Lemonade, anyone?

A disgruntled owner parked his vehicle in front of Northwest Motors last weekend. The list posted on the windshield details two dozen mechanical errors that were not covered by warranty.

Corinne Flowers

The Students’ Voice

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NEWS

The Kibbie Dome will host the 35th world championships for indoor model airplanes. A week of competition in August will also include the Northwest regional championships. See page 3

OPINION

Argonaut columnists discuss the importance of learning to use computers and what our priorities in the federal budget. See page 5

Campus buildings get facelifts

Shelby Dopp Staff

Several buildings on campus will be getting various facelifts this summer and into the fall semester—about $3 million worth.

The Idaho Transportation Department has given roughly $1 million to the university for a Life Safety Improvement project, administered by the state Division of Public Works, in the Administration Building. The building will get an upgrade on its sprinkler system, exit, pathways and corridors ratings. A one-hour rating will be placed in the corridors, insuring building occupants time to get out of the building in case of fire. The doors will be rated at 20 minutes.

"Older buildings weren't developed with this in mind," Raymond Panceo, said. He is associate director of Architectural and Engineering Services, a subdivision of Facilities Management.

The Administration Building will also get a new stair tower on its northwest corner. The tower will provide third floor occupants, located above the Administration auditorium, with a second emergency exit. Currently occupants have one way to exit the building in case of emergency. The stair tower is being made to fit the Administration Building's architecture.

Panceo said, "Construction on the Administration Building has a very short performance. It shouldn't go into the first part of September. If it does, we're in trouble." Construction should be completed by the time full semester starts on Aug. 23 or 26, he said.

The Life Science Building is also getting a facelift worth about $2 million. This money also will "There's a lot of it," he said. "It's too much stuff to try to wipe off."

Social Security taxes show on some students' paychecks

Lisa Lannigan Staff

Students who were exempt from Social Security taxes during the school year may find those taxes have been taken out of their pay for the summer.

According to regulations from the Internal Revenue Service, all U.S. employees are subject to Social Security taxes. However, there are certain exemptions from those taxes, such as in the case of full-time students.

"The issue is that while enrolled, a student who is full time can be exempt from Social Security taxes," Brian Farmer, the university's compliance officer, said.

While the language of these regulations is vague, the "safe harbor" for university employers to follow is the 12/20 rule. If an undergraduate takes 12 credits (graduate student nine credits) and works less than 20 hours per week, that student is not subject to Social Security taxes.

During the summer, the situation is much different. UI has set the credits for the summer at six for undergraduates and five for graduate students.

"In our opinion, we believe that should be considered full-time because of Social Security," Farmer said.

Students working on campus this summer that were exempt from these taxes during the year may find they have more taken out of their checks now. If they aren't enrolled as summer school, those exemptions no longer apply.

"Every single pay period we examine the student's status," Farmer said. Students who drop classes will find a change on their next paycheck. New systems to test this have made the process easier. "As soon as they drop that class, they lose that exemption."

Elm Street nightmare nears end

Brian Farmer, UI compliance officer, said this has been a big issue nationwide. "A task force has been created to work with the IRS for more specific guidelines."

For those students planning to go back to school full time in the fall, the exemptions will be back in place as soon as school starts.

The student employee pays 7.65 percent Social Security (or FICA), while the university matches that amount to make the full 15.3 percent. If there are problems with taxes not taken from a paycheck, it is the university employer and not the student who is liable.

"In the early 80's, we subjected all students to Social Security tax," Farmer said. "We had an audit in '81 or '82, and had to issue refunds for Social Security tax withheld. The situation was the same all over the country."

Elm Street will finally get its much needed repair, which should be completed by Aug. 10, Raymond Panceo, associate director of Architectural and Engineering Services, said.

"Folks on Elm Street have been complaining about the condition of the street for many years," he said.

Many other streets around campus will also get some sort of repair—whether it be patching or overlays. Overlaying the streets is the process of laying down an inch or two of new pavement over the existing pavement. The other streets to receive repairs include Blake Street, Perimeter, Sixth, Nez Perce Rayburn and Stadium Way.

The cost of the entire paving project will run about $200,000, Panceo said. The money will come from the University of Idaho's internal budget.

Parking Lot 19, a gold lot located near Menard Law Building and across from the Iddings Agricultural Science Building, will also undergo construction, Panceo said. The project will cost about $24,000 and will come out of the Parking Services budget.
Local

Latah County trying to lay to rest cemetery issue

It has been 14 years since Gary Collins, corporate head of Moscow's Sunset Memorial Gardens Cemetery, skipped town and left his community without a trace. Now Latah County officials say they are ready to put Sunset Memorial Gardens to rest.

