

Robert Hall

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Moscow cyclist was killed on the Highway Moscow-Pullman Saturday afternoon. Deborah K. Budwig, 38, was traveling east at about 1:40 p.m. when she was struck by a car near the Washington Water Power building.

James R. Martin, 19, of Moscow, was driving the car, said Officer Jeff Pohl of the Washington State Patrol.

"The driver of the car was also going east when he drifted over onto the shoulder of the road, striking the cyclist. She died on

impact. The driver sustained no injuries," Pohl said.

The Pullman police were the first to respond to the accident.

Officer Tim Smith said, "She was hit by a car traveling in the same direction. There was a physician at the scene who was apparently driving by at the time. He pronounced her dead at that time. We are not aware of any charges being brought against the driver of the car at this time."

Budwig was the wife of University of Idaho engineering professor Ralph Budwig, who recently managed the team of students who participated in the NASA project. They have two daughters and a son who attend the

Logos School in Moscow. "Deborah biked whenever she could and had used the highway between home in Moscow and work in Pullman all the time," said Elizabeth Barley, a close friend of the Budwig family. "They really need to build that trail (the Bill Chipman Trail) between the two towns."

Pullman police officer Tim Smith said, "There are a lot more problems that occur when the weather warms up. Most of the accidents we see could have been avoided. There are more people out and about this time of year, so people have really got to be careful."

When asked of ways the public might be

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more sensitive to the relationship between cyclists and motorists, Smith said, "We are ticketing more bicycles now, especially for lights at night. People riding bikes should be following the same rules that cars have to follow. They are obligated to follow the rules of the road."

"The cyclist in this case was: It was not her fault. But people have got to be more aware of their surroundings."

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More and more bicycles are seen on the roads every year. There have been at least three accidents in Moscow alone in 1997, according to the Moscow Police Department.

International week adds color to UI

Erin Schultz Staff

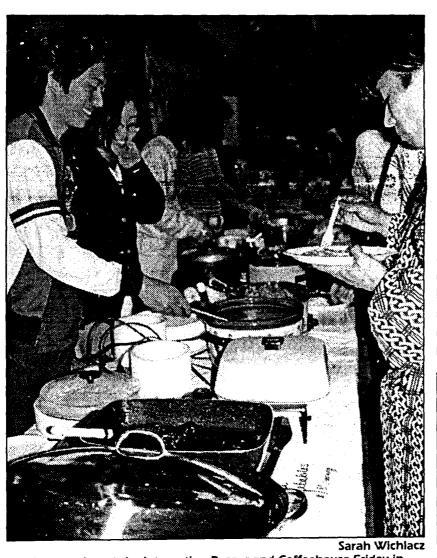
pril 19-27 marked a week of events which sought to give the University of Idaho"A Global Experience.

Events included a slide presentation of Basque culture, the International Bazaar and Coffee House, an international dance and a Macedonia culture night.

On Wednesday, a luncheon was held to present the Student International Leadership Awards, an honor which goes to two students who have contributed to international understanding. The award is presented to one U.S. and one international student.

This year's recipients were Maja Jadrovska, a Macedonian student who was behind the organization of Macedonia night, and Dave Hisel, a U.S. student who is active in international programs and education.

The week was organized in conjunction with several campus groups - the International Programs Office, Student's International Association, the International Business Club, UI International Soccer Club and ASUI Productions were some of



Student falls 24 feet from balcony

Eric Barker

niversity of Idaho student James Á. Cultra, 19, suffered a broken wrist after falling off a second-story balcony at the Phi Delta Theta house Thursday night.

Cultra is a member of the fraternity. He had been drinking at an off-campus party Thursday night.

After returning home, he reportedly passed out on one of the house's couches. Upon waking, he expressed a desire to go to bed. His fraternity brothers helped him to his room and put him to bed.

Sometime later, Cultra fell 24 feet, landing on concrete. It is unclear how he came to fall from his bedroom balcony.

"I somehow decided I wanted get outside and fell off," said Cultra, who remembers little of the incident.

Fraternity brothers dialed 911. Cultra was taken to Gritman Medical Center, where he was treated for a broken wrist and held overnight for observations.

Initially there was some concern he may have sustained a head injury. He was released the following day, after it was deter-mined he had no further injuries.

Phi Delta Theta President Jason Sandusky said fraternity members followed house policies in looking after Cultra.

"We did everything we could within our alcohol liability policy," he said.

Sandusky expects little fallout from the incident in relation to the university's alcohol policy.

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Outdoors Program prepares to conquer Mt. Logan



the only thing these student groups do. One past project

of SIA was to hang flags from different countries around the Student Union Ballroom. The flags are now a standard part of the Ballroom decor.

"Every student that comes from a new country, we will hang a new flag for," said Mary Furnari, coordina-tor for the International Student/Scholar Program.

Furnari explained that International Week is an annual event on campus. She, along with intern Kim Miller, helped organize the International Bazaar and Coffee House, an event which as Furnari said is "usually the highlight of International Week."

ASUI helped coordinate entertainment for the bazaar, which featured Latin American, African and American music, among other styles.

Many different groups participated in the bazaar, selling crafts and food from a variety of cultures.

"It's great; great food, and diverse," said Michelle Roth, a UI Spanish teacher who attended the event. Roth's parents also came to the bazaar. "They are from a small town that is very closeminded. They love this kind of atmosphere. They fold me they've got to go somewhere where there

is more diversity," Roth said.

Furnari, who advises international students, estimates that there are currently about 400 international students and professors. Many of them,

the contributing groups. International Week isn't the Student Union Ballroom.

along with community members of different ethnic backgrounds, attended the week's events.

Students who are interested in learning and experiencing more of international cultures can contact the International Friendship Association, a student group which helps organize conversation partners and hosts cultural events.



Today - Partly cloudy with scattered showers. Highs 60 to 65.



Tomorrow - Increasing clouds with a chance of rain. Highs 60 to 65.

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Announcements

Today:

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Packing up for the summer?

Turn your reusable goods into a resource! Place your reusable goods into the beige bins next to the dumpsters on campus. Also, volunteers are needed to help process, distribute and transport goods to impover-ished and homeless families. For more information, call Tanya Atwood Hoover at 885-2818.

Tomorrow:

I see London, I see France... The second and third in a "Series in Celebration of French Cinema" will be: Jour de fete, Wednesday; and Diva, May 7. Both will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Admin 317. The films are in French, with English subtitles. Free admission.

Get educated!

The Diversity Education Conference will be held Wednesday in the Student Union from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The event is free.

Learn about Career Services

"Introduction to UI Career Services" will be offered at 4:30 p.m. in Brink Hall. To register for the free workshop, or for more information, call 885-6121.

Upcoming:

Farmers' Market is back!

The Moscow Farmers' Market will open its 20th season Saturday at 8 a.m. at Friendship Square. Look for quality plants, flowers, produce, baked goods and more.

Classical studies

Dr. Frances Pownall of the University of Alberta, Classics and History, will address "The Digressive History of Theopompus of Chios" Thursday at 5 p.m. in Admin. 301.

Swap your books

The UI text swap will be Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Union. Students can bring textbooks they want to sell. The monthly Sub Swap will be held at the same time. To reserve table space, call 885-6484.

Give blood

UI law students will be hosting a blood drive from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday. For more information, or to make an appointment to donate, write fulf9628@uidaho.edu.

Bonsai!

The Plant and Soil Science Club will be sponsoring a Bonsai workshop on Saturday at 9 a.m. Learn how to make a Bonsai tree. Space is limited, cost is \$10 for students. E-mail koeh9111@uidaho.edu to register.

Watch lumberjacks!

The University of Idaho Logger Sports Club will be hosting the 1997 Lumberjack Classic on Saturday from 8 a.m. until dark at the Logger Sports site just west of the Kibbie Dome. Events to include chopping, cross-cut sawing, pole climbing and more. The event is free of charge.

Farewell, graduates!

The Farewell Graduate Party will be held at the University Inn May 8 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cover charge is \$3. There will be door prizes, food and beverages. RSVP at the Alumni Office at 885-8587.

Triathlon class

Triathlon Training and Theory is a new summer class offered for all levels, from beginners to advanced triathletes. It will cover training regimens, nutrition, wet suits and bike aerodynamics. Look in the summer schedule book for more information, or contact Mike the instructor, Collins, coll5400@novell.uidaho.edu.

Diversity Education Conference Calendar

"Breaking Down Barriers and Creating Change Through Education" Wednesday in the Student Union Building

9:30 a.m. Esther Louie, "Asian Pacific Americans & Higher Education," Ballroom.

10:30 a.m. Dr. Lee Jones, "The Role of Multiculturalism in Higher Education," Ballroom. 1:30 p.m. Janet Campbell-

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Hale, "Clashes: A Reading on Indian Education from the book Bloodlines," Silver Room. 2:30 p.m. Dr. Marcos Pizarro, "Chicanos and Higher Education in the 21st Century: Looking Back and Looking Forward,' Ballroom.

3:30 p.m. Joanne Kauffman, "Indian Education: A Case Study of Public School Response to Diversity," Ballroom.

Workshops: The Color of Fear, 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., Gold Room; Students Talk About Race, 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., Silver Room.

"Since he was not drinking at the house, that made a large difference," he said.

Dean of Students Bruce Pitman agreed with that assessment. He said that although Cultra was under the legal drinking age, the party at which he got drunk was off campus and not in any way affiliated with the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

"We were relieved and delighted that his injuries were relatively minor compared to what they could have been," Pitman said. He added that he was pleased with how the incident was handled by the fraternity.

They did an excellent job. I was very appreciative of their cooperation," he said.

