

# HAPPY APRIL FOOL'S DAY!

# **Ghosts torment music students**

Faculty Council scheduled to hear requests for equality today

## A. Cowbitesher

The ranting and ravings of disgruntled ghosts living in Ridenbaugh Hall have finally captured the attention of university officials.

University of Idaho music students Jacob Marley and Elvin Presley claim their rehearsals are repeatedly interrupted by roving spirits.

"It's really frustrating. Before rehearsing we set the metronome to specific intervals, to help us maintain the correct tempo. Whenever one of those ghosts come along, the metronome goes absolutely crazy. I think they are trying to tell us something." Presley said.

UI President Just Joshing called in a representative from Ghosts International, a group which specializes in special entity communications.

After careful scrutiny, it was determined the metronome was actually relaying a message from the entities, disguised in Morse code.

Their message stated, "We are tired of being dead-beats. Please help us obtain further enlightenment through UI. We must inform you that ignoring our requests will cause wide-spread infiltration of all campus buildings."

This news doesn't surprise me."



Ghosts have been spotted in Ridenbaugh Hall.

President of Ghosts International, Scooby Dookin, said. "We are seeing a surge of hauntings across the nation."

"These entities are no longer your average, chain-rattling group. Instead, our materially-challenged friends are demanding a place in society alongside us."

Locally, those demands include acceptance into the Greek System, out-of-state fee waiver, and establishing a special entity program at UI. The university rights of the ghostly figures are scheduled for discussion at today's Faculty Council meeting.

Faculty Council meeting. Council member Velma Scrappy said. "In my opinion, if they (the ghosts) want the same rights we have, they must fully comply with our regulations. That means no more monkeying-around in Ridenbaugh."

Faculty Council Chair Leon

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## New studies show Ramen noodles, burritos help fight cancer

## Airin Shucks

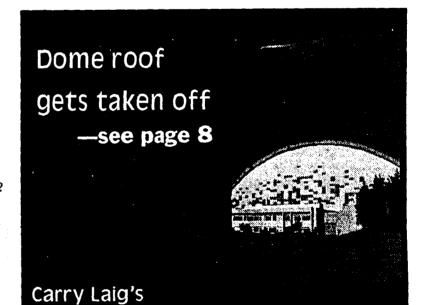
hose who consistently incorporate Ramen noodles and frozen burritos into their regular diet routine are five times less likely to develop several forms of cancer, new studies by Healthy Alternatives for Health Addicts (HAHA) show.

While the findings come as a surprise to many health experts, dieticians from HAHA say they haven't seen more obvious results show up in health studies for a long time.

"The process which we have gone through to uncover these findings has been part of an extensive look into health and diet needs of the average American. We haven't had more healthy, more cancer resistant rats running around our lab than those we do now; rats who have grown up with a staple diet of Ramen noodles and frozen burritos," April F. Day, dietician for HAHA said,

"It may sound slightly toolish to some, but it is something about the microwave rays as they combine with the bean mixture traditionally found in frozen burritos that really work to assist cancer fighting agents in the body. And out of the Ramen

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## Deer, elk to be introduced to Arboretum

Grey Wolves to follow tioning ecosystem. The project was proposed five years apo by wildlife professor Kelly Mooskat who

## in November

#### M. Donaldsdaughter

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The University of Idaho College of Forestry was given final approval Friday to introduce 25 elk and deer into the UI Arboretum. The introduction is a major step in a \$3.5 million project to manage the arboretum as a naturally-func-

*Today*— Tornado warning in effect all day. Windy and cold. Gusts up to 140 mph. Highs of 15 to 20.

Weather Tornado warniect all day. years ago by wildlife professor Kelly Mooskat, who said forestry students needed more accessible handson management experience.

"It's about time the university realizes the importance of this experience for forestry students. The College of Agriculture, after all, has all those cows and sheep, not to mention acres of farm land all over the place to work with." Mooskat said.

Mooskat has been working on the new Arboretum plan for over 10 years with help from her colleagues and students. Initially the plan included building electric fences around both the old and new Arboretums and building an overhead walkway across perimeter drive so the animals could move between the two areas.

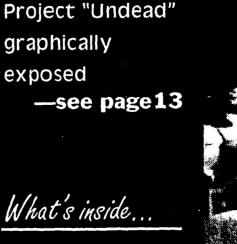
The ASUI Senate was opposed to this plan because of the increased cost and possible problems with students wandering drunk into the electric fences at night.

ASUI Sen. Rainier Hops said, "The Arboretum has always been a popular destination for stumbling drunks. We don't want to put anyone in danger of electrocution."

The final plan does not include fences and the animals are free to roam campus, despite arguments from several campus groups.

Mandy Deerslayer, an agriculture major, is

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Casper insists "being able to appear and disappear at will does not exclude them from the recently passed regulation allowing instructors to drop non-attending students at the end of the second week of classes."

Casper is concerned with the implications surrounding the physical capabilities of the ghosts.

"I hope they do not believe making an appearance in the classroom is equal to staying for the duration of the class," he said. "The students must hover in their seats the full 50 minutes of class to prevent their instructor from withdrawing them."

Granting special entity rights also reveals another controversy regarding UI's position in the Big West. Does their presence at games help UI fulfill the minimum attendance requirement to participate in the Big West Conference?

These topics are just a few of the many to be tackled by Faculty Council today. Whether or not the ghosts plan to send human representatives, or make appearances themselves, is still unknown.

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noodle selection, chicken flavored noodles seem to be the most effective in the cancer battle," Day explained. Recent publications put out by HAHA recommend that those who take their findings seriously should work at incorporating at least five weekly servings of Ramen or frozen burritos into their diet routine. Currently, health experts from HAHA are also working at getting Ramen noodles incorporated into the food pyramid, right up next to the fruit and vegetable picture.

Lief Greene, publicity chair for HAHA, said that working their new findings into the traditionally accepted picture of the food pyramid may take a while.

"However, it is a certainty for the future, probably in exactly a year from today we can expect this to be a reality," Greene said.

HAHA is a medical organization which specializes in ongoing research into creating healthy diets for the American public. Some workers say that the serious atmosphere which usually pervades in HAHA's main laboratories has lately been considerably lightened up by these most recent discoveries.

"We are excited about what the publishing of these findings will mean for the general public. People who have generally worried about spending large amounts of money in order to get healthful, disease-fighting foods can now help out their body with a frozen burrito or package of Ramen noodles, and spend under a dollar," Greene said. "I can't imagine people not taking advantage of the implications of these findings. As far as I'm concerned, you'd have to be a fool not to."

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worried about the elk wandering into the cow pastures. "There is a definite possibility of some crossbreed-

ing occurring and we are very opposed to any genetic contamination of our cows," she said.

Mooskat disagrees with Deerslayer's arguments. "The elk and deer are much smarter than that. They aren't into cows.'

Joe Mows from Facilities Management expressed concern that the grazing elk and deer may force him into unemployment.

"I've been mowing these lawns for 30 years. These wildlifers are all excited about studying deer and elk, but everybody knows all they do is wander around eating grass — the grass that I'm supposed to mow," Mows said.

Others see the elk and deer as a major draw for potential UI students.

"The increased enrollment from having deer and elk on campus will just about equal out the decrease we would see if the campus goes dry. It's the perfect solu-tion," said Associate Registrar Sally Snookey.

Mooskat is excited about the prospect of deer and elk in the UI Arboretum. "It's wonderful to see UI finally taking the lead in modern education facilities and hands-on learning techniques. Every good forestry school will soon be following in the footsteps of the University of Idaho."

The elk and deer are scheduled to arrive in late May. The next step in the project is to introduce grey wolves, probably by late November.

Announcements

Today:

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April 30.

### **Registration correction**

The alphabetical registration schedule on page 4 of the fall 1997 time schedule is incorrect. The correct alphbetical schedule is as follows: Seniors — April 21-25; C-G — April 22; H-M — April 23; N-S — April 24; T-B - April 25, From April 28 through Aug. 20 the preregistration system is available without senior class or alphabetical restriction.

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resume and cover letter" is the

topic of a free workshop provided

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in Brink Hall. Call 885-6121 for

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more information.

## **Ongoing/Upcoming:**

#### **AIDS** quilt coming

The NAMES Project AIDS Quilt is coming to Pullman April 7-9. It will be displayed in the Beasley Coliseum. For volunteer information, call Andie Rivera at 334-7475; for donation information, call Chris Knaus at 335-6722; for educational information, call Chris Anibarro at 335-6722.

#### Architecture lecture The Moscow Police Reserve is

Bruce Hanna will speak on accessible design Thursday at 8 p.m. in Life Sciences South 277. For more information, call 885-6781.

#### **Paint the Palouse**

The Annual Paint the Palouse project will be Friday through Sunday. See your hall or house president for sign-up sheets, Call Paul Wheeler at 885-8070 or Marya Bruning at 885-0550 for more information, Free food and T-shirts!

#### **Tryout to cheer**

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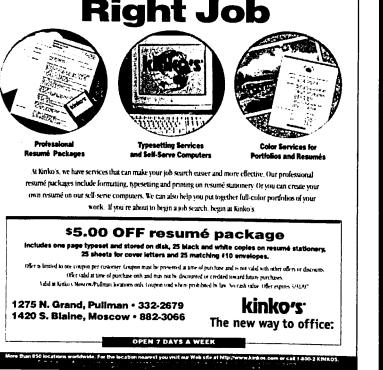
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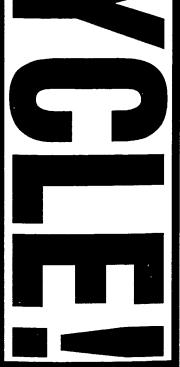
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# **Elephant spotted on Admin lawn**

Officials say botched exchange has led to dung problem on campus

### **Bea Ratewriter**

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What began as a harmless exchange program with Kenya has turned into a problem of giant proportions.

Elephant sized, even.

A large female African elephant has been seen peeping from behind the trees of the Administration Building Lawn and at various other sites on the University of Idaho campus. The elephant, named Olga Littlefoot, has been spotted trampling students and knocking over espresso carts.

Facilities Management crews are especially upset at Olga's "presents" to the university left in grassy areas of campus.

"She's been use'n the Arboretum as her own personal powder room," said Billy Joe Peeon, the unfortunate crew worker left with the responsibility of cleaning up the 4-foot by 9-foot dung piles.

Getting rid of the elephant infestation on campus has been the top priority of maintenance crews, who have been setting out piles of Ding-dongs on 10-foot square nets to catch Olga.

Dr. Ima Scientist from the College of African Animal Studies said the crews should just "chill out."

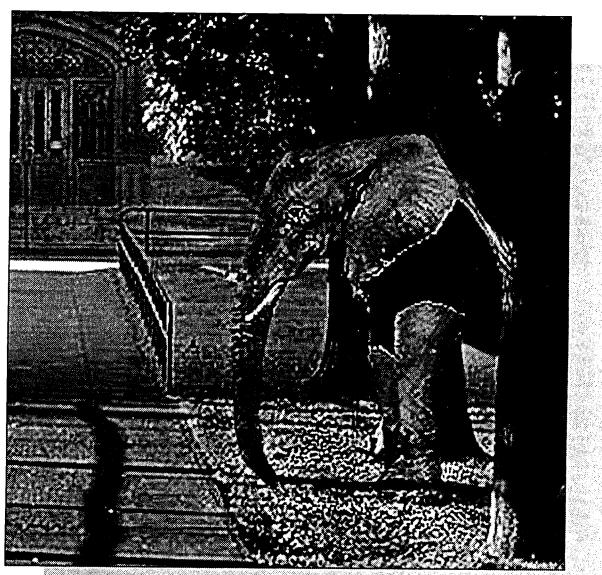
"Besides," she said, "African elephants don't eat Ding-dongs. Too much cholesterol."

University President Roger Dirtdevil said in an official statement last night that, "The elephant is a guest of the university. She is on exchange from Kenya and doesn't speak the language very well. All students and staff should take time to offer a welcoming hand to Olga."

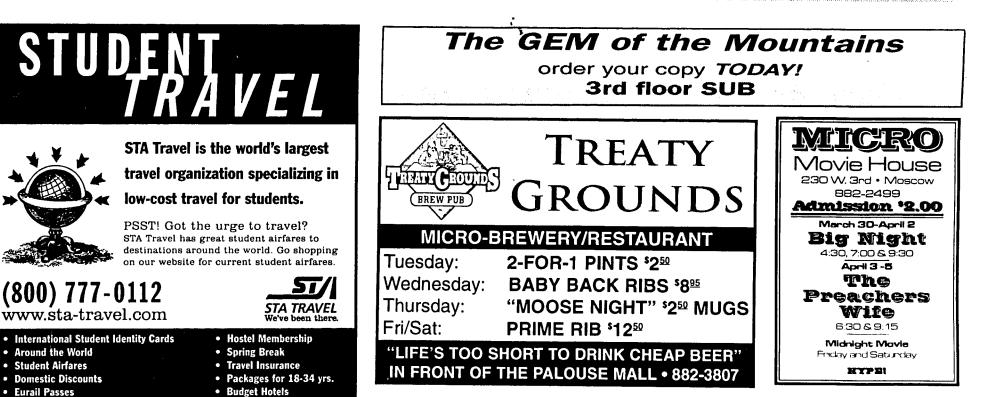
Despite the president's pleas, maintenance crews have upped their efforts to eradicate Olga by adding Twinkies and Fruit Pies to the Ding-dong piles.

"Darn that elephant," Peeon said. "We're gonna need to bring a back-hoe in here to clean this (vulgar word for fecal matter) up."

Meanwhile, the College of Gardening has offered to take some of the dung off the university's hands. "We've some gladiolus that just won't grow," said gardening professor Dig N. Deep. "I think Olga's special fertilizer blend will do the trick."



Olga Littlefoot, exchange "student" from Kenya, Africa, is spotted on Admin lawn.



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**Downthe Hall** 

Southam, professor of Pig

Latin, referring to the recent

influx of felines found in the

heating vents wearing what

looks like looks like Ninja uniforms, "apparently waiting for

everyone to go home," said Frederick Justinsov of

wireless microphones. Also

found in the basement of the Admin were empty vials of cat-

nip, empty bottles of Red Dog

beer, the first Stray Cats

album, and 74 mice tied up

with 10-pound fishing line, sit-

ting quietly staring blankly into

space. They looked they were

in pretty bad shape. Apparently

the cats had been playing golf.

You know how crazy people get when they play golf. My cat played with a mouse for 11

days before eating it. Someone

must have scared the cats off

before they had time to finish

Jack Inabox of Facilities Management said, "Someone has

deliberately brought in these cats.

I'm sure of it. Footprints were

found outside the back door, they

were Hushpuppy shoe prints, style

cf-194. How many people do you

know that wear Hushpuppy shoes style cf-194? We'll narrow it down.

We also found an abandoned

portable cat kennel in the bushes

ing with the FBI to determine who

Campus police have been work-

Police officer Marl Wolmat found

a glove with a hair ball in it that

had apparently been dropped by

someone below one of the Admin

windows. "We'll find out who

owns that glove by making every-

with some feathers in it."

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Cats were also found in the

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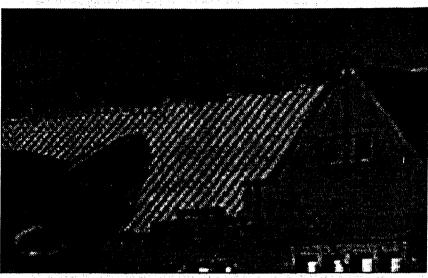
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one try it on. Next week, students will be asked to line up in the field house. Everybody's gonna try that "We found four baby kittens in a glove on. We'll start with the freshdesk drawer along with several man, no the juniors, the seniors, spots where there should have yea, the seniors, that's it! We'll get probably been a catbox," said Janie the perpetrator or my name isn't

Inabox said, "Although 14 mice were seen last week running down the first floor hall dragging an Uzi. there is no reason to assume anything. It still looked like the gun was much too heavy to aim. let alone shoot. In nature, oftentimes

## **Cat scratch fever**



**Cats overrun Admin Building** 

While attempting to photograph the "ninja cats," Argorot photographer Air N. Airout was maliciously scratched by the attack cat (bottom left).

#### Marl!'

University of Idaho President Roger Dirtdevil added, "Please try to stay relaxed. This isn't the first time someone has found 314 cats in one place before... I think."

of this having any relation to the Hale-Bopp comet, the president said, "I don't use Comet. I try to use something much milder. My wife and I like the sheen on my tub and tilewear to last as long as possi-

The president added that extreme caution should be used when alone in the Admin Building; "But just because cats have been found hiding in the toilets, there is no reason for alarm."

species will fight for territory. This may be just that; a struggle for dominance. A struggle for...that glove IS bizarre, though, isn't it, and those Hushpuppy shoe prints, style cf-194, and what about the...the bill I got for dinner last night, \$81.00, that seems awfully high for two burritos. You know I would pay dearly to see a cat play golf.'

mation that leads to the capture of the person or persons responsible for the influx of felines. One semester's tuition if you're a stu-dent, minus the fees, and \$1 off each textbook you buy for that semester. Non-students and faculty

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Dirtdevil said, "Seigfried and Roy will donate their services, along with their purple-silent helicopter. and we have the FBI here with 11 tons of catnip that will be placed in the Kibby Dome, along with 40 cases of Red Dog Beer, and 11,000 rubber mice soaked in mouse sweat. The Stray Cats have agreed to play for one week only; that should be enough time to lure the pesky felines to their doom. Once there, the cats will be caught in a rocket-powered net. The Dome roof will then be torn away and Seigfried and Roy will lift them out by their purple silent helicopter and taken away for intensive group therapy.'

for one week at the Mirage in Las

Vegas donated by Steve Seigfried

and Bill Roy of the Mirage. They

may also donate their services if

things get out of hand here in

Moscow, "but only if they can

bring their purple helicopter," said

their publicist. Henry Jewel.

sible. They told the Argonaut that they are

investigating a possible link

to the Hale-Bopp comet.

"When Haley's comet

passed by the earth in the '30s, Cle Elum,

Washington, was complete-

ly overrun by monkeys.

We're still trying to figure that one out," said Inspector Clouseau as he was falling

off the cat kennel while

Students are advised to be

careful around the Admin building. All indications

show that most activity is

taking place at night. Small

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basement and small explo-

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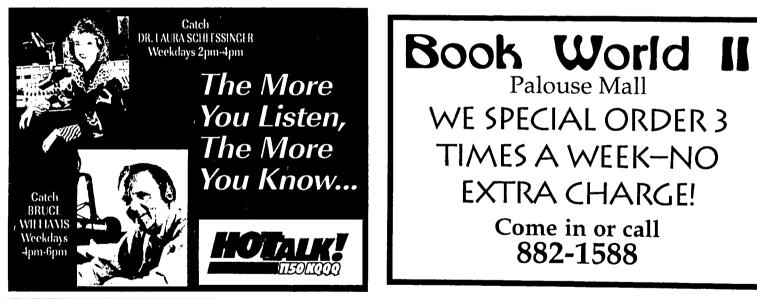
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## Administrator wins jobs for **UI graduates in radio contest**

**Juan Fineday** Asst. News Editor

Where will I find a job? How will I pay the rent? Will I be able to eat? For the next two years, these questions will no longer torment graduating University of Idaho students.

Thanks to a winning call made by UI administrator Howard Luck to WHAT Radio station's call-in game, "Get a Job. . . The Easy Way," graduating UI students of all majors are guaranteed jobs paying no less than \$30,000 a year.

The jobs guarantee students prestigious positions in the state or country of their choice. The jobs will be related to the students' career choices. No resume or interview is necessary to obtain the positions.

"I just decided to take a chance," Luck said. "I was in the middle of eating lunch, heard the advertisement and was the fifth caller. I just wish someone had made the same call when I was graduating from college.'

The game was opened only to university administrators living in the United States. To win, administrators had to be the fifth caller to the WHAT station after hearing the "Get a Job. . . The Easy Way" advertisement and then were required to sing all verses of their school song over the air.

"I did pretty well singing the first verse." Luck said. "After that point I fumbled a little, but it all came out okay. I had a lot of help from the students working in my office.

The jobs will be provided to UI students graduating in the spring and fall of 1997 and 1998. To put requests in for job placement, seniors must fill out the "Get a Job. . The Easy Way" form available at the Registrar's Office. The forms must be completed one month before the student graduates

"I've never needed a break as much as I need this one," said Nada Experience, a UI senior. "Maybe this will cure my ulcers."

WHAT Radio Station. upon finding tax evasion information involving most national and international businesses. strategically convinced the businesses that offering university students jobs for the next two years was in their best interest. The result was the "Get A Job. . . The Easy Way" call-in show.

"The businesses were surprisingly easy to convince." said Joe Blackmail of WHAT Radio. "We just saw this as a great chance to do something for all of the struggling graduates out there. Congratulations and good luck to all of the UI students."

#### Air N. Airout Staff

Administration surprised students and faculty Thursday when they announced student fees would not be raised next year and the University Commons project would be postponed There are many other indefinitely.

"I've seen the error in my plans," President Bob Eureka said at a press conference Thursday from the third floor of the UCC. "There are many other changes that need to be made before we can this damn building to begin the University Commons project. Like blowing this damn building to the ground, for instance.

According to a spokesperson for Dr. Eureka, the president evidently made the mistake of stopping for a quick snack at the Student Union Building last week.

"He must have gained 10 pounds just walking through the room," the spokesper-

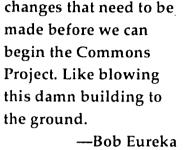
son said. "That, combined with the fact the grease from his meal caused him to break out worse than when he was in high school, Dr. Eureka has proposed to turn the bottom floor of the UCC into a giant salad

bar. "We will have water filters in every building!" the president promised to students at the press conference. Cheers were heard all over campus.

"I think it's a great idea," student Rick Grew said. "If I eat one more bread stick. I'm going to be sick.

The future of the remaining floors of the UCC are uncertain. While President Eureka wants to still "blow it to the ground," other proposed plans are to turn it. into a parking garage. since little changes will have to be made to the structure.

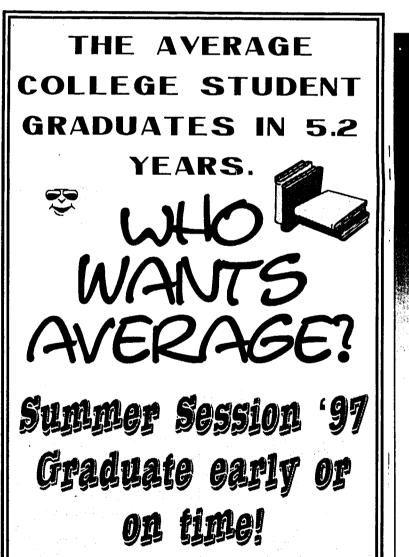
"We're going to need more parking for the Super Bowl anyway. " Eureka said. (See related story page 8).



President

**Officials rescind fee raise,** 

cancel Commons project





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# **Counter the alien threat:** beam sci-fi movies into space

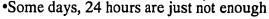
rgonaut editorial writers have come up with some amazing conclusions over the years:

•This university does not have enough parking

•It rains too much in Moscow

•The Senate is filled with satanic boogerheads

•Sometimes, you have a bad day





Right as they were, I feel they've overlooked the most fundamental truth which, if recognized and utilized, would save this planet eons of grief.

We need to beam more of our sci-fi movies into deep space.

UFO-niks have been screeching about alien invasion of our planet since that whateveritwas crashed in the desert near Roswell, N.M., in 1947. Now, whether or not it was an alien space craft or some ultra-secret early model of one of those silent black federal helicopters which crashed, is moot. Something fell from the sky, and it might as well have been aliens.

If Hollywood has taught me anything — and we all know Hollywood is incapable of lying — it is the rare alien which comes to earth with gentle intentions. All E.T. wanted was a few bits of candy and a Speak-n-Spell so he could phone home, but every other alien who jumped off the pike at the Earth exit has wanted to blow us up. This phenomenon is not due to typical earther xenophobia, but rather the truthful notion — discovered by Japanese makers of that endless series of '60s Godzilla films — that creatures who destroy things and gather humans for food are much bigger box-office draws than aliens who

wish to trade warp drives for Cabbage Patch dolls.

Still, if there ever were a real invasion, I'm sure not everyone would like it. Sure, seeing the White House and the Empire State Building get blown up on the silver screen is top-notch entertainment, but who really wants to find out what goes on inside those space ships which, for all intense purposes, look like cattle trucks?

So, let's beam more of our sci-fi movies into deep space. Put them on the PBS bandwidth, sandwiched between Nature and National Geographic specials. We can use the blurred edge between news and entertainment to our advantage and convince these aliens these are not movies, but documentaries.

That's a defense deterrent better than Star Wars, because what alien race, no matter how advanced, is going to want to mess with a race of underdeveloped simians who can defeat the "Borg" by travelling back in time and soliciting the help of the same guy who the year before trained that pig to herd sheep? (Anyone else who found that plot line hard to swallow, set your phasers on "stun.")

Who will want to mess with a planet-wide race of washed-up crop duster pilots who know exactly which spot on the alien ships to hit to bring the whole ball of wax down around those pointed alien ears?

Worse yet, who would want to mess with a race of beings who make computers smarter than themselves then make two-hour long documentaries about their adventures with only 27 minutes of dialogue?

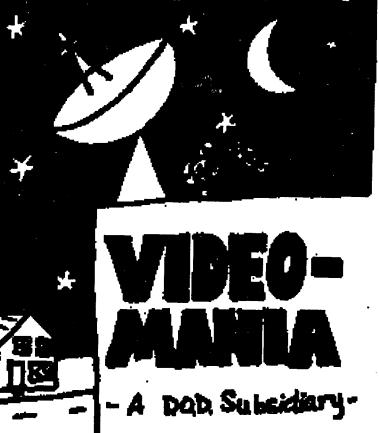
Then there's Third Rock from the Sun, a weekly television documentary on the destabilizing effects constant contact with earthers can have on those delicate alien Ids and egos.

Nobody wants to fly 200 bazillion miles to lose, so we'll just be saving dilythium crystals by telling them, with our documentaries, "Hey, we bad."

Unless, of course, they use subterfuge. While Hollywood is protecting the skies, who's keeping tabs on questionables like Dennis Rodman and the Artist Formerly Known as Prince? They're still at large.

-George Won't **Onion Pi Editor** 

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## Wear it out, just don't mangle my name

hink what you will about a name, but I'm here to tell you that there is a great deal more to one than meets the average eye.

You know what kind of mood your mom is in depending on how she says your name. If you hear your "pet" name, it's cookie time; if it's the first and middle name, it's off to your room with no supper.

Names can determine your stature. Take William. Out of just one name come at least four others. You've got



Bill, Billy, Will or Willie. I'm convinced that's why Clinton is in politics, he's got four accomplices for everything he does, When

he screws up,

all he has to do

is blame it on

one of the

Effie MacDonald

other names. He's got a split personality without even knowing it. And then there are names like mine. Laugh as you will at what a

funky name it is, everybody else I've met for 21 years has. I don't know if my parents were trying to be clever, if I put my mom through hell during labor, or what the deal was with them giving me a name like Effie. It's been quite interesting living with it, however. My guess is that is was my parents' way of eternally punishing all six of their

children. Even if they aren't around when we do bad things, they still have the pleasure of knowing that we're branded with our names, and that's all it takes. Everybody else tortures us instead of them having to.

Effie isn't a family name, rather a nick-name of a great aunt from

South Carolina. So, not only did I get a hick name, it's not even real!

The fun rolls around when people start slaughtering my name. How difficult can it be to pronounce Effie? The phonics don't get much more basic than that.

Even in grade school I couldn't get away with just being called by Effie. A little brother of a friend had a tough time saying Effie, so I was from then on out stuck with "Fe Fe." Yah, ha-ha funny, I know. To this day that's what my mom calls me. Or, when she's in a good mood. FeFers.

One of my friend's parents in New Mexico never got it right in two years. They spoke little English, and though Marcia tried over and over to explain to them that my name wasn't Coffee, it was Effie, it never sunk in. So, I was Coffee for two years in that household.

Back in high school when my name was being announced at basketball games, maybe one in five announcers would get it right. People in the crowd seemed to know when my name was coming up, and everybody would fall silent. The announcer would blare out, "5-foot -0 center...(mumbling) Eee-uh-Ifff-iee MACDONALD." Like screaming my last name correctly would make up for him thrashing my first. I never knew if the crowd was excited about me running out onto the court, or if they were in hysterics in regards to my name.

In chemistry class, some brilliant scholar discovered that the chemical element symbol for iron was Fe. Don't think I've ever heard the end of that one, either. I guess I should be lucky Fe doesn't stand for something like praseodymium.

A favorite past-time of some other friends of mine was to look up words that resembled Effie, in the dictio-

nary. Their all-time greatest was effluvium: stink of decayed matter.

One would think that as the older I got, the more mature people would be when it came to hearing my name. So far, that hasn't been the case.

Now, when I go out to a bar or something, it gets even more interesting. As if it's not bad enough telling people what my name is when there isn't loud music. After repeating it four times and they still have a confused look on their face. I just say something like, "Stacy," to put both of us out of our misery.

Some people try to show a little tact when it comes to my name. They'll tell me that it's really a neat name — unique. Hey, nice try, but I know what that all means.

Some will come right out and say: "What the hell kind of name if that, anyway? What, were your parents stoned?"

Nope, they weren't stoned, or so they say when I ask them the same question. They just think it's a hunky-dory name. It has character, they tell me.

For all of you who think your name's boring, be happy with it. For those who ended up with an obtuse name like mine, believe me. I know how you feel, so does the rest of my family. Like Heather Feather, for instance.

I'm still being called by a poodle's name. I've been a steamy, hot beverage, stink of decayed matter, an element and numerous other completely screwed-up names. I've come to the conclusion that any failures in my life can be linked to the tormenting I've endured through my name.

So, if you think your child may put you through hell, instead of screaming at him/her, just give it a horrendous name like mine. It worked for my parents.



#### Yakkity yak yak yak

If President Roger Dirtdevil really cared about University of Idaho students, he'd do something about the rain here in Moscow.

It just rains too much. Nobody wants to look prematurely old but everyone I see has permanently wrinkled fingers from the excess moisture which abounds in the Palouse.

Of course if something was done about the rain, you bet your bottle of mustard that environmentalists would go nuts because of the destruction of habitat for molds and various foot fungi. This rain has got to stop and I mean now.

## And furthermore blah blah blah blah blah

It's that time of the year again when you can tell natives from non-natives. Not only do the nonnatives whine incessantly about the rain we get here on the Palouse, but they also bundle up in their parkas when it's a balmy 55 degrees outside. Don't they just make you laugh? I mean, everyone else is running about in shorts and sporting those cold- and wind-burned legs to the world, and there they are still thinking it's like March or something. Just get a clue and stop whining already.

### Look! He drones! He whines!

Too many Potshots pieces in this issue are dedicated to the weather. While it is true meteorology is one of the few topics of discussion left on earth that doesn't cause major land wars in Asia when discussed, I for one think enough is enough.

## The patron saint of potshotters: Jack Handey

I believe Jack Handey said it best when he said, "You know what I think would make a good story? Something about a clown who makes everybody happy but on the inside he's real sad. Also, he has severe diarrhea."

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Thanks, Jack. I love you, man!



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# Giant can-opener flown in, peels Dome top

#### Howee-Cowsell-D'storts Editor

n an effort to bring football fans back to the Kibbie Dome, University of Idaho officials declared a "festive celebration" on Saturday when a giant can opener was flown in by helicopter and used to peel off the top of the Dome.

"Students, alumni and general fans have wanted this for a long time," said UI Athletic Director Solar James. "They threatened to wear Boise State colors to Vandal games if we didn't. Some students said they'd even transfer to Eastern Washington."

The 6-ton iron can opener, which was donated to the city of Moscow by the Korean government, did the job without any complications. Four overweight workers strenuously turned the knob which operated the opener.

knob which operated the opener. "They did a good job," Vandal football coach Knute "Bear" Bowden said. "We can finally play in real Idaho weather and not on this astroturf Dome crap. I'd rather play football in the rain, snow, sleet or hail than play under a whimpy roof."

The Dome peeling, which lasted an hour, was applauded by 20,000 prooutdoor fans.

In July a sod crew from Smelterville, Idaho, will bring in real grass to replace the Dome's artificial turf. Although the Smelterville grass has been labeled toxic by the Environmental Protection Agency, UI officials went with the leaded grass because of its obvious home field attractions.

"Not only will students from the Silver Valley feel proud, because we used their grass, but opposing teams might get sick if they land face down in the stuff," James said laughingly. "By then we'll be used to it — immune if you will."

James and other UI officials are hoping that with an outdoor field, Idaho fans will again support their Vandals, especially with the move to the PAC-10 Conference in the year 2000. Also, to accomodate the 1999 Super Bowl, the peeling was necessary.

"We're thinking of adding 10,000 more seats, which will be a big help in hosting the Super Bowl," James said. "We'll fly in fans from Spokane, Boise and Seattle. As far as students go, I hope this outdoor field and a possible addition of seats give them some motivation to come to these games. If not, we'll have to teach them a different

kind of motivation — like a swift kick in the head. They ought to come then."

Although the total project, including the Dome peeling, is estimated to cost over \$30 million, UI Vice President of Financial Affairs Jerry Tarkanian promises students that tuition won't go up.

up. "Tuition, under Idaho law, can't go up," Tarkanian said. "But the fees will cost the average student an arm and a leg. We've got other ways to make money for this university. Our basketball team may suffer, players might be investigated by the NCAA and Moscow may have to become the bookie capital of the world, but we'll find a way."

As for student response to the Dome renovations, feelings were positive.

"Now we won't fall asleep during games," said Punky Brewster, a senior drama major from New York. "My dog and my old dad will like that. I can smuggle booze in the games too. Nebraska is my favorite football team, but Idaho will do for now. Go Mariners."

Even students from traditionally warmer states felt the renovations and spending was necessary.

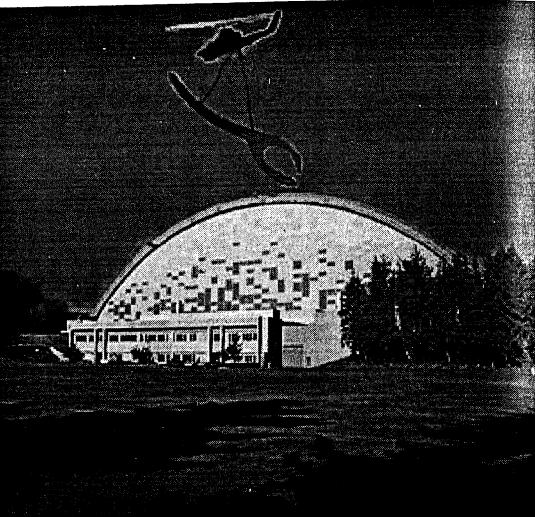
"I didn't do it, no matter what they say," said sophomore transfer Mark Furhman. "That damn glove — with the new outdoor stadium, simple things like a bloody glove or bloody shoe prints can't be planted — they'll be covered up by the snow. I love it."

• On Saturday it was also announced that Vandal basketball games would be played in Pullman at Beasley Stadium.

With the Kibbie Dome being renovated into an outdoor facility, there is no place on campus to hold Idaho men's basketball games. UI students must now travel to Pullman to watch the Vandals play.

"In all reality, this sucks," Idaho basketball coach Larry "Frogger" Floyd said. "I guess we'll have to give out more pizza and throw out more rubber balls to get students to make the trek to Pullman."

In the meantime, UI officials are working overtime to redo plans and turn the Commons Building into a basketball arena. Now a student will be able to go to class, get a pizza, learn in a couple of workshops, watch some television, check out a video rental, interact with student government and catch a basketball game — all in one building.



On Saturday, an Appache helicoptor flew in a giant can-opener to finish a job the UI should never have started. Fans applauded, fair weather fans wept and concrete tumbled as the roof was finally pried off.

## UI to host Super Bowl XXXIV

## Brent "my breath smells like" Musk-burger

The votes are in and Moscow City Council members are beginning to draw up plans for a new and improved Moscow and prepare for the estimated population explosion on Super Bowl Sunday 1999.

The University of Idaho has received the bid it was waiting for. The Kibbie Dome will be the sight of the Super Bowl XXXIV. Part of the plans UI has to make include drastic changes to the Kibbie Dome, making the facility adequate for the large numbers of fans, players and media this sporting event tends to attract at the end of every season.

Students will be happy to know that the university is breaking its bond to keep alcohol out of the Dome. By the time the "Big Game" comes to town, all of the hot dog stands will have giant spigots hooked to clear plastic tubes attached to kegs of cold, frothy beer.

Huge German Super Bowl steins will be handed out to students who have their student identification on hand. Idaho will be giving away free beer to the first 1,000 students at the door.

As far as food is concerned, Dome vendors will be offering food that is actually edible which doesn't require 40 catsup packets to hide the flavor of the previous weekend.

The next changes are going to affect the actual structure of the Dome itself. City officials have given this a lot of thought and can only think of one way to accomplish the first phase of reconstruction — the removal of the Kibbie Dome roof which took place on Saturday.

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## Ping pong looks to new heights

Marge "give me one last" Shot Assistant D'storts Editor

newness of the sport," Greene said. "Now we need to hook the public on sheer talent. These kids



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disgrace to not only the university and its students, but to table tennis lovers everywhere," is how University of Idaho President Roger Dirtdevil described recent attendance records.

When UI's athletic administration decided to cut back on the football program to fund a co-ed ping-pong team, a few members of the community had their doubts. All worries were dispersed however, as the pongging craze swept the silver and gold, overflowing Memorial Gym's seating capacity.

Perhaps it was in transferring the tournaments to the Kibble Dome where Idaho's number one athletic event lost some of its luster. Whatever the case, fan support has declined to just under 15,000 during the past two home tournaments and coach Sal-Greene is beginning to worry.

"We've lost the pizzazz in the

are working hard and have a lot to offer."

Three-sport Vandal talent Bob Scott is only one such rising star. Following sensational seasons in both football and basketball, Greene decided to give him a whirl.

"Hell, he seemed to be able to do just about everything else we had nothing to lose," Greene said.

Scott leads the Big West Conference single's division with a record of 13-4, including a pair of losses to Nevada's Grove Gump. The multi-faceted athlete believes most Americans hold a skewed view of table tennis.

"People think it's just a lame two week session of high school P.E.," Scott said. "They don't realize how much the sport has grown and what an exciting display competitions are." Idaho had hoped to move up to

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## News and Notes

## Larry "Frogger" Floyd

#### turns down another job offer

Some folks just can't take no for an answer. University of Idaho basketball coach Larry "Frogger" Floyd has turned down yet another head coaching job offer.

On Friday, Floyd turned down an offer to become coach of the Chicago Bulls. In a press conference following Friday's offer, Floyd said, "I'm staying, that's all there is to it."

In March, Floyd turned down offers to become coach at Utah State, Louisiana State, Fresno State and North Idaho College in Coeur d' Alene. "I love the University of Idaho," Floyd said. "My

"I love the University of Idaho," Floyd said. "My family likes it here and I'm staying. That's all there is to it. I wish they'd stop calling me."

## Arm pit washing club set to begin at UI

As the weather gets warmer and the old body odor deodorant isn't holding up as long as it used to — the Vandal arm pit washing club is beginning their spring

#### tryouts on April 14.

"This time of year, students are worried about raising their hands in class because they aren't sure," said club president Wade Harris. "Our task is to raise awareness as to the dangers of dangerous pit odors."

Among other things, Harris and his group are looking for a few good men or women with lousy smelling arm pits to demonstrate the turnoff of being foul.

"Here at Idaho the problem goes unnoticed," Harris said. "I don't know if it's because there's too many hicks that don't care or what. This team will be made up of stinky Vandals who want to change, as well as help other dirties conform to cleanliness."

Harris, who is now rehabilitated, sees only positive things in the P-U removal.

"If you leave Idaho, without knowing you smell, it's really embarrassing," Harris said. "This way, if you go to a cool state like Texas or Florida, chicks won't think you stink as much I guess."

Harris, a senior underwater ceramics washing major from Noseplug, Mont., assures students that the program will prove successful if you make the first step and attend the tryouts.

"You're not a rehabilitated stinker until you attend the tryouts," Harris said.

## Go figure, some want football and basketball



10,000 fans per game - yes. Does football - I think not.

didn't bother me (although, calling me a communist ticked me off a bit).

report the news that is most important, most newsworthy and most read. So if a group of 20 angry sports fans threaten to take my life — I'll laugh in their face. I'll say, "freedom of the press, baby!"

Then, after my three-week hospital stay I'll continue to report on the foosball and the UI fencing team.

If fans want football and basketball coverage, then they may wish to consider attending a school where the sports are popular. I hear Ricks College in Rexburg, Idaho, has great pigskin and roundball coverage.

The fact of the matter is — until those sports start making money for the university and fans start attending games - the Argorot will continue to print stories on major, money making sports (darts, swimming, billiards and cribbage).

Look in this Friday's issue for a preview and a recruitment update for the UI arm pit club team. It only gets better (or worse).

### my eye out or something - I just can't risk it."

Measures are being taken so incidents such as this seldom occur, although it's generally agreed that these incidents are just a part of the adrenaline rush in being a Vandal fan.

Other turn-offs attendants cited were a lack of quality halftime entertainment (this applied to all athletic events) and the full body spandex leotards used as team uniforms. However, Greene and team members agree that they make movement

flow much easier — a number of closely seated fans have SEE PING PONG AGAIN PAGE 10

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"We have made a lot of calls and so far the most cooperation and availability of resources for the job has been from officials associated with Pabst Blue Ribbon," Councilman Jack Mechoff said.

"Well, we looked at the idea and with the help of a few outside sources I think the roof removal of the Kibbie Dome was a success," City Planner Oliver Cloesoph said. "Now, the tricky part is extending the base around the outside to make room for the new seating arrangements."

Other improvements to the Dome include an expansion of seating since the current conditions would be inadequate come Super Bowl Sunday. The Dome seating will be increased to hold a capacity crowd of 27,000 screaming fans. The new seats will be constructed in the endzone areas and seats will be added on to those already in existence.

To top off the Super Bowl celebration, the city council has decided to allot extra funds for a giant Super Bowl theme park. The park will give fans the chance to see what it really takes to be a professional football player.

This fun park will be constructed between Moscow and Pullman. Construction on the threesquare mile Super Bowl theme park is scheduled to begin next week.

"We are hoping to show the people of Moscow and the surrounding areas that this city can come together for such a special event such as the Super Bowl," Councilman Rob Yerbut said. "The financial gains estimated from such an event are staggering and are sure to give the city of Moscow a brighter future.<sup>4</sup>

Despite the two-year wait, Moscow residents have never before witnessed one of the greatest spectacles in professional sports. City planners and engineers are working around the clock to make sure the

new improvements will be in place by game day. The halftime show was initially restricted to a theme that would represent the area, but sources say that country music will not be tolerated during the Super Bowl.

Michael Jackson will also not be allowed to sing "We are the world" again. However, to keep the audience in suspense, the group or individual who will be performing has requested they not be identified until game day.

City officials have given the entertainment directors leeway to be as nasty as they want to be.



Does ping-pong average more than

Gee, I didn't think I could go wrong. When Billy Bob Jacobs, his four hillbilly brothers and their spotted pit bull stood outside the Argorot, with broken off fence posts and pitchforks — I didn't fold under pressure. Even when football coach Knute "Bear" Bowden threatened to stomp on my head with football spiked shoes, it

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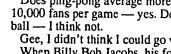
all their coverage and run excellent stories

featuring ping-pong and shuffle board --

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Division I-A following their successful sweep in the program's first year. However, there are worries that Idaho I-A ping-pong won't be possible unless ticket sales increase dramatically. To be considered I-A in table tennis, a university must average 17,000 under NCAA rules.

"I stopped going because a ball flew by and almost hit me," said avid Vandal sports fan Valerie Hall. "It could have taken



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# Judy Gorman

"I think of all my songs as love songs. It's the challenge of being alive and the need to connect with myself and others."

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# Hingly beer bongs many kegs

## John "your words make me" Madden

Imagine waking through a fierce and rigorous alcohol tolerance training program, comprised of beer bonging, Everclear shooting and Thunderbird wine chugging.

For University of Idaho student Bry Hingly, this is a way of life. "I'm the world's greatest binge drinker," Hingly

said. "It's not easy, but somebody has got to do it."

Standing a mere 5-foot-1 with a reddish orangish afro and a green leisure suit, Hingly personifies the atypical loser. Hingly, however, is far from being a loser, but instead he's upheld UI's reputation as a party school and is the no. 1 ranked binge drinker in the Big West Conference.

"My parents stopped calling me a loser a long time ago," Hingly said. "They actually stopped talking to me completely as a matter of fact."

A native of Rainier, Idaho, Hingly came to the UI in the late 1960s.

"I came to college and decided that I liked it so much that I might as well stay in school my whole life,' Hingly said. "Where else than Moscow can you drink seven days a week and not be called a social outcast?"

Still in general studies and undecided on a major, Hingly is optimistic to attain a degree, but says that he'll leave college on his own terms.

"When I can drink three kegs in a day, then I'll be ready," Hingly said. "Right now I can drink two kegs dry and polish off a half-gallon of Bacardi 151."

Hingly's college binge drinking began at the now extinct Helter Skelter fraternity. Helter Skelter has long been known as Idaho's most notorious fraternity.

"The drinking part of it was great, but the communal part wasn't," Hingly said. "The president, this Manson dude, was always slipping me tabs of LSD and telling me to do weird stuff. At initiation he tried to scratch a swastika into my forehead so I bolted to the dorms."

Hingly was tossed out of the dorms two weeks later because he smoked pot in his room. He then moved into a house with his hippie girlfriend, Svett Lana.

'Me and Svett have been together a long time,' Hingly said. "I guess you could call it an alcoholic's relationship. She buys me all the alcohol I want so that I will stay with her. The more I drink, the better she looks. Believe me, I've got to drink a lot for her to look good. I mean she never shaves her legs or washes her hair.'

Hingly also believes the best and wildest parties are those Lana throws at her massive house on Moscow Mountain.

"We usually get about 15 kegs of Rainier beer and three kegs of hash oil," Hingly said. " It ends up getting pretty sick and hectic. I'll drink a couple of kegs, get belligerent and then cheat on Svett with about six

or seven girls. Svett usually starts hallucinating from drinking too much hash oil. She then dances around the room naked speaking all sorts of gibberish."

Although Hingly is an alcoholic, it's not too often you will see him at the bars. "They kicked me out of the bars a long time ago,"

Hingly said. "They told me that they couldn't afford to let me have drink specials because I was drinking them out of business."

Hingly's favorite place to go is the Saturday market in Eugene, Ore.

"It's great there," Hingly said. "It's the only place in the world that I fit in at. Also, there are these brownies that I buy there. I eat about a batch of them and I'm wrecked. I don't know what's in them, though. Probably some green stuff if you know what I mean."

Right now, however, Hingly is on a diet — so he has to stay away from eating brownies and other sweets. The International Beer Bonging Championship is next week and Hingly plans on winning it for the 15th consecutive year in a row.

"I'm going to break my record this year," Hingly said. "Last year I bonged a keg, a fifth of whiskey and a bottle of wine. This year I'm going to bong a keg, a fifth of Everclear and a box of Franzia wine.

When he's not training, Hingly is usually practicing with his band called Bry and the Wailers. Once a month the band performs at Lana's house. "It's great performing at Svett's," Hingly said.

"Everybody drinks a lot of hash oil and has a good time.'

For the sport of binge drinking, it clearly takes a dedicated man to reach to top of what is arguably the most competitive sport in the world.

"Every morning of everyday I wake up and down a half gallon of rum before noon," Hingly said. "Then I've got to battle down two kegs before dinner. It's not easy, but no one said that college life was going to be easy

Hingly's only competition this year has came from a guy called Ogre at Adam's College, also of the Big West Conference. In the Jim Beam Championships on Oct. 15, Ogre fell to Hingly by a narrow margin and looks forward to facing his rival at the beer bonging championships.

"Nerds ...?" Ogre said. "He's pretty gooder, but I ain't not no going to lose to him this time. I practiced all year and I'm ready to win. If I don't, it's back to the drawing paper and I'll really have my nose to the green stone.

Meanwhile, Hingly laughs at Ogre's remarks. "He might try to outsmart mu, but wits won't win this contest," Hingly said. "I'm from Idaho, home of the purple and yellow, and no one will take me down - no one."

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complained about the athletes' butt sweat.

Advertising campaigns are being launched in local newspapers, radio and television stations hoping to stir more interest, although there is a wild card being held. Details are still too sketchy, but there has been talk of a contest in which one lucky attendant wins the chance to paddle a UI coach of their choice during a game break.

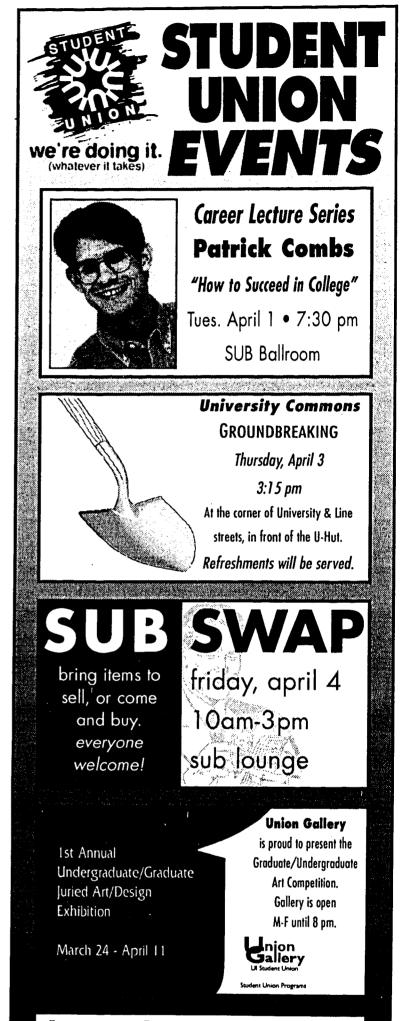
Whatever the tactics, a move into I-A would be huge for the program as well as the university. Dirtdevil promises he and the administration are going to do

"whatever it takes," to lift the ping-pong program into the next level.

"It is the sport of the future, and we need to take action so its popularity continues to grow," said Athletic Director Solar James. "Just like my favorite song from Girl Scout camp goes - create new programs, but keep the old...one is silver and the other gold."

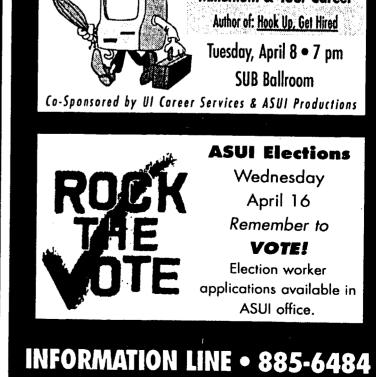
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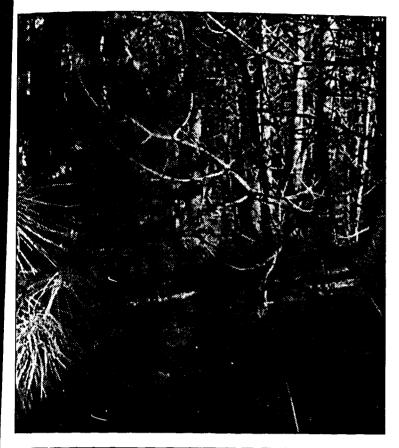


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# **Bigfoot sighted in Moscow**

## Betty Boop

B igfoot has been sighted in the University of Idaho's Arboretum and on Moscow Mountain. Moscow, Pullman and the surrounding areas are in a state of alert.

Reports from local ranchers and mountain bikers have been confirmed by local authorities. Sasquatch is now living on Moscow Mountain.

The alleged sightings were reported to the Moscow Police Department on Saturday. Police were sent to the scene after a local rancher insisted they come check things out.

The police would not comment on the findings but it is rumored that footprints, tufts of hair and a bedding area were found close to the thicket where the rancher sighted Bigfoot. "It was the scariest thing I have ever seen," said one local rancher who would like to stay anonymous.

The rancher described the beast as being around 7 feet tall with hair all over and long arms that reached to its knees. He described it as looking like a cross between a human and a gorilla.

"I thought it was a bear at first that was standing on its hind legs but then it started walking across the clearing and I could tell what it was," said the rancher.

The mayors of Moscow and Pullman are scheduled to give a press conference on Friday to address the questions of the community and explain the situation. Both mayors have decided to put the Palouse on a state of alert for the time being.

The police department also asks the public not to call in to the station with questions. They are being flooded with phone calls that are slowing down their investigation. If there are questions you want answered please attend the press conference and those issues will be addressed.

Some local students are skeptical about the sightings.

"This whole Bigfoot story is a bunch of crap. I think the people who are seeing Bigfoot in their back yards had better put the pipe down and lay of the hard alcohol," said Dave Carter, an anthropology major.

Other students are excited about the stories. They aren't so sure Bigfoot is a myth.

"I've had this reoccurring dream about Bigfoot ever since I was little. He would come out of this misty forest with these samurai swords on his back and a bandanna on his head and tell me about how he was a warrior sent to purify the human race,"

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# Family sues video co. for debilitating injury

## Doug Schwag

ucas Barnaby Jones can't hold a book, a fork, a pencil, a job (well when he's old enough to work). His mother blames video games. "All day long that's all he'd do" his mom said

"All day long, that's all he'd do," his mom said. "It was a cryin' shame, he wouldn't help in the yard or around the house, or nothin'. I never seen such a bratty kid," his dad said. "I used to beat'm every once in a while to get him to get off that couch."

"I just had to have my fix," 10-year-old Lucas said, "now I can't move my thumbs. They say it's like that car-pool-tunnel thing ladies who type a lot get." Yes, Lucas has advanced carpeltunel syndrome. It is so severely advanced that doctors fear operating on his small hands would only produce possible paralysis in other digits.

Lucas has adapted quite well, despite his inability to do most the things other kids his age do; such as ride a bike, hold a bat, climb a tree, play football or mow the lawn. Although we've been told, he didn't do any of those things anyway.

"Yup, we're goin' after the big guys," Lucas' dad said. "I need some new 'quipment round the old homestead, especially since *he* can't help."

"And you should see his grades! They're terrible! All because he'd be in his room playing video games all afternoon," his mom said. "It's a shame, I just want our story known so others don't have to go through the same tragedy. If I've, ...er we've, helped warn just one person about the hidden dangers of video game controls, I'll be able to sleep tonight in my new bed."

The Jones' are asking 2.5 billion dollars in damages from the video game system corporation, but there had not been an answer from the corporate lawyers handling the negotiations. The Jones' came to this figure by calculating the potential earning power of their son granted he received a Ph.D. from an Ivy-League school.

Ironically, young Lucas has graduated into computer games where he doesn't need his painfully useless thumbs. "I bet I can get all sorts of new games and a phat new computer system with the money I get," Lucas said. He could, quite possibly, develop a career within the flexible realm of computer sciences; but the lawyers have advised the Jones' to ignore that for the mental anguish imposed upon Lucas could render him unemployable.

There will be more coverage as this story continues to develop.

Is it just the tip of the iceberg for today's video game junkie youth? Should the control pad be made more ergonomic? Are there carpeltunel braces small enough for these children's hands? I'm sure we'll get the answers to these and more as this landmark case gets underway.



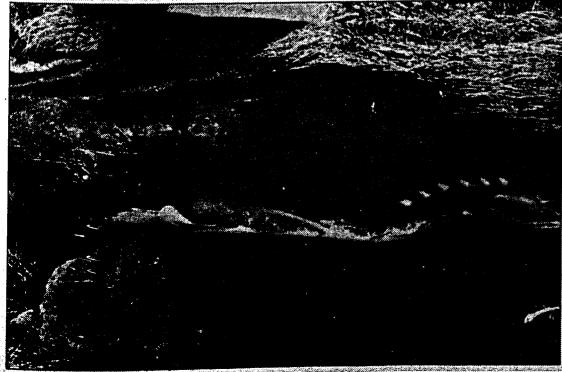
## Queenle Defenbach

D ecent high water levels, the unseasonably warm winter around the Palouse and some speculate the comet have produced an interesting conundrum: The Paradise Creek Monster. First seen in early March, most passed the sighting off as a posttequila hallúcination; however, many have seen glimpses of the monster since. Apparently it only surfaces when it smells beer and is quite friendly to those who dump some of their beer into the creek. Of course, most who would be willing to do this are quite drunk by that time.

"Dicey" as they have named the illusive animal.

"I know what I saw, and it was anything normal," said Callio

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**Sightings of strangeness** 

The wildlife professors and other scientific researchers are keeping quiet about this discovery, but are setting up observation areas in the trees lining the shallow creek.

"It is quite an honor to have something so unusual in the Palouse area," said one doctorate candidate who refused to give his name fearing his dissertation would not be heard if his advisers knew he was keeping a nightly vigil to see Smith, one of the first document witnesses. "I mean, like, we w pretty hootched, but when stopped to light our cigs, the was, almost mugging for us, shing off like some big seal or so thing."

Most townspeople are not suprised by Dicey's presence. Su older inhabitants remember a superior of the cruster who graced the cruster some 20 years ago.

"It musta laid an egg or so thing," one farmer said.

Many wonder if Dicey will : cate or disappear all together u the end of the comet in our celes view. Others feel summer and lack of parties will cause it to underground or down streat Whatever the case, if you're walk ing by Paradise Creek late on Friday night, have a beer in your pocket and dump half of it. Dicey isn't particular so any old kind will do, no need to spend a lot of money on an illusive creature like this one.

# Cat solves mystery elusive to police

#### J. Robert Daubs Contributing Writer

Local law enforcement has been baffled since a rash of missing persons reports have been filed by concerned families of area residents.

Just yesterday, the Moscow Police Department released a copy of a report filed by local seed pea farmer Thurmon Prout, concerning a find made by his cat, Reuben. The affidavit represents the only lead authorities have at the moment, and is reproduced here in its entirety:

When the cat brought home the penis. That's when I decided to contact the proper authorities. I mean, Ellen, my wife, had convinced me that the eye couldn't have been a human eye --- that it was some kind of large animal. An antelope or deer. I'd never actually seen an antelope or deer eye. Not up close, anyway. So I couldn't really be the one for making clinical decisions. Ellen seemed to know, and I admired that in her.

The ear was a different story altogether. I've seen some stuff in my time, and I think I know what a slightly decaying human ear is supposed to look like. But Ellen insisted it could've been one of a multitude of workedover small animal parts. Fetal rats, parts of opossum; almost anything was conceivable

according to her. "When was the last time you ever looked real close at a possum?" she'd asked. "I don't know...I guess not for awhile." "Exactly. Now I've looked at those little buggers a whole lot. Sometimes when I go out back, into the woods, I come right up on 'em. And they play dead. Just like they're supposed to. And when you get up all close to 'em, they just look...well, they look plain weird."

I considered the weirdness of the North American opossum for a moment. "But d'you suppose they have anything on 'em looks this much like an ear? "Could. I wouldn't be surprised. Them or their babies. And that was the end of it. Didn't hear anything about it until a few days later when the cat brought back a finger. Now. you could ask how we

> wouldn't know a man's finger if you lay it down in front of us, but I'm telling you it's not that easy. I mean, a finger don't always look like a finger.

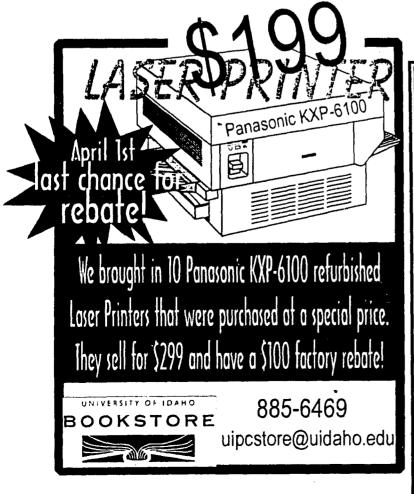
Not especially when it's all cut up, and the muscle and all that's been kinda pulled out from the bone so it's just trailing there like a bunch of legs or tentacles. That's what Ellen thought it was, some kind of caterpillar the cat dug up. "Something lives under the ground," she said, "on account of it's so pale and kinda bluish." You can imagine how we'd make the confusion.

I was a bit suspicious, on account of I know how much Ellen likes to be right about everything and I know how sometimes she'll fib when she doesn't know the answer to something. Had the boy thinking there was a little man in our garage that raised the door every time we come home; honking the horn and yelling, "Hello?! We're home!" as she pushed the opener. Boy's had a hard time with it ever since. But she means well.

Anyway, I was comin' up with all kinds of horrible ideas about what our kitten was bringin' back, and, sure 'nuff, they were all wrong. See, I was thinkin' how maybe she'd found the sight of some awful murder where some poor li'l boys got cut up. Or it could've been she'd found some kind of them UFOs and was digging up some little space man come to make peace with the earth or talk to the president or some such nonsense. But I figured I'd just wait for something else to come up, and just go along with Ellen.

So, finally, the cat brings home a penis. Now, don't get me wrong, it wasn't just obviously a penis. I mean, it'd been all kinds of hacked off and then chewed and batted around by a kitten. It was relatively tore up — not what you would call a shining phallic example or anything, but it was definitely a penis. No bones about that. And Ellen couldn't say a thing 'cept that it means he loves us when he leaves things on the stoop like that.



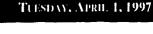


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# **Zombie courtroom massacre**

## Noam D. Ploom

Cary Laig's latest political wheeling and dealing has led to an outbreak of zombie hysteria in the greater Northwest.

Laig initially thought Project "Undead" would lead to better forest management. Laig responded to criticism from the logging industry with, "Damn loggers are about brainless anyway, and dead people just take up room in the ground we could use for other projects like my new plan to bury toxic chemicals near neighborhood water supplies." Project "Undead" was put

Project Ondead was put under the supervision of Laig's mentally unstable half-brother, Dr. Nephi Christianfranken, and recieved over \$1 billion dollars in nuclear clean-up monies. The plan used funds originally earmarked for scholastic improvements in Idaho to finance a recycling center for nuclear waste.

Christianfranken summed up the environmental slant of the program in an open letter to Idaho citizens last February. In this letter he stated. "Idaho's got a lot of nuclear waste and trees. Now, I need nuclear waste to continue my zombie-making experiments, and the citizens of the state of Idaho need zombies to cut down their trees. Zombies are environmentally sound because they are completely biodegradable, and we can retrain the loggers to teach high school English classes.

Tyrell McVey, one of the first zombie-loggers reanimated by Christianfranken, didn't care about the 47 nonviolent protesters he had molested, tortured and murdered. He had no understanding of the suffering he'd caused for the 94 parents of the treehuggers or the countless other family members that loved these individuals.

Tyrell McVey was not motivated by cruelty or maliciousness. Tyrell McVey was not even fully conscious of what he had done.

McVey's trial erupted into a veritable bloodbath when Clark Delpeeno, state prosecutor, pressed his claim that Laig and Christianfranken had conspired to program the zombies with violent tendencies. "Now, Tyrell, I want you to show the courtroom here exactly what you've been 'programmed' to do."

Delpeeno, a diminutive man with a voice like the long pull of a rusty razor blade, was holding up a foam dummy about the size and appearance of your average environmentalist and doused in patchouli oil. Tyrell McVey sat in the witness stand, his flesh slowly decaying under the glare of the television lights. He gave a low "uuuuunnnhhh," and deliberately moved to the courtroom floor.

McVey took the dummy by the neck, and threw it violently to the ground. Then he stomped its head flat and proceeded to dismember it. Finally he ate it — or he would have, if the bailiffs hadn't stopped him before he got his belt undone. He was upset with his half finished endeavor, and began struggling against the bailiffs.

Delpeeno gestured grandly to the court, "And this is what happens when we maliciously program a zombie. They do not know right from wrong. They are simply automatons who perform whatever task their master has told them to. And that master...for Tyrell McVey...is Christianfranken!"

Dr. Christianfranken reached into his breast pocket and brought out a squeaky mouse, "You men are all fools! You cannot defeat me and my army! I have developed a serum that will reprogram all docile zombie servants into elite redneck terror machines! I will orga-

nize them into an army and conquer not only Idaho, but the whole world!"

With the last exclamation, Christianfranken began madly squeaking the mouse. He jumped up onto the defense table and began doing some bizarre dances and incantations.

The bailiffs tried to turn their attention to him, but Tyrell McVey had gone mad and was tearing at their flesh. He tore the smaller baliff's eyeballs out, and blood gushed into the jury box. The other's arm was ripped from his body and Tyrell used it to beat the heads of two others into a ruddy pulp.

Incited by Tyrell's burst of bloodletting, the other courtroom zombies began to attack their masters as well. Martha VanDyke, the courtroom recorder zombie, began smashing Judge Cleary's head with her typewriter.

Steven Grout, the jury attendant zombie, began biting anything



close to him that was fleshy and warm. All the zombies revolted in a bloody hysteria, while Christianfranken continued to bellow orders and sound the squeaky mouse.

The clamor drove the zombies into a frenzy, and they went on to mutilate the whole courtroom. Soon, there were no more desperate screams of agony or pleas for mercy. Only the zombies. Christianfranken and Cary Laig were left standing. The group then headed for their North Idaho compound.

Reports of violence and gore have since overloaded the airwaves, and it looks as though there is no end to Laig's reign of terror. Idaho Representative Smelly Chinowearer sent a telegram to Boise that read, "What did I tell you? If we'd exterminated all those damn weirdo liberals in the first place we wouldn't have this problem now."

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said Shon Vanhoozer, a music major. "I was sure he was real after the dreams. Then after all of this evidence showed up. I knew he was real."

Other students don't know exactly what to believe. Is Bigfoot a myth or is he real?

"For years people tell you it is a myth but there is a lot of substantial evidence that he exists, so who do you believe?" said Jeremy Cope, a pre-med major. "It is a double edged sword. If you say you think he is real then people think your a loony, if you think he is a myth then you are denying all the evidence that proves he is real."

The case has caused a split in the Moscow community, those who believe and those who don't. One thing is for certain, people are scared.

"I lock my house even when I'm at home now, lock my doors while I'm driving down the road, and I inspect every rattle I hear in the bushes." said Jesma Reeves.

A few people are even packing up and leaving the area but police and local officials say that isn't necessary. Just be on the lookout.

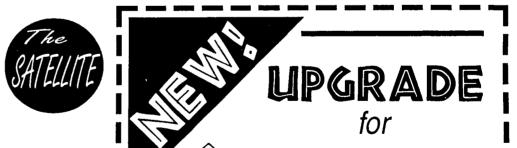
Police and city officials have put Moscow in a state of alert and have told people to be calm. They suggest taking extra precautions around your home like locking all doors and windows and keeping smaller animals inside. Officials also suggest postponing any trips planned to Moscow Mountain, if you have to go, keep the doors locked and don't get out of the car.

The investigation is ongoing and professionals on Bigfoot have been sent for to aid the local police in what proves to be one of the biggest stories in Moscow history.

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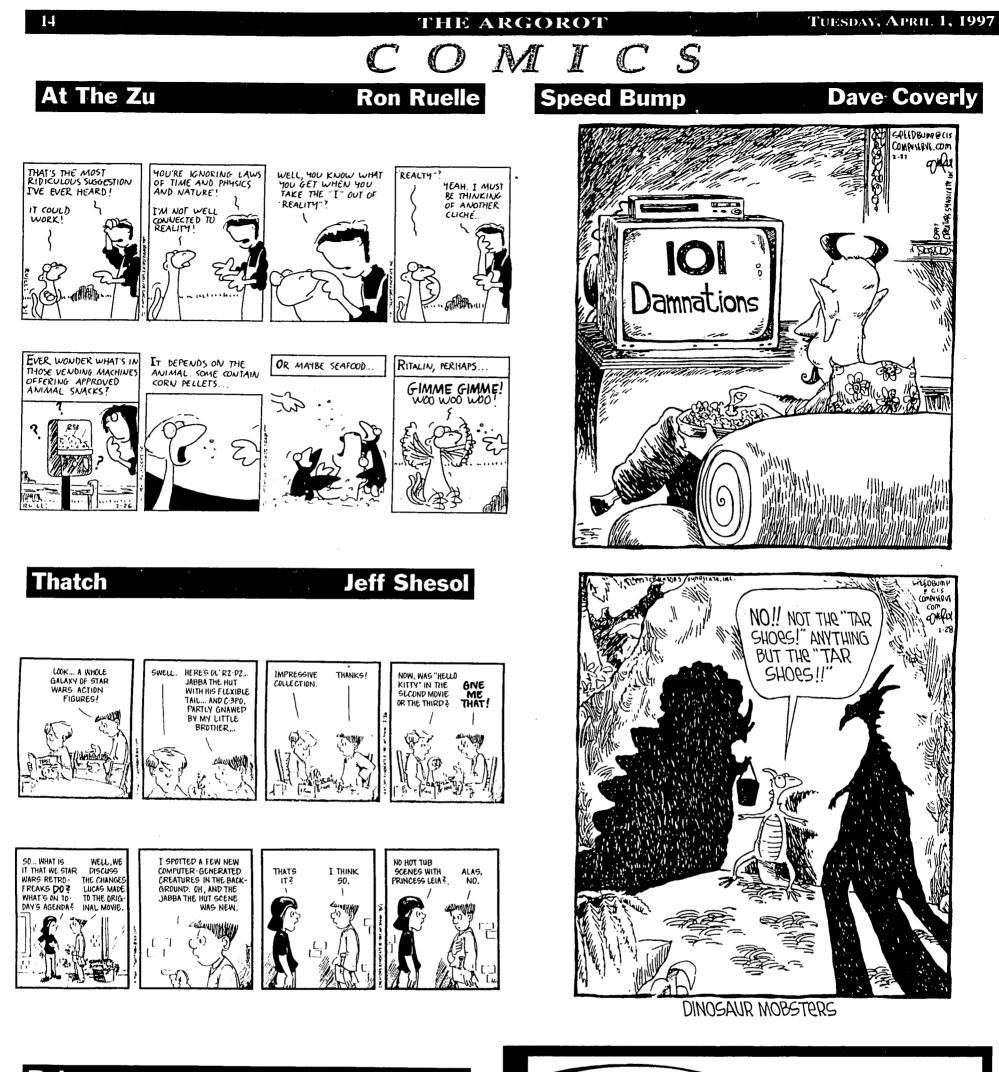




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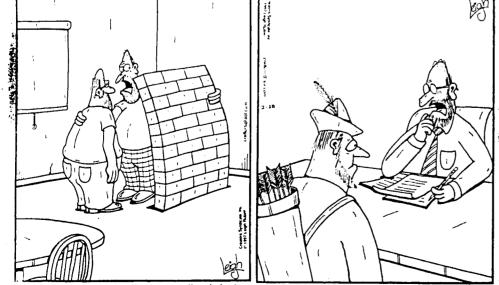
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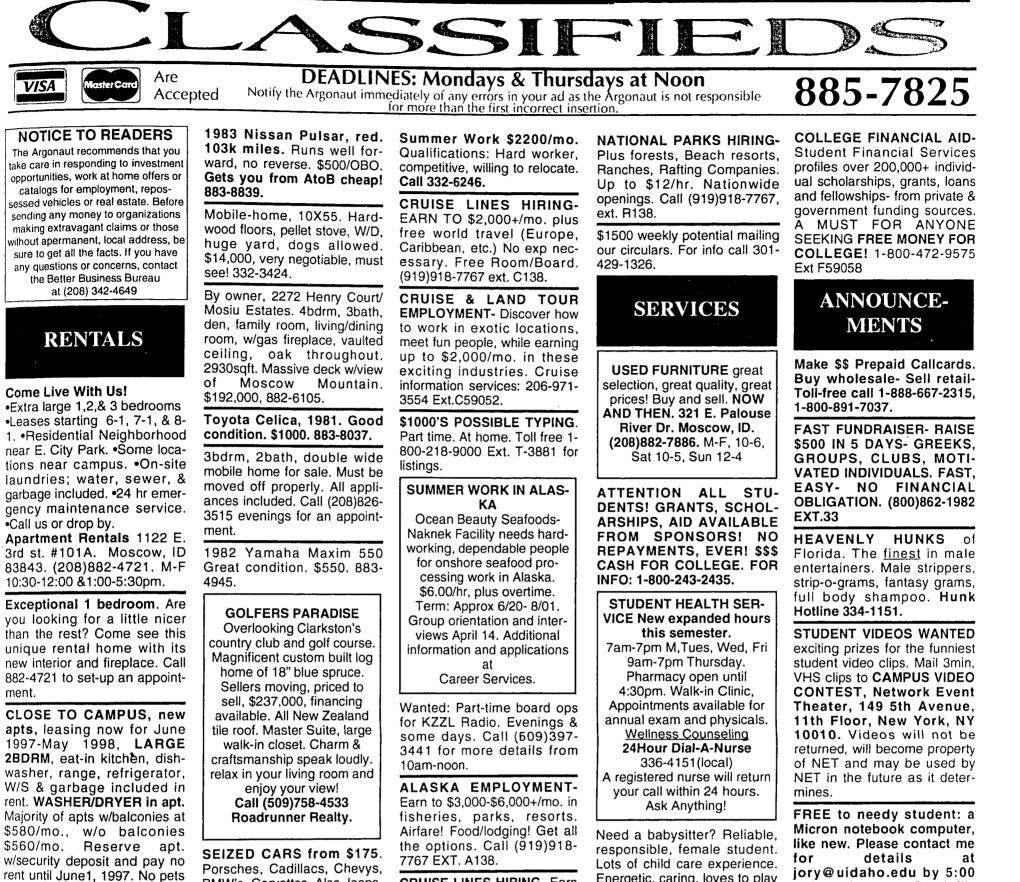


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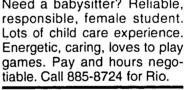
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