A FEW WORDS FROM THE CHAIR

By Leslie R. Alm

This past academic year the Political Science Department successfully completed its 5-year review. We were rated EXCELLENT in all three major categories of evaluation: teaching, research, and service. As you read the Political Science Newsletter you will see that our students and faculty members continue to achieve at the highest level in all areas, winning both national and university recognition for scholarship and teaching. We have lost a valued faculty member in Dennis Donoghue, who served Boise State for the past 28 years. At the same time we have welcomed two outstanding members to the department: Todd Lochner, who comes to us from the University of California, Berkeley and is our lead professor in Public Law; and Brian Wampler, who comes to us from the University of Texas at Austin and is our lead professor in Comparative Politics. We have also just welcomed another member to our staff, Maria Chavez-Pringle will join us in Fall 2002. She is presently finishing her Ph.D. at Washington State University with an emphasis in urban politics. Two of our faculty members continue to serve in administrative positions for Boise State. Stephanie Witt is the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Greg Raymond is the Director of the Honors Program. In addition, we are fortunate to have excellent adjunct professors teaching for the department. In this regard, we would like to thank Syrena Case, John Hatch, Christopher Innes, Giselle Isbell, Bill Overton, and Steve Shaw for their service to Boise State.

DENNIS DONOGHUE RETIRES

After 28 years of service Professor Dennis Donoghue retired from Boise State University in December 2001. During Donoghue’s tenure at BSU, in addition to teaching political science courses, he authored and presented numerous papers, served on and chaired many university committees, was president of the Idaho Political Science Association, and gave presentations to a number professional organizations in Boise. Students and faculty alike will miss Professor Donoghue. We all wish Denny a healthy and happy retirement.

Faculty Honors

Dr. Ross Burkhart was selected as the recipient of the 2002 ASBSU Outstanding Faculty Award for the College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs. ASBSU student leaders select one recipient from each college. Other political scientists nominated for this award were Les Alm, Brian Wampler and Scott Yenor. He was also awarded the Outstanding Honors College Faculty Award at the Spring 2001 Honors Banquet. The honors students selected him as the outstanding honors professor for the 2000-2001 academic year. Burkhart was named “Coach for a Game” for the BSU-UTEP football game last September.

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Dr. John Freemuth was named the 2001 Idaho Professor of the Year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. He was selected from a pool of seven nominees from Idaho to join winners from 44 other states and the District of Columbia. This is the eighth time in 22 years a Boise State professor has won this prestigious award. Political scientists Greg Raymond and Stephanie Witt are past winners. Freemuth was also nominated for Phi Kappa Phi by Rod Leonard, MPA graduate student.

Dr. Gary Moncrief was a finalist (one of three) for the Foundation Scholarship Award for research. This is the top award a professor can earn for research at Boise State University.

Dr. W. David Patton was selected as the recipient of the 2001 Institute Director’s Award of Excellence from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC), in recognition of 13 years of public training programs for city clerks.

Dr. Stephanie Witt was nominated along with 42 Idaho women as women making history, part of Boise State University’s Women’s History Month celebration, March 2002.

Dr. Scott Yenor is the recipient of the John M. Olin Fellowship for the 2002-2003 academic year. This award will allow him a year of leave to work on his research. (Dr. Will Jordan of Loyola, Chicago will replace Yenor for this time period.)

Nikki Drake received the Phi Kappa Phi Study Abroad Grant to study in San Sebastian during Summer 2002. This grant was awarded to Drake after a national competition.

Rochelle L. Ephraim served as a marshal for the College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs during the May 2001 Commencement Ceremony.

Richard Hachtel was selected by the Xi Chi Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honor Society to receive a one-year membership in the American Political Science Association.

Hachtel presented his research on Idaho public opinion regarding the environment at the 2001 Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Conference in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho. He was the 2001 Boise Cascade Environmental Research Fellow, and wrote a paper entitled “Idaho’s Green Consciousness: An Evaluation of Idaho Public Opinion Regarding the Environment.”

He presented the same paper at the Rice University (Houston, Texas) Political Science Undergraduate Research Conference in January 2002. His paper was awarded the best paper of the conference. There were political science undergraduate students from several institutions across the U.S. including Yale, Stanford, and Princeton. Hachtel will speak at the 2002 National Conference on Undergraduate Research at the University of Wisconsin in April, where he will present his research paper entitled “Democracy in a Globalizing World: An Empirical Analysis of Globalization’s Ramifications for Intra-State Democracy.” This paper has been submitted for publication in Proceeding, which is a national publication, University of North Carolina-Ashville.

Erik Heidemann served as a marshal for the College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs during the December 2001 Commencement Ceremony.
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CDT Jeremy L. Sauer was presented with the Association of the United States Army (AUSA) Medal at the Boise State University Army ROTC Awards Ceremony, May 3, 2001. Qualifications for this award are based on percentile ranking in ROTC, academic achievement, and leadership qualities that lead to the advancement of the ROTC program.

ASBSU Hall of Fame

Rachel Wheatley received the ASBSU Academic Achievement Student Hall of Fame Award for 2001. This prestigious award is given to a graduating student in recognition of excellence at Boise State University.