Cultra is happy to have survived the accident without serious injury and hopes that the accident does not injure his fraternity. He admits being drunk but said the issue has nothing to do with the fraternity or the Greek System's alcohol policy.

"It's just like if I had gotten drunk and stumbled over something walking home," he said.

Cultra has yet to be charged for underage drinking. Police say his case has been turned over to the prosecutor's office, where a decision will be made whether or not to charge him.

Dan Weaver of the Moscow Police Department said in cases where subjects are injured the first priority is that they receive adequate medical care.

Weaver added that this case is prime example of why people need to be careful with alcohol.

"He is quite fortunate that the injuries were not worse," he said. "It's a good example of why people need to be real cognizant about the condi-



Habib Symposium brings world environmental issues home

Margaret Donaldson Staff

The United Nations has tried to lead the world to environmental health and sustainability with Agenda 21, but Dr. Noel J. Brown and the other panelists at the Inaugural Philip Habib Symposium on the Environment and World Peace Thursday emphasized the role of local citizens and communities, like Moscow, in sustaining the environment.

"There's been a revelation in the last five years. Business, industry and municipalities have achieved more in implementing Agenda 21 than national government...because of involved citizens," said keynote speaker Brown, special representative on corporate and environmental affairs for the chairman of the United Nations Group of 77 and China.

Global environmental sustainability is the focus of the UN's Agenda 21, an 800-page document which is the result of the 1992 Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Sustainability was also the focus of Brown's presentation "Trend is Not Destiny, and Doomsday is Not Inevitable — Environment and the Politics of Hope."

Brown, who represented the United Nations Environment Programme at the Rio Summit, was the highlight of an impressive panel consisting of national and university leaders in environmental policy, communications and politics.

The panel included Donald P. Gregg, chairman of the board of The Korea Society in New York City and former ambassador to Korea during the Bush Dr. Sandra Administration; Haarsager, associate professor in

the University of Idaho's School of Communication and a prize-winning journalist; Dr. Richard Meganck, who worked six years at UNEP and 15 in the United Nations system and is now an affiliate professor in the UI's department of resource recreation and tourism; and Dr. Richard A. Slaughter, director of the UI Martin Institute for Peace Studies and Conflict Resolution and senior research economist for UI.

Brown eloquently discussed the role of the current generation, at the edge of the 21st century, in sustaining the environment for the future.

We are the first to view our planet as a whole," Brown said. "Hubble... and space travel have allowed us to read intelligently and consistently the Earth's vital signs." He added people not only have to read those vital signs, but also have to heed them.

The issue of human attitudes toward the environment and their role in conserving it was brought out in the panel discussion. Brown said, "Above and beyond a social contract with people, we have an ethical contract with nature and Earth, to which we owe our existence.'

The leaders and citizens of the world still have not met their "ethical contract with nature." Brown pointed out the real road block to Agenda 21 and its programs for environmental relief is funding. Brown said Agenda 21 will cost \$600 billion per year to implement, but the world is spending \$1 trillion per year on defense."

The national governments represented at Rio came to consensus on Agenda 21, but Brown said, "A consensus is not a commitment. The commitments of governments are just not there and this can be seen in the financing,"

The other panelists at the symposium brought the issue closer to home. Gregg had a wish for the students and faculty attending the symposium. "I hope you can go forth from this place with a knowledge to address the issues Dr. Brown put forth, but also with inspiration.'

Haarsager said some of the issues Brown brought forth can be applied in the Northwest. "We have our own ethno-linguistic rivalries," she said. "Is the resource the gold and malegdala that lies beneath the Whiteclouds, or is it the Whiteclouds themselves?'

Slaughter spoke from the side which drives environmental decisions: economics. "The issues are moral, but the solutions are economic," Slaughter said. He said the tasks needed to sustain the environment are not easy, especially at a local level where the costs are felt.

The importance of government involvement at all levels to initiate change was addressed by Meganck. 'It's (environmental policy) no longer an intragovernment process, and without community support it stands no chance of being implemented."

Brown thanked the university and President Robert Hoover for inviting him to speak at the Inaugural Philip Habib Symposium.

Brown said Habib, a 1942 graduate of the UI College of Forestry, was well known for his peace-making skills.

Habib's daughter Phyllis spoke to



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Keynote speaker Dr. Noel J. Brown lectures at the Inaugural Philip C. Habib Symposium on the Environment and World Peace.

the audience about her father. "My father was a lifelong optimist. He emphasized harmony and consensus in his years of foreign service."

Habib had a long, distinguished career with the United States Foreign Service. He held positions

around the world, and served as Special Presidential Envoy to the Middle East, Philippines and Central America. He retired from the State Department in 1980 after serving as Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs.

Police Log

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Police issued a minor in possession of alcohol citation to Melissa A. Mills.

Police saw Mills drinking on the back porch of the Delta Gamma sorority house. Upon investigation, it was learned she obtained the alcohol at a wine-tasting party hosted by the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. Police issued a citation to James Riley, president of Lambda Chi Alpha, for supplying alcohol to a minor.

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of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity house. Police say alcohol was involved. Fraternity members called 911. Cultra suffered a broken wrist in the 24-foot fall. Charges have not yet been filed against Cultra, who is a minor.

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law school parking lot.



Athletes in Saturday's Special Olympics race towards the finish line.

Bruce Twitchell





Tonight from 4 to 7



James A. Cultra fell off a balcony

A vehicle was vandalized in the



NEWS

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International hall to join housing options

Erin Schultz Staff

"The Global Village," а new international hall coming to the Wallace Complex, is currently in the makings for next year's housing.

The idea was a result of the joint efforts of several resident assistants, American and international alike.

We together decided in August to work on the feasibility of opening an international hall in the resident halls.... As RA's, we were able to see more closely in our halls the need for that



and student from Ecuador.

In pursuing this idea, the International Hall Committee was formed. The committee is made up of seven students from Ecuador, Macedonia and America.

The idea for the international hall was approved by President Robert Hoover and the housing office at the beginning of this semester. It is currently listed as one of the housing options in brochures sent out to potential University of Idaho students.

The hall will be co-ed by suite, and each room will have one American and one international student.

Students who live on the hall will have the opportunity to experience a variety of unique activities, such as foreign film nights, interna-

kind of atmosphere," said Martha Arias, an RA tional costume and cuisine nights, open forums on current global issues, and international dances.

"We feel the need to encourage integration between American and international students. We want an atmosphere where international students can share their culture, and Americans too," Arias said. "We want to make clear that it's not like discrimination, where it's just international students."

The international hall will be located on the second floor of Whitman Hall in Wallace. It is open to anyone with a desire to experience multi-cultural events and education.

To find out more, students can contact the UI Housing Office at 885-6571 or Molly Snell, International Hall Committee adviser, at 885-5596.

Defense says someone wore **Diaz's shoes for killing**

Associated Press

BOISE — Jesus Diaz did not wear the shoes that kicked in the door of Blake Morgan's house the morning the Rupert man was shot to death, Diaz's defense attorney says.

That became a recurring theme Friday during opening arguments in Diaz's firstdegree murder trial. Defense attorney Andrew Parnes tried to discredit the shoeprint evidence, which prosecutors hope to use to place Diaz at Morgan's home in the early morning hours of April 10, 1996.

"When a sneaker makes that print, you can't tell who was wearing the shoe," Parnes told the jury.

Diaz faces a charge of aiding and abetting the murder. If convicted, he faces up to a life sentence in prison. Kody Butcher was convicted in the murder in a separate trial in February.

Both trials were moved from Minidoka County to Boise because of extensive pretrial publicity.

Key evidence against Diaz includes a

footprint taken from the door where it was kicked in. That print matched a Nike shoe police later found at Diaz's residence.

Morgan's neighbors also reported seeing a van resembling Diaz's in the neighborhood around the time of the death. Parnes tried to shift suspicion toward Diaz' stepbrother, Gilberto Rodriguez of Burley, already in jail in connection with five drug charges.

Parnes said Rodriguez wore the shoes in question and drove Diaz's van to and from Morgan's house. Rodriguez has never been charged in connection with the slay-

ing. "The evidence will show that one Gilbert Rodriguez — Gilbert Rodriguez is a name you will hear a lot in this case — did have such a motive," Parnes said. "He

is not a nice guy." "In the dark of night while most of the community slept, Blake Morgan literally had his brains blown out," Minidoka County special prosecutor John Bradley told the jury. "Jesus Diaz aided and abet-tod in this barrisha arms." ted in this horrible crime.'

Hemp Fest?



Sarah Wichlacz Susan Hayes sells her handmade hemp necklaces and dolls at Saturday's Earth Fest.

> disposal is the only issue left to be resolved. Argonne Deputy Associate Director John

"I don't think any of us have any hope for nuclear power in this country," he said.

Show director John Palfreman said he aimed for an "elegiac" tone with the film. He said nuclear physicists and engineers no longer have credibility with the public, and nuclear projects are not democratic.

"Science is essentially elitist. You can't vote on scientific fact. When there's no trust, where do people go? They're not going to go and read up on nuclear physics themselves."

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Environmentalists angry over Frontline

Associated Press IDAHO FALLS — Still smarting from a "Fleecing of America" segment earlier this year on NBC Nightly news, Argonne National Laboratory-West got some equal time on public television.

Anti-nuclear activists are up in arms over "Nuclear Reaction," a Frontline documentary aired Tuesday on PBS stations. It suggested Americans' fear of nuclear power is overblown.

Among Argonne's activities at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory is research on separating reactive sodium so radioactive spent fuel can be buried.

Charles Till of Argonne speaks at

length on the show, saying Chernobyl is as bad an accident as would happen to any nuclear reactor and "yet the identifiable deaths from it are really only a handful."

He also states solar energy would have to be mass-produced on a huge scale to be a good power source.