For three years, county Treasurer Nehemia Malick has been trying to track down the remains of graves, plot owners and figured the costs for moving the graves in the cemetery along the Troy Highway.

She figures Memorial has 1,171 graves site that have been purchased and 142 identified burials.

Malick said the county is now taking steps to claim the cemetery owes more than $5,501 in back taxes.

"Every time you get onto the suburb of a cemetery, it's very tough and emotional issue," county Commissioner Tom Sparks said.

Malick said the county earlier tried to deed the cemetery to the Moscow Cemetery District, but the district declined.

Associated Press

The arrangement for trading cemeteries

ALEXANDRIA—Two CSX trains collided at an Alexandria, Va., rail yard Sunday afternoon, forcing a 23 to 25 car pileup and a slow spill.

The collision involved first train headed from Hamlet, N.C., to Philadelphia, while the other was en route from Baltimore to Waycross, Georgia.

The two tanker cars that derailed were on the train headed to Philadelphia.

Flourouricel acid was spilling at a rate of two to three gallons an hour from one of the cars, which was fully loaded with the corrosive but nonflammable chemical, said Jane Malik, a spokeswoman with the Alexandria fire department.

According to the Alexandria Times-Herald, more than 300 hours after the 12:09 p.m. crash, hazardous material and CSX crews continued to contain the chemical, which is used as an accelerator in the manufacture of electric household appliances, Malik said.

Officials feared the chemical could contaminate the water supply if its presence became widespread. However, no injuries were reported from the crash or the spill.

Another derailed car was carrying a resin that could be flammable if exposed. But Malik said there appeared to be no leakage in that car.

Kathy Burns, a CSX Transportation spokeswoman, said the accident occurred shortly after noon on the main rail line off South Quaker Street.

Malik said 20 of the derailed cars suffered heavy damage. The only collision-related injury happened when one firefighter broke his arm and was jumped from one train to another, Malik said.

Emergency responders expected to remain on the scene all night to ensure no more spills occurred. The cars were unattainable.

The incident forced delays for some Amtrak trains.

One northbound trail was delayed at Lorton, Va., while two other were delayed at Alexandria until the freight trains were righted.

Associated Press

Judicial police confiscate exotic birds, other items

TUJUNA, Mexico—Federal judicial police seized 237 junc- ture and scores of books and boots made possible from a warehouse here, the El Universal newspaper reported.

The agents were working for the federal Attorney General's Office and the office of the Attorney General for Environmental Protection.

The paper said agents found exotic hides, boots and belts of boa, python and jaguar, 169 belts of ostrich, tert and tortoise and as the birds, which included peacocks, parrots, falcons and tucans, on Thursday.

Their intended destination was not clear.

Prosecutors said the confiscations came after an investigation of several months.

They put the value of the goods and valuables at just over $1 million.

Investigators said they were investigating the role of the owner of the warehouse.

Associated Press

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The project is called Keeping Kids Safe and is a partnership between Health and Welfare and the Idaho Department of Law Enforcement. The panel will examine the current system, review cases and recommend changes for future review panels in Idaho.

Panel members are: Anna Ragas, Lewiston; Robert G. Martin, Jr., Moscow; David E. Williams, Moscow; Patricia Hagen, Grangeville; Loyer Roberts, Orofino; and Mary Jane Souther, Moscow. Keeping Kids Safe is part of a Public Participation Project that Health and Welfare put together to encourage greater community involvement in Department programs.

House considers ban on record-setting attempts by child pilots

WASHINGTON—Prompted by the death of 3-year-old Jessica Dubroff, the House passed legisla- tion Monday night forbidding a licensed pilot from turning over an airplane's controls to a child trying to fly it.

Jessica was attempting to become the youngest person to cross the country, when her counties went down April 15. She was flying from the tiny airport near Cheyenne, Wy., her father, Lloyd, and flight instructor, Joe Raymond until the flight was righted.

The bill, passed 395-5 and sent to the Senate, prohibits anyone who

does not hold a valid pilot's license and medical certificate from attempting to set a record or engaging in an aerobatic competition or flight. The minimum age for obtaining a pilot's certificate is 17.

Pilots who turn over the controls to a nesoglow to set a record would have their licenses revoked by the Federal Aviation Administration.

We cannot legislate good judgment into the minds and souls of pilots, but we can erect some strong barriers," said Rep. James Obester of Minnesota, the House's Transportation Committee.

Federal investigators said Jessica's death seemed to be carrying more weight since she was safe. They said DuBoff's injuries suggested that she, not Jessica, was controlling it at the time of the crash.

