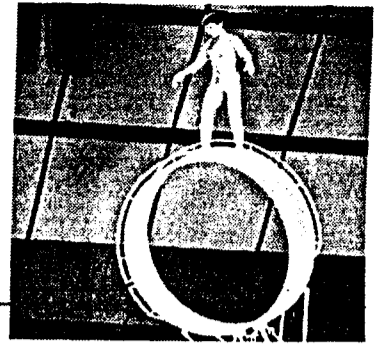


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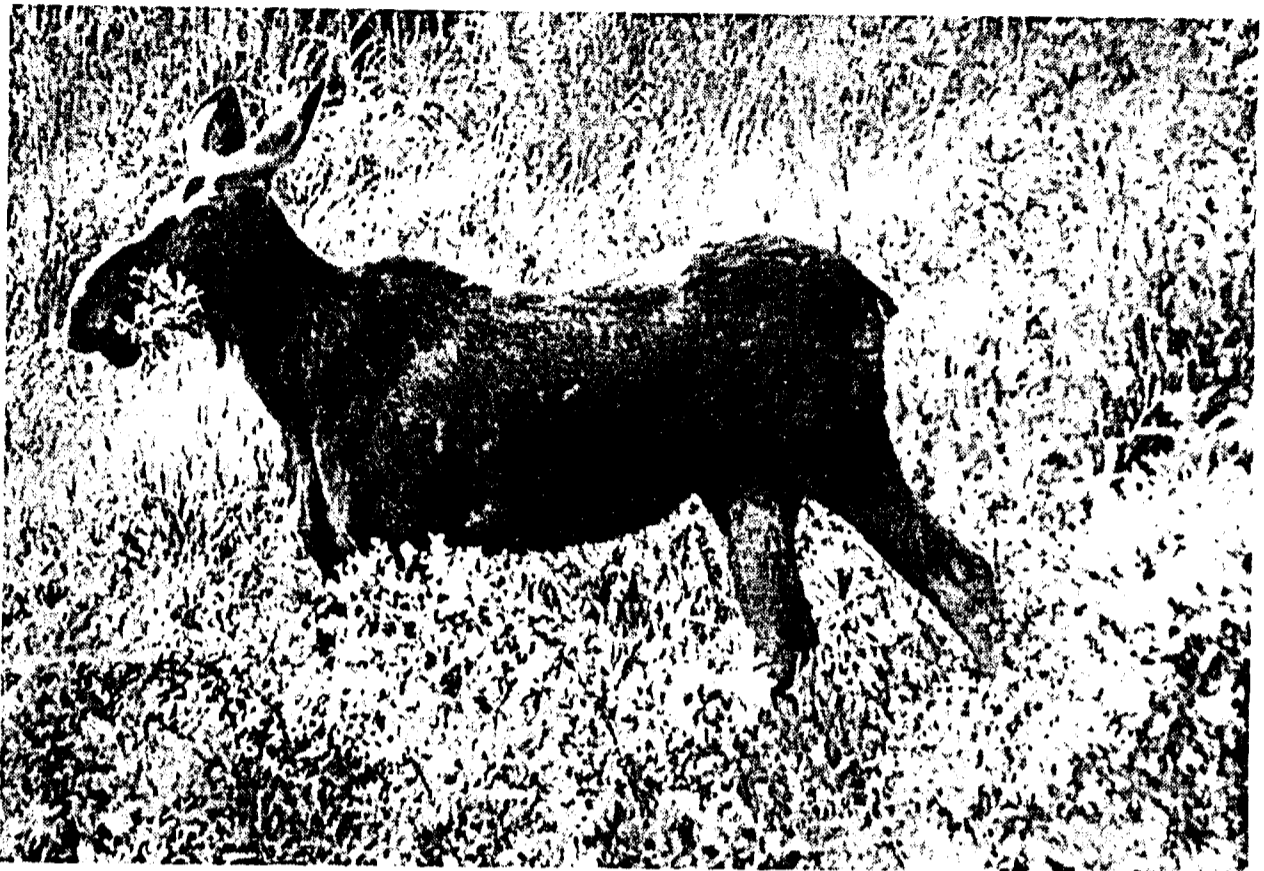
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MOOSE LOOSE IN MOSCOW

A female moose, who spent the day out on the town Thursday, stopped behind the Humane Society for a little lunch before retuning to Moscow Mountain.



LAURA LAFRANCE

New convenience store opens

WES RIMEL
REPORTER

A new convenience store opened on the south side of Moscow last Thursday, across the street from the Circle K on Highway 95. The new building touts an Arby's, a Sunset Mart, and Conoco gas station.

Sunset Mart Manager Dave Riggleman said the store is open 24 hours a day. The Sunset Mart and Arby's are

"two separate businesses that share the same building," he said. There are many convenience features at his store, including credit card pay pumps and an espresso machine. Also, there is "almost always going to be a special somewhere in the store," Riggleman said.

Circle K Manager Jim Taylor did not seem overly worried about the competition across the street.

Although, he is "a little concerned," Taylor asserted that Circle K would not be closing its doors. The difference in business has been minor so far, but "the real test will be in the fall when the students come back." He said because his store does not offer gas, the competition is over convenience store customers.

Taylor said the Circle K has been in Moscow for around 25 years. During that time, the traffic has steadily grown heavier. He said, "Maybe this (new convenience store across the street) will force the city to put in a stoplight."

Riggleman agreed, "If we beg and plead enough, hopefully the city will put in a stoplight at the intersection. We've been on them about it ever since we got the building permit."

Riggleman said the owner of the Sunset Mart is Jim Casey, who has owned businesses in the Moscow area for many years. Casey owns several other Sunset Marts in the area, and used to be in the grocery business as the owner of Jeff's Foods.

