



Garbage overflows on Greek Row

Shared dumpsters need to be emptied more often, fraternity members say

ERIN SCHULTZ
STAFF

You know you have a trash problem when Moscow police threaten to give citations for the amount of litter piling up on your property.

That's what happened to the Delta Chi fraternity earlier this fall, and citations probably would have been written had policemen not discovered that the Delta Chi's were not entirely to blame.

"The situation is that a lot of houses have to share dumpsters," said Mahmood Sheikh, Delta Chi resident and ASUI senator. "Now the trash people are coming less often. They were supposed to come every day when we started sharing dumpsters, but that isn't happening."

Latah Sanitation, the company responsible for picking up the trash on campus, recently took away individual dumpsters at the Delta Sigma Phi, Delta Chi and Kappa Sigma houses and replaced them with one larger, non-portable dumpster for all three to share.

The idea behind this was to "cut down on crew and save money — which passes savings on to the customer," said Jim Wallace, finance director for the City of Moscow.

Instead, trash between the three houses has piled up to overflowing. Sometimes it sits for several days when the dumpster gets blocked in by cars.

"You can't move the dumpster by itself. Whenever someone parks their car in front of it the garbage men can't get to it," Mike Peel, Kappa Sigma president said.

Currently, fraternity leadership is working with Wallace and Latah Sanitation to remedy the problem.

"Within two weeks we hope to have a solution to this problem," said Katherine Reisenauer, Latah Sanitation manager. Reisenauer says the company will most likely change the size of the containers, making them smaller and easier to access in the tight alleys on



LAURA LAFRANCE

Garbage continues to pile up outside Delta Chi fraternity.

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Delta Chi president**

Greek Row. The company also plans to stop by more times during the week.

Aaron Baldwin, Delta Chi president, hopes to get individual portable dumpsters back, or a separate route with separate trucks established. Since the lone bin presently being used sits on Delta Chi property, they often get credited with the mess.

"Since last year, sharing hasn't worked, ever. We're always blamed, and it's not always our trash. We've been cleaning up every day, every week of this school year. We're sick of cleaning up everyone else's trash," Baldwin said.

Wallace says the problem facing part of Greek Row is not anything new.

"Solid waste is always a problem. So many places are designed for people to live in, but are not designed for people to get rid of trash in. It amazes me that we haven't set up better processes for that," Wallace said.

Habitat for Humanity needs funds for land

Volunteers 'Pound the Pavement' to raise money

JENNIFER KARINEN
STAFF

The Palouse Habitat for Humanity is shopping for land in Moscow. On Sept. 28 they will hold a walk-a-thon to foot the bill.

Registration for "Pound the Pavement" begins at noon at the Glen Terrell Friendship Mall on the Washington State University campus. Office Administrator Donna Blackwell said rain or snow won't quell the event. "If it's chilly, we'll just have to walk faster."

Blackwell said this is the first time the group has had to buy land. They have built three homes on the Palouse, two in Pullman, one in Colfax. Individuals in the community donated the land. PHH built the house. Now the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church has offered to "blitz" build a home. If PHH can find property to build on, the church will pay for the construction of a home.

In a blitz build, a house is hammered together from scratch within a week. Moscow Methodist Minister Bill Green explains the UMC voted to blitz build a home every time their annual conference meets. The conference moves from area to area. In 1999 they will meet at the Kibbie Dome in Moscow.

The UMC built a home in Tacoma this summer. The house evolved through the course of the conference. "On Monday we laid the foundation and we had flowers in the flowerbeds by Saturday."

Property in Moscow does not come cheap.

Pound the Pavement is PHH's biggest fund-raiser of the year. They hope to make at least \$10,000. They have found \$7,600 in sponsorship already. "We need a whole big bunch to buy land in Moscow," Blackwell said. The blitz builders will be here in the summer of 1998 to lay the foundation, if land is found. Blackwell says they hope to find a big enough slice of property for two, maybe even three homes.

Donations and pledges for Pound the Pavement are one lump sum handed over at registration. This is not a money-per-mile event.

Students play a big part in supporting PHH. Large numbers marched in past walk-a-thons held at University of Idaho, and student groups have also chosen PHH as a charity. Fraternities and sororities have brought in over \$2,300 in donations.

The Palouse Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization that builds low-income housing for needy families. Families must meet several conditions to qualify for the program. They must currently live in substandard housing, be low income, and put in 500 "sweat equity hours." That is, they put 500 hours into building their home or another. They must also have the ability to pay back the no-interest mortgage on the home.

The 5K walk will go from the Mall down Wilson to the Bear pens, up Grimes Road, around College Avenue back to the Mall. T-shirts will be awarded to those with donations of \$50 or more. Refreshments, prizes, and live music by guitarist Tom Armstrong garnish the event all covered live by KHTR radio. Free parking will be available at the Fine Arts Building Parking Structure.



Local News

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Schools must tell parents of students' drug habits

MOSCOW — The basis for any counseling relationship is trusting the counselor will listen and will keep private what transpires.

But beginning this fall, counselors in Idaho public schools must notify parents if a child discloses drug use.

The law has Moscow High School Principal K.C. Albright worried it will affect his counselors' ability to work with troubled students, especially those unwilling or unable to talk to their parents.