The investigation is not complete.

Associated Press

Train collision derails two dozen cars, causes acid spill

Hunger striking inmate protesting prison regulations dies

ISTANBUL, Turkey—An inmate died on the 64th day of a hunger strike Sunday, the first fatality among thousands of Turkish pris- oners in four weeks to protest prison conditions.

Police detained 200 people who gathered in front of the Umarıye prison to protest Augog Ugur's death, the Anatolia news agency said.

"We expect more deaths," said Ibrahim Varol, an official of Turkey's Independent Human Rights Association.

About 1,500 inmates have been

facing in 33 prisons since May.

Ugur's death caused two weeks after Turkey's new government canceled strict new prison policies in an effort to end the hunger strikes.

The policies led to large-scale transfers of prisoners to jails in remote parts of the country, ended visiting rights of families of politi- cal prisoners and imposed strict rules on the daily lives of prisoners.

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According to the Associated Press, the IOC said it would not comment on the Munich massacre or any other formal mention of the Munich attack in the opening ceremony.

"The IOC will not forget what happened in Munich, perhaps even more than the United States or any other country," said Francesco Carrad, the IOC director general, said. "But the IOC has a policy not to organize events that commemorate dramas that are long gone."

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Four students receive unexpected scholarships

Idaho’s additional National Merit Scholarship winners

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Boise High School, Boise
University of Arizona Music Scholarship

Christine M. Tratz
Centennial High School, Boise
University of Oklahoma Merit Scholarship

Chanelle Woolf
Centennial High School, Boise
Utah State University Merit Scholarship

UI scores comeback win in soccer

After pounding the Lewiston-Clarkston Soccer Club 9-3 in an 8-a-side game in Clarkston the previous weekend, the University of Idaho-Empire Club was stunned to find itself on the short end of a 3-1 loss to the second half of their home match Sunday.

But Steve Williams mounted a one-man rally in the second half, scoring a hat trick to lead his team to the victory.

USC organizer McFarland commended the defensive work of Garry Case, Brian Pilatal and Elmer Diaz.

The game holds open major tournament Tuesday and Thursday afternoons starting at 5:30 and 6:30. Their next games will be this weekend, July 27 and 28, at the Spokane Cup Tournament. For further information, contact Ron McFarland at 882-0649 or 885-6937.

Commission exempts Marriott from property tax

The Latah County Commission has exempted the Marriott Corp. from paying property taxes on it uses to provide food services on the University of Idaho campus.

But commissioners complained that the company, which opened the hotel in 1988, has "added substantially" to the University of Idaho campus.

The commissioners had complained that the Marriott-operated Burger King, Taco Bell, and the Marriot Coffee Company in the Student Union have an advantage over off-campus food franchises that must pay property taxes.

But on Monday, Deputy Prosecutor Doug Whitcomb cited a state law property taxes can be assessed on improvements to state-owned buildings. A state corporation, such as the Marriott Food Service, falls under this law.

Assessor Steve Fiescu said the equipment must be affixed to the structure in order to be considered improvements, and because all of the fast food equipment in the Student Union is on wheels, it cannot be taxed.

And since property owned by the state cannot be taxed, there is no recourse for the commissioners.

Commissioner Shirley Greene called it "a major flaw in state law." But Deputy Attorney General Carl Olson said the commission had no alternative but to grant the exemption.

Boise—The National Merit Scholarship Corporation announced Wednesday the names of four additional Idaho seniors who will receive college-sponsored scholarship awards.

The four Idaho students who will receive Merit Scholarship college-sponsored scholarships are:

- Ronald Johnson, a senior at Boise High School.
- Stuart Stein, a senior at Three Creeks High School.
- James Kellner, a senior at Saint John's High School.
- Diana Rueger, a senior at Capital High School.

These awards are in addition to the More than $1 million in college-sponsored scholarships that have been awarded to 1,700 Idaho students in the past 15 years.
Farmers look to compost for link in soil improvement

Associated Press

BOISE—For 50 years, American farmers have replenished the fertility of hard-working soils by adding nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium.

Using those inorganic nutrients in the right proportions at the right rates as crops take them up in known quantities and at predictable times amounts to following a scientific formula for soil fertility.

But what that formula leaves out are organic matter and beneficial soil microorganisms, which nationwide studies now suggest are essential to long-term soil health and productivity.

On Kip Wooten’s southwestern Idaho farm between Kimberly and Hansen, University of Idaho researchers are beginning a five-year research effort to put science into the art of adding compost to agricultural soils. With 160,000 cubic yards coming by in the Magic Valley and an innovative local composting firm, they have the ingredients to measure the impact of up to 20 tons of dairy compost per acre on a typical 80-acre farm and on the soil those crops are planted in.

