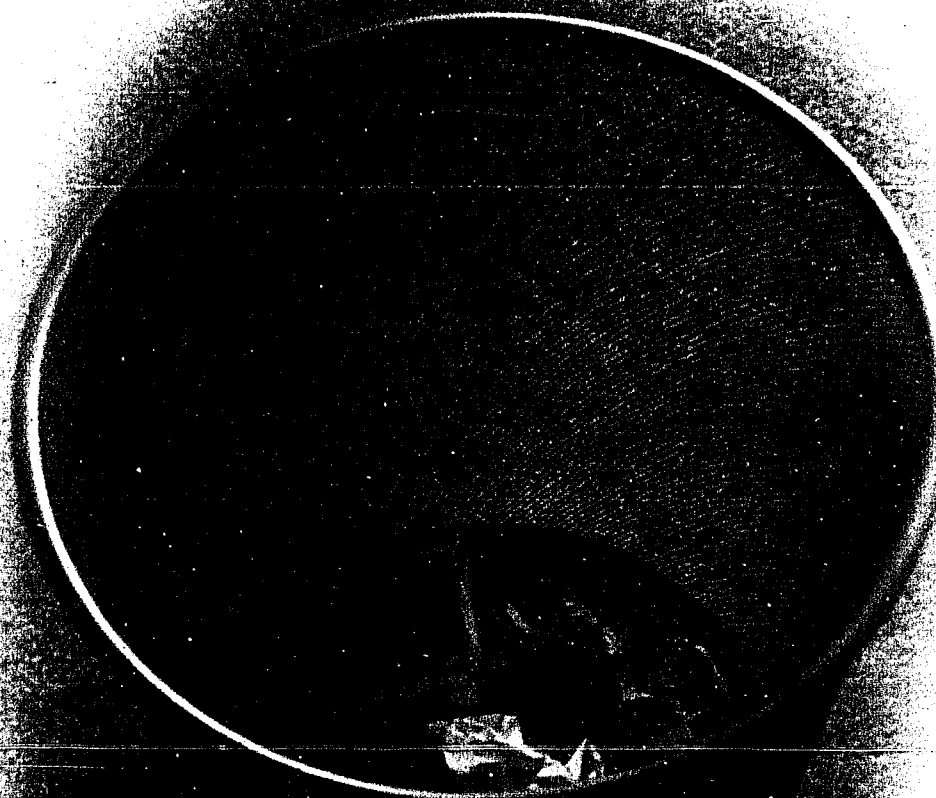
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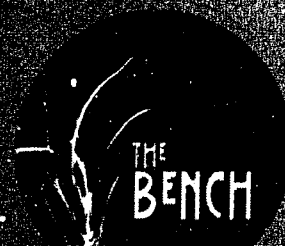
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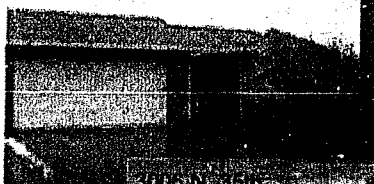
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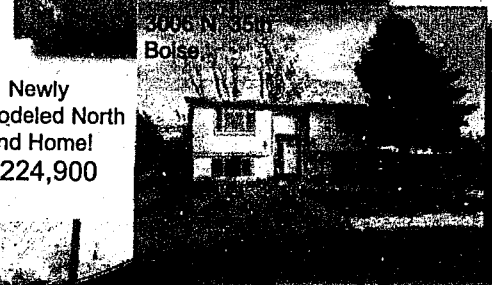
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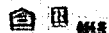
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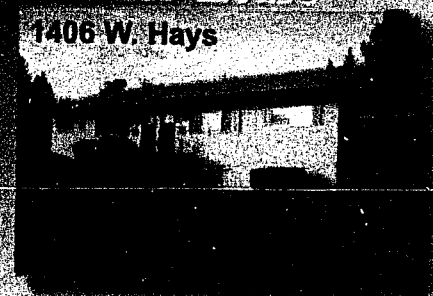


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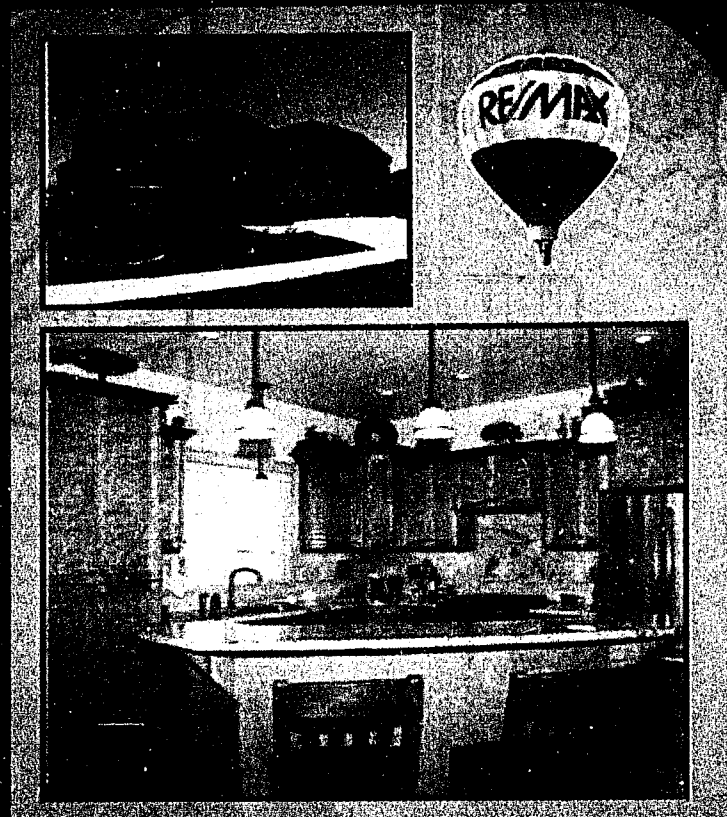
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