Dining prices increase around campus

by LAURA GEORGE

With fees across campus are a lit- tle easier this year as Boise State and Sodexo have increased the number of options available while lowering prices in some areas. Sodexo, the company that provides food services on campus, has increased its price points in several locations in order to lower prices and increase variety for students.

"We are trying to make things better. We listened to the students and changed some things accordingly," said Sodexo's general manager, Jerry Curtis.

Curtis said the changes were made in response to student feedback and that more than 100 suggestions were received from students.

The changes include the addition of new menu items, such as vegetarian options and healthier choices, as well as increased variety in the types of items available.

In addition, the company has increased the number of locations where students can purchase food, making it easier for students to access different options.

Curtis said that the changes were made to improve the overall dining experience for students and that the company is always looking for ways to improve.

"We want to make sure students have a good time here at Boise State," Curtis said.

Some students have praised the changes, saying that they feel more connected to the university and that the food is better.

Others, however, have expressed concern about the potential for increased prices in the long run.

"I'm worried about the future," said one student.

Despite these concerns, Curtis said that the company is committed to providing quality food at an affordable price.

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Critics get ready to challenge Bush on environmental

By Bill Lambert

WASHINGTON (AP) — With environmental activists in his path, President Bush is getting ready to roll out a new plan to enhance his image on the environment.

A Bush administration official said the plan is part of the president's broader strategy to win re-election in 2004. In a call with reporters Wednesday, the official said the plan would be announced next week.

The official would not say how much money would be spent on the plan or what specific actions would be taken.

The official said the plan would include measures to reduce pollution, protect public health and improve the nation's energy supplies.

The official also said the plan would be announced in a way that would allow the president to make a strong case for re-election.

The plan is expected to focus on ways to reduce air pollution, improve water quality and protect wildlife.

The official said the plan would also include measures to reduce carbon emissions and increase the use of alternative energy sources.

Bush has long been criticized for his lack of action on the environment.

The official said the plan would be a response to that criticism and would show that the president is committed to addressing the nation's environmental problems.
California license law unlawful

Dear Editor,  

The California Supreme Court has recently ruled that the license law is unconstitutional. Therefore, we are not required to pay the license fee. The decision of the court is very welcome, and we hope that the government will obey the law and respect the rights of the people.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

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Jennifer

President Bush should not be focused on Sept. 11

Sept. 11 undoubtedly shook our world. After all, the terrorist attacks were very personal and grisly for many people. However, it seems that many people are too focused on the events of that day.

This makes it difficult for us to move forward as a nation. We need to remember the sacrifices of the people who lost their lives that day, but we also need to focus on the future.

The attacks on Sept. 11 were a tragic event, but we must not allow them to define our society. We need to work together to create a better future for all Americans.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
Local musician experienced grunge, survived

by Chris Kornelis

The Benzy and Randy Show is now in its third season, but just how Randy Blanton and the Benzy Band are able to make a living is something of a mystery. The band, co-founder of the two-man musical group, is a native of Seattle, and his music scene as the long-haired lead gui-
darst of the band and as an accomplished singer and songwriter. He is known for his energetic stage presence and his ability to engage the audience.

When the band is not playing, Blanton can be found around town, often at the popular music venue the Moore. He enjoys spending time with friends and family, and he is a big fan of the local food scene. He is also interested in the arts, and he is a member of the Seattle Preservation Society.

Blanton said, "When people start to have a flair, you can't judge it. Just create."

Several months into their steady gig at the Alehouse, Blanton and the band began to attract a following. They have performed at various events and venues around town, including the downtown waterfront and the University District. They have also been featured on a number of music blogs and websites.

"I'm just glad I didn't have to work at a job that I didn't enjoy," Blanton said. "I'm able to make a living from what I love to do, and I'm grateful for that."
Pop culture's new low: exploiting youth

by Stanley Chou

The raging degradation of American society for professional artists, the groups that are most important to American society, for professional women in general, and for professional girls in particular, is a result of the most recent attempts by the American government and its various agencies to increase its own standing in the eyes of the world. As for black America, the latest update of the moment is 50 Cent, whose material obstructions are more approximate to public sentiment by [a] social movement than it is by [a] social movement by all standards. [A] social movement that is debased by the very notion that it exists. The end result is that American society, by the end of the 20th century, was in the midst of a crisis that was to last nine times (which may say more about the year manhood knows of his sex than the substance of his experience). On the other side, we see young women who have been made to feel as if their freedom was in the hands of others, that it is in the best interest of everyone to uplift their own version of the middle class.

Rather than celebrating hateful anti-African stereotypes, how arrogant rappers, for all too many wrong reasons (which is all to say, self-perpetuated by the recent popular rap, pop star, and pop film, both of which are too black to be understood).

We have the grunts of an African revolution that is not black. Americans and American women—two groups that were once close to the hearts of all Americans and American women—are two groups that were once close to the hearts of all Americans and American women. We have an opportunity to campaign against other and other dimensions of blackness and other dimensions of the problem that affects black America in general and the street knowledge concept of "authenticity," for which the problem is not at all new. It seems to have become even more severe than ever, given the number of expanded outlets for women, such as...MAD's (an American woman's magazine) rising to prominence near 30 years ago, one may sense of having arrived in a town in the late 1960's. On the one hand, it seemed that the black experience among middle-class women in particular. And the gestation was projected as the liberated version because she was willing to attract her story against all conventions and followed these guidelines wherever they led. This challenge that lies before us is not to get back to the past but rather to move forward in a way to help our young people accept, understand, and create a new world of their own making. For the future.
UI fails to produce in home opener

by Mark Williams

EASTERN Washington (6-6, 2-3), the Vandals didn’t just start up a baseball team, but those who only glanced at the final score without watching the game might have wondered.

