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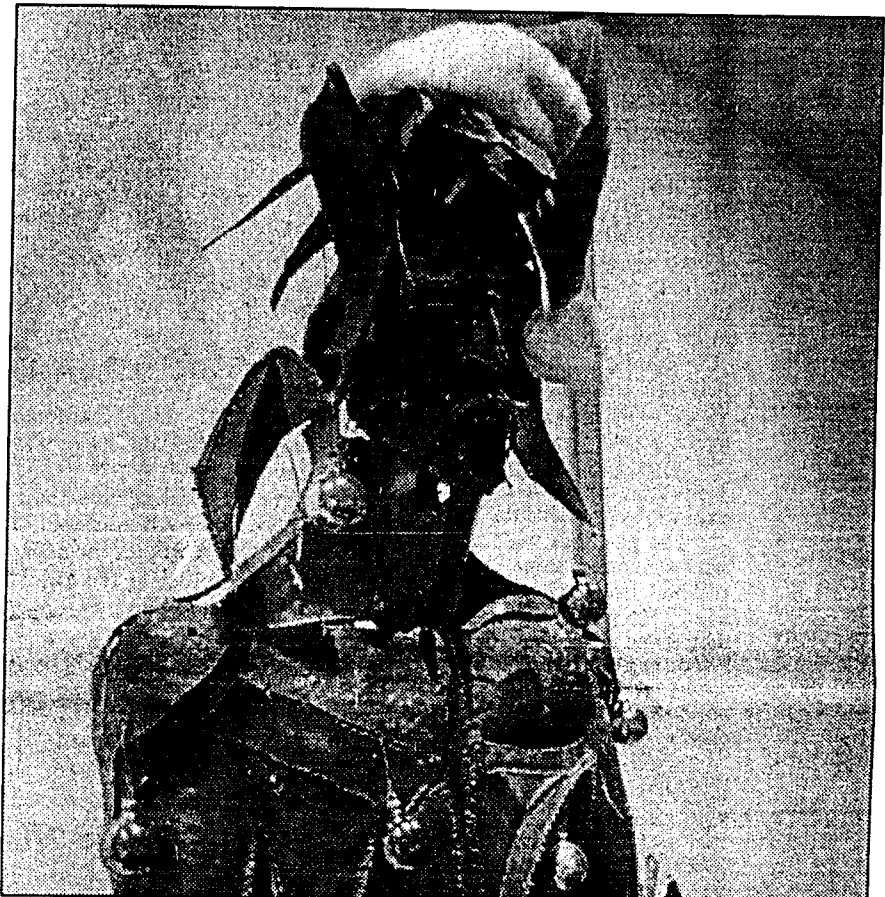
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Ho Ho Joe



Joa Harrison

Joe Vandal stands his post in the Student Union, seemingly oblivious to the plethora of holiday balls and tinsel hung on his metal body.

Idaho to host IACURH Conference for '96

Lisa Lannigan
Staff

After a great deal of time, no help with money and individual effort, members of the Residence Hall Association won the bid for next year's Intermountain Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls Conference.

The IACURH Conference is a region-wide gathering of residence hall members and staff to promote student leadership. This year 12 delegates from UI were sent to bid on next year's conference, as well as nominate members for the Distinguished Service Award, the RHA advisor of the year and others.

RHA President Michael Stetson said the UI bid for the conference went up against bids from Utah State University and the University of Arizona. The idea for the UI conference was presented as "From Moscow with Love" as a James Bond spy-type theme with programs addressing domestic violence issues.

"We were just incredibly above anything they (the other schools) did," Stetson said.

Stetson said having the conference here in Moscow next year should spark involvement with the residents.

"We hope this will build enthusiasm in residence halls," Stetson said.

The conference will be held next November with over 400 students from Arizona, New

Mexico, Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho, Montana, Alberta and Saskatchewan. Delegates will be staying in the University Inn and participating in programs ranging from AIDS and domestic violence issues to stress relief. The hope is for student leaders to take programs back to their colleges and universities to share with other students.

"It's a time to exchange ideas and motivate student leaders," Stetson said.

Along with winning the conference bid, the UI was voted School of the Year by the IACURH regional board of directors. One member from each school in the region sits on the board and all members vote on the awards. UI won the award for outstanding residence hall members and programs involving the RHA and the National Residence Hall Honorary.

Silver Pins were awarded to Eben Sutton, Aaron Mosher and Stetson for their outstanding work as regional leaders. The board chooses eight people out of the entire region to receive the Silver Pin, the region's highest honor.

"It's a really big honor because you are selected as one of the best leaders in over 35 schools," Stetson said. "It's not something you vote for, you have to be noticed and chosen."

Ray Horton won the nomination to be the

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Students caught in middle of Engineering transfer

Sean Tetpon
Staff

The issue over who controls undergraduate engineering curriculum in Boise has been decided. Now the issue is how to handle the students caught between two universities.

The Idaho state Board of Education approved a plan Nov. 17 to transfer control of three undergraduate engineering programs in Boise from University of Idaho to Boise State University.

BSU will oversee its own civil, mechanical and electrical engineering programs as of July 1, 1996.

"Students are not a non-issue,"

said Richard Jacobsen, dean of the UI college of engineering. "Students' lives will be disrupted."

The issue of accreditation lies at the heart of the transfer. Students who began under a UI-led engineering curriculum at BSU have suddenly found themselves without an accredited program.

Jacobsen told an open forum last Thursday a steering committee has worked out tentative details outlining transfers for students currently enrolled in UI engineering programs at BSU.

"We asked for funds from the board to provide scholarships for students to come up here and finish their degree," he said. "That causes

a lot of emotions for people who already transferred up here, on their own resources, to stay out of this mess."

The Board approved a plan allowing seniors in UI cooperative undergraduate engineering programs to complete UI degrees in Boise. Juniors will have the option of completing their degree under BSU, or receive financial assistance to complete their degree under UI in Moscow. Freshman and sophomore engineering students will graduate with a degree from BSU.

The plan may not seem fair to students who transferred to UI this semester.

"By staying down there another

semester, you get rewarded by getting a scholarship (to attend UI)," Jacobsen said. "We have some things that are not worked out yet, and that is one of them."

UI will continue to provide graduate education for engineering students at BSU. However, Jacobsen said BSU expressed the desire to develop its own graduate program, making UI's involvement indeterminate.

"The implication to our faculty was 'we expect to take over that program too,'" he said. "The nature of the thing turned out to be a hostile takeover."

Jacobsen said it will take BSU more than four years to get their

engineering programs accredited. However, he predicts the quality of BSU engineering education to equal UI's after accreditation.

"(We need) to continue cooperation with BSU, even though they tried to get rid of that cooperation," he said. "I think most of that was political posturing."

Though he is disappointed with the politics surrounding the transfer of administrative authority to BSU, Jacobsen says UI should help its sister institutions grow.

"UI has quality engineering programs," he said. "The best available in the state. I think the best thing we can all do is cooperate, keep our chin up and look to the future."

Avoid Kibbie lines during registration

Andrew White
Staff

Soon students may be able to avoid going to the Kibbie Dome during registration by electronically depositing residual financial aid funds. The new program will enable students to get their money three days earlier and avoid standing in long lines at the Dome.

Business and Accounting services will accept 250 applicants for the spring semester. Once successful, the program will be available

to all students next fall. Any interested students need to attend a meeting Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. in room 101 of the UCC.

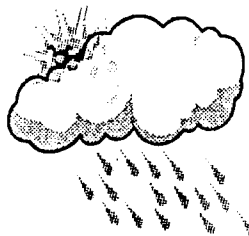
"Basically we're eliminating the process of standing in lines at the Dome," said Ebben Sutton who works in the Accounts Receivable office. Students who participate in the program this spring will have the money in their accounts by Jan. 12, 1996.

Sutton said, "I think it's going to be a tremendous benefit to the students."

If the program goes off without a hitch, soon the entire student body will participate. Freshman Bob Phillips said, "As long as there is no problems with it, it would be a really good idea."

In order for students to participate for the spring semester they would have to meet the following criteria. Students would have to had pre-registered full time by Dec. 4, 1995 for the spring semester, return the fee billing statement by Dec. 29, 1995, receive a minimum

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• **Weather** •

Rain, rain, go away, come again some other month. No more snow, at least not this week. Highs in the 40s and a chance of showers.

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Recommendations for implementing roles and missions report approved

BOISE—Idaho's higher education system will put more emphasis on expanding community college services and use of technology under goals adopted by the state Board of Education.

The system also will change from being driven primarily by the needs of education providers to those of students and other beneficiaries under priorities that will be incorporated in the board's statewide strategic plan.

Board members, meeting Friday in Boise, heard recommendations from the presidents of Idaho's colleges and universities on implementing a consultant's report analyzing the roles and missions of their institutions.

Lewis-Clark State College President James Hottois, chairman of the Presidents' Council, said the presidents agreed that themes cited in the consultant's study boil down to providing Idaho residents with access to the educational services they need by putting greater emphasis on the community college function and through innovative use of instructional technology.

How to do that remains to be determined. But the presidents said it should involve additional state funding, or more likely reallocation of existing funds, and providing the colleges and universities with incentives to meet the new priorities.

For four-year schools like the University of Idaho, that might mean admitting even students not considered likely to stay in school for a baccalaureate degree and providing for their vocational-technical or other educational needs.

—Associated Press

Jerome couple suffer fallout in sex case

JEROME, Idaho—Edward and Sandy Bishoff thought the teen-age foster girl who lived with them for a year was trying to resolve personality conflicts with Edward Bishoff's brother, Leroy, when she stopped by his house after school.

And if the girl got home from school before her foster mother finished running errands, Sandy Bishoff didn't suspect anything was happening as she sometimes left her younger children and foster children in Leroy Bishoff's care for no more than an hour.

Neither did 36-year-old Edward Bishoff. The nurturing foster parents of 10 years didn't know Leroy Bishoff was showing the girl pornographic movies and sex toys, and sexually molesting her, until eight months after the girl left their home in June 1994.

The Jerome couple found out about the incidents earlier this year, when Leroy Bishoff, 37, was arrested. He pleaded guilty to felony lewd conduct and is in state custody. A judge will determine in six months whether Bishoff must serve 10 to 12 years in prison.

In the next three weeks, two other foster children in the Bishoff house were removed and interviewed by Health and Welfare, the Bishoff children were interviewed, the anguished couple came up with a safety plan, and they started getting therapy, said Frannie McMahon, Health and Welfare regional supervisor for permanent planning.

But the horror has been all brought up again since a Times-

News article about Leroy Bishoff's sentencing was published Nov. 11. They have received numerous obscene telephone calls and drive-by taunts since the case was first publicized, they said.

—Associated Press

What to do with a mountain of horse droppings?

POCATELLO, Idaho—Bannock County Fairgrounds Manager Rebecca Satter occasionally has an unusual nightmare.

She wakes up in a cold sweat, dreaming she's drowning in horse manure.

Her dream is not far from the truth. The Bannock County Fairgrounds is full of it. And Satter has no idea what to do with it.

Each month, the fairgrounds generate hundreds of tons of horse manure, mixed with used sawdust from horse stalls. The stalls are rented year-round.

Several years worth of horse-related waste is piled up on a two-acre field adjacent to the fairground office, right where Satter can see it every day. The question of what to do with the growing pile is never far from Satter's mind.

She estimates each horse generates about 280 pound of waste per month. There is a daily average of 30 horses at the fairgrounds. But in summer, with fairs and rodeos, up to 290 horses will be there.

Satter hopes a \$25,000 proposal to build new manure bins will help. She said the Salt Lake County Equestrian Park has bins that discourage people from throwing trash in the manure. That park now generates more than \$10,000 a year in manure sales.

As it stands, Satter can't give enough away. For \$20, any county resident can have a dump truck deliver a load of manure to their home, or they can take it away free if they use their own truck.

—Associated Press



Methamphetamine lab explosion levels motel

BURNS, Ore.—A state hazardous materials team has been sent to Burns to sift through the rubble of a motel destroyed in an explosion at a suspected clandestine methamphetamine laboratory in one of the rooms.

One of two suspects in the case was in serious condition Friday at a Portland hospital, where he was airlifted after being captured.

The guests at the 122-room Motel 6 were evacuated safely. A Burns man made a citizen's arrest of the two men suspected of operating the drug lab a short time after the Thursday blast.

One of the suspects, James Duncan, 26, of Clearfield, Utah, had third-degree burns to his face, arms and hands. He was airlifted to Legacy Emanuel Hospital in Portland, where he was in serious condition today.

The other suspect, Thomas Carter, 25, of Roseburg, had minor burns to his face and eyebrows.

The two were arrested about a half-mile from the motel when they were found in a motor home outside a house.

Carol Taylor, manager of an adjoining motel, said one or more explosions preceded the fire.

"The guy that was in the room next door heard some big bangs and thought they were fighting," she said. "He went back to sleep, and then woke up and smelled smoke."

Police and firefighters awakened motel guests and evacuated the building. Most of the guests managed to grab their belongings.

Randy Fulton, 40, said, "I could tell he had been real close to an explosion," Fulton said. "His face and arms had been burned and it looked like his ears had been melted off. They didn't put up any resistance at all."

—Associated Press



Fort Wayne National Guard members head to Bosnia

FORT WAYNE, Ind.—Local national guard members are preparing to go to Bosnia as part of Operation Joint Endeavor, the United States' peacekeeping mission.

Thirteen local members of the 235th Air Traffic Control Flight of the Indiana

Air National Guard at Fort Wayne International Airport have been called to active duty.

The group is to provide communications and air traffic control equipment and staffing for the mission.

The 13 local members are joining 31 other Air National Guard and active Air Force members who are assembling at the airport for deployment to Europe.

Processing of the group was to begin Saturday night, with departure planned for Monday.

—Associated Press



Dunn, Bunn, Chenoweth plan trip to Bosnia

WASHINGTON—Three Northwest Republicans are among lawmakers traveling to Bosnia on a four-day congressional fact-finding mission.

Reps. Jennifer Dunn of Washington, Jim Bunn of Oregon and Helen Chenoweth of Idaho said they wanted to get a first-hand look at the situation. All three have been skeptical of the need to send U.S. troops there.

"I'm still very skeptical but I want to see the situation for myself," Dunn said Friday, adding she has "grave reservations" about President Clinton's Bosnia policy.

About a dozen lawmakers were expected to leave Saturday, with stops in Italy, Germany, Sarajevo and Tuzla, where many U.S. troops are based. Dunn said she hoped to meet with troops from McChord Air Force Base, near Tacoma, Wash.

"What our troops need now is to know that their country is behind them, even if we don't support the president's ill-conceived mission," Chenoweth said.

Bunn said he was canceling a series of town hall meetings in order to make the trip.

"Because our troops are already on their way to Bosnia, I felt I should take this opportunity to personally examine the situation," Bunn said.

The delegation was being led by Rep. Ron Packard, R-Calif., in coordination with the State Department. Secretary of State Warren Christopher briefed the members on the trip on Thursday.

—Associated Press

Announcements

Find out why Rush Limbaugh is a liberal

"Conservatism and Christianity: Rush is a Liberal," is the topic of the Student Evangelical Fellowship Forum held Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Galena Silver Room of the Student Union. The purpose of the event is to contrast world views. For more information call Matt Gray at 882-8376.

Career Services holds workshops

The UI Career Services Center is offering a workshop called the "Job Search" today at 3:30 p.m. Another workshop on Wednesday called "Marketing Yourself with a Resume and Cover Letter" will be held at 3:30 p.m. A workshop called "Introduction to UI Career Services" held on Friday at 11:30 a.m. For more information call the Career Services at 885-6121.

Quit Smoking

Quit Tobacco group sessions for smokers and chewers will begin in January at the Student Health Center. The 12 sessions will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

in the Student Health Conference Room. The cost to enroll is \$20. For more information call Mary Schwantes at 885-6693.

Gala holiday concert

The UI Lionel Hampton School of Music will present a gala holiday concert Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Gymnasium. The event will be a larger version of popular Jazz Choir and Vandaleer Christmas concert and will be coordinated by UI Professor Dan Bukvich.

The concert will feature the combined forces of 200 university singers, 50 UI instrumentalists, with the voices of 200 grade school students and 100 high school students from area schools. The program will begin and end with special music arranged for this massed ensemble and will include a variety of seasonal works performed by the individual choirs.

Student loan repayment workshop

The Student Financial Aid Services is hosting two special sessions Dec. 13 and 19, to address the topics of grace periods, deferments, consolidation, forbearance, loan forgiveness programs and Federal Direct

Student Loan programs. These sessions will be held from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Borah Theater in the Student Union. For more information contact the Student Loan Office at 885-6760 or the Student Financial Aid Services at 885-6312.

UI Press gets rid of damaged books

The UI Press is holding a damaged book sale Dec. 15, from 8 to 11:30 a.m. in the Brink Hall Faculty Lounge. Slightly dinged and bruised books will be available for \$3 each. For more information call 885-5939.

Women's Center program

On Dec. 13, the UI Women's Center noon programs will present a musical program by the band Bacchanalia, playing original, acoustic, contemporary folk and rock. The event will be in the Student Union Vandal Lounge from 12:30 to 1:20 p.m. The Women's Center plans to schedule more musical noon programs next semester on the last Wednesday of each month. Women's Center programs are open to all members of the community.

Mob hits: few catches

NEW YORK—Barring a legal miracle, John Gotti will spend the rest of his life behind bars for the 1985 murder of Paul Castellano, his predecessor atop the Gambino crime family.

But Castellano's case was an exception; when it comes to mob hits, law enforcers have made few catches.

None of these major Mafia assassinations resulted in a conviction:

- March 15, 1981: Philadelphia boss Phil "Chicken Man" Testa is killed as he returns home by a remote-control bomb planted under his front porch.