Undergraduate Research Conference

Congratulations to Dave Brown, Matthew Gould, Richard Hachtel, Amanda Hoffman, Betsie Kimbrough, Whitney Parker, Kelly Spafford and Shane Sumrall who all received recognition for Outstanding Achievement in Undergraduate Research at the second annual College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs Undergraduate Research Conference held at Boise State University on February 26, 2002.

At the conference Richard Hachtel presented his paper, "The Political Ramification of Globalization: An Empirical Analysis," and Kelly Spafford, presented her paper, "Learning to Serve From Experience: Exploring the Potential of the Service-Learning Program at Boise State University." Both Hachtel and Spafford were selected to present and discuss their research at the conference.

Dean’s List - Spring 2001

Jason Arrington  Cynthia Mackey
Sadie Babits  Maria Mayes
Brooke Baldwin  Lisa McGrath
Darrel Brower  Debbie Mitchell
Kayla Brown  Megan Molyneux
Reagan Chazell  Julie Parker
Julie Cole  Francisco Pedraza
Dennis Cook  Annie-Noelle Pelletier
Brett Cottrell  Domenic Puopolo
Jeffrey Dejuncker  Thad Ross
Jennifer Doucette  Rafael Saakyan
Stephanie Ellis  Jordan Saitta
Rochelle Ephraim  Jeremy Sauer
Korrin Eveland  Ashley Schultz
Daniel Fillmore  Brook Smith
Megan Franklin  Michael Smith
Joshua Graves  Kelly Spafford
Richard Hachtel  M. Shane Sumrall
Danielle Hall  Jared Tatro
Erik Heidemann  Leah Taylor
Matthew Hill  Teresa Wallinger
Amanda Hoffman  Sean Walsh
Ashley Horne  Joann Wandell
Melissa Hovey  Ken Webster
LaDonna Jeffs  Rachel Wheatley
Jeremy Judd  Carrie Wheeler
Elizabeth Kittelmann  Jacie Wilcock
Tara Lenz

Dean’s List - Fall 2001

Sadie Babits  Tara Lenz
Salvador Bibian  Brian McGann
Jerry Breckon  Lisa McGrath
Darrel Brower  Jennifer McHugh
Amanda Brown  Debbie Mitchell
Dennis Cook  Staci Neale
Brent Crane  Richard Nestorick
Jennifer Doucette  Wesley Novak
Korrin Eveland  Whitney Parker
Kevin Fowler  Francisco Pedraza
Megan Franklin  Michael Reed
Kari Goldade  Kenneth Rock
Robert Green  Thad Ross
Richard Hachtel  Jeremy Sauer
Danielle Hall  Ashley Schultz
Roy Hansen  Jennifer Singleton
Kamala Hastings  Christian Slack
Roxanne Hathaway  Katherine Sullins
Trudi Hattaway  M. Shane Sumrall
Erik Heidemann  Jared Tatro
Matthew Hill  Teresa Wallinger
Ashley Horne  Sean Walsh
LaDonna Jeffs  Joann Wandell
Betsie Kimbrough  Tanya Watt
Elizabeth Kittelmann  Carrie Wheeler
Kreed Kleinkopf  Jacie Wilcock
Travis Laursen

Rachel Wheatley

CDT Jeremy L. Sauer and Major Ralph Myers, Recruiting Operations Officer, Boise State University Military Science Department
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INTERNS

Since Boise State is located in the capital city, a large number of internships are offered to our political science majors. These internships allow students to gain important experience, make valuable contacts, and earn academic credit – sometimes they even get paid as well! Many of our students took advantage of the internship program during the 2001-2002 academic year.

Summer 2001

Kristen Ashlin, Department of Commerce
Nathan Creamer, Congressman C.L. "Butch" Otter’s Washington, D.C. office
Matthew Gould, Parent Support Project
Jeremy Henn, Idaho Democratic Party
Beth Kittelmann, Parent Support Project
Amy Stack, Congress Mike Simpson’s Boise Office

Fall 2001

David Brown, Congress Mike Simpson’s Boise Office
Matthew Gould, Department of Administration
Betsie Kimbrough, Idaho Secretary of State – Election Division
Benjamin King, Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program
Gloria Parkvold, The Family Advocate Program
Kelly Spafford, Boise State University
M. Shane Sumrall, Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program
Natalie Thomas, Senator Larry Craig’s Boise Office

Spring 2002

Amanda Brown, Idaho State Legislature
Raegean Chazell, Idaho State Legislature
Matthew Gould, Idaho State Legislature
Roxanne Hathaway, United Manufactured/Mobile Home Owners & Residents Association of Idaho, Inc.
Ashley Horne, Idaho Volunteers Lawyers Program
Noelle Lester, Idaho Republican Party
Nicholas Makhani, Idaho House of Representatives
Debbie Mitchell, Larry Benton, Lobbyist
Lisa Moore, Idaho State Legislature
Shawn O’Dell, U.S. Department of Defense
Gloria Parkvold, The Family Advocate Program
Bradley Saito, Congressman.C.L. "Butch" Otter’s Boise Office
Brent Scott, Minnesota International Center
Kelly Spafford, Service Learning Program at Boise State University

Dr. Patricia Fredericksen is the Internship Director for the Department of Political Science.
2001-2002 Boise State University Ambassadors

Ambassadors are a select group of dedicated students appointed to represent the student body and help with various university activities. LaDonna Jeffs, Erin Lowe, Nate Peterson, and Ken Rock are serving as Boise State Ambassadors during the 2001-2002 academic year.

