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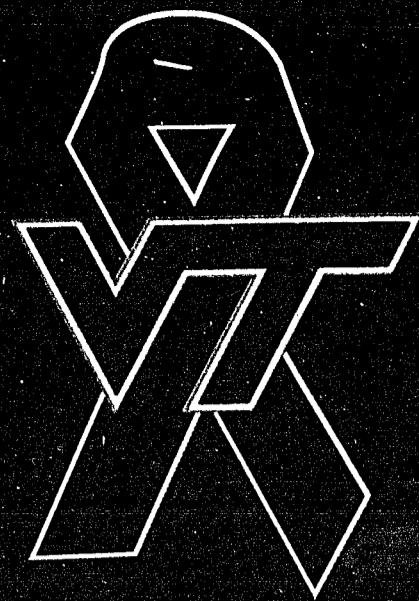
## Arbiter, April 19

Students of Boise State University

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# Tragedy strikes



## a nation mourns

BY CHAD MENDENHALL  
News Writer

It's difficult to respond to the tragedy at Virginia Tech. Coping with a massacre of this magnitude often causes feelings of anger, confusion and grief.

"It's impossible to make sense of such violence and suffering," President George W. Bush said at a memorial service on April 17 in Blacksburg, Va. "It is a day of sadness for our entire nation."

Many students at Boise State University may find themselves questioning their own safety at home, work, or on campus.

"A tragedy of this proportion on a college campus is almost unthinkable and creates pause for the rest of us who also live, work and study on a college campus. These events have certainly focused my awareness on how prepared our campus is," Boise State University President Bob Kustra said in a message to students.

Kustra's message reminded students of the many resources BSU has, which ensure the safety of its students and faculty.

"Boise State is actively patrolled by campus security officers, law enforcement officers and parking services personnel," he said. "The Boise Police Department is physically located on campus with a dispatch center that monitors alarms and then sends security and police officers to incidents on campus."

Kustra also said that BSU plans to review its emergency policies, procedures and safety measures with campus security and each college on campus.

Frank Zang, director of communications and marketing at BSU, said, "In addition to the Boise Police Department and campus security officers on campus, it is important to note that Boise State would have the full support of the Boise Police Department during an emergency and we have mutual aid agreements with other agencies such as fire, sheriff, state police and federal agencies."

Zang admitted there is no guarantee that terrible incidents of this nature can be prevented in the future, but said, he believes preparation is essential for the response of all forms of emergencies on campus.

"You can never prepare for such a random and senseless act. However, proper planning, training, communication and response can minimize the impact and scope of such tragedies," Zang said. "The situation at Virginia Tech reminds us that the entire campus community has a responsibility in enhancing a safe environment."

Zang said the safety on campus is a collective effort and encourages anyone to contact campus security if they witness erratic behavior, which could result in someone harming themselves or others.

The tragedy on April 16 claimed 33 lives and has been described as the worst campus shooting in U.S. history. So, where can we turn for peace?

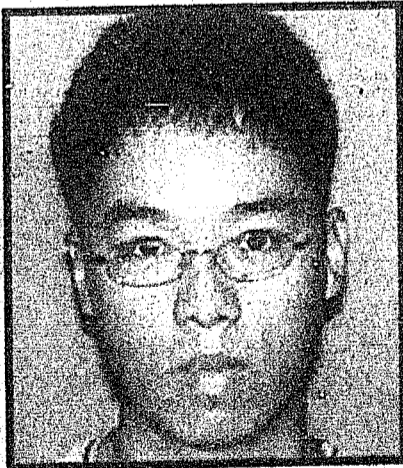
"For those of you touched by this horrific incident, the Boise State University counseling center is open and can provide services to anyone in the campus community who is in need," Kustra said.

Jim Nicholson, director of the counseling services at BSU, said finding a way to cope with tragedy is different for each person.

"It's normal to feel sad or angry," he said. "Don't minimize those feelings."



### Shooter's past showed violent tendencies



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The gunman responsible for the deaths of 33 people Monday morning at Virginia Tech University, including himself, is now believed to have a history of instability, including

aggressive and violent writings in the forms of plays and poetry.

According to police, the shooter Cho Seung-Hui was a 23-year-old senior English major from South Korea.

In November and December of 2005, Cho was accused of stalking two female students, contacting them via e-mail and telephone calls.

Close to the same time, Cho was voluntarily admitted to Carilion St. Albans Behavioral Health Center in Radford, Va., after his roommates reported they were concerned that Cho could be suicidal. He stayed there only a brief time.

Police said Cho killed 30 people, including himself, in Norris Hall, a Virginia Tech engineering building. Another two students were shot to death two hours earlier in a dorm room in Harper Hall, on the opposite side of campus.

Cho used a Glock 19 handgun and a Walther 22-caliber handgun to carry out the massacre. Police linked at least one of the two guns used to both shooting locations.



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Students are encouraged to wear orange and maroon Friday, April 20 in support of the Virginia Tech tragedy.

The Associated Students of Boise State University is sponsoring a candlelight vigil to remember the lives of 33 students who perished in the worst mass murder in United States history April 16 on the Virginia Tech University campus.

The vigil will be held Monday, April 23. It will begin at 9 p.m. on the Quad. Candles will be provided. Students will have the opportunity to speak and give voice condolences.



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## Senate reacts to Virginia Tech violence, passes its first resolution

BY CHARLOTTE TAYLOR News Writer

The Associated Students of Boise State University Senate had a full house Tuesday.

Present in the Student Union Building Forum were representatives from the Boise Police Department; Campus Safety; Bisexuals, Gays, Lesbians and Allies for Diversity; the Student Programs Board; the Cultural Center; The Arbiter and multiple religious organizations.

The crowd was assembled to express remorse and sympathy regarding Monday's tragic events at Virginia Polytechnic University. Senate Pro Tempore Cameron Wiemerslage opened the meeting with a moment of silence for the 33 people whose lives were taken during the shooting.

"We would like to extend our sincere condolences," ASBSU Vice President Mark Getecha said, speaking on behalf of ASBSU President Amy Ortmann. "I ask that we come together as if we ourselves had experienced such a tragedy."

### Picking up the pieces

A large portion of Tuesday's meeting was dedicated to hearing Senate guests on the subject of the Virginia Tech incident. Student Woody Howard, speaking on behalf of BGLAD, urged the Senate to support an open forum discussion on the topic.

The forum would be to address the types of tension and discomfort that are felt by faculty and staff here on campus.

"I urge all students to contact ASBSU and show your support for this proposal and your willingness to participate in such an event," Howard said.

Jared Everett, executive director of public safety, was in the gallery to answer questions on Boise State's preparedness for

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- Jared Everett, executive director of public safety

such an event.

"There is not a 100 percent effective method to keep this type of thing from happening on any campus," Everett said. "There are some processes that will need to be examined."

The number of police on campus has been temporarily doubled and the Department of Public Safety hopes to hire additional security officers.

The first senate bill of the term was written with Monday's violence in mind.

A bill was introduced by Sen. Kayleigh Jack and Sen. Chadwick Davis that proposed a candlelight vigil, but was withdrawn because Ortmann was already organizing a similar event.

### Senate Resolution 1-07

It seems fitting that the first piece of legislation passed this term be a statement on upholding values here on campus.

Senate Resolution Number One, sponsored by the entire Senate, supports the "Statement of Shared Values" presented last Thursday.

The "Statement" itself will serve as an introduction to the code of conduct.

It cites values such as fairness and respect as being "the foundation for a civil and nurturing environment" on campus.

"I think it will give our students a sense of not only striving for academic success, but of building character," Sen. Nicole Ridgeway

said.

The resolution was sent directly from first reading to third reading, where it was passed unanimously by the Senate.

The "Statement of Shared Values" will soon be a part of all handbooks, catalogues and orientations on the Boise State campus.

A resolution is a way for the Senate to support or condone an action or event that occurred on campus. There is no financial impact when a resolution is passed.

### Committee appointments

Sen. Wiemerslage announced that he selected Sen. Jessica Martin for Assistant Pro Tempore.

He also gave his suggestions for the chair of each of the Senate committees. All of Sen. Wiemerslage's recommendations had to be confirmed and agreed to by the Senate.

The resulting appointments are as follows: Ways and Means Chair Mariah Fowler; Budget and Finance Chair Evan Meriwether; Appointment and Review Chair Terry Hurlless; University Relations Chair Caley Christian and Student Affairs Chair Nicole Ridgeway.

After first reading of a piece of legislation, the bill or resolution is typically moved to a committee for further consideration.

It will be the job of these newly-selected chairs to head their committee and report their findings to the Senate.

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# Technology helps students pay attention

BY LUCINDA SUTHERLAND  
BizTech Writer

What is it going to take to get you to pay attention and get things done on time?

A few basic tools can go a long way to helping you get organized whether or not you've been diagnosed with one of the forms of Attention Deficit Disorder.

Calendars and alarms or timers are where most of us start, but what kind will work for you?

Can you set an alarm to remind you to write a paper or contact your adviser?

A hand held computer or PDA can work as an alarm that reminds you why you set it.

Audrey Malone, 20, a sophomore communications major at Boise State uses the Palm Pilot Zire 72S.

"My Palm Pilot has a calendar with an alarm function that I use to keep on track. It comes with voice memo recording, MP3 player, picture taking, video taking and word processing. I can beam notes, memos and programs to other Palm Pilots. It also has Bluetooth," Malone said, "but I don't have anything else that's Bluetooth compatible, so I don't use it."

Malone's Palm Pilot makes it possible for her to color-code her schedule, a technique which is highly recommended by BSU Professor of Special Education Jack Hourcade.

"The basic principle in identifying and implementing assistive technology is to first consider the unique challenges associated with that specific disability. For people with ADHD, those challenges primarily revolve around such issues as organization and attending to critical ideas and details," Hourcade explained.

"AT that would be most useful in helping with these kinds of tasks would probably target those kinds of needs, schedules and/or day planners showing what is supposed to happen at different times during the day.



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Audrey Malone, a communications major at Boise State, uses her PDA to stay connected and focused.

Palm Pilots are also useful, as are spelling and grammar checkers on computers."

Hourcade went on to describe other AT he has recommended since he began working with people with disabilities in the mid-1970s.

"Ear muffs, ear plugs or noise-canceling headphones are good tools for those individuals easily distracted by sounds. Software such as 'Inspiration' is used for outlining and organizing ideas to be written up or presented," Hourcade said.

"WatchMinder is an AT watch

used by individuals who need reminders and training for self-monitoring behaviors, medications and staying focused on chores or schoolwork.

The watch vibrates and will scroll a message to keep the user on track.

