

ECC receives 'long-awaited' funding from ASUI

Melica Johnson

Staff t took less than a minute to hear the ASUI Senate's two "no's,' one "abstain" and cight "yes's," that decided the future of the Early

Childhood Center bill, which will now send \$10,000 to the on-campus child care facility. When the voting was over, non-

traditional student Darren Guthrie strolled out of the senate meeting room saying a simple, "Thank-you everyone," with a smile of satisfaction on his face.

At the end of the meeting, Senator Jeff Chrisman said, "I think it's the beauty of the system. You can disagree 100 percent (on the bill) and we can still walk around here with all of our arms around each other."

Senate pro tem Bill Gilbert had only one hope for the future use of the money. "I hope that the money goes to the right place and gets to the right people."

Wednesday's meeting began with a senate pre-session at 6:30 p.m. in which Dean of Students Bruce Pitman spoke. Pitman's purpose for speaking at the pre-session was to answer any of the senate's questions and to act as an information source about the ECC. Pitman dispelled some of the

myths the senate had about the center. Some senators thought that the ECC was in danger of losing its license on account of various structural problems. Others thought that the ECC's accreditation was in jeopardy for lack of needed funds to fix the problems. Pitman explained that the ECC is not in danger of losing its license and that their accreditation process has already been completed.

Pitman also explained the financial break-down of the ECC's operating budget and said, "The money would allow us (UI) to basically help some student parents who can't afford childcare to stay in the center-in a nutshell."

Guthrie, who was the former ASUI Attorney General, spoke on behalf of the bill during the open forum. Guthrie explained that the ASUI was facing three different issues: the ICCP cutting funding mid-semester; general concerns for the ECC; and the University's lack of support.

Guthrie felt that the bill should address the first problem. "That's the only one we should be discussing at this point. The need is immediate and time is of an essence," Guthrie said, stressing that the issues cannot be intertwined.

"The issue before the university is a temporary problem which can be solved by a temporary solution,' Guthrie said. "If you have an opportunity and a means to do so, I urge you."

Senator David Hisel agreed with Guthrie. "I support David Guthrie's viewpoint in that there are two different issues here. Does the ECC need money? No. Do students need money? Yes."

Senator Scott Wimer said, "I'm one of the authors and spouses of this bill, basically because my living groups told me I was going to be.

Senator Megan Russell, who spoke of how she always receives a bashing from the press, said, "The only reason I support this bill is because we need to do something and I want this out of my face."

Last week's senate meeting was called off after President Sean Wilson realized the need for the senate to become better informed about the facts of the issue.



ASUI Senator Zahrah Sheikh looks on as President Sean Wilson signs the bill that she sponsored.

Preventive medicine draws attention of local medical community

Dawn Casey Staff

The New Medicine Symposium scheduled in the KIVA next weekend is a representative of the growing popularity of efforts to integrate Western medicine with traditional Eastern preventative healing methods.

The event claims a vision statement of shifting paradigms in the healing arts and to "broaden the understanding of wellness through exploring...a wide variety of complementary healing practices, thereby supporting both those who suffer from 'dis-ease' and the health practitioners who threat them.'

The event is sponsored by University of Idaho, Will Corell, MD, and the Alliance for Conscious Healing Explorations.

Composed of various workshops, lectures, meals, even Yoga sessions and Sufi Dancing, the symposium might alienate those weary of "new age" gatherings where incense burns and healers claim extra-ordinary tal-

Not so, said Nan Robertson, a facilitator for the event. The workshops and lectures are serious business, led by medical doctors, psychologists, and nurses as well as naturopaths, acupuncturists, and experts in the field of preventative medicine.

The goal of the symposium is to increase awareness about the benefits of integrating Western medicine, which "cures the sick," and Eastern medicine, which "keeps people healthy." Proponents point out that American culture cultivates "dis-ease" which perpetuates the "quick-fixes" of Western science while doctors in China are paid to keep people healthy-a Chinese doctor is disgraced when a patient becomes sick.

"Alternative medicine' is becoming not so alternative anymore,³ Robertson said, "Even insurance companies are beginning to realize that it's now than to pay later A visit to a health practitioner such as a naturopath, who uses herbs, or an acupuncturist, who uses meridians of energy channels in the body, is not covered by the typical insurance company-even visits to medical doctors are not covered if deemed too trivial. The integration of such opposing methods of health practices became more widely accepted in 1993 in medical insurance circles when a mainstream insurance company decided to cover preventative methods. Mutual of Omaha covers a heart care program provided by Dr. Dean Ornish, a medical doctor in Sausalito, California who prescribes prevention in his practice. Mutual of Omaha pays \$3,000 for programs preventing at-risk people from developing heart disease. The angle is that in 10 years the insurance company will not be stuck with a \$45,000 bill when the at-risk person becomes seriously ill. The symposium takes place in the College of Education Building March 31 and April 1-2 and is accessible to the medical community as well as the general public. Early registration is recommended by calling (509) 838-5800 or (208) 877-1699.

Summer programs have something for everyone under sun

Christine Ermey

Staff

Summer----it means nice, warm, lazy days in the sun, right? Wrong. For approximately one-third of the University of Idaho's students, it means classes, professors and books.

Last summer, 3,048 students attended classes during the summer session. "It's becoming more and more like a third semester," said Luke Hoene, marketing intern at the UI Office of Summer Programs and Extended Learning.

Over 600 classes will be offered this summer in seven overlapping sessions. "The sessions allow you to set your own schedule," Hoene said. "You can take classes for a few weeks, and also have time to work, or go play."

Summer session catalogs were released to several stations on campus on Wednesday at noon, and registration begins March 20. "Taking summer classes is very cost effective," Hoene said. "Especially if you are a non resident, because we charge non-residents the same amount as residents."

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Toad the Wet Sprocket and Hootie and the Blowfish performed in Seattle last weekend. See page 7.

can take up to 14 credits. "During a normal semester, a non-resident would pay approximately \$168 or more per semester," said Hoene. "And with all the summer sub-leases around making housing so cheap, even Idaho residents can save."

Hoene also stressed that the Summer Programs Office offers graduate student directed study and several internship programs. "A lot of people don't know about this," he said. "Lots of departments on campus are open during the summer, so lots of interns are needed. Usually these internships are very flexible as well."

Average summer session class size is 15 to 20 people, and most classes are held every day. "Many students like the smaller classes because there is more interaction and less formality and they can get more individual attention from the professors," Hoene said.

Hoene also said that there are several special classes offered during the summer session that aren't offered during the school year. "The Shakespeare at Ashland Festival is very popular," said Hoene. "And we've just expanded the list of classes offered through the College of Education."

Instructions for registration for summer session are included in the session catalog or students can register by stopping in the Summer Programs Office located on the first floor of Continuing Education. "Financial aid is available for summer session, but it is pretty limited," Hoene said.

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Junior John Twining represents UI in college links competitions.

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Greeks searching for bone marrow donors

University of Idaho sororities and fraternities are looking for a few good, healthy people to sign up as potential bone marrow donors. They are also asking for financial contributions to support the registration program.

Registration of bone marrow donors, which is part of UI Greek Week activities, will take place April 12 in the Appaloosa Room of the Student Union.

The Inland Northwest Blood Center from Spokane will conduct the blood sampling of each donor, who will need to give a small blood sample. After the blood samples are tested and blood characteristics are determined, the names or the potential donors will be added to the National Bone Marrow Donor Registry (NBMDR).

Transplants are used to treat people suffering from leukemia, aplastic anemia and advanced cases of breast cancer. Tonya Lysne, a UI Law School student and Alpha Gamma Delta alumna, is organizing the bone marrow donor drive. She was diagnosed with leukemia in March 1992 and received a bone marrow transplant six months later.

She found an unrelated marrow donor through the NBMDR after her family members were tested, "but none provided a bone marrow match."

"It costs \$25 for each potential donor to have their blood tested, and we're trying to raise money



Vandal Road Stop provides rest, food

Rest those weary driving eyes with free hot dogs, soft drinks and cookies offered at the Vandal Road Stop. The road stop will be locat-

ed at Sheep Creek rest stop on Highway 95, five miles south of Riggins, Idaho, and will operate on Sunday, March 26, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

It is provided to give UI students returning to campus a driving break. Refreshments are free as well as safety messages about alcohol and drug free driving. Students may also sign up to win a \$50 gift certificate to the UI bookstore.

"It's a long drive up Highway 95 and the road stop gives people the opportunity to stop and stretch and meet up with other students," said Chris Campbell, president of the Student-Alumni Relations Board.

Census Bureau comes to town

For the week of spring break the Census Bureau is going to count the heads in Latah County.

Although most of Moscow's population plans to be elsewhere, the final numbers should not be skewed, said Barbara Lindow of the US Department of Commerce.

Those 40 households randomly selected for the survey have already been notified that a Bureau representative will be knocking at their door soon.

Data on the area's employment, income and migration will be used to provide a comprehensive study of poverty, median family income and year-to-year mobility of the nation's population.

The Bureau surveys Latah County every four months in an ongoing process of looking for changes in employment rates, vacant house rates and where people live.

"Most people don't understand that we are doing things all the time, not just every 10 years," Lindow said.

Often the Census Bureau is equated with a tedious, annoying paper-and-pencil questionnaire-a small piece of the mammoth United States' bureaucratic force on your front porch.

But times have changed-the representatives come lately with laptops.

Announcements

Learn how frogs communicate

Dr. Peter Narins, a professor in the physiology department at University of California at Los Angeles, will speak today at the UI **Biological Sciences Seminar from** 12:30 to 1:20 p.m. in Room 277 of the Life Science South Building. He will speak on "Biostructural adaptations of acoustic and seismic communications: How frogs do it." The lecture is free and open to the public.