If you are interested in serving as a Boise State Ambassador, contact Rob Dennis, Enrollment Counselor at the New Student Information Center, 426-1479.

Student Leaders at Boise State

Political Science majors and minors involved in student government at Boise State are: Nate Peterson, President; Kara Janney, Vice President; Beth Kittelmann, Chief Justice; Joe Kalange, Associate Justice; Imran Ali, Chief of Staff; Brooke Baldwin, Senate Pro Tempore; Sarah Ali, Senator; Jacquie Bair, Ali Ishaq, Francisco Pedraza, and Jennifer Scott, Senators-at-Large; Erin Anderson, Book Swap Coordinator; Evangeline Beecher, ISA Coordinator; and Lea Sweat, Energy Conservation Coordinator.

Pi Sigma Alpha National Honor Society

by Richard Hachtel, President

On February 14, 2002, the Department of Political Science and the Xi Chi Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha at Boise State University co-sponsored the first Recognition Breakfast, an awards ceremony for political science students and inductees into the Boise State Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha. This event was sponsored using a grant from the national office of Pi Sigma Alpha. The Xi Chi Chapter inducted nine new members into its growing organization.

The breakfast was very successful. The chapter invited a guest speaker, Ms. Maggie Mahoney, BSU alum and past president of Xi Chi. Ms. Mahoney is currently employed as a policy analyst with the Idaho Association of Counties and was one of the lead lobbyists for local governments in their attempt to overturn term limits in Idaho. She spoke of her experiences as a college student and the benefits of belonging to student organizations like Pi Sigma Alpha. Her presentation was very well received by the audience, which included various university and community leaders.

The breakfast also provided the opportunity for the Department of Political Science to recognize the diligent efforts of
some of its most outstanding students, many are members of Xi Chi. The department also recognized students who actively participate in the Boise State University Political Science Association and students who had completed an internship, as well as intern supervisors from various agencies, state and city governments, and the Legislature.

The Xi Chi Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha and the Department of Political Science would like to extend their appreciation to the national office of Pi Sigma Alpha for the generous grant that allowed this event to occur successfully, as well as the BSU BookStore for the M&M table favors they donated.

Current officers are Richard Hachtel, President; Annie Pelletier, Vice President; LaDonna Jeffs, Secretary; and Debbie Mitchell, Treasurer. Past officers include M. Shane Sumrall, President; Richard Hachtel, Vice President; and David Brown, Secretary/Treasurer.

Professor Les Alm has served as the advisor for Pi Sigma Alpha for the past two years. Beginning this Spring, Dr. Brian Wampler is the new Pi Sigma Alpha advisor and Tricia Trofast will continue to serve as the administrative coordinator. For more information about Pi Sigma Alpha, contact the Political Science Department at ttrofas@boisestate.edu or 426-1458.

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Maggie Mahoney, Guest Speaker at the Recognition Breakfast

### Political Science Association

**by Gloria Parkvold, President**

The Political Science Association (PSA) is a wonderful avenue for learning, social interaction and broadening future horizons. With all the activities and opportunities that PSA offers, it can easily be called diverse and yet personally inclusive.

We began the new school year with Law School Night. At this well attended event, Dr. Todd Lochner (J.D. University of Virginia School of Law) and Ms. Syrena T. Case (J.D. Harvard School of Law) presented helpful information and personal insight into the rigors of applying to and succeeding at law school. Along the same lines, in November, Drs. Ross Burkhart, Les Alm, and Brian Wampler gave an overview of what graduate school requires of students at Graduate School Night. Later that week, Dr. Burkhart and Dr. Wampler offered a helping hand to students in filling out their graduate school paperwork.

Since our formidable Political Science Program is located in the state capital, we are fortunate to have many internships available to interested students. Dr. Patricia Fredericksen (our Internship Director) helped coordinate our next event by asking several interns (Matthew Gould, Robert Allen, Maggie Mahoney, and Kelly Spafford) to talk about the benefits of doing an internship. From two semesters of personal internship experience, I wholeheartedly encourage anyone to get involved with this year-round, beneficial program.

Next we had Studies Abroad Night. In early December Corrine Henke from Studies Abroad (International Programs) asked Diana Black and Amanda Hoffman to make presentations about their experiences overseas. Diana spent time studying in Germany, while Amanda studied in China.

The kick-off to our Spring semester was on January 9, 2002. A dozen PSA members helped to run legislative workshops for Treasure Valley high school students who came to the BSU campus for the YMCA Youth Government Southwest Convention, a one-day mock government event. Dr. Ross Burkhart coordinated this project and Dr. James Weatherby spoke to the group of students.

On February 14, 2002, the Political Science Department held a recognition breakfast for members of PSA, interns, intern supervisors and new Pi Sigma Alpha inductees. PSA formally recognized Korrin Eveland (PSA president 2001) and Dr. Burkhart for their outstanding efforts with the Political Science Association.