“I’m looking long-term,” you can build your soil with it,” Wooten says, but farmers will have to see the dollar-proof in higher yields before they will make that investment.

At Compost West, president and co-owner Roger Wood says farmers spend about $18 a cubic yard for his dairy compost by the time it is delivered and applied.

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comes from the state legislature and the project is administered by the state Department of Lands. The building is currently going through an extensive design and restoration project. The building has changed due to weathering processes, making it look concrete-like rather than stone-like. The construction will replace the stone veneer.

Once the building is finished, “the building will look better,” Pancopf said. The restoration job will take a bit longer than the Administration Building project. It will last throughout the fall and will not change the building’s appearance.

Morril Hall will also go through a Life Safety Improvement project, much like the Administration Building, and get a new elevator. The project also costs about $1 million, which again comes from the state legislature and is administered by the state Division of Public Works.

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Defense vs. education spending
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R ecently President Clinton pro-posed to spend $5 billion to help rebuild the United State’s public school system, due to a recent federal study showing that one-third of the nation’s 80,000 public schools are in serious disrepair. However, Republicans are telling the president “no way,” saying that it is just “another elec-trolyte-gas-mic.”

Well, Clinton’s White House aides admit that his school-repair plan is “precisely the kind of campus-weapon proposal that defines how Clinton’s approach to governing differs from Republicans,” as Knight-Ridder reports it. It really goes to show that Democrats care more about our edu-ca-tional system than Republicans do. For example, the Republican-con-rolled Congress has decided to give an extra $1 billion to the Pentagon—which they didn’t even ask for by the way—to work on weapons and equipment upgrades. Now if that’s not an electrolyte-gas-mic then I don’t know what is. The article even stated that the GOP is trying to “embarrass the president to portray him as ‘soft’ on defense.”

Something seems like a little backwoods to me—the Cold War is over, isn’t it? Or maybe the Republicans know about a war we’re going to fight in the future that the rest of us don’t know. You never hear, those evil Commies might make a comeback. Maybe Fidel Castro will try to take us over or something. Maybe the Republicans have been watching too many showings of “Red Dawn,” or perhaps they believe aliens are going to swoop down from outer space to get their revenge on the human popu-lation. Eleven billion dollars sure is a lot of money to be spending on mod-ernizing equipment and weapons.

Yes, I know that a strong defense is an important asset to our country, but education is a more important part of American society. It’s important to have well-paid teachers, nice school facilities and smart children.

Nowadays, a person cannot get a well-paying job without a college education. Before the college education, most people get a secondary education and attend public schools. Republicans, particularly Bob Dole, have proposed school-choice scholarship programs for K-12 chil-dren—making it seem like they sup-port education. He has proposed that $2.5 billion be set aside for federal scholarships for schoolchildren to attend their choice of public, private and religious schools. And didn’t Dole stand with congressional Republicans to kill education funding in last year’s budget? The answer is “yes.” He would rather see mega-bucks go to useless pro-grams like Star Wars.

This school-choice scholarship program may smail nice and sweet like licas, but people already have a choice that is better than the one the government offers.

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Letters to the Editor

Republican Party wants public input on platform

The Republican Party has launched an unprecedented effort to involve Americans across the country in the development of the Republican National Convention platform. This effort would not be complete without the support of young Americans. As chairman of the 1996 Republican Platform Committee, I am writing to young people to encourage them to submit ideas to help shape the Republican Party platform for the new generation.

The Republican vision for a country is based on American values, not Washington values. We want to continue to work with young Americans to ensure their input in the national policy debate and to ensure that their vision and common sense are heard. It is our hope that any-one who believes in the fundamental principles of the Republican Party—lower taxes, less govern- ment, greater personal freedom and more personal responsibility—will share their ideas with us.

In recent years, Republicans have been listening to Americans at the grass-roots level through surveys of hearings and conferences held around the country by the National Policy Forum, a non-profit organization devoted to the development and advancement of Republican ideas.

We have heard from thousands of our fellow Americans—families, young people, senior citizens—hard-working individuals who are making things better in their own communities. Our 1996 platform deliberations will build on that experience.

Like other Republican leaders, we have heard input from those ideas gleaned from Americans at the grassroots by the National Policy Forum. Now, the Platform Committee is following through, adopting an open door policy for everyone who wants to share with us their visions of a bet- ter America. The Republican Platform Committee is now encouraging young Americans at the grassroots to play an active role in shap- ing the Republican vision for America as it will be articulated in our 1996 Republican National Convention.