The messages have to be selected from those pre-programmed into the watch and can be scheduled to activate the alarm every 15 minutes," Hourcade said.

The value of a vibrating alarm is obvious to many, whose watches or timers get crammed into

purses or pockets where the buttons get pushed and alarms going off when they aren't supposed to.

For those who struggle with remembering to turn alarms off, this may not be an ideal option.

While a PDA is on many wish lists, ear alarms are an inexpensive option often liked because they are small, designed to be fairly quiet and are easy to set and stop.

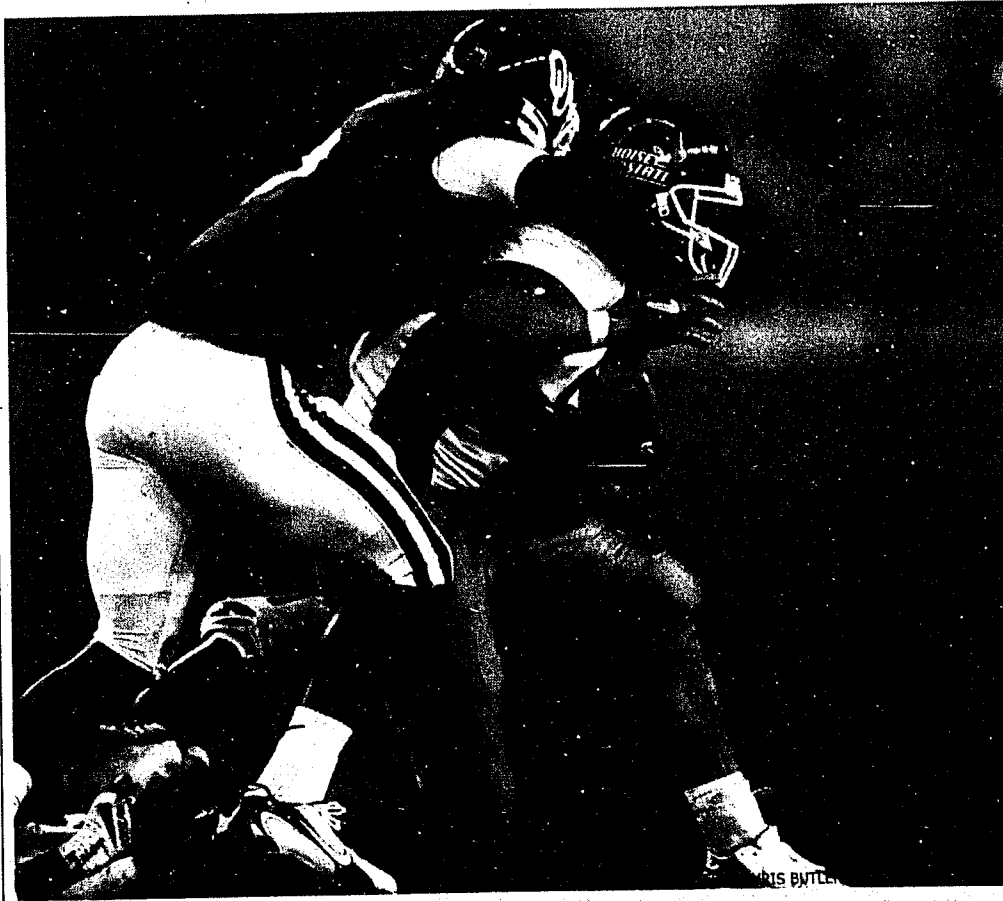
Ear-fitted timers and alarms range in price from the W.R. Rayson alarm, which sells for \$4.99 at Sally Beauty Supply, to the

spoon-shaped Earalarm designed in Korea and selling online for \$14.99.

"Check things out and use what works for you," Brad Levitt, an area psychologist who evaluates suspected ADD/ADHD students and adults, said.

"A cell phone and camera that can be used for reading e-mail and scheduling your day is great for many people. But some of my clients have trouble keeping track of their possessions. For them I advise a separate phone and PDA so if they lose one tool they haven't lost everything," Levitt said.

## Fiesta Bowl will live forever online



BY NATHAN THOMAS  
BizTech Writer

The Fiesta Bowl footage isn't likely to be going away anytime soon. In addition to the top-selling DVDs, highlights from the game are online. Internet users to YouTube.com, a popular video sharing Web site, have submitted dozens of Fiesta Bowl video clips.

A YouTube search for the keyword "Boise" results in various Fiesta Bowl video clips. Seven of the top ten most watched "Boise" clips are about the famous game.

The clips cover all sorts of different perspectives. There are videos that are taken directly from the professional television broadcast. There are also videos taken from the crowd's perspective

via camcorders. Fans created short montage videos set to rock music. There are clips before and after the game. Post-game interviews and the Boise tribute parade are also on the list.

The most-watched clip is the marriage proposal between Boise State University running back Ian Johnson and Chrissy Popadics. The fans love it. The proposal has been viewed at least 160,000 times. Clips such as these have prompted many responses.

"This game had it all, even a proposal. Man, Hollywood couldn't make up a better story," one user wrote.

Johnson and other players made nationwide press. Interviews featuring Johnson and fiancée Popadics appeared

on "ABC World Reports" and "Good Morning America." Both interviews are on YouTube.

Not all of the videos favor Boise State. One video is titled "Boise State's Fluke Win at the Fiesta Bowl." A user with the name "Kansasooner" posts it.

The video plays Boise state highlights, which were set to circus music, with the word "fluke" flashing on the screen after every play. The clip provoked angry feedback and debate from many Boise State fans.

"I don't think 43 points is a 'fluke.' Your team lost. Get over it. If you want to talk about a 'fluke' talk about the UT loss to Kansas State (the only reason you were in a BCS game). Grow up. You lost now get over it," one BSU fan wrote.

## Booming industries for BSU students

BY NATHAN THOMAS  
BizTech Writer

As the Boise area continues to grow, so do the number of available jobs. The fastest growth jobs tend to be concentrated into particular industries.

According to Richard Rapp, the Boise State University Career Center Student Affairs Director, the fastest growing fields in the Boise area are in health care, accounting, management (especially retail), financial services, and teaching math, science, special education and foreign languages. These fields tend to be in demand on a national basis as well.

Rapp said about 75 percent of Boise State graduates stay in Boise and 80 percent stay in Idaho. Many students tell Rapp that they must stay in Boise because of commitments. There are those who want to take care of their aging parents, those who own homes, and those who need to stay with their spouse. Fortunately, there are plenty of local careers for students.

The current job market is much better than it was five years ago. There has, however, been some recent slowdown in fields such as the high tech industry.

"We're blessed that the Boise economy is so diverse," says Rapp. "This year we are actually getting more complaints from employers that they are not getting enough applicants." He adds that BSU has internships that go unfilled. As the Career Center Student Affairs director, Rapp keeps watch on the fields that students are going into. He says that some of the most popular industries that BSU graduates are going into include high tech industries, management and social services. In the Treasure Valley, increased future growth is likely to be in health care, retail, hospitality and banking.

Rapp notes that some students

come into the Career Center with unrealistic expectations about potential jobs. He says that some of the most misunderstood jobs today include crime scene investigation and public relations. Television shows, such as C.S.I., have often sparked interest in a particular field. "It seems like every few years we have a popular series that will attract people," says Rapp.

Most students come to the Career Center for career counseling, followed by resume critiques and mock interviews. The mock interviews, which can be taped, are directed with the student's desired career in mind. In addition, hundreds of actual interviews are scheduled with employers in the Career Center's rooms. Students also use the online services. At any given time, 4,000 students are registered to BroncoJobs.

Most BSU students already find themselves balancing work-and school. Typical BSU students are working 25 to 30 hours a week. Many are married with kids. Some do not adequately begin a professional job hunt until after graduation. "They're so busy by their senior year that they have a hard time giving time to job hunt," says Rapp. He said that some students are disillusioned by the difficulty of obtaining a professional job. He encourages students to visit the career center early in their academic career.

He encourages students to be well rounded and to take advantage of internships. "I recommend they not over specialize so that they can respond to changes in the job market when they do graduate. Having a minor, a second major or at least a strong second emphasis would be a smart thing to do. Also getting an internship is one of those things that will help most for getting a good job at graduation. They've already paid for the Career Center so they might as well use it," Rapp said.

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# OPINION

The way we see it ...

## Stop the violence before it's too late

It is interesting, that, following our last editorial we should find the very violence we addressed acted out in spades.

Monday, a lone gunman unleashed a series of sadistic violent acts on the Virginia Tech campus.

In two separate situations, he gunned down 32 people and then killed himself, bringing the complete death toll to 33.

Obviously, this singular act of violence has shaken the nation. Stories of the shooting are all over the news media and round-the-clock updates concerning Virginia Tech are happening on the radio throughout the day.

In a classic media move, all of the "talking heads" are trying to find reasons for this shooting. They ask how we can stop this and what the risk factors are. Specialists attempt to get inside the head of a mass murderer.

This board wonders why they focus so much on the killer, and not the people around him.

What is it about our societies all over the world that would allow for such a violent person to exist?

We automatically want to place blame on someone or on the institution. Yet, we never consider that blaming is part of the problem.

Recently, just in our community, we are dealing with a double murder investigation and sadistic acts.

Why do we respond to violence with more violence and statements of hatred?

Should we not rise above vindictiveness and stop violence, not the just the violent person?

Do not look to others for the answers, be pragmatic and combat this recent string of violent deeds through your own ideology of peace.

You will never know what that person you held the door for, or helped change a tire for, or bought a cup of coffee for is capable of. Perhaps all we need to understand at our worst moments is how beautiful the world is and the people who inhabit the world can still be beautiful as well.

A member of this board's apartment recently burned in a fire, taking most of his belongings with it. This occurred around the same time he found out his aunt was diagnosed with terminal breast cancer. As he stood, watching the flames consume his life, a conversation he'd recently had with his aunt came to mind.

In the end you can only be human, she told him. You can only do those things you're capable of, so treat the time you have to love whatever it is you can and to do what you can for others and for yourself.

Remember BSU, the world is a big place full of wonder, violence and sadness. Which will you choose?

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## The Talkin' Broncos want Most back

BY SHANNON MORGAN  
Opinion Writer

In my reasoned discourse class, professor Marty Most taught me a person has to know where they stand on the epistemological continuum. Then he jokingly added if you say that at Thanksgiving dinner, you'll really impress your friends and family.

That wasn't the only thing he taught me. In fact, I enjoyed his class so immensely I asked what others he taught because I was determined to learn as much as I could from the man. I knew being educated by professors like Most would make my diploma from Boise State worth every cent I'll slave over to pay for it.