"To say the game was a defensive struggle would be an understatement of John Madden-like propor-
tions."

Despite finishing one of the strongest and stoutest games in school history, the Vandals defense once again demonstrated its improvements while the offense once again failed to produce.

"For us not to be able to score obviously is an ununderstandable thing to me," UI coach Chip Culler said. "We had a great opportunity tonight. We had some chances but we just couldn’t do it."

The defense just went and played their butts off. If they play like that you should win every game," said sophomore catcher Michael Harrington, who went 1 for 4 at the plate.

"It’s a really good pitching staff that we have here," he said. "And our defense is a pretty good defense."

As successful as the rushing attack was for most of the game, it was the Vandals’ humblest in the third quarter that put SWU in position to score its only points of the contest.

The fumble was recovered by the Eagles on UI’s 21-yard line and, in one of the few significant plays in a first half dominated by running, the Eagles went on to complete the game’s first touchdown after recovering the fumble in what proved to be the game-winning score with 2:39 left in the third quarter.

"I felt good about that play. I gave their safeties a little too much," Culler said. "And our special teams were pretty good because we were driving and we were pretty sure it was going to be a touchdown."

UI’s chance to respond came midway through the fourth quarter, when Harrington drove the Vandals down to the SWU 29-yard line with a 12-yard pass to Orioles Winston. Unfortunately, Wilson, who had six catches for 43 yards, dropped a pass that found him wide open in the end zone. From there, Harrington directed the Vandals down to the 11-yard line and set up a touchdown that would have put UI ahead. But junior wide receiver Peter Pileggi, proving no stranger to that field goal that had tied the game.

"Lost concentration," Winston said of the dropped pass. "I was thinking about scoring instead of securing the ball."

UI’s only points of the afternoon came on an impressive 54-yard field goal by Peerress early in the fourth quarter, after which scoring was halted by the defense when it scored a safety on the third third down that would have put UI ahead.

"I think we have a lot of young players. I think we did a pretty good job of pressures and things like that."

The Vandals have yet to score a touchdown this season, and probably couldn’t have scored had they been missing last week’s leading receiver, Bobby Enright.

"We’re not as deep this year as we were last year," Harrington said. "But we’re going to make the most of what we’ve got."

UI starting quarterback Michael Harrington finds himself in as he goes back for a pass during Saturday’s game in the Kibbie Dome against SWU.

by Jim Rosske

Vandals soccer opens regular season with win, loss

The University of Idaho soccer squad opened its season on a positive note Friday, evening setting up an impressive 4-2 victory over New Mexico State in the Sun Belt.

"We brought our game today and that’s what we needed," UI coach Andy Bury said. "I think we were a lot better today than we have been this season."

The Vandals exploded out of the gate at the beginning of the game, keeping the ball in the south end of the Kibbie Dome. UI also got a quick goal from sophomore Adriana Radulescu at 2:42.

Montana scored its first of four goals in net by midfielder Lauren Karten at 28:47 to tie the game at 1-1. Less than three minutes later, UI center forward Emily Nelson put the Vandals back in the lead off a pass from Karten.

"We started off really strong and that is what we needed," Radulescu said. "I think we did a really good job of setting up for the goal. It’s been a long time since a team has scored more," Radulescu added.

After halftime, the Vandals continued to dominate the ball and the shots. UI scored four more goals on the day. Nelson, who scored a goal of her own, said that the Vandals dominated the second half of the game as well.

Montana scored on a goal in the second half, but UI’s defense did not give it up. UI’s Justin Lewis ended up unbridled on the ground, and Winnan took a swing with his foot at Lewis’s head. "I like the way that we responded to Montana’s aggression. We started getting kicked around a little bit, and we didn’t cover away from them. But we plowed ahead and did what we had to do."

UI’s Justin Lewis scored two goals in the game. Lewis also scored the final goal of the game, which came at 87:03.

UI will face New Mexico State again Saturday in the Kibbie Dome at 1:30 p.m. Both teams finished the game with 1 win and 1 loss. The Vandals will then travel to Montana State for their final regular season game on Sept. 16. The game will be played at 3:30 p.m. and can be viewed on the online broadcast at KIBI.com.

Bottom line: It’s the line

By Nathan Eberly

Vandals soccer team was being heavily favored in their match against Northern Colorado on Saturday, but ended up losing 2-1 as a result of a second half goal.

Early in the 85th minute, Northern Colorado took the lead on a penalty kick. UI tried to even the score, but the shot was saved by the goalkeeper.

In the 93rd minute, UI forward Emily Nelson scored on a penalty kick, but the shot was saved by the goalkeeper.

The game ended in a 1-1 draw, with UI holding the upper hand for most of the game. The Vandals were able to dominate the possession and create several scoring opportunities, but were unable to convert them into goals.

UI will face Northern Colorado again in the second round of the NCAA tournament on Sunday at 2 p.m. The game will be played at the Kibbie Dome.
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UI cross country season starts with women's win

By RITA DALLENS

Four University of Idaho distance runners finished in the top five at the Vandal Cross Country Invitational on Friday morning at the Moscow Raceway.

Coach Chris Phelps said the women and men both turned in good performances.

"We were so happy with our performances," Phelps said.

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