GLBA sets up volunteer Helpline

The UI Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Association has set up a volunteerrun Helpline to offer information as an overview of natural resource management in the region of Africa. Refreshments will be available afterward. The public and all interested students are encouraged to attend. For further information call Amy Bennett at 885-0556.

Get home for spring break

Wheatland Express is offering a safe, economical bus trip home to both UI and WSU students who live in the Scattle and Portland areas for spring break. Round trip tickets to either destination are \$59. The bus will pick up students in both Moscow and Pullman. For complete information and to reserve a space contact Wheatland Express at Wheatland Travel in travel to Twin Falls, American Falls, Pocatello, Blackfoot and Idaho Falls. For complete information about the trip rates, schedule, and pick-up and drop-off points contact Kristen B. Marble at 885-6757.

Summer session catalogs available

UI's Summer Session Catalogs are now available. They can be picked up at the following loca-Registrar's Office, tions: Building, Administration Education Building, Satellite SUB, Library, Bookstore, Student Union Building, Information Center, and the Summer Programs Office. There is no out-of-state tuition this summer. For more information call Summer Programs and Extended Learning Office at 885-6237.

Nation

Abortion education on demand

As the demographics of medical school shift-a record-high 18,968 women enrolled last fall-new concerns are being raised about abortion training.

The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) unanimously approved a revision of the Program. Requirements for Residency Education in Obstetrics last month. Effective Jan. 1, 1996, the revised statement says that OB/GYN programs must provide "a structured didactic and clinical training experience in all methods of family planning, including methods of contraception, including natural methods, as well as sterilization Experience with induced abortion must be a part of residency training, except for residents with moral or religious objections....Experience with management of complications of abortion must be provided to all residents."

"It's important because abortion is a legal right for women. If people aren't willing or taught to provide it, it won't matter if it's legal or not," said Alison Abreu, a secondyear at the University of Iowa Medical School.

Graduate in four years or classes are free

FULTON, Mo.-Westminister College is offering students an unusual guarantee: If they don't graduate in four years, classes after that are free.

But to discourage students from dallying, there is a catch. Students must meet some basic requirements, such as taking a full load of classes

and pulling C's in their courses, says Jim Muensch, director of media relations at Westminister College.

"As long as students follow the guidelines, which are to take 16 hours a semester, get C's in their classes and decide upon a major in their sophomore year, we guarantee they'll graduate in four years or extra classes are free," says Muensch.

Administrators at the 700-student college came up with the idea after



Britain to reduce troops in Northern Ireland

Britain announced its first troop reduction in Northern Ireland Tuesday, in what is believed to be positive steps towards peace. The removal of 400 of 18,000 soldiers stationed in Northern Ireland follows the cease-fire agreement declared six months ago.

The British government has already reduced its military profile, first by replacing their battle helmets with berets and then limiting their patrolling to nighttime. "It reflects the improved security situation and is a further step towards normality [in northern Ireland]," said Patrick Mayew, Britain's secretary for Northern Ireland.

Britain first sent troops to northcrn Ireland in 1969. A total of 445 troops and 2,800 civilians have been killed in violence over the past decade.

First U.S. astronaut visits Russian Space Station

After a flawless docking, astronaut Norman E. Thagard floated aboard the Space Station Mir Thursday, becoming the first American to visit the nine-year-old Russian facility.

As Thagard steered his weightless body through the hatch into the Mir, cosmonaut Yelena V. Kondrakova wrapped her arms around him.in a big Russian bear hug and kissed him on the cheek.

Cheers and laughter broke out in the Russian mission control center where American and Russian dignitaries celebrated the resumption, after a 20-year hiatus, of joint space exploration by the Earth's two major space-faring powers.

"I'm almost speechless at the historical significance of this, when you consider how many years we bumped our heads together," said Robert L. "Hoot" Gibson. Gibson will command the U.S. Space Shuttle Atlantis mission that will



about upcoming events within the Moscow-Pullman Gay/Lesbian/ Bisexual communities. The Helpline also provides people with a friendly, understanding person to talk to. The number is 885-8762. Any messages left on their machine will discretely be returned. Confidentially is ensured.

Visit the cultural aspects of Tunisia and Africa

The Society of American Foresters will meet March 29 in Room 200 of the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Range Resources Building at 5:30 p.m. Mohamed Jabbes, a Ph.D. candidate in the UI Forest Resources Department, will be presenting slides highlighting cultural and historical aspects of Tunisia, as well

Pullman at (509)334-2200.

It's getting closer to

tax time

First Security Corporation is sponsoring a Tax-Free Investing Seminar March 21 at 6:30 p.m. at the Best Western University Inn. RSVP at 883-5611 or 883-5661 to assure adequate seating and refreshments.

Need a ride to southern Idaho?

Student Advisory Services is sponsoring a spring break charter bus for UI students. For \$59 round trip, students can travel to McCall or Boise and for \$90 round trip

GLBA to meet

The UI Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Association will meet Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. For further information call 885-2691. Confidentiality is ensured.

CORRECTION

In Tuesday's edition, the top story was "Greeks advocate safe spring break." However, this was a misrepresentation of the 1995 Safe Spring Break Campaign. Safe Spring Break is a joint effort between both the Greek organization, GAMMA, and the residence hall organization, PRO. We apologize for the misrepresentation.

hearing that many students, especially those at public universities, couldn't enroll in the classes they needed to graduate.

"Our president has a daughter in college at another school," says Muensch. "This year, she told him that she couldn't get into a section of a class she needed for her major, she wouldn't graduate on time. This shocked him."

Next year's freshman will be the first eligible for the offer.

"Parents and students are understandably concerned about the financial burden they will assume should graduation be postponed one or even two years, not to mention the costs associated with delayed entry into the job market," says Westminister College President James Traer.

"Westminister's guarantee of providing access to all required courses within the four-year period will eliminate those concerns ."

fly to the Mir in June to bring Thagard and his two Russian crew mates home.

Thagard is the 13th foreigner to visit Mir, but the first American. He will quickly be followed by many more Americans under a historic four-year space cooperation agreement that allows U.S. astronauts to spend up to 21 months working on the Russian space station.

"I'm very glad to be on board here," Thagard said in Russian, as his wife and three sons watched with what looked like equal measures of pride and relief.

Kondrakova and Alexander S. Viktorenko spent about five months on Mir, but their colleague Valery V. Polyakov, who holds the world record for space, arrived on Jan. 8, 1994. The American record, set by Skylab in 1974, is only 84 days in space, and NASA scientists hope to benefit from Russia's experience in long space flight.

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Greeks spend time with elementary students

Children and volunteers both benefit from 'Adopt-aschool'

Melica Johnson Staff

Elementary students at the McDonald Elementary School are doing everything from playing "four-corners" to climbing on the backs of University of Idaho Greeks.

Members of the Alpha Phi and Delta Tau Delta fraternitics have taken on a new philanthropy called "Adopt-a-school." The philanthropy sends two members from each fraternity to the elementary school to play and visit with the students on a regular basis for an hour and fifteen minutes during the kids' lunch hour.

The idea to begin the Adopt-aschool philanthropy was suggest-ed by Delta Tau Delta member Rob Dutton and Alpha Phi member Allison Smith.

"We thought Adopt-a-school would work well and that hopefully everyone else would follow in our footsteps," Smith said.

According to Smith, the fraternity members are currently testing out the philanthropy and will probably visit the school once a month, sending two rotating members from each house each time.

First grader Windham Rhodes, seven, enjoys visits from the fraternity members. Rhodes spent a lot of time with Delta member Jeff Chrisman. "He's fun," Rhodes said, speaking of



Jeff Chrisman and first graders at McDonald Elementary rush to fill all the holes in the Perfection game before time runs out Wednesday at recess.

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safe," Douglas said. "We don't

Both Smith and Chrisman agree

that their new philanthropy is also

helpful for them, since it gives

them a good chance to get away

thropy as a chance to keep in

touch with the younger genera-

brothers and sisters, it gives you

that perspective you don't get

from home (the fraternity),"

Chrisman also sees the philan-

"For those of us that have little

Chrisman, after the duo had finished clipping together a string of colorful plastic chain links.

Another first grader, Courtney Madsen, 7, also enjoys spending time with UI visitors. "We played four-corners with ABC's. I liked it very, very much," Madsen said.

Karen Douglas, who works in the office at McDonald, also enjoys the fraternity members' visits.

"It's hard for us to do things out here, because we're busy observing and making sure things are Chrisman said.

Principal Laurie Austin appreciates the visits from the fraternity members. "They are really good at finding kids who are loners or lost," Austin said, who feels it is a positive commodity in having adult role models around for the kids.

Austin finds the extra safety supervision to also be a bonus. "There is a whole lot more supervision for safety and it gives kids someone to play with," Austin said.

Student arrested in hitman plot

College Press Service TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—A Florida State University law student is accused of plotting the murder of a school employee after the hit man she allegedly hired turned her into police.

Joann Plachy, 49, was arrested on Feb. 20 and charged with soliciting murder.

Plachy paid Peter Laquerre \$1,000 to kill Margaret Satterfield, a FSU employee who Plachy said accused her of cheating by obtaining a copy of a final exam, say Tallahassee police. Before the monetary transaction, Laquerre had informed police of Plachy's intentions. They then worked together to set the stage for Plachy's arrest.