Maggie Mahoney, Guest Speaker at the Recognition Breakfast

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On March 1, 2002, PSA volunteered at a local homeless shelter. Our annual Student-Faculty dinner, another successful event, was held March 15th. March 29th and April 6th we ran concession stands during major events at the Pavilion. On April 10th we hosted the much awaited “Reflections on Idaho” seminar, where statewide elected officials offered their perspectives on serving Idahoans in public office. From April 12th-14th we staffed an information booth in the Statehouse at the YMCA Youth Government statewide convention. In late April, we anticipate hearing from several faculty members regarding their research projects and we hope to finish our semester with a Student-Faculty Softball game.

PSA truly provides rewarding and enjoyable experiences for all its members. We invite anyone interested to be a part of this organization. Email the club at psabsu00@hotmail.com for more information. Dr. Ross Burkhart is our advisor.
**Meet Our Adjuncts**

**Phillip Choate**, Community Economic Development Consultant will be teaching American National Government in the Fall 2002 semester. Choate received his M.A. in Political Science from Ohio State University, Columbus and he is the former Executive Director of IDA-ORE Planning & Development Association, Inc.

**Syrena Case**, J.D., graduated cum laude from Harvard Law School and received her B.A. with Distinction in Political Science from Swarthmore College where she was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Principal Cellist for the Chamber and Symphony Orchestras, and received a Dana Fellowship for Science. Hargrove is a supervisory clerk for the Honorable Thomas G. Nelson in Boise and is currently teaching American National Government.

**John L. Hatch**, MPA, is teaching his second semester of American National Government at the Canyon County Center. Hatch received his MPA with an emphasis in Environmental and Natural Resource Policy and Administration from Boise State University. Hatch is a member of Pi Alpha Alpha.

**Christopher Innes** holds a M.A. in Political Science from Kent at Canterbury University, England. In addition to the courses he has taught for other disciplines at BSU, his teachings for the Political Science Department include Contemporary Political Ideologies, and two workshops: Political Theory in Adult Fiction and Political Theory Content/Children’s Fiction.

**Giselle Isbell**, MPA, Boise State University and Middle Childhood Teacher at ANSER Charter School, Inc., is currently teaching American National Government.

**William C. Overton**, Ph.D., Adult and Higher Education from the University of Idaho, is a Performance Improvement Consultant for his business, Overton & Associates. Overton holds a Master of English (Washington State University) and a Master of Public Administration/Political Science (Boise State University); a bachelors degree in English Writing and American Literature and an A.A. in Social Science. Overton has been teaching courses in political science as an adjunct for 15 years including American National Government, Organizational Theory and Bureaucratic Structure, and State and Local Government, in addition to the many other courses he teaches for other disciplines at BSU.

**Patti Powell**, J.D., University of Idaho and Deputy Attorney General, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare will teach American National Government during the Fall 2002 semester. Powell has had many years experience as a Deputy Attorney General, as well as teaching in higher education.

**Stephen Shaw**, Ph.D., Professor of Political Science and Dean, School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at Northwest Nazarene University continues to teach for the department. His courses include American Chief Executive, American National Government and Contemporary Political Ideologies.
An Interview with **Don Crowell**. Crowell is a political science major who has been studying this year in China through the BSU Studies Abroad Program.

**PSN**: How did you get interested in the Studies Abroad Program?

**Crowell**: I realized that if I wanted to truly study international relations, I would need to visit other countries. Living abroad gives a person a much better understanding of economic and political differences of countries.

**PSN**: Why did you pick China?

**Crowell**: My uncle has worked for many years at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing. This, along with many conflicts between the U.S. and China, made me very interested in what makes China tick.

**PSN**: What courses have you been taking?

**Crowell**: I have taken classes in Chinese Language, Chinese Economy, Chinese Politics, and Chinese Society. The classes have been interesting, but given China’s current political climate, many issues simply are dropped rather than discussed.

**PSN**: Where have you traveled?

**Crowell**: I have been too many nice places. They are mostly in western China: cities like Lhasa, Kunming, Naning, Beihai, and Hianan Island. I have also been to Beijing and Hong Kong.

**PSN**: How have the people treated you?

**Crowell**: Overall the people have treated me great. They are warm and friendly. Sometimes I will run into a person, who wants to know why the U.S. does this or that and many times I have to explain why the U.S. does certain things that the Chinese dislike, for instance U.S. relations with Taiwan. The Chinese are actually pretty good about this compared to Europeans I have met in China. In fact I was told the other day by a man from Denmark, "America never went to the moon." I guess this is all part of international relations.

**PSN**: What have been the most memorable things you have done or places that you have seen?

**Crowell**: In one city, a quick stop for lunch turned out to be a major event. Out of nowhere we were surrounded by nearly two hundred people. The people told our driver we were the first foreigners to ever visit the town. It took us nearly an hour to get the people out of the way of the bus so that we could leave.
Putting College on Hold to Serve the United States

Jeremy Henn is a political science major at Boise State University who was recently recalled to active duty.

PSN: When were you recalled to active duty?

Henn: I was recalled on October 2, 2001, and was shipped to Bangor Submarine base in Silverdale, Washington on October 4th.

PSN: Why were you recalled to active duty? Were you in the reserves?