Albright is not advocating keeping parents in the dark, but said in some cases telling the parents right away is not the best option.

"There are a lot of students who credit the counselors with getting them into the treatment program they needed," he said. "And we don't want to lose that."

The change has caused concern in other school districts, but many find that it is not that much of a policy change, said Claudia Hasselquist, coordinator of the Idaho Safe and Drug Free Schools program.

"Schools cannot solve this by themselves, they need to work with parents," she said. "And some students do come from family backgrounds that aren't the best, but at least the parents are notified and the school can still continue with the other programs it's used."

The reasoning behind the law is parents have a right to know health information about their children.

Jeanne Schatz, parent and drug education coordinator of the Meridian schools, sides with the parents.

"If it were my child I'd want to know," she said. "And as a counselor I wouldn't want the responsibility of deciding how many drugs a student is using and which ones are at risk. What if I kept something confidential and then a student continued to use and died. I wouldn't want that weight on my shoulders."

SUB Rec Manager Injured In weekend accident

UI Recreation Manager Craig Henley was struck by a car last weekend while walking his dog on Palouse River Drive. The motorist, David C. Burmmer, 27, of Moscow hit Henley while travelling westbound, and unofficial reports say that Burmmer may have been temporarily blinded by the sun.

Henley was taken to Gritman Medical Center for severe head injuries, but the hospital has not released information on his condition. The dog was killed.

Henley served as Recreation Manager of the SUB Bowling Alley.

No charges have been filed against Burmmer, although the Idaho State Police are still investigating the incident.

His announcement ended months of speculation. His reticence even prompted one prominent Republican, House Speaker Michael Simpson, to conclude Batt planned to run again and drop the idea of running himself next year.

Several other Republicans have been mentioned as possible candidates, including U.S. Sen. Dirk Kempthorne, U.S. Rep. Michael Crapo and Lt. Gov. Butch Otter.

No Democrats have yet stepped forward as candidates.

Batt would have been a prohibitive favorite to win re-election in the heavily Republican state. Among his accomplishments: forging a pact with the federal government on nuclear waste, working to overhaul welfare, improving relations with Indian tribes and getting a bill passed putting agriculture workers under the state workers compensation law.

Besides his age, Batt said he was tired of dealing with controversy.

"Although I've enjoyed broad support, I'm not comfortable with the loud cries of protest I occasionally hear," he said. "I don't like making people mad."

But Batt was still emotional about the prospect of leaving. "I'll miss all of it. It's a marvelous job," he said, his voice breaking. "I always feel kind of a sense of wonder when I come down here."



State News

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Idaho governor decides against seeking re-election in 1998

BOISE — Gov. Phil Batt, Idaho's first GOP chief executive in 24 years, said today he will not seek a second term next year. He cited his age as the primary reason.

"I am 70 years old, and if I were to serve out another term I would be nearly 76," Batt said, his wife, Jacque, and dozens of Republican officials on hand in his office.

Batt said he would remain neutral in the race for the GOP nomination.

Announcements

Today

• Dr. Maurice Hornocker will present a lecture at 2:30 p.m. in Forestry Building Room 10. Hornocker was the leader of the Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit at UI for nearly 20 years.

• The UI College of Engineering research colloquium will host "Advanced Materials in Sports and the Ethics of Their Use" at 3:30 p.m. in Room 21 of Janssen Engineering Building.

• The UI Department of Electrical Engineering research colloquium will host "The Wonderful World of Electromagnetic Simulation" at 3:30 p.m. in Engineering/Physics Building Room 214.

• The Yoga and Meditation Club will meet at the WSU CUB 108 from 4 - 6 p.m. For more information, call Wayne at 334-4349.

Tomorrow

• The Palouse Jazz Conspiracy and Jazz Band IV will perform live at the new Scholars' Residence, 620 Elm St., from 7-10 p.m. Cookies and punch are provided.

• The UI African Students' Association will present Africa Night at 6 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. Tickets are on sale at Ticket Express, relocated to the North Campus Center at 645 W. Pullman Rd. For more information, call 885-7841.

Monday

• The UI Ice Hockey Club is holding an organizational meeting at 6 p.m. in the Chief's Room on the second floor of the SUB. For more information contact Scott Squires at 885-2781 or Lex Levy at 882-3183.

Coming Events

• The UI Collegiate 4-H Club will have its first meeting Sept. 23 at 6 p.m. in the Agriculture Science Building Room 62. For more information, contact Khaliela at wrig9556@novell.uidaho.edu

• The Moscow Linear Park Task Force open house will be Sept. 23 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

• Student Evangelical Fellowship is sponsoring the first forum of the school year Sept. 24 at 8:30 p.m. in the SUB Kerouac Room. For more information, call Matt Gray at 882-7220.

• Warren Blumenfeld will present "Homophobia, how we all pay the Price" Sept. 25 in the Admin. Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

• A blood drive will be outside the western entrance to the College of Law Sept. 29 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. It is hosted by the UI Women's Law Caucus and Minority Law Students Association.

• Dr. Thelma Harms will speak on "The Role of Quality Early Childhood Education in Child and Family Development" on Sept. 25 in the Borah Theatre from 1:10 p.m. to 2:25 p.m., and "Maintaining Quality of Life in Early Childhood Settings" on Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Moscow Community Center.