"If I don't take this person out of the picture, I'm just screwed," Plachy told Laquerre, according to a police affidavit. "I'm looking at losing my whole law career, and I'm just about a straight-A student.'

Once the money changed hands, Plachy was arrested and imprisoned. Bond has been set at \$500,000. If convicted, the FSU law student could face 30 years in prison.

Tallahassee police say Plachy first attempted to hire a hitman on Feb. 10 when she contacted a friend in Key West. Although Plachy wanted help in contacting Laquerre, her acquaintance called police instead.







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Hemp shirts selling on campus

Dawn Casey

Perhaps you have seen a smiling young man on the campus walkway holding up a T-shirt and wondered if he was selling that tie-dye or if he was just happy to have it.

As you approached him on your way to class you might have noticed other students displaying that universal hand motion for "no thanks," and figured the shirt was in fact for sale.

But if you stopped to inquire about the shirts emblazoned with George Washington's classic dollar bill image, captioned "I Grew Hemp," you probably met Tom Lloyd, 19, a sophomore at Washington State University.

Some students on campus who have seen his passive sales tactics in front of Morrill Hall think the guy gently waving the tic-dye in the wind is probably stoned or just plain weird, but "Most people think it's kinda funny," he said of the student reaction.

Audra Manion, a UI junior said, "I saw someone wearing that shirt earlier today and when I saw him waving it around I thought he was just excited about having one too." But later, when told that the shirt was actually up for sale, not just for show, she said, "Oh, that's kinda funny."

Most do think it is a bit odd, selling T-shirts in between classes, but Lloyd doesn't seem to mind—the sales add up to a little more than chump change, he said.

The image on the shirts Lloyd sells is not an original one, but neither is his belief that hemp is an important crop socially, economically, and environmentally. Nationwide organizations such as Hemp USA boast large memberships and advocate the crop's efficiency in those areas for use in everything from textiles to paper production.

The T-shirts Lloyd and his partner, Sheehan McCoy, 19, sell for \$10 are 100 percent cotton, not hemp. But hemp-based products are becoming increasingly popular—Adidas is expected to come out with a shoe this year made entirely of hemp, which will likely spurn the other big businesses to incorporate hemp into the economy.

Growth of the hemp plant has been illegal since 1937 but products made from it can be imported. Samples of the sturdy product can be found at Moscow's own Hemp Fest which will take place on April 27 at East City Park.

Lloyd and McCoy became entrepreneurs this year when friends in Puyallup, Washington in the printing business helped them out with a few free shirts, Lloyd said.

"George Washington really did grow hemp," he said, "it is written in his diaries that he harvested crops, and even separated the males from the females." Separating the hemp plant by gender generally implies an intent to smoke the leaves.

One can only guess if Martha approved.



Tom LLoyd displays a green tie dyed tee shirt like those he has been selling on campus. The shirts are not made from hemp but are a cotton blend.



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Changes in drop/add, repeating courses policy recommended

Russ Wright

The Faculty Council voted two weeks ago to recommend changes in policies concerning the dropping and adding of classes and the replacement of grades by repeating a course.

All of these proposed changes are pending final approval, but if passed, students will be able to drop classes over the phone or by computer without getting a "W" on their transcripts during the first four weeks of classes instead of the current two weeks allowed for the process. Proposed changes would also allow students to drop courses with a "W" up until the end of the second week after midterms.

Before being amended by the Faculty Council, the proposal would have eliminated the need for students to run all over campus collecting signatures from deans and advisors. The only signatures which the original proposal would have required would have been the instructors' of the courses students wished to add after the sixth day of classes. Students, as the original proposal had it, would have also been able to drop courses on-line or by phone up to the second week following midterms.

However, Professor William Swagerty moved to amend the proposal to have students get the signatures of advisors for students to add classes after the sixth day and to drop courses after the fourth week.

Drop cards are still distributed by the deans' offices, so in effect, the students will not really have saved any time from running around collecting signatures with the exception of the two week extension to drop courses provided for by the proposal. Swagerty expressed concern that the original proposal would reduce the role of the student advising system.

Changes in adding courses were recommended because current policy allows students to add courses up through the end of the second week of classes. It was felt that this was often too late to be adding a course without the instructor's approval because the student would be too far behind.

Changes were also voted for in the policies regarding the replacement of grades by repeating a course. Current policy allows a student to retake a course to replace an "F" or a "D" as long as a "more advanced course in the same subject field" has not been taken in the meantime.

As the policy stands now, students can retake a course for a new grade as many times as they want to with only the first grade counting toward GPA calculation if the new grade was the same or below the first grade. If a higher grade is received, only the new grade counts toward GPA calculation although all grades received remain on the student's transcript.

Proposed changes in the policy would have all grades received in a repeated course count toward GPA calculation only if the newest grade is equal to or lower than the previous grade.

The current policy allows students to retake a course as many times as they wanted to without having subsequent "F's" or "D's" count toward their GPA. This allowed students in this situation to avoid academic probation or disqualification.

Kappa vandal comes forward

Jennifer Eng

Staff

The individual that vandalized the Kappa Kappa Gamma house on Jan. 28 has come forward and accepted full responsibility for his actions.

Members of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority discovered the vandalism on the night of Jan. 28 as they were returning home from a dance. The damage, which was more visually assaulting than damaging, has been repaired. However, the image has left a lasting memory in the minds of the women of Kappa Kappa Gamma. As of yet no motive has been identified for the vandalism.

Dean of Students Bruce Pitman said that the vandal acted entirely on his own and accepts full responsibility for his actions.

The Greek individual is going through the campus judiciary

process at this time in an effort to give the Kappas restitution for the damages to their house. Not only is the individual facing disciplinary action from the campus, but from his fraternity as well.

Pitman said the Kappas have chosen to let the campus judiciary handle the case as opposed to local law enforcement. Pitman also said that if the Kappas are not satisfied with the restitution they are given, they may file charges with local officials up to one year and a day from the occurrence of the vandalism.

The presidents of both houses are working together to resolve the situation to the best of their ability. Pitman said that everybody is just trying to reach a resolution.

Pitman said, "Taking responsibility is the key to resolution." Pitman is pleased with the amount of cooperation the two houses are demonstrating. Pitman also said the way the

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situation is being handled is the best of the campus and the Greek system.

Pitman wanted to also recognize that the vandal is in no way being shielded by his fraternity. This exemplifies the fact that this case is being handled no differently then had the vandalism been committed by a non-Greek individual. The only anonymity the vandal has is that which is granted by federal law in concordance with the university judiciary processes.

After the incident had taken place, a number of fraternities offered to assist in repairing the damage. Many people viewed the vandalism as a tragedy.

Pitman said that had the vandal not come forward on his own, his identity may never have been discovered.

Minority students receive hate mail

College Press Service

BERKELEY, Calif.—Fourteen minority students at the University of California at Berkeley recently found racist fliers in their mailboxes, marking the second time since December that African American and Hispanic students have been harassed because of their race.

Minority students enrolled in the Boalt Hall School of Law received the fliers, which were filled with racial slurs and attacks on the school's affirmative action admissions policies.

"Rejoice you crybaby niggers, it's affirmative action month. A town hall meeting will not save you, the wetbacks or the chinks," stated the anonymous messenger. "Your failures are hereditary and can't be corrected by these liberals. "Look around Boalt Hall. Besides the few hand-picked affirmative action professors this is a quality law school. When I see you in class it bugs the hell out of me because your (sic) taking the seat of someone qualified. You belong at Coolie High Law don't you forget."

More than 500 Berkeley students showed their support for the minority law students by participating in a campus protest against the fliers a few days after the incident.

"Students of color do not have to justify their presence here," said Josefina Alvarado, a second-year Hispanic law student, during the rally. "We have worked too hard to be called niggers, wetbacks and chinks."

Chancellor Chang-Lin Tien also spoke at the rally telling students that he could not rent an apartment when he first came to Berkeley as a professor in 1959 because he is Chinese. "And I stand here today as chancellor," he said.

Officials at Berkeley are concerned that the person responsible for the fliers may somehow be attached to the university, since the material was sent to students whose mailboxes are coded according to who receives minority law journals. At the protest, Tien told students that the perpetrator would face swift discipline if caught.

Last December, the same students received a flier containing a picture of a monkey and the statement, "Affirmative action sucks." The flier also included an article about the resignation of Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders.



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Toad the Wet Sprocket excels in live shows



Matt Baldwin

Rising from playing clubs in Santa Barbara to playing theaters, Toad the Wet Sprocket is making their way into more of the light.

This past weekend Toad the Wet Sprocket and their opening act Hootie and the Blowfish performed at Moore Theater in Seattle.

In the beginning, which was a fast nine years ago, Glen Phillips, Todd Nichols, guitarists and vocalists; Dean Dinning, bassist; and drummer Randy Guss came together to form the band we know as Toad the Wet Sprocket.

The name Toad the Wet Sprocket came from a Monty Python record which one of Dinning's English friends had. "I had a lot of English friends and we hung out together. That is how we got our name from some of their records," Dinning said.

The band's first release was *Bread and Circus* which cost them the small amount of \$650 and was recorded in a 16-track home studio. From the funds that they carned off of their *Bread and Circus* album they produced and released their second LP, called *Pale*.

In 1988 Toad the Wet Sprocket got the call that most bands pray for. They were called by different companies until they finally settled down with Columbia records.

Toad the Wet Sprocket's live shows are what made the band.

During their Moore performance they brought a person from the audience on stage to sing the theme song to "The Land of the Lost." Throughout the show, Toad kept asking the crowd if they knew different songs. The casual look also sits upon the stage with Toad.