Henn: I transferred my reserve time from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) to the Navy because I was unable to drill with the Coast Guard in Boise. I would have had to drive to Portland or Seattle to stay with the USCG. (I spent 4 years active in the USCG). I was called up to fill empty security billets at Naval Station in Rota, Spain. There are approximately 130 reservists here to add to the existing personnel here in security.

PSN: How did your being recalled affect your semester in the fall and progress toward graduation?

Henn: I was to graduate this May (2002) but now that is impossible. In addition, I was to spend the spring semester as an exchange student in Norway. So basically, my graduation is now off until May of 2003, if they allow me to be released from active duty about 1 1/2 months early (in mid August). I'm not supposed to be released until October 2nd. If they don't allow this, I can't graduate until May of 2004, because POLS 298 and 398 are only offered in Fall/Spring.

PSN: What are you doing in the Navy in Spain?

Henn: I work with security department at the Naval Station in Rota as a patrol officer. My duties include patrol, force protection, and physical security. It is basically police work.

PSN: What insights have you learned about the politics, people, culture, and economy of Spain?

Henn: Mostly I have learned about the Spanish culture. The people are generally very friendly and helpful and always ready to talk. Food and family seem to be very important. Getting anything done takes a while because work is not on the top of anyone’s list here. It will get done when it gets done and not a minute sooner. That takes a little while to get used to.

PSN: What does the war effort look like from your perspective?

Henn: Foggy, very foggy. If you can believe it, we know less here than you do back home. We only know what we see on the Armed Forces TV Network (which shows some news programs such as Fox and CNN). I often don’t know when an attack or American casualties have occurred until several days later because I don’t really have access to a TV or computer with Internet access.

PSN: Have you been able to travel around Spain?

Henn: Yes. I have been to Madrid, Bilboa (in northern Spain's Basque country) and around the coast of Southwest Spain to Gibraltar. Bilboa was very scenic with rolling hills and mountains. Madrid was a blast. I spent 4 days there and didn't get to see even half of the things I wanted to see. The nightlife was great too. Bars and clubs don’t get started until about 1 or 2 a.m. and don't stop until 7 or 8 in the morning. A little hard to get used to, but it's that way all over Spain.

PSN: Have you been able to use any of your political science studies while you have been in Spain?

Henn: Sort of. I have been trying to compare our system in the U.S. to Spain's, but it's difficult for me to find answers to my questions because I don't speak Spanish, and not too many people here (Americans) are all that interested. I am learning more about Spain's role in the European Union (EU) and have been approved to complete an independent study course while I am here; it is on Spain and the European Union. I am going to study the history and structure of the EU, how it has affected Europe as a whole, and how it has affected Spain.

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PSN: What impacts will your experiences in the Navy in Spain have on your future education and career plans?

Henn: I had thought of applying for OCS and returning to the military as an officer, but this experience has put a hold on that. At the moment I would love to return to BSU, finish my degree, get my teaching certification and teach at the high school level while working on my masters. Or maybe graduate, move to Fiji, and operate a fishing charter. That would be nice too.
On the Go at the Winter Olympics

Molly Kinney graduated from Boise State University in 2001 majoring in political science. She just completed working at the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. Her immediate supervisor is Ken Price. Ken graduated from Boise State University in 1991 with a political science major and then in 1996 with his Master of Public Administration degree.

PSN: What organization do you work for?

Kinney: I work for the International Pentathlon Foundation (IPF). We ran a Hospitality Program for the 2002 Salt Lake Winter Olympics through the International Biathlon Union. John Helmick, my boss, is the Olympic Attaché for the International Biathlon Union.

PSN: How did you get your job?

Kinney: I had just finished my degree in political science; my emphasis was in International Relations. Dr. Patti Fredericksen knew I was looking for a job related to international relations. At that time Ken Price, a Boise State graduate, was looking for someone to help him plan the International Biathlon Union’s hospitality program for the 2002 Salt Lake Olympics. Ken flew me down to Salt Lake City in February 2001 to interview for the position.

PSN: Did your internship help get your job?

Kinney: Yes, while Ken was interviewing me, he mentioned that he was impressed by my intern experience at the Department of Commerce and the Kauffman Program. However, he said my witty personality and charm landed me the job (just kidding).[PSN: Ken, what would you say about that?]

PSN: How long have you been working for the Foundation?


PSN: What do you do?

Kinney: My title is "Office Administrator." I run hospitality programs for pentathlon and biathlon events such as the Winter Olympics and the 2002 World Championships of Pentathlon in Palo Alto, California to be held this summer.

PSN: Where have you traveled abroad, and for what reasons?

Kinney: For the IPF, I traveled last spring at Easter time to Darmstadt, Germany to deliver New Balance equipment and meet with the president of the Union De Internationale Pentathlon Moderne. I also went to Millfield, England for the 2001 world championships for pentathlon.

PSN: What did you do to get ready for the Winter Olympics?

Kinney: Ken and I managed the hospitality program for the biathlon, preparing tickets, accommodations, and transportation for two one million-dollar sponsors, three supporters, and multiple guests.

PSN: What did you do in Salt Lake City once the Olympics started?

Kinney: Basically the same things. Most importantly making sure that the sponsors, supporters, and guests were happy at all times. We were there to help them have an enjoyable and fantastic time at the 2002 Winter Olympics.

