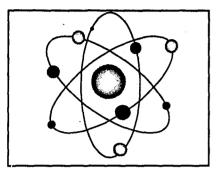


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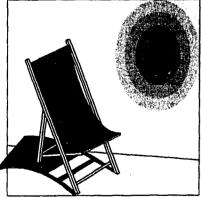
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One's junk, another's treasure

UI Surplus sells excess equipment to farmers, schools and students

Chris Miller Editor-in-chief

Jerry Andres is the man who makes UI Surplus so successful. He's a people person with a strong drive to help anyone who's in need, and UI Surplus, a program run through Central Services that accepts excess UI goods then sells them, gives him the opportunity to do just that.

"At the University of Idaho," Andres said with a sweep of his arm showing a ware-house full of equipment. "This is taxpayers dollars that bought all this stuff and if there's anything left of it we sell it back to them and make some good of it. That's just the way we do it."

As Senior Warehouseman for Central Services, Andres spends about 80 percent of his time doing the legwork for UI Surplus. A typical day consists of running all over campus picking up everything from 550 desks from the Administration Building to a spectrometer from the Chemistry department. The used equipment is then stored in warehouses at Central Services where Andres will eventually sell it in one form or another.

"I try to help the kids (college students) out," Andres said. "Trying to get themselves set up for an apartment ... they don't have any money.

The profit, all but an approximate ten percent, is refunded to the department which consigned the equipment to UI Surplus. In fiscal year 1994, UI Surplus refunded over \$58,000 to various depart-

The Geology Department recently sent over a bus load of camping gear.

"We have sent small stuff," Rolland Reid, the Geology department head, said. "This is the first large consignment." Reid expects the profit to be used to supplement buying mineral supplies for the labs, though it may be used to boost the summer field camp's budget.

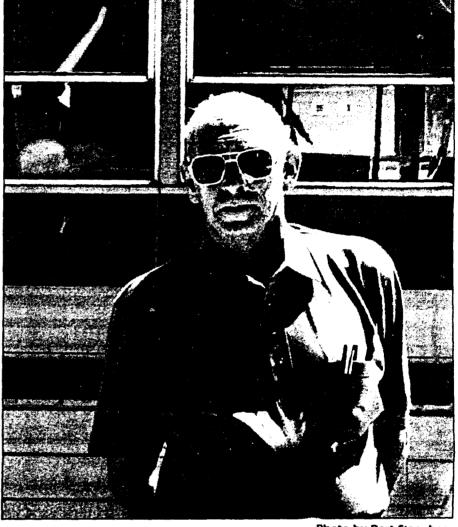


Photo by Bart Stageberg

Jerry Andres of UI Surplus stands in front of a yellow school bus packed full of camping gear, all of which is for sale. UI Surplus sells university equipment no longer needed by the university and refunds the money back to the depatment that consigned it. Last year UI Surplus refunded over \$58,000 to UI.

UI Surplus sells much of the equipment to area public schools. For example, the UI Kibbie Dome weight room is being revamped and all the old weight lifting equipment will be sold to school districts.

Bob Beals, Kibbie Dome manager, said he isn't expecting to make a lot of money from the old equipment, but getting it out to other schools is most important. "We just want to make sure it's utilized again,"

Andres expects about \$10,000 to come of the equipment and whatever is not grabbed up by districts will be sold to the public.

The Kibbie Dome has sold several large pieces of equipment through Andres. One was a floor and artificial turf cleaner which

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Study finds needs of employees

Patricia Catoira Contributing Writer

Balancing work and family responsibilities was the subject of a mailing survey sent to full-time employees at the UI last year, and whose results have come out

Laurie Stenberg and Nancy J. Wanamaker, both professors from the School of Family and Consumer Science on campus, directed the study.

This survey intended to find out how faculty and staff were coping with family and work at

They sent the survey in March 1993 and received 54-percent response rate.

We took the idea of work and family from several perspectives," said Stenberg. Inquiries about what needs UI employees encounter when dealing with work and family, and how well the university is meeting these needs were part of the question-

As more women incorporate to

the labor force, the issue of combining work with family becomes more important. Women form about 21-percent of the faculty, and about 51-percent of the staff.

In the survey, women showed to have the strongest needs for this balance, especially in three

First, they would like to have access to more and clearer medical information.

Second, women wanted to have a supportive work environment. They need an environment that supports them as individuals, while supporting their family needs. This would allow more communication and feed back on the job. It would be easier to come and go in a more flexible manner in order to attend family emergencies. This need was a surprising finding for both Stenberg and Wanamaker.

The survey revealed fitness recreation as the third strongest need for Ul employees. They would like to do some kind of physical activity during the day.

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i was surprised now strong they came out," Stenberg said.

In general, faculty and staff seem to be pleased with university policies towards balancing work and family responsibilities.

"The university is doing a very good job in getting to meet employees needs," Stenberg said. "It only needs to work on it a lit-

One of the main differences in needs between men and women appeared in those responses referred to depending care. While women find a real struggle to keep up with work while finding time to take care of children or an aging parent, men tend not to see family care as their direct responsibility.

When comparing responses on a position basis, the big difference between faculty and staff concerns flexible time. Faculty members tend to be more autonomous, and with a flexible schedule suitable to their needs. However, UI staff usually functions on a "eight to-five" type of

"I expected those answers, but job. Thus, they would like to schedules.

The survey also consisted of a coping scale. Individuals who are married or have partners and that have children were asked to complete a coping scale based on the question "How do you cope?"

Women prefer to create an environment at work where they can talk about their problems and get support from their colleagues. Also, many use an attitudinal mechanism. They keep telling themselves that they work because it is good for them and their family, and because they need to contribute to the family.

Stenberg and Wanamaker hope to expand this survey to the state of Idaho without looking so much at a specific group but to all citizens who work and have family needs.

The findings will be put together on a booklet to be distributed

"We feel we have valuable information that could benefit many workers," Stenberg said.

Comets crash into Jupiter WSU observatory offers open house for viewing

Sam Woodbury
Contributing Writer

The Jewett Observatory, located on the Washington State University campus, will be holding an open house tonight and Thursday evening for observation of the collision of the fragments of Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 with Jupiter.

Twenty-three significant fragments are expected to collide with Jupiter with an impact of greater intensity than the world's combined nuclear arsenals over the period of July 16-21. Two particle impacts were supposed to have been visible from North America over the weekend, and two additional impacts can be observed on both Tuesday and today during the open house.

The actual impacts will be unobservable from North America because they will occur on the far side of Jupiter, however, flashes reflected from Jupiter's satellites may be visible through a high powered telescope and any highly significant atmospheric changes may be visible an hour later when the impacted area rotates into view.

Thomas Lutz, a Washington State University professor, was not optimistic about an impressive show at the Jewett Observatory. "We had the Observatory open but we weren't able to see anything," he said.

The Shoemaker/Levy Comet was discovered in March of 1993 by three astronomers from Arizona: Gene and Carolyn Shoemaker from the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff

and David Levy of Tucson. At this time, the comet was already fragmented from passing to close to Jupiter in its revolution pattern around the Sun.

According to Lutz, the particles are supposed to be made of various frozen gases such as water, ammonia or carbon dioxide and a much more dense sandy material.

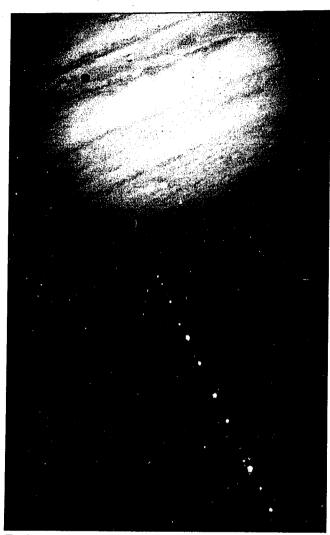
The size of the particles have been estimated to be one to three kilometers across. However, the composition of the particles is primarily based on educated guesswork.

"We have no idea how much matter is contained in any of the pieces," said Lutz.

Particle "A" left a discernible hole in Jupiter's atmosphere after its impact on July 16. Particle "G," which is supposed to be the largest particle, resulted in a bright flash that was observed and imaged by Australian National University's 2.3 meter resolution telescope.

The event itself will reveal new information about the Solar Systems largest planet. "In looking at what happened, we'll be able to learn about the Jovian atmosphere its layers and components," said Lutz.

The Jewett Observatory is located east of the WSU campus. From the Moscow-Pullman Highway, turn right onto the Airport Road, and take the first left on Grimes Road. Follow this road to the top of a hill, then turn right onto Forest Road. After approximately 100 yards, the road leading to the observatory will be on the right.



Tonight anyone can watch fragments of Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 hit Jupiter. Twenty-three fragments are expected to collide with the planet.

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only reason I'm letting you onto this valuable information."

However, there is hope. Huckleberry Haven freely offers information about the berry the store is named for.

A quick call will let you know if the berries are ripe yet, but a personal visit will always elicit greater detail on which hills and elevations around Elk River harbor the biggest berries.

"What I've heard is out of Clarkia they are pretty good," said Ethan Molsee, part owner of Huckleberry Haven.

Molsee expects the huckleberries to start ripening near Elk River within a week or two. Huckleberries are coming on a little later this year because it has been so dry, Molsee said.

Huckleberry Haven expects to buy at least 300 gallons to keep up enough stock to produce their huckleberry ice-cream, doughnuts, jam and ice-cream sandwiches, which all warrant a n ist-stop after a hard day's picking.

The best way to pick huckleberries is to cut the top off a plastic milk jug then loop it through a belt so two hands can be free to pick.

Next, point the car toward mountains and go, but be sure to watch out for logging trucks hauling during the week.

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vegetation and scenery with the help of free maps offered at the village.

Llama trekking is also available. Hikers of all ages may choose either leisurely half-day hikes or overnight camping. Licensed outfitters guide participants through the Selkirk mountain terrain while llamas pack the provisions.

The guides provide information about llama trekking, geological features, wildlife and vegetation.

"Reservations are required 24 hours in advance for the llama trekking," Nichols said.

Horseback riding will soon become available, Nichols said. Eight horses are available and reservations are advisable. Rides are guided and last from one hour to overnight. Call 800-831-8810 for more information on horseback riding and llama trekking.

Green Gables Lodge offers an 82 room hotel. Rooms are available with jacuzzis and kitchenettes. The hotel hosts Jean's Northwest Bar & Grill and Annie's Gift Shop. Jean's hosts Murder Mystery Dinner Theater each Thursday evening.

Reservations are required and the drama starts at 7 p.m. Traditional barbecues are offered Sunday afternoons and seafood specials begin in the evening.

Condominiums with kitchen facilities also are available. They range in size from suites to three bedrooms.

The lodge will guarantee tee times for golfers who are guests at Hidden Lakes Country Club. Water comes into play on almost every hole. Golfers play amid lush vegetation and can spy various types of wildlife.

Local musical artists perform free in the village each weekend in the early afternoons.

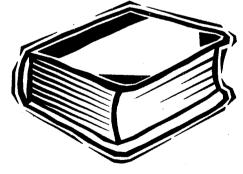
"There is room for everyone," Nichols said.

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Engineering students build toward future

Jeff Allen Contributing Writer

The Junior Engineering Technical Society is currently in the midst of their 17th annual Summer Workshop. Forty JETS students from Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Alaska are participating in a college-like atmosphere from July 10-22, with their major project being to the designing of a a composting facility.

High school students can apply as long as they have completed at least their sophomore year. There are other requirements as

According to Yvonne Bordenave, the program coordinator, "A student must have a minimum GPA of a 3.0 and have three of more years of math with a B average or better." Students were also required to write a short one page essay describing why they wanted to attend the Idaho JETS camp and what they hoped to gain from it.

During their two week stay on campus, JETS participants will be housed in Theophilus Towers and be under the supervision of several counselors.

The counselors live with the students for the entire two weeks and are generally graduate students in engineering, thus allowing them to help the students with their projects and monitor their lab sessions.

There is no doubt that the students will be busy over their two week stay. The average day features about 8 hours worth of classes, with some time in the evening allotted toward working on their own unique engineering project.

Even with the busy schedule, some time is given for students to see other aspects of the campus and the community.

The students who successfully complete the program will receive two college credits for their work. However, the camp accomplishes more than just a couple of credits.

"The workshop will expose students to the engineering profession and challenge them with realistic engineering design problems." said Jean Teasdale, JETS director.

Workshops, lectures, labs, field trips and guest speakers all serve to give the students insight into what the field of engineering

Bordenave said, "The first goal is to introduce students to engineering and the second is to introduce students to the University of Idaho and the College of Engineering in particular '

Four instructors, along with several guest speakers, are responsible for instructing the students during their stay. The two lead instructors are Tom Hess and Bob Rynk. Michelle Deitman is teaching graphics related courses and Rick Gills teaches the human factors courses.

Each year the camp focuses on a different discipline within engineering as the basis for the individual design project. At this year's camp, the field of Agricultural Engineering is featured.

Student teams will present the composting facilities before Ag Engineering faculty on Friday, July 22. Leading up to this they will learn agricultural engineering concepts as well as tour several composting facilities and test samples.

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Andres managed to sell for \$1,500 more than what was hoped and another included an electric cart KUID used to film football games in. "We were ready to pay somebody to take it away ... Jerry sold it," Beals said.

Some of the equipment, like a tractor that went for \$10,700 last year, will be sold by word of mouth or through Andres' database of buyers. Andres will send out as many as 150 letters detailing what he has on hand. This usually ends in a sale.

Most of the equipment, though, is too small or unsuitable for single sales and is sold during a huge open-to-the-public sale every three to four months. The next sale is tentatively scheduled for August.

"We have to wait until the farmers quit harvest in order to get them in here to spend some money," Andres said.

Huge sales aren't what makes UI Surplus what it is. If any college student is looking for something he needs, say a chair for his new apartment or a computer, he can come in any time, see Andres, and Andres will gladly help him out.

'We have some art students come in, buy some junk, a circuit board maybe, and turn it into art," Andres said in amazement.

In total, UI Surplus houses more equipment than a particularly imaginative professor could imagine. There's computers, camping gear, desks, chairs, sofas, a round fireplace yanked out of the golf course, typewriters, cast iron frying pans, a yellow school bus, bunk beds complete with dressers, refrigerator-stove combinations pulled from dorm rooms, watches, a water pump and a \$14,000 plotter that will likely sell for about \$5,000. The amount of used equipment the university surpluses every month is mind boggling - and it will all be cleaned out in the next sale, after which the never-ending process will begin again.

"I just sell it," Andres said. "Put a price tag on itwhatever is on my mind."

Juneau icefield hosts research class

Sam Woodbury **Contributing Writer**

The 35th annual Summer Institute of Glaciological and Arctic Sciences is currently underway in Southeastern Alaska.

This summer research activity of the Juneau Icefield Research Program is an enduring eight week experience involving university faculty, professional educators and students from colleges and high schools from all over the world. The group numbers approximately 100; 30 of which are faculty and 61 who are graduate, undergraduate and high school students. Research conducted includes glaciological processes, climate monitoring, seismic activity and the study of local flora and fauna.

The Juneau icefield is the fifth largest icefield in North America and includes the Mendenhall and Taku glaciers.

The expedition will traverse this icefield, starting in Juneau and ending up at Lake Atlin in

Dr. Maynard Miller, UI geology professor, formed the Juneau Icefield Research Program in 1946. He has directed the Institute of Glaciological and Arctic Sciences since its inception in 1959. He oversaw its affiliation with UI in 1975. The primary purpose of the Institute

is to teach field research in an arctic setting. According to Miller, the intent of teaching natural sciences is to "try to bring nature into the classroom and laboratory. In Alaska, the opposite is true; here, the classroom is brought into

Each student has a project they work on throughout the eight week period, such as measuring snowfall, collecting samples of lifeforms and categorizing them, measuring ice runoff and the dynamics of melting or studying how the surrounding mountains, fjords and valleys are related to the forces of nature.

An important aspect of the experience is learning how to live in extreme outdoor conditions and working as a team. One requirement that must be submitted with the application to participate is a demonstration of outdoor survival skills, since much of the expedition is spent in a glacial setting.

Miller subscribes to Ralph Waldo Emerson's holistic triangle of learning. The first point of the triangle (as applied to natural sciences) is the accumulation of knowledge through the reading of books and participating in classroom lectures.

"You cannot plop yourself on a glacial ridge and learn; some bookwork and mentors are need-

The second point of the triangle is the exposure

to nature itself in the field. And the third point is an active participation, or an application of the prior two points. The summer program satisfies all three. An excellent faculty to student ratio of almost one to one, with graduate students doubling as teachers and a field library satisfies the first point. Merely being in the field satisfies the second point and the active role in measuring glacial runoff, the categorizing of species, or the testing of various hypotheses makes up the third

The faculty attending the summer program this year include Dr. Art Gittens, a retired UI professor of entomology, Dr. James Johnson, Agricultural Ecology, Kathy Crowson of the College of Education and Dr. Harley Johansen, the Geography Department Head. Also, Bill Marineau, a teacher at Moscow Junior High School will participate.

The students who have participated in this program have traditionally been from all over the world, but a core group from UI and the University of Alaska Southeast, the host universities, will make up a proportionately large part of the students.

"(This Program is) Internationally acclaimed throughout the world and we should be proud to have it here at the University of Idaho," said Miller.

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Clinton left for Europe last week to "create jobs in a world of prosperity." What world was Clinton referring to? Not America's world. How can prosperity be an issue in a world of unemployed college graduates — let alone lesser-skilled workers? Forget domestic unemployment. Save the world.

Last week, the U.S. and Russia warned Bosnian factions to agree to a peace plan or face international consequences. "It would be a mistake of truly historic proportions for either party to feel they can serve their people well if they reject the proposal," U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher said.

Is it not "a mistake of historic proportions" that rural schools are being closed due to a lack of money? That students will have to travel longer distances to learn in already crowded classrooms? That educators must settle for more students, low salaries and even lower budgets? Forget America's future. The world is being saved.

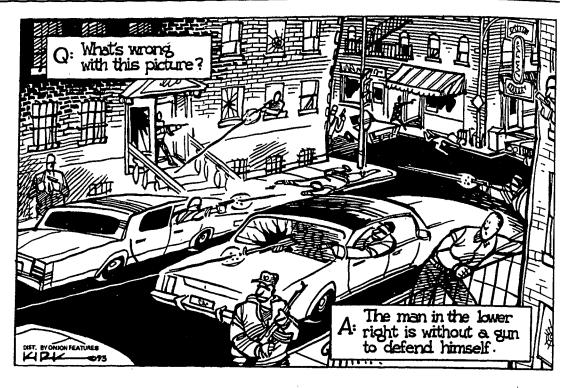
U.S. officials informed current Haitian rulers that they will be invaded if oppressive government activities continue. U.S. officials say they are not bluffing. Officials can save bluffing for America. Food stamp fraud cost taxpayers \$1.8 billion because Americans took advantage of the system. Thousands of Americans were denied aid because of fraud and inefficiency. Go on America, invade Haiti. Do anything but worry about America, its deficit, the unemployed and what some Americans are forced to do to survive. Keep bluffing.

Spend millions of dollars on trips to Europe — convincing Eastern Europe that "America is on your side now and forever." Send aid to the Eastern Block. Continue defending nations from communist threats. America has broad shoulders just not broad enough for domestic policy.

French officials are calling for international support for their efforts in Rwanda. Is America's next target Rwanda? Probably. America is about to storm the globe — spreading peace and prosperity the world over.

That is, except in one area. North America.

—Jennifer McFarland



Room for both Co-op, Market

nce again, a battle brews between granola crunchers and capitalist pigs in Moscow. One may see the front line in this battle simply by passing the Third Street Market. Signs in the windows and on the building read, "Save our store." The Market fears losing its lease to the Moscow Food Co-op.

The Co-op, on the other hand, stands to gain a prime business location if it can negotiate its way into the Market's current space. It would provide more room, better accessibility to for people who live in Moscow's residential district, and space to expand operations.

Let us return to the not so distant past, however. It was only a few months ago when Jeff's Foods, one of the last two community grocery stores in Moscow, closed its doors and went out of business. People who live on the hill north of the Moscow-Pullman Highway and the inhabitants of the university's largest residence halls now are forced to shop for sundries at stores far less conveniently located. With the exception of the Third Street Market, all the available grocery stores belong to national or regional

The Third Street Market carries food, both prepared and fix-ityourself, toiletries, cigarettes,



Commentary Shea C. Meehan

candy, magazines and most other things that one expects from a small grocery. The Moscow Food Co-op carries food of all shapes and sizes. The Food Co-op is nonprofit and, consequently, may sell its goods at very low prices. If their everyday prices are not low enough, one can volunteer time and energy for an even bigger price break.

Both the Moscow Food Co-op and the Third Street Market offer important services to the Moscow community. In fact, my hard earned writer's paycheck is often divided between the two stores. I like getting the freshest vegetables in town from the Co-op, not to mention bulk granola, spices and dairy fresh milk. Because much of their produce is locally grown, its freshness far surpasses anything found in regular stores.

While I sympathize with the Moscow Food Co-op over their lack of space, I think Moscow is Food Co-op. It won't be much.

large enough to support both of these stores. It would be nice if the Co-op were as close to my home as the Third Street Market, but it would also create an inconvenience. Whereas now I may make the mid-morning toilet paper run on foot, if the Co-op moves into the space currently used by the Third Street Market, I and other area residents, will be forced to buy many products (including, but not limited to TP) at larger stores further from the

The Co-op should find another space to move into. There are many properties that could house them as well as the space occupied by the Third Street Market, so there is no reason for Moscow to lose any jobs or businesses.

You can trust the money I make for writing this article will end up in the coffers of both the Third Street Market and the Moscow

Fine line between our ethical and anti-social mannerisms

re're closing in on the end of another millennium (ho hum, just another thousand years). Our technology and knowledge is exploding at a nearlogarithmic rate. Each day, some new discovery sheds illumination on a different area of the world or a new idea. The question is, what will be done with it when we find it?

Consider this: In a recent edition of Science, it was reported that researchers have found the area of the brain that serves as the moral and ethical center. Apparently, what acts as a conscience mostly resides in the prefrontal cortex of our brains, and is, like all other parts of the brain, sensitive to injury from a variety of sources ranging from bullets to bacteria. This discovery has, as you may well guess, astounded neurologists and troubled bio-ethicists.

The idea that we can now pinpoint the area of the brain where all the complex moral decisions and social interactions are determined

seems great. If further analysis bears this out, perhaps soon we will see a treatment of such annoying afflictions as serial murder, rape and countless other anti-social tendencies. In other words, better living through chemistry. This is something to be desired, or so it would seem, at first glance.

For many, though, the problem arises when you start to consider the fact that even with our incomplete knowledge of the human neural system, there exist hundreds or perhaps thousands of pharmaceuticals that control or affect human behavior, not to mention many different groups who would like to use them for their own ends.

Given a precise application point and dosage, they become even faster and more effective. Mind control or worse yet, moral control, starts looking too likely.

Knowledge in and of itself is ethically valueless. Only the application that it is put to gives it a moral value, and that value is within the



Commentary **Brandon Nolta**

eye of the beholder.

The Nazi medical experiments extended the definition of ghastliness and cruelty, yet they also gave a wealth of useful medical information to doctors all over the world. Enrico Fermi's work led to the first artificial self-sustaining nuclear reaction and opened the way to nuclear power; it also opened the way for the hydrogen bomb and other assorted goodies of doom.

One's tool is another's weapon. In my excuse for a mind, the main question is: Can the world at large be trusted with this knowl-

edge? I have friends who were rather disconcerted when a possible causal link was discovered between cellular sizes in certain sections of the brain and homosexuality. Visions of mandatory brain scans and abortions of potentially homosexual fetuses danced in their heads. As if the homosexual community didn't have enough problems.

That scenario was fascist enough for me; the one presented by this new discovery is far worse. All of a sudden, Big Brother and his totalitarian kin stop looking so fictional.

It doesn't take too big a mental leap to start seeing fetuses being aborted on the grounds they might grow up

to be gay or "morally deficient."
(If you have trouble making that leap, read Margaret Atwood's The Handmaid's Tale. I guarantee you'll have no problem with the leap after that.)

Aeschylus was a great healer, so great that the gods struck him down for encroaching on their power. Hitler was a great destroyer, who left scars on the world in his genocidal wake. Both used medicine and its methods to achieve the ends they worked for, although Hitler never did so directly himself and used other methods as well.

The difference between the two is probably found in that newly important area of the brain, and the only way to prevent misuse of that knowledge is also found in that old prefrontal cortex. Let's lean in the direction of Aeschylus.

Ethics sit much better with me than mass destruction.

Animals make better people than humans

Guest Commentary Bill Fluegel

he other day, I overheard a stranger say, "I'd rather have an outside dog."

What the hell's an "outside" dog? Can a dog live outside and still have dogness? I never met a dog who lived outside, with his own house and chain and empty dish and all, that had any personality of his own. A dog kept out of the house full time, especially with no other job than Yard Alarm System, eventually turns into a Perpetual Barking Machine. And then, after the neighbors complain enough times, he is rewarded with a one-way trip to the Pound, where his only hope is that a junkyard owner without enough money for a pit bull might wander in during his three day "grace" period.

This person was raised a "farm boy" with dogs that always lived outside "where dogs belong." I have always suspected that people who live on farms have a different perception of those animals that don't happen to be human.

Farmers raise cute little piglets and when they reach 220 pounds they draw a mental line between each pointy ear and the opposite dewy eye. Where the two imaginary lines cross, they insert a .22 slug. They raise frisky little bull calves and do the same. They raise heifers for milkers, and sometimes keep them for years, but when they slip over into the red side of the ledger—Pow!—they're goners. Same with Old Dobbin when he can't pull the stone boat, and Old Shep, when he can't run off the coyotes. And the spare kittens and puppies go into a burlap bag and into the pond, or maybe into a bucket of water, for more entertainment value ("Let's show the kids!")

I think we City Dwellers have some kind of fake, bucolic image of the farmer and his animals, like something off the Garfield cartoon. I think that, to a farmer, a dog or a horse is a sort of meat machine, like a tractor, only cheaper to run.

Our dogs have always been part of our family, better with emotions than words, but more humane than the rest of us. We have never put our dogs on the ledgers, breaking them down into "cost per hour," and rating them for efficiency. Although we pay extra rent for the pleasure of their company, we have never presented them with a bill at the end of the month, asking: "When can I expect to see part of this?"

Despite their inherent tendency to ignore most human mores and social conventions, we have never seriously considered abandoning them "in the country, where they'll find a good home," (as happened in our yard, more than once, when we lived outside of Houston,

We have never been farmer-like "realists," either, like some Mafia don, ready at the totaling of a "bottom line" to put a bullet through the head of a faithful pet because e was "in the red."

We have generally kept animals for no other reason than the fact that they are usually better company than people. And cheaper to amuse. And more appreciative of any little attention or treat. And they sleep on the floor, and don't want to borrow your car or your money. That's pretty much all the animal reality I need. I think the guy I overheard might just be an outside human.

Solicitors need work

hate phone solicitation. I hate it worse than mail solicitation and almost as bad door to door solicitation.

The thing is, I value my time. I don't want it needlessly wasted over things I didn't know I needed so badly that I have to buy right now before this fabulous opportunity expires and I run out of breath and die while I'm reading you these long sentences designed to keep your attention and prevent you from interrupting me and telling me to go to hell and never call again.

I might be doing other things like taking a shower or spending other quality time in the bathroom. Or taking a nap in the bedroom there's all sorts of things to do that make me really irate when I'm interrupted.

I have a Citibank credit card just like all other proud college students. This in itself is great-I buy underwear, I build credit. So anyway, I'm in the middle of morning business when the phone rings. Making the mistake of thinking it was someone important, I rush over to answer

"May I speak to Mr. Chris Miller?" a voice says. (I should have hung up.) 'This is.'

"Hello, I'm from Citibank and am calling to see if you would like to join our ... Wha, wa, wa wa whaaa. Whey woo waa whai,

Suddenly she slipped into that teacher's voice on Peanuts television cartoons. I wasn't listening and wasn't trying to decipher the long sentences crammed together about super great discounts. I almost put the phone down and returned to the bathroom to shave, but she wanted to verify my address for some reason.



Coming Up For Air Chris Miller

ed for the bathroom but then the \$49.95 came blasting out of the phone and suddenly her voice

had returned to normal. "Wait," I said. "How much do I have to pay for this?"

'You have it free until October

then you pay," she said.
So I asked her a pointed question about the program. She shuffled some papers and said, "That's a good question." She was buying time. She found her answer and started to read it verbatim, with no emphasis or enthusiasm—Citibank must not trust their employees to answer questions on their own.

I contemplated hanging up. Almost did, but then realized I'd be part of the employed American public who don't care if someone else doesn't have a job. I'd be part of the people who have the audacity to destroy an industry full of jobs that offer things people don't want. I realized I'm just not that ruthless and heartless. I have a conscience.

That's not so bad. My girlfriend somehow got wrangled into buy-ing 58 issues of *Outdoor Life* magazine to help out a Special

Olympics organization. Last night I was in my underwear I bought with my credit card and someone starts pounding on the door. He was from the Northern Rockies Ecosystem

Protection Act and "really would like a donation tonight." He was nice enough, and left me with a brochure. The NREPA might be a really good thing but I don't care to hear about it when I've shut my brain off for the night.

I thought I was done. In the morning mail I received a big pile telling me how great the Spokesman-Review newspaper is and received my Good Paper Plus card that gives me super discounts at Spokane businesses.

I know the Spokesman-Review is a good paper, but now I don't have enough time to read it because I'm forced to use my brain space to determine if the thing is a bill or junk mail or

something important.

I wanted to call the Spokesman-Review and ask them to only send me the paper I asked for—I don't need all the crap, you know?— I would say in a sweet

But then I realized what would happen. I would cause people to lose jobs over my thoughtlessness. The wings of butterfly and all that snowballing speculation stuff. Page designers, advertisers and U.S. Postal Service employees would all go. We all know what Postal employees do when they're disgruntled. Imagine what they would do if they lost their iobs entirely.

And they have my address.

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Photo By Bart Stageberg Tim Chapman plays pool at Mingles Monday night. Mingles is just one of the many places where people spend their Moscow summer nights. Other hot spots

Karin Kassik **Contributing Writer**

Summer night life in Moscow? Most people think it does not exist. Moscow bartenders dis-

agree.
"It does exist, indeed," Loren, a John's Alley bartender said.

"Moscow has a night life if you are into the bar thing," Deanna, a Garden Lounge bartender said.

"Wow ... Moscow night life ... it's at couple of different places," Ole, a bartender at Mingles said.

These different places have found their niche in small towns like Moscow. Attractions for the relatively modest entertainment-seeking crowd include various happy hours, live bands, dance music, games, late food and more. Certain types of music played at local bars bring different crowds.

Students' main temptations seem to be Blue Monday at the Garden, Ladies Nights at the Capricorn, band nights at John's Alley, Comedy Night on Wednesdays at Chaser's and pool tables at the Mingles. Various bars cooperate through the Moscow Bartenders Association (MBA) which has a link with the Moscow Police Department.

Generally, local townspeople and students visit bars at different times of the day. Local townspeople prefer early evening hours, while students usually go out after 10 p.m.

The percentage of students and regulars at the Mingles is fifty-fifty, Ole said. Regulars usually come in from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

"Students want to come out at night. It is very obvious who students are - they tend to order different kinds of drinks," Ole said.

Having worked at Mingles for nine months, Ole remembers locals by face and knows the drinks they order. Also, regulars are usually at least 25 years old.

The raise of the drinking age to 21 resulted in several changes in Moscow's night life. The number of bars has decreased and the sale volume has gone down.

"It changed the whole thing. But the night life in Moscow is not dead, it's tapered down. It goes away from drinking and offers more things besides getting loaded," Ole said.

At Mingles, pool tables may capture all the

attention. It is definitely a place to play pool and hang around with friends; the mediumvolume music makes talking a little easier.

"We are kind of unique. You can sit by yourself in the corner and read a paper," Ole said. Different from other places, various salads, pizzas and fast food are offered until late at night. Many people come to have a late dinner, Ole said.

However, food is not the main focus of the night life in downtown Moscow.

"Night life gears around dancing and drinking," Deanna of the Garden said.

Dancing is the focus at only a couple of places. The most popular spot is the Capricorn with a live band and the famous Ladies Night on Thursdays.

Music is different at John's Alley. Live bands, usually on Saturdays, play alternative music.

Every other Tuesday is Open Mic Night at the Alley. Anyone registered half an hour early can perform. The certain attraction of the Alley is its late open hours, until 2:30 a.m.

"We are open later than anybody else," Loren said. Very often the bar gets extremely busy after others close, around 1-1:30 a.m. Band days are the busiest, otherwise the attendance fluctuates with the time of a day, Loren said. The absence of windows makes the bar eternally dark.

Alternatives to smoky bars that contribute to Moscow downtown night life, are the Nobby Inn and Casa de Oro on Main Street. These street lounges provide the opportunity to observe from a distance the action taking place at the center of the town in a safe and comfortable environment.

Other alternatives to Moscow's night life are Pizza Pipeline and Karen's Old Fashioned Ice Cream. Both open until 11p.m. during the week and midnight at weekends and located at the crossroads, this part of the Main Street is a hangout for people of all ages.

Two blocks west of the Main Street, the Micro Moviehouse starts its last show at 9:30 p.m.; starting August 18, midnight movies will bring additional crowds downtown.

If you realize that the warm short summer nights will not last forever, then take a late walk in the lighted and green Moscow downtown. The streets will not be dead.

Huckleberry season in Elk River

Chris Miller Editor-In-Chief

There's only one rule when it comes to huckleberry hunting: no eating out of the

To do so could easily leap the tenuous threshold of huckleberry control and destroy an entire morning of hard work. It's best to pack plenty of sandwiches.

So what is a huckleberry, anyway?

Some have gone so far as to simply refer to it as gold, especially in barren years when the pickings are particularly poor. In fact, the berries have gone for as much as \$28 a gallon during some particularly dry

Currently, the Moscow Food Co-op sells the huckleberries at \$5.29 a quart, and had only 4 quarts left at press time. They also purchase huckleberries at a rate of \$15 per gallon, while Huckleberry Haven, a general store and lodge in Elk River, currently pays \$16 but will match the market value.

In reality, the huckleberry is a blue-purple colored berry a little bigger than a pencil's eraser and is found only high in the mountains. Since there's no consistent ripeness from bush to bush, it's taste is a sweet-sour-bitter explosion that defies description, yet always stimulates saliva.

Huckleberries generally ripen from mid-July to early August, and their low, woody-stemmed bushes can usually be seen from a road along the cut bank — the chosen method of locating a patch is to do some drive-by reconnaissance, then get a closer look on foot.

One huckleberry picker on a motorcycle who zoomed off too fast to be identified early Sunday morning said, "There's a bank down there where we were riding by that was just full of them. I



Photo By Chris Miller

Huckleberries located on Secret Saddle are just starting to ripen in lower elevations and on mountain tops that recieve sun the entire day.

> was wearing my blue-blockers (sunglasses) and they just shimmered in the sun."

Finding the perfect huckleberry patch is sometimes so easy all that has to be done is to find woods and mountains, but other years, pickers will be so close-mouthed, directions are nonexistent or worse yet, entirely wrong and designed to send competitors on the wrong trail.

"Hey, where are all the huckleberries?"

"Drive past Elk River to where Secret Saddle meets No-Tell-Um Ridge. When you can faintly hear Cold Creek you'll be right smack in the middle of the biggest berry patch I've ever seen. We've already gotten our dozen gallons this year — that's the

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Schweitzer summers: hiking, biking combine with music, theatre

Shelley Laird Contributing Writer

Schweitzer Mountain Resort, located 11 miles north of Sandpoint, Idaho, offers summer activities including mountain biking and hiking trails, horseback riding and llama trekking, golf, music, theatre

Schweitzer's high speed quad chairlift is open daily until labor day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Adult tickets are \$7, youths under 18 and seniors over 65 are \$5. Family passes are \$20. Discount tickets are available from shops around town and at the Chamber of Commerce.

Mountain biking trails offer scenic rides for all riders starting at the alpine village and heading in all directions from three to 11kilometers. Mountain bikers may load their bikes on the quad chairlift and; ride the trails around the mountain. Sandi Nichols, communications director, said that experts get a fast and somewhat treacherous ride down the mountain.

"I encourage beginners and intermediates to load up their bikes and ride the lift back down the hill," Nichols said.

Employees strap the bikes to the lift and remove them for you Nichols said. Bike and helmet rental also is available.

Ten kilometers of marked hiking trails are accessible from the village or the top of the 6,400-foot Schweitzer summit. Hikers can explore lakes, lush

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Silver Mountain heats up with concerts, trails

Beverly Penney Contributing Writer

Silver Mountain offers several summer activities including hiking, biking, concerts, barbecues and ethnic cuisine.

There are 16 trails covering 1,500 acres of terrain for people with different hiking and biking endurance levels. Trail 16 is under construction and although the distance has not been determined, the trail will soon connect with North Idaho's other major trail systems.

For those interested in leisure activities, Silver Mountain has several concerts scheduled: August 13, 3 p.m., Dion; August 20, 3 p.m., Air Supply; August 21, 7 p.m., Kenny Loggins; August 25, 7

p.m., Collin Raye. Preferred seating is no longer available for the Loggins and Raye concerts. General admission tickets for the Kenny Loggins concert is

Other concerts are \$22.50, general admission and \$27.50, preferred seating. The preferred seating is located in the front section of the amphitheater. One lawn chair and blanket are included with each ticket for \$2. Gondola rides to the Amphitheater are available Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. On weekends, the gondola is open for an extra hour.

For the first two weekends in October, the final ride will be onehalf hour before closing. The seasonal costs are: adults, \$9.95; fam-

ily, 2 adults and 1 juniors/seniors/college, \$25. Multi-ride tickets, adults, \$13; juniors/seniors/college, \$8; children 6 and under, free. On weekends the chairlift is adults, \$2 and children, \$1.

Trail guides and maps are available, including Pine Creek, Big Creek or Sierra Nevada Road. The guides explain trails 22 miles and under, scenic trails, intersecting trails and trails that loop.

The guide also lists trails with international bike symbols. The guide explains the trail composition and surface of the terrain from multiple accessibility, easy downhill, primitive, difficult, sharp turns, fallen rocks, man-made hazards, erosion and drain dips.

It is advisable to acquaint yourself withthese natural or hazardous

The trails are not patrolled and bikers are required to wear helmets and obey traffic regulations. FAX information sent to the Argonaut stated, " ... mountain bikes are available for rent for all levels at Loulou's of North Idaho at the base and Excelsior Cycle in Kellogg." Bikers can also bring their own bike. Bikes are not allowed on chairlifts — but are on the gondola.

Mountain bike tickets are \$10.50 for unlimited daily Gondola rides. Mountain bikes should be in good condition and bikers should bring tools and a extra inner tube.

Silver Mountain has a bike race scheduled for Aug. 13 to 14 for

regional bikers. No hard alcohol is allowed and no coolers 16" in any dimension. Terminal operators have the right to search coolers and bags. However, people who plan to consume alcohol should be prepared to present a valid photo I.D. Facility users are asked to be responsible at all times. Do not disturb the wildlife and do not litter the mountain.

Silver Mountain Ski and Summer Resort is found on Exit 49 off Interstate 90, at 610 Bunker Avenue, Kellogg, Idaho.

Call 208-783-1111 for information on summer activities at Silver Mountain. Tickets may be purchased at Campus Recreation, 204 Memorial Gym or G & B Select-A-Seat Locations.

'Lost In Yonkers' produces myriad of feelings, emotions

Jennifer McFarland Out & About Editor

Just as audiences begin to ask "What is a Yonker?," the Idaho Repertory Theatre not only shows us, but loses us in it.

Lost in Yonkers is a gut-wrenching, unforgettable story of two brothers staying with their grandmother during World War II in Yonkers, New York.

Before Arty and Jay know they are staying with their grandmother, they share early memories of Grandma- memories they wish they could soon forget.

"All I can remember is I hated kissing her. It was like kissing a wrinkled ice cube," Arty says to Jay. Grandma looks like a wrinkled ice cube, too.

Valerie Marsh plays Grandma, a woman hardened by life in Germany and unable to express any emotion.

Her inability to communicate effectively has caused problems in her children, who have grown to have several different problems. Speech impediments, low self esteem, petty gangster activities and a childlike mind characterize each of her children.

Cool toughness is the only emotion Grandma knows. This causes Arty and Jay to fear and almost hate her.

'A horse fell on her when she was a little kid and she hasn't taken an aspirin yet," Arty says to Jay in refernce to Grandma's toughness.

Arty and Jay, played by Jesse Petrick and Rusty Greene, must stay in this environment for nine months while their father, Eddie, played by Neil Flint

Worden, works to pay back the loan sharks who lent him money to try to save his wife from cancer.

Worden is excellent as the nervous, sickly father. The letters read in between scenes make Worden a character who never leaves the audience.

Greene and Petrick combine to produce a realistic tension and exciting energy between two brothers in a difficult and sometimes comical situation.

However, the most impressive performance was by Pat Sibley as Bella, Arty and Jay's aunt. A childlike, loving woman in her late 30s, Sibley makes Bella's character come alive with light, humorous forgetfulness and a longing to be touched as a woman.

"It's too bad your mother couldn't have more children. She didn't, did she?, Bella says to Arty and Jay in the first scene. Bella's playfulness is balanced by weighty issues and Louie and Grandma.

Louie, played by Michael Porter, is not afraid of Grandma. "Her eyes looked like two district attorneys," Louie says of Grandma. Louie refuses to lay down for anyone. Louie calls this strength "moxie." Consequently, this strength makes him as tough and nearly as cold as Grandma. "You're my partner," Louie says to

Aunt Gert, played by Teresa Baker, is another highlight of the show.

Lost in Yonkers is a touching, funny and serious play in one unified show. Lost in Yonkers is a must see.

Lost in Yonkers is playing July 20, 23, 27 and August 4. All shows start at 8 p.m.



Photo By Bart Stageberg **DIXIE CHICK** Emily Erwin of the Dixie Chicks performs at Rendezvous in the Park in East City Park. Activities will continue through this weekend. All concerts begin at 6:30 p.m. and cost is \$8 per show. Kathy Hart and The Bluestars and Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown with Gate's Express are performing July 22. Concerts are also July 23.

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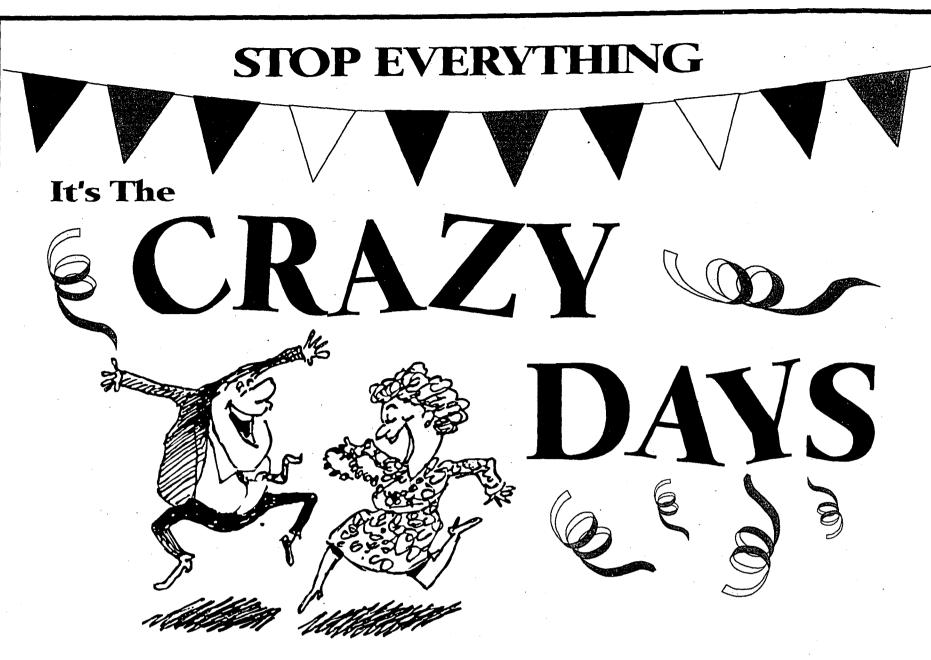
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