Phillips, the lead vocalist came out on stage in bare feet. The same person who came on stage with them played a tambourine and sang a little into the mic as part of the group vocals on the next song. It was a lively event on stage.

Yet, the show seemed like it would never end. The band kept coming back on stage to play more songs and to have more fun with the crowd.

One of the highlights of the show was when Darius Rucker, the lead vocalist for Hootie and the Blowfish, came out on stage to sing a song with Toad the Wet Sprocket. Other appearances were made by Mark Bryan the

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Toad the Wet Sprocket Guitarist and lead vocalist Glen Phillips performs last weekend at the Moore Theater in Seattle.

William Fulbright remembered

Valaree Johnson Staff

E ducation is part of a culture that is shared around the world.

Former Senator J. William Fulbright was a man who brought together the forces of culture and education through the creation of the Fulbright Scholarship program which gives students and faculty Dr. Jim Hardcastle, Civil Engineering professor, went to Ecuador as a consultant to Esculla Politecnica del Litoral for his Fulbright fellowship.

"I was emerged in a cultural setting that helped establish relationships that will last forever," said Hardcastle.

Kurt Manrique, a student from Peru, is doing his Fulbright studies here in plant breeding. Manrique believes the experience to be rewarding and has found the University of Idaho a great place to be for what he does. Dan Zirker, director of the Honors Program and associate political science professor, taught in Tanzania during his Fulbright Lectureship. By teaching in Africa, Zirker has gained the ability to relate the experience to his students in teachings of Africa. You are, in a sense, an Ambassador Abroad," says Zirker. Oz Garton, Fish & Wildlife Professor, traveled to Kenya to help establish a Graduate's Program. Even though Garton had a fair amount of international experience, the Fulbright program had tremendous impact. "It was the first time it had struck me how taken for granted our educational system is." Garton said.

Garton believes he has a better appreciation for our own system after the experience.

The Fulbright experiences have been full and varied on the UI campus. Among others are David Barber, associate professor of English, who went to Spain to construct a textbook. Dr. Roy Atwood, Communications professor, had posts in Poland and Africa. Dr. Al Lingg, dean of the College of

STDs aren't just a pain—they kill

Susan K. Gelletly, M.D. Student Health Services

ver the past ten years, sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) have become HIV infection remains incurable, and there is still no vaccine for prevention, so the only form of protection is to avoid exposure to the virus. It is extremely important to remember that a per-

the opportunity to teach, research, and serve the educational needs of countries across the globe.

Fulbright died last month at the age of 89, but the effects from his 30-year Senate career continue to change the lives of people all over the world.

Many of our own faculty and students have been honored with a Fulbright scholarship or fellowship and experienced the educational and cultural enrichment of traveling abroad.

Ed Krumpe, Resource Recreation and Tourism professor, went to Australia to do research on promoting travel and tourism. As a Senior Researcher Krumpe found the experience a door-opener as he was invited to lecture at several occasions.

Krumpe says that the program was really organized and devoid of any negative aspects. "The whole idea is that education is a worldwide resource," said Krumpe.

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Factional problems and organization were a major deficit in the school systems of Africa and Agriculture, went to Tribuvaha University in Nepal for his work. Currently Mark DeSantis is on a Fulbright Scholar Award in Egypt. The Fulbright Institute has been one of the strongest in establishing educational relationships in the world. Senator Fulbright, also author of "The Arrogance of Power," led the promise to strengthen the relationship as a critic of the Vietnam War and a lobbyist for a number of foreign interests.

"The greatest threat to peace and domestic tranquility is not in Hanoi, Moscow, or Peking but in our colleges and in the ghettos of cities throughout the land," Fulbright said.

Thanks to Gleanne Wray, Associate Director of International Programs, for the inspiration in this tribute to Senator Fulbright and her efforts in locating many of the participants in the Fulbright program at the University of Idaho.

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more serious then they used to be, and even life-threatening. A generation ago, the worst thing you could get from having sex, other than an unplanned pregnancy, was herpes. Today the risk of herpes is greater than it ever was back then, but its importance has been overshadowed by two far more serious infections: HIV and Hepatitis B.

The dangers of HIV (Human Immunodefiency Virus) infection are well known and, tragically, increasingly common place. AIDS (Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome) is now the leading cause of death in the United States among men and women 25-44 years old. The population group in this country with the most rapid increase in infection rates is heterosexual teens. On a worldwide basis, the vast majority of infections are transmitted by ordinary heterosexual sex.

son may be infected for a long time—sometimes more than ten or fifteen years—without having any symptoms. Such a person might unknowingly transmit the virus to many others during this interval.

To protect yourself, remember that abstinence is always your safest choice. If you do choose to have sex, use a condom every time to reduce your risk, and consider having youtself (and hopefully your partner also) tested for HIV. Confidential, low cost testing is available and encouraged at the Student Health Center, as are condoms.

Hepatitis B infection has been less publicized than HIV infection, but presents in some ways even greater dangers. There are over one million people in this country who are chronic carriers of Hepatitis B. Body fluids such

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Pallen ties in nature, heritage with artwork

Jeffrey Albertson

Photography started out merely as a hobby for University of Idaho, junior Joe Pallen; what transcended through that medium was a whole new aspect on life.

Pallen, an undergraduate art student, works not only in photography but in textiles well. Much of his work deals with the idea of man's existence with nature and attempts to create a balance between the two.

"I started out painting and as I got more focused I did parts of trees and I was always wondering why," Pallen said.

Pallen who is a first generation U.S. born Lithuanian discovered a link between trees and his heritage. Most of his works are centered around that idea and involve even symbolic use of materials.

Photography is his link between technology and man while materials like twine, dyes and actual tree bark represent the relationship with nature. Pallen said that ancient Lithuanians believed that every tree and flower exudes life and energy, the birch tree represents femininity, the oak masculinity while the double stumped tree is held most sacred.

His photographs are vibrant, using black and white photos of various landscapes painted over with radiant dyes of green. The end result brings the photos to life with stark contrasts.

The textiles also tie in with Lithuanian heritage. One piece in particular deals with the mythology of how the moon was cleffed.

For the most part his work has transformed from a hobby to a demanding part of his life. Working with two different mediums and the thought process involved with them can take up a lot of time.

"The thought process lasts a long time," Pallen said, "it could last a couple of days or months before it formulates."

Pallen said that despite the hard work the process of formulating an

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as blood, semen, or other secretions from these people can transmit the infection as long as they live.

Hepatitis B infection can easily go unrecognized; the majority of those infected will be unaware of the infection unless they have blood tests performed. For others, however, the infection will cause "fulminant," or full blown, hepatitis and death, often within weeks or months.

For this infection, there is an effective vaccine, given in three doses over a six-month period. Unfortunately, it's not cheap; the cost at the Student Health Service is \$65 per shot, or \$195 for the entire series. Given the potential seriousness of the infection, however, it's well worth the cost.

This immunization series is already recommended for all newborns, and it will probably be recommended for all teens and young adults in the near future.

It is most certainly recommended for everybody at risk of acquiring an STD—if you've ever had (or if you ever will have) sex with anyone who was not otherwise a virgin, this means you!

The staff at the Student Health Services encourges you to come to the Student Health Center for confidential immunization, testing, or discussion regarding HIV, Hepatitis B, or other STDs. idea and then putting that idea to work is the most exciting part.

"It's kind of like reading a good book, when it's over you just put it on the shelve and it's finished," Pallen said.

Pallen also said that some work comes together just out of experimentation and that the whole process of putting everything together is as much a part of the art as is the final product.

Currently some of Pallen's work is on display at First Interstate Bank in Moscow. Some of the works are priced but for the most part Pallen tends to shy away from putting a price on his work.

"I'd be willing to sell some of it but I'd have a hard time parting with it," Pallen said, about getting away from the materialistic view of things.

Pallen has also entered three pieces in the Lewis-Clark exhibition to be run April 20 at the L-C Center for Arts and History and has also entered several of his works in the Boise Tri-Annual Jury exhibition at the Boise Art Gallery.

"I create an intimate relationship that must exist between humans and nature for each to exist as a species, a relationship that once existed in the Lithuanian culture," Pallen said.



Joe Pallen's "Transformation" is on display at First Interstate Bank.

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guitarist for Hootic and the Blowfish. Both of the bands had kind words for each other due to the fact that they have been longtime fans of each other.

Toad the Wet Sprocket has always been involved with special organizations. On their current tour Toad the Wet Sprocket is bringing along an organization known as RAINN.

"It was set up by Tori Amos and it's just a hotline set up with MCI. You can call from any where in the country —1-800-656-HOPE. You can just call from anywhere in the country and puts you automatically in contact with your local crisis center.

"The cool thing about it is it's free for number one. 'Cause it is toll free, it comes out as anonymous. It doesn't show up on your phone bill for domestic abuse. There has always been local groups but this is a single no number. No matter where you are, you can call," Phillips said.

"It's kind of the first time you can get something together nationally for rape crisis center because it is such a local affair a very personal thing," Phillips said. cr

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"We had it personally touch us. It is hard to not know somebody not affected by it. It is the most basic human right and the most infringed basic right," Phillips said.

Toad the Wet Sprocket has also worked with other organizations. In donations they tend to work on a more local level. "We did amnesty for a long time. We try to do benefits for local organizations," Phillips said.





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Wildlife refuge a great day trip

Dennis Sasse Outdoors Editor photos by Jeff Curtis

The inland northwest is right along the flyway for many migratory birds and the Kootanai National Wildlife Refuge offers a chance to witness the beauty of these creatures during their sojurn.