Classes to Take

• Students needing a quick credit can join "A Living Conversation, a community discussion series," which would count as one credit for Religious Studies 499. The course meets three nights: Oct. 7, 9 and 14, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., and a paper is required for credit. For more information, call 885-6486.

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Will the line never end?

Lines come under control as UI Computer Services fights the mad rush

DEVON HAMMES
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

As the school year progresses and students settle down into a routine, the employees at the University of Idaho Computer Services Help Desk are able to relax — even if it is for just a few minutes.

The mad rush of students to the Help Desk in the basement of the Administration Building and the massive amounts of phone calls are starting to decline, Kari Dickinson, acting director for Computer Services, said.

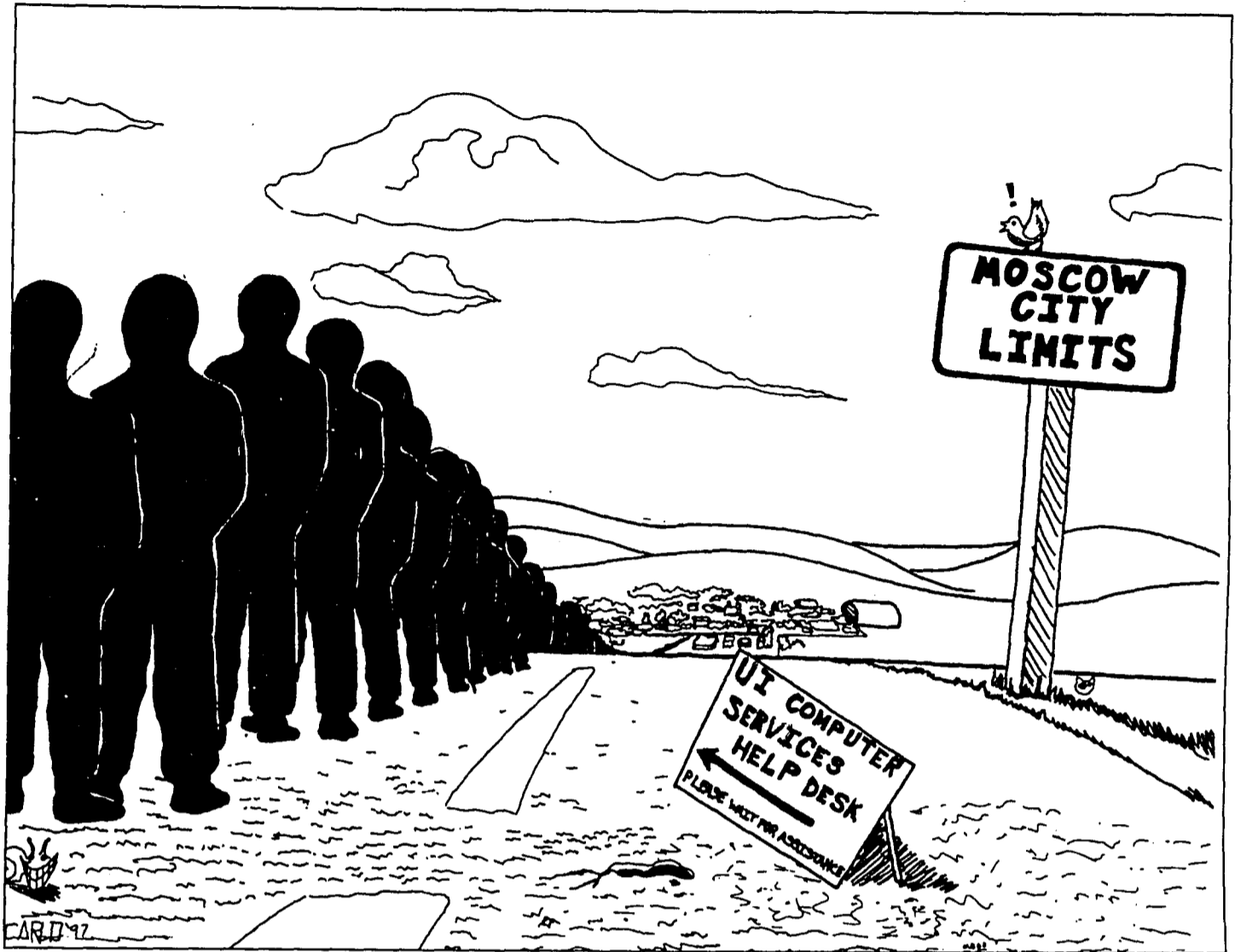
"We are over our initial rush, and the Help Desk should be slowing down. If individuals have been frustrated, they should call back and we will be able to help them," Dickinson said.

Computer Services added about 3,000 new accounts this year and about 95 percent of UI students have accounts of some type, Dickinson said. Within the past two days alone, the Help Desk has received approximately 200 contacts, which include calls, walk-ins and e-mail. Now that these students are settling in and they have overcome the rush of new accounts, they will be able to help more people, Dickinson said.

"One of the things we want to let people know is that if they have called and received an answer that has not satisfied their needs, to call back," Dickinson said. "We want to get everybody worked out — that's what we're here for."