Howard Benowitz of the Safe Energy Communications Council called the program "unbalanced, retrogressive, inaccurate and misleading.'

But the show's central premise is nuclear power in the United States is dead, and waste

Sackett does not dispute that.



BE INVOLVED! GET PAID! The GEM OF THE MOUNTAINS yearbook has

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Is there an echo in here?

t's been said once, but it's obvious it had better be mentioned again.

Maybe the sudden increase in slovenliness at Wallace has something to do with the warmer weather. The heat's certainly been helping to melt all those half-eaten ice cream cones people insist on dropping in stairwells over there.

Then there was the hamburger. Not on a plate or in a garbage can, or even in the elevator or on top of a vending machine, but squashed into the carpet on the floor of my hall.

Monkeys at the zoo keep cleaner cages than these.

If you dropped an ice cream cone inside your house, would you just walk away from it for your mother to clean up after it had melted into the carpet? If you did, shame on you. And shame on your mother if she just cleaned it up instead of conducting an inquisition into the incident and then pounding the bejunior out of the guilty party. Employees at Wallace, unfortunately, do not possess the legal recourses for corporal punishment, but if the measure ever came up on a ballot, I'd vote in favor of it.

I'm glad it rained Sunday morning, as it cleaned up not only the outdoor ice cream spills which were sticky enough to suck your shoes off your feet, but also chased away participants at the 134,098th Scream as Loud as You Can During the Wee Hours of the Morning Competition who had congregated under my second-floor window.

Monkeys in heat make less noise than they do, and may actually be a little smarter.

Back home we make jokes about the local community and junior colleges, calling them High Schools on the Hill with as much disdain as we can muster.

I may very well go home and make the same jokes about the University of Idaho, where there are enough skinny, underdeveloped guys walking around bare-chested and loud-mouthed around here to make one think we were sponsoring a Beavis and Butt-Head lookalike contest.

I won't begrudge any of you the fun you seek and deserve if you don't seek that fun where I have to hear it in action at 3 in the morning.

I'm sick of seeing your spilled ice cream cones, too. If you drop one, clean it up. You had the manual dexterity necessary to hold the cone under the ice cream dispenser. Use that same brain power to operate the simple machinery known as paper towels, or a mop, or the shirt you've got tucked under your arm because you think Vitamin D makes pectoral muscles grow.

A gain in civil liberties does not give license for disrespect.

> —Brian Davidson **Opinion Editor**

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Think locally, act nationally

To everything there is a season, to every wave a limit, to every range and optimum capacity. The U.S. has been fully settled, and more than full, for at least a century. We have nothing to gain, and everything to lose by allowing the old boat to be swamped. Therefore -- let us close our national borders to any further mass immigration, legal or illegal, from any source as does every other nation on Earth.

Maybe you've already met old Edward Abbey, author of Immigration and Liberal Taboos, from which the preceding



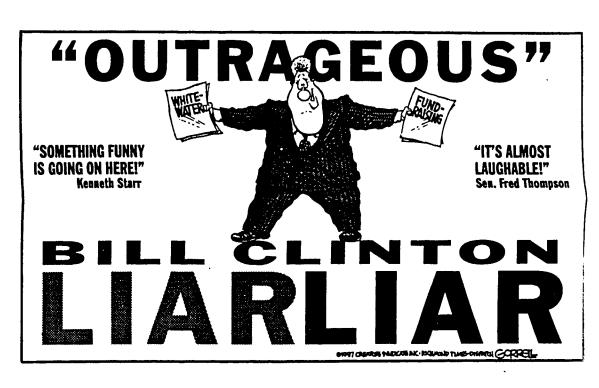
paragraph was excerpted. I hope you've heard of him. If not, I'll drop a clue.

His world view was light years away from Pat Buchanan's - on most questions. On immigration, well, that's another story. As the quote shows, Abbey and Buchanan had quite a bit in common there, but for entirely different reasons. Buchanan, of course, opposed

immigration in his presidential runs because he thought it was politically expedient. Abbey opposed it primarily because he was consistent

and 100 percent honest as a writer, and perhaps even more to the point, a crusader for uncompromising environmentalism. An environmentalist pointing out liberal taboos and opposing immigration? Why, that's just not sticking with the agenda. Honesty and consistency don't lend themselves to prefab-

ricated, agenda-driven liberal-conservative label politics. If following an agenda means promoting the things you loathe,



Are you a racist?

ho in here is a racist? Raise your hand." These were the opening remarks of an unorthodox instructor on the first day of a sociology course, "Race, Class and Gender" taught at Shoreline Community College in Seattle. The only raised hand belonged to the instructor. "C'mon now, I can't believe that I'm the only one." I was stunned into silence.

screaming his racist view of the world. For the sake of accuracy, I will quote him verbatim (and I apologize in advance if anyone is offended): "White power! Aryan rule! You're a bunch of fucking nigger lovers!" Both the words and the mindset are important; we all need to accept the fact that racism is a problem in this part of the country. More important is this question: what are we going to do about it? We can't treat racism like a stray cat; it won't go away if we simply ignore it. If we pretend that it doesn't exist, then we are feeding on the swill of our own ignorance and prejudices. If we deny that it is a problem, then we perpetuate and institutionalize racist behaviors. Racism knows no borders. It festers and spreads much like Stephen King's "Captain Trips," a disease that, if not swiftly confronted, will certainly destroy us all.

Unless you're a politico only out there for self-promotion, then the answer is obvious. One of the things Abbey - an icon for today's more militant environmentalists - loathed was destruction of the wild lands of North America. He saw mass immigration to his country forcing air into the overpopulation balloon. And he saw rapidly increasing populations, especially a population with interest primarily in economic survival as a real threat to the wilderness he believed to be the last bastion of sanity. For these reasons, this crusty old radical adopted views on immigration which would today be labeled, as those of Pat Buchanan, as reactionary.

But let's give Abbey a well-earned rest for a moment and cut to the plight of growth planners today in the Northwest. They've got the best of intentions. I support them 1,000 percent. Keep the growth controlled, they say. Let's not turn the Palouse, or Coeur d'Alene, or you pick the area into another Southern California. Let's plan, plan, plan.

Except that recent nightmarish news footage has shown us even strong, well-planned dikes can't hold back the most massive of floods. That's what the United States currently faces at its borders. A flood of humanity from across the globe. A flood which inevitably contributes to population

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James Oliver

It turns out that all of us, in one way or another, are racists, some more than others. We need only look closely in the mirror to understand.

It's easy: let's give it a

try. The Serbs in Bosnia vigorously sought to exterminate the Muslim population; genocide is a racist act. For this reason, I have extremely low regard for Serbs, which is also racist. Any time we prescribe one race or ethnic group as superior or inferior to another, we are racists.

Recently, I was awakened at 2:30 a.m. by a man

I feel fortunate to have attended community college in Seattle. Shoreline College has a very diverse population that closely mirrors the surrounding city. Shoreline College requires all students seeking a degree to take the equivalent of six semester hours of multicultural studies. This is how I met the aforementioned instructor. I thoug' nothing about this mandate, naively assuming that

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all colleges and universities have similar requirements. In a state where the lack of cross-cultural studies may scream at you from the darkness, the University of Idaho declines to assign course work.

This is why the upcoming Diversity Education Conference is so vital. The sessions will occur at various times throughout the day on Wednesday. Two will feature *Color of Fear*, a film that bluntly and directly confronts racism and racist thought. I strongly believe this workshop, or its equivalent, should be mandatory for everyone associated with UI (faculty, staff and students). *Color of Fear* allows no barriers or false pretenses to obscure the issue. All rational, openminded people will find that the film demands personal reflection and accountability.

Racism is a problem that defies an easy solution. Maintaining the status quo is not an option. I don't pretend to have all the answers; on the contrary, I feel that the collective wisdom of the entire university community is necessary to develop and implement a realistic plan.

Adding academic mandates to the undergraduate degree requirements is confounded by the desire of both UI and the Idaho Legislature to graduate students more quickly. The net result of this is that UI is reviewing baccalaureate requirements and seeking to determine why students need more than four years to finish their degree programs. Requiring multicultural studies may likely prove unfeasible.

Finding room for a three-hour seminar seems much more plausible. The format of the *Color of Fear* workshops lends simplicity to multiple presentations. All that is needed is a television, VCR and a facilitator; the UI Students Talk About Race program is an excellent resource for student facilitators. Allowing each program to fit these three hours into the curriculum frees individual instructors from canceling classes in order for students to attend the session.

During my 11 months in Moscow, I have heard far more racial slurs than in all my previous years combined. It is time to stop pretending that racism is not a problem here. Racism needs to be confronted and UI should take the lead. We can't afford to wait until racial slurs are tossed around like baseballs; otherwise, when we finally step up to the plate, our heroic efforts will follow the path of Mighty Casey. At that point, none of us will sleep well. We're all racists after all, some more than others.

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and quality of life pressures first in our large urban centers. These pressures then create such phenomena as the locally-dreaded influx of Southern Californians and the possibility of transforming rural regions into areas of low-level rural sprawl. As these pressures become more extreme, even the best of plans will be unable to control them.

Is this the fault of immigrants? Of course not. Most immigrants arrive at our borders with a sincere desire to simply better their lot in life. Their motives are to be admired, not condemned. The problem is the numbers of immigrants being allowed entry are unprecedented. And unwarranted, considering the dismal U.S. employment and social service outlook.

Let's take a look at some of the numbers. During 1991-95, 5.25 million legal immigrants were allowed into the United States, according to the Federation for American Immigration Reform. Preliminary numbers show an even higher rate for 1996. So, with somewhere between 6 and 7 million new immigrants so far in the '90s, the level o f immigration for just the past six years exceeds the total for all but two decades in our history. It looks like the '90s will easily be record-setting in terms of immigration levels.