- March 21, 1980: Philadelphia boss Angelo Bruno is killed by a shotgun blast while sitting in his car after dinner.

- July 12, 1979: Former Bonanno family underboss Carmine Galante is shot to death while dining at fresco in Brooklyn.

- June 19, 1975: Chicago boss Sam Giancana is gunned down in the basement of his suburban home while cooking sausage and peppers.

- April 8, 1972: Colombo family rebel "Crazy Joey" Gallo is shot to death while celebrating his 43rd birthday with his wife in New York's Little Italy.

- July 1, 1972: A lone gunman kills Genovese boss Thomas "Tommy Ryan" Eboli as he steps into his chauffeur-driven Cadillac in Brooklyn.

—Associated Press

University selects ombudsman to serve staff

Christopher Clancy
Staff

The university ombudsman service, which provides a means of diffusing conflicts within the university, may soon become more comprehensive with the addition of a new position to serve staff members.

The position will be created by a change to the faculty-staff handbook that was recently passed by both Faculty Council and Staff Affairs Committee. Before a new staff member can be hired, however, the measure

must first be forwarded to the university president after review at a meeting of the general faculty Dec. 20.

If accepted at that level, the measure would then pass to the university president and the Board of Regents, said Faculty Ombudsman, Professor David Walker. The final decision should be available sometime during the Spring semester, he said.

In the past the office has helped to mediate staff concerns on a temporary basis with the appointment of Carol Hahn as an interim staff ombudsman in addition to the efforts of

Walker. Until recently, said Walker, there was no provision for a permanent position to deal exclusively with staff concerns.

The change is nearly two years in coming since its proposal by the Staff Affairs Committee.

Budget concerns have often dominated the decision making process, though Walker admits, that's an area handled by administration.

During the past three years demand for ombudsman services has increased. "The second year there was a 40 percent increase and

a slight increase during the third," said Walker.

Walker serves as the Faculty Ombudsman half-time in addition to his teaching duties and research in Agricultural Economics.

"There is a need for a permanent staff position...the caseload hasn't matured yet, but I anticipate we'll be seeing more as word of the office becomes more widespread," said Walker. "It's really uncharted water."

"I think the staff and faculty have put together a workable proposal and I'm hopeful that it can be implemented," said Walker.

Mental illness may boost Li's chance for parole

Mike McNulty
Staff

A family history of mental health problems may alter convicted double murderer Wenkai Li's sentence said defense attorney Michael Henegen.

If Li is treated and cured of a

diagnosed mental ailment, he could get out of jail before his sentence is completed, Henegen said.

"This could be a factor in the consideration for parole," Henegen said in Friday's Moscow-Pullman Daily News. "Which is much more likely in this situation than, for say, a killer for hire."

After Henegen learned Li's mother was diagnosed in China as paranoid schizophrenic he disclosed the information to the court and an ensuing psychological evaluation of the defendant was ordered.

Although Li's mother is dead, there is additional evidence, Henegen said, that the defendant's

grandfather may have had mental treatment as well.

Li pleaded guilty to one count of first-degree murder and one count of second-degree murder for the Memorial Day double slaying of University of Idaho doctoral student Ning Li and his wife Xia Ge. Now 2nd District Judge John Bengtson may consider the defendant's mental condition before imposing a sentence.

In an agreement with the prosecution, Wenkai Li last month entered his guilty pleas just before trial to avoid the death penalty. But

Bengtson can reject the plea agreement which may cancel the two guilty pleas.

After the 1980 assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan, Idaho, along with several other states, ruled out insanity as a criminal defense. But the state's sentencing guidelines state "if the defendant's mental condition is a significant factor" then mental ailments may be considered during the sentencing process.

The consideration of this parameter is essential, Henegen said, to the

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Crime prevention for the holidays

Mike McNulty
Staff

Nobody wants to come back from Christmas break to find someone has stolen all their worldly possessions.

No more car stereo, computer, TV, CD collection or that great little refrigerator that keeps all your beer...er—ah sodas cold.

Life would suck.

So to help prevent such heart-breaking events from occurring, our helpful campus police officer, Corporal Carl Wommack, has prepared a list of tips for students leaving Moscow for the holidays.

• Cars should be parked off the street in a well-lighted parking lot so it is easier to keep an eye on them by the police and the university Nightwatch personnel.

• Nothing of value should be left inside of a vehicle so it can be seen from outside of the vehicle. If it is in view, an unscrupulous person is much more likely to attempt entry into the vehicle. This is usually by breaking a window or causing other damage.

• Secure large items of value such

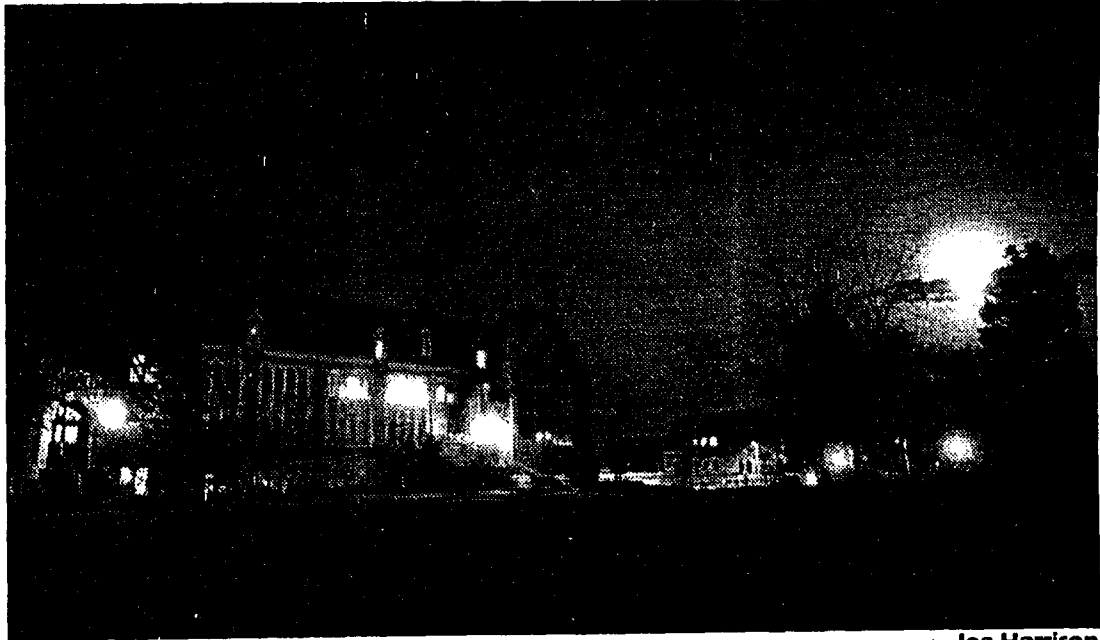
as stereos, televisions and computers in a place to which only you can gain access. This might mean securing them to a table or desk or locking them in a closet for which you have the only key.

• Take small valuables home with you if they can't be locked up inside their room.

If you live off campus, lock your doors and windows and have your favorite neighbors or friends keep an eye out for you.

These are just some ideas for making the return to school less traumatic. Happy break to all.

The calm before the storm, literally



Joa Harrison

Last week's clear air allowed the moon to bathe the campus in light before Saturday's snow.



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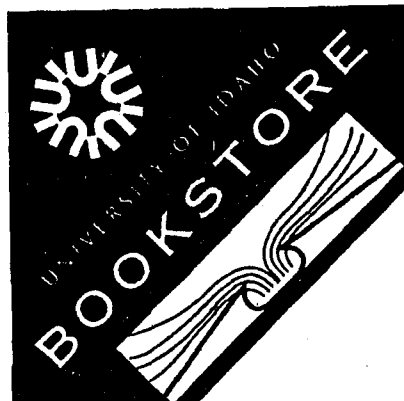
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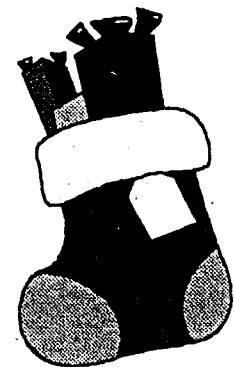
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Fraternity hosts alcohol awareness speaker

Jennifer Eng
Staff

Thursday Delta Tau Delta fraternity hosted an alcohol awareness speaker at the Student Union. Mary Schwantes a registered dietitian for the University of Idaho Student Health Services spoke about the nutritional and health aspects of alcohol.

"We felt it would be a good thing to do. We haven't done anything like that all year," said Delta Tau Delta president, Jeff Chrisman.

Chrisman added, "It's something different, we hear a lot of speakers, but we wanted to get the nutritional point of view; it's something people take for granted."

Schwantes explained to a group

of about 65 assembled members of several Greek affiliations why alcohol is bad for a person from a health care perspective.

"Alcohol destroys the ability to be healthy," said Schwantes.

Schwantes gave the group an Alcohol Quotient test, which measures students' awareness about alcohol and alcohol intelligence.

One of the true/false questions was: "Alcohol drunk quickly results in a higher alcohol blood level than when it is sipped slowly." Schwantes said the statement was true and added that alcohol is absorbed in the stomach if you gulp it. If you sip alcohol it doesn't get into the blood as quickly.

The true/false questions were designed to show students they

don't know everything about alcohol. Including that alcohol has no nutritional value and that carbonated alcoholic beverages intoxicate a person quicker.

The study also outlined the positive benefits of alcohol like the reduction in heart failure by consuming a glass of wine a day.

"It's one of these good news, bad news studies," said Schwantes.

Schwantes said that about one ounce per day is a relatively safe amount of alcohol. But even with this information Schwantes advocates a policy called S.O.S. which stands for Safe level (of alcohol), Outside pressure (avoid peer pressure), and Sobriety.

"Keep in mind alcohol is a dangerous drug," Schwantes said. She

added that students shouldn't have to explain themselves if they opt to not drink.

Schwantes said, "Come back to my S.O.S. Keep in mind what a safe level is and make your own decision."

Schwantes also said, "Sobriety should be the goal."

Adam Hankins of Phi Kappa Tau fraternity who attended the event said, "Alcohol awareness is something good we should all know about."

In addition to the alcohol awareness speaker, the men of Delta Tau Delta also presented GAMMA, Greeks Advocating the Mature Management of Alcohol with a \$100 check.

GTE donates money for incubator computer lab

Jennifer Eng
Staff

A new computer training laboratory, known as the incubator, is getting a boost from GTE. The local company donated a \$10,000 grant, which the University of Idaho matched, to UI on Dec. 6.

JoAnn Mack, GTE manager said,

"We've been a financial supporter of the incubator since its inception in 1990. We're delighted that this latest grant, coupled with a matching \$10,000 contribution from the U of I, will give access not only to more computers but also to software and Internet training, which is so critical to success in our fast-moving world of technology."

The incubator is a joint project of the City of Moscow and the Latah County Economic Development Council board and the facility is owned by UI.

The business incubator was established to help promote small business development in Moscow and Latah county. Currently the incubator serves 13 technology-based companies with office and laboratory space, equipment and software.

With the \$10,000 grant, the incubator will bring computers to the facility and establish full Internet connections and will enable tenants

to learn how to develop pages for the World Wide Web.

Six computers to start with will be up and running for use in the facility by the end of December.

The incubator located on Sweet Avenue provides training to its employees and customers called incubator tenants. These tenants are small businesses in their first few years of operation. These companies range from software development and biotechnology to robotics.

Carole Helm, director of EDC says, the facility is open to the public when classes are not in session

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Widow of only suspect says he was innocent

Associated Press

POST FALLS, Idaho—It wasn't easy growing up the child of George "Ed" Stroisch.

Stan Stroisch was in junior high when the taunting began.

"I would be walking down the street and I'd hear, 'There's that murderer's son,'" said Stroisch, now 22.

"We were tormented all of our lives because of the rumors," said LeeAnne Stroisch, 17. "I grew up thinking I was trash because people put that in my mind."

In 1975, George Stroisch was accused of murdering Rita Marcussen, 20, of Rathdrum woman. A jury found him innocent.

The community did not. The family was threatened, the

children beaten. They were poor; no one would give Stroisch a job. He finally died of a heart attack in August.

Now the family's old wounds have been opened again.

A human skull found in October with two bullet holes was identified as that of Ron Marcussen, the long-missing husband of Rita. Detectives believe the bullets inside the skull matched the type of gun Stroisch had at the time.

That convinced authorities that the elder Stroisch killed the couple 20 years ago. Three weeks ago, the sheriff's department officially closed the old murder investigation.

Now his children struggle to rec-

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Humane Society forced to put down unwanted pets



Janet Birdsall
Staff

For the first time in 19 years, the Humane Society of the Palouse is having to euthanize healthy dogs.

"There aren't enough homes for them," said Mary Dey, a member of the Humane Society's Board of Trustees. "We don't want to euthanize them."

When the kennels are full, animals are placed on a waiting list to get in, said Manager Bill Clark. There are about 75 dogs on the waiting list, he said.

"We've got so many dogs on the waiting list and only so much space," Clark said. The shelter has room for 20 dogs, but "I've had as many as 28," he said.

"When I have to euthanize a dog, I sit down with the staff and discuss each and every dog" to decide which one must go, Clark said.

Nationally, about 15 million healthy dogs are euthanized in an average year, he said. Until this year, the Moscow Humane Society did not have to euthanize any healthy, adoptable dogs. "It's coming to that," he said.

"On the positive side, we've adopted out more animals this year than ever," said Dey.

As of Friday, 378 cats and 232 dogs have been adopted from the Humane Society this year.

The shelter is run by the City of Moscow, and serves as the city's animal pound. When new dogs come in, they are held 10 days for observation, even if they appear to be healthy. "I watch them very closely," Clark said.

Some dogs have behavioral problems which can be overcome by socialization. Some dogs come in sick. "We get 'em up and healthy and adopt them out," he said.

During the day, most of the dogs go outdoors in covered runs. At night, the dogs are brought inside and put in kennels. When the pound is full, sometimes two dogs are put together in kennels, Clark said.

Besides dogs and cats, the pound has one guinea pig, one ferret, and one iguana for adoption. They also maintain a lost and found pet list, as well as the lists of pets waiting to enter the shelter.

Adoption fees are \$26 for those up to six months old, and \$37 for those older than six months. The cost is less for the younger animals because they are too young to be spayed or neutered, Clark said.

The older animals are spayed or neutered before they are adopted out. "We have a very strict spay and neutering program," Clark said. The fees help cover those costs, as well as the costs of vaccination.

Medical experts try to prevent Ebola outbreak in Liberia

Associated Press

TABOU, Ivory Coast—Medical experts were trying to secure safe passage through war-ravaged Liberia on Sunday to search for possible victims of Ebola, the deadly virus found in a Liberian refugee in Ivory Coast.

The refugee was isolated in a clinic in the village of Gozon and was expected to recover, said the police chief in charge of the Tabou region, Col. Mombo Dosso.

Dosso identified him as 25-year-old Jaster Chea, who fell ill in his Liberian village and crossed the border on foot with his wife to seek treatment. They arrived about two weeks ago in the crowded refugee city of Nero, 20 kilometers (12 miles) from the Liberian border, and two days later Chea went to the clinic in the adjacent village, Gozon.

Doctors initially treated him for cholera,

but when the symptoms persisted he was isolated and blood samples were sent to medical laboratories for tests. Ebola, a virus that kills 80 percent of its victims, was diagnosed and announced Friday by the World Health Organization.

The announcement came just four months after an Ebola outbreak in Zaire was declared over. That outbreak, which started in May, afflicted 315 people in the Zaire city of Kikwit and killed 244 of them.

Ebola was first identified in Zaire in 1976, and experts do not know its cause or cure. Symptoms include vomiting, diarrhea, and fever, making it difficult to tell from the diseases such as malaria and cholera, which are frequently found in Africa. It is easily spread through bodily contact, and death occurs within days.

Dosso said Chea's wife and several med-

ical personnel who treated Chea were under observation, but none has exhibited Ebola symptoms. However, Chea told medical workers that another man in his Liberian village had the same symptoms as he did and stayed behind.

Ivorian government officials were trying to arrange for a French medical team from the Pasteur Institute and WHO to go to the village and investigate, said Dosso. Meanwhile, he said the border had been closed as a precaution.

But Dosso also acknowledged it was almost impossible to prevent all cross-border traffic because of the porous frontier, which snakes for nearly 500 kilometers (310 miles) from the Atlantic Ocean north through thick bush.

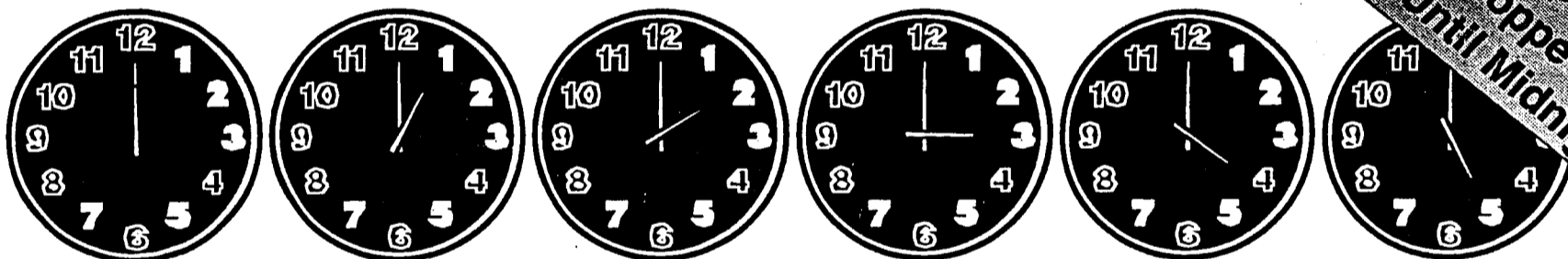
The United Nations estimates that 350,000 Liberians entered Ivory Coast from Liberia to

escape their country's six-year civil war, and virtually all of them live in the coastal city of Tabou and nearby villages.