PSN: What were your most memorable moments at the Olympics?

Kinney: Seeing the men’s gold medal ice hockey game. The ice hockey arena was filled with national pride from both Canada and American fans! Another special moment was watching the short track finals just one row up from the ice.

PSN: Have you met people from other countries?

Kinney: Yes, Austria, France, Germany, Australia, Denmark, Holland, and England are the places I have met the most people from.

PSN: What will you do after the Winter Olympics?

Kinney: I will prepare for the 2002 World Championships for Pentathlon in Palo Alto this July. The International Pentathlon Foundation is one of the hosts of this event.

Tanja Baker and Molly Kinney at the Closing Ceremonies of the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah
Dr. Leslie Alm, Professor and Chair, had two manuscripts published this past academic year: one in State and Local Government Review and one in The Journal of Environmental Education. Alm also presented research papers at two conferences: the biennial meeting of the Association of Canadian Studies in the United States and the annual meeting of the Western Social Sciences Association. He also chaired panel discussions at both of these conferences. During the past summer Alm spent a month in Alberta, Canada completing work for a Canadian Government Faculty Enrichment Grant that he received from the Canadian Embassy. He also conducted an all-day training session on research methods for Idaho State Certified Public Managers. This past spring he finished serving a two-year term with the Graduate Council. Alm continues to serve on the Idaho State Supreme Court Committee on Fairness and Equality, as well as the Teacher Education Coordinating Committee.

Dr. Ross E. Burkhart, Assistant Professor, had the article "Intrastate Regional Differences in Political Culture: A Case Study of Idaho," co-authored with Leslie Alm, W. David Patton, and James Weatherby, published in State and Local Government Review. Burkhart also has had the manuscript "Democracy's Effect on Economic Growth: A Pooled Time-Series Analysis," co-authored with Charles Kurzman and Regina Werum, accepted for publication in Studies in Comparative International Development. He will also have his manuscript, "The Capitalist Political Economy and Human Rights: Cross-National Evidence" published this year in Social Science Journal, and his book chapter "Globalization, Regimes, and Development" will be published this summer in the book Coping with Globalization, edited by Steve Chan and James Scarritt and published by Frank Cass.

Burkhart presented his research paper, "Open Borders, Open Regimes? Comparative Democracy and Trade" last July in Hong Kong at the Hong Kong Convention of International Studies. (He did the tourist "must-dos" in Hong Kong: rode the tram up to Victoria Peak to view the city from on high, and took the Star Ferry across Victoria Harbour.) He also presented his research paper "Human Globalization? The Clash of Human Rights and Globalization in the Quest for Development" last August at the American Political Science Association meeting in San Francisco. (The Golden Gate Bridge disappeared on him in the fog while he walked along the Presidio.)

Burkhart is the southwest Idaho regional director of the YMCA Youth Government, which had its annual convention in January, co-sponsored by the Department of Political Science. More than 210 high school students from six schools in the Treasure Valley participated in the one-day mock government exercise on the BSU campus. He serves on the BSU Faculty Senate and the Department of Political Science Scholarship Committee, and is the faculty advisor to the Political Science Association.

Dr. Patricia J. Fredericksen, Associate Professor and Internship Director, is continuing her research in the area of nonprofit management and the voluntary sector. She reviewed manuscripts for a symposium on nonprofit action and civic engagement for the International Journal of Public Administration. Fredericksen also presented conference papers on volunteerism and civic engagement at the American Society for Public Administration and the Pacific Northwest Political Science Association. Currently, Fredericksen is developing the first internet course offered by the Political Science Department. On campus, she serves as a Faculty Representative to the University's Executive Budget Committee.

Dr. John Freemuth, Professor, published an article in the Public Administration Theory and Praxis called "Biocentric Public Administration: Just another Wolf in Sheep's Clothing" and wrote a Cecil Andrus Center for Public Policy white paper on wildland fire, that was acknowledged by Forest Service Chief Dale Bosworth as important in the development of the National Fire Plan. Freemuth helped plan and moderate an Andrus Center conference on rural Idaho, whose white paper was just issued. See www.andruscen-ter.org for more information. Finally he helped secure a $200,000 grant from the Hewlett Foundation for the Andrus Center.

Freemuth gave a number of presentations on wildland fire through the National Fire Center, Boise, was invited to be part of panel for WSU-Vancouver session on salmon, and presented a paper at WPSA. Freemuth is a member of the WPSA Redd Award committee for best paper on the West, was NSF review panelist for graduate fellowships, Washington, D.C., and continued his role as BLM Science Advisory Board chair, where he participated in writing of the Bureau's Science Strategy.

Emilie Garcia, Office Specialist II, is an Elementary Education major at Boise State University. On April 12, 2002, she was awarded the Idaho Education Association Annual Award for Teacher Trainee. She was chosen for this award from a statewide pool of elementary education majors. In addition, Garcia is one of a select group of college students nationwide, invited to attend the National Education Association conference in Washington, D.C., in May. Garcia shares her appointment at BSU between the Department of Political Science and the Department of Public Policy and Administration.