Besides teaching reasoned discourse, Most (or Coach, as his students call him) is also the director of forensics and he coaches the Talkin' Broncos forensics and debate team. After checking to ensure my GPA was above a 3.0, which is the standard for the team, I interviewed to see if I had the right stuff to be a member of the team.

To become a member is an honor. Founded in 1937 by former BSU President Eugene Chaffee, who pre-

sided over the program in its first year, the Talkin' Broncos are members of the Pi Kappa Delta National Forensic Honorary Society and have enjoyed a rich history of academic excellence at Boise State.

In my first debate round at my first tournament I completely froze up and bombed miserably. Afterward I freaked out, locked myself in the bathroom and swore I would never debate again. After composing myself, I went to give Most the bad news.

He looked at me and said, "Why are you psyching yourself out? Those are just a bunch of kids in there. You're an intelligent, determined mother of two. Are you really going to let them intimidate you? Shannon, no one can take this win from you but you."

My debate partner Sean Watson and I went on to take third place in the novice division and I took second in the same division for a speech I did on the HIV/AIDS pandemic, all because of Most's coaching.

If you're on his team, there's not one shred of doubt in your mind that you're the best. You know you are because you have the best coaches in the country, you study, you get good grades, you

practice, you work hard, you're dedicated and you're prepared.

Most teaches us that we win because while others are out goofing off, we're practicing our speeches and soaking up every bit of information we can to make us effective debaters. We study the strengths and weaknesses of our competitors and honor the hard work of our teammates and our university, with every competition we win. BSU is all too happy to brag about the debate team in its marketing campaign.

Unfortunately, Most is stepping down from his position as the director of forensics, in part because funding has become so inadequate for the Talkin' Broncos' travel and scholarship budget. At the rate we're going, we'll not be able to compete at the national, and possibly regional level in the near future. This is like not letting the football team play enough games to go to the Fiesta Bowl.

Imagine what life would be like at BSU had the Broncos not been able to venture beyond the blue.

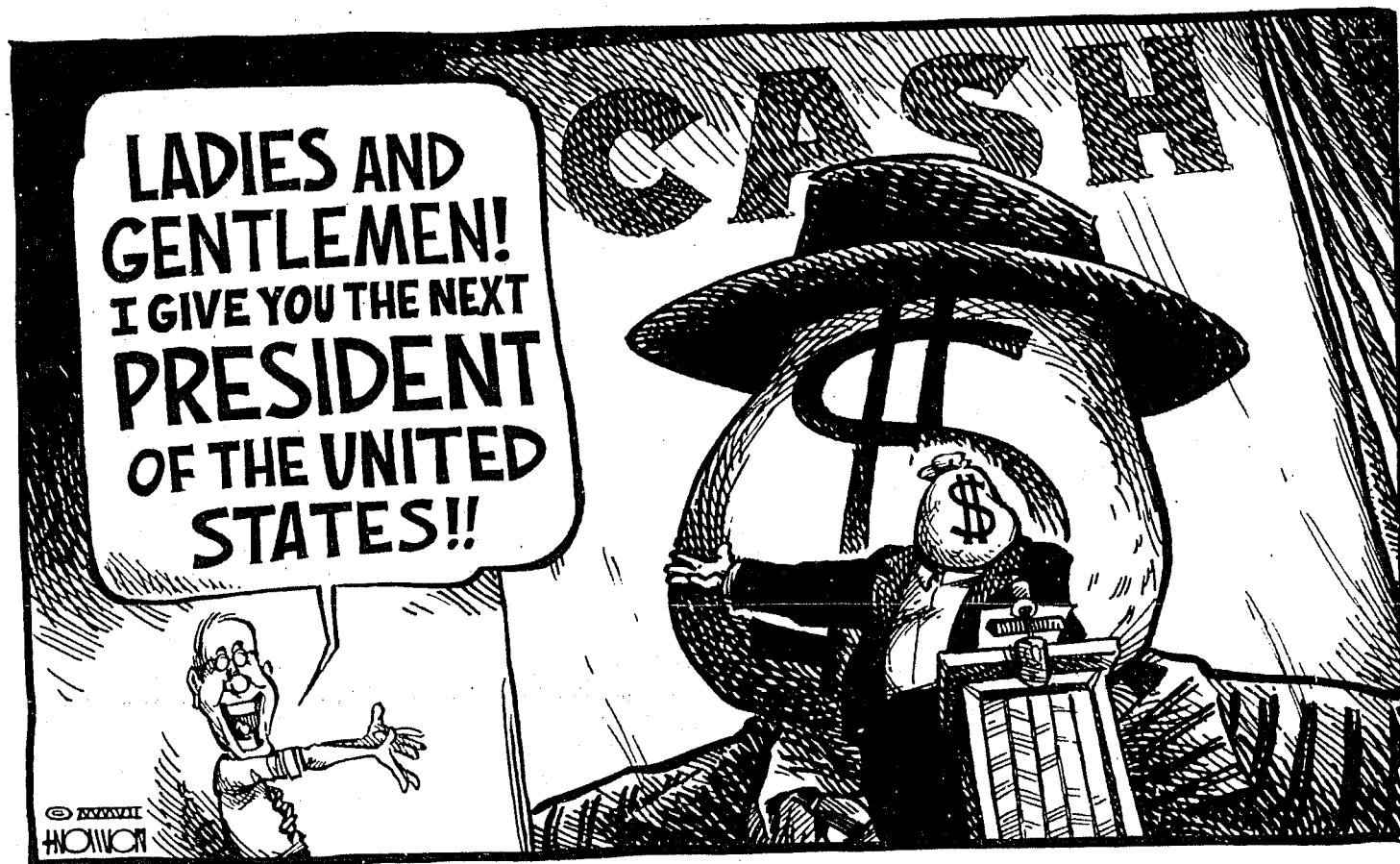
As sad as I am for those of us on the team, the greater injustice goes to those of you who join after he's gone. When I graduate from this school, my diploma

will be worth more because I was his student.

If BSU truly wants to become a Metropolitan Research University of Distinction, it better start supporting the students, faculty and academic programs that will take it there. I know the forensics team is not alone in its plight.

We can't afford to lose people like Marty Most (who was recognized by Pi Kappa Delta National Honor Society for his outstanding contributions to forensics) who couldn't tolerate the fact that most of his students are unable to buy their books with the scholarships available to them (if you're lucky enough to get one) and that Provost Sonja Andrews will effectively keep us from going beyond the blue with her refusal to give the team a permanent funding increase, which both the outgoing ASBSU Senate supported, and 86 percent of our readers who took The Arbiter online poll agreed we should have received.

It's time for the administration of Boise State to put its money where its slogans are. The Talkin' Broncos need permanent funding and we want our coach back.



## Idaho, love it or leave it: do not Californicate us

BY CLAUDIO BEAGARIE  
Opinion Writer

Of late I have seen a spate of Idaho versus California feelings in the local media. I thought this argument had died years ago but since it has resurfaced I have decided to weigh in on the side of logic.

California bashing is nothing new in the Gem State, nor is hick bashing by our more urban émigrés from Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, etc.

Logic dictates that both sides in this argument receive their fair share of criticism with the lions share going to wealthy Californians who more than any other group of émigrés have upset the natural balance in Idaho.

In this piece I am commenting largely on comments from the blog site "Are Californians The Root Of Idaho's Evils."

I bet this sentiment sounds strange coming from an expatriate Californian, but something strange came over me as I crossed that Idaho border on July 7 1974.

My family and I made this move

from the Bay Area to escape the smog and crowded freeways. As we paused on an overlook off of Highway 95, the vista of the then relatively unspoiled Treasure Valley spread before us, a welcome sight for our smog sore eyes.

Clean air, uncrowded highways, and friendly neighbors, I felt we were returning home. Both my mother and grandmother were born in this state but I had not visited Idaho since 1947.

My memories were of a hospitable, rural environment, but almost immediately upon our arrival we chucked our California plates for fear of incurring the wrath of a citizenry already inflamed by previous incursions from the Golden State.

Fast forward 33 years, I-84 is crowded, drivers tailgate at 75 miles per hour, the cost of living has soared out of reason, and it is virtually impossible for ordinary working Idahoans to purchase a home in this state since my more wealthy fellow Californians have discovered Idaho.

It is, however, unfair to place 100 percent of the blame on refugees from the Golden State for we have also received wealthy settlers from the

Long Horn State, the Silver State and the Land of Enchantment to name a few. I can not even place all the blame on this foreign invasion as the root of all evil in this state as there have been internal factors which have influenced our social issues as well.

Certain greedy Idahoans who waited until property values tripled before selling out some of the responsibility for the resulting inflation in the cost of living.

Business minded state administrators failed to collect sufficient tax monies to fund needed infrastructure improvements, thus passing the burden onto home owners and renters also contributed to the resulting rise in the cost of living we experienced since the 1980s. And a car dependant public that failed to heed ex-Boise Councilman Josia Mapp's call for light rail which I believe could save this valley from total car chaos is also responsible.

Please not get me wrong, I have nothing personal against Californians except that when they cross the border they should be prepared to adopt a more cooperative mindset, Idaho does

not have to be recreated in the image of a competitive rat race that characterizes the state of affairs in California.

The overuse of the car in California has resulted in much waste, urban sprawl which threatens both human and natural habitat resulting in a high cost of living which also encourages criminal activity.

Personally, I would shuck my four-wheeled beast in a second in favor of decent public transportation.

Those who wish to come to Idaho, please do because you have positive contributions to make, not to speculate on real estate or participate in economic gambles.

By utilizing the tradition of progressive institutions, which were developed in your respective home states to counter social issues related to economic development, you could make a positive contribution to our great state.

So leave your gated communities, your freeways, and urban sprawl behind and enjoy Idaho for what it has to offer not what you think it could be and to those wealthier émigrés do pay your taxes.

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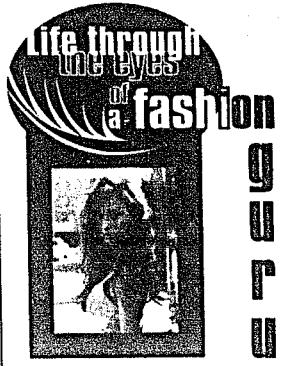
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## The make-believe modern world

BY SHEREE WHITELEY  
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One thing that I've always loved about fashion is its sense of fantasy. There are few things that I enjoy more than getting dressed, because clothes allow you to be whomever you please at any time. Example: in tenth grade I went to a Good Charlotte concert with a few friends.

The crowd consisted of 99 percent punk-rocker (or faux punk-rocker) high-school aged adolescents. I was the farthest thing from a punk rocker, but I had one pair of Volcom Stone pants and a studded belt, and for the night I blended in.