While the war officially ended Sept. 1 after the signing of a peace accord, the Liberian countryside remains a tense battleground for thousands of young rebels who have yet to be disarmed.

For that reason, it was necessary to negotiate with rebel leaders to ensure safe passage for the French team, Dosso said. It was not known when passage could be arranged, but if the doctors enter Liberia they will face a difficult task trying to track potential Ebola victims.

Because of the war, people living in the countryside have fled their villages and often live nomadic lives in search of food, water and secure shelter.

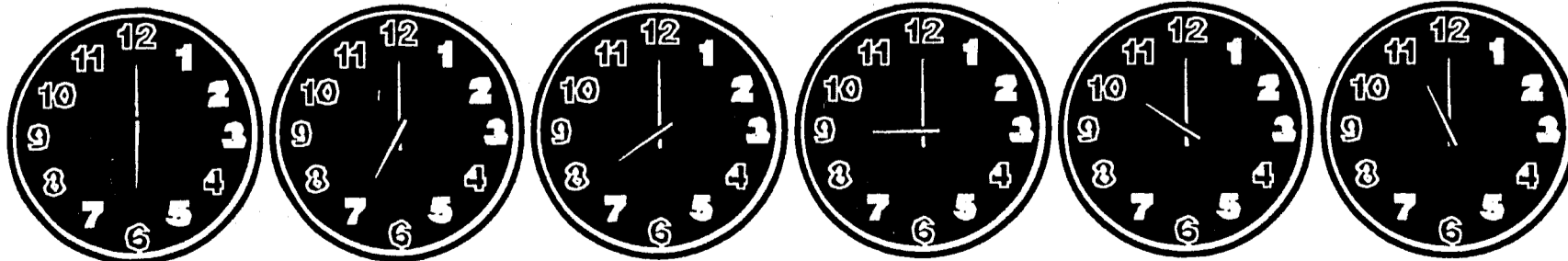


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Clinton vows to preserve guarantee to health care

Associated Press
 WASHINGTON—Pushing his latest balanced-budget plan as the right choice, President Clinton today promised to veto GOP-sponsored Medicaid cuts that he says would cost millions of children access to needed health care.

"That is unacceptable in a country that cares about its children," he said in his weekly radio address. "And I will not permit it to happen."

Clinton said the Republican budget, which proposes to cut \$163 billion from Medicaid

over seven years, would repeal the federal guarantee of health care for 8 million people, including poor kids, people with disabilities, pregnant women, older Americans, veterans and people with AIDS.

On Wednesday, he vetoed Congress' seven-year plan for balancing the budget "through wrongheaded cuts and misplaced priorities" on grounds that it squeezed too much money from the Medicare and Medicaid programs for older Americans and the poor, respectively.

Clinton then offered a seven-year budget

formula of his own, which he says balances the budget in the time frame the GOP insists on, but with less pain. His proposed Medicaid cuts amount to about a third of what Republicans are seeking.

"My seven-year balanced budget plan trims Medicaid and keeps costs down. It cuts federal spending, lets states be more efficient, targets the money more wisely," Clinton said, repeating his veto pledge. "But it doesn't end the guarantee of health care for millions of Americans who depend upon it now."

In a joint Republican response, Sen. Don Nickles of Oklahoma and Rep. John Boehner of Ohio said Clinton's plan relies on higher taxes and excessive spending and does not achieve true balance.

"Despite what he promised, it seems the president just can't deliver, can't live with slowing the growth of Washington spending enough to honestly balance the budget,"

Boehner said.

Nickles said the vetoed GOP plan would have eliminated income taxes for 3.5 million low-income families "but the president said no."

Congressional Republicans negotiating a budget agreement with Clinton bristled at his promise Friday to kill any plan that revokes the 30-year-old guarantee of Medicaid coverage for the poor and disabled.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., said Clinton's insistence that the responsibility for the Medicaid program not be shifted to the states could hamper ongoing budget talks because the nation's 30 Republican governors strongly favor the change.

Republicans would achieve their Medicaid savings by giving states set amounts of money and the right to set benefit levels and determine eligibility. Low-income pregnant

• SEE CLINTON PAGE 8

Discover something new in a book



Jared Smith

The UI Press is holding their annual book sale in Brink Hall Room 16 Dec. 1 through Dec. 29.

Landfill successfully reclaimed

Associated Press

RUPERT, Idaho—A 100 acre junk pile that was once the Minidoka County Landfill has been successfully reclaimed over the past two years, and today it looks nothing like it once did.

The old dump has been replaced by a solid waste transfer station and is now covered over, fenced in and reseeded.

It looks the same as the brushy fields surrounding it.

Federal environmental regulations forced the closure of all unlined landfills, and Minidoka County is one of the first in southern Idaho to be completely reclaimed, said Jewel Naffziger, environmental health specialist for the South Central District Health Department.

A common practice at the old landfill was burning the garbage, which hurt air quality in the area, she said. Another problem with unlined landfills in general is liquids leaching out of the junk and contaminating the groundwater.

At the new transfer station, the garbage is collected, sorted and hauled to a lined landfill at Milner Butte, southwest of Burley, operated by the Southern Idaho Solid Waste District. The change has eliminated the air quality problem related to burning and

though leaching could still occur around the old landfill, steps have been taken to mitigate that problem in the reclamation plan, Naffziger said.

Monitoring wells were put in as part of that plan, and those wells along with the entire site will be surveyed and monitored for the next 20 years, she said.

"We will know if we have a problem with leaching into groundwater or surface water," Naffziger said.

Closing an old landfill is no simple task. Naffziger said specific plans for every step in the process had to be written and approved by several state and federal officials before the work could start.

The reclamation plan was broken down into nine sections. First was initial closure procedures, which included security, site inspections and surveying. The second section was design, which included grading design, final cover and drainage design, and the third section included soil cover installation and drain ditch construction for erosion control. All of that was followed by a final construction inspection to check elevation, compaction, thickness of cover, permeability and integrity. The plan further includes water management, revegetation, fencing, fire control and mapping.



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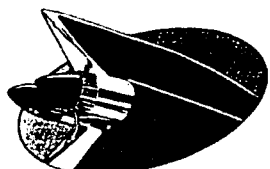
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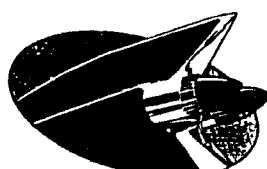
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Crosby's grandson enrolls at Gonzaga University

Associated Press

SPOKANE, Wash.—Kevin Crosby doesn't remember Grandpa Bing.

He's never seen Bing sing "White Christmas" in the movie "Holiday Inn." He was only 6 when Bing Crosby died.

But Kevin, now 25, is learning more about his grandfather since he enrolled at Gonzaga University this year and discovered the school's huge collection of Crosby memorabilia.

Bing Crosby studied pre-law at Gonzaga in the early 1920s. He left the university without a degree in 1924 to pursue his entertainment career.

"It's almost overwhelming at times to see what impact he had," said Kevin Crosby, a native of Los Angeles.

Crosby doesn't much resemble his grandfather, although he does have that deep, easy voice that made the great crooner famous.

Bing Crosby was born in Tacoma and raised in Spokane, the fourth son in his family. Bing had four boys by his first marriage. The youngest was Kevin Crosby's father, Lindsay.

Like Bing and Lindsay, Kevin Crosby is the fourth son in his family. He came to Gonzaga because he wanted to attend a small university, and because of his grandfather's history at the school.

He agreed to an interview in the Crosby memorabilia room of the Crosby Student Center on campus, but on the condition that family problems would not be discussed.

Around him were portraits, gold records and awards, including the Oscar Bing won for his role in the 1944 film, "Going My Way."

The building was dedicated in 1957 as the Crosby Library after Bing Crosby put on a television special to raise money for the library. A bronze statue of Bing stands outside the front door.

The Crosby Library was turned into the student center when a new library opened several years ago.

The Crosbyana Room, as it is called, contains a small portion of the singer's memorabilia at Gonzaga.

It's a little-known tourist attraction in Spokane. In the past year, more than 2,000 visitors from all 50 states and 23 countries signed the guest book.

Many of the 24,000 items in Gonzaga's Crosby collection are kept in archives, including Bing's toupees, which are not displayed because Crosby's widow objected.

Kevin Crosby works part-time at the library, so he has access to the full collection. He said he was surprised at the variety of memorabilia such as fan scrapbooks and movie scripts.

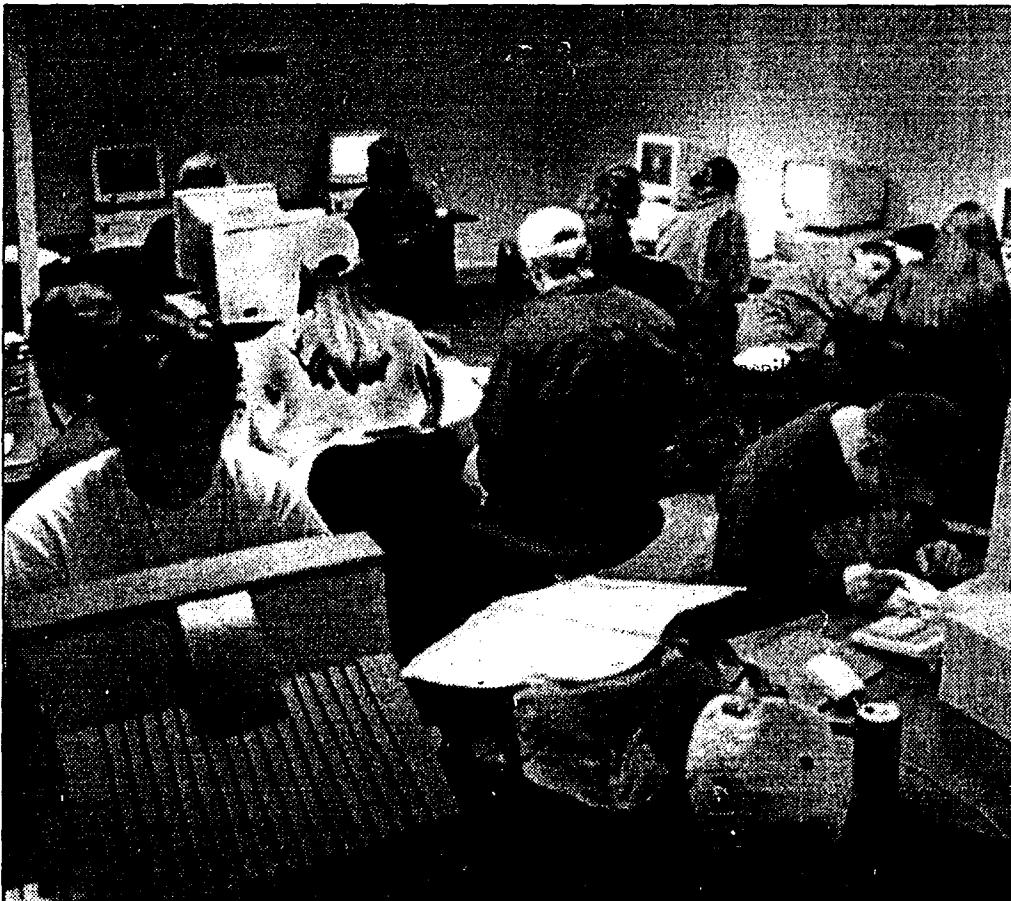
Crosby is majoring in exercise science, and hopes to earn a master's degree in physical therapy.

Crosby graduated from a Catholic high school in Sherman Oaks, Calif., in 1989, the same year his father committed suicide. He took a couple of years off from school to cope with his father's death, and then went to community colleges before transferring to Gonzaga.

With final exams coming up, Crosby said he's never worked so hard at school, and he's looking forward to returning to Southern California for the holidays.

"I'm dreaming of a sandy, sunny Christmas," he said.

If we only had more RAM!



Joa Harrison

As finals approach, the computer labs are becoming very congested. During peak hours it is uncommon to find an open computer without waiting in line.

IACURH • FROM PAGE 1

Regional Advisor. This is the person who oversees all the schools in the regions for their residence hall programs.

Karie Gossage, Mosher and Stetson were also awarded three-year pins for their years of ser-

vice and commitment to the residence halls.

Having enough money to send this year's delegates became an issue this fall when the ASUI denied a funding request from the residents. Delegates came up

with their own funding from the RHA budget as well as several other sources.

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SUSPECT •FROM PAGE 4

oncile the father they loved with the killer a community condemns.

"It completely turned our worlds upside down," said Catherine Stroisch, his widow. "He's dead. They can't hurt him any more, but they can make our lives a living hell."

Stroisch, her two sons and her daughter's child now live in a Post Falls mobile home stuffed with worn couches, chairs and the remnants of George Stroisch's life.

Stroisch was raised in Montana. His rap sheet lays the outline for his life: Petty larceny, forgery, AWOL from the military. He was on his third marriage in 1961 when he was convicted of robbing and molesting a 17-year-old girl in Nebraska.

He met Catherine there after serving a prison term.

They got engaged, but after a year, Stroisch was behind bars in Montana. He'd hidden in a woman's closet, taped her mouth shut, and beat her with a tire iron.

In 1966, he went to prison for the beating and broke off the engagement.

Stroisch wrote to Catherine when he was paroled in 1969. "He had fallen in love with me, head over

heels," she said. They were married in 1970.

The family moved to Post Falls, where Stroisch got a job at Boise-Cascade. He met Ron Marcussen and his wife, Rita.

Authorities believe Stroisch was the last person to see the couple alive, on Nov. 19, 1973.

Rita Marcussen's remains were found later east of Athol, Idaho, but Ron's were not.

Stroisch first was charged with auto theft after being spotted towing the missing couple's car. He was convicted for being a felon found with guns and served two years in prison.

Then prosecutors charged him with Rita Marcussen's murder.

Jerry James, the case investigator, thinks Stroisch was a stalker obsessed with Rita Marcussen. Stroisch lured the couple to the woods and killed them, the detective believes.

Stroisch told detectives he was hunting to feed his family. The jury found him innocent.

Gary Haman, the prosecutor at the time, believes the fact that Ron Marcussen's body was missing gave the jury reasonable doubt. It was possible Ron killed his wife and fled.

CLINTON •FROM PAGE 6

women, children aged 12 and under and people with disabilities would still have to be covered.

Clinton acknowledged the need to reduce the deficit, saying it was a burden on future generations. "But so is the neglect of our children. And we do not have to sacrifice our children to balance the budget," he said.

To dramatize his point, Clinton talked about Franklin and Denise Striggles of Forestville, Md. The couple has health insurance from Striggles' job as a security guard, but depend on Medicaid to help care for their 7-year-old son, Angelo, who has spinabifida and uses a wheelchair.

Clinton said the "blunt reality" is

that up to 4 million children—possibly including Angelo—will be denied needed medical care if the GOP's Medicaid cuts take effect.

"So I'll say once more: If necessary, I'll veto these deep cuts in health care for children again and again and again. I'll do it because they are not necessary to balance the budget," he said.

LAB •FROM PAGE 4

and offers employment opportunities to students.

Businesses starting out at the incubator hire students for part-time jobs, intern positions and future careers.

Helm said, "Everybody is really excited about the project." Helm also said it's a great project which

will benefit the community.

The incubator assists new companies to overcome obstacles they meet up with in their first few years. Tenants have grown out of UI technology programs in chemistry, engineering, microelectronics, computer science, software programming, biochemistry and

others.

Mack said support of the computer lab fits well with GTE's strategy to help small businesses in its service area grow and strengthen local economies through job creation.

GTE has invested more than \$500,000 in economic development in the Northwest since 1990.

LI •FROM PAGE 3

outcome of Li's parole chances.

If Wenkai Li were found by doctors to have a mental illness, he would undergo treatment in jail, Latah County Prosecutor Bill Thompson said. Although the court probably will not reduce Li's jail sentence, Thompson said, a parole board's decision would be affected if he is cured of an illness.

Although Li has already entered his plea, some of the victim's relatives are still in Moscow asking for the pleas to be overturned and the death penalty imposed.

In a written appeal to the Moscow community and Judge Bengtson, the victim's families said they were in favor of settling the trial in a plea bargain in order

to save time and money, but hope that easy settlement does not come at the expense of justice.

"The resulting sentence should be set with consideration of the brutality, cruelty, and premeditation involved," wrote the families. "The plea bargain should also address the rights of the victims and their families."

LINES •FROM PAGE 1

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reached during the holiday semester break. Students would be notified of their selection by mail on or before Jan. 5, 1996.

"The program has been done at a few other universities," said Sutton. "We have every reason to believe

that it's going to go of without a hitch." Sutton maintained that students need to have a deposit slip of some sort with their account number if they are planning on attending the direct deposit meeting on Wednesday.

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'Hour of Power' speaker urges delayed gratification

Associated Press

BOISE—Robert Schuller, the *Hour of Power* preacher of positivism, wields impact.

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It all came to the Boise State University campus Friday night, as Schuller ticked off his list for a fulfilled life.

"You set a goal; develop plans," he told an audience of 450. "Don't be afraid of failure. You know somehow, you can pull it off."

His message went straight to Malia Kaltenbach.

Kaltenbach, 35, Boise, went through surgery for a brain tumor in the last year. She nearly lost her sight and faced memory loss and depression.

"He looks at the glass being half full instead of half empty," she said. "It gives me hope. It's still tough."

Schuller uses the word "tough" a lot—as in "Tough times don't last but tough people do."

He's a bulldozer of positive energy, shoving obstacles out of the way with quick, short one-liners.

"I'm a great believer in success," he said. "What's the option?"

But success requires help from other people, and time. His dream of preaching and establishing a church took 40 years.

"I don't know how to do it in a hurry," he said. "I don't know how to do it without helping people."

Schuller is one of the world's most-seen preachers. He has done 1,352 weekly shows, beamed from the Crystal Cathedral in California to a worldwide audience of 20 million.

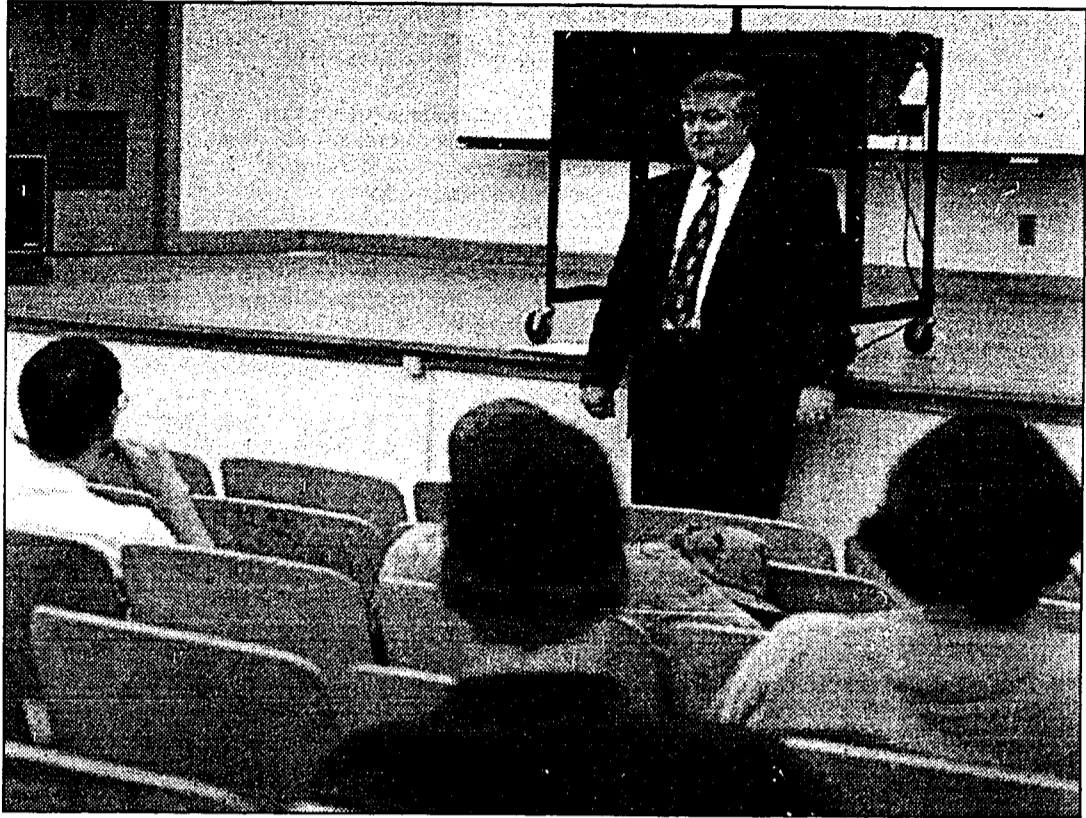
To a society hooked on instant everything, Schuller preaches delayed gratification. It builds character, he said.

"There is a price for anything that's nice."

Breaking into a familiar smile, Schuller leveled his goal sights on the future.

"Tomorrow has never happened before," he said. "I'm going to make it different."

Say goodbye to accreditation, Boise



Bush Houston

Dean Jacobsen explains the current situation with the Boise engineering school transfer Thursday in Janssen Engineering Building.

Bat killers ignore cave closures

Associated Press

SHOSHONE, Idaho—About a fifth of the caves in northern Gooding and Shoshone counties have been closed for the winter to protect hibernating bats, but not everyone has gotten the message.

"So far, we've had seven documented violations," said Monty White, a Shoshone-based law enforcement ranger with the Bureau of Land Management.

Closure signs have been torn down, and some of the caves appear to have been entered, White said.

Bureau officials cannot say how much, if any, vandalism has occurred in the caves because they are respecting the cave closure.

Bats are the No. 1 consumer of southern Idaho's nocturnal insects, said Paula Perletti, who heads the local Bureau of Land Management bat program.

To make life easier for hibernating bats, 10 caverns were closed more than a month ago.

Enforcement did not begin until Nov. 26, White said. The closure is scheduled to end May 1, but it will be lifted if there is a warm, early spring.

If violations persist, the agency may be forced to install gates across the cavern mouths.

Three of the caves already have gates to protect human safety and outstanding geological resources.

The idea behind the closure is to protect bats—not disappoint people, Perletti said. Idaho's cave exploration groups are in agreement.

Only a couple of the affected caves are well known. The lava fields north of Gooding and Shoshone are honey-combed with caves. Some of the caverns in the porous basalt extend for more than a mile. The caves are a magnet for spelunkers, but they also draw vandals.

Only about 300 bats are left in the closed caves. One cave only has a pair of bats, while another cave has four—of the 10 affected caves, only one has more than 100 bats. Overall, local bat populations are estimated to be down 60 percent from the late 1980s, Perletti said.

FINAL EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

FALL 1995-96

Regular classrooms will be used for the exam unless instructors make special arrangements through the Registrar's Office. In order to avoid conflicts, rooms must be reserved in the Registrar's Office for "common final" exams. Instructors will announce to their classes rooms to be used for all sectioned classes having common final exams. No quizzes or exams shall be given in lecture-recitation periods during the week before the final examination week. Exams in lab periods and in physical education activity classes, final in-class essays in English composition classes, and final oral presentations in speech classes are permitted that week. Announcements of time and room should be made by the instructor for all exams. Instructors must meet their classes during the exam period for which they are scheduled in the final exam week, either for an exam or a final class session. Instructors may deviate from the approved schedule only upon recommendation of the college dean and prior approval of the provost.

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Army Corps gives up on dam work until next fall

Associated Press
LEWISTON—The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will wait until things calm down next summer before trying to fix the leaks in Dworshak Dam's basement.

Gary Willard, the Walla Walla District construction division chief, has notified the project contractor, Christian Boyles Corp., that work has halted.

The high water from rain and snow that pumped Dworshak Reservoir's level up 38 feet since Nov. 1 complicated the project. Instead of drawing down the reservoir, the corps will just wait until the end of next summer to resume.

Workers were drilling and pumping cement grout into cracks in the bedrock beneath the dam.

Everett Wright, the district's dam safety section chief, said the work was complicated by the higher water and discoveries during the course of this fall's effort.

The corps had considered drawing the reservoir down again, but with the spring runoff season closing in, the lost work time put it on too tight of a deadline, Wright said.

"Time and Mother Nature kind of caught up with us," Wright said.

Wright said the dam's status remains the same: its safety is not in question.

"At this time there's no problem at all with handling the water we have in there now," Willard said.

The work that began Nov. 1 was more complicated than originally thought. Rather than simply injecting the grout to seal the cracks, the corps will have to add sand, fibers and chemicals to accelerate its hardening.

There are more connections between the fractures in the rock than original tests indicated, Willard said.

Wright estimated the amount of water flow-

ing from the cracks into the dam from drain holes totaled about 2,000 gallons a minute. The higher the reservoir level, the more water from the cracks because of the water pressure.

The Idaho Fish and Game Department wants a say in when the water will be drawn out of Dworshak next fall, said Steve Pettit, the department's steelhead migration expert.

Too much water drafted at the wrong time could drown out a Clearwater River steelhead season next fall that shows early promise of being the best in several years, Pettit said.

Dicks suggests buying back some old-growth trees

Associated Press
TACOMA—The federal government ought to try to buy back some of the stands of old-growth timber it sold to private companies for logging, U.S. Rep. Norm Dicks says.

Dicks and the Clinton administration are trying to find \$50 million in the federal budget to buy some of the timber before it's cut.

With that much money, it might be possible to spare up to one-third of the ancient trees scheduled for harvest from national forests, he said Friday.

Dicks, D-Wash., also has asked the U.S. Forest Service to find stands of second-

growth trees that could be swapped for old growth.

"Some of these...old-growth sales are truly sensitive," he said.

Although he voted for legislation that reopened the Northwest's old-growth forests to logging, Dicks said he has environmental concerns about some of the timber sales.

Among those sales is one near Hood Canal on the Olympic Peninsula where biologists believe marbled murrelets, a rare species of shore birds, build their nests, he said.

Much of the region's old-growth forests had been set aside in reserves by the Clinton

administration to protect habitat for spotted owls, salmon and other wildlife.

But this year, Congress enacted a provision to speed up salvage logging of burned and diseased trees. The measure also directs the Forest Service to release old-growth timber sales that had been delayed for environmental review.

"Congress swapped endangered species and ancient forest protection for a quick corporate buck," said Michael Howell, a member of Earth First! who was part of a brief protest outside Dicks' Tacoma office on Friday.

Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., supports the

provision and contends it will be a badly needed boost for timber towns.

Rep. Elizabeth Furse, D-Ore., has said she will offer a bill to repeal the logging provision.

Dicks said he supports the portions of the measure that advance salvage logging. Buybacks, swaps and a voluntary effort by timber companies to protect sensitive areas might be sufficient, he said.

Northwest Forestry Association Mike Beard said it's in the best interest of the timber industry to treat the environment well, but he wasn't keen on the idea of buybacks.

Conservative groups gain strength at Washington State

Associated Press
PULLMAN—Conservative groups have gained new attention at Washington State University this year, in part because of a fight against granting official status to a homosexual group.

This week's granting of official status to the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Association ended a one-month

fight by conservatives who opposed the move.

Still, the battle "brought conservative students out of the woodwork," said John Musella, a member of the student Senate.

WSU's College Republicans group was near dead last year, according to the group's current president, Craig Bowling.

A reorganized chapter he formed in October has more than 30 members, he said.

Bowling is tired of liberal students having the upper hand with student government.

The "straw that broke the camel's back," he said, was when the Associated Students of WSU this year appropriated \$300 of student

money to operate a phone bank to protest cuts in federal financial aid programs.

Students could only call Republican congressmen, he said.

The College Republicans set up a booth in the student union building to counteract the "propaganda," Bowling said.

The College Republicans is the

only conservative political group on campus, according to Bowling. But several religious student groups have a presence, including an anti-abortion group.


The Campus Christian Fellowship has doubled membership since last year, according to member Janice Newlon. About 200 students regularly attend meetings, many from the nearby University of Idaho, she said. They also opposed the recognition of the homosexual group.

The debate over the homosexual group brought more than 200 people to a public hearing.

It was "the first time I'd seen any students weighing in on any issue we were talking about," said student Sen. Neil Walker. "We never get more than 100 people at any of our meetings."

Musella said many students and community members argued against homosexuality on religious grounds.

He believes the religious tone of opponents hurt his cause. He thinks some senators who might have voted against GLBA recognition changed their position after hearing the strident tone of many of the speakers.



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More bighorns rounded up to battle disease

Associated Press

LEWISTON—The Washington Fish and Wildlife Department is asking a crew of New Zealand netgunners to return for another wild sheep rescue after biologists spotted 16 more bighorns along the Snake River breaks.

Several of the sheep south of Asotin, Wash., appeared sick when spotted during a helicopter survey Wednesday, either coughing or lethargic, indicating an epidemic of bacterial pneumonia is still in progress.

A subsequent flight of the Snake and Grand Ronde river breaks Thursday led experts to believe the outbreak remained confined to the 17 miles of Snake shoreline from the Grand Ronde north.

Fish and Wildlife spokeswoman Madonna Luers said Helicopter Wildlife Management promised to send a crew back to the Snake.

The Foundation for North American Wild

Sheep committed \$20,000 to pay for the roundup last weekend. The conservation group promised to help pay for the next round as well, Luers said.

All of the 58 bighorns rounded up last weekend are still alive at the Idaho Fish and Game Department's Wildlife Research Laboratory at Caldwell.

David Hunter, the department's wildlife veterinarian, originally estimated as many 40 percent could die during the roundup or the trip south in horse trailers.

The survival far exceeds expectations, said Lloyd Oldenburg, Fish and Game's bighorn specialist.

"I don't know why it's worked out this way. Whatever we did worked."

The tests to determine which bacteria are responsible for the outbreak will not be back until next week, he added. At least two dozen bighorns are known to have died during the outbreak, as much as a quarter of the original herd.

Unemployed mechanic charged with murder, arson

Associated Press

NEW YORK—An unemployed mechanic upset because his wife jilted him faces murder and arson charges in the fire that killed a Queens firefighter in October.

Fire Commissioner Howard Safir said Moses Antonio Blandon, 27, told marshals he set the Oct. 8 fire by tossing a match on the bed in his Long Island City apartment. He told investigators that at the time, he was depressed because his wife left him.

Blandon, a native of Nicaragua, said he tried to smother the fire. When he couldn't, he closed the bedroom door and left the apartment without reporting the blaze, Safir said on Sunday.

"This resulted in the death of a hero," the

commissioner told reporters. "This is a horrific crime and we're going to prosecute him to the fullest extent of the law."

The fire spread throughout the top floors of the building on 36th Avenue.

Firefighter Peter McLaughlin, 31, of Mattituck, was killed while searching for residents in the burning building. A former Marine, McLaughlin had been a firefighter for seven years.

He was the third firefighter killed on the job this year.

Safir said Blandon was charged with first and second-degree arson and second-degree murder, which carry maximum sentences of up to 25 years to life in prison.

Man gets custody of third child

Associated Press

BOISE—The three children who survived an attack by their grandmother that claimed the life of 5-year-old Ashley McQuillan will stay together, with the father of two of them.

Phillip McQuillan on Friday was awarded temporary custody of 10-month-old Sean Mathew. That situation will be reviewed in six months, Magistrate Patricia Flanagan ruled.

The children's grandmother, Susan Kathleen Stovern, 42, is accused of murdering Ashley on Thanksgiving Day. The woman, grandmother to all four children, was caring for them. Stovern was granted guardianship of Christopher in October, 1991, and of Alexandria last June.

Besides the first-degree murder charge, Stovern faces three counts of attempted murder. Authorities said Ashley was suffocated and traces of Valium were found in all three children.

Stovern was being held in the Ada County jail pending a preliminary hearing. A hearing was scheduled during the week but was postponed to give an attorney more time to

prepare for the case.

Earlier in the week, McQuillan, who lives in Florida, was awarded custody of his children, Alexandria, 3, and Christopher Michael, 4. McQuillan is not the father of Sean.

McQuillan, 25, a forklift operator, and his wife, Tina, live in Kissimmee, Fla. Flanagan in granting custody of the two other children to McQuillan, said he had steady employment and living circumstances in Florida.

Roy Cordingley of Boise, the four children's grandfather, sought custody of Sean Mathew. He said he was disappointed but philosophical over the judge's ruling.

"What's done is done," he said.

Flanagan said the children's mother, Jennifer Cordingley, 24, Boise, did not oppose her ex-husband receiving custody. The judge ruled that the mother "poses a threat to the physical well-being of the children" and ordered that she should not have direct contact with the children except under supervision.

Neither the order nor the court file in the case elaborated.

Alleged bank robber slept in coffin

Associated Press

SPOKANE—Federal agents say a man who killed himself after robbing a bank slept in a handmade coffin in a house he shared with a bank teller friend.

FBI agents who searched the pair's home spotted the coffin and rope nooses hanging from the ceiling of the bedroom of John Wayne Carter, 19.

"There also were numerous knives and a clothed skeleton, with a gun strapped on, propped up in the corner," said FBI supervisor Jeffrey John.

"It was kind of a weird scene in that bedroom," John said Friday.

Carter lived with Anthony B. Maze, 20, a

teller at First Interstate Bank.

The son of a federal prosecutor in Guam, Maze is in jail on charges of bank embezzlement and theft. A court hearing will be held next week.

In a scheme that FBI agents say was hatched by the two men, Carter robbed the bank's drive-through window where Maze was working on Wednesday afternoon.

After speeding away, Carter shot himself in the head just a few blocks away as police attempted to arrest him.

Maze told the FBI that \$4,635 was stolen in the holdup. But police and FBI agents only found \$2,635 in Carter's pickup. They contend Maze embezzled the rest of the money.

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'Conservative' can be a good thing

Some students who attend universities come to think of themselves—especially students of the liberal arts—as being on the cutting edge of the avant-garde, taking the initiative in enlightening the masses about the ignorances and the prejudices all of us apparently unenlightened people hold.

Fine. I don't mind being enlightened.

I do resent it when these "self"-styled leaders of a new—often "self"-promoting—awareness (sometimes termed "cultural awareness" to make it sound "self"-legitimizing) think I am somehow ignorant or prejudiced when I don't buy into their new theories of ontology. I believe it's a bunch of "self"-ish malarkey.

Such is the case with the recent controversy over photos put up in the music building to promote a senior recital by Ryan Gibler.

Gibler used copies of photos which, according to the article in last Friday's Argonaut, included the famous picture of a little Vietnamese girl running down a road, barefoot and naked, after her village was bombed during the Vietnam war. What viewers don't see is her back: it's covered with burns suffered during the bombing attack.

Another photo shows a crushed wagon lying in a street next to the covered body of a boy killed by an automobile.

Yet another photo shows the victim of a gunshot wound suffered during a riot.

Do these photos have anything at all to do with Gibler's recital? He admits they do not.

Rather, he says, he put up the photos to create interest in his recital, to shock people into attending his recital and to see what the reaction of the music department would be.

"There's a heavy cloud of judgment over that department, and people are imposing their conservative ways on everyone," Gibler said. "Someone needed to open things up and say something."

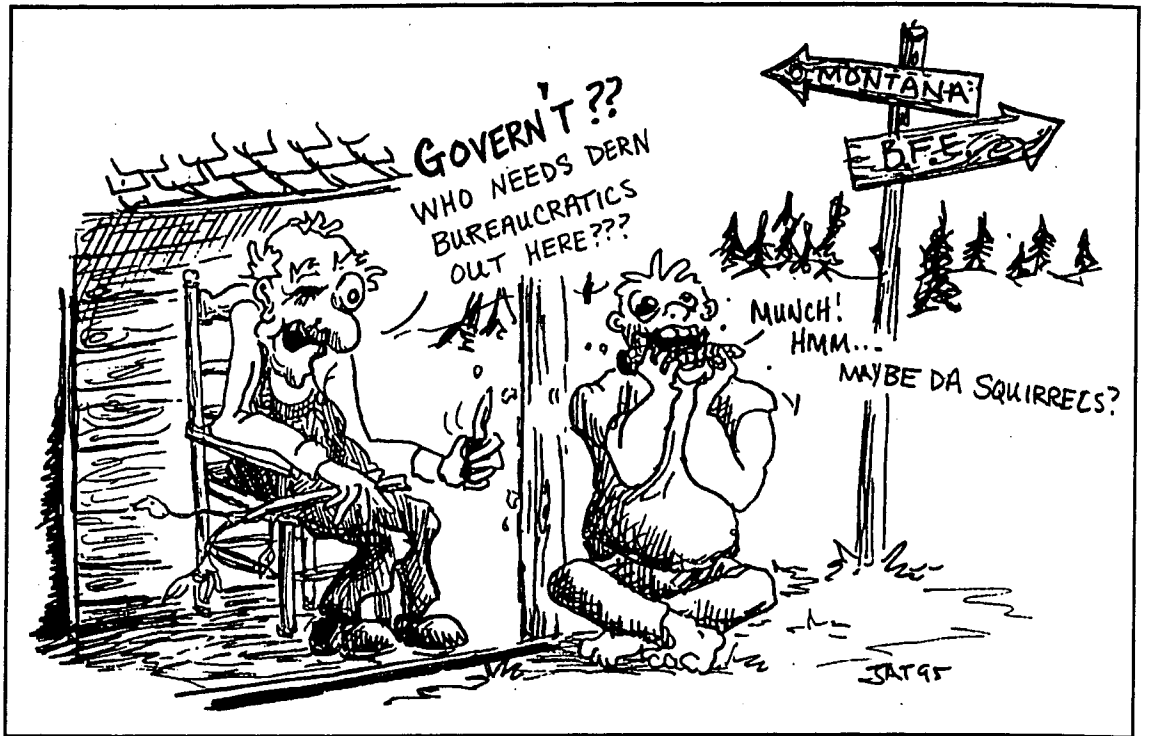
What exactly is he saying? That we should capitalize on other people's suffering in order to promote ourselves? Or to throw doubt on other people's belief systems?

Did Gibler think about the suffering of the family of the little boy run over by a car? Do they deserve to have the memory of their little boy desecrated by self-promotion?

Did Gibler think about the suffering of the Vietnamese girl, whom, if memory serves me, was also orphaned during the war, before he began his campaign to shock people into attending his recital?

Did Gibler think about the pain the victim of the gunshot wound was suffering?

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Dear Boys: Take it like a man

Finals. Time to start paying for all of those three-day weekends I garnered throughout the semester. During this pre-Armageddon week I have resigned myself to actual studying. I am sacrificing Thursday, Friday even Saturday nights in pursuit of my education. Or more likely, in pursuit of a passing grade.

I realize I'm not the only one feeling the push this time of year; we're all hunkering down over those dry texts. We drive ourselves to caffeine, headaches and fatigue. And since none of us are going to get a good night's sleep at this point, I offer the next best thing: humor.

Some of my columns have been serious, addressing topics I feel are important. Some of them (if you bothered to read them, not just pick the caustic parts out of context) have also been quite funny.

What most of them have in common is this: when I write serious columns about serious subjects, no one is interested. It seems that if the issues are really important, nobody wants to take the time or effort to address them. This whole semester I have gotten one letter which was a serious response to a topic I deliberated. Aside from this singular independent thinker, nary a soul has written to discuss abortion, child abuse, animal welfare,



Corinne Flowers

over-development or depression.

No, you all just want to whine about how I was mean to men.

I would like to point out that I have been taking a lot of grief this semester, especially from those of the male persuasion. In spite of my desires to do otherwise, I have remained calm and accepting, even apologizing for comments I have written some people have found offensive.

Well, this is my last column of the semester, and I'm not going to take it anymore.

You would not even believe the amount of sniveling I heard after my male bonding column. At least half a dozen men were personally offended by its contents, saying I was male-bashing. Call me senile, but didn't I say men were big sweethearts when you got them away from their buddies? That was a very long way from male-bashing, if you want to see male bashing, I can bash with the best of them.

But I'm not going to. Nope. I like men, you big dorks. Why do

you think I write things like "long-haired snowboarders zipping by me at the speed of light?" Duh, you guys, I'm looking to get a date. And anyone who writes "there's no amount of bonding a little bondage can't undo" is throwing a pretty strong suggestion out there.

I even had a man rip into me about Wal-Mart. The basic gist of the letter was "I don't give a damn if you hate Wal-Mart" to which my response is, "I don't really give a damn if you don't give a damn about my dislike for Wal-Mart. It's my space, and I'll write about whatever I please, and if you don't like it, get a position on the opinion staff and write your own freakin' column."

If you're going to write letters and talk to me after class about topics I have discussed, at least make it something worthwhile, not bitching about a piece I wrote for no other reason than to get a good laugh or a date on Friday night. (By the way, I'm really much cuter than my picture.)

I guess female logic really does escape the grasp of the male mind. Either that or my subtleties just go unnoticed. At any rate, the next time you're reading one of my columns and you start to feel offended, ask yourself if perhaps

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Stop ambiguity! And I mean it! (Anybody want a peanut?)

English gives us some funny words. "Banana," for instance. How does one know when to stop spelling it? And "squirrel." That's a word which has one or two syllables, depending on who you ask.

But there are funnier words, words which are common in usage today; words which do not mean exactly what we think they mean.

Inconceivable?

Even Vizzini the Sicilian knows that.

Let's take on the word "diversity" for instance. This is a word which seems to have some special meaning on this campus and in this town, indeed, in areas which encircle the globe. It is most commonly used nowadays in reference to the number of cultures and races represented in a given population. Thus, if one were to say to another that New York City is a city which enjoys "diversity", there would be no miscommunication between the two parties.



Brian Davidson

That is, if you're not talking about Europeans.

There's something in this whole concept of "diversity" which ignores, or at maximum, degrades the cultural status of a person of European heritage. A person with African or Asian heritage is more likely to feel accepted in a "diverse" area than a person of European heritage, mainly because being of European descent is really nothing new in this country.

And since we all agree that anything Mainstream in this country is automatically Bad, it is simple to discount the cultural and ethnic heritage of a person who hails from the Old World.

I am, in my family, a first genera-

tion American. My father emigrated from The Netherlands with his parents in 1950. Even after 45 years in Idaho, he speaks Dutch and keeps many of the habits and customs which mark his European upbringing.

Last summer, I helped my parents operate a booth at a cultural fair. At that time, it was just fine to be European, but that kind of acceptance is not always the case.

Europeans are Bad, you see. Columbus? A meanie who enslaved two continents. The Pilgrims? Puritan prudes who brought empty stomachs and smallpox. Sure, some Europeans do bad things. What culture or race doesn't do bad things? Look thoroughly through your own ethnic history before you point those fingers.

I refuse to accept the fallacy that European white males have good jobs in this country solely due to the fact they're European white males. Any company or government agency which makes it a regu-

lar practice to hire according to race rather than skills will find it hard to survive in the competitive market. Some discrimination has and sadly, does exist, but it is the exception and not the rule.

But in some cases it is the rule, and not in the way those "diverse" people out there think. To claim that affirmative action is not reverse racism is also to claim the only difference between John F. Kennedy and Ronald Reagan is that Reagan never went to Berlin and said he was a doughnut. And I'm not frightened to say that.

Don't get me wrong. Don't put words in my mouth. I am not a racist. I am not against "diversity". I am, however, tired of seeing American-Europeans (read white males) treated as the Cultural Bad Guy and Racist Neanderthal Stereotype in nearly every instance of cultural interaction presented nowadays.

Another word which I have failed to grasp a clear meaning of is

"awareness." This seems to be a word used most often nowadays in connection with homosexuality and AIDS prevention. Going by the dictionary definition (Webster: yet another European), "awareness" simply means: the state of knowing; of being aware.

Some tried to use "awareness" to mean tolerance, but this seemed too weak a definition for those behind the word, so a new meaning was chosen: acceptance—as in "Do I have an awareness of homosexual culture?"

By Webster's definition, yes, I am aware. But "awareness" does not, in any way, denote acceptance, no matter what others think the word should mean. I agree that sexual preference is not grounds for discrimination, but I disagree with those who believe I must be "aware" of said preferences. Neither is sexual preference (nor ethnic origin) grounds for special treatment.

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Wednesday, January 1, 1995

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I have to wonder. Given the reasons cited by Gibler himself, I believe the staff at the music building should be taking—nay, tearing—these posters down. Gibler's purpose isn't to enlighten us. If his purpose were different, if his music recital actually had something to do with the photos of human suffering he's posting on the halls of the music building, then, I would say—and only then—let the photos remain despite the objections of others. It's nice to believe those photos weren't taken for the purposes of promoting the photographers' careers (although the photos probably did have this effect). Rather, these photographs had—and still have—the effect of forcing the people who see them to start thinking about the injustices of war, the arbitrariness and pain of life and the anguish of fighting a belief system. It would be easy for Gibler to argue that he intended to achieve these very same effects, but he has admitted that all he wanted to do

was to shock people into attending his recital—which he also admitted has little or nothing to do with the pictures he posted on the walls of the music building. In this case, the end does not justify the means. We must begin, if we are to have any sense of a moral or ethical center in a cohesive society, to question the purposes, the ends of such behavior exhibited by people like Gibler. Where, in Gibler's message, are the higher ideals, the nobler purposes these photos have previously given to us? I can't see them anywhere. I would argue that Gibler isn't asking us to think about higher ideals and nobler purposes. Gibler is trying to shock us, to promote himself through the suffering of others. And this just isn't right. It isn't ethical. It isn't moral. Call it whatever you want. Sometimes, being avant-garde isn't all it's chalked up to be. Sometimes, there is a valid reason why we are conservative, why we want to save—to conserve—the ideals we already have. —Russ Wright

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I'm trying to be humorous. If the answer is yes, there's a chance there's some coy flirtation within that column. If the answer is no, well, maybe you needed to be offended. In any case, lighten up a little. It's college. Time of your life, remember? So go to work on those finals, papers and projects. Winter break is almost here, then comes a new semester with (thanks to some creative scheduling on my part) a vir-

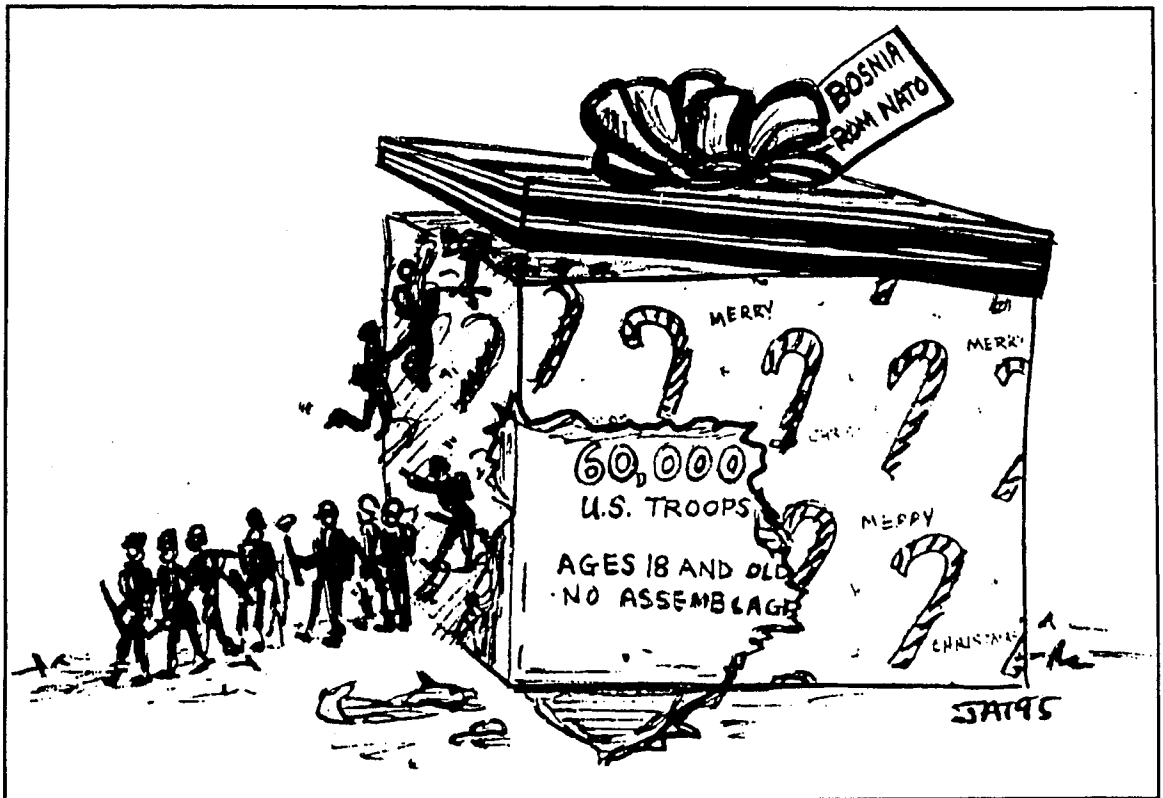
tual plethora of three day weekends. And remember, if there is a topic you would like to see addressed, please write to me and let me know. I appreciate comments on my columns, both positive and negative. Address letters to the editor so we can print them, or to me in care of this paper if you don't want them printed. (And if you're young and eligible, maybe you could enclose a photo too.)

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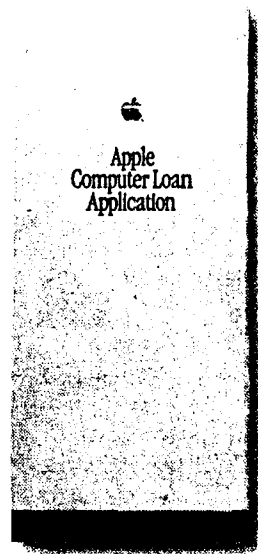
Those who believe morality cannot be legislated are right. Those who believe immorality cannot be legislated are wrong. "Awareness" is now a politically empowered and student-funded force at Washington State University. WSU Senator John Musella recognized the real ambitions and goals behind such empowerment, and has been sharply criticized for his political incorrectness. WSU students should be proud to have a senator such as Musella; one who is not frightened to fight the ambiguity

of "awareness." If you believe this "awareness" is not being forced upon a population which would like to remain neutral or blissfully "unaware," think again. WSU Senator Sarah Field stated quite the opposite in an Evergreen article on Dec. 7: "People won't open their minds until they are ready," she said. "I think we should pry them open." Now that's something blatantly Orwellian—which is another funny word we're all familiar with. Those who force-feed such political thought on their con-

stituents are just as guilty as proponents of racism. Those who lean to the left are just as heavy-handed when it comes to legislating morality as are those who lean to the right. Subject matter changes, but the rhetoric in the nation "Where Politically Correct Ambiguities Reign" remains the same. Like the Sicilian in "The Princess Bride" we've got to watch the use of certain words when we're not quite sure we know the what "real" definitions are.



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Letters to the Editor

AIDS a possible threat to marriage

Let's expose the shocking lie which drives the spread of AIDS. The lie is very simple, "I will stay with you forever, or until death do us part." That statement is not supposed to be a lie, but many Americans have made it a lie over the course of this century. At the turn of the century, as little as five percent of all marriages ended in divorce. Today that figure has risen to 50 percent of all marriages.

How do marriage vows relate to AIDS? Let me explain. A young, unmarried man and a young unmarried woman go to bed. One of them is infected with the AIDS virus which will end up killing the other. Should they even be going to bed with each other? The answer is "no." And the answer is "no" for all of us. Sex is reserved for individuals bound by the promise of marriage. One should only be having sex with one's lawful spouse—with

both individuals being virgins prior to copulation.

Why should this be so? I'll give you three good reasons. First of all, my bad example can cause you to get infected. If a friend asks you if it is proper for them to dive in bed with someone, and you respond by saying, "My bed, your bed, it's all the same thing," then you've made a mistake. If something bad happens to your friend, aren't you participating? Let's say that friend takes your bad advice and catches AIDS. Did you participate in an early death?

Or let's say I show a bad example by fornicating and declaring, "I'm safe because I am using a condom." It may or may not be true that I'll dupe the AIDS virus, but what am I showing my friends and any other irresponsible young people who might have listening ears? Am I not saying, "Go ahead and try it, you probably won't catch it?" My bad example may turn an otherwise innocent friend to ruin.

Secondly, most of us will someday take marriage vows and say, "I do." Now, if we are going to be

married someday, but we justify ourselves today in premarital sex acts, I will argue that we are committing a sort of pre-adultery against our future spouses. We are making a lie today out of our marriage vows tomorrow. Marriage vows include the provision that we won't have sex with anyone besides that special person who becomes our spouse.

How would it honestly make you feel to know that someone is out there humping on your future spouse? Does the question of "safe sex" give you any comfort? It doesn't give me any comfort.

Finally, the answer is not in the use of condoms. Recent studies have shown that the distribution of condoms in high schools has not stopped the spread of AIDS among young people attending those schools.

Instead, it is sending out the false message that it is OK to treat marriage vows like dicers' oaths by having premarital sex. Since this injunction, there have been more sick and dying teens than ever before.

We need to get back to being honest with ourselves and with our spouses. When the time comes to

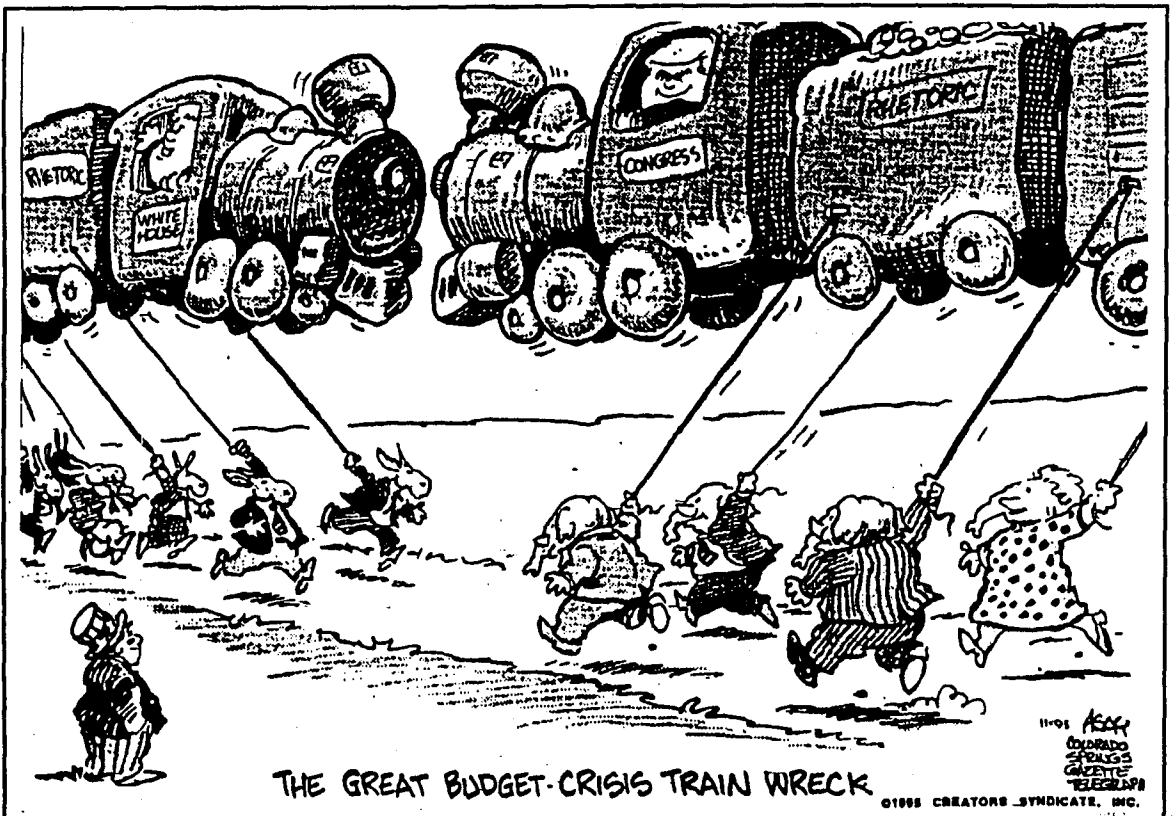
say "I do" we need to mean "I am yours and only yours." Women, I call on you to guard yourself from promiscuous men who might be carrying AIDS; and men, I call on you to never threaten a girl into thinking that you'll quit dating her unless she's willing to copulate.

The honest truth is that most of you don't want to give your heart to a promiscuous lady anyway. Get back to good old fashioned fun and respectful dating before you're married. How many more young people must die of AIDS before we will all agree to keep our promises?

—Darren Christensen

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OUTDOOR TIP OF THE WEEK:

The words of wisdom I will impart on you this week are: Have a good break! Go skiing! Go snowboarding! Go sledding! Drink lots of eggnog! Eat lots of food! This is the best way to avoid burnout for next semester. The outdoors has a way of releasing stress and anxiety like no other method I have used, including the eggnog. Enjoy your month off and use it to recharge your batteries. The Outdoor Section will be going through some changes next semester, including new staff and eliminating the Outdoor Section Editor position. Yes, I am graduating and moving on to bigger and better things. Outdoors will still be published on Tuesdays so keep reading and Happy Holidays!

OUTDOOR RENTAL CENTER HOLIDAY BREAK DEALS

The Rental Center is offering its traditional sale over break. Great deals on rental equipment including 25 days for the price of seven, \$50 for downhill skies and \$35 for cross country skies and snow shoes. They also tune skies and snowboards so if your plan on doing some boarding over break, stop in and get your equipment up to snuff.

EL SALVADOR STUDENTS PRESENT DISCUSSION

Four students from El Salvador studying Environmental Planning will present a discussion on the effects of war, rural development and tourism and tradition in El Salvador in the Forestry building this Thursday at 7 p.m. This program is made possible by Dr. Sam Ham who arraigned thorough a USAID funded program for the students to study here at UI. Refreshments will be provided by RRTA members. The presentation is free and open to the public.

Wolves spend winter days at WSU

Jerri Lake

Staff

Wolves are probably one of the most misunderstood animals of our time. To help us understand this large wild dog, Washington State University is allowed to house and study a pack of 10 wolves until early spring. Their new compound is being constructed as part of the Grizzly Discovery Center located in West Yellowstone, Mont.

The pack includes nine related animals born into captivity last spring and a 18-month old female. Aztec, the older female has assumed the alpha or lead female position of the pack. One of the three males has assumed the alpha male position under Aztec.

Before attaining breeding age, the males will undergo vasectomies to prevent any future reproduction within the pack. The coloring of the wolves varies from two black ones to eight with varying degrees of gray. The gray ones have a variety of facial markings that individualizes them. Aztec is the only one that has been named so far.

The wolves have established a den. Because this is a very secret place in the wild, the den is off limits to the public.

Even though this pack was born in captivity, it has been raised as if wild. Researches claim this will allow them to study wolves as a wild element. The only training the wolves have had is to respond to an audio signal calling them back to the den to eat.

Some people wonder if the natural instincts of a truly wild wolf will be able to be studied by observing captive born animals. These wolves, unlike truly wild ones, will interact and play with their trusted keepers. This pack has always been kept and fed on a schedule consistent with man.

Wolves have been presented in many different ways in books, movies and stories. Presentations range from an animal of vengeance, horror, killer of livestock and an animal to fear, to a kind, gentle, caring for one another, a family of friends, a kindred spirit, and animal that only preys on the weak.

The wolf has all of these traits depending upon the situation. How you perceive the wolf depends on how you were raised and your conditioning toward this animal. It can also depend upon what side of the wolf reintroduction program you are on.

Wolves in their natural environment are one of the most skilled precision hunting machines know to man. Because a dog has a short endurance for running compared to the game they hunt, the pack works as a team. When they decide which animal they wish to kill, the pack spreads out like a track relay team.

The first set charges toward their pray,



Jerri Lake

A pack of wolves is spending the winter at the WSU bear facility.

spooking it and herding it toward the rest of the pack. The pack will run the prey like a relay baton, passing it from one set of wolves to another until the animal is too tired to continue. When it turns to make a stand, the wolves move in to disable it. While some of the pack keep the animal distracted, others will move in from behind to hamstring or damage one of the animal's legs. When the prey turns to fight off the rear wolf, the others go for the throat. This method of hunting is only one example of the teamwork used by a wolf pack.

In the wild, wolves have very few natural enemies. Their main concern is hunting and fighting off the natural elements to maintain survival and build character as an animal and a pack.

Even though these animals at WSU are wolves, they have not been subjected to the elements of surviving in the wild. In the compound at WSU, the wolves romp and play like a bunch of older puppies without a care in the world. While observing them, a person can watch them run, sulk, play, fight over a bone, dig in the dirt, or do other things a litter of domestic dogs do.

WSU has many kinds of wild animals assigned to them for care and research under their veterinary programs. Some of the animals include Bighorn sheep, Black and Grizzly bears. Because the bears are in hibernation this time of year, these wolves are being kept in the bear compound.

The compound is two high chain link fences with the inside one electrified. When you visit the wolves, please observe them from the side grassy area. People are also asked to not whistle, call out or make direct eye contact with the wolves. This can upset them and make them stop acting naturally. The wolves are there for us to observe, not interact with. Researchers also ask visitors to stay as quiet as possible so they will not disturb the sleeping bears.

The wolves are located on airport road about a mile past the airport terminal if you are coming from the Moscow/Pullman Highway.

How you feel toward the wolf and the stigma you grew up with is a subject you have to deal with in your heart. Even though this pack is captive born, the experience of watching and hearing them is worth the trip to the WSU compound.

Tips, tricks, make for expert sledding

Erik Marone

Staff

Among the many winter activities in the Pacific Northwest, one of the more popular, but least expensive is sledding. At first glance, sledding may appear to be little more than riding a piece of plastic, rubber or wood down a snow-covered hill. However, there is an art and science to this popular pastime.

The first thing to consider is your vehicle. The oldest and most difficult to maintain is the old runner sled. The most important thing to consider before jumping on one of these is that snow conditions must be just right. If the snow is too wet or too dry, a runner sled isn't going to go very far. You need a good, solid crust in order for one to work.

Physically, a runner sled can be pretty painful. If the wood cracks, it can pinch or leave splinters in a

number of uncomfortable places. Wrecking on a runner sled presents dangers as well. Being made solely of wood and metal, it can be an uncompromising ordeal, leaving bruises, abrasions and possibly broken body parts.

Plastic saucers and sleds offer a little more diversity. Lighter and easier to maintain than runner sleds, they can be used in a variety of snow conditions. It may take a few runs to establish a trail in wet snow, but plastic sleds go faster and are more maneuverable than runner sleds. Many fancier sleds have steering mechanisms and aerodynamic designs, but they all achieve the same end: getting you to the bottom of a hill.

Although plastic sleds are relatively low maintenance, the bottoms can get scraped up over ice and gravel. With directional sleds, this doesn't present much of a problem, except when ice gets built up in the marks, which is eas-

ily remedied by scraping the bottoms of your sled with a glove or mitten. Saucers, on the other hand, can be seriously affected by these scratches.

Scratches on the bottom of sleds can be fixed by waxing you sled much like you would a surfboard. Ordinary candle wax can be used, but a cold water wax such as Mr. Zog's Sex Wax, work best. Drip the melted wax on the base of your sled and rub it into the scratches with a cloth. Try to get an even coat of wax over the bottom of your sled. This is time consuming, but can be very rewarding for those who take their sledding seriously.

Inner tubes are the cheapest and considered by many to be the best ride available. Used truck tubes cost less than \$5 and can often be found in garages or basements. The only thing you need to watch out for when using an inner tube is the valve stem, which should

always face the ground when you are riding one. Valve stems can tear clothing or cause serious injury to your eyes and having it facing the ground when you start your run reduces the chances this will happen.

Holes in an inner tube can be fixed with a patch kit available at any sporting goods store and resist ice build up better than plastic sleds. Wrecking on an inner tube is much less punishing than other sleds and offers some degree of protection when riding through trees or rocks.

Less popular these days is the toboggan, which can usually carry a large number of riders and have little directional control. The bottoms usually require waxing in order to work properly and are bulky, heavy and generally get used only by people out for a nostalgia ride. The key to toboggan-

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Bensman speaks to locals interested in climbing

Jennifer Swift
Outdoors Editor

Last Monday night brought a world class climber to the University of Idaho campus. That climber is Bobbi Bensman.

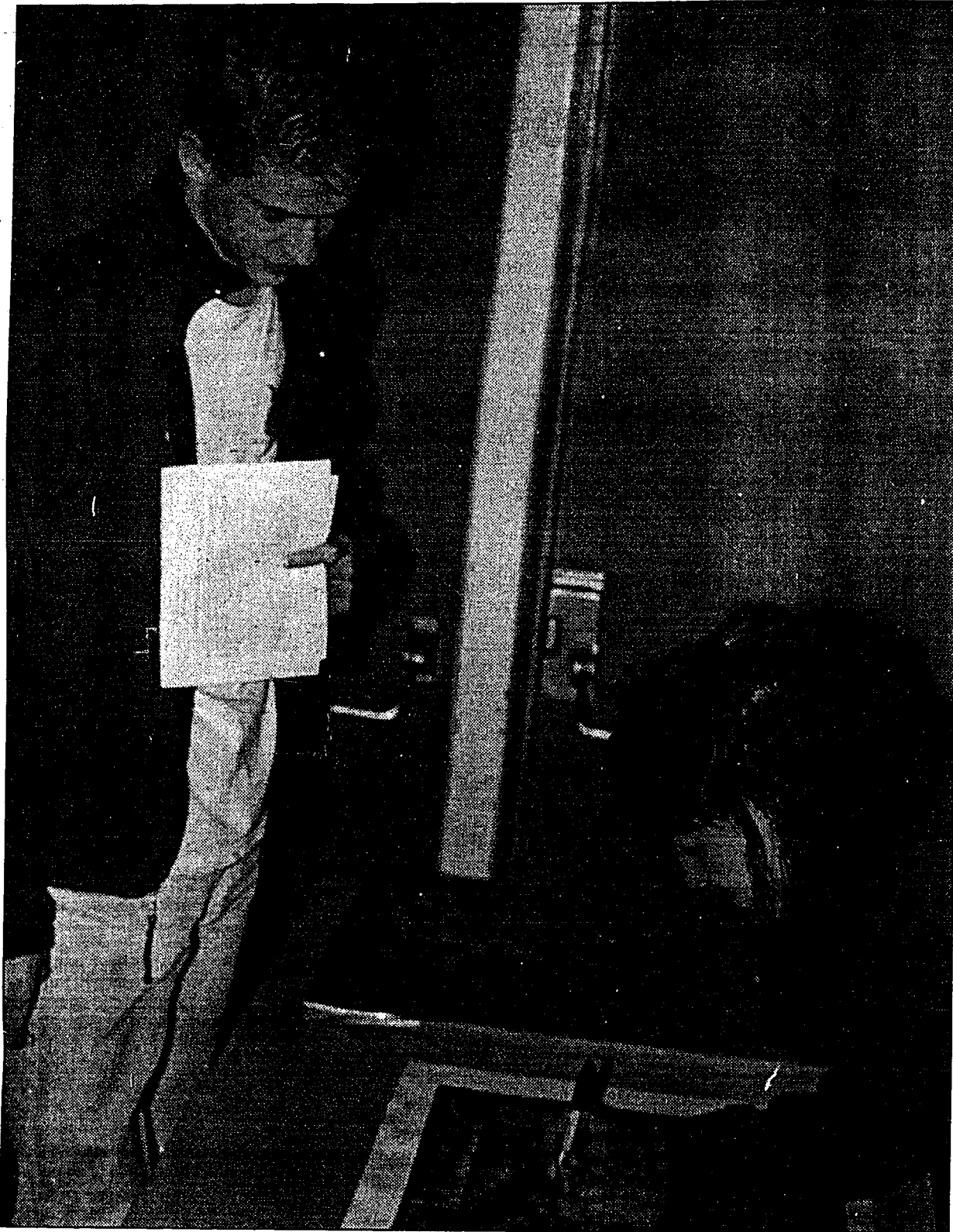
One of a growing breed of women sport climbers, she gave an overview of women in the sport through her slide show and commentary. The show was put together by Bensman with the assistance of professional and amateur photographers. Before the slide show began Bensman gave away several door prizes donated by her sponsors, including a chalk bag and a Petzl headlamp.

Through the show Bensman talked of the growing presence of women in the sport of rock climbing. She said there are 30 women who have climbed 5.13, one of the toughest climbs on the rating system. Women climbers are giving their male counterparts a run for their

money.

Bensman began climbing in the early 1980s, before many women entered the sport. Since then she has seen the sport grow in number of climbers and difficulty in climbs. Climbing wall competitions have also grown over the last 15 years to include categories for all levels of climbers. Through the growing interest of large sportswear companies such as Reebok and Nike, rockclimbing, especially indoor climbing, has attracted more and more climbers from all genders and ages. We are born climbers, Bensman said, and it is a skill we are told not to use. Well, more and more people of all ages are tapping that skill for exercise and thrills.

The UI Outdoor Program and Campus Recreation offer students the opportunity to explore this sport through the indoor climbing wall and outdoor class sessions. Contact the Outdoor Program if you are interested in becoming a climber.



Bobbi Bensman signs posters after her slide show last Monday in the Student Union.

Joa Harrison

SLEDDING •FROM PAGE 15

ing is knowing the worst place to sit is the front. The further back you sit, the less snow you get in your face.

Creating a sledding trail is something that a lot of people don't pay enough attention to. Once you have selected a hill, find the route you want to sled. If you want corners, you'll have to make banks that are big and strong enough to turn you when you hit it at full speed.

Generally, the land will provide natural corners that you may want to reinforce, especially when the trail gets well defined.

The first person down the trail should be relatively lightweight, as the first run is to define the trail. The next person down should be heavier in order to compact the trail. Once a run has been established, it will get faster every time someone goes down it.

Most sledders are looking for the fastest, most exhilarating run. There are a number of tricks to make a run more inter-

esting, including watering a run at night and riding the ice the next day and building jumps into the trail.

After a good day of sledding, a good way to relax and get warmed up is to sit in front of a fire with a cup of hot chocolate. Any hot drink will do, but hot chocolate seems to put take the chill out a lot quicker.

Perhaps the best thing about sledding is the only real limits on it is the snow conditions and quality of the hills. Unlike skiing, you don't need a lot of fancy equipment or money. An investment of less than \$25 can provide you with an entire winter of fun, and it's less dangerous than other winter sports.

The only way to learn more about sledding is to get out and do it. With nearly a month free from school, and snow in the forecast any day now, the Palouse will have some excellent sledding conditions. Go find a hill and rediscover an activity you're never too old to enjoy.

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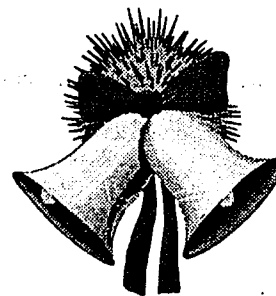
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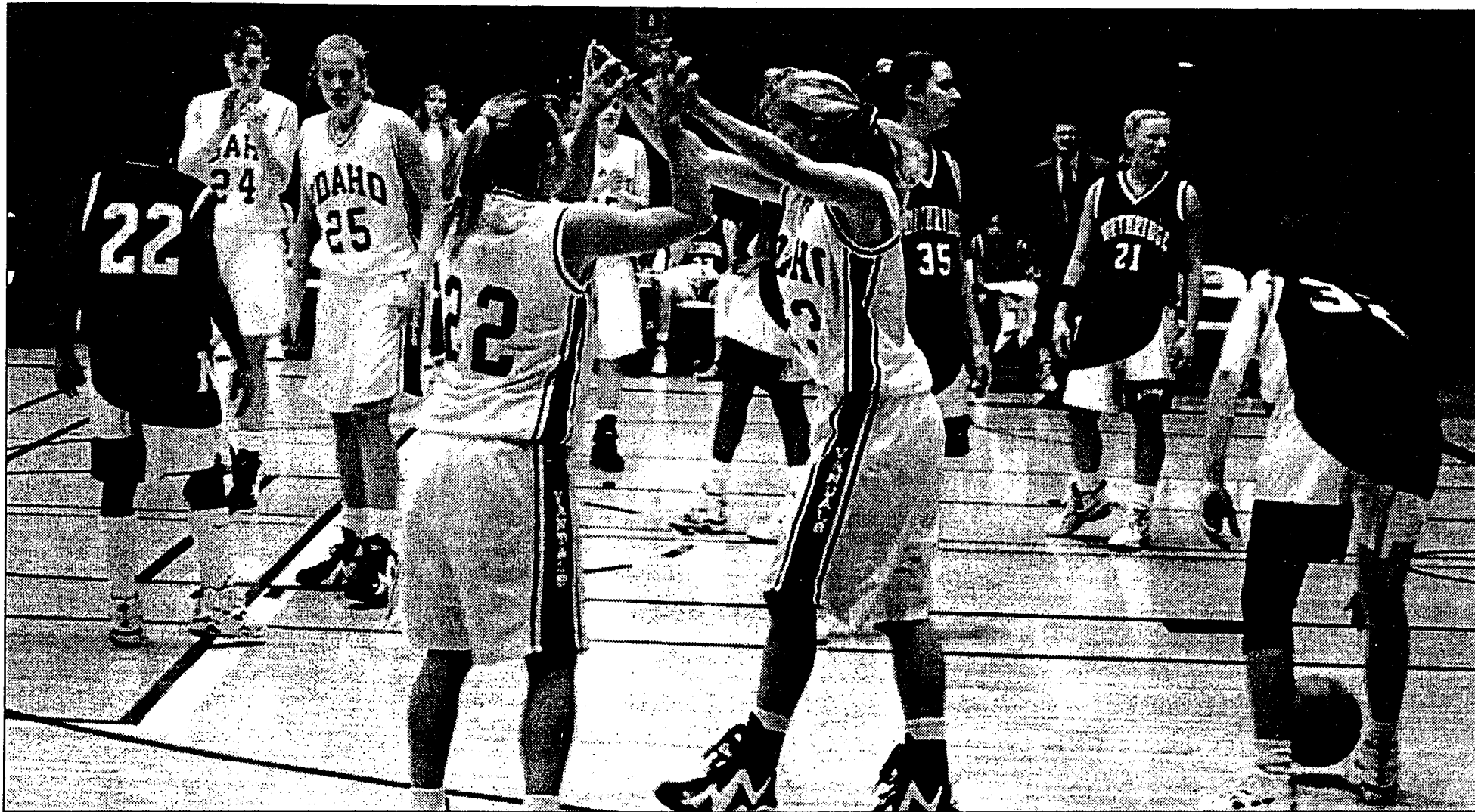
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Tourney split earns Vandals 2nd place



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Idaho's Ari Skorplik (22) and Melissa McDaniel (right) trade high fives during second half action Friday night against Cal-State Northridge. Idaho won 67-43.

Idaho crunches Cal-State Northridge Friday, but Spartans too much in Saturday's final

Mark Vanderwall
Staff

When Idaho took the court against San Jose State, little did it know the weekend's cold spell on the Palouse would have ill effects on the friendly confines of Memorial Gym.

Idaho felt the chills during a key five minute stretch near the end of the second half, in which it was held scoreless by the Spartans. Idaho took a nine-point lead on Michelle Greenwood's put-back with 12:37 remaining in the game before it started to fray.

The Vandal lead was cut to three when SJSU's Sarah Cantway nailed a three-pointer. Mindy Rice bolstered it back to six for the Vandals on a drive through the lane and a free throw. Then the meltdown started. Idaho held its six-point lead until the 11:00 mark at 48-42, but didn't score again until five minutes later on another Rice layin. Idaho's six-point lead was now a six-point deficit at 56-50.

With the score 66-62 and only 18.2 seconds left on the clock, Idaho's game plan started to take form once again. On the inbound pass, Idaho's Ari Skorplik took the ball the length of the floor and hit a slashing Rice, who made an acrobatic layin and was fouled on the play. After Rice converted the free throw, the Vandals cut the lead to one at 66-65 and instantly fouled the Spartan's Sasha Johnson.

Johnson converted both of her free throws to push the lead to 68-65 with 11.3 ticks left in the game. Idaho again took the ball the length of the floor, but the ball was tipped out of bounds by the Spartans with 3.5 seconds left in the game. Idaho set up a play to get Rice an open three-pointer, thinking that she would be the least likely to be guarded by the Spartan defense. On the inbound, Rice attempted a triple from the corner, but it came up just short to produce a final score of 68-65.

Idaho was hampered all evening by the inside magic of the Spartan's Kylie Page. Page scored at will underneath, finishing with 29 points and capturing Tournament MVP honors at the same time. The Spartans also landed Kari Steele to the all-tournament team, as she averaged 16.5 points and 5.5 rebounds over the two-day event.

Idaho was led by Rice with 24 points and 10 rebounds, followed by Skorplik's 16 point and six assist effort. Natalie Hawks and Michelle Greenwood also hit double figures with 10 points apiece.

Idaho had numerous opportunities to expand its lead on free throw shooting, but it missed the front end of four one-and-ones that could have resulted in eight more points.

"You can't win the ball game if you can't make your free throws. We fouled the right people down the stretch, but they made their free throws and we didn't," Idaho coach Julie Holt said.

SAN JOSE STATE (68)

Page 13-20 3-4 29, Miller 1-3 0-0 2, Spalding 0-6 0-0 0, Stelle 3-12 5-6 12, Johnson 3-12 4-4 12, Dennis 1-2 0-0 2, Cantway 2-3 2-2 7, Irving 2-6 0-3 4. Totals 25-64 14-19 68.

IDAHO (65)

Johnson 1-6 0-0 2, Hawks 5-7 0-0 10, Rice 10-21 4-6 24, Skorplik 6-13 1-2 16, McDaniel 0-5 0-0 0, Ortner 0-0 0-0 0, Morris 1-1 0-0 2, Greenwood 5-9 0-0 10, Ackerman 0-0 0-0 0, Stone 0-1 1-4 1. Totals 28-63 6-12 65.

Halftime- SJSU 27 UI 25. 3-point goals- SJSU 4-15 (Page 0-2, Miller 0-1, Steele 1-5, Johnson 2-5, Cantway 1-2) UI 3-14- (Johnson 0-3, Rice 0-2, Skorplik 3-7, McDaniel 0-2)

Total fouls- SJSU 17, UI 18. Fouled out- Cantway. Rebounds- SJSU 41 (Irving 8) UI 43 (Rice 10). Assists SJSU 13 (Steele, Johnson,

Irving 3) UI 18 (Skorplik 6). Attendance: 403.

FRIDAY

Idaho played as if it were a deadly disease Friday night, as it started out slowly, before becoming full-blown in the second half.

Taking a 29-21 lead at the half, Idaho started to run on all cylinders after the intermission, as it made the Matadors run in panic once again.

In a game that could be labeled the Mindy Rice highlight reel, the Vandal back-court found the Grandview, Idaho native on countless occasions underneath to pave the way to a 67-43 victory over Northridge.

Idaho's lead didn't dwindle under 11 points throughout the entire second half, as Rice compiled 21 of her 30 points during this period.

Rice, who had been hampered by foul trouble earlier this season, played all 40 minutes for the Vandals, and picked up only two fouls.

"I played a little smarter tonight. I may not have been as aggressive as I have been, but the last few games I've had fouls called on me like crazy, so I had to make a change," said Rice.

Along with Rice, Ari Skorplik pitched in 12 points and four assists to lead the way for the Vandals, who shot 40 percent from the field and 76 percent from the line. Melissa McDaniel also had eight points to aid in the Vandal attack.

"I think our defense paced the game for us tonight, and opened things up for our offense," said Holt.

Idaho went to the foul line 25 more times than Northridge, and made 23 more foul shots than the Matadors did, which ironically was nearly the margin of victory for the Vandals.

"This was one of our goals. Our goal was to not let the other team get into one-on-one situations with us and to play smart defense," said Holt.

The Matadors were led by Lisa Vaillancourt with 10 points and Carrie Dormire and Tammie Mills

with nine points apiece.

Mindy Rice and Ari Skorplik were also named to the all-tournament team along with Sarah Stapp from Sacramento State.

CAL-STATE NORTHRIDGE (43)

Bell 2-6 1-2 5, Dormire 3-11 0-0 8, Batiste, 2-3 0-2 4, Vaillancourt 4-11 0-1 10, Mills 3-8 3-4 9, Ward 0-3 0-0 0, Karbowski 1-3 0-0 2, Ramirez 1-3 1-2 3, Nelson 0-2 0-0 0, Means 0-1 0-0 0, Hagman 1-4 0-1 2, Mahoric 0-2 0-0 0.

Totals 17-57 5-12 43.

IDAHO (67)

Johnson 1-8 0-0 3, Hawks 0-1 1-2 1, Rice 9-17 12-13 30, Skorplik 3-11 6-8 12, McDaniel 2-2 4-5 8, Ortner 0-0 0-0 0, Morris 1-3 0-0 2, Greenwood 1-3 3-5 5, Ackerman 1-1 1-2 3, Blakley 0-1 0-0 0, Stone 1-1 1-2 3. Totals 19-48 28-37 67.

Halftime UI 29 CSN 21. 3-point goals- UI 1-7 (Johnson 1-3, Rice 0-1, Skorplik 0-3) CSN 4-10 (Dormire 2-5, Vaillancourt 2-5). Total fouls UI 15 CSN 31. Fouled out Batiste. Rebounds- UI 40 (Rice 15) CSN 39 (Bell 9). Assists UI 13



Nick Tucker

McDaniel sets up for a free throw against the Matadors.

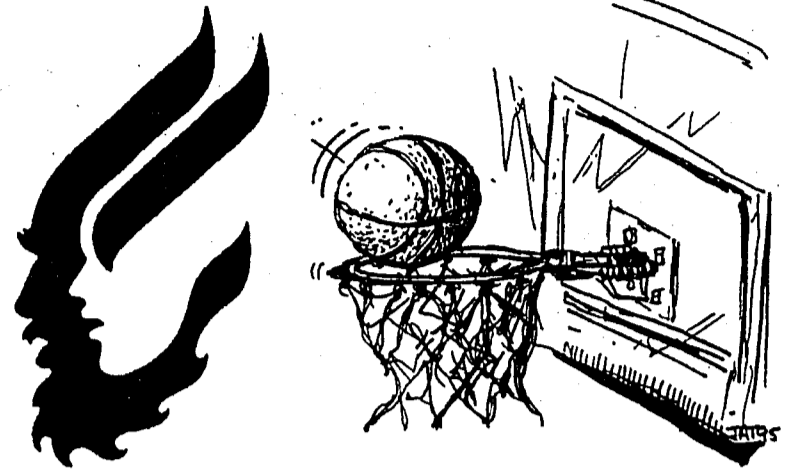
Pumping iron



Carey Powell

Idaho trackster Frank Bruder works out in the Kibbie Dome weight room last week to keep up on his off-season conditioning.

Vandals suffer 71-56 setback in Cedar City



Andrew Longeteig

Staff

CEDAR CITY, Utah—After an impressive win over Washington last week, Idaho self-destructed Saturday against Southern Utah, losing 71-56 in a nonconference men's basketball matchup.

The big story: the Vandals (3-2) shot 35 percent from the field while the Thunderbirds (2-3) converted 65 percent of their shots.

Southern Utah senior guard Reggie Ingram scorched Idaho for a career-high 28 points on 8-of-12 shooting and 9-of-10 from the free throw line. Senior shooting guard Shawn Dirden led the Vandals with 13 points and junior point-guard Reggie Rose added 11. However, both were a combined 3-of-15 from three-point range.

Idaho couldn't capitalize on its height advantage. The Thunderbirds' tallest starter stood at 6-foot-5 whereas the Vandals had 6-foot-9-inch center Nate Gardner and 6-foot-7-inch Harry Harrison. Southern Utah outrebounded Idaho 34-28.

Gardner, Harrison and reserve forward Jason Jackman collectively average 32 points per game, but only combined for 17 against Southern Utah as foul trouble plagued the trio. Midway through the second half, all three had four fouls apiece.

Trailing 42-31 at halftime, the Vandals went on a 7-0 run that cut Southern Utah's lead to 50-45 with 10:42 remaining in the game. The Thunderbirds stretched their lead to 64-54 after an Ingram bomb from three-point territory. He then nailed two free throws with 2:11 left in the

game—the last nail in Idaho's coffin.

Idaho went through two severe scoring slumps. The first was a 5-minute drought in the first half that handed Southern Utah the lead. Then late in the second half, the Vandals were held scoreless for three and a half minutes, denying them of any kind of comeback.

Out of four road games at Southern Utah, the Vandals have yet to win. Southern Utah is 116-16 in its 10 years at the Centrum.

Harrison, Idaho's leading rebounder and second-leading scorer, managed three points and two rebounds in 11 minutes of action.

The Vandals surrendered a season high 42 points to the Thunderbirds at the intermission. Entering the game, Idaho's defense allowed 68 points per game.

Idaho faces border rival Washington State Saturday in Pullman. Game time is 7 p.m. at Friel Court. The Cougars lead the series 142-105, dating back to 1906.

IDAHO (56)

Jones 3-6 2-2 8, Harrison 1-7 1-2 3, Gardner 2-3 2-2 6, Rose 4-14 1-4 10, Dirden 3-13 5-6 13, Baumann 0-1 0-0 0, Thomas 0-1 0-0 0, Turner 3-5 2-2 8, Jackman 3-4 2-2 8, Magnussen 0-0 0-1 0. Totals 19-54 15-20 56.

SOUTHERN UTAH (71)

Gaines 5-9 3-4 16, Bodily 3-7 0-0 6, Caton 0-2 0-1 0, Ingram 8-12 9-10 28, Crosbie 1-4 2-5 5, Christopher 0-0 0-0 0, Schweigert 2-2 0-0 4, Richards 1-1 0-0 2, Saunders 1-1 1-2 3, Faux 2-2 3-3 7. Totals 23-40 18-24 71.

Halftime—Southern Utah 42, Idaho 31. 3-point goals—Idaho 3-18 (Dirden 2-9, Rose 1-6, Baumann 0-1, Turner 0-2), Southern Utah 7-13 (Ingram 3-5, Gaines 3-4, Crosbie 1-2, Bodily 0-2). Fouled out—none. Rebounds—Idaho 28 (Gardner 7), Southern Utah 34 (Bodily 7). Assists—Idaho 9 (Gardner, Dirden 3), Southern Utah 10 (Ingram 4). Total fouls—Idaho 18, Southern Utah 17.

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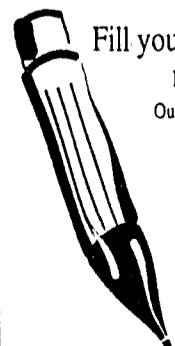
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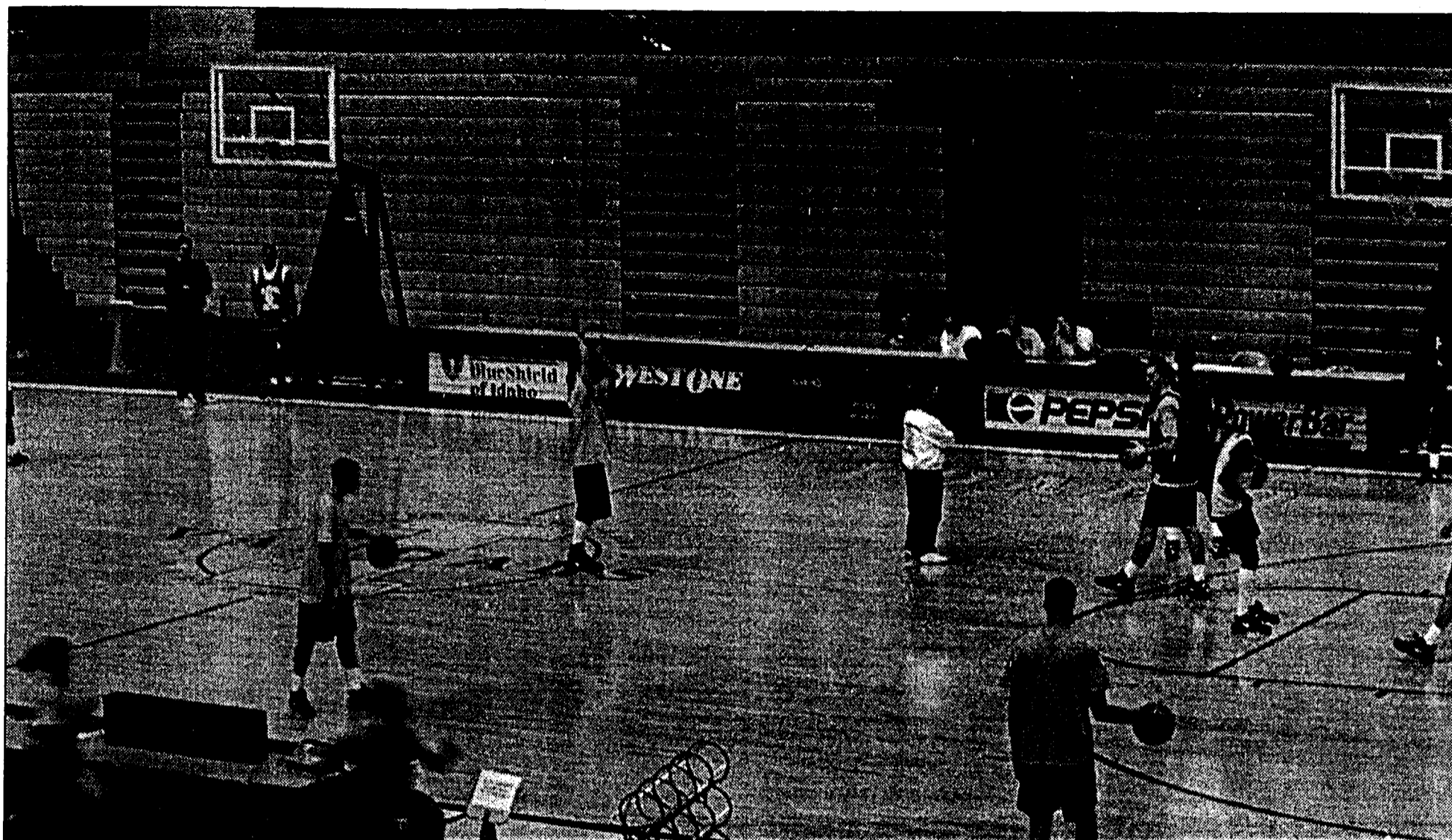
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Kibbie Dome officials land new hoop arena



Carey Powell

UI Kibbie Dome officials spent \$320,000 for basketball renovations, including a this new floor and contoured bleachers, over the past year.

New floor, bleachers highlight changes in Dome basketball setup

Michael Stetson
Staff

Welcome to the new ASUI-Kibbie Basketball Arena and tonight's game featuring your

Idaho Vandals. Sound different? It should, following a year of facility enhancements by the Kibbie Dome management and the UI Athletic Department.

While Vandal fans spent the fall become familiar with the new lights, sound system and scoreboard during football games, the dome staff worked hard to bring a new basketball arena to Moscow.

The new arena, situated in the same location as the previous basketball court, provides a more comfortable environment for spectators according to Terry Rivers, assistant manager of the ASUI-Kibbie Dome.

"We feel good about the affect we have achieved in a very large facility," Rivers said.

The affect includes a new basketball court replacing an old, second-hand playing surface, new press and announcer tables and a new bleacher system with wider isles, handicap seating, contoured seats and new corner sections making the stands into a continuous arena.

The new arena arrived this summer but stayed in storage while the Vandal football team used the dome. Now Rivers and the dome staff look to the new semester when they will be constantly setting up and breaking down the arena. Rivers says the new seating takes four people three hours to set up, mainly because of the new corners in the bleachers. These new corners, which will create more of an oval around the court, include four

pie-shaped pieces that the dome staff must fit into place before each game.

The new arena also has moved the benches for basketball, putting both teams directly in-front of the student bleachers in hopes of get-

ting the crowd more involved.

"We think we've created a much more intimate experience for those who come to watch the game," Rivers said.

While the new hoop arena will

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The new basketball floor features this gold 'I' as opposed to the old Big Sky logo.

Carey Powell

not increase or decrease the crowd capacity at Vandal games, the new seating should provide some other benefits. One, the new seats collapse in towards the court, freeing more recreational space for students. Second, the arena will provide a better basketball

ment.

Despite the growing number of changes to the ASUI-Kibbie Dome, the athletic department does not see the improvements as a result of the Big West move. Mike Hogan, director of marketing for the athletic department said the changes have been routine and the time, while ideal for the Vandal teams, is merely coincidence.

“ Everything we've done has been to improve the feel of the athletic event.

—Terry Rivers
Kibbie Dome
assistant manager

environment with the inclusion of several other changes. The new lights now can be shut off on the east and west ends of the dome to reduce the open space of the building. Also, the sound system in the dome allows for a speaker system in the basketball arena, providing greater sound for fans around the court.

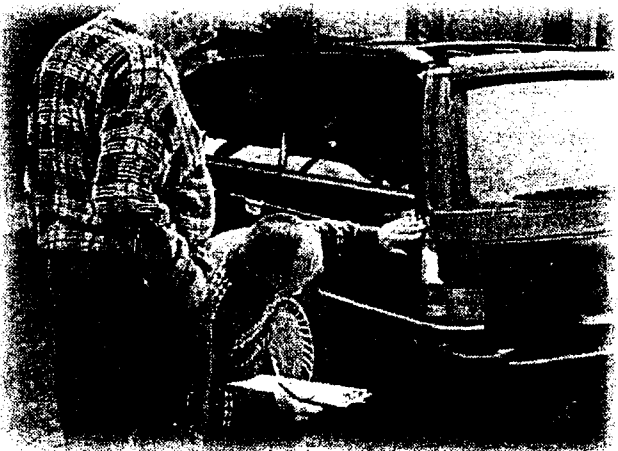
Everything we've done has been to improve the feel of the athletic event,” Rivers said.

The new arena cost \$320,000, \$250,000 for the bleachers and another \$70,000 for the court. The addition of the announcer's tables came from the athletic depart-

Hogan does believe the changes will benefit the Vandals in the long run with their move to the Big West, making the dome a more comfortable place for spectators, drawing bigger crowds, and encouraging new sponsorship. Hogan adds improvements, like the rotating tables on the scoreboard (the displays on the scoreboard that flip with sponsor logos) are just one direct way that the changes will help the Vandal programs.

As for the benefit to the university and the students, Hogan feels the dome improvements will serve two purposes, pride and comfort. Students now should feel more pride in the facilities that Idaho offers through these improvements.

More noticeable though will be comfort. Students who attend games will enjoy the new basketball format, the new sound system and the new lights. Also, students using the dome may take advantage of the new weight room equipment, new stair climbers and exercise bikes and a brighter environment for intramurals and events on the dome floor, relieving that “dreary feeling” Hogan said.



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Mathis ready for Tyson

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA—Buster Mathis Jr. had the excuses ready after a lackluster sparring session in preparation for his Dec. 16 fight against Mike Tyson.

"I got in late last night. I was still tired. I was exhausted," Mathis said Thursday. "Sparring's just sparring. Watch me Dec. 16."

But don't be late, if Mathis' six rounds against two sparring partners were any indication.

In contrast to Tyson's first workout Wednesday, when he knocked down Nate Tubbs, Mathis took solid blows from his sparring partners during the 1 1/2-hour workout at Joe Frazier's Gym.

Observers who watched both workouts wondered whether this fight will last much longer than Tyson's first out of prison after a three-year term for rape. In the Aug. 19 bout, unknown Peter McNeeley lasted 89 seconds.

Mathis, though, insisted he can beat Tyson, the former heavy-weight champion.

"He ain't no Superman," he said. "A lot of people ... take Mike Tyson and blow him up and make him larger than he is."

Mathis said his plan begins with not being intimidated by Tyson, something he said his father, who lost a heavyweight title fight to Frazier in 1968, told him before dying Sept. 6.

"Mike Tyson is the master of intimidation," Mathis said. "As long as I don't let Mike Tyson intimidate me, I've won half the battle."

The other half of the battle won't be any easier, but Mathis said he will attempt to prolong the fight as long as possible.

"My goal is to bring Mike Tyson into the later rounds," he said. "Mike Tyson is predictable. He's going to come in and throw left hooks, right hands, uppercuts and he'll go wide. He'll be coming like a madman."

"I'm going to bring it to him. I'm going to move my head. I'm going to slip and throw punches."

Mathis knows Don King and Team Tyson picked him because they felt he would be no threat. He said he intends to show them that was a mistake.

"I'm glad that people are underestimating me," he said. "I've got nothing to lose, and that's how I'm going to fight. I'm going for broke, plain and simple."

What the puck?



Carey Powell
Co-ed intramural hockey wrapped up its inaugural season on the UI campus Thursday night. Amber's Amateurs knocked off Monsieur Fats in the playoff championship.

Griz win big, advance to finals

Associated Press

MISSOULA, Mont.—Dave Dickenson passed for 370 yards and five touchdowns and ran for another score Saturday as Montana dominated Stephen F. Austin 70-14 in a chilly NCAA Division I-AA semifinal game.

Montana (12-2) advanced to the national championship game for the first time in the school's history. The Griz will play the Thundering Herd of Marshall, a 25-13 winner over top-ranked McNeese State.

The Grizzlies scored seven straight touchdowns after Stephen F. Austin (11-2) pulled within 21-14 on a 2-yard TD run by Leonard Harris with 3:45 remaining in the first half.

SFA capped its opening drive with a 1-yard run by Harris, but Montana answered with a 5-yard pass from Dickenson to Erhardt.

Dickenson scored on an 8-yard run and hit Joe Douglass on a 33-yard pass midway through the second quarter to put Montana up 21-7.

Magic ready for Shaq's return

Associated Press

Looks like Shaq will be back sooner than expected.

Shaquille O'Neal could play tonight, when the Magic visit New Jersey. That would give him a tuneup before Orlando travels to Chicago for Wednesday's marquee game with the Bulls.

When he broke his right thumb Oct. 24 during a preseason tangle with Matt Geiger, O'Neal was projected to be sidelined until at least Christmas. After undergoing surgery to repair the damage and have a pin inserted, O'Neal was hoping to return for the Magic's NBA Finals rematch with the Houston Rockets on Christmas Day.

O'Neal had his cast removed last week in Los Angeles and will wear a protective splint on the thumb for a while.

"He has stayed in good shape," Magic scout Brad Ceisler told the Orlando Sentinel, "but the only way you can really get back in basketball condition is to get back on the court."



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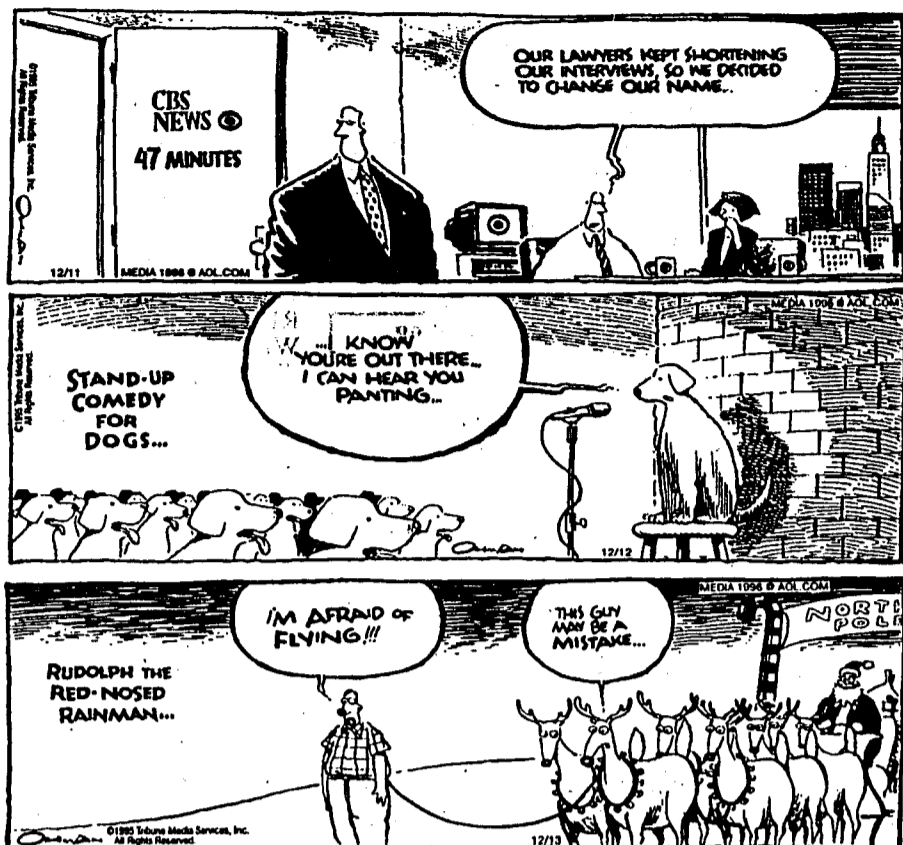


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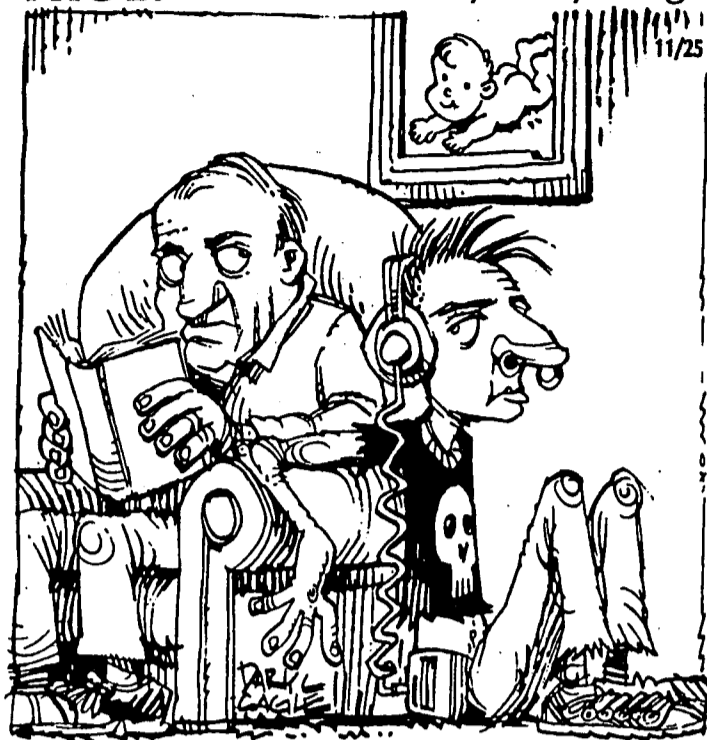
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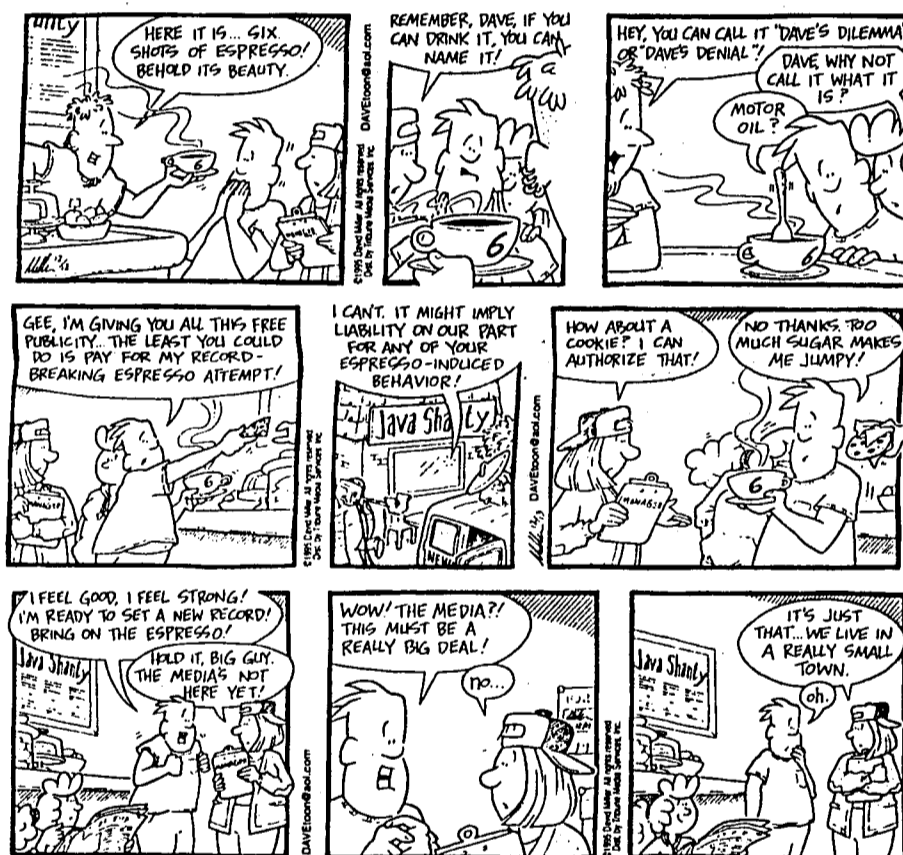


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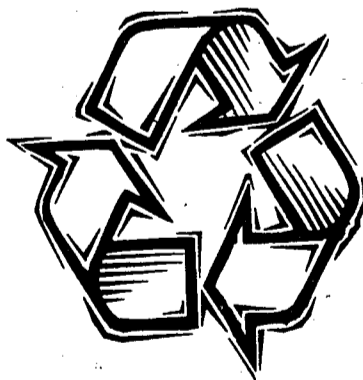
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