Immigration built America, you say. You're quite right. Many of us are sons and daughters of immigrants. Both of my parents spoke a language other than English in their childhood homes, and I'm extremely proud of my heritage.

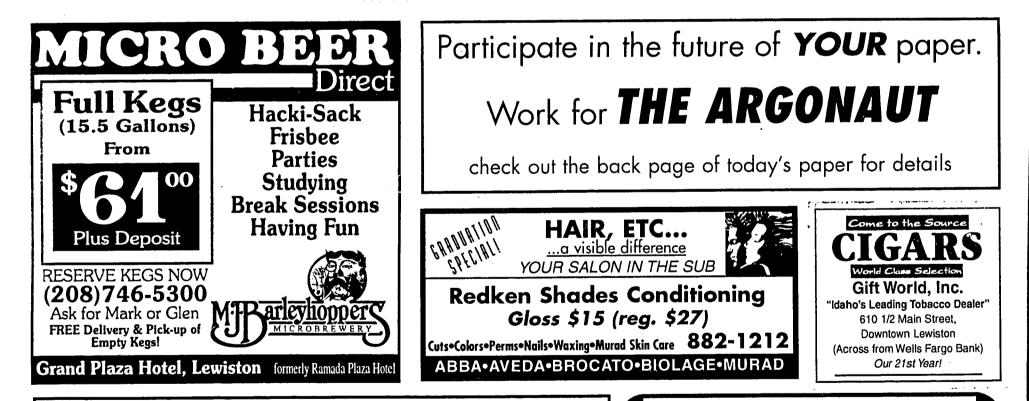
But what of those already living here when North America experienced the first massive waves of immigration — Native Americans? I don't have to tell you their traditions and ways of life were trampled upon in a non-stop campaign of what can only be termed genocide.

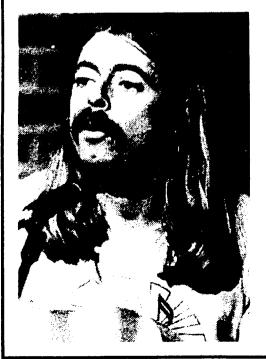
New immigrants aren't forcing long-term residents onto reservations or advocating our exter-

mination, but just what are the implications of unrestrained immigration for our quality of life and ideals, such as respect for the environment and wild areas, which many of us try to uphold? The answer is tough, but honesty dictates sincere environmentalists should at least give the eccentric Abbey a re-read. Maybe it's time for the moderate environmental movement to jump off the liberal agenda horse they've been riding and begin to address issues on a case-by-case basis instead of as part of a dictated list.

Immigration is one of the institutions which built our country, but the institution of representative government — self-rule — has had something to do with it as well. Most folks I've talked to don't support continuing the immigration policies which stand today. They see the massive problems — environmental, social and financial — we're presently experiencing and honestly don't see unrestrained immigration is helping matters. The problem is they're politically passive and are willing to take no responsibility for it. They prefer private expressions of frustration to public action or contact with their elected representatives.

It's time for Americans to finally realize there are many problems we as a nation have little control over. Allowing even the most unrestricted immigration will be only a drop in the proverbial bucket toward relieving global problems of poverty and deprivation. Whether it's readers of Abbey or supporters of Buchanan or people in between, let's look at our immigration laws with a steady common sense. While "If we're only for ourselves, who are we?" is a profound question to ponder, "If we're not for ourselves, who will be?" is nourishing food for thought as well.





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Letters to the Editor

Davidson missed the point

It is our opinion that Brian Davidson missed the point in his editorial regarding Katie Jolley's letter about the proposed amendment to the ASUI constitution. The issue has nothing to do with Greeks or RHAs. The real root of the matter lies in general apathy of all students towards the ASUI. Those who care will vote or run for office; those who do not will not. The issue is simple.

The proposed amendment would have set artificial limits on who represents us on the ASUI. To us, this seems to be like some sort of affirmative action program. The last time I checked, independent students were not a minority. As a matter of fact there are about 3,000 Greek students on this campus of about 10,000 total. Perhaps it would be more fair to divide the ASUI into groups based on racial, ethnic and sexual tendencies. This type of policy would only increase the divisions we already have on this campus.

Furthermore, we are somewhat offended by the way Davidson addressed the issue. In his editorial he complains about the Greek monopoly and the Greek status quo. It is not a Greek status quo as much as it in an indifferent status quo. He was quick to condemn Jolley's letter as somehow anti-independent, but nowhere in her letter does she express she does not want non-Greeks to participate on campus. She has just as much right to express her opinions as anyone else, right or not. She called the issue as she saw it. There was no misinformation or propaganda whatsoever. She didn't owe anyone an apology; in fact she bent over backwards to be diplomatic about the issue. The very fact she took the initiative further illustrates her point.

> —Tai Rosander Yancey D. Willis Lambda Chi Alpha

Note: Critics are invited to reread (or read, as the case may be) the last paragraph of the editorial in question, wherein Davidson levelled harsher criticism at apathetic RHAs than at the Greek System.

Keep up the good work

I'd like to thank Sarah Horn and the Argonaut for mentioning Earth Fest in their April 22 issue. I think it is great the University of Idaho always recognizes offcampus activities and supports community events.

I would like to point out a minor error in Horn's article. The name of my band is "Shakey Slim and the Tittilators," not "Shake Slim and the Titilators." Spelling may not seem like a big deal, but when you're an up and coming local band sometimes it's all you've got. Keep up the good work.

—Shakey Slim

Kevin Hill for ASUI President

I must tell you of the marvelous treatment Kevin Hill has given me. He treated me, a fellow student with a disability (he has dyslexia and I have schizoaffective disorder) with kindness, respect, dignity and brotherly love. We worked on a scene for Theatre Arts 106 together, and I found him to be tenacious, extremely hard-working and in possession of an uncommonly well-developed instinct for dealing with people. I have never met anyone with such an incredible ability to figure people out.

I feel Hill has the skills and instincts to be a great leader for our country, but first we must elect him as ASUI Student Body President. He said he intends to run his senior year, but I feel strongly that he could run and win whenever the spirit moved him. He is that good. So please give your fullest consideration and most thoughtful consideration to Kevin Hill. We as a nation need great leaders, now more than ever.

-Dennis Stone

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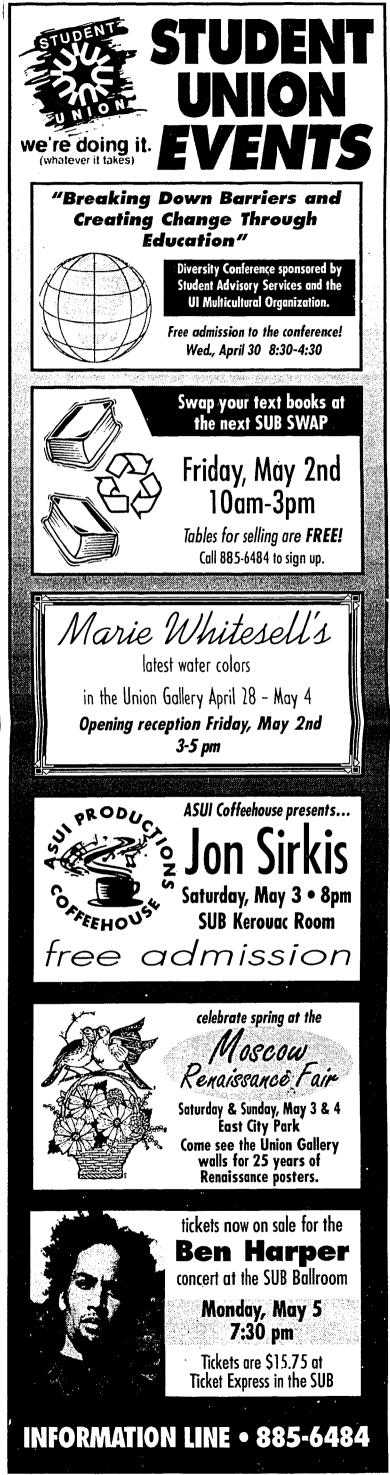


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I've noticed how unkind life can be to people. They don't have any real chance to change things for themselves.

They work hard. Others push them and they push themselves squeezing every useful minute out of each day. They try not to waste the smallest hand movement which they must make to earn a living.

They struggle. They live quietly as a family in their homes on their streets. At night men and women hug each other in bed trying to help. The children lie still, dreaming. not knowing what their fate really is. I care about these people, but not too much.



PRTS

Bucking the trend

Title IX ensures that women will start getting the same amount of athletic scholarships that men do

Kindra Meyer Staff

qual: 1. of the same quantity, size, value etc. 2. having the same rights 3. evenly proportioned.

According to last week's Supreme Court decision concerning Title IX equal means just that --- without exception.

Title IX has been in effect for a number of years, so why the big debate? In actuality few colleges have abided by its strict regulations, causing the courts to put their foot down.

Brown University's appeal was shut down without debate after they were found not in compliance with the title which mandates equality for men and women at schools that receive federal funds.

So what does this mean? Applied directly to the University of Idaho, possibly a great deal.

One of the strictest constituents applying to Title IX deals with proportion. In other words, the male-female athlete ratio must be congruent with the male-female student ratio.

To put this in perspective, Idaho enrolls 3,975 male and 3,101 female undergraduates while 230 males and 116 females participate in intercollegiate athletics (with the exception

of one student, who refrained from revealing their sex).

While 43 percent of the UI campus are female, only 33 occupy a percent of the athletic population.

Athletic Director Oval Jaynes hopes that next year's addition of a women's soccer program will help balance these numbers - but they will come at a price.