Riggleman attended Washington State University "about eight years ago" and has lived in the area about five years. "WSU is what first introduced me to this area," he said.

Taylor has been at the Circle K for 14 years and said, "we used to be about the only thing out here. Now that Moscow is expanding south a bit we are basically surrounded by apartments."

BANNER PROGRAM UPGRADE COMING THIS FALL

MICHELLE KALBEITZER
EDITOR IN CHIEF

In order to stay on top of computer advances, the University of Idaho will be upgrading Banner, an information management system, this fall.

Currently, UI is using Banner 2.0. Several modules of Banner exist, in order to coordinate the efforts of various offices across campus. The modules are used for keeping track of alumni, student records, personnel records, travel claims, purchase orders, scholarships, and many other administrative functions.

Implementation of Banner 2.1 is "slated for the October/November time frame," Linda Mitchell, associate director of Computer Services, said.

Computer Services will be assessing the 2.1 version during the months of July and August to ensure a smooth transition in the fall. Specific issues being targeted include the time frame the actual conversion will take place in, and whether or not UI employees will need training for the new version.

Some problems surfaced after the introduction of Banner 2.0 in December 1995. One problem experienced last December by students was the denial of access to on-line registration.

"We jumped from the '70s system to the '90s; that technological leap caused a real challenge in adjusting our procedures," Mitchell said about previous glitches in the system. "We were not prepared for all the complications of the new software."

However, after fine-tuning the system, last April's on-line registration preceded without any problems.

"We're making the effort this time to do extensive testing and analysis of training needs," Mitchell said.

"It's in a whole new medium," Dianne Town, Human Resource analyst, said. "We're going to have lots of training classes for users." Banner 2.1 will move users to a windows environment, of which the mouse is the primary command seeker, instead of the keyboard.

In addition to these functions, Banner is also programmed "for federal regulatory changes and state law changes," Mitchell said.

She added, "We need to keep state-of-the-art. It's a world of continual change."



LAURA LAFRANCE

UI juniors Gina Zenner, Jana Ballard, and Nashay Moser help customers who come into the new Arby's on Main Street.

Announcements

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

• The Senders, a retro-rock group will perform on the Administration lawn. The concert is one in the "Brown Bag Noon Concert" series. It will begin at 11:45 a.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

• There will be a "Fresh Aire Concert" in Moscow East City Park at 6:30 p.m. The Moscow Arts Commission Community Band will be featured. For more information call 883-7036.

• Palouse Habitat for Humanity hosts a "Friends of Habitat" meeting beginning at 7 p.m. The group will meet at St. Mary's Church on First Street. If you have questions, call the Habitat office at 883-8502.

• Caroline James, author of *Nez Perce Women in Transition*, will be sharing photos and slides at 7:30 p.m. at the Admin auditorium. This is open to the public at no charge.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

• Starting today, and continuing through June 23, U.S. Highway 95 will be closed for bridge construction. Two miles north of Riggins, this highway will not be passable to travelers. Those planning to use the highway are advised to find another route. For more information call (208) 334-8000 or (208) 799-5090.

• The Tri-Cities Vandal Golf Classic and Dinner will begin at 12 p.m. The event will be held in Richland, Wash. For more information call (208) 667-2588.

• The deadline to register for advocate training at Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse is today. Call 882-2490 or 332-0552 for more information. The first session for this training is June 24, from 1-4 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

• Summer officially begins!

• The Moscow Farmers' Market will take place in Friendship Square. For more information call 883-7036.

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

• The UI Campus Recreation Department is hosting a summer barbecue in the University of Idaho Arboretum. Students, faculty and their families are invited to attend. Tickets range from \$3-4 for children, and \$3.50 to \$4.50 for adults, and must be purchased in advance. Call 885-2163 for more information.

• The deadline for submissions into this section are Mondays at noon. Please submit your press release information to the Argonaut office on the third floor of the Student Union Building or fax us at 885-2222.

Family of slain woman sues families, county, school district

ASSOCIATED PRESS

RIGBY, Idaho — Just six days after the teen-age killers of Fidela Tomchak were sentenced to prison, family members of the slain woman filed a lawsuit against the boys, their families, Jefferson County, and the Jefferson County School District.

The lawsuit, filed Monday in Seventh District Court in Jefferson County, alleges the parties bear some responsibility for the shooting death of Tomchak. David Tomchak, the victim's husband, and her daughter, Teresa Barrera, are both named as claimants in the suit. They have not asked for a specified amount of money, saying that should be settled in a court trial.

The family had sought \$15 million in a tort claim against Jefferson County filed last year. A tort claim is a precursor to a lawsuit, which must be filed against a public agency before proceeding with a suit.

The lawsuit, unlike a criminal case, seeks payment for damages suffered by the family.

Chris Shanahan, Benjamin "B.J." Jenkins, and Thomas Lundquist, all 17, have already been convicted for the 1995 murder. Shanahan pleaded guilty to first-degree murder and robbery for shooting Tomchak in the back of the head while she stocked sodas at her family's convenience store in Grant. Jenkins pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and robbery, and Lundquist was convicted of first-degree felony murder.

In the suit, David Tomchak and Barrera allege the three boys deprived them of the "love, companionship," and company of their wife and mother.

The two have already given tearful testimony in court about the suffering the murder has brought them. David Tomchak has said he plans to sell the store and may leave Grant because it reminds him too much of his wife's murder. And Barrera lamented the fact her mother could not witness her recent graduation from Idaho

State University or her upcoming wedding.

The lawsuit also names close family members of the three boys, alleging they failed to control the boys and allowed them access to the weapons and car that was used in the murder. The three stole guns from Jenkins' family and ammunition from the Lundquists before driving to the Grant Store.