The Republican National Convention platform committee has set up a web site on the Internet for submitting ideas to the Republican National Convention. The Internet address is www.ren.org/or, you can send your ideas to Dave Griboff, Executive Director, Republican Platform Committee, 310 First Street, S.E., Washington, D.C., 1990.

Your comments will be shared with the Platform Committee, which is composed of delegates to the convention. Each state delega- tion, plus delegations from the district of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, chooses one man and one woman to serve on the committee.

The Platform Committee, formally known as the Committee on Resolutions, develops the Party's platform and presents it for the approval of the delegates at the convention.

The Platform adopted at the 1996 Republican National Convention will serve as a statement of principles and policies that will guide the Republican Party for the next four years.

The 1996 Republican Platform Committee will convene on Monday, Aug. 5, in San Diego, Calif. The Republican National Convention will be held Aug. 12-15.

We urge all young people to take advantage of this important and unique opportunity to help shape the platform of the party that represents America's values.

—U.S. Rep. Henry Hyde (R-Ill.)
Chairman, 1996 Republican Platform Committee
Chairman, Republican National Committee

The church and state issue isn’t the only problem that arises from something like this school-choice scholar- ship proposal. What if a bunch of kids decide to go to one school that’s better than their local public school? Then there would be severe overcrowding and other problems schools suffer from today. It’s an unrealistic idea.

Which is more important: spending obscene amounts of money on defense or spending more money on the education of American people? You make the decision at the ballot box on Nov. 5.

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dough to send their kids to private and religious schools, they should do it. I see a serious problem aris- ing when tax-payer dollars go towards funding religi- ous schools.

In this country we’re supposed to have a separation of church and state. This type of plan would narrow that gap. The Christian Coalition and other religious right-wingers would love that. They would get more power that way. Besides, if we fund the schools that we already have then we wouldn’t need programs like this school-choice scholarship proposal.

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upgrades or, worse yet, entire new systems!

Why didn’t they change this years ago? There is a simple answer to that: procrastination. It seems time has literally caught up with us!

So, what’s the big deal, you might ask. Well, let’s start with library books. In the year 2000, all the library books that are due will be pushed back 100 years, leaving librarians in total confusion. Birth records will be dated for 100 years ago, so your newborn will be older than you. Grocery store will pull perfectly good food off the shelf because the computer says it’s 100 years old, not to mention the prob- lems with airline tickets, data pro- cessing and various ele- vator inspection records. This is where the computer pro- gramming thing comes in. In a few years everyone is going to need your help! You could be the one computer genius that solves the whole problem, or even just one of the stupid programmers that makes huge bucks just re-entering new data. Just imagine the possibilities! At this point, you must be wonder- ing why I haven’t changed my major yet. Well, I really don’t want to be in school until the millennia. I want to get out, get a real job, write a few news stories and dig up dirt on problems such as this. I fig- ure the world probably needs me right where I am. But, when it comes down to it, it’s just too late for me.

That is why I am giving this advice to you. Get into the comput- er business now before you find something else to do. You will thank me in about four years, I promise.

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Rendezvous in the Park

Above: Latin Expressions' 12-piece orchestra takes East City Park straight to South America with their zesty Latino music.

Below: It was hard for the crowd to sit still as they cheered for an encore from Latin Expressions.

Above left: Queen Ida and the Bon Temps Zydeco Band transports the crowd to New Orleans, La. with their spicy music.

Below left: Music goers participate during one of folk singer/song writer Dan Maher's many songs.

Photos by Valaree Johnson

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THE ARGONAUT
**VIDEO REVIEW: The Usual Suspects**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** Five master criminals mysteriously brought together in a police line-up: Dean Keaton (Gabriel Byrne), a cop-turned-diet; Verbal Kent (Kevin Spacey), a paladin con-man; Todd Hockney (Kevin Pollack), mastermind of science; Michael McManus (Stephen Baldwin), a jaded entry man; and Fenster (Benicio Del Toro), McManus’s unpredictable partner. The five eventually play a biast of the New York Taxi service, a group of corrupt cops tagging money and jewels from crooks and providing a police escort to take them wherever they want to go. The biast nets the five thieves $25 million in jewels and exposes nearly 50 of the dirty New York cops. They decide to fence the gems in Los Angeles, where they also lay low for a while.

In the meantime, the five men take on another job, which ends up leaving three men dead. Enter Kobayashi (Pete Postelwalt), the spoken front-man for notorious crime lord Keyser Sce, who makes the men a proposition: either try to stop a $1 million drug deal in the San Pedro harbor or lose your lives to Sce.