If that in itself wasn't enough, the sight of Myrtle Falls is worth the trip.

The refuge was established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in 1964 to reclaim some of the Idaho Panhandle wetlands lost to development. The Libbey dam in Montana and channeling of the Kootenai River to dry out the flood plane for crops has eliminated virtually all of the natural wetland in the area.

The refuge was built on reclaimed cropland. They still share crop with local farmers on the refuge, letting the farmers keep 60 percent of the yield and leaving the other 40 percent standing for wildlife to feed on.

Spring provides a chance to view water fowl on their migration northward. The birds stop to rest and take advantage of the abundant food supply provided by the marshes. The most common birds sighted on migratory routes are mallards, cinnamon and blue-winged teals, golden eyes, wood ducks and Canada geese. There is also the nesting site of a pair of bald Eagles; if you have a good pair of binoculars you can get a good look at the nesting eagles.

Geese are among the early visitors to the refuge. Larry Napier, refuge manager, said that in early spring visitors see vast numbers of waterfowl but later in the spring visitors can see a greater variety of



The Selkirk mountains provider a scenic background for the refuge where geese and ducks rest on their nothern migration.

birds.

This wildlife refuge is managed for waterfowl habitat, feeding and resting areas. Napier said the main purpose of refuges is wildlife, "Secondary uses are authorized under the charge, if they are not conflicting with the wildlife purpose" Napier said, "Refuges are not set up for human use."

Some people visit the wildlife refuge with misconceptions about how a wildlife refuge is run. Napier said, "A lot of people have a misconceived idea of letting the balance of nature go on."

Napier said a lot of people, especially those from out of the area, are surprised and upset to find that waterfowl hunting goes on inside the preserve.

The preserve cannot be run like a huge block of wilderness. "You can't do that because of size," said Napier. The Kootenai refuge is small—2774 acres—one of the smallest national wildlife refuges in the United States, and you can not assume that the natural balance will be maintained on a tract of land that small without human intervention.

The preserve sees most all the species using the Pacific flyway. The lucky visitor will also see moose, elk, dear, beavers, racoons or even an occasional bear.

Locked in a battle that pits an ever shrinking budget against increased use, Kootenai Wildlife Refuge Manager Larry Napier and his staff try to find ways to improve wildlife habitat as well as provide for an ever increasing number of visitors.

"About four years ago Sandpoint

high school started with one classnow there are six," said Napier about environmental education classes, "Now classes even come from Cocur d'Alene."

The 2,774 acre refuge does not have the facilities to handle that kind of load. The interprative center is a converted chicken coop that can hold about 15 kids. When the schools bring kids by the busload, refuge managers are left scrambling to find space—space to present educational programs everyone wants.

Another financial challenge faced by the staff is the Americans with Disabilities Act. The refuge has prepared trails, photoblinds and picnic areas for the disabled, and Napier hopes to get some modified boats so those who have difficulty moving can get out and hunt. One of the most difficult challenges Napeir says he is faced with is making the refuge safe for people with vision problems; this includes making hunting available.

This small refuge offers diverse habitats and the potential to see 230 bird species and 45 mammal species.

Visitors can view the refuge from the comfort of a car on the four and a half mile Auto Tour Road or park and travel by foot on miles of foot trails.







Eagle Scouts and the Kiwanis teamed up to help build the wheelchair accesible Moose photoblind. Allowing predators to control waterfowl population leads to a far more natural balance than could be achieved otherwise.

To find the refuge go to Bonners Ferry and take Riverside Road about five miles to the refuge entrance or call Kootenai National Wildlife Refuge at 208-267-3888.

Controversy surrounds Grandmother timber sale

Erik Marone

Staff

Fifty miles northeast of Moscow, nestled between Elk River and Avery, lies the last continuous wilderness in North Idaho, including popular destinations such as Freezout Ridge and Upper Marble Creek.

With a proposed ecosystem management plan that may involve the construction of roads and timber harvest, a local group has formed to oppose any activity of this kind for the Grandmother Mountain Area. The area comprises about 40,600 acres, owned by the Bureau of Land Management, Forest Service and private owners.

Last night, Grandmother's Friends, the

Idaho Conservation League and the Clearwater Forest Watch, presented a slide show and informational meeting in the UI Forestry Building about the proposed Hobo Cornwall management plan.

Larry McLaud of the Idaho Conservation League is worried about the impact on the existing ecosystem. "There's not a whole lot of decent habitat left, where will all those animals go?" McLaud asks about the many species of wildlife that call the area home. According to the Forest Service's Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), habitat diversity would increase in the harvest areas.

The concerned groups are afraid proposed actions will adversely affect the water

resources, which are homes for several species of fish, including cutthroat and bull trout. The EIS projects a negligible decrease in the amount and quality of fish habitats. Another bone of contention is timber harvest, which would require roads being constructed in the 40,000 acre roadless area. "When you walk along the ridges, you'll look down into these huge clearcuts in the middle of the wilderness," McLaud predicts. Brad Gilbert, District Ranger for the St. Joe Ranger District, addressed these concerns. He points out that only 2.5 miles of new roads would be constructed and approximately 1.5 miles of road would be reconstructed.

As for harvesting, of the four alternative

management plans that involve the harvest of timber, three include a single clearcut. The rest of the harvesting involves group selection, commercial thinning, shelterwood, overstory removal and seedtree cuts, which is very similar to a clearcut, leaving five to ten trees per acre in order to naturally repopulate the vegetation.

However, for Grandmother's Friends, any cutting or construction is too much. They are urging the Forest Service to keep the harvests out of the roadless area.

Public comment on the timber sale is due by March 24, 1995. If you would like to voice your opinion, write to the St. Maries Ranger District, PO. Box 407, St. Maries, Idaho, 83861.

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Enjoy spring break in Moscow



Well, it's springtime in Moscow. For real this time, not the annual thaw for a week or so in January or early February.

So what does that mean? Anything can happen when it comes to weather (even more so than usual), but expect rain. Even if they sky is clear in the morning, take a hat, umbrella or raincoat as you head out for class in the morning. Chances are a downpour will swamp you otherwise.

Does this mean we should all ignore the temptation of that strange bright object in the sky and temperatures which have finally risen about freezing? Hell no.

This is a marvelous time to be outdoors, provided, of course, preparation for the weather 's latest bout of temper tantrum is taken into account. Things that can be done right outside the door are great-catch on the lawn (Frisbee, softball, hardball, football, whatever), sitting on a dry spot on steps (if you can find one) to people watch, and short walks.

If you don't mind getting wet,

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or better vet, wear or carry rain gear, the opportunities are far Helen W. less limited.

Mud ball at any park in town is a popular option. Mud ball is any type of ball game played on a field in the mucky state prevalent this time of year. Robinson Lake Park would be an excellent choice as both softball/baseball diamonds are sopped, the entire infield of on is a swamp, while the other has what amount to a very wide, shallow stream flowing across it into the creek.

Walking the bike path from Mountain View Park along Paradise Creek is good, too. As the path is paved, it can be done with minimal mud caking the shocs.

There is something about watching the slightly lighter than chocolate milk colored water swirling against the banks in an attempt to return to its natural. meandering state which reduces the stresses of midterms to inconsequence. That in itself makes it appealing.

Stomping in puddles is a good stress reliever, too. This, though, should only be done when near a dry pair of shoes or while wearing waterproof boots.

In any case, those of you going someplace warm, sunny and dry for spring break, enjoy it while you can. But don't pity those of us stuck here in Moscow, we'll be out at the mud bowl along Paradise Creek.

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Hot videos to check over break

Joa Harrison

Staff

When I told my dad that I had taken it up telemarking he said, "Oh, that's great, son. What are you selling?

"No Dad, telemarking, not telemarketing. You know, free-heeled skiing. Bend a knee. Free your mind. Granola turns. That sort of thing."

"Now what did you go do a thing like that for?"

Unfortunately, you, like my father, may not have a clue what telemarking entails. You've probably seen guys up at the resorts making these funny turns in leather boots but you weren't sure if they were serious or if they had just accidentally wandered off the cross-country trail.

You may have heard the hushed whispers of folks back from a weekend of freshies while you just spent the weekend standing in line to ski chopped crud and get run over by some kid in really fat pants.

All these stories and rumors have probably perked your curiosity enough that you want to check out what this free-heeled stuff is all about. But how? Where do you start?

There are a lot of good skiing videos out there. Everyone and

their dog (literally) is trying to put out a movie that shows you how to slide down the snow. With telemarking, the choices aren't quite as numerous, though there are still plenty.

In order to narrow it down, I've chosen two production companies that stand out from the rest when it comes to giving you an overall portrayal of telemarking.

North American Telemark Organization (not to be confused with the worldwide superpower of the same acronym) puts out videos that are designed to be educational. Because of this, the quality of cinematography is, well, educational. Don't expect to be blown away with stunning footage and a soundtrack destined for a greatest hits album. Instead, enjoy the simple hints and methods Dick Hall and his eastern buddies use to teach the telemark turn.

NATO has three different instructional videos: Telemark Workshop, The Telemark Movie, and Revenge of the Telemarkers. The first two are best suited for beginners and cover areas such as proper stance; turn initiation, and weighting. Revenge of the Telemarkers is geared toward the advanced skier and teaches how to ski different kinds of conditions like heavy snow, ice, and the steeps. A word

of advice: hang in there through the first half of this tape, all the good stuff is near the end.