Dr. Dick Kinney, Professor, attended the Western Political Science Association (WPSA) annual meeting in March. At the conference, he discussed the findings from his paper, "From Surplus to Holdbacks." To attend the conference in Long Beach, California, he received a faculty research award from the College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs. This summer, he will edit and expand the analysis in that paper. The annual proceedings for the WPSA Roundtable on State Budgeting in the Western States, prepared by the Center of Public Policy & Administration at the University of Utah, will include his revised manuscript. As always, Kinney invites his former students and advisees to let him know how they are doing. His email address is rkinney@boisestate.edu.

Dr. Todd Lochner, Assistant Professor, is continuing his research in the areas of prosecutorial agenda setting by federal prosecutors and the enforcement of campaign finance regulations. He recently submitted a paper on federal prosecutors to the Justice Systems Journal for review. Lochner and Dr. Craig
Hemmens of the Criminal Justice Department have a contract with Roxbury Press to produce a textbook and companion reader on Courts and the Judicial Process. He also has begun serving as the Pre-law Advisor for students in all departments throughout the university.

Dr. Gary Moncrief, Professor, is co-author of "On the Outside Looking In: Lobbyists' Perspectives On the Effects of Term Limits", published in the December 2001 issue of State Politics and Public Policy. He is also co-author of a book chapter on the same topic published in a new book, entitled The Test of Time: Coping With Legislative Term Limits (Lexington Books, 2002). Moncrief’s research has led to numerous speaking invitations recently. During the fall semester he gave research talks to the Western Legislative Academy (Colorado Springs), The Forum For Women State Legislators (Dana Point, CA) and the Missouri State Legislature. In June he was asked to present an overview of redistricting issues to the newly formed Idaho Redistricting Commission. Moncrief continues his work as a member of a national task force to study term limits, and he is the Legislative Studies Section Head for the American Political Science annual meeting, held this year in Boston.

Dr. W. David Patton, Professor and Director of the Center for Public Policy and Administration, had his textbook Human Resource Management: the Public Service Perspective published that was co-authored with Stephanie L. Witt, Nicholas P. Lovrich, and Patricia J. Fredericksen. He is working on a second book entitled Public Administration: Knowledge and Skills for Public Service, with Stephanie Witt and Nicolas Lovrich. Patton had a chapter published in a public policy text edited by Jack Rabin. Patton, Les Alm, Jim Weatherby and Ross Burkhart combined to produce four articles on regionalism in Idaho, and he published another article in Public Personnel Management with Connie Pratt from the State Division of Human Resources. He made a presentation of one of these papers at the American Society of Public Administration conference in Phoenix.

As the Director of the Center for Public Policy and Administration, Patton coordinated applied research projects for the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration and the Capitol City Development Corporation. He also directed major training programs for state agency managers, city clerks and treasurers, community developers, city managers, and county treasurers.

Patton made ten presentations over the past year to local, regional and national organizations on leadership, negotiation, and public finance. He serves on national and state boards of directors, the University Faculty Grievance and Graduate Council committees, and on several MPA student graduate committees. Over the last few months, he chaired the successful search for a new faculty member.

Patton recently accepted a position at the University of Utah as the Director of the Center for Public Policy and Administration and Research Professor in the Department of Political Science.

Dr. Gregory Raymond, Professor and Director of the Honors College, published his tenth book, From War to Peace: Fateful Decisions in International Politics (Boston and New York: Bedford/St. Martin’s, 2002). The book has been nominated for the Grawemeyer Award, an international competition for the best proposal for improving world order. He also gave research paper presentations on contemporary foreign policy problems at international conferences in England and China, as well as at conferences in New Orleans, Louisiana and Columbia, South Carolina. During the summer, he participated in meetings on European security that were held at NATO Headquarters in Brussels, Belgium. Raymond recently has had two articles accepted for publication, one on the evolution of strategies of political terrorism and the other on just war theory. Raymond was a recipient of a 2001 outstanding teaching award from the Associated Students of Boise State University.


Tricia Trofast, Administrative Assistant, is a member of the Association of Office Personnel at BSU. She planned and organized the first Recognition Breakfast and coordinated the visit for the Site Review team. Trofast is an active member of several environmental organizations, as well as animal advocate agencies. An avid dog lover, she can frequently be heard saying "A house is not a home without a dog!"

Dr. Brian Wampler, Assistant Professor, presented a paper at the Latin American Studies Association annual conference, held in Washington D.C. He submitted a revised co-authored paper, written with Brazilian academic Leonardo Avritzer, for publication in Comparative Politics. Wampler will present a paper at the Midwest Political Science conference in Chicago at the end of April. This paper is part of a larger book project on limiting executive authority in Latin America.

In January, Wampler traveled to Brazil to participate in an ongoing research project on one of Latin America’s most innovative new policymaking institutions: Participatory Budgeting. Wampler wrote the concluding chapter for a forthcoming book on different experiences of participatory budgeting in Brazilian municipalities.

Dr. James Weatherby, Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Public Policy and Administration is working with Leslie Alm, Ross Burkhart and David Patton on an Idaho regionalism project. A regionalism article was published in State and Local Government Review and another has been accepted by the Social Science Journal. He is also completing a manuscript on the history of tax policy in Idaho.