Only two men survive the deal, one of the Hungarian dealers and Verbal Kent, who

Starring: Kevin Pollack, Stephen Baldwin, Benicio Del Toro, Gabriel Byrne, Kevin Spacey, Chazz Palminteri, Pete Postelwalt
Directed by: Bryan Singer
Category: Mystery/Suspense
Rated: R

Stayed behind to watch film go down. Kent is taken into custody and interrogated by U.S. Customs Specialist Dave Kujan (Chazz Palminteri). Verbal tells Kujan what he wants to know, but the real question is: Keyser Sce exist? And if so, who is he?

My advice: This movie kicked sea. It’s a definite film that everyone must see. The script is amazing, as is the direction. The actors are superb. Spacey won a very much deserved Academy Award for his performance as Verbal Kent. This is one of the most original thrillers I have seen in a long time.

The usual Suspects is definitely one movie that will keep you guessing until the very end. It will also leave you shocked and thinking about the outcomes for hours on end. I will also leave you with a cool quote from the movie: “The greatest trick the devil ever pulled was convincing the world that it has an afterlife... and that (poor) he, is good.”

—Shelby Dopp

**McCall hosts fourth annual SummerFest**

**Erik Marone**

Next weekend, the Brendage Mountain Resort Amphitheater will host the fourth annual McCall SummerFest. The music festival has been growing in popularity, attracting people from around the country to Idaho’s mountains to hear pop, jazz and classical music performed by top acts from around the country.

This summer’s festival will feature the talents of Maestro Steve Michael Rosen, who will be conducting the SummerFest Orchestra in Friday night’s pop concert and Saturday’s classical program. Maestro Rosen is currently associated with the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra and the Fort Worth-Dallas Ballet. Rosen has recently completed a film score and has conducted the Kennedy Center Opera Orchestra and Florence Chamber Orchestra, among many others.

Joining the SummerFest Orchestra is soprano Kathryn Gaster, who has earned national recognition reperforming with companies in Seattle, Dallas, San Francisco as well as Opera San Jose and Colorado Symphony. Miss Gaster most recently performed with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra and will perform the part of Mercedes in Carmen this fall with the Seattle Opera.

Sunday night will bring jazz legend Gene Harris back to SummerFest, accompanied by Los Angeles musicians Ron Escriva, Luther Hughes and Paul Humphrey. Harris recently performed at the Kennedy Center’s 25th anniversary celebration in Washington, D.C.

and his rendition of My Funny Valentine was featured on the soundtrack of the movie Mails.

The free Kid’s Concert will be presented Saturday morning by the SummerFest Orchestra. The free concert introduces children to the components of orchestras and will feature performances of The Marriage of Figaro as well as works by Leroy Anderson. Picknickin’ is encouraged, and there will be catering services available on the mountain, as well as a variety of regional microbrews, Idaho wines and espresso. Tickets are $7 for adults and $4 for children under 12 for the Friday and Saturday night performances. Sunday tickets are $10 for adults and $7 for children.

Tickets are available at selected McCall businesses. For more information call (208) 634-3078 or (208) 634-7762.

**LC’s Brew Review: A wonderful world of beer**

With so many fine breweries all over the world producing so many styles of beer, it was hard to narrow down any specific topic for this week, so I pulled some random notes from interviews I’ve conducted this week’s tastings. The result is this glance at the wonderful world of beer.

First is the Ayinger Maibock, which is a wonderful compliment to the brewer’s Celebration Dobelpack, one of my all-time favorite beers. The Maibock has a light amber color and very hoppy aroma, but rest assured that the hope for this beer was for the bouquet. The flavor is not at all bitter with a light maltiness and hops note. Although not a quásy character of haver ale, the Maibock isn’t heavy at all. It’s a smooth but full-flavored brew that is extremely satisfying.

Next out of the flavor is a brew from Belgium’s Lambous’ brewery, the Ayinger Maibock shows the hoppy flavor and much like the Franbex, it has a deceptive appearance in a brown bottle with a distinct hoppy aroma. It has a light, spritzer-like character and lightly tart cherry flavor that

Lions pleasantly in the back of the throat. The Kriekbier also brings conditions nicely, leaving chunky sediment and adds to the light champagne quality of this beer. In fact, the bottle was still up to high pressure, the cork exploded out of the bottle’s mouth as soon as I twisted the wire loop. It would make a lovely desert beer with the light character and cherry overtones.

Great Britain’s Young’s brewery produces one of my favorite ales and the Night Ale is no exception. This is a traditional English barleywine style beer. I tend to shy away from most beers labeled as barleywines, but this one tends to be very sweet, bitter and spicy. However, the Old Nick is a very drinkable beer with a light hops flavor. It is not nearly as bitter as most barleywines and is perfectly smooth. The aroma has light malty tones and its color is a bazy deep golden. Even if you typically don’t like barleywines, you might want to give the Old Nick a try.