The Help Desk has eight employees who answer calls, walk-ins and usually handle up to 90 e-mail messages a day, according to Joyce Davidson, manager of the Help Desk. The telephone system has a queue, which advances the customers on hold up the line until an employee is free to answer their questions.

"There is no more than a 20 minute wait with the queue system," Davidson explained. "It's usually an average between 10 and 12



minutes."

Dickinson explained there are some limitations on what the Computer Services staff is able to do. She said that there is some software packages they may not be familiar with.

"We cannot visit an individuals home or a student's residence," Dickinson said. This creates a communication problem because students need the phone line to connect to their modem but need to consult with an employee at the same time.

Approximately \$30 of the \$233.25 paid by full-time students for facility fees goes to the student computing account, according to the 1997-98 UI Students Fee Schedule.

Jake Lungren, a junior majoring in biology

and an off-campus computer user, said he had a few problems with the computers at first, and did receive the help he needed from Computer Services.

"I think Computer Services provide adequate service, but the only thing that made me mad was they sold me \$5 worth of disks and it turned out that wasn't even the problem. I could log on OK, but when I tried to use Netscape, it said that it was an invalid service and wouldn't let me through," Lungren said.

Carissa Primmer, a junior communications major and on-campus computer user, said she never has problems logging on or accessing Netscape, but noticed the system was much slower this year.

"By the time I actually get a computer and get logged on, I have to go to class," Primmer said. "I think the obvious problem is that we need more computers, there's not enough to fulfill all the needs of the users. I think the Help Desk staff needs to be expanded."

Dickinson said Computer Services hired another staff member last year and expanded the office over the summer to accommodate more students. She said they would expand again if needed.

The Help Desk will offer a workshop to students who are interested.

Dickinson urges people who are having trouble to call the Help Desk and set up a time to bring their computer in. For more information, call 885-2725.

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English professor reveals provocative writings

KATIE BAKER
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She is the author of *The Battle Hymn of the Republic*, founder of Mothers' Day, and an activists for women's rights. However, many don't know the side of Julia Ward Howe discovered in detail by Gary Williams, a professor of American literature at the University of Idaho.

Williams presented the first part of Howe's life through her literature at the Women's Center on Wednesday afternoon.

Williams wanted to "provide information about Julia Ward Howe...and more generally, it is an attempt (to realize) how hard it was for women in the 19th century to speak more forwardly."

And that is exactly what Howe did — speak. The piece of literature that Williams focused on was a story about a hermaphrodite, named Laurence or Laurent. Somehow, Laurence is both male and female. He was raised as a male, Howe wrote, in order "to choose (his) own terms in

associating with the world, and secure to (him) an independence of position most desirable for one who could never hope to become the half of another."

Through his life, Laurence has many experiences. First, he gets involved with a widow, who dies when she finds out the truth about Laurence. Then, Laurence's next involvement is with a 16-year-old boy, who Laurence was hired to tutor. Through his life Laurence struggles with the difficulties handed to him because of his physical state.

Why would Howe write a manuscript of a hermaphrodite? Perhaps so she could express

her feelings about her marriage in a way that would not threaten her.

She was married to Samuel Gridley Howe at the age of 24. The marriage was troubled because of her personal attachment to a close friend, Charles Sumner.

After she and Howe were married they lived in Europe for one year. During this time she and Sumner wrote letters to

each other. The intimacy of their relationship is revealed in these letters. Howe wrote, "Hardly a day passes but (I) think of you and long to have you by my side."

She wrote to her sister about her frustration with her marriage. In the letter she wrote, "God only knows what I have suffered from this stupor — it has been like blindness, like death, like exile from all things beautiful and good." Around this time she began writing her story about the hermaphrodite, Laurence.

Howe published a poem book called *Passion-Flowers*. Williams thinks these poems also had connection with Howe's feelings toward her husband. Williams wrote that the poems "can be read as an expression of hostility directed at her husband."

For the past five years Williams has been researching the interesting and provocative life of Howe. During the summer he went to Harvard University to do research on her life and writings. Through various grants and a leave for a fall semester, Williams was able to gain insight to write his own book about the first half of Howe's life. *Hungry Heart* is under consideration for publication at the University of Massachusetts Press Co. Williams hopes to write a second book about the last part of Howe's life.

"God only knows what I have suffered from this stupor — it has been like blindness, like death, like exile from all things beautiful and good."

— Julia Ward Howe

Student Health Services offers low-cost student care

CANDICE LONG
STAFF

Out of 310 universities across the nation, The University of Idaho's Student Health Services is ranked No. 1, and as always, their purpose is to "provide high quality, low cost medicine to all students," said Dr. Donald Chin, director of Student Health Services.

"Our rates are much lower than in the local community," Chin said. "There is a big misconception among students that you have to have insurance, but all students are eligible to be seen at Student Health."

Student Health provides services that extend beyond what the typical on-campus health centers offer. Along with treating illnesses and injuries, physical exams and

minor surgeries, many new clinics and programs have been implemented this year to provide students with more than just the basics.

Here are some services Student Health has to offer:

Student Health has recently hired an osteopath, a physician with a chiropractic background. The spinal care clinic focuses on spinal manipulation.