If you want to see just how far the sport of telemarking has come, definitely check out Bridger Production's videos. Besides including amazing snowboarding and alpine skiing, they feature some of the best telemarking on film. Halsey Hewson, a Jackson Hole local, and Brad Gamble, a telemark and powder eight champion, rip it up in about every condition imaginable. Two films, Adrenaline Adventures and Freedom on Skis, both include telemarking, though the former has more footage.

With the spring conditions, what better time to head out into the "ego snow" to learn how to telemark. See one of these videos, rent some gear from the ASUI Outdoor Rentals (basement of the Student Union) and then get out there and do it-then you can be the one getting the fresh tracks next weekend!

Information about the North American Telemark Organization and its instructional videos can be had by calling (800) 835-3404. Bridger Production's films can be seen occasionally on ESPN, ESPN2, and Prime. They can also be purchased by calling (800) 379-

Bike race draws few competitors

Erik Marone

Staff

Last Saturday marked the sixth running of the UI Campus **Recreation Mountain Bike Race.** Twelve bikers turned out in the wet, muddy conditions the weekend presented.

In the rough fields of the Animal Science Farms behind the Palouse Empire Mall, the contestants comwinners were the competitors with

Triathlon set for April 23

Campus Recreation will sponsor the 12th annual Palouse Triathlon on April 23. The event will begin at the Swim Center at 7 a.m. The

three events. Greg Snortheim took top honors

in the men's 18 and older division with Justin Baxter coming in first in the under 18.

Mindy Henry won the only female division in the race. A trophy was awarded for the best time.

a number of drawings were held after the race with prizes donated by race sponsors, including Gambino's and Casa De Oro gift certificates, Micro movie passes and posters from the Sport Shack. This year had only half the

triathlon is a multi-sport event, consisting of a 1.5 kilometer run, a 40 kilometer bike ride and a 10 kilometer run.

Everyone is welcome to sign up for the event. Registration will continue through April 10. The entry fee is \$20 for individuals and \$50 for teams.

Entry fees include a long sleeve T-shirt. Entry forms are available

turnout of last year. Bob Miller and Teree Sheckler of Campus Recreation feel this drop in participants can be attributed to the fact that there is no bike club this year, and the bigger Mountain Madness race.

The race started in 1989 as the Bike Rodeo and has evolved into the current form.

Campus Recreation would like to thank all of the sponsors, race attendants and especially the participants for helping create another successful annual mountain bike event.

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Vandal athletes score in classroom as well

Kevin Neuendorf Staf

The ingredients for making today's college athlete: athleticism, dedication, pride, abilities to perform in clutch situations, and most importantly, the abilities to perform in the classroom.

The typical college athlete is most oftentimes recognized for what he or she does on the court, field or track. The price of winning within college athletics often times takes precedence over what one may accomplish in the classroom.

For example, people associate Leah Smith as a member of the three-time Big Sky Champion volleyball team, rarely do they considcr that she also has a 4.0 GPA in sports science and made the 1994-95 academic all-conference team.

For years athletes have had to carry with them the reputation of a "dumb jock" and the mentality that went with it. However, here at the University of Idaho, student-athletes are proving themselves, not only in athletics, but in the classroom as well.

Last semester 126 student-athletes earned placement on the athletic department honor roll by earning a 3.0 GPA or better with 20 individuals earning a perfect 4.0.

Currently there are 69 scholar athletes who have maintained a 3.0 GPA over the past two semesters while participating in the athletic program. This prestigious group includes: four members off the nationally-ranked volleyball team, 11 members of the football team. six members of the women's basketball team, and three from the men's basketball team.

While much of Idaho's studentathlete success in the classroom lies solely with the students themselves, the efforts of the athletic department's academic coordinator. cannot go unnoticed.

The academic coordinator serves under a holistic approach," UI Academic Coordinator, Laurie Turner said.

"We strive toward making the person a more well-rounded individual. We address personal development, not only in academics, but in athletics, community outreach, career development and social issues as well."

Turner acknowledged that much of what is provided for athletes is basically related to what Career Services provides for all other students. What differs is that they provide the services at a time when

athletes are not in practice or competing. "The NCAA does not use GPA

as a criteria for determining the success of student athletes in the classroom," said Julie Quickel, public information director of the NCAA. "We base success upon graduation rates of particular institutions according to student-athletes, as well as all other students.'

According to NCAA statistics, the graduation rate for all institutions the past four years is 57 percent. The four-year average graduation rate for student-athletes who entered between 1984-87 at the University of Idaho was over 43 percent, the same percentage of all other students at Idaho.

More importantly, graduation rates for student athletes who began in 1987-88 was over 54 percent, while the percentage for all other students remained the same at 43 percent.

The graduation rate for Idaho's student-athletes is good enough to place them ahead of all other Big Sky schools. The average graduation rate for the 1987-88 class of student-athletes for all other Big Sky schools was only 42.8 percent. The University of Montana had a 51 percent graduation rate

for its 1987-88 class of student athletes, while Eastern Washington only had a 31 percent average for its class.

These numbers should also favor Idaho when they head to the Big West Conference in 1996. The Big West average graduation rate was only 49 percent for its class of student-athletes in 1986-88.

Another misconception about the student-athlete is that most go on to major in something like coaching or physical education. However, the five most common degree programs at graduation for student-athletes at all institutions who entered school in 1987-88. according to NCAA statistics, were: business management, social science/history, education, psychology, and sports management. For student-athletes at Idaho, the five most common degree programs for the same year were: sports management, business management, education, marketing, and biological science.

The role of the student-athlete is multi-dimensional. Practice, games, and off-season conditioning take away from time most students take for granted. Add to that, the classroom demands involved in maintaining a 3.0 GPA and the role of the student-athlete becomes that much more complex.

The '90s have brought about a time where athletic directors, university presidents, and coaches nation wide, want more out of their athletes than mere wins. The catch all phrase of "winning is everything" no longer applies only to sports, but to education and life in general.



Tennis team aces Purdue, Nevada

Ben Carr

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The men's tennis team is looking towards spring break this year because finally their. classes won't interfere with their practice schedule anymore. After a big win last weekend over both Purdue University and the University of Nevada, the Idaho men are preparing for their showdown with Lewis & Clark State early next month.

The men's tennis team has had a couple of weeks off since their showdown with Boise State and Cal Poly San Luis Obisbo in Boise. and were looking forward to heading back to the state capitol to try to repeat the good fortune they had there.

Idaho was led by the sweet strokes of Keith Bradbury. The sophomore Bradbury swept both his matches this weekend. Bradbury took on Jorgen Haldersen and Nevada.

took on Ryan Maggart of Purdue for the win 6-7, (7-3), 7-5, 6-2. Bradbury was the only Idaho tennis player to sweep both his matches last weekend. Niren Lall, Chris Daniel, Rvan

of Nevada and won 6-2, 6-2; then

Slaton, and Doug Anderson all split their singles matches between Nevada and Purdue.

In doubles action, Hadley and Lall beat Bryan Harris and Steve Brizendine of Purdue 8-5, while Slaton and Anderson beat Roger Follmer and Jason Smith 8-5.

Against Nevada, the Hadley/Lall combination teamed up again to win their second doubles match of the weekend against Jani Tulikainen and Marc Guzman 8-3. Slaton played with Scott Peterson and they were played tough but eventually triumphed over Ben Stevens and Tony Giglini (9-8).

The final score of both men's was Idaho 4-3 over both Purdue

Unlike the men, the women are going to be collecting their frequent flyer miles during Spring Break. Any students planning to be anywhere in the Golden State have a good chance of being close to where Idaho will be playing.

The women are slated to travel to Los Angeles, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Fresno, Sacramento, Moraga, and Reno, Nevada. Before their trip though, the women had to warm up against LCSC in Lewiston. The Idaho women won six of nine matches including their doubles matches.

Gwen Nikora, Michelle Bargen, and Erin Cicalo won their matches in straight sets, and it only took senior Shaley Denker an extra set to put away Gabriela Bogesic.

Denler and Bargen crushed Gabriela Bogesic and Stacie Meeks 6-3, 6-1 and Nikora and Cicalo made short order of Cara Miller and Sheri Calabretta 6-4, 6-3. Overall, the women won 8-6.

UI hockey finds way around road jinx

Damon Barkdull

"Most of the guys trying out had played junior or high school hock-

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orthy and Toto from the Wizard of Oz found that there was no place like home.

UI's hockey team wishes they felt the same way, but without a local ice arena to play its home games at, it has had to battle the woes of the road jinx.

"We get little ice time during the week, and then we go out on the road and get little sleep, and sometimes it affects our play," said UI defensemen Rick Manis.

With no where to return for home games the hockey team has to make the long road trips to several of the Pacific Northwest's area hockey teams' home arenas.

"It's tough not having that home advantage," said UI's center and assistant team captain Scott Souires.

Limited funding has left the hockey team enough money for only two practices a month, and even for



those practices they must travel to Spokane.

The team was co-founded in 1992-93 by Squires and after putting up a few flyers to local fraternities and residence halls the turnout was quite large.

"We got guys coming from back East, Minnesota, Canada, Alaska and even a player from Idaho," Squires said.

ey. The experience came in handy, because we have no practices everyone worked well together."

Other people like Manis found out about the UI hockey program through methods other than reading flyers. Manis, who was planning to attend the UI in the fall, found out about the hockey program at a concert in George, Washington.

"I was at Lollapalooza when I saw a few guys with UI hockey shirts hitting tennis balls into a net," Manis said,"from there I called my parents back in St.Paul, Minnesota and had them send my equipment."

The mostly self coached term does have some outside help from Doug Dunlop, an experienced North Dakota player.

"We basically coach ourselves, but the help we do get from Dunlop pays off," Manis said.