"Whenever you add a new sport the other programs are affected. It would be nice to see new money come from another source but often budgets of other sports must be redistributed," Jaynes said.

In other words — pay up boys. Although overall budgets and operating expenses have run equal with the 67-33 percent distribution, recruiting expenses are far below par. Last year the men spent \$130,000 while the women only spent \$35,000. "We are a lot better off than a lot of schools

in the country," Jaynes said.

Idaho is fairing better than many universi-ties, such as Boise State, which has a 69-31 percent participation and a 72-28 percent budget. They still outnumber UI when it comes to recruiting funds, however.

Jaynes cites football and men's basketball as major money suckers, and if you've looked at a roster you may know why. These

programs recruit heavily in states like California — which can get rather spendy. On the other hand, women's programs tend to recruit more in-state talent which cuts costs for



elties.

"Anytime you have football involved there will be discrepancy because of the sheer numbers," said Idaho women's basketball coach Julie Holt. "The total number of athletes you need to sign requires you to be out a whole lot more — that's obvious to me. It's not 'oh God, they're giving all that money to football,' that's not how I feel.'

Whatever the cost, it's clear that the NCAA is not fooling around. The Brown case is certainly a wake up call which universities must answer - or suffer the consequences.

"I think we're in pretty good shape," Holt said. "Moving to I-A did throw off our numbers and we are working on that. Idaho is doing the things it needs to be doing, but the bottom line is money.'

Although gender equity guidelines are set, individual schools must figure out how to best conform to a task which is often over-

whelming. In order to maintain balance, male programs are more likely to be cut rather than women's programs being added.

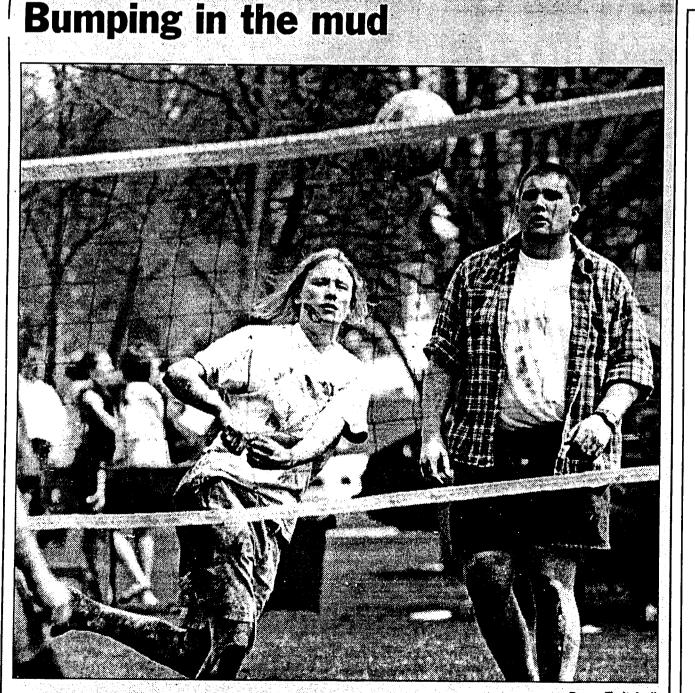
The intention of Title IX certainly isn't to limit or hold back male athletics, rather to increase opportunities for females in athletics to an even balance.

Playing fair in the eyes of guidelines is not limited to quantity, but quality as well. Equal transportation, eating expenses and lodging all apply.

"The other components of Title IX are hard to recognize, such as locker rooms and practice space. It's not a gender issue, but one of sharing facilities that the entire athletic department deals with," Holt said.

Vandal

News and Notes



Vandal golf team finishes 13th at tough tourney

The Idaho men's golf team finished in 13th place out of 20 teams at the U.S. Intercollegiate Tournament on the Stanford Golf Course. The 54hole course was the site of Friday and Saturday's competition.

UI shot a 891, which placed them ahead of border rival Washington State (904) and other Big Sky and Big West Conference schools.

The Vandals were led by Brian King who shot a 217 over the three rounds. King's tied him for the 17th place. Neil Schnider (224) also shot well and finished second in Idaho's scoring. Southern California, Stanford, UCLA, Arizona State and San Jose State finished in the top five spots respectively.

Bruce Twitchell On Saturday Alpha Tau Omega fraternity held a volleyball tournament and raised over \$200 for the crisis hotline. Unfortunately the muddy conditions weren't ideal.

Outsiders win local shuffle board tournament

Dan Schrieber and Derek Shaw, formally known as the Outsiders, won Moscow's two-day shuffle board tournament which concluded on Sunday evening.

The Outsiders won the top prize of \$150. The second place team earned \$75.

Kelson Distributing Co. (Rainier) sponsored the competition which was held at the Corner Club and Capricorn bar.

The remaining proceeds from the tournament was donated to the Moscow Food Bank.

Vandal tennis team loses title, keeps pride

Damon Barkdull

Sports Editor

For four days the state of Idaho could honestly disregard all the potato and Mark Fuhrman jokes — and shove it in the face of the Big West Conference.

And even if the University of Idaho women's tennis team lost the conference championship on Sunday to Boise State, the two newcomers to the Big West had the last laugh with a surprising all-Idaho finale.

"I think it was outstanding, that the first year in the conference both Boise State and Idaho were in the finals," UI tennis coach Greg South said. "The California schools...I don't think they expected the Idaho schools to be as tough as they were."

One of those California schools included Long Beach State, who was a No. 2 seed in the tournament. Idaho, after upsetting thirdseeded New Mexico State, advanced to the title game after derailing the 49ers in the third round.

UI clinched the 5-4 victory by splitting the six singles matches and then taking two of the three doubles matches. The Saturday match lasted five hours and was finally won when the doubles tandem of Rachel Dive and Liza Mulholland knocked off LBSU's No. 2 team.

Meanwhile, the Broncos cruised to a 5-1 over Nevada on their way to the final match with Idaho.

However, unlike BSU who was the top

seed, Idaho (No. 6 seed) came into the tournament at Ojai, Calif., with little recognition as far as women's tennis goes.

"That's kind of like David going up against Goliath," South said. "They played with a lot of heart."

In the final game, though, Boise State's Goliath act proved to be too much. The Broncos sailed past UI in straight sets, but not without a challenge. Idaho's No. 6 singles player Erin Wentworth played to a third set, although her effort alone wasn't enough. BSU's nationally ranked players at the No. 1-4 slots all won in straight sets.

"We have a good and capable group of young ladies," South said. "It's a big surprise. We exceeded all expectations, but I think everybody, ourselves included and the people at conference thought we were capable. They played with a great deal of maturity.'

"For Idaho to make it to the finals in the Big West Conference in our first year in it --it's like winning it for us."

Next season the Vandals return five of their top six seeds. While No. 5 Gwen Nikora leaves, Claudia Leigh (No. 1), Katrina Burke (No. 2), Georgina Whittem (No. 3), Dive (No. 4) and Wentworth (No. 6) return. The Vandals also return Mulholland and Barbara Perez-Martinez.

"No expectations," South said. "It's an exciting time. We have a capable group of young ladies."

UI football finishes third scrimmage

Damon Barkdull

Sports Editor

Coeur d' Alene fell victim to some intense college football on Saturday morning - and no, the North Idaho College Cardinals aren't threatening Title IX by building a football program. Instead, it was the University of Idaho who scheduled a two-

hour spring football scrimmage at Viking Field on Saturday. A little Panhandle public relations never hurt anyone.

It especially didn't hurt a few youngsters vying for a starting spot — and certainly it didn't taint an impressive showing by quarterbacks Brian Brennan and Ed Dean who continue to battle for the top role.

Brennan, a senior and No. 1 candidate this spring, completed 13of-23 passes for 117 yards and looked most impressive in the QB battle. However, freshman Dean played particularly well and led the only touchdown drive, a 24-yard completion to Matt McElravy which set up a 3-yard Jerome Thomas touchdown run.

"Right now it's still Brian (No.1) although Ed's doing a fine job," Idaho football coach Chris Tormey said. "He's made a lot of progress this spring."

While most consider Antonio Wilson and Robert Scott to be Idaho's big-play wide receivers, a handful of backups displayed some talent during the scriminage.

Sophomore and Post Falls native Darick Pope, who was moved from third-string QB to receiver this spring, used his 6-foot-6 size in leading the Vandals with two catches for 55 yards. Also having big days were freshman Matt McElravy (three catches, 49 yards) and sophomore Ryan Prestimonico (two catches, 36 yards).

"Some of the more experience players didn't have their best days on Saturday. It gave an opportunity for some of the younger guys to step up and see what they could do," Tormey said. Coincidentally, Wilson and Scott combined for just six recep-

tions for 32 yards.

On defense the Vandals had a few younger standouts as well. Redshirt freshman Rick Giampietri grabbed Idaho's lone interception and freshman coworkers Casey Hills (linebacker) and

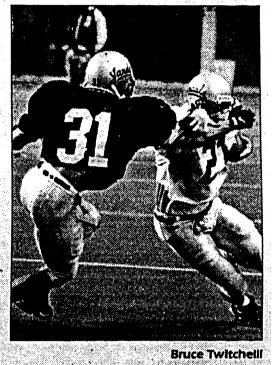
Cade Smith (defensive end) also had good outings Tormey said. Although Idaho's offensive line battled through its third scrim-

mage with almost entirely freshmen, Tormey is pleased with the fact that the Vandal offense allowed just one turnover. "We moved the ball well offensively, although we didn't score a

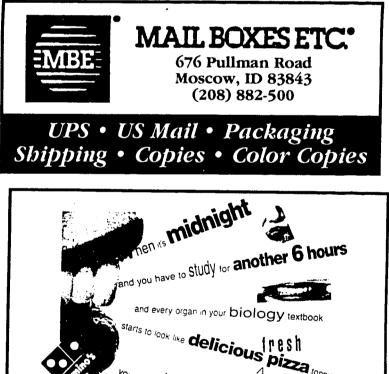
lot of points," Tormey said. Jerome Thomas led the runningbacks with seven carries for 47.

yards and a touchdown.