Three female clinicians are available, two nurse practitioners and a registered nurse with special training in women's health. Student Health's focus on women's health includes physicals, pap smears, birth control and sexually transmitted diseases.

Dr. Becky Conaloy, a psychiatrist, is a new addition to the Student Health staff and will specialize in student mental health needs on campus.

Sports Medicine Physician Samuel

Monger is also available to UI students. He also works with the Vandal athletic department.

New clinics include the travel clinic for students who travel abroad and need medication in order to prevent illness, and the allergy clinic which provides medication for allergies.

Student Health has also added lights for treatment of Seasonal Affective Depression Disorder. Students are allowed to sit and study in front of lights for 30 minutes. The treatment is free of charge.

Chin's best advice for the college student who wants to avoid illness all together: "Get proper sleep, proper nutrition and physical exercise."

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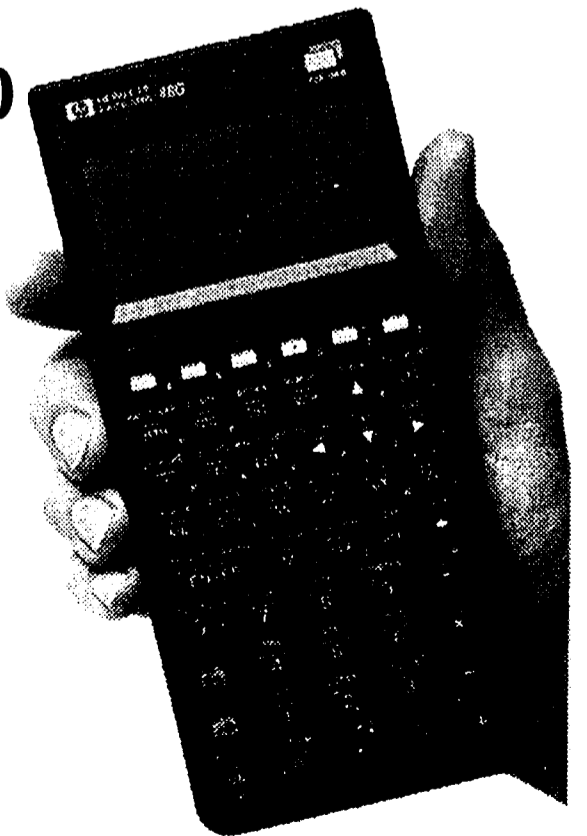
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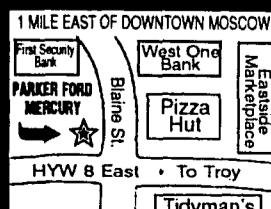
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Press makes big deal of nothing

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COLUMNIST

Oh, boy. Here we go again. It's just like the press to make a big deal out of something that really isn't. If you've been with the news, then you've heard or read about the so-called "Helms-Weld battle" in the Senate. Gov. William Weld of Massachusetts was officially nominated in July to fill the vacant ambassador post in Mexico. Clinton thought that choosing a Republican would ease the confirmation process and bring a greater bipartisan diversity to his administration. But he forgot about Helms.

Sen. Jesse Helms of North Carolina chairs the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which must approve all nominees for ambassadorial posts. As Chairman, Helms has the right and the authority to set the agenda. But when he refused to give Gov. Weld even a hearing, the press got really rowdy. Well, now their hypocrisy shines clear as day.

If they were really so fair and unbiased as they claim to be, then why did the press not make such a big deal about the 44 nominees that Democratic Sen. Joseph Biden refused to see during the first two

years of the Clinton administration? When a Democrat denies a Democrat, it's no big deal. There's no story there. But when a Republican refuses a Democrat, or even another Republican, oh, what headlines begin to appear!

Yet the press seems insistent in portraying a great rift in the Republican Party. What they don't tell you is that only 4 percent of Republicans agree with Weld.

The press wants to use this story to convince the public that there are great rifts of division in the Republican Party. The plain story here, however, is that Capitol Hill and the White House each have always wanted to do their own thing. Each branch of government has always viewed the other with suspicion and a desire to be left alone. That's just politics in this

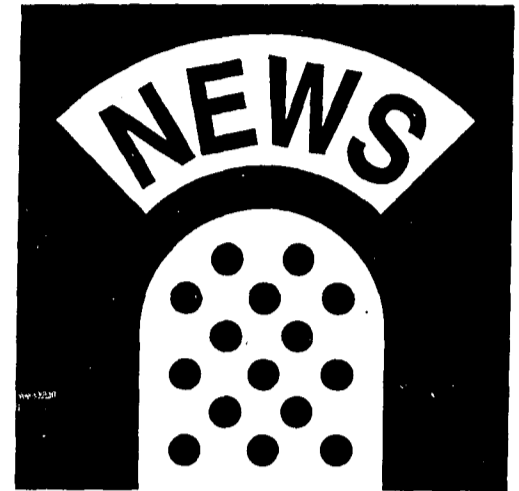
country. Weld and Helms do represent two ideologies within the Republican Party. Weld represents the liberal Ann Stone faction of the party, which comprises no more than 4 percent of the entire membership. He supports gay rights, abortion, and free distribution of needles to prevent the spread of AIDS. Helms, along with 96 percent of the party membership, believes that gays have no special rights, abortion should not be allowed, and free distribution of needles supports the addictive habit of drug users. Yet the press seems insistent in portraying a great rift in the Republican Party. What they don't tell you is that only 4 percent of Republicans agree with Weld. Four percent seems, to me, almost insignificant. I've never lost sleep over 4 percent of anything.