Weatherby was the co-chair of the College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs Dean Search Committee and chaired a site visit...
of a proposed graduate program at Oregon State University.


Dr. Stephanie L. Witt, Professor and Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs is teaching a graduate class for the Department of Public Policy and Administration. Witt continues to serve as a disaster services volunteer for the American Red Cross. She served in New York and New Jersey for 2 1/2 weeks helping people involved with the World Trade Center disaster.

Dr. Scott Yenor, Assistant Professor, has had two articles accepted for publication this year. "Between Rationalism and Postmodernism" forthcoming in the June 2002 issue of Political Research Quarterly and "John Locke and the Problem of Friendship in Modern Liberalism" in an edited volume named Political Affections: Essays on Love and Friendship, edited by Eduardo Velasquez (Lexington Press) due out this summer. He currently is working on several articles, including an article on "David Hume and the American Founders and the Enlightenment Approach to Religion." He was also blessed with the birth of his fourth child Paul Edward this semester.

Drs. Patricia Fredericksen, Jim Weatherby, Les Alm, Gary Moncrief, Steve Sallie and Ross Burkhart at the Spring 2001 Commencement Ceremony

Political Science Alumni

Jennifer Alderman (2000) is a graduate student at the Evans School of Public Affairs at the University of Washington, working towards her Master’s in Public Affairs/International Relations.

Jacque Amoureux (1999) is attending the Ph.D. Program in Political Science at the University of Iowa. Amoureux received her MPA from Boise State University.


Brent Bastian (2000) is currently attending Tulane Law School in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Chris Bryner (1999) is the director of Residence Life and Activities at Sheldon Jackson College in Sitka, Alaska.

Sean Colt (1996) is a network engineer/systems administrator in Santa Clara, California.

Nicole Cunningham (1995) is an Army Captain currently serving with the U.S. Army in Bosnia-Herzegovina as a medical planner. She is also working on her Master’s of Interdisciplinary Studies in Management through the University of Maryland.

Joseph Michael Diaz (1978) is a shareholder in the 26-member law firm Davies Pearson P.C. in Tacoma, Washington. Diaz previously worked as assistant city attorney in Tacoma from 1988-1998. He has also served as legal adviser to the Tacoma Human Rights Commission, was a pro bono legal adviser to low income Spanish speaking clients at Consejo Referral Services in Tacoma, and was property law tutor to first year minority law students at the University of Puget Sound School of Law. He received his juris doctorate from Puget Sound in 1985.


Korrin Eveland (2001) is fundraising and event coordinator for the Alan Blinks for Senate Campaign in Boise.

Dawn Kramer Hall (1995) is the executive director of the Ada County Medical Society. Hall served as interim director of the Boise State Alumni Office during the transition to the new Alumni Center and then as director of membership services and legislative relations.

Heather (Helton) Fonda (1998) and Raul Fonda were married in 2001 at Banff, Alberta. They reside in Mill Creek, Washington.

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Jennifer Holley (2000) is an administrative assistant with the Idaho Humanities Council. She is a graduate student in the Master of Public Administration program at Boise State University.

Jeffrey T. Lowe (1999) is employed by the City of Eagle as a planner II.

Maggie Mahoney (2001) is a policy analyst with the Idaho Association of Counties in Boise.

Randi S. McDermott (1993) is a graduate student in the Master of Public Administration program at Boise State University.

D. Michael Murray (1976) has been named a real estate loan officer for Idaho Independent Bank (IIB) in Boise. Before joining IIB, Murray was vice president and branch manager for another financial institution in Meridian. Murray is a retired senior NCO from the U.S. Army Reserve and a Vietnam veteran. He is a member of the Meridian chapter of Kiwanis International and the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association.

Rick E. Nielsen (1999) is a correction officer at the Idaho State Penitentiary in Boise.

Heidi Peterson (1998) is the development coordinator at Global Partnerships in Seattle. She is also a development consultant in the non-profit sector.

Alan D. Poff (1986) graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in Minneapolis. Prior to attending law school, he served on Capitol Hill for nine years, including a 2 1/2 year stint as a legislative aide to U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX).

Pamela Jo Raybourn (2000) is an adjunct professor in the Legal Assistant Program at Boise State.

Kristi Regotti (2001) is a graduate student in the Master of Public Administration program at Boise State University.

Jade Riley (1998) is the executive director of the Idaho Democratic Party.

Brook E. Smith (2001) is a graduate student in the Master of Public Administration program at Boise State University, where she is a graduate assistant.

Scott Spears (1983) is a deputy prosecutor with the Canyon County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

Paige Standlee (1993) has been named director of sales for the Idaho Stampede, a Continental Basketball Association team based in Boise.

T.J. Thompson (2000) is a graduate student in the Masters of Public Affairs program at Indiana University at Bloomington majoring in policy analysis and public management. Currently he is interning at the General Accounting Office in Washington D.C., with the Strategic Issues Group. During the school year Thompson is a graduate resident assistant at Indiana University.


Dennis E. White (1980) has been named president of Physicians Locums Tenens Inc. He lives in Woodstock, GA.

Tony Dallen Wilson (1977) is the owner of Site Development of Idaho Inc., in Boise. Wilson formed the company in 1996 to provide leasing, zoning, and construction of wireless communication sites.
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