On Friday the Kibbie Dome will feature Idaho's final spring scrimmage, the Silver and Gold Game which kicks off at 7 p.m.

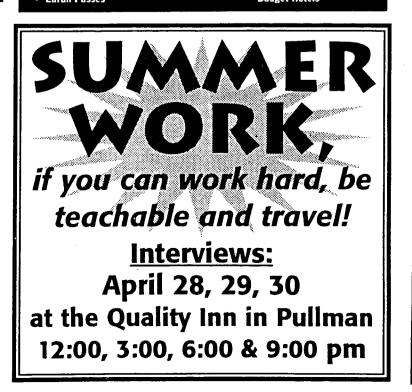


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Idaho men's track takes Cheney tourney

Byron Jarnagin

Staff

Saturday morning the sun made a surprise appearance in Moscow, but in Cheney, Wash., Vandal tracksters found success at the 25th annual Pelluer Invitational thanks to a little divine light.

The University of Idaho men pulled out a close team win Saturday in finishing first place with a total of 77 points, one point ahead of runner-up and host Eastern Washington University.

"This was a pretty low key meet for us. In fact we had a few folks compete in events they normally wouldn't, and some of our athletes didn't compete," men's track coach Mike Keller said. "We've been on the road a lot, and when you are away as much as we have been it really makes it hard on athlete's academics. We have been on the road so much that we haven't gotten a whole lot of serious practice time either. So, this meet just got us over the midseason hump.'

The Vandal women took second overall with a total score of 70. They finished five points under Eastern Washington (75). Washington State, the University of Montana and Gonzaga University finished third, fourth and fifth respectively for the men and women.

Vandal senior Niels Kruller carried his weight with two first place finishes. Kruller finished at the top of the field in the men's 100meter dash with a time of 10.67, and topped the long jump list with a mark of 24-01 1/2. High jumper Goeff Judd continued Idaho's success in the field events. Judd took first place in the high jump, clearing a height 7-00 1/2

Idaho's Ryan Karrer made a good showing in the 200 and 400-meter dashes. Karrer took first place in the 200 running a time of 21.95 and first in the 400 with a time of 49.25.

Always running strong, the Vandal men's 4x400 relay team beat out the competition with a time of 3:14.42. Along with the victory, this alternative relay team set a meet record with their mark.

Frank Bruder kept Idaho alive in the distance running, finishing first in the 1,500-meter run with a time of 4:01.4.

Oscar Duncan got the job done for Idaho throwers. Duncan grabbed a first place finish in the javelin with a throw of 215-09. Throwers Jared Hughes and Steve Bluhm kept Idaho close with a couple of second place finishes. Hughes was runner-up in the shot put with 47-09 3/4 and Bluhm threw 157-11 in the discus.

For the Vandal women, Jill Wimer found some daylight in the shot with a first place mark of 49-02 1/4. Idaho's Shana Ball took second in the shot, throwing 43-07 3/4.

Vandal Jeannine Korus held her own in the 400, topping the list with a time of 56.18. She also helped guide the women's 4x100-meter relay team to a first place finish with a time of 47.4.

This weekend the UI tracksters will have a little time off to recuperate with a bye in the schedule. However, on May 10 the track team will be on the road again heading to Modesto, Calif., for the Modesto Relays.

The track regular season continues after school lets out May 17 at the Oregon Twilight meet in Eugene and May 18 at the Palouse Invitational in Pullman. The Big West Conference Championships follow May 23-24 in Irvine, Calif.

For a select few the postseason continues June 4-7 at the NCAA Championships in Bloomington, Ind. The Idaho men have five men with a chance at the national level.

In the 400 Tawanda Chiwira is ranked 15th in the nation and Felix Kamangirira is ranked 22nd in the nation. For this event, the top 18-23 athletes will make it.

The 3,000-meter steeple chase also will feature UI's Frank Bruder who's ranked second in the nation in the steeple and is the only automatic qualifier. This event accepts the top 18-21 times around the nation.

As for the jumpers, Vandal Chris Kwaramba is ranked 11th in the nation in the triple jump. an event that only takes the top 18 lengths. For the throwers, Duncan will lead the charge in the javelin for UI at nationals and he's ranked 18th in the nation in an event that only takes the top 18 athletes.

Bernsen takes job as top assistant basketball coach

Nate Peterson

Staff

University of Idaho head basketball coach David Farrar's first recruit this year was not a player, but a new senior associate head coach.

"We worked very hard all year to look at a diverse group of assistants," Farrar said. "There are some consistencies of some things that you want out of people. "The hiring of Mark Bernsen represented the first of those things. That's a guy that has been in Division I basketball a long time.'

Bernsen was formerly a head coach at South West Missouri State. Since that time he has been an assistant at New Mexico State and most recently a head coach at a high school in St. Louis.

Bernsen came in for an interview with Farrar on April 10, and accepted the job the same day.

"I've known coach Farrar for about 15 years and I have the utmost respect for his ability to do things the right way, Bernsen said. "I love the area. It's beautiful and it's a good place to live. My mind was already made up and when he offered me the job, I jumped for it."

Bernsen was the ideal choice for Farrar, who was looking for someone with the same consensus in building a program.

"He's been an assistant head coach and he shares my goals in terms of a student doing well and preparing an athlete so that he can not only survive in a game but excel in a game," Farrar said. "He is also a great teacher.'

Bernsen believes as well that there is a connection between the two coaches. "Besides the idea of student athlete," Bernsen said, "on the basketball court we have some similar philosophies in terms of playing hard, playing smart and playing together. We both feel that to be successful in anything you have to do these things."

Bernsen also believes that their attitudes combine to give players the best of both worlds.

"Where you get the realism is from coach Farrar," Bernsen said. "You get the optimism from me and an up beat . attitude."

As the senior associate head coach, Bernsen will be Farrar's right-hand man.

"I have an understanding of how the game is supposed to be played," Bernsen said. "I think that I can help the coach in whatever way he needs me."

Over the past two weeks and in days to come, Bernsen has his hands full assisting Farrar in the recruitment of players to fill the Vandal roster.

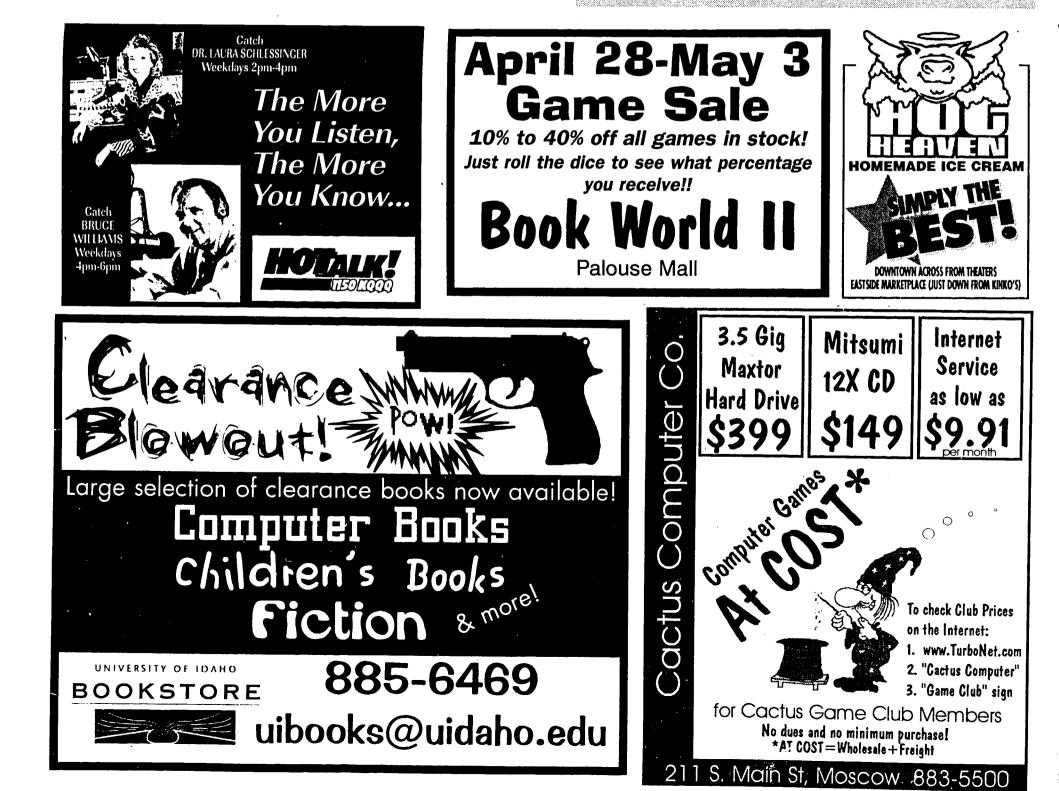
"We've got to finalize and finish recruiting before we can take any other steps in our program," Bernsen said. "You're only as good as the players you've got.'

As a member of the Big West Conference, the Vandals face a tougher challenge in building a program.

"With the joining of the Big West, some new things are going to come about," Bernsen said. "Whenever you do something new, there must be a new evaluation of how your are going to attack the challenge. We're excited about it.

Overall, the hiring of Bernsen gives the Vandals an experienced coach, who is enthusiastic and determined to help build a successful program.