If the press really wants to portray inter-party rifts of division, I suggest a look at the Democrats. The year 2000 is still a couple of years away, but the lines have already begun to be drawn. Vice President Al Gore will be Clinton's desired replacement, but not all Democrats will be siding with the President. Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri also wants the presidential nomination of his party. Denied the position of

Speaker of the House when the Republicans gained a majority in 1994, Gephardt has set his sights on loftier goals. And some of his fellow Democrats in Congress have begun to side with him. This should be fun to watch as we get closer to the upcoming presidential campaigns.

Of course, you won't hear much about that in the mainstream media. They have their own agenda.

This week, Clinton withdrew the nomination of Welds, and his staff is busy looking for a replacement. So if you hear any whining about how unfair it was that Weld didn't get a hearing, ignore it. This sort of thing has been going on for decades. Think twice when you read or hear some type of news item. Sometimes people don't dish out all the facts for you to digest. And that can lead you to make the wrong conclusion.



The memory of a great friend

Guest Column

This year the University of Idaho campus is missing a face. A wonderful, smiling, determined, confident and considerate face. Todd Pierce's face. Despite the unfortunate fact that friends of Todd will not have the opportunity to see and spend time with him around campus, they will always be able to visit their lost friend in the fond memories that lie within the confines of their hearts.

Todd Hamilton Pierce, age 22, was spending time last summer working in McCall, Idaho. Todd, a respected member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity, was planning on returning to Moscow for one semester before graduating with a degree in Zoology. Unfortunately, Todd was killed in a tragic boating accident on June 12. Todd's death came as an instant shock, affecting hundreds of friends of the Pierce family. Todd's life epitomized dedication, hard work, loyalty, love and friendship. Although his loss is hard on all those who knew Todd, his family and friends have placed significant value on celebrating the excellent and meaningful times shared with Todd throughout the course of his life.

Todd is a loved member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity. Todd was well liked within the community of Boise where he grew up and in the city of Moscow. Todd was one of those people with whom everyone felt comfortable around because he was fair, altruistic, easygoing and fun loving. His tremendous work ethic led him to assume many leadership roles within the fraternity. During the three years he lived in our house, Todd served on numerous committees, as Rush Chairman and as Sergeant at Arms. While living off campus during his senior year, Todd still remained very involved in the fraternity. Todd's times at the University of Idaho were committed to a life of excellence and enjoyment.

To ensure that Todd's numerous virtues will never be forgotten, the men of Delta Tau Delta hosted the first annual Todd Pierce Memorial Golf Tournament, called the Iris Cup. This event took place on Saturday of Fathers' weekend at the Elka golf course in Moscow. Todd Pierce was a talented and successful athlete who lettered in three sports at Boise High School. In addition to basketball, track and football, Todd also loved the game of golf. The Iris Cup was a huge success and a truly special reunion for friends to spend together in celebration of the many fond memories spent over the years with Todd and the Pierce family. Approximately 90 people participated in the golf tournament and many local businesses helped sponsor the event and provided various prizes. The money raised in the tournament will go to the Todd Pierce Delta Tau Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship will be awarded to the member of the fraternity who exhibits the virtues, values and morals that Todd Pierce held and shared with others during his life. Delta Tau Delta would like to thank everyone who participated or helped out in anyway to make this important event possible and enjoyable. We would also like to invite everyone to participate in the 2nd Annual Iris Cup next year. And to Todd and the Pierce family, we all love you!

—By Tyler Bevis on behalf of The Delta Tau Delta fraternity

Lethal disease consumes campus

J.R. WRIGHT
COLUMNIST

Note: the information presented in this article reflects data accumulated through several studies conducted by the St. Dilbert Institute of Hypnocracy. Read carefully, it could save your life.

The disease that has crippled and caused severe psychological problems to students attending the University of Idaho has finally been identified.

Dr. Jerry Bolo (biochemical engineering, Ph.D.) and Dr. Althea Bozo (pronounced bore-shwa-zee), and a team of researchers from the Institute of Hypnocracy have finally cracked the juggernaut disease that has infected thousands of students at the university. "The problem now lies not in curing these students," said Dr. Bozo, "but getting these students to realize their problem has been identified. The majority of the students infected aren't even aware they are carrying the disease."

The symptoms of the disease are difficult to pinpoint. Dr. Bolo says, "We think it starts with simple back pain. This is the most crucial stage. The disease seems to infect the spinal cord first and the spine begins to stiffen. Slowly all the muscles in the back tighten, the victim cannot relax and they become tremendously anxious. We think this is why they hardly sleep and are outwardly unpleasant, and even hostile."

Dr. Bozo thinks congenital fusion of at least two of the seven vertebrae in the cervical-spine is what causes so much discomfort. In addition, there may be fusion or anomalies of vertebrae in the thoracic or lumbar-spine. "This is when the people infected with the disease start gathering together," Dr. Bozo said. "Never are they without a large group of people. All of them with a stern look on their face, hands dug deep into their pockets, chin buried tightly into their chest. Always the infected flock together, wherever they go, always looking at the ground."