The people included in the allegations are Janae Shanahan, Chris Shanahan's mother; Claudia and Bryce Taylor, Jenkins' parents; Kevin Lundquist, Lundquist's father; and Gary Lundquist, Lundquist's grandfather.

Efforts to reach the boys' families were unsuccessful.

Jefferson County is included because the three teens had served probation terms for unrelated crimes.

The suit says the county "knew or should have known that some or all of defendant minors were members of gangs with violent propensities and were on probation."

Jefferson County Prosecutor Robin Dunn, who worked with the Tomchaks in the criminal case, said they would have to clear two major legal hurdles before showing the county is liable. First, the county had subcontracted juvenile probation work to a private company, Court and Clinical Services. So the county was not directly responsible for their probation, he said.

Second, it was Dunn's understanding their probation was over before the murder.

Efforts to reach Tomchak's attorney, Michael Gaffney, were not successful.

The school district is named under similar allegations, claiming school officials are partly responsible for the crime because the boys were supposed to be in school at the time of the murder and had not been properly supervised.

IDAHO SCHOOL DISTRICTS HONORED FOR HEALTHY MEALS

ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOISE, Idaho — The U.S. Department of Agriculture has given Team Nutrition Achievement awards to 11 Idaho school districts for serving healthy school meals.

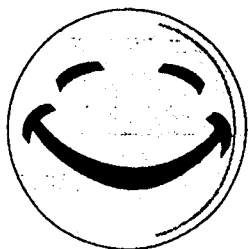
"These school districts are leaders in their state for their commitment to improve children's health by enrolling a high percentage of their schools in the Team Nutrition program," said Allen Ng, U.S. Department of Agriculture food and consumer service acting regional administrator.

The Team Nutrition initiative was established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to help schools implement new regulations requiring school meals to meet

the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. The guidelines recommend a diet high in fruits and vegetables with no more than 30 percent of calories from fat. Team Nutrition also provides materials for the classroom and home to encourage children and family members to make healthier food choices.

The Boundary County District, Vallivue District, Hagerman District, Cottonwood District, Coeur d'Alene District, Post Falls District, Highland Joint District, Dietrich District, Richfield District, Rockland District and Kellogg Joint District received the award.

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Clowning around in the Kibbie Dome

MICHELLE KALBEITZER

EDITOR IN CHIEF



Elephants were the last and largest to perform.

Are you ready for the circus?" Rico Dorado's question was answered by hundreds of yelling children at the Kibbie Dome last Friday. Dorado, Shrine Circus ringmaster and master of ceremonies, was prepping the audience for an unforgettable circus performance.

Not only were the 900 pound cats entertaining, but the Shrine Circus also showcased the "only performing rottweilers in the circus world," Dorado said. He dubbed the circus "the only entertainment in the world today that's still rated G for audiences of all ages."

Spots and stripes dominated the first act while the trainers gracefully handled tigers, leopards, and panthers through maneuvers only highly trained professionals would dare to attempt. The large cats responded to commands with ease. Although, a few times a delinquent tiger would step off the perch when the trainers were looking in another direction.

Dorado said, "Each one (cat) was hand-raised, bottle-fed, and trained by the Hoffmann family." Yaro and Barbara Hoffmann are eighth generation circus performers and co-owners of Exotic Endangered Cats of the World.

When eight-year-old Chenoah McGordy was asked what her favorite part of the circus was, she said, "When they go in those cages with the tigers."

All circuses must have clowns. The Shrine Circus has Piggy, Tata, and Charlie. All of which dutifully fulfilled their job description of "clowning around." Parades of laughter from children and adults followed each of their performances.

Several international acts displayed feats of



TaTa the clown gets stuffed into a washing machine during the Shrine Circus performance, Friday at the Kibbie Dome

pure strength and coordination. A group called the Flying Angels weathered the skies in the Dome with their trapeze act. Five Russian men found the perfect balance between acrobatics and precise landing techniques using a thin, flexible bar positioned on the shoulders of two men. In addition, performers from Guadalajara popped one another into orbit using teeterboards.

During intermission, three giant-sized elephants provided rides for eager children and their guardians. For seven-year-old Cody Wendt, the elephants were the best part of the circus. "It was fun. I got to ride on the elephant. It was just fun," he said.

The fund-raiser's proceeds go to "the Calam Shrine Temple," Duane Sartwell, a Calam Temple potentate, said, "in which the Calam Shrine supports the Shriners Hospitals."

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A Religious Directory

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DIVERSIONS

AMY-MARIE SMITH
REPORTER

For the auto-oriented

The current exhibit at the Prichard Art Gallery is something not to miss for anyone who has a passion for cars.

The essence and historical view of cars is captured in works by Peter Vincent, and the exhibit *Hot Rod: Altered Icon*. These offerings will remain on display at the gallery through July 26.

Upon entering the gallery, one quickly realizes that this show entails a bit more than your run-of-the-mill art exhibit. The first visible display is a real, antique gas pump. This weathered object reminds the gallery-goer that not only have cars been around for many years, but they bring with them a colorful history.

In the midst of various paintings and sketches of cars are pieces of memorabilia. Many car parts, goggles, and even a full-size car shell can be found on the first floor of the gallery. Sketches, paintings, and parts range in size. No one will go away without being interested by at least one piece of this exhibition.

Hot Rod: Altered Icon is a compilation of works by numerous artists.