"I'm old," Bernsen said. "I'm 47 years old and I've been coaching since I was 22. I've been involved in this business for quite sometime, and there is nothing better than to see a group of individuals come together as a team and have success. I've seen it happen, and to me it is a wonderful thing. That's why I'm in it."



OUTDOORS

All the way to the top:

Mt. Logan expedition takes Outdoors Program to new heights

Eric Barker

n May 19, while most University of Idaho students will be preparing to toil away at summer jobs, a small cadre of mountaineers from the university will be landing on a glacier in the Yukon Territory of Canada. From there they will be

making the final preparations for the challenge of their lives. Done with mountains of term papers, research projects, grade reports and final exams, they will embark on an expedition that if successful will see them atop of Mount Logan, 19,850 feet above the sea.

To reach the summit, the UI expedition will have to confront weather that is often fierce and unpredictable. They will cross glaciers littered with crevasses and steep mountain valleys that are prone to massive avalanches. The last few miles they will have to perform at oxygen starved altitudes. Despite the dangers they are excited to have the opportunity to confront obstacles most would shy away from.

The expedition has been coordinated by UI Outdoor Program Director Mike Beiser. He first saw Mount Logan 16 years ago while working as a mountaineering ranger in the Wrangell St. Elias National Park. A climbing party got into trouble on Logan. Beiser was called in to assist the rescue operation. He hopped on a plane for the four and a half hour flight to Logan. While only minutes away from landing, word was radioed that his help was not needed. Beiser convinced the pilot to do a fly-by of the mas-

sive peak. He was awed by the site. 'I said 'gosh that's a big mountain, that's a phenomenal mountain. I'm going to come back here some day'." In a few short weeks he will be back with nine other climbers. They will spend three weeks on the big mountain. If all goes well they will stand on top of Logan and look down on an ice covered world. Mount Logan is the largest mountain massifs in the world. Some peaks are higher but none as massive. Logan is part of the St. Elias Mountain Range and located in Canada's Kluane National Park. It is a remote site surrounded by a sea of ice. The area is one the most glaciated regions on Earth. Only Greenland and Antarctica are inundated with more ice. Logan's proximity to the sea makes it prone to severe storms that can last weeks without a break. High winds and heavy snows can stop climbing parties in their tracks and force them to spend days in cramped camps until the weather clears.

drop out due to escalating costs. This past fall Beiser tried again. He placed a small notice in the Outdoor Program Bulletin. It said simply "Mount Logan Expedition, spring '97, inquire at Outdoor Program Office." Response was strong. Initially over 20 people showed an interest in the trip. Beiser began holding meetings and slide shows about the climb to let people know climbers. Some people might say that it's foolish to do something like that without the experience. But how do you get the experience if you have never been on an expedition before?" said Beiser. "We certainly have a core of people that I have faith in," he added. They all have confidence in Beiser and his vast experience. That experience includes two stints as a climbing/mountaineering groups are guided. The fact that this trip is not offers its members a rare experience. An experience Drew Grimes particularly appreciates and says is typical of the UI Outdoor Program. He will gain not only the experience of working with nine other people to reach a common goal but will also be able to say he was a member of an unguided expedition that climbed North America's second

highest peak, an invaluable asset for someone like him who hopes one day to be an outdoor guide.

The UI group will be on Mount Logan for 21 days. On May 19 they will fly to Yakutat, Alaska. From there a bush pilot will fly them to the Quintino Sella Glacier at 9000 feet. Here they will make a base camp and begin the long process they hope will take them to the summit 10,000 feet above.

Each person will carry 40 lbs of food and a gallon and half of fuel. Meals will be individually packaged and carefully measured to deliver each climber 5,000 calories per day. Their bodies will need the extra calories in order to keep warm and sustain them during rigorous physical exertion at high altitudes. Sugar, fat and butter will be coveted rather than shunned.

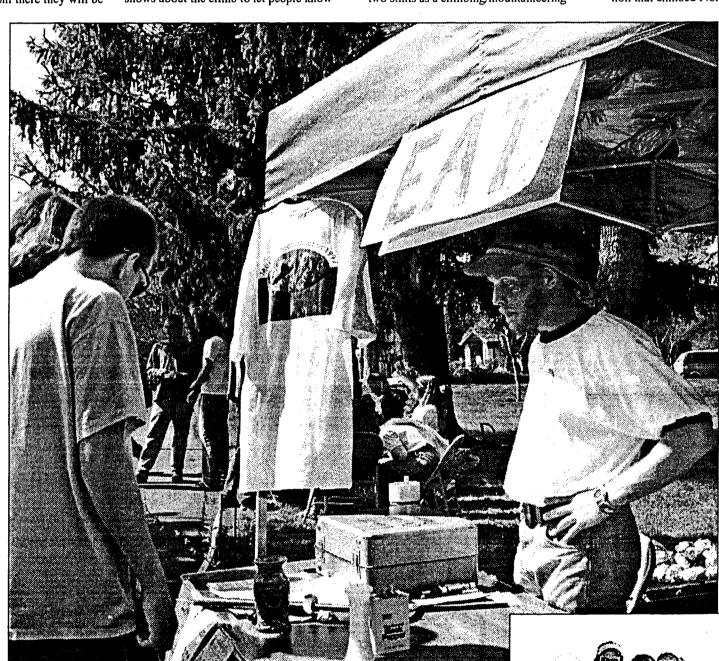
Ropes, cooking stoves, tents, sleeping bags, extra clothing and climbing gear will also be necessary. This will make their loads heavy and

Sarah Wichlacz T-Jay Clevenger and other expedition members worked a booth at Earth Fest to help fund their endeavor.

what they were getting into.a To go on the trip prospective members

ranger in national parks. One in Wrangell St. Elias,





The expedition has been two years in the making. Beiser tried to organize a trip last year. It was canceled when people began to needed to show an earnest interest in going and making it to the top. They also needed to be able to make a financial commitment. The expedition will cost \$12,000, over \$1,100 per person. Finally and most importantly they needed to be able to make a time commitment. Participants not only had to be able to forego the first month of summer but they also had to be willing to sacrifice countless hours throughout the year, training, planning

and raising funds for the climb. The number interested dwindled to 10. The group includes Beiser, writing instructor Phil Druker, UI students Drew Grimes, brothers Rett and T-Jay Clevenger, Chris Haagen, Brian Keller, Lance Roth, Shahram Yassemi and Erika Van Meter, a recent Washington State University graduate and manager of local outdoor store Hyperspud.

All of them have extensive outdoor skills and experience. Many have climbed the volcanos of the Pacific Northwest. But only Beiser has big mountain expedition experience.

"It's not a bunch of hard core experienced

the other in Teton National Park. He has stood on top of most of North America's tallest peaks, including Mckinley/Denali, the continents high point.

"I have faith in Mike. He has more credentials than anyone has a reason to," Clevenger said.

It is important to note that Beiser is not a guide

and this is not a guided expedition. It is a group climb. It will be run on a model the Outdoor Program uses for many of its trips. The model stresses planning, education, training and group cooperation. Although Beiser has the most experience decisions will still be made in a democratic fashion.

"It's a shared experience. I've told people it's not your climb. It's not my climb. It's a group climb. You have to sacrifice certain things when you're involved in that," he said. Most expeditions mounted by university

Contributed photo Fearless members of the Mt. Logan expedition.

> cumbersome. The group will travel on skis and pull sleds to transport their gear.

They will take 10 days to reach the camp at 15,000 feet. During this time their bodies will acclimate to the altitude and cold. The expedition will travel in what Beiser calls capsule style. Rather then setting up a series of camps they will move their camp with them. Many trips will be made between each camp and much time will be spent leap frog-

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ging gear to new camps.

Running in the wind

Sarah Horn Staff

The 14th annual Palouse Triathlon proved to be quite a challenge to area athletes.

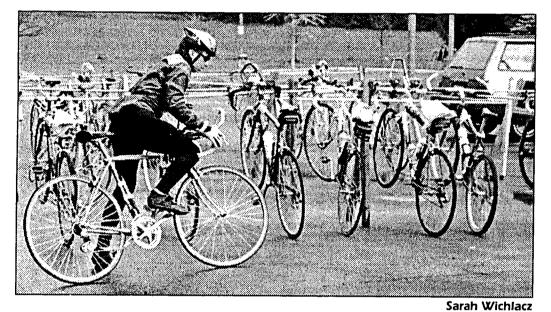
The triathlon started at 7 a.m. with the 1.5-km swimming portion of the event held at Memorial Gym. The competitors first hurdle was to finish a grueling swim before heading out into the cold, gusting wind for the second stage of the race, a 40-km bicycle ride.

The second leg of the triathlon consisted of bicycling from Memorial Gym to the grain silos just outside of Pullman. The ridders had to bike out to the silos and then turn around and come back to Moscow. The athletes were forced to fight the whipping Palouse wind on the way towards Pullman. The bikers fought and struggled against the 50 mph gusts but once they reached the turn around it was all easy sailing. The head wind that had tested their endurance and beat down their will was now at their backs. The wind made the second part of the bicycle race a little easier and gave tired muscles time to rest before the last challenge, a 10-km run.

The run took the athletes around the UI campus and parts of Moscow. This final stage of the race was by far the hardest for the athletes. Endurance and stamina were beginning to run low and exhausted muscles were pushing there limit.

The overall winners in the women's category were Liza Rachetto, Lisa Broidy and Nancy Call respectively. In the mens division the top spots were taken by Nik Southwell, Eric Lee and Jeff Rigg. In the team competition the overall winners are as follows: Melina, Kozak and Doloughan; Harrison and Harrison; and Garcia, Lawson and Boulter.

Congratulations to all the winners and everyone who competed in the triathlon.



Biking was only one of the grueling stages of the triathlon.



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Eric Barker Members of the Mt. Logan expedition kick back at Earth Fest.

time and energy pulling their heavy

The first obstacle the group will face is avalanche prone King Trench. King Trench is a wide glacial valley with towering peaks on each side. The group is likely to see a spectacular show of large avalanches each afternoon. The slides are rarely large enough to sweep across the valley which is about a mile wide. However, several days of warm temperatures combined with the heavy snow loads could trigger an avalanche with enough momentum to rake the valley. If such conditions exist the group will have to travel at night when cooler temperatures make the danger of large slides less severe.

In King Trench the group will begin to experience the environmental extremes that Beiser says are typical of big mountains.

"Everything is so quiet and still, it goes from a frozen space scene, its so quiet your ears buzz, to the other extreme of an avalanche coming down the mountain like a freight train," he said.

The group will travel most of the way on skis pulling their gear with sleds, but between camp two and three stands the Ice Fall, a steep pitch that will require them to remove their skis and climb. They will spend a lot of loads up this pitch. Once over the ice fall, it is a long slog up to the higher elevations. They will spend several days at and above 15,000 feet. When they go for the summit the group will spend 24 plus hours above 17,000 feet. At this elevation there is only one third of the orw

tion there is only one-third of the oxygen available at sea level. The human body is no longer able to acclimate and it begins to deteriorate.

Beiser said because of a bulge in the atmosphere around the equator, 17,000 feet on Logan will be physiologically equivalent to 24,000 feet in the Himalayas. People's ability to perform at this altitude is one of the trip's unknowns. It is possible one or several of the climbers will not be able to adjust.

"You get kind of hypoxic, your body and brain are starved for oxygen," said Beiser.

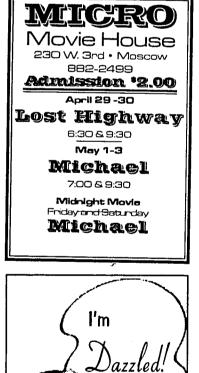
The expedition members have been training and planning to overcome every conceivable hazard. The altitude, weather extremes, crevasses and avalanches are all probable dangers they will face. Through extensive planning and a group effort they hope to overcome these hazards.

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"It's daunting but at the same time so exciting it kind of overwhelms the her factors," Druker said.

Throughout the past the year the expedition members have spent a great eal of time together in the planning process. They have organized fund hising events, practiced climbing skills and searched for sponsors. In doing they have learned about one another and how to function as a group. On a recent pre-climb trip to Mount Hood the members gelled as a roup. While on the mountain a severe spring stormed moved in. They were faced with high winds and near zero visibility.

"We all worked as a group. It wasn't Mike running the show. It wasn't nyone running the show. It was the group," Clevenger said. "Everyone learned so much more than they ever would have if we had unny conditions," Van Meter said.

"It's probably the hardest day we will have unless we get pinned in real high, because you don't move in that kind of weather and we moved," Beiser said.

The Mount Hood experience has given the group confidence. Little else remains in their preparations for the climb aside from last minute organization. They are still packing food and selling T-shirts to raise additional money. Individually they are mentally preparing themselves for the climb. Beiser prepares himself through visualization. He tries to anticipate every adverse situation which may arise and possible solutions to them. He encourages others to take this approach.

"There are so many things you have to visualize. If people don't, if people aren't preparing themselves right now psychologically, trying to visualize, then they aren't going to make the top," he said. With all the time, money, hard work and the extreme dangers in such a

With all the time, money, hard work and the extreme dangers in such a climb one may wonder why someone would want to take the risks. It is a question the group members ask themselves from time to time.

"I have a beautiful home and a wonderful wife. Why the hell am I going anywhere?" said Druker. "But going up there, the chance to be up there and to see the big peaks and big glaciers is overwhelming," he said.

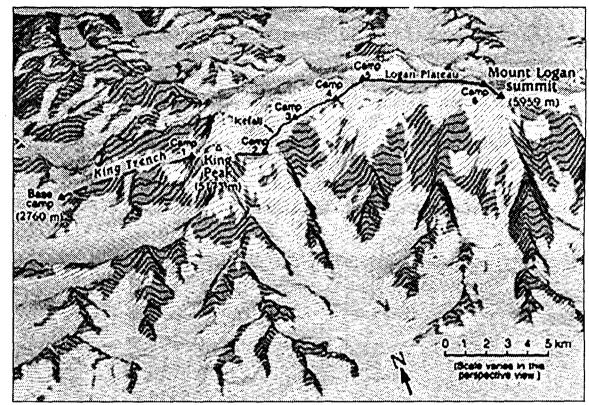
"You don't go for ego reasons," Grimes said. "The goal is just to be there and experience the environment."

The trip is likely to have a profound influence on each person in the group Beiser says. They will learn things about themselves and each other that provide opportunities for personal growth.

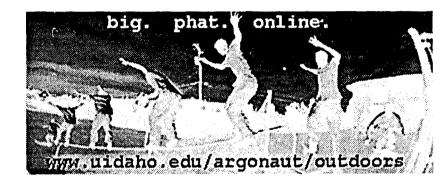
"Every person on the trip is going to be a different person when they come off that mountain. The experience we're going to be in and go through will change every person on the trip," he said.

Clevenger says he likes that idea and looks forward to it. However he hopes the change is psychological and not physical.

"The whole point even if we don't get to the summit is to have been on the mountain for 21 days and to come back with all our digits," he said.



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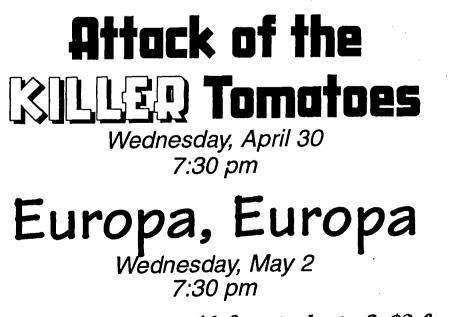




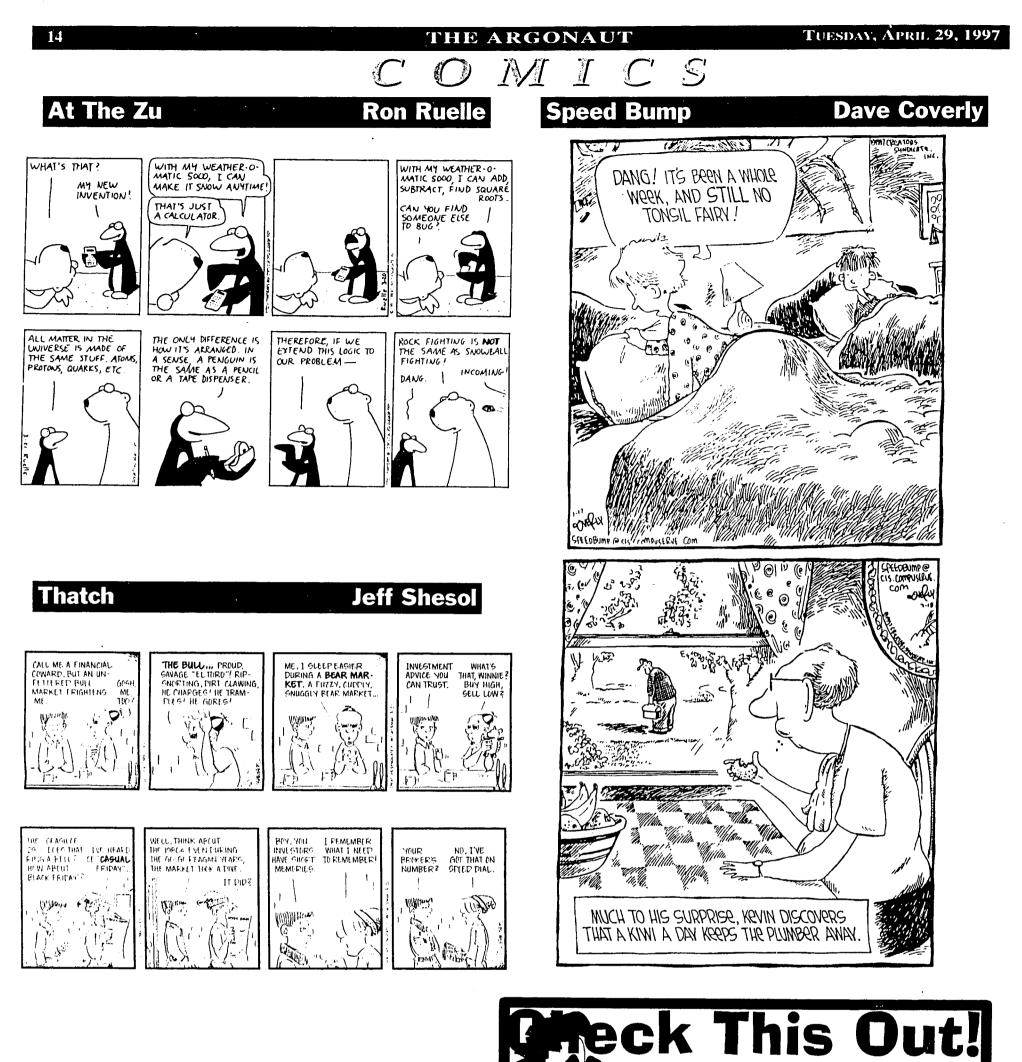
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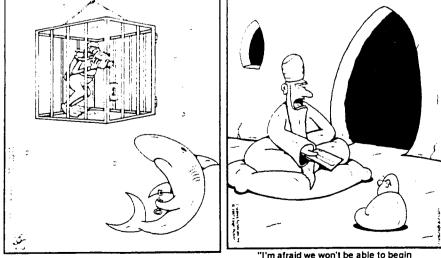
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