The disease then spreads to the chest cavity, infecting the tracheal tubes and reaching up into the throat and voice box. Sporadic, uncontrollable sounds begin to emerge, initially only a low humming, but quickly evolving into loud, sustained noises. Dr. Bolo describes it as "a sound not unlike a sheep, 'mmbbaaaaa' as it sounds, 'mmbbaa'

repeatedly."

Lambitus sheepitum robotitius, better known as the 'Herd Disease', occurs in about 1 in 3 students, males about 85 percent of the cases. Many people actually have the syndrome but are never diagnosed because their symptoms may be so minor. The defect occurs around the second to fourth week of school. The exact cause is unknown at this time, but there does appear to be a sociological connection. Genetic testing is being done at this time to isolate the gene that may be responsible for causing Herd Disease.

St. Dilbert's Institute of Hypnocracy has pinpointed its origin in the northeastern region of America. The first reports of the disease came from colleges all over New York, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts, and an epidemic was reported within the New York Second Sect of the

Multidenominational Religious Coalition. Quickly it spread westward across the country and is now deeply entrenched at the University of Idaho.

Alcohol is known to drastically reduce the pain, as 99 percent of Herd Disease sufferers spend the majority of their time drinking. Dr. Bozo has found that liquor in any form is sufficient and sufferers "seem to have a bottle of beer in their hand as early as noon every day."

Although researchers at the Institute of Hypnocracy think the massive consumption of

alcohol eases Herd Disease sufferers, some researchers say it may be the cause of their troubles. Dr. Bolo says, "Chronic dependence on this substance may actually be causing all this trouble and the millions of dollars we have put into studying a disease may all have gone to waste. Oh well, always more where it came from. I suggest visiting your doctor once a week and encourage him to prescribe as many pharmaceutical drugs he sees fit."

"Why hasn't the government informed us of this disease?" said a student at the university. "Why aren't they doing anything about it? Do they expect the citizens of this country to find out for themselves or something? Do they expect me to stop drinking this beer long enough to find out? Heck, this beer helps me forget all the pain and agony that comes from drinking it. What were you saying about a disease?"

Run to your nearest medical-supply center, stockpile latex products and get your hands on all the mass-produced chemicals you can. Beware, there is a disease ravaging the countryside.

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Do you think people drive safely on campus?



"I don't think they drive safely on campus. They don't pay attention to crosswalks."

—John Teel,
graduate student in
mechanical engineering



"It's all good."

—Matt Bennett,
freshman in geology



"Welcome to the U of I speedway."

—Ken Hosler,
junior in biology



"I don't think there are any troubles. I haven't been run over yet."

—Jacqueline Hanna,
freshman in communication and foreign language



"People (drivers) are very polite. But it depends on what part of campus you are on."

—Lexi Quade,
sophomore in sports science

Letters to the editor

Life after death?

Last week I was riding my bicycle through the courtyard, between the UCC building and the library, and observed a young man apparently promoting reincarnation. The weather was not cooperating, yet he pursued sitting behind a small desk waving his literature as students passed by with strange looks on their faces.

Several thoughts came to me as I maneuvered through the court. This young man has a great deal of courage and he must believe in his heart and soul that there surely must be such a thing as reincarnation. It's unique that our university allows such a diverse spectrum of religious persuasions for exposure to our educational experience, and though I do not agree with his purpose, I did respect his privilege to demonstrate his beliefs.

You see, he was really wasting precious time. Most of us already know about the hereafter. How many of us leave our task or project, walk into the next room and stand there, and wonder what we are here after? Mr. Ed.

—Edwin Provancha

Myths Are a Tool For Coping

In your August 26th issue you reprinted an article from the Times-News with the byline of Steve Crump under the heading Idaho Myths Revealed. An interesting article and in some respects informative, I have a little quarrel with the contents. The premise reiterated time and

time again that myth is somehow a synonymous term for falsehood, perpetuates the deadening effects of a culture unable to come to terms with that which cannot be explained.

Myth is a process, usually in story form, which attempts to pose the questions a person or culture needs in order to begin to cope with the mysteries of our existence, where we came from, why we are here, where we are going and how we relate to one another as well as the world. Myth does not, nor is it intended to give the answers to these questions, but rather to function as a socio-spiritual guide in ascertaining for ourselves possibilities.

Myths should be read, heard and used in life as points of departure to assist in finding one's way in the world. But it is in the cultures that attempt to eliminate or deride the value of myth that a sense of missing purpose is pervasive. Be aware that the real falsehood is perpetrated by our dominant, devolving culture in asserting that myth itself is the falsehood.

To see mythic form alive and functioning in America, look to the interactions of the gangs with their communities and environment in South Central L.A., Chicago, Houston, etc. Here, new myths are being born to serve people alienated from access to personal value in the wider society. You may not like these myths. You may even fear them in action, but they exist and they assist the people in coping with the daily problems of living while simultaneously offering a sense of purpose and personal worth and dignity.

—Richard Higgs
UI associate professor of Art

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Galapagos Islands

Alive with treasure



Islands harbor fragile balance of man and nature

KIKE CALVO
STAFF

"And now in a few thousand words I will try to reproduce some of the beauty of these islands. As well as bottle grains of sand and drops of water and show them as a Galapagos shore! A photograph moves one less to succeed only by its very imperfections — with vast gaps and hiatuses to be filled by the imagination of the reader," (Beebe, Galapagos: World's End).

We arrive at an Island. It seems to be deserted, nobody lives there. We are inside the Galapagos National Park boundaries. A park managed by "El Servicio del Parque Nacional de Galapagos," where boats have special permission to visit restricted parts of the Archipelago. For example, diving boats can only lead underwater activities, they are not allowed to guide land tours.

This is a photographer's paradise. Animals pose patiently so you can snap a photo of them. They are not afraid of humans. Birds get very close to the camera, sometimes so close it is difficult to take a picture.

Walking on an isolated trail we find a marine iguana. But not just one, there are hundreds all over the volcanic rocks. This species is endemic, it can only be found here. These two foot-long iguanas (*Amblyrhynchus cristatus*) are sunning themselves as they do everyday. Iguanas are tireless sunbathers. Sunning is necessary for them to bring their body temperatures up so they can digest food efficiently. The marine iguanas of the Galapagos are the only iguanas in the world that feed underwater on marine algae. Using their long, strong toes and nails they can cling to the rocky substrate while grazing on marine algae.

The best place to find them grazing is at Punta Espinosa on Fernandina Island.

During breeding season, the males display mottled red skin

coloration. It is a strange feeling being able to get so close to them. Although it is more difficult while swimming in the ocean. But as usual, rules are meant to be broken. One day I was swimming in a bay. The sun was really high. Suddenly, I saw something moving on the surface. "What is that?" It did not take me long to realize it was a marine iguana. I don't know why the animal was not afraid, so I held it in my hands. Its skin was rough. After observing the reptile for a while, I let it free. They look like a part of the natural history, small dinosaurs still crawling along the Earth's extensions.

Imagine walking on the beach, and you stop for a minute to grab something to drink. The hot temperature is humid, making it hard to breath. As you bend your knees something red crosses quickly away from you. You ask the guide, "Ey Kike! He visto algo brillante que parecia volar sobre esa charca. Que puede ser?" Your Spanish has improved a lot after all of those trips you have embarked on through Central America. "Oh!", he responds, "It must be a *Grapsus grapsus*, well, a sally lightfoot crab as they are more commonly called. Look, there are three more." They are the most dazzling colored animals found above water in the Galapagos. They get their name from their ability to skip across the water's surface for short distances, as if "walking on water." Their brilliant colors are but a hint of the beauty to be found beneath the sea's surface.

A bird flies above your head. As you look through the pages of an identification book you come to the conclusion it is a lava gull. You read: "Endemic lava gull, *Larus fuliginosus*, is thought to be the rarest bird in the world, with only some 400 mating pairs in existence." Yes, it happens here too, animals are not only threatened near urban areas. They are endangered in all countries, wherever you decide to go, a species with be dealing with its survival.

Your group suddenly stops. Someone has located a huge reptile measuring almost two and a half feet. It's a land iguana (*Conolophus subcristatus*). They are natives to the central and western islands of the Archipelago. However, their populations have been wiped out on Santiago Island and Baltra as a result of humankind's destructiveness. Most visitors see these prehistoric looking reptiles on the South Plaza Island which supports an unusually dense population. Contrary to their wild appearance, land iguanas are vegetarians.

The day is over. It has been a rewarding experience, but your feet hurt. The islands conditions are rough. It's time to rest. You lie on the hammock and grab a book. It is a new edition of 1924s *Beebes World's End*. "Host of sally-lightfoots (tidal crabs) were the most brilliant spots of color above the water in the islands, putting to shame the dull, drab hues of the terrestrial organisms and hinting at the glories of colorful animal life beneath the surface of the sea." "That is what I saw this morning," you think to yourself. Of course,



you are really tired. Turning off the lamp brings complete darkness.

"Cu-cu-cu-veeeeee cu-cu-ve-veeeeee!!!!" A Galapagos Monckbird (*Nasomimus parvulus*) is wishing you the best dreams. Tomorrow will be another day of high adventure. Good night explorer.

"Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss it you will land among the stars."

—Les Brown

Pictures taken by Kike Calvo during his two-month stay in the Galapagos Islands.



An auxiliary rant by

T. Scott Carpenter

Linoleum: The misunderstood counter-top/floor surface

Some people may claim that linoleum is the most boring thing on earth. It does not have to be that way.

Perhaps if we know more about linoleum, if we understand it better, we would be more inclined to give it a chance to become an active participant in our everyday lives. The only question is, where do we go for more information?

Webster's dictionary defines linoleum as "a floor and counter-top covering consisting of a surface of hardened linseed oil and a filler, as powdered cork, on a canvas or burlap backing."

T. Scott Carpenter's (unabridged) dictionary defines linoleum as "a way of life."

I've done many projects and essays in the hopes of enlightening the ignorant masses about the many uses of industrial linoleum. People constantly come up to me on the street and ask questions such as, "Ty, if linoleum is made from linseed oil, does that mean that I could eat it and actually benefit from its nutritional value? I mean, seeds are good for you, right?"