Clothes allow us to enjoy the Halloween experience of being someone else every day.

Earlier this week I went to an open house at a country club, and you can bet that I had pearl earrings and a cashmere cardigan on.

But this ability to transform into whatever stereotypical being we desire at the time presents an interesting conundrum: if we're always pretending, how do we know who we really are?

Modern culture allows us to fake a great many things: tanning salons can make us look like we've been in the sun for the last week, shoes and clothes can make us taller and slimmer and (for the right amount of money) a plastic surgeon can completely re-arrange our faces and suck the fat from our bodies. We can be as fake as we want to be. If we decide that reality is too tough and we can't come to grips with who we are, we can at least fake an exterior image.

Is this escape from reality healthy or harmful? Where is the line between enjoying a stint outside our sometimes grueling everyday world and being a fake?

Yes, it's fun to wear something out of the ordinary or go to a place that you wouldn't normally go. It's healthy to try new things, and it's the variety of experiences that shape our personalities and lives. It's when we lose sight of who we really are that things get scary.

When we decide that we're not comfortable without our façade, our faux identity, we lose the very thing that grounds us.

There's nothing wrong with wanting to look your best. There's nothing wrong with going ultra-preppy or gothic punk rocker for a night, or playing with your "look." But I've seen far too many over-tan, over-bleached girls that can't seem to face reality.

Hell, they can't even face their makeup-less faces.

To make matters worse, they can't even generate a genuine conversation, and refer to everyone as "hun," "babe," or "sweetie." You just met me - I'm not your sweetie. Get real and quit faking.

Ultimately, everyone fakes something in the course of their lives. My personal favorite is longer eyelashes (I have an insatiable love for falsies and gobs of eyelash glue).

There are the pretend friendly hellos to people you went to high school with but never really liked, the smile at your boss behind when you're devising a plan to slash his tires without getting caught and the "no, it was totally not your fault" that you tell your friend after a big fight with his/her significant other. Little white lies get us through things in life.

But we can't hide behind the things that we fake, and truth and honesty are what generate real human relationships - with others and with ourselves.

One thing that I've always believed and seems to become more relevant as I get older is that before you can fully appreciate someone else, you have to be comfortable with yourself.

It's OK to escape, but ultimately you have to come back and be real in the real world.

# Bench tips for metal-smiths

BY MAT LA RUE  
Culture Writer

**S**andblasting, soldering, jiggling, vulcanizing and hammering: the words of a metal-smith, endowed with a barrage of skills and techniques ready to form and shape metals to their will. While the force and roughness of these words is amply portrayed, a lighter side is found in the art of translating raw metals and gems into jewelry.

The Visiting Artist and Scholar Program held two events last week at Boise State with visiting artist Eleanor Moty.

Moty presented a lecture on Thursday evening in the Student Union Building's Farnsworth

Room on her systems and practices in constructing jewelry and also her workshop "Bench Tips for Metalsmiths" Saturday in Boise State's Art Metals Studio in the Liberal Arts Building.

Moty has been practicing the arts of metalsmithing and jewelry for more than 40 years.

She also taught at the University of Wisconsin for 30 years where Anika Smulovitz, a Boise State professor, was one of her graduate students. It was Smulovitz who invited Moty to hold these two events.

Moty's childhood on an Illinois farm has been a lifelong aesthetic influence on her artistic ambitions when creating her jewel-

ry and one-of-a-kind brooches and pendants.

"Landscape continues to have a subtle influence on my work. This sensitivity stems from my childhood on a farm in Illinois where the horizon line was always visible and the land's texture and color constantly changed with the plantings and seasons," Moty said.

Now residing in Tucson, Ariz., Moty obtains many of the stones used in her jewelry at the Tucson Gem Show, the largest gathering of gem and mineral cutters in the world.

Touring through the plentiful booths selling attention-capturing minerals and stones has led to new inspirations in her work.

Presently, The Artful Home, ([www.guild.com](http://www.guild.com)) sells unique gift ideas including fine art, glass, furniture and home décor and homemade jewelry including Moty's brooches and pendants.

Moty's workshop was a compilation of learned systems and bench working tips that she has developed throughout her extensive career as a passionate metal smith and jewelry crafter.

Moty shared these techniques with Boise State students as well as other artists who attended this workshop, giving plentiful depictions and demonstrations for her advanced practices in devising alternative methods from soldering jigs to pinning mechanisms to uses for

various materials.

The aesthetic elements of jewelry may not completely be understood while you center your ring, lower your bracelet to your wrist or straighten your pendant or brooch.

An aesthetic element may become lost between the jeweler's bench and the ring signifying your love, affection and unyielding devotion to your spouse.

At some point in time your favored ornaments were under the delicate hands of a jeweler who transformed earth materials into a work of art.

Just as a wedding ring signifies unending compassion to your partner, art renders unending passion to what is aesthetic to the sense.

# D3Fest: Diversity Day Defined

BY STEVE AHLBORN  
Culture Writer

The second annual Diversity Day Defined event is set for April 20, 2007 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the intramural field and Student Union Building patio.

Diversity Day Defined has changed its name to D3 Fest, but still has the same intent.

This event was formed by a group of students three years ago who wanted the diversity requirement to pass. They called the day Diversity Day Defined and garnered much support. An initiative was passed and the diversity requirement became part of Boise State's requirements.

After rallying around the bill, the students (who were all involved with organizations such as the Cultural Center and Women's Center) asked that D3 not be forgotten.

Last year, a different group of students wanted to send a message to the Boise State campus about inclusion and took it upon themselves to program an entire day dedicated to diversity, acceptance

and inclusion.

Kate Neal, program assistant for the Cultural Center, said, "Originally, they wanted to call it Dia de Diversidad (Day of Diversity) and that is when we remembered the D3 student's plea to not let us forget the D3 name."

Several Boise State organizations have teamed up to carry on the tradition and values of D3.

Those organizations include the Associated Students of Boise State University, the Cultural Center, the Women's Center and Student Activities.

As a statement of diversity, every vendor, musician, volunteer and student organization must agree to sign their name to the following pledge or they cannot be a part of the event:

"I pledge to commit myself to raising awareness and understanding about differences such as: gender, sexual orientation, identity, age, class, race, culture, ability, nationality, religion and ethnicity."

In other words, D3 has been set up to celebrate diversity by bringing people together for a

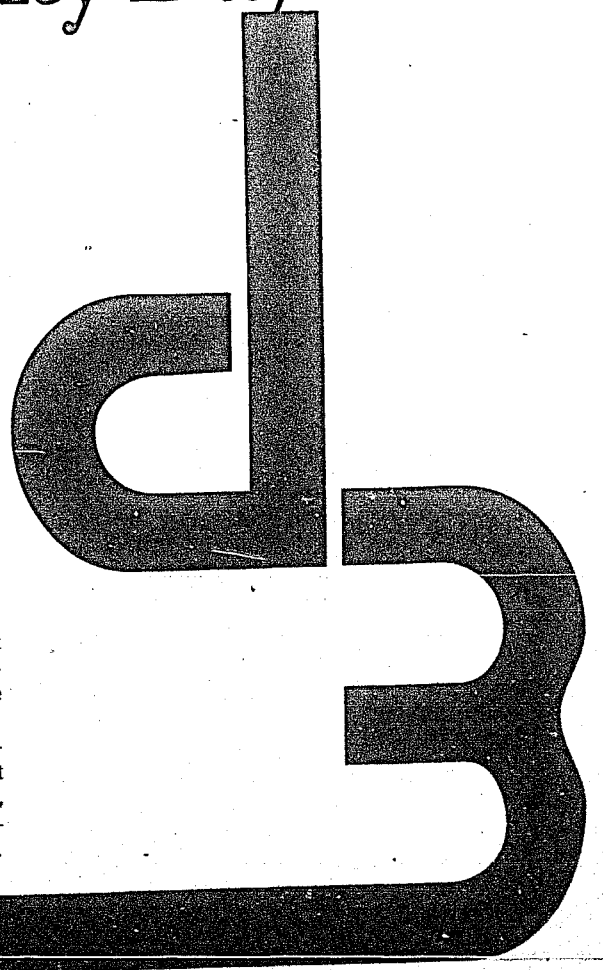
day of music, food, shopping, celebrating and having fun. The D3 MySpace page from last year reads, "The celebration is meant to be a day where students, faculty and the community can educate each other and celebrate their uniqueness."

The event will feature guest speakers, musicians, informational tables and food."

The theme is the same this year as it was last year, but the plan is to make it bigger and better with more involvement from the community, faculty, staff and students.

The D3 committee is anticipating more than 1,000 people will attend the event throughout the day. For more information about the event please visit [culturalcenter.boisestate.edu](http://culturalcenter.boisestate.edu) and click on the calendar link for April 2007.

To find out how vendors, musicians, volunteers or student organizations can be involved, please contact Kate Neal at 426-1449 or Steve Ahlborn at 426-1242.





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## Halle Berry's Academy Award has made all the difference

BY STEVEN REA  
The Philadelphia Inquirer

There's a big, bold demarcation line running through Halle Berry's life: before Oscar and after Oscar.

"There was a time, before Oscar, when I could not have even got in the room with certain directors," says the actress, who won her Academy Award in 2002, for the Southern-fried "Monster's Ball," in which she played a Death Row inmate's wife who falls into an affair with the prison guard Billy Bob Thornton who executed him.

Now, Berry can get in the room, and more often than not leave with the part. In "Perfect Stranger," a dark, tricky thriller, which opened last Friday, she gets her name above the title (with Bruce Willis), as a tabloid reporter looking to expose an advertising tycoon's adulterous, and quite possibly murderous, ways.

She followed the very-Hollywood "Perfect Stranger" with the very-indie "Things We Lost in the Fire" an intense character study slated for late-year release and costarring Benicio Del Toro. The project hails from Susanne Bier, the Danish director nominated this year for an Oscar for "After the Wedding." The actress is a passionate fan of Bier's emotionally raw "Brothers" and "Open Hearts." The Berry collaboration marks Bier's English-language debut.

"I fought really hard to be in that movie and work with her," says Berry, dressed in trim pinstripes, holding forth at the Four Seasons Hotel recently. "I was determined to have that experience, and it was everything I thought it would be."

It wasn't that Berry was hurting for work back in those pre-Oscar days. The first "X-Men," in which she's suited up as the meteorologically powered mutant Storm, had come out; Warren Beatty had cast her in his brash political satire, "Bulworth," and Berry gained gobs of notice and a hefty bonus for flashing her breasts in the crime caper "Swordfish."

But the one-time Miss USA and Miss World contestant, a striking woman of African American and English heritage (her father's black, her mother's white), was, like so

many Hollywood beauties, not really taken seriously.

"The great thing the Oscar does for me is it allows me the right to be in the room and have a meeting and make my case," says Berry, who keeps homes in New York and Malibu and continues her gig as a Revlon spokesstar. "As long as I can do that, then I feel like all is good in the world. Because the filmmaker absolutely has the right to say, 'No, Halle is all wrong.' But knowing that I have a shot at it, it's all that I ever asked for. And I get that these days."

James Foley, who directed Berry in the erotically charged, heavily promoted "Perfect Stranger," points to "Monster's Ball," too.

"That was the first time she was given the opportunity to use what I think is still an underrated talent," says the director, whose credits include "At Close Range," "After Dark My Sweet" and "Glengarry Glen Ross." "The fact that it took so long for her to get in that position makes me mad about the movies she could have been making had Hollywood come to its senses, or luck had gone in different ways."

"But when you think about it," he continues, "in 90 percent of Hollywood movies, the lead is male. And 99 percent are white. And she doesn't fit those categories. So for her to get in a position of first billing with Bruce Willis, I can imagine the sort of perseverance she must have ... And she doesn't wear it at all. There's none of the 'I deserve this because I worked so hard' stuff. She's ambitious in the best sort of way."

Although Berry, at 40, is one of the few stars out there who doesn't want to direct, her ambition has led her to take control of the films she appears in and ones she's interested in seeing, even if there isn't a part for her. Under her production company banner, Bellah Films "Halle B backwards," she explains Berry is developing "Tulia," based on the real-life events surrounding the wrongful arrest of 46 blacks in a Texas drug sting; "Class Act," another based-on-a-true-story, about Tierney Cahill, the Nevada schoolteacher whose sixth-grade students helped her run for Congress, and "Nefertiti," a big-budget epic about the 14th-century B.C. Egyptian



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queen. (Her "Monster's Ball" director, Marc Forster, will steer her through that one.)

Berry's also overseeing a project for singer Alicia Keys and a TV series for Lifetime, called "Mixed." Although she won't appear in the latter, it's a subject rooted in her own experience.

"It's about growing up mixed-race," she says. "I think it's timely right now. We're all sort of becoming more tolerant of each other. It feels like with this new generation, they're not having some of the issues that I know I had when I grew up, and that my parents had."

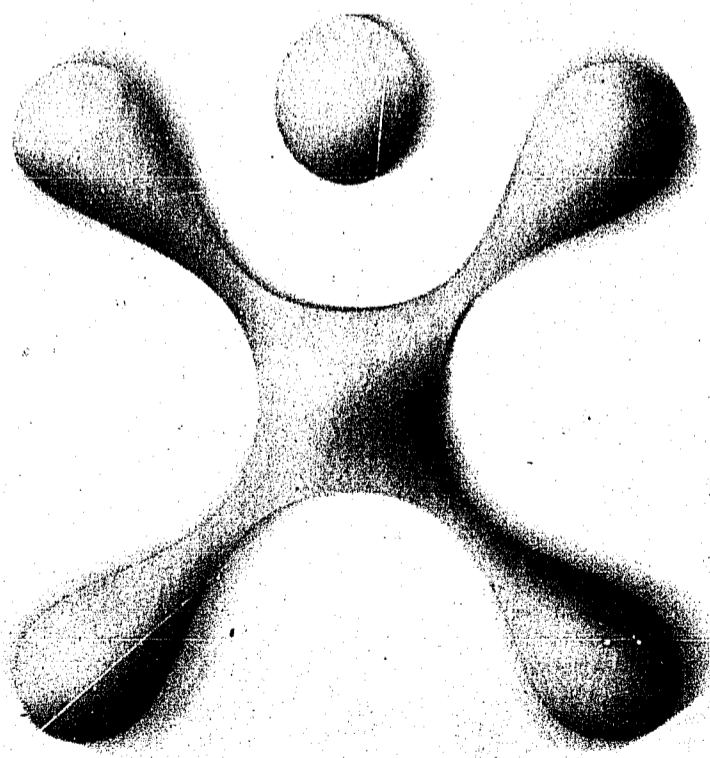
Berry raised in suburban Cleveland by her mother, a psychiatric nurse says her own ethnicity wasn't an issue until she reached school. "When you grow up in that (multiethnic) environment, you see the world differently. Being a mixed-race child, I didn't always see color in people, I really didn't. It was other people that made me see the color all the time. But, left to my own devices, I grew up very much color-blind. Then I got old enough for other kids to start contaminating the way I thought."

Berry's experience with racism in schools, in jobs, in Hollywood has prepared her, she says, for another ism: ageism. Berry's at a point in her life where studio execs start looking elsewhere as in younger for their talent. Even with an Oscar, some parts might be harder to come by in future years.

"I started in this business 20 years ago, and I've always had to struggle, being a woman of color," she says. "So the fact that I might have to do that because I'm getting older will feel like normalcy to me ... I will continue on as I've been for the first 20 years of my career, fighting to get a good part for a woman like me."

"... I know what that fight is all about, and it doesn't scare me at all."

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What's coming  
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BY FRANCY MARCOTTE  
Assistant Culture Editor

### Hot Fuzz

Top London Cop Nicholas Angel (Simon Pegg) gets sent out to a crime-lacking village in the countryside. There, he teams up with Daniel Butterman (Nick Frost), a local police officer with an obsession for action flicks. Initially, he believes Angel will bring a little bit of the excitement and adventure he sees in the movies to the small town. While Angel at first brushes him aside, he eventually gives in to rural life and works with Butterman to solve a series of horrific crimes.

### In the Land of Women

Adam Brody, one of the former stars of "The O.C.," plays Carter Webb, a Los Angeles television show writer who moves back to his hometown in Michigan after his

girlfriend breaks up with him. He gets acquainted with his three female neighbors: Sarah (Meg Ryan) and her daughters Lucy (Kristen Stewart) and Paige (Makenzie Vega). As he becomes close to them, Webb helps them with their personal issues and eventually recovers from his own pain.

### Vacancy

Kate Beckinsale and Luke Wilson play a young married couple on a road trip forced to check into a seedy motel after their car breaks down. They find an old videotape of a murder and realize it took place in their own room. They then discover the motel staff placed video cameras everywhere, making it impossible for them to escape their own murders. However, they still try to outsmart the staff and escape their grisly plot.

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## Humanitarian Hall of Fame announces new executive director

Effective May 1, 2007, Kevin McDonald will be the new executive director for the Humanitarian Bowl. Milford Terrell, chairman of the Humanitarian Bowl, made the announcement today (April 17th).

McDonald replaces Gary Beck as executive director of the annual post-season football game, which is played at Bronco Stadium on the campus of Boise State University. This year's bowl game, which will be broadcast on ESPN2 HD, is scheduled for Dec. 31 (Monday) with kick-off set at noon (MT).

McDonald has spent the past two years at a private investment enterprise. Prior to that he worked for 17 years at KBCI-TV in Boise, the last seven as the general sales manager. In 1985 he served as an account executive for Idaho Outdoor Advertising (now Lamar Outdoor) and began his career in sales with the Sweetheart Cup Co. as the southern Idaho territory manager.

A 1981 graduate of Boise State University with a degree in marketing, McDonald played for the Bronco football team from 1976 to 1980, and was a member of the team that won the 1980 NCAA Division I-AA National Championship.

## Stampede eyes national television slot

The Idaho Stampede, of the NBA Development League, announced that its home playoff game during the 2007 Championships on Friday, April 20, will be televised live on NBATV. It will be the first-ever live national broadcast of a Stampede game at home in Qwest Arena.

The Stampede earned a first round bye in the post-season by winning the Western Division and will play the winner of the first round match up on Wednesday between the Albuquerque Thunderbirds and Colorado 14ers.

The 2007 NBA D-League semifinal game will also be a "Red Out" Night, meaning that all fans are encouraged to wear red to support the team. Five-hundred red Stampede T-shirts will be given to the first 500 fans through the gate. In addition, 2,000 thunderstix will be distributed to fans, courtesy of Delta Air Lines.

For individual playoff tickets call the Qwest Arena box office at (208) 331-TIXS (8497) or visit idahostampede.com. Season ticket holders and group leaders can call the Stampede front office at (208) 388-4667 for more information.

## Gymnastics season concludes

An amazing streak came to an end for the Boise State University gymnastics team April 14 at the NCAA West Regional Championships, and three Broncos put up valiant efforts in what would be the final meet of the 2007 season.

For the first time in 20 years the Broncos did not compete as a team at the regional meet, ending the longest such streak in the Western Athletic Conference.

However, the regional championships was not sans Bronco. Senior Kristin Aldrich and freshmen Yvette Leizorek and DeAvera Todd represented the squad as individual competitors.

In what would be the final score of her career, Aldrich posted a 9.25 on beam, finishing 33rd. During her four-year career at Boise State, the Vancouver, British Columbia, native earned NACGC/W All-American Scholar Athlete accolades. She was twice named to the conference all-academic team and captured the Western Gymnastics Conference beam title in 2005. Her six career wins on beam leave her tied for sixth on the Bronco all-time list.

Todd, the Broncos' only all-around competitor this season, put up a 38.45 at her first-ever trip to the regional championships to finish 16th. A native of Atlanta, Ga., Todd's vault score of 9.825 placed her in a tie for 11th at the meet. It was the third-highest vault score by a Bronco at the regional championships in school history. She also posted a 9.7 on beam (T-20th), a 9.625 on floor (T-31st) and a 9.3 on bars (40th).

Todd recorded six wins on vault this year, a mark that is tied for third-most all-time in a single season at Boise State.

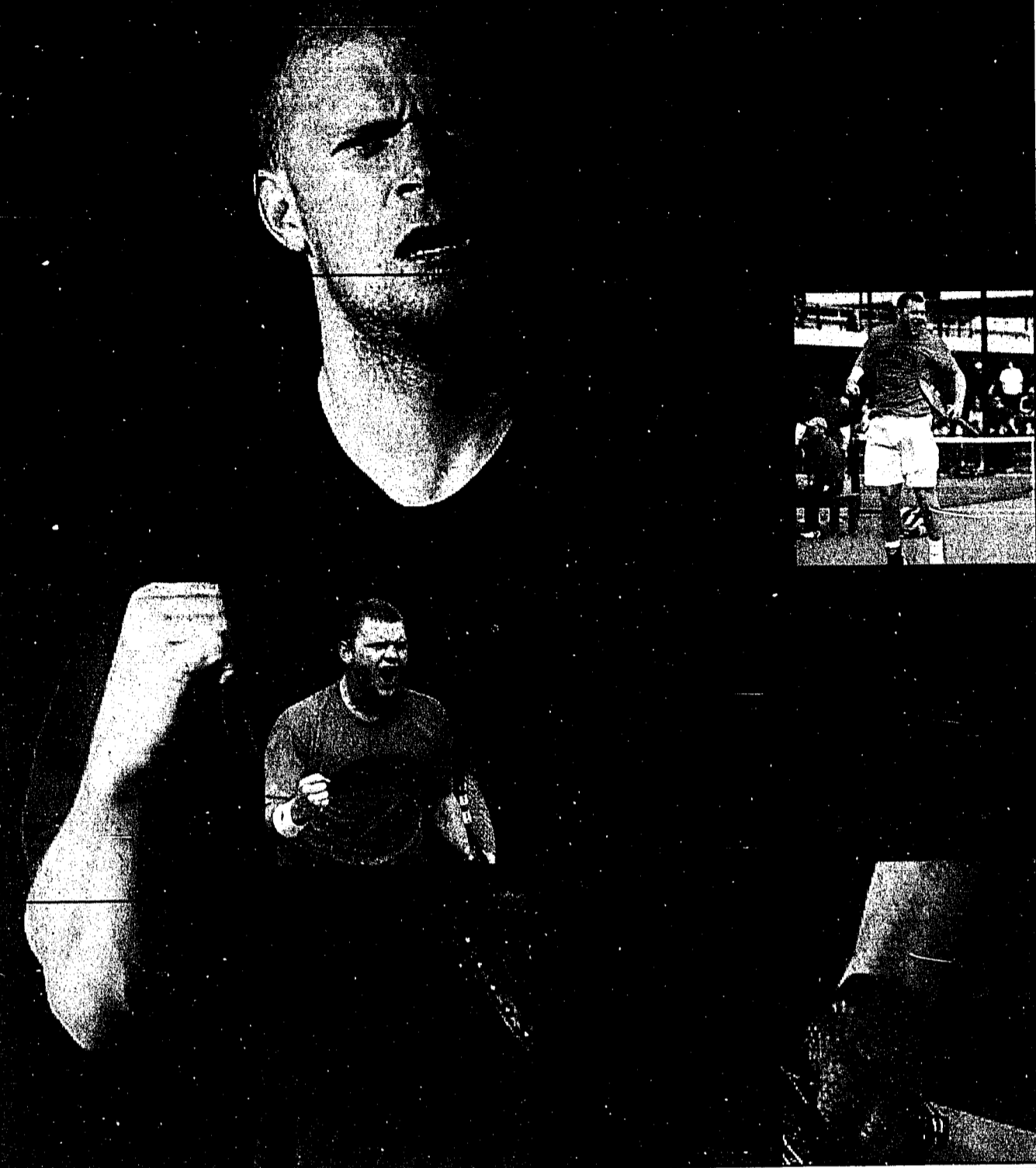
In addition, she won twice on bars and once on beam.

Also making her first trip to the regional championships, Leizorek recorded a 9.7 on bars to finish tied for 29th.

A resident of Palm Springs, Calif., Leizorek's inaugural season with the Broncos was highlighted by three individual titles on floor, as well as earning Second Team All-WAC honors on both bars and floor.

# Brotherly love:

## Tennis duo shares more than a competitive fire



Clancy Shields (small photos) is in his second season playing tennis at Boise State with his older brother Luke (large photo). The two have teamed up at BSU to play the No. 1 and No. 2 positions for the Broncos.

BY AUDREY TAYLOR  
Sports Writer



Not every man can say he has played on a team with his sibling and best friend. However, for Luke and Clancy Shields that's exactly how the scenario played out.

The Shields brothers play for the Boise State men's tennis team. Luke is a junior and Clancy is a sophomore. The two have already meant so much to the BSU program, Bronco Head Coach Greg Patton is more than happy to praise the duo.

"The brothers have an unbelievable relationship," Patton said. "They are polar opposites, but they are very, very close. In some ways, they have feelings that are otherworldly - like identical twins. They are very open about how much they care and love each other. During matches, they will be fighting their butts off and still know everything going on in their brother's court."

Two weeks ago the BSU men's tennis team played Brigham Young University at the Appleton Tennis Complex.

At the end of a match Luke won, he was in a hurry to leave the court. He shook hands with his opponent, grabbed his bag and thanked a few people for congratulating him but clearly had somewhere he wanted to be.

Moments later, at the other side of the tennis courts, he could be seen, eyes glued to the court, cheering for his brother Clancy.

For the Shields brothers it seems to be a remarkable opportunity. Luke and Clancy set aside some time recently to individually answer a few questions not only about tennis, but also their relationship on and off the

court.

**Taylor: When did you start playing tennis and why?**

Luke: I started playing when I was eight years old. My dad got us into it. My oldest brother, Rory, got us going and then we just played almost every day after that.

Clancy: I started playing when I was six years old, and it was because everyone else in my family was doing it.

**Taylor: Did you ever play any other sports?**

Luke: I played basketball and football in middle school. I would have liked to continue playing for a while but had to choose tennis.

Clancy: I love every sport. I used to play football in middle school and I always beat Luke in one-on-one basketball games. I love every sport though.



**Taylor: Are you two competitive with each other, since when?**

Luke: We have been competitive with each other since I could remember. My parents said that we used to fight when we were two and four years old. When we play tennis or any other sport we are very competitive and want to beat the crap out of each other.

Clancy: We've been competitive with each other ever since we were born. I remember when we were four and six, we were digging holes in the backyard and Luke dug his faster, so I took my shovel and hit him on the head. He had to get nine stitches and he still has the mark on his eyebrow. I was only four years old then; think about how it is now.

**Taylor: Are you supportive of each other?**

Luke: Yes, we have always sup-

ported each other. We are each other's No. 1 fan. When one of us is struggling, the other hurts and when one of us is doing well the other is rejoicing.

An example is when my brother won the Orange Bowl, which is the biggest tournament in the world. I was the happiest person and so proud of my brother.

Clancy: I'm Luke's No. 1 fan. I would do anything for Luke and I'm sure he would do the same. I came to Boise State University because of Luke. No other reason. We also talk about our success this year being in part because of each other. Usually because we play one and two, we play next to each other and we feed off of each other's energy so well that we win matches.

Nothing fires you up more than when your best friend and brother tells you he needs you and let's win together.

**Taylor: Does tennis ever get in the way of your relationship toward each other? If so, does it help the relationship or hurt it?**

Luke: Both. In some ways tennis has affected our relationship. Most of all, though, it has made us closer. Tennis has forced us to be best friends because we are around each other all the time. We traveled in an R.V. for two years together playing tennis. Obviously, that had a big impact on our relationship. I trust my brother more than anyone and I'm closer to him than anyone.

Clancy: All of the above. It has held each of us back maybe from our potential because our parents wanted to keep us together instead of separating us and doing what was individually best for us, but the closeness that we have is the greatest thing in the world. And tennis has played a big part in our closeness.

**Taylor: Do you like being on the same team?**

Luke: It is fun. When we are on the court playing next to each other it is motivational because we feed off of each other's energy. It makes it easier to fight because we want to win so badly for each other.

Clancy: I like it, but sometimes I think Luke doesn't like me being on the same team because I get ar-

ter him like a teammate would and he doesn't like that. I will say what's on my mind and that can get me in trouble sometimes. Overall, Luke is an awesome teammate - best you could ever ask for.



**Taylor: You don't play doubles now, but did you ever? And, if so, would you consider doing it again?**

Luke: We have played in the past and had a lot of success. We won a couple national tourneys. However, we do fight a lot on the court. We will play together next year for my senior year.

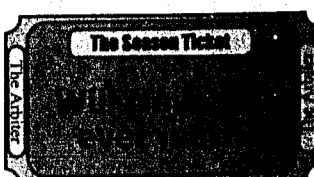
Clancy: We used to play doubles all the time, but when I came to college Luke was number four in the country with his partner so the coaches didn't split them up. I hope we get the opportunity to play together soon.

**Taylor: So is it a good match-up when the two of you play against each other? Who wins?**

Luke: We have probably played 2,000 matches and I would say Clancy has won 15. So you can do the math. I pretty much own my bro.

Clancy: I have never beaten Luke in a match, but this is due to the fact that he would get so much crap from everyone if I beat him. When Luke beat my middle brother for the first time, my middle brother beat him up when they got home.

I just want to save Luke from the embarrassment, but everyone knows I'm the better player. Anyplace, anytime and put some money on the line, I would beat Luke nine out of 10 times. Luke's a good player, but the reason he beats people is because he out-thinks them. I know Luke too well, so he can't out-think me.



BY KYE JOHNSON  
Assistant Sports Editor

By the time his career is over he will probably be the greatest infielder of all time. He will likely break Hank Aaron or Barry Bonds' all-time home run record. He has already set the level for being the highest-paid professional baseball player, yet the New York Yankees shun him.

I'm talking about Alex Rodriguez. What in the world does this guy have to accomplish to finally get the respect he deserves? All he's done since becoming a Yankee is slug more than 35 homers a year, score more than 110 runs per year and win a most valuable player award. Not to mention the fact that he's been forced to play third base, a position he'd rather not be playing, just so Yankee poster boy Derek Jeter can stay in the East Coast spotlight.

After the man was constantly harassed all off-season long about his friendship (or lack thereof) with Jeter, Rodriguez grew closer and closer to what seemed like a sure departure from New York. There were talks of him getting moved to another team, but when it came down to it, New York couldn't let him go. And why would they? He's only the greatest shortstop in the history of America's greatest pastime and he just happens to be playing third base.

This is a guy who was the first overall draft pick in the 1993 Major League Baseball Draft. In his first full season as a pro the guy hit a ridiculous .358 with 36 bombs and 123 runs batted in. He was only 21 years old at the time and finished second in the race for American League MVP. Obviously the kid was destined for greatness. He had a great home in Seattle. The fans loved him and the Mariners were the face of the Northwest. But his career took on a new shape in 2001 when the Mariner players decided to pull a "Beatles" on everyone and split up. Ken Griffey Jr., Randy Johnson and A-Rod all landed spots on different rosters, with Rodriguez winding up in Texas with the divisional rivals the Texas Rangers. Not only that, but he signed a contract for \$252 million, which only added to the fire. When Rodriguez came back to Seattle for the first time as a Ranger Mariner fans rained the field with fake dollar bills, booed him into a new dimension and held up signs that said "Pay-Rod" (and probably a few others).


Things got worse for him when he got to New York. Every time the guy strikes out or makes a throwing error, Yankee fans make him feel like he's the worst player ever. Imagine being expected to take a seat behind Jeter, yet somehow still be expected to be the most amazing player New York has ever had.

He's in a terrible situation. If he hits a home run or makes a great play, fans will say, "Hey, if he's making that kind of money, he better be making plays like that."

But if he strikes out with two men on base or can't run down a foul ball, the left field line fans rip him a new one. I hope for his sake that sometime soon the Yankees let him go and he finds a new home. How about somewhere like Milwaukee, where everyone will appreciate him?

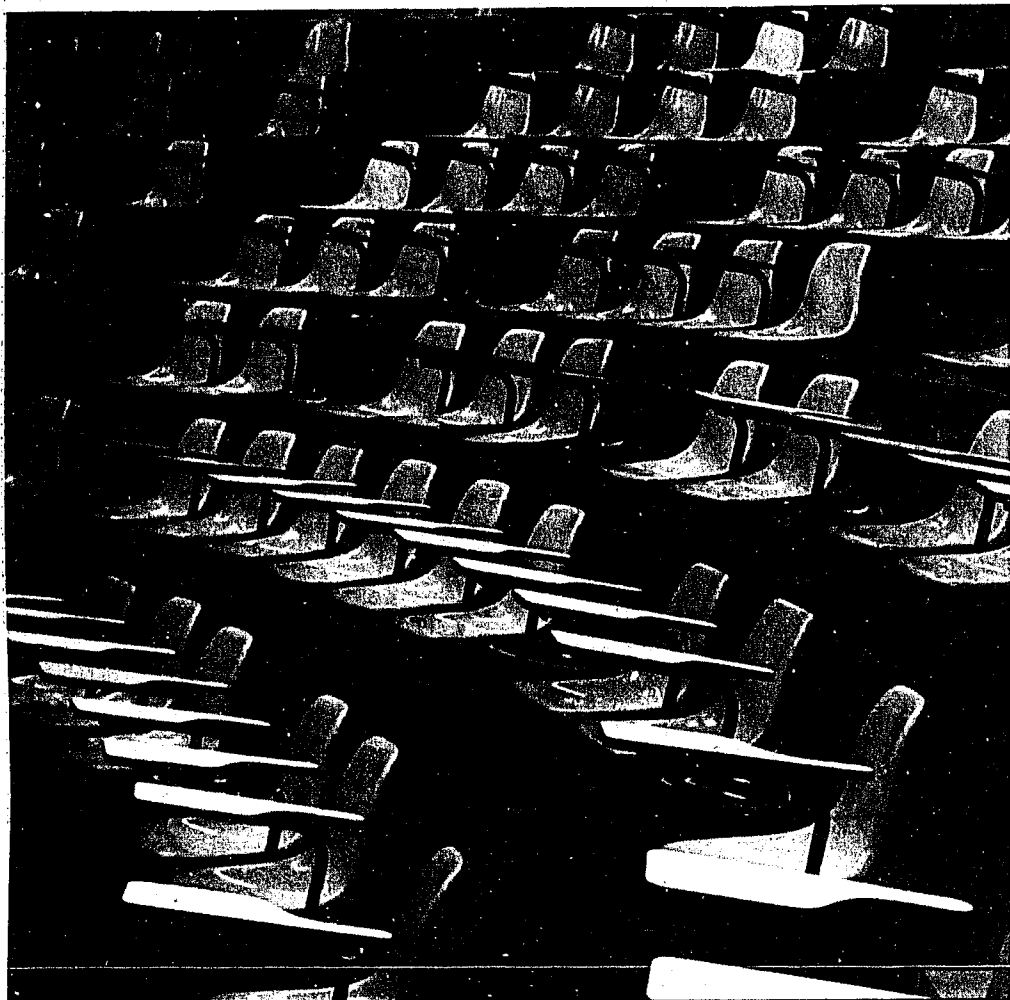
I'm sure Rodriguez's stats are just as good as Milwaukee's entire roster put together for their careers. Speaking of stats, did anyone notice that A-Rod is off to one of the hottest starts in recent baseball history? In 11 games the guy has hit seven homers, driven in 18 runs and is hitting .372. But hey, when you're making that kind of money, you'd better be performing like that - especially in New York.



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# Boise burns for arena football debut

BY TATE CASTLETON  
 Sports Writer

The Fiesta Bowl Champion Boise State Broncos are no longer the only football team in town: For now the Broncos will move aside to make room for the Arena Football Two League's newest expansion team - the Boise Burn.

On Saturday night the Burn will debut in its home opener at Quest Arena against the 0-2 Everett Hawks.

"We are excited to be here in Boise and we hope our style of play will be exciting and entertaining," Boise Burn Head Coach Lee Leslie said. "We've been waiting so long for this and we're glad it's finally here."

In June of 2006 the AFL2 announced that Boise would compete in the 30-team league. Leslie was chosen as the Burn's head coach that same month and brings nearly four decades of both playing and coaching experience to the table.

"We believe we can compete for a league championship right away," Leslie said. "We have a core of players here who have our team off to

an excellent start and we're excited about that."

As for the Burn's roster, look no farther than the Boise State record books. Last October former BSU quarterback Bart Hendricks and wide receiver Lee Marks signed on to play for the league's newest expansion team.

Hendricks is a former All-Big West two time Offensive MVP (1999 & 2000) and holds the record for most touchdown passes (35) in a season. He was also the highest rated QB in the country his senior season at Boise State. Hendricks spent the 2002 season playing for the Frankfurt Galaxy in the NFL Europe league. Most recently he played for the Edmonton Eskimos in the Canadian Football League.

"This is such a great opportunity to be back here in Boise," Hendricks said. "We want to be league champions here and we plan to play like it every night."

Former Bronco Lee Marks is accustomed to winning and he hopes that will continue with the Burn. Marks was used as an all-purpose player at Boise State, but will be utilized primarily as a wide receiver in the Burn offense. Marks was part of four Western Athletic Conference championship teams in football and two WAC championships in track at Boise State.

"This is exciting and we can't wait for our home opener," Marks said. "We know that some of the best fans in the world can be found in Boise, Idaho, and we look forward to playing in front of them."

With loads of experience at just

about any position Marks will be invaluable to the Burn. Marks ranks eighth all-time in rushing at Boise State with 1,865 yards and led the team in all-purpose yards in both the 2004 and 2005 seasons.

"Lee's a special player and we know that he will be an important part of our offense this season," Leslie said. "He was versatile and talented at Boise State and that is one big reason we wanted him here with us so much."

The Burn is loaded with talent. Linebacker Levi Madarieta helped lead the NIFL Tri City Fever to a league championship in 2005 and most recently won the AF2 Championship last season with the Spokane Shock.

"He will be a leader out there for us," Leslie said. "He brings a lot of championship experience and attitude to the team and that's what we need."

Madarieta will play alongside Brandon Hazenberg who played his college ball at Linfield College. Hazenberg was an all-purpose man having played wide receiver and cornerback. He also was valuable as a punt and kick return man. He led the team in all-purpose yards from 2003-2005 with 110 yards per game in 33 games.

"These guys [Hazenberg and Madarieta] play as if every down matters and give it everything they've got," Leslie said. "They lead by example and our guys respond to that."

Meanwhile, Leslie and the rest of the team look forward to their home debut this weekend. Boise (1-1 over-

all) will return home Saturday night to take on the Everett Hawks. Boise got its season off to a hot start defeating Louisville 57-52 on opening night. The win moved the Burn to No. 9 in the first AF2 rankings.

Hendricks was impressive in the stunning win in front of nearly 10,000 fans. He completed 21-33 passes with four touchdowns, including the first in Burn history to Marks. That touchdown helped Marks earn the United States Army Iron Man of the Game Award.

"That was a great experience," Marks said. "It was nice to get the first win and even nicer that it was on the road."

The win was short-lived for Boise. Last weekend after flight delays and travel complications the Burn suffered a 65-38 drubbing by the second ranked Quad City Steamwheelers. Boise was close early on but could not close the deal and remain undefeated.

Casey Allen was the lone bright spot for Boise, catching nine passes for 120 yards and three touchdowns. On Saturday night Quest Arena will be transformed and prepared for the Burn's home debut.

The field will be different from standard college and professional fields. The indoor turf will stretch 85 feet wide and just 50 yards in length, half of a standard size field.

"This game is slightly different, but we're confident the people of Boise will love it," Leslie said. "We hope for a full house and some fans ready to watch some great football." The game will begin at 7 p.m. at Quest Arena.

**Notable Broncos on roster: Six**

**Game Information**

**Time:** 7 p.m.

**Date:** Saturday, April 21

**Opponent:** Everett Hawks

**Head Coach:** Lee Leslie

**Season Record:** 1-1

**Wins:** at Louisville 57-52

**Losses:** at Quad City 65-38

**Bart Hendricks - Quarterback**  
 - Played at Boise State from 1996-2000  
 - Named All-Big West MVP twice  
 - Highest rated QB in the nation as a senior

**Lee Marks - Wide Receiver / Defensive Back**  
 - Played at Boise State from 2001-2005  
 - Won 4 Western Athletic Conference titles at BSU  
 - Eighth all-time in rushing yards at BSU with 1,865

**Chris Christopher - Receiver**  
 - Played at Boise State from 2003-2005  
 Ruled unable to play his senior season by NCAA  
 - Junior season had 13 catches for 197 yards

**Cole Clasen**  
 - Played at Boise State from 2004-2005  
 - Transferred from Oregon State 2004  
 - Finished 5<sup>th</sup> in receptions in 2005  
 - 20 for 297 yards

**Jason Murray**  
 - Played at Boise State from 2002-2005  
 - Recorded 20 catches for 270 yards as a Bronco  
 - Won four WAC championships at BSU

**Tyrone Tutogil**  
 - Played at Boise State from 2002-2003  
 - Named Honorable Mention All-WAC in 2003  
 - Started all 13 games at Guard for BSU in 2003

## Men's golf 'Merritt's a look

BY JAKE GARCIN  
 Sports Editor

Junior golfer Troy Merritt isn't the only bright spot in the 2006-07 Boise State men's golf season.

He is, however, quickly becoming the face of a very young BSU men's golf team.

Merritt has become as much of a go-to guy as you can get on a golf team with no seniors left on the roster.

"I knew it was going to be kind of a rebuilding year," BSU Head Coach Kevin Burton said about his young team. "We lost a bunch of players and had to bring on a bunch of new caliber players. I think we did. I just dedicated a lot of this year to getting a lot of those freshmen experience."

Freshman experience has certainly played a big part in the Broncos' mediocre success thus far, but it could be coach Burton's secret weapon come Western Athletic Conference tournament time. There are eight freshmen on the BSU roster this spring, which is extraordinary considering there are only 11 total players in the Bronco program.

"I really think we're peaking at

the right time," Burton said. "Some of the younger kids are getting a little experience under their belt. They're starting to play better consequently. It couldn't be at a better time than right now."

BSU travels to the Brigham Young University Invitational Friday, April 20 for the final regular season tournament.

Ten days later the Broncos will tee off in Reno, Nev. at the WAC Championships with the hopes of qualifying for an NCAA West Regional bid.

"We're peaking at the right time and we've got nothing to lose," Burton said. "So let's just go in there and tear it up and have fun."

The Broncos are currently ranked No. 12 in the South West, District 7, Region according to "Golf Week" and the WAC. Six teams in each district will be selected by a coaches committee to compete at the NCAA regional level. Since BSU will not be heading to the regional tournament as an at-large bid, the Broncos will need to win the WAC tournament and earn an automatic berth.

Burton expects Merritt to continue leading the way for BSU, having been the catalyst in improving the young team through-

out the spring. Merritt has won two tournaments this season and finished in the top five on five different occasions.

He finished the District VII shootout last fall tied for first place but failed to capture the top spot in a playoff round. On March 20 he won his first individual title as a Bronco, recording the top score at the Ron Moore Invitational in Palm Valley, Ariz.

As a team the Broncos have finished no higher than fifth place this spring and have finished as low as 14th.

At the Fresno State Lexus Classic March 12-13 the Broncos finished behind WAC opponents Nevada, Fresno State, Hawaii, New Mexico State and San Jose State.

With a little more than two weeks to prepare for the WAC tournament, Burton hopes the cards will play to his favor next time around.

"I think every freshman, except the one red shirt, has gotten in over three events [this season]," Burton said. "So they've each gotten their feet wet. They've found out what college golf is all about. They're starting to get acclimated and they're more comfortable when they tee it out there now."

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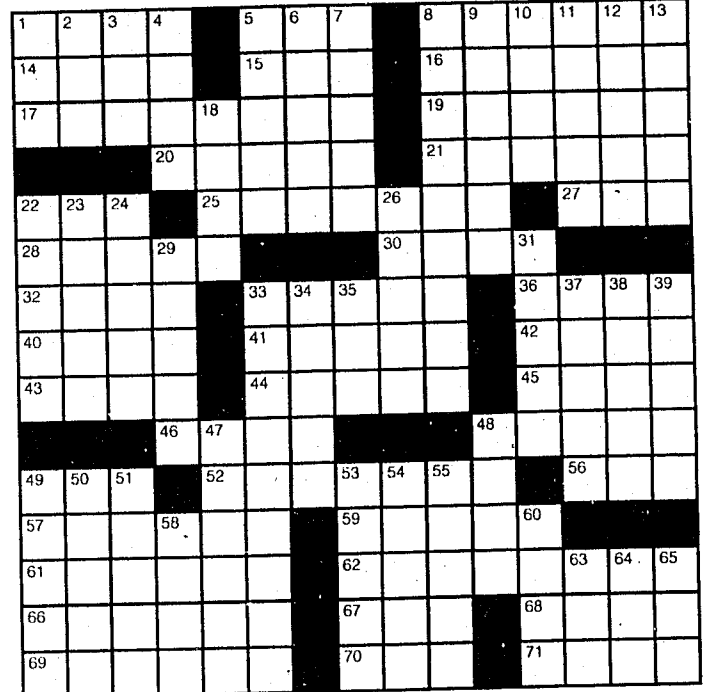
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**PERFORMANCE RATING H, V & Z • EXCELLENT HANDLING**

SIZE	SUPERMARKET PRICE	SIZE	SUPERMARKET PRICE	SIZE	SUPERMARKET PRICE	SIZE	SUPERMARKET PRICE
175/65HR-14	69.95	195/60HR-15	71.59	205/55VR-16	88.50	225/50VR-16	105.99
185/65HR-14	67.39	205/60HR-15	76.49	205/55VR-16	92.35	245/50ZR-16	120.99
195/65HR-14	71.70	215/60HR-15	84.22	215/55VR-16	109.39	215/50VR-17	114.82
185/65HR-15	70.57	205/60HR-16	95.09	225/55VR-16	106.25	225/50VR-17	124.68
195/65HR-15	75.47	215/60HR-16	97.12	225/55HR-17	126.61	205/45ZR-16	163.39
205/65HR-15	80.99	225/60HR-16	107.80	195/50VR-15	73.37	215/45ZR-17	113.94
205/65HR-15	85.57	225/60VR-16	112.59	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	73.00	205/50VR-16	91.67	245/45ZR-17	125.03
195/60HR-14	66.20					215/35ZR-18	153.62

**V & Z RATING**  
**NEWEST DESIGN**  
The Proxes 4 has it all: performance, looks and ride. You will love this state of the art tire and how it handles.

SIZE	SALE PRICE	SIZE	SALE PRICE	SIZE	SALE PRICE	SIZE	SALE PRICE
205/65VR-15	97.51	205/45ZR-16	114.99	235/40ZR-17	170.64	245/35ZR-20	178.09
205/65VR-16	108.51	205/45ZR-17	151.84	275/40ZR-17	168.19	255/35ZR-20	179.63
215/65VR-16	115.09	215/45ZR-17	138.54	205/40ZR-18	147.60	265/35ZR-22	205.09
225/65VR-16	117.33	225/45ZR-17	147.33	215/40ZR-18	169.63	265/30ZR-18	239.34
235/65ZR-17	141.44	235/45ZR-17	151.84	225/40ZR-18	188.29	265/30ZR-18	239.34
195/50VR-15	69.39	245/45ZR-17	154.18	235/40ZR-18	180.32	215/30ZR-20	235.31
205/50VR-15	82.51	225/45ZR-18	196.43	245/40ZR-18	193.30	255/30ZR-20	237.91
195/50VR-16	92.15	245/45ZR-18	205.30	275/40ZR-20	237.72	265/30ZR-20	239.33
205/50VR-16	93.59	255/45ZR-18	180.85	215/35ZR-19	177.53	235/30ZR-22	215.22
225/50VR-16	104.82	245/45ZR-20	215.93	275/35ZR-18	228.68	265/30ZR-22	331.71
235/50VR-16	108.51	205/40ZR-20	204.21	215/35ZR-19	193.60	265/30ZR-22	335.04
245/50VR-18	129.26	205/40ZR-18	95.41	225/35ZR-19	216.33	255/30ZR-24	437.61
215/50ZR-17	131.47	205/40ZR-17	114.99	235/35ZR-19	231.99	275/30ZR-24	422.90
225/50ZR-17	161.09	215/40ZR-17	130.92	245/35ZR-19	243.47	265/25ZR-20	353.98
235/50ZR-17	197.41	245/40ZR-17	167.77	225/35ZR-20	212.07	305/25ZR-22	377.66
235/50ZR-18	207.78						

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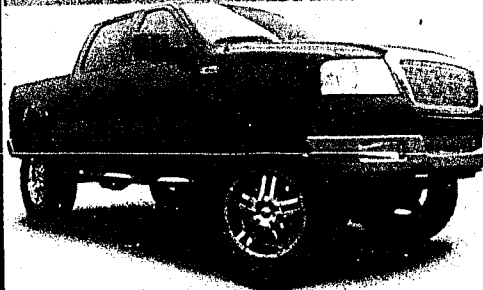
• ALL SEASON TREAD DESIGN  
• STEEL BELTED RADIAL

This low cost all season radial features outlined white letters, a smooth ride and is economically priced.

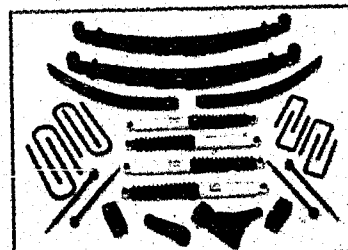
SIZE & LOAD RANGE	SUPERMARKET PRICE	SIZE & LOAD RANGE	SUPERMARKET PRICE
P235/75SR-15	B 71.28	LT255/70R-16	C 86.57
P245/75SR-16	B 81.02	LT235/65R-16BW	E 91.34
LT215/75R-15	C 73.74	30/9.50R-15	C 85.29
LT235/75R-15	C 70.50	31/10.50R-15	C 89.76
LT225/75R-16BW	D 82.60	PLUS FET	
LT245/75R-16	E 91.69		

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SIZE	SUPERMARKET PRICE	SIZE	SUPERMARKET PRICE	SIZE	SUPERMARKET PRICE
P155/80R-13BW	19.99	P205/75R-15	46.57	185/70HR-14BW	36.07
P165/80R-13	27.51	P215/75R-15	48.21	195/70HR-14BW	38.27
P175/80R-13	37.98	P225/75R-15	51.14	205/70R-14BW	49.31
P185/80R-13	40.15	P235/75R-15	52.23	205/70R-14	49.31
P185/75R-14	41.11	165/70HR-13BW	31.11	P215/70SR-14	51.77
P185/75R-14	42.30	175/70HR-13BW	30.84	P205/70SR-15	50.41
P205/75R-14	43.98	185/70HR-13BW	33.72	P215/70SR-15	53.18
P215/75R-14	47.75	175/70HR-14BW	34.61		

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SIZE	SUPERMARKET PRICE	SIZE	SUPERMARKET PRICE	SIZE	SUPERMARKET PRICE
175/65HR-14	39.13	195/55VR-15	60.45	215/40ZR-16	79.55
185/65HR-14	42.05	205/55VR-15	63.41	205/40VR-17	78.55
195/65HR-14	46.19	205/55VR-16	70.61	215/40VR-17	90.90
215/65HR-14	50.24	225/55VR-16	71.57	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	255/40VR-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	118.89
175/60HR-13	35.15	225/50VR-16	73.65	235/40ZR-18	127.75
185/60HR-13	35.15	205/50ZR-17	89.14	245/40ZR-18	140.24
185/60HR-14	41.32	255/50VR-17	128.72	215/35ZR-18	119.89
195/60HR-14	45.78	205/45VR-18	84.59	225/35ZR-18	131.73
205/60HR-14	48.78	205/45VR-17	87.68	255/35ZR-18	174.10
185/60HR-15	47.11	215/45VR-17	93.70	265/35ZR-18	183.82
205/60HR-15	51.80	225/45VR-17	97.67	225/35ZR-19	181.78
215/60HR-15	52.25	235/45VR-17	101.18	235/35ZR-19XL	207.30
205/60HR-16	59.08	245/45VR-17	107.21	245/35ZR-19	210.18
215/60HR-16	59.43	245/45ZR-18	145.51	245/35ZR-20	157.75
225/60HR-16	68.48	205/40VR-18	87.54	255/35ZR-20	159.34

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