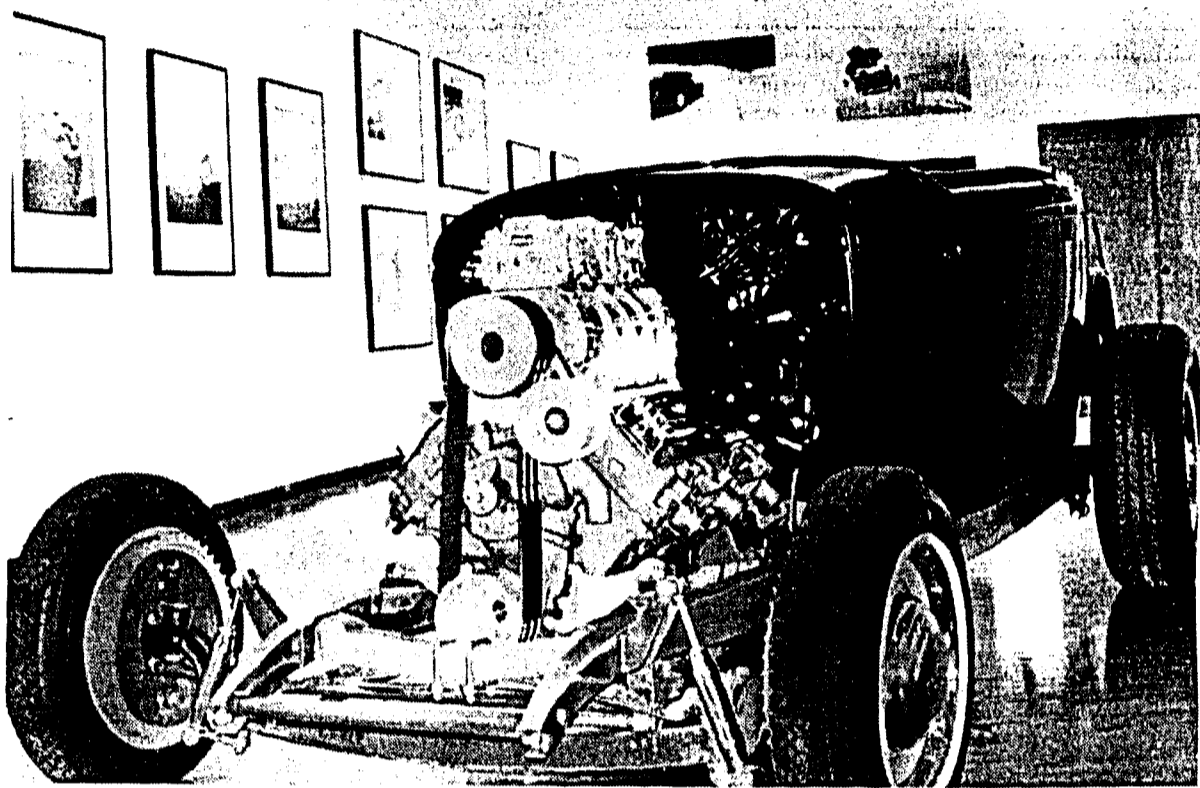
Artists featured in this exhibit include, but are not limited to, Tom Fritz, Darrell Mayabb, Peter De Lory, and David Perry.

Curator of this exhibit, Peter Vincent, writes in the gallery notes, "This exhibition examines a unique cultural phenomenon involving the American automobile in a creatively altered form called the Hot Rod."

On the second floor of the gallery, there is more of the same. This part of the exhibit, however, is the work of Peter Vincent, which has been named simply, *Selected Works*.

Vincent is considered to be "one of *Hot Rodding's* premier photographers," according to a prepared statement from the gallery. His photographs have appeared regularly in publications such as *Rod & Custom*, *American Rodder*, and *Hot Rod Mechanix*. This self-taught photographer is no stranger to having his work displayed. Galleries around the region have housed his works in permanent and temporary exhibitions.

The Prichard Art Gallery is run by the University of Idaho's College of Art and Architecture. Summer gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday 1-8 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m. through 3 p.m.



Miscellaneous car exhibition whets the appetite of local car enthusiasts looking for the perfect blend between history and art. The Prichard Art Gallery will feature the exhibit through July 26.

Parks and Recreation offer 'something to do'

AMY-MARIE SMITH
REPORTER

The 1997 season of adult softball through the Pullman/Moscow Parks and Recreation department is well underway. These men and women play ball for various reasons, providing entertainment not only for themselves, but for attending spectators as well.

This league is made up of, "mostly local adults and college students," said Lindsay Squires, the adult softball coordinator for Pullman/Moscow Parks and Recreation.

On nearly any evening of the week at the Ghormley Park

softball fields, there will be at least one game in progress where one can find children, wives, girlfriends, pets, and others serving as onlookers for the players.

This community activity has drawn a large membership as well. Within the men's league there are 12 'A' teams, ten 'B' teams, and ten 'C' teams. The women are well represented as well. Their league has six 'A' teams, five 'B' teams and five 'C' teams.

Each team has between 12 and 20 members. This annual

sporting opportunity is very popular, and open to anyone.

The teams are formed every spring. Usually, sponsors for the teams remain fairly consistent, and each

team acquires members through word of mouth, or via the Parks and Recreation department. Each team must pay a fee to participate, which is usually covered entirely, or mostly, by the team's sponsor.

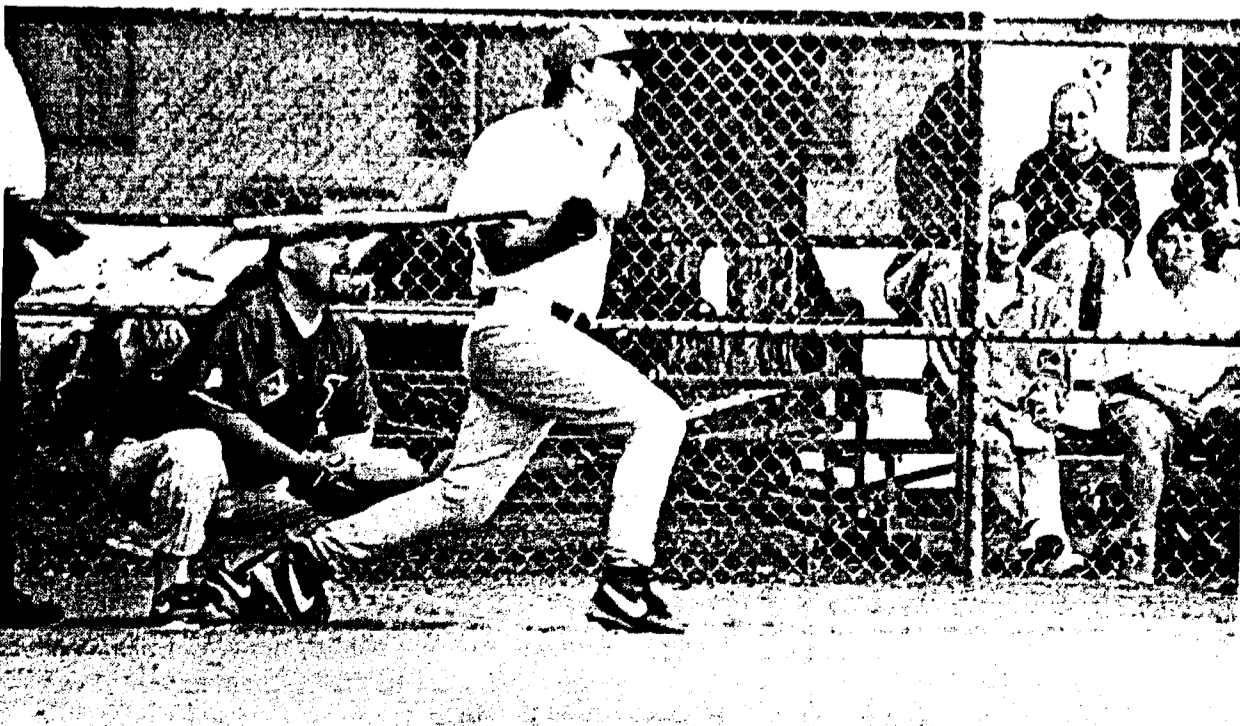
Nearly every weekend the teams travel to play in tournaments. These tournaments can be as near as Lewiston, or as far away as Boise. In either event, these weekend challenges provide relaxation and recreation to team members and their loved ones.

In addition to the fun of the sport itself, "for some people the fun is also being out there, taking the family out, barbecuing, and being in the sun all day," Kelly Duke, of the Kelson Distributing/Treaty Grounds team, said.

Duke, a sixth year softball player, views this experience to be more than simply playing the sport. It has "introduced me to some people who aren't students. In a small town like this there's not a lot to do. This is something to do a couple nights a week. It's just fun," she said.

The season runs from May 19 through July 16.

"Most teams at this point in the season do not need additional players, however teams that do need additional players can add them through June 27," Gina Richardson, recreation supervisor, said. However, the Moscow Parks and Recreation department is in need of umpires for their youth baseball and softball league. If you are interested in helping out, call 883-7085 for more information.



Batter Up! The Pullman/Moscow Parks and Recreation softball program is half-way through its 1997 season. Local teams play nearly every night through July 16.

Stitch by stitch, Crosseyed pieces it together

LEXP. LEVY
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Seattle quartet, Crosseyed, once again brought the patrons at John's Alley along on a unique musical trek last Thursday. Celebrating the release of their new, all acoustic CD "It's a Shame," the band migrated through acoustic and electric sets that touched on blues, rock, jazz and latin grooves.

"We've all been heavily influenced by the blues," said Paul Benoit, one of the group's guitarists and song writers. Both he and Doug Schoolcraft play leads and trade off on slide guitar duties, as well as writing most of the band's material. Bassist Tige DeCoster and drummer Dan Weber conspire to hold down the bottom end with imaginative textures that mix many different schools of music. While they are a "rock" band, it's hard to isolate just what kind of music they play. This diversity keeps their shows fresh and alive, creating a soundscape that brings a lot of different people together.

"We play for the cowboys, the hippies, the rednecks, the yuppies, everybody. The music transcends lots of boundaries," Benoit said. This is a band that truly loves to play for the music itself. They play different sets each night without the aid of a song list, choosing instead to grab songs from the ether or segue from one to another. Their enthusiasm is immediate and necessary.

"We have to play. We'd go crazy if we didn't," guitarist Schoolcraft said. "Besides, we believe in the music."

Crosseyed's drive and ability are in top form on their new release. "It's a Shame" is filled with songs rich in depth and feeling. Covering such themes as travel, love, loss, regeneration and self-discovery, the 10 song disc is a calming and provocative voyage that is personal and cathartic. In fact, the material seemed to demand of the group that they record it.

"We had all these songs kind of hanging around and it dawned on us that we had to record them," Benoit said. The band retired to a cabin in the woods and recorded the songs on a basic eight track system. Only a few parts were overdubbed, and the result is a sound that is clear and concise, yet not sparse or bland. Benoit and Schoolcraft share the singing responsibilities and complement each other well. There is a dire nature to both their voices that evokes the desert's open spaces, as well as the wooded mountains of the Northwest.

Crosseyed plans to record another non-acoustic CD in the near future, and will continue to bring their distinct blend of music to audiences throughout the West. For tour dates and other information contact Crosseyed at: P.O. Box 25525 Seattle, WA 98125.

That high lonesome sound

LEXP. LEVY
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

This week marks the 45th anniversary of one of Idaho's most colorful and exciting cultural events. The National Oldtime Fiddlers' Contest kicks off Sunday June 15 in Weiser, Idaho, and runs through Saturday 21. Over 350 fiddlers from ages 3 to 90 will compete for national titles and \$36,000 in prizes.

Contest director, Layna Hafer, is enthused about the contest's growing popularity. "We've had a bit of an increase in both attendance and prize money the last few years," she said.

This contest is one of the largest contests in the country. Participants and enthusiasts travel from all over the world to be part of the week-long competition and campfire jamming. The event takes place at the local high school, and is the highlight of the summer for such long-time contestants as Potlatch's Mabel Vogt.

"It's your peak experience as a player because it's such a challenge to play your best in that environment," said Vogt, who has missed the event only once since 1975. Judges of the event are isolated from the participants and hear the performance through a deluxe sound system.

"I think that's the key element to the fairness of it. Judges can be swayed by sympathetic looks or a good show. This way, judges can hear every detail of the playing better than the audience. It leads to results that really surprise the audience," Vogt said.

Each contestant, with their backup, is given 4 minutes to perform a waltz, a hoedown, and a tune of choice. The preliminary rounds are held during the day with participants vying for spots in the evening finals. There is also an annual parade on the Saturday of the contest. This year's theme is "Passing it On" which celebrates this rich, traditional music that's handed down from generation to generation.

Vogt, whose two daughters are accomplished fiddlers as well, feels the connections she makes with other people is perhaps the most special thing about the Weiser contest.

She said, "We go each year hoping to see people that we only see there. It's a reunion, a festival, a workshop, a chance to be inspired."

The contest takes place at the Weiser High School Gymnasium. Tickets range from \$3 to \$12 and are available by calling 800-437-1280.



Crosseyed performed Thursday night at John's Alley.

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Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse Help for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

ADVOCATE TRAINING

Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse, a non-profit United Way agency, is offering volunteer advocate training sessions on domestic violence and sexual assault issues. Participants are expected to attend all twelve training sessions to become an ATPV volunteer advocate, perform crisis intervention work, or other volunteer activities. Following training, a commitment of six months is requested of each volunteer. All sessions are free, although a donation of \$15 to ATPV for materials would be welcome. Credit may be available through the University of Idaho and/or Washington State University. Please call to register by Friday, June 20th, 1997.

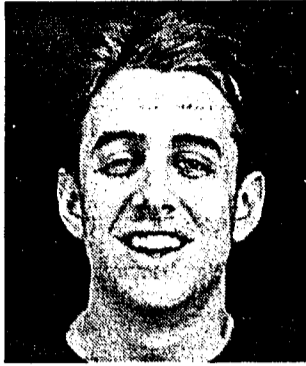
Sessions are Tuesdays & Thursdays, June 24 – July 31 from 1:00 – 4:00
(July 31 session is from 1:00 – 3:00)

First session will meet on Tuesday, June 24, 1997, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Cougar Lounge downstairs in Beasley Coliseum on the WSU Campus.

For more information, please call 332-0552 or 882-2490

Opinion

China falls short for kudos



WES RIMEL
REPORTER

It seems like every other item in a United States house declares "Made in China." Every now and then, there will be a small political debate over whether we should keep granting China Most Favored Nation Status (MFN), but it seems after a few short days or weeks the controversy is over. MFN basically means free trade with China.

With China's immense population of over 1 billion, it is easy for many politicians to say that it is vital for American businesses to be on good terms with China. On the surface that would seem like a great idea. However, China has a miserable track record of human rights. China buys military equipment from countries like Iraq and Iran. They also lure American factories overseas due to minuscule labor costs, lack of unions, and few environmental regulations.

So we must decide whether or not China deserves our business. Does a country that uses child labor...

deserve American business?

Does a country that consistently ignores America's views on

North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). They are people with political clout like Jesse Jackson, Ralph Nader, Pat Buchanan, and Ross Perot.

I watched a few minutes of C-Span the other day and witnessed a prepared speech by Independent Representative Bernard Sanders, from Vermont. He was speaking about these poor trade deals, and why the American public never hears anything about it. He asked, "Why don't we see this kind of news in the media? Because of who owns the media. These are huge international corporations that want to do what they wish."

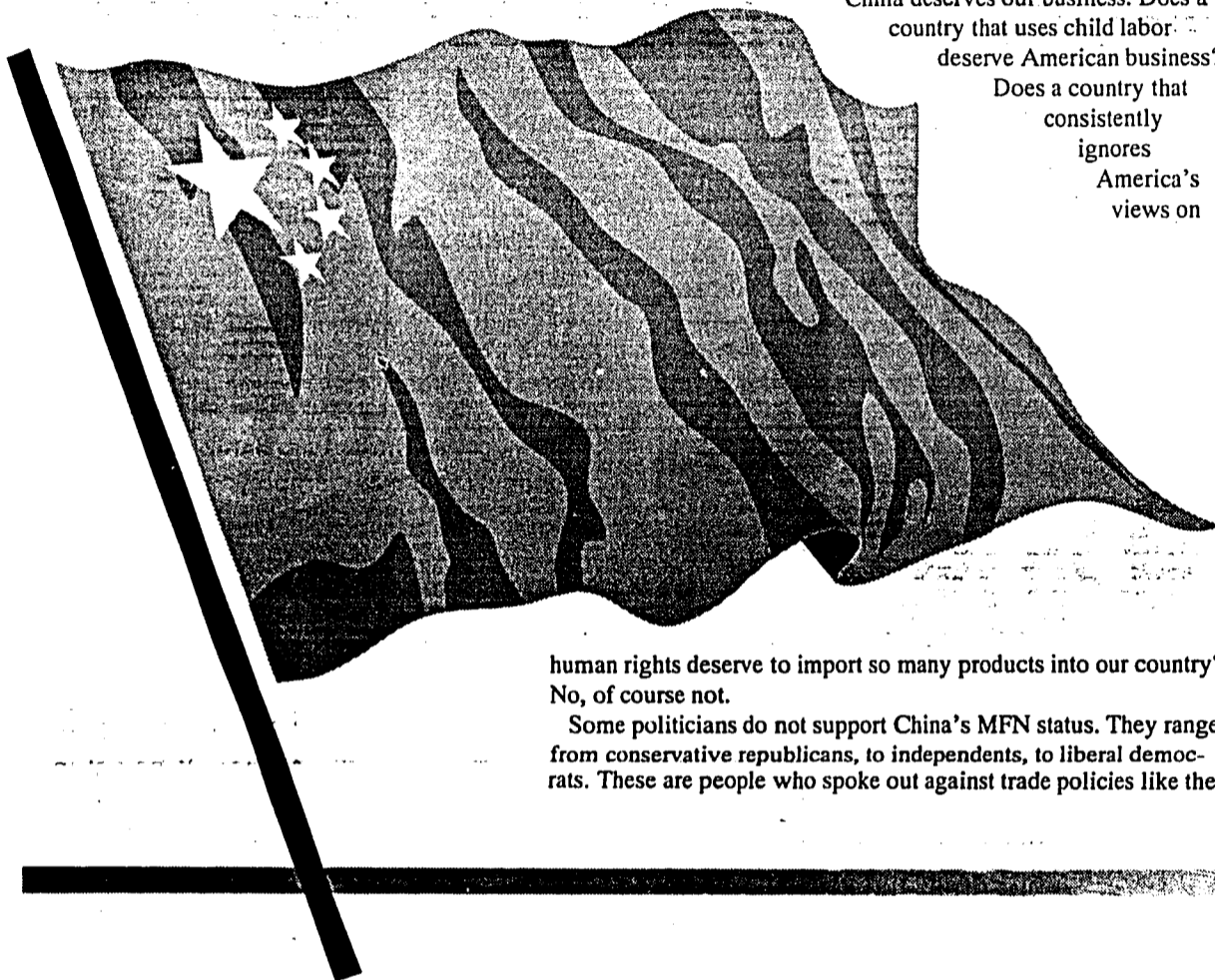
So, who does own the media? Disney owns ABC, General Electric owns NBC, Headline News is owned by Ted Turner, and on and on. A link on a branch of NBC's webpage even goes so far to say, "How GE made NBC #1." In other words, everything that comes out in the mainstream media has been filtered by huge corporations and controlled by a few of the very wealthy. We are reading and watching what these executives want us to. In addition, money for elections comes from these big corporations.

Sanders went on to say, "My colleagues in this House are scared to even discuss these issues. They are worried about re-election." Also, the mainstream media is afraid of spreading the word. Take the last election as a great example. As everyone knows, Ross Perot ran infomercials on the major networks. The networks refused to air his infomercial against NAFTA and his infomercial about campaign finance reform. Everything else was aired. I find that a bit suspicious.

Too often our government officials put their personal checking account or re-election campaign ahead of our country. We weren't doing that during the Cold War, and we certainly were not granting the former Soviet Union MFN. The economy of the Soviet Union collapsed with America's opposition.

We could do the same thing to China if our government would only have the courage once again. We are far and away the biggest consuming nation on earth; we could set China in its place if we refused their business. We could refuse to market the cheap toys and clothing imported from overseas American companies.

Congressman Sanders continued to an empty House, "We need a leader not affiliated with the Republicans or Democrats with the courage to stand up to these corporate interests." The closest person to that description has been Ross Perot. Other than him, the message has fallen on deaf ears.



human rights deserve to import so many products into our country? No, of course not.

Some politicians do not support China's MFN status. They range from conservative republicans, to independents, to liberal democrats. These are people who spoke out against trade policies like the

Letters to the Editor

Hire outside teachers for summer school

As you correctly point out in your June 11 "Department Benches UI Team" editorial, research is indeed an important aspect of a professor's role at a university, enhancing his/her teaching, and contributing to the knowledge base. Summer is an opportune time for many faculty — particularly junior faculty — to work on their research, making it difficult for some departments to staff summer courses, irrespective of student demand. I'd like to suggest a very simple solution, one that's commonplace at universities across the country: such departments can recruit distinguished colleagues from other universities/colleges to teach high demand summer courses. This solution

would respond to student needs, enable UI faculty to concentrate on research and scholarship, and enrich the UI summer campus with distinguished visiting faculty.

—Sid Eder, Director Summer Programs and Extended Learning

Headline disturbs some

I was particularly shocked at the headline of Wednesday, June 11th's Argonaut which read "Scholars' Be Gone." Coming to mind first was the distinct knowledge that Scholars' Residence is not "Gone," as the headline would imply. Scholars' Residence has simply been relocated to the former Theta Chi house and the Kappa Delta sorority will move into the former Scholars'

Residence. Second was the feeling of rage that the remaining members of Scholars' must have felt upon reading the headline.

In my concern for the headline, I contacted Michelle Kalbeitzer, Argonaut Editor-In-Chief who most graciously listened to my concerns. I thank her for her candor and her listening to my story. One thing I found disturbing though was the answer she gave as to "why a newspaper sometimes runs such headlines?" Her answer: "Sometimes a newspaper has to use 'catchy' headlines to create interest with its readers." Ms. Kalbeitzer's answer points to what I believe is the real question...IS THE QUALITY OF THE ARGONAUT'S CONTENT SO LOW THAT IT MUST RESORT TO MISLEADING HEADLINES TO GRAB ATTENTION? If so, then why even publish it? I can buy the *National Enquirer* for less than

my portion of the student fees it takes to publish the Argonaut—and paying for the *Enquirer* is optional.

—Sean M. Wilson

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It was with great sadness and disgust that I surveyed the glaring headline from the Argonaut of Wednesday, June 11th: "SCHOLARS BE GONE: KAPPA DELTA'S COMING TO TOWN." As a former resident and co-president of the Scholars' Residence, I found the publishing of this headline severely lacking in judgement. Though the title of an article seems a trivial matter, residents are painfully aware of the misinformation easily spread by such a thoughtless headline verging on journalistic negligence.

The admonition SCHOLARS BE GONE implies not only that an antagonistic attitude exists on the part of the paper toward the residence but also that Scholars' has indeed been vanquished by the Kappa Deltas. Scholars' never was brushed aside in favor of the new sorority. Rather, after intense lobbying, the presidents remained fully informed and

in close contact with administrators, especially Dean Bruce Pitman, throughout the entire process.

Now the residents of Scholars' are proud to enthusiastically announce their move to the former Theta Chi house on Old Greek Row. I believe this new facility will only bolster the strong program already in place. University Residences has already reported that Scholars' will be full for fall semester.

Because the house is a relatively new addition to campus, residents every year have fought to make Scholars' a positive force on campus. Every consecutive year of its existence, Scholars' has grown more a part of the campus community as residents have fought against widely held stereotypes.

I believe Scholars' will continue to grow in this active capacity in the years to come. The bias against Scholars'

shown in the Argonaut only sets back the advances in reputation achieved by hard-working residents.

I am not offended by the focus of the main article, the new sorority, Kappa Delta. However, the headline should have focussed on their success instead of some imaginary defeat over the Scholars' Residence and the Residence halls in general.

I heartily welcome Kappa Delta to campus, sympathize with the Theta Chis who are losing their house, and invite the community and campus to celebrate the opening of the new Scholars' in August.

—Alicia Guinn,
Co-president of Scholars' 1996-97

Do you think Timothy McVeigh deserves the death penalty?



"Yah. I think so. I think killing 168 people is plenty suffice for it."

— Josh Starkey
UI senior in computer science



"Yes. Murder without a conscience does deserve an eye for an eye. This was premeditated."

— Geoffrey Lancaster
Moscow Daily News employee



"It's hard to say that two wrongs make a right. In cases like that, where so many people are involved, I think they are asking for the death penalty."

— Erica Mende, UI Junior

"In order to maintain peace and harmony there needs to be some kind of punishment. There has to be consequences for your actions."

— Josh Taff, UI freshman



"I don't think he does. If he sat in prison all those years and he had to live with that, that would be a pretty miserable experience."

— Eider Peet

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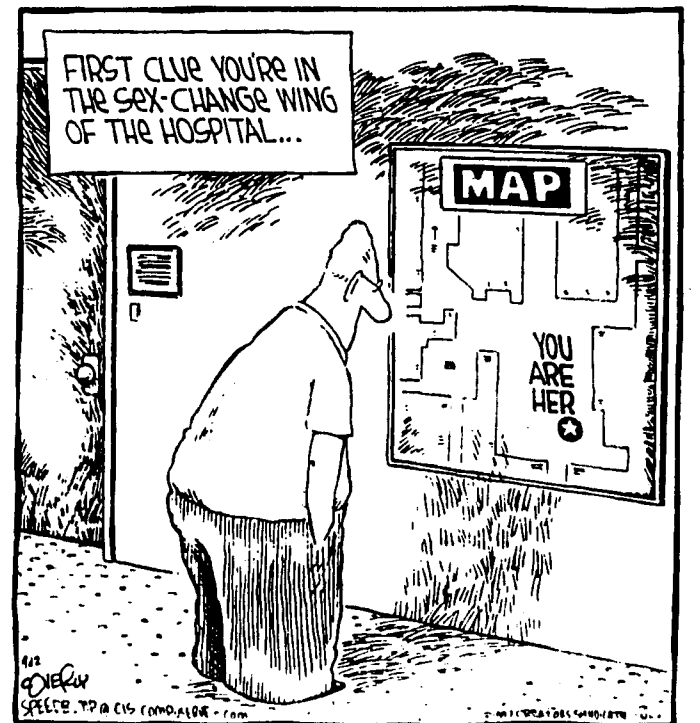
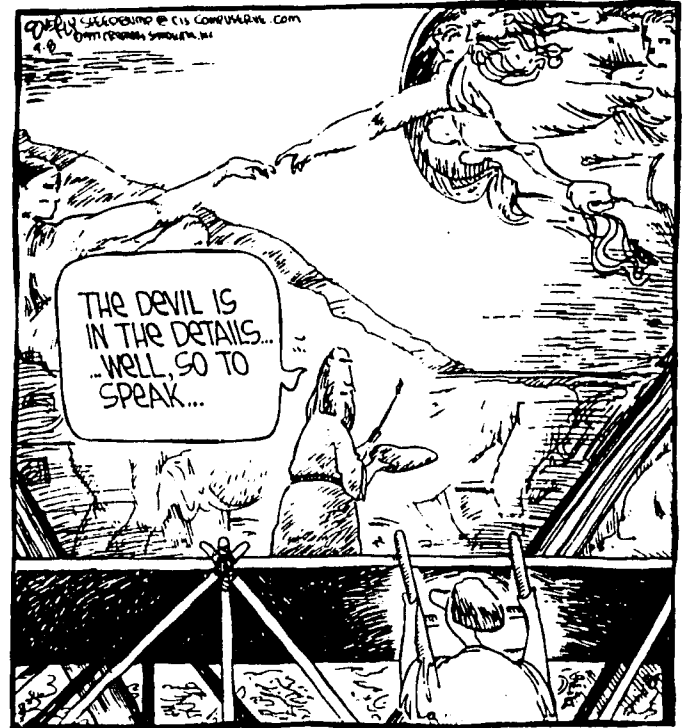
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