Finally, we visit Bend, Oregon to sample Deschutes’

Obstian Stout, a beautifully marketed beer. Of the Deschutes bottles, the Obstian Stout has to be my favorite. Oh, and the beer inside the bottle isn’t so bad, either. It is a thick beer, opaque black with a light, dark caramel-colored head. The aroma has nice chocolatey tones, that are also present in the flavor, which has a pleasant, almost tangy bite. The aftertaste carries the chocolate tones through and leaves a light, sweet finish. It is fairly medium-bodied as far as stouts go, and is a very nice beer. It’s not so heavy you wouldn’t want to drink more than a couple, yet not so light it’s as heavy a drink as some IPAs. It wraps it up for this week’s brew review. Next week, for the final LC’s Brew Review to ever appear in the Argonaut, I’ll let you know the best places to find a beer. Until then, cheers!

—Erik Marone

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Heavenly sound of harps from Scotland entertain in Lewiston

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TUESDAY, July 24, 1996

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Still

Ethereal? No. Tranquilizing? No. Pleasant? There just isn't one word that can describe the resonance of 21 harpists playing together the sweet melodies of Scotland and Ireland. And they weren't alone.

Last Thursday the 30-member Scottish Harp Society, Common as Clashach, pleased their spectators with a concert featuring folk harps, fiddles, and flutes. At a packed Lewiston High School Auditorium, a pretty-talented harpist donned in Scottish attire greeted the audience outside the door and opened the concert sending heads nodding and feet tapping to the wonderful talent.

The concert was part of a four-day community visit by the Harp Society as a precursor to their way to the International Folk Harp Conference in Olympia, Wash. The Society will also perform in two places in Scotland before their competition.

It just an honor to be invited to the conference," said 12-year-old Charlotte Patchley, the youngest of the harpists. While many of the harpists are budding in their musical careers, some older harpists add distinction to the group. Some of the harpists are the students of Director Isabel Miers who charmed the audience with her happy voice and wonderful directing. The harpists from the Scottish Harp Society take a moment to tune their precious instruments during intermission.

Edinburgh when the idea of an exchange visit to the Lewiston area first took shape. When the International Folk Harp Festival was announced to be in Washington, Ramsey and Reidnaeus saw it as the perfect opportunity to have them perform in their community. By the size of the audience, it was an obvious success. The performers were taken in by host families and enjoyed various activities while they were here.

The concert was arranged by the Lewis Clark Center for the Arts and History. Proceeds of the concert benefited the musicians to complete their tour and competition.

• MOVIE REVIEW •

The Phenomenon

Stars: John Travolta, Ewan McGregor

Director: Jon Turteltaub

John Travolta in the midst of one of Hollywood's most successful box offices. Even though many wore him off after the Look Who's Talking trio of movies, he has managed to find much more favorable opinion. Even though his comeback has been built on playing tough-guy roles, he seems to be right at home as humble, small-town mechanic George Malley in Phenomenon, a sleepy town of love, loss and superhuman intellect.

When he makes his own twilight brings and cured of seeming unlimited mental capacities on the evening of his birthday, he becomes the local hero and freak. Only his closest friends, Doc (Robert Duval) and Nose (Forest Whitaker) stick by him while he attempts to feed his mind. The lovely but hard-to-get Ice (Faye Dunaway) also joins the crew.

When the source of his sudden mental prowess is discovered, it turns out to be his downfall as it becomes the town's local legend. As he becomes more famous, the audience around him loses interest.

Despite some fine direction by John Turteltaub (Cool Bunnings, While You Were Sleeping), "the movie never seems quite as interesting as it might have been. Although Malley is likable enough, it is hard to sympathize with his plight as he makes the transition from Joe Plain folk to super genius. At times the story seems to take too long developing a point; at others it seems to not really be developing anything at all. It is hard to tell whether we are supposed to focus on Malley's plight of alienation or his pursuit of Lace, two elements that never quite mesh the way they should. In order to give the story a scene of flow, although there are enough tender and tear-jerking moments to make this a good date movie, it fails to combine the romantic sentiment with the social elements.

Phenomenon is not a complete bomb, however. It gets a good number of laughs from the audience as well as a respectable amount of emotional sight. All of the characters are developed well and there are few questions left unanswered by the end of the movie. It is unfortunate that the story spends so much time to answer them all.

The story is intriguing and might have made for a fairly good movie if we had been shown the Reader's Digest condensed version and gotten to the point without so much ado.

—Erik Marone

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Harps from the Scottish Harp Society take a moment to tune their precious instruments during intermission.

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What's among the worst advice you have ever been given?

"These pills won't do anything harmful to you."
—Matt Cantrill outdoor recreation

"That you can work 27 hours a week and take 21 credits."
—Heather Hogaboom spanish

"Smoking isn't addictive."
—Bob Dole advocate for PAC dollars

For less than the price of a piece of candy at a major cinema, I was treated to an exotic world full of adventure and mystery. The City of Lost Children, from the directors of Delicatessen, have created a movie that first stuns, and then immerses itself into the senses. Upon leaving the theater, I expected to see the movie's strange skyline rising above that of Moscow.

The story begins with a dream, which quickly turns into a nightmarish tale for a young boy. Quick-pan to a man stripped into a strange construction, and within the first three minutes, 10 of the major characters have been introduced. Tight cutting, and an attention to detail make the web of events unfold at an understandable, but relentless pace.

Like Delicatessen, this movie takes place in a strange alternate reality set in France. The cities are constructivist, made from the whole sky, which is oddly industrial and desolate. The streets are like a Cuban's nightmare as they hover in the middle of the city space, making the attention as the movie progresses. In the story, a group of children, led by the Coloring, who later turn out to be selling the children to a high bidder. That bidder lives in a tower out in the sea with his menagerie of assistants and floating bricks in a tank. One of the circus performers, the strong man, becomes the extra around which this little boy spins, as he desperately tries to track down his stolen adopted brother. Soup opera fans beware however, as the pure heart of the movie is not immediately triumphant in this film. Instead, it is those who value their own lives the most, as well as bizarre chains of circumstance, that determine the outcome of this thrilling show.

This film is definitely a cut above the standard entertainment from our own shores. This film should be in video stores shortly, and I recommend that you find a friend or twelve and all gather round to watch old-time storytelling unfold before your eyes.
—David Camden-Britton

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CALENDAR

Wednesday
Brown Bag concert featuring: Ramsey/Wilkinson
Hartung Theatre

Thursday
"Orchard"
Hartung Theatre
Crazy Days on the Palouse

Friday
"Parallel Lives"
Hartung Theatre

Saturday
"Brighton Beach Memoirs"
Hartung Theatre

Sunday
Soccer games—5:30 p.m.

Monday
Lollapalooza
George, Wash.

Tuesday
Soccer games—5:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Community Conversation" provides forum on welfare

If you want to make your voice heard concerning welfare reform, join other concerned citizens at Lewiston Tomorrow. A "Community Conversation" will be held at the Ramada Inn Seaport Club, 621 21st St. from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

In the past, meetings such as these have helped to form legislative proposals. For more information contact the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare at (208) 799-4600.

Repertory Theatre summer plays continue

The Idaho Repertory Theatre presents "Orchard" tonight at the Hartung Theatre. Also playing at the Hartung is "Sleuth" on Thursday evening and "Parallel Lives" on Friday. All shows start at 8 p.m. For more information call 885-7999.

Brown Bag concert features Celtic music

The Brown Bag Concert series continues with Ramsey/Wilkinson on the Administration lawn today. They will play Celtic music on harp and penny whistle. The event is free of charge and open to everyone.

Exposé yourself to some culture

West African dance music will be presented at Stanley Park in Pullman today. The group Smell No Taste will perform at 6 p.m.

Theatre

A barbecue will begin at 5 p.m. The concert is free of charge and sponsored by the WSU Summer Recreation Committee and the School of Music and Theatre Arts.

Poems wanted for new contest and anthology

Poems are now being accepted for entry in the Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum's new "Distinguished Poet Awards" poetry contest. Cash prizes totaling $1,000 will be awarded, including a $500 grand prize. The contest is free to enter.

Poets may enter one poem only, 20 lines or less, on any subject, in any style. The contest closes Sept. 30. Poems entered in the contest also will be considered for publication in the Summer 1997 edition of Treasured Poems of America, a hardcover anthology to be published in April 1997. Anthology purchase may be required to ensure publication, but is not required to enter or win the contest. Prize winners will be notified by Nov. 30.


Poems sought in free competition

A $1,000 grand prize is being offered in a free poetry competition, open to everyone in the Moscow area. Over $3,000 in prizes will be awarded on Sept. 30. The deadline for entering is Aug. 14. Poems may be written on any subject, using any style, and must be 21 lines or less. A winner's list will be sent to all entrants.

To enter, send one poem to: Reno Fine Arts Institute, 316 California Ave., Suite 62A, Reno, Nevada 89529-1669.