This season the team has had some stiff competition from schools

Jeff Curtis

Matt Harris and Todd Garwood take advantage of the warm weather by playing some hoops.

like border-rival Washington State, Montana, and Washington, but even after having to give up home rink advantage the hockey team has managed to keep an 8-8 record.

"Most of the teams we play are pretty much even with us. We split two games with WSU and UW, but we are still 0-2 verses Montana." Squires said.

On April 1 and 2 the Vandals travel to Seattle to compete in the last tournament of the season, and according to Squires, their team should be ready.

"The only team at the tournament that we haven't faced is Western Washington, but besides them we've played everyone and know what to expect," Squires said.

In the future Squires would like

to see Moscow get an ice arena so they can host some home matches and get more practice time in.

"There's been plans made to make a ice ring here in Moscow. Right now the only thing holding us back is a home arena," Squires said. "We had a big crowd turnout against WSU so I know there is a fan interest here in Moscow."

Anyone interested in playing can contact Scott Squires at 885-2781 or write him on his E-mail address at Hockey@uidaho.edu.

Many can speculate as to why Idaho doesn't have a stronger interest in hockey. After all, it's always cold here and Idahoans seem to have that hockey player type attitude: rough, tough, and looking for a fight.

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Late start doesn't stop Twining's success

Mark Vanderwall

Staff

John Twining has something that Freddy Couples and Greg Norman will never have, a chance to golf for the University of Idaho.

Twining, a Spokane, Washington native, picked up his first set of clubs the summer before his freshman year in high school and as they say the rest is history.

He made his high school team after only a summer to prepare and lettered all four years. Randy Allen, the father of one of Twining's best friends, was the first to show him the game.

"He took me under his wing and got me interested in competitive golf," said Twining.

After his freshman year, Twining got to work at the Liberty Lake Golf Course and got to play for free at 6 a.m., before the day's work began.

"I played for free every morning, and that is how I really got better,' said Twining. The practice paid off as Twining placed eighth at state his junior year, and 16th respectively his senior year.

Twining then started his journey into the college level here at Idaho and that is paying its dividends as well. He placed in the top ten once last season and is coming off a successful weekend at Portland to get things rolling for this season. Twining, who presents himself

just as well in the classroom as he does on the golf course, is maintaining a 3.2 G.P.A., while still finding time to practice and compete.

"I plan on being out of here in four and a half years, which isn't bad considering the time I put in on the course," Twining said.

With the thought of being out of here after another year and a half, Twining has a few things he would like to accomplish before he leaves.

"I want to win a tournament" before I graduate and with the base we have now and a couple recruits, I would like to see us take home a team title as well," said Twining.

As for what he is going to do after he graduates, well you can safely write golf in that slot as well. Twining would like to give either the Canadian or Asian tour a chance and try to pick up a little money along the way. If that doesn't work you can look for Twining to find a home in a pro shop somewhere, either as an assistant, or as a head pro.

As for where he wants to find himself in five years, "I would like to be still involved in golf somehow, and making money doing it," Twining said.

When it comes to role models, Twining chose two from the golf world, where else.

"I really like Fred Couples and Greg Norman," said Twining. 'These two guys are getting better as they get older, and that is what this game is about."

As for getting better as they get older, Twining fits this description quite well. The 21-year old has plenty of time left to get better and if his past record holds true you can expect those goals of his to be well within his reach.

Practice has been the key for Twining's success, and that is the only real way for any golfer to get better. Dan Koesters, the men's golf coach, reiterated this fact. "John works harder than any kid I know, and he's a real good kid," said Koesters.

With all the time and effort that is put in, you must remember this is a kid who has only been playing the game for a little over seven years, and success takes time.

With a new coach, and a new outlook on golf, Twining is ready to excel at the game he fell in love with only a short time ago. Coming from a family in which no one clse plays, Twining has found his own niche in the golf world. His dedication to the game alone has made him a winner, and no matter how he finishes the game, golf has been improved by his presence.

Bart Stageberg Idaho junior golfer John Twining putts during Thursday's practice. The Spokane native has been playing golf for less than seven years.





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Pentagon backing off pork-barrel pledge

his year was supposed to be the "mother of all base closings." But something happened on the way to the battle.

Originally designed as a clever way around the problem of trying to close unneeded installations, the successful seven-year program is in danger of going out with a whimper instead of a bang.

So what happened? Why is a plan once aimed at closing 100 military bases now targeting a third that many? Ultimately, the Pentagon decided that closing that many bases would be too difficult and costly in the near term.

Political calculation also played a role. California, home to the largest number of installations and the richest store of electoral votes, was a major focus of past closures. This time, it was hardly nicked.

As a result, the military's overhead will continue to be seriously out of whack. Since Cold War peak levels, the defense budget has decreased by 40 percent, the military has been reduced by a third and procurement cut by two-thirds. But even after three rounds of closings, the Pentagon's infrastructure has gone down by only 20 percent.

The impetus for the base closings started over a decade ago, when the Pentagon found itself with a base structure that outstripped the size of its forces. By the mid-1980s, the country had 3 million men and women under arms, but bases to support 12 million troops.

Yet every time the Pentagon tried to shut down a base, it ran into the informal quid pro quo on Capitol Hill —I won't vote to close your base if you don't vote to close mine. The result: Not a single major base shut down until 1990. As the Cold War drew to an end, the problem grew. Fewer troops

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Washington Post Stanley A. Weiss

should mean fewer bases.

Working with Rep. Dick Armey, Business Executives for National Security, a group of industry leaders concerned about defense, helped push through legislation that created the Base Closure and Realignment Commission. Composed of private citizens, the commission's task was to identify bases that could be closed without politics.

Here's how it works. The commission examines the list of possible closures, recommends those it feels should be shut down or consolidated. The theory is as long as the closings are spread equally around, the base closures would sail through.

Indeed they have. The first commission in 1988 agreed to shut down 12 facilities, which the Pentagon estimates is already saving the taxpayers \$750 million annually. In 1991 and 1993, 55 major

In 1991 and 1993, 55 major bases made the list. When the installations are closed or restructured, the Defense Department believes the savings will grow to over \$4 billion a year. This final round calls for closing 33 major bases and scores of smaller ones for savings of \$1.8 billion annually.

But getting approval to close bases has proven easier than carrying out the plan. Communities mount sophisticated public-relations campaigns to save the installations. Time and energy that should go into finding new uses for bases go instead into schemes to keep sites that were supposed to close completely. The fear of losing jobs helps drive this destructive cycle. What is discouraging is that the fears are largely misplaced.

A Defense Department study of almost 100 bases shut down during the 1960s and 1970s showed that when the bases were converted for civilian use, more jobs were created than lost. Former military facilities were transformed into schools and colleges, municipal airports and industrial parks. It wasn't easy, but the payoff was a stable, prosperous local economy.

When England Air Force Base appeared on the list, the town of Alexandria, La. figured out a way to replace the lost jobs and income. The one-time fighter base now houses a civilian airport and industrial park, generating more revenue than the base ever did. In the past 18 months, since Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul, Ill., was closed, 20 companies have located or expanded on three square miles. Devising ways to reuse military bases is better than working to prevent closure.

Unfortunately, the communities rarely get much help. Current law stipulates that the Pentagon and other federal agencies get first call on what to do with bases scheduled for closing. If the government passes, the bases are offered to local governments or non-profit agencies. Only as a last resort are closed military facilities offered to private interests.

Ensuring that bases are closed does more than save money. At issue is the nation's security: Will defense dollars go for guns or pork? Military readiness or obsolete bases? The national interest or local self-interest?

Letters to the Editor

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Recognition and thanks due

Thank you for providing coverage of the 1995 Safe Spring Break Campaign. GAMMA and PRO students have spent many hours preparing for the week's events on behalf of their peers.

I do wish to point out, however that the headline chosen for Tuesday's article, "Greeks advocate sate spring break" was not a true representation of the student effort behind this week's activities. While GAMMA was involved in the planning effort, PRO, a peerbased health and wellness group in the residence halls, is equally responsible for the campaign. Safe Spring Break Week is intended to be an all campus awareness effort.

Opinion

The efforts of PRO and their advisor Diana Glennon, Resident Director for Programs, deserves notice as well as applause for their hard work this week.

---Christian Wuthrich Assistant Greek Advisor/Primary Prevention Coordinator

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Trinity Baptist Church (SBC) A Warm, Caring Church With A Relevant, Biblical Focus Tom Roberson, Pastor 6th & Mtnview Office: 882-2015 Sunday Worship 8:15, 10:45 AM & 6 PM	The Rock Church Spirit Filled Charismatic Church 219 W 3rd St. Services: Thurs. 7 PM Sundays 10:30 AM Rock Student Fellowship Friday 7 PM 883-4834 • Del Richardson Pastor	Living Faith Fellowship Ministry Training Center SW 345 Kimball - 332-3545 Dr. Karl Barden, Senior Pastor Phil Vance, Campus Pastor Sunday: Helpful Practical Classes - 9:00 AM Sunday Worship - 10:30 AM Wednesday Worship - 7:00 PM Friday: Campus Christian Fellowship 7:30 pm	Christian Life Center of the Assemblies of God Touching Hearts with New Life Sunday School - 9:30 AM Sunday Worship - 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM Services at The Moscow Grange 417 S. Jackson - Moscow	 "Hunger for Healing" 12 Step Video Series Beginning Mon 3/27 at 7:00pm at the Campus Christian Center. Sponsered by United Methodist Campus Ministry First 2 Videos are "Underground Railroad to New Life." and "The Birth of Hope." 		
Sunday School 9:30 AM For a ride, meet at Theophilos Tower at 9:10 am & 9:15 am Christian Campus Center or call the church office. Wednesday Prayer Service: 7 PM Baptist Student Ministries Priority One - Tuesdays 8 pm Campus Christian Center	United Church of Moscow 123 W 1st St. • Worship 11am Sundays • College age study: 7 habits of highly effective people 9:30 am Sundays Dr. Mike Burr Pastor	Christian Science Church 3rd & Mtnview • 882-8848 Church Services: Sunday 10:30 AM & Wed 7:30 PM Christian Science Reading Room M-F 12 - 4 PM 518 S. Main - Moscow	St. Marks Episcopal Church 111 South Jefferson•Moscow 882-2202 Holy Eucharist 8 & 10:30 AM Adult Education & Sunday School 9:30AM The Rev. Richard Dunham, Rector	Divine Savior Lutheran Church A member of the Wisconson Evanelical Lutheran Synod Building a Community of Christian Love NE 620 Stadium Way (Accross from Excell) For transportation and more info Call 332-1452		

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Big Brother goes on-line

The Second Industrial Revolution is underway. With computers and Internet links, the world is undergoing a transformation unprecedented in scope. The global village, touted as the future in the '70s, is here and becoming larger every day. Unfortunately, there are rumblings that Orwell's nightmare creation Big Brother wants to be the village chief.

The instrument of this invasion is Senate Bill 314, the Communications Decency Act of 1995. Sponsored by Senators Exon (D-NE) and Gorton (R-WA), the bill would expand existing Federal Communication Commission regulations to cover all forms of information transmission. This includes, but is not limited to, text, jpeg and gif files, binary pictures and sound clips. If this bill is passed, responsibility for transmission of "obscene" material would fall onto the service providers.

If S. 314 goes through, criminal liability would fall onto the institutions that transmit the material in question. This covers telephone companies, universities who make Internet accounts available to students and any private citizen who runs a BBS. Fines and prison sentences would be levied against offenders, per FCC regulations. Therefore, the responsibility for policing and limiting what goes out would fall entirely on the folks who run the networks.

To be blunt, this legislation is a threat. It threatens the economic viability of the Internet, by severely limiting the growth of the Net and reducing the likelihood of businesses to invest time and money into cyberspace. It threatens the structure of the Net, as it forces those who keep the machines running to spend more and more time making sure that the users aren't being naughty.

Worst of all, this bill is unconstitutional, in that it relieves the American public of our right to free expression and the right to judge for ourselves what we will read, say and think. Obscenity has never been adequately defined for judicial purposes, so the upshot of S. 314 will be to try and suppress speech and information the government deems "obscene," which any scholar of American history knows rhymes with "dangerous" coming from any government official.

Anarchy is a poor political system, but a fine way to run an information market. The Internet is and has been policed effectively by the people on it. While the argument has been made that some regulation of what passes through the Net must be created, this bill is the wrong way to do it.

If you want to sign a petition and exercise your rights to speak out, send an e-mail message to Jonah Seiger of the Center for Democracy and Technology, a non-profit public interest organization, at jseiger@cdt.org. If you're already familiar with the petition's format, send your message to s314-petition@netcom.com. Either way, don't let Big Brother share your terminal.

-Brandon Nolta



Militias answer to gov't excess

he U.S. government has been a slothful social monster ever since Franklin Delano Roosevelt "ended" the Great Depression. And this monster of failed "reforms" just keeps on growing and growing, feeding off of hard-working Americans' tax dollars. Like any gluttonous creature, the U.S. government is about to bloat.

In order to improve "society," the federal government has for the last fifty years chipped away at individual rights so that the government could gain more and more control over its citizens. With Newt Gingrich and the rest of the Republicans in power, there is hope, but for some people, Newt and Company's actions are too slow or just too little-too late. In fact, even the Republicans are now guilty of ignoring the Constitution with their attempts to scale back the Fourth Amendment (which protects us against unreasonable search and seizure) in an effort to appear tough on crime.

Especially in the western United States, people are getting fed up with excessive taxes, loss of personal freedoms, and what they perceive to be a scaling back of constitutional rights, and some citizens think they've found an answer: militias.

Militias began popping up in the West (initially in Montana but soon spreading to other states) not long after the federal siege on white supremacist Randy Weaver, which left his wife and son dead.



Regardless of Randy Weaver's misgiven ideas about racial equality, the attack on his residence and the similar fiasco that happened at David Koresh's pseudo-religious compound in Waco, Texas, were seen as threats to the freedoms of all citizens. With aggressive actions being used by the federal government against its own people coupled with stricter gun control laws passing the Democratic Congress, militias were seen as a way for citizens to retain control of their firearms and send a strong message to Washington that westerners are tired of being pushed around.

Although state officials in Montana (and elsewhere) are worried that the militia groups are just fronts for criminal activity and violence (some violence has broken out) the basic ideals that are driving this movement are commendable. As of late, the federal government has continuously overstepped its jurisdiction as laid out in the Constitution. The Tenth Amendment clearly states that "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states, respectively, or to the people." The federal Government has overstepped its own bounds so many times in the last fifty years that people don't even pay attention anymore.

But more and more often, states' and citizens' rights are being violated. Federal agents shoot and kill Randy Weaver's wife and son. Federal agents provoke a masssuicide in Waco. Federal drug agents (repeatedly) seize property from suspected drug users, but once the person is found innocent, the property is not returned. A federal agency place wolves in central Idaho against the state's wish-es, and then send armed agents to investigate when one of those wolves was killed, and at the same time harassing the local sheriff and the man whose property the dead wolf was found on. Several federal agencies (e.g. EPA, OSHA, and AFT) seem to answer to no higher power, and make a habit out of intimidating law-abiding citizens. And then there is also the long-running debate that the Federal government should release its western land holdings back to states' jurisdiction.

The militia movement should not be ignored. It was founded on basic American principles of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, and the movement is growing every day. If the federal government does not wake up and reform its anti-states' rights policies, they may well have a large western rebellion (civil war?) on their hands.

Disney robs us blind, 'Circle of life' a load of stunidity

oes anyone else out there think that Disney's The Lion King was stupid besides me? I'm asking this question now, as I just saw the thing for the first time last weekend. To make matters worse, after watching the film (just to ensure the demise of any brain cells still struggling for survival) I watched an hour of Beavis and Butthead. I think what frightened me the most is that Beavis and Butthead seemed to show more intelligence than the latest Disney "Classic" to pop out of the Magic Kingdom.

I am a great Disney fan. Due to a traumatic experience I suffered as a child, I cannot watch Dumbo without tears coming to my eyes, and I think that Cruella DcVille is one of the most exciting women to ever hit the Silver Screen. (She's sort of a hybrid of Eileen Brennan and Nancy Reagan. Or is that Kerrigan?)

Lion King appalled me. It's a mutant film borne of the flotsam



and jetsam of the fickle times we live in. Where The Jungle Book had snappy dialogue, Lion King has sound bites. Where Alice In Wonderland had otherworldly, misfitted characters that were stupid enough to be lovable, Lion King has cheesy American stand-up artists transplanted to the Serengeti. Where Aladdin had delightfully round and bouncy characters, Lion King strains to even make theirs appear flat. And who came up with that storyline? The Republican Party? (Think about it: a king concerned with social programs is ousted in favor of one who's machinery of power is oiled with the blood of the workers. I may

have hit upon something here!) We're being duped. While there What's Disney up to? Their pool of voice talent surely goes much

deeper than dredging up the voice of the Dark Lord of the Sith. I'll agree that James Earl Jones has an interesting voice, but his talent has become so overused and overpaid you'd think he was a professional athlete. Where are those odd throaty, twangy and wispy voices that made Robin Hood an auditory kaleidoscope? I think they're working for the Cartoon Network, or at least Iraqi TV.

I know what Disney's up to, and what everyone in Hollywood is up to at that. They're all trying to find that elusive Lowest Common Denominator that represents every average Joe Sixpack and Betty Housecoat in the nation. Let's face it. These companies don't hold entertainment as their number one priority. They want our money, and boy do we shovel it out in bucketfuls when they come calling.

is still what can be considered intelligent entertainment out there, one must weed the garden of many an infertile flower. The entertainment we see is becoming diluted to the point that it resembles skim milk: It still looks white like regular milk, but the substance that makes it desirable above other common breakfast beverages is missing. This is why we get movies like Lion King, The Brady Bunch Movie, and insipid television shows like Ricky Lake and Saved by the Bell. Hollywood has not lowered their standards. We have. They've done their expensive surveys and coddled every Nielsen Family from Bangor to Scoville. Our standards, collectively, have plummeted to the earth like so much unchewed fish.

Cable won't help ameliorate the situation either. It used to be an average Joe like myself could flip through the four channels available and find nothing worth watching.

Now we can accomplish the same thing with sixty channels. Or we can shell out the two thousand beans for a satellite dish and do the same thing with five hundred.

But this is what we wanted! The entertainment industry asked us, and we told them! We don't want to think about problems unless they're resolved quickly, so they gave us the situation comedy. We only want good news, so they gave us Dan Rather with his cheery little pick-me up story at the end of each news broadcast. We're bored with our own lives, so let us live, vicariously, the exciting lives of Baywatchers, Power Rangers, and the lives of those dreamy ER medicos.

They offer us crap and we slurp it up like pigs at the troughs. Seriously, I think Disney could animate Mein Kampf and we'd turn it into a classic with our dollars, simply because it has the Disney label on it. But I suppose merchandising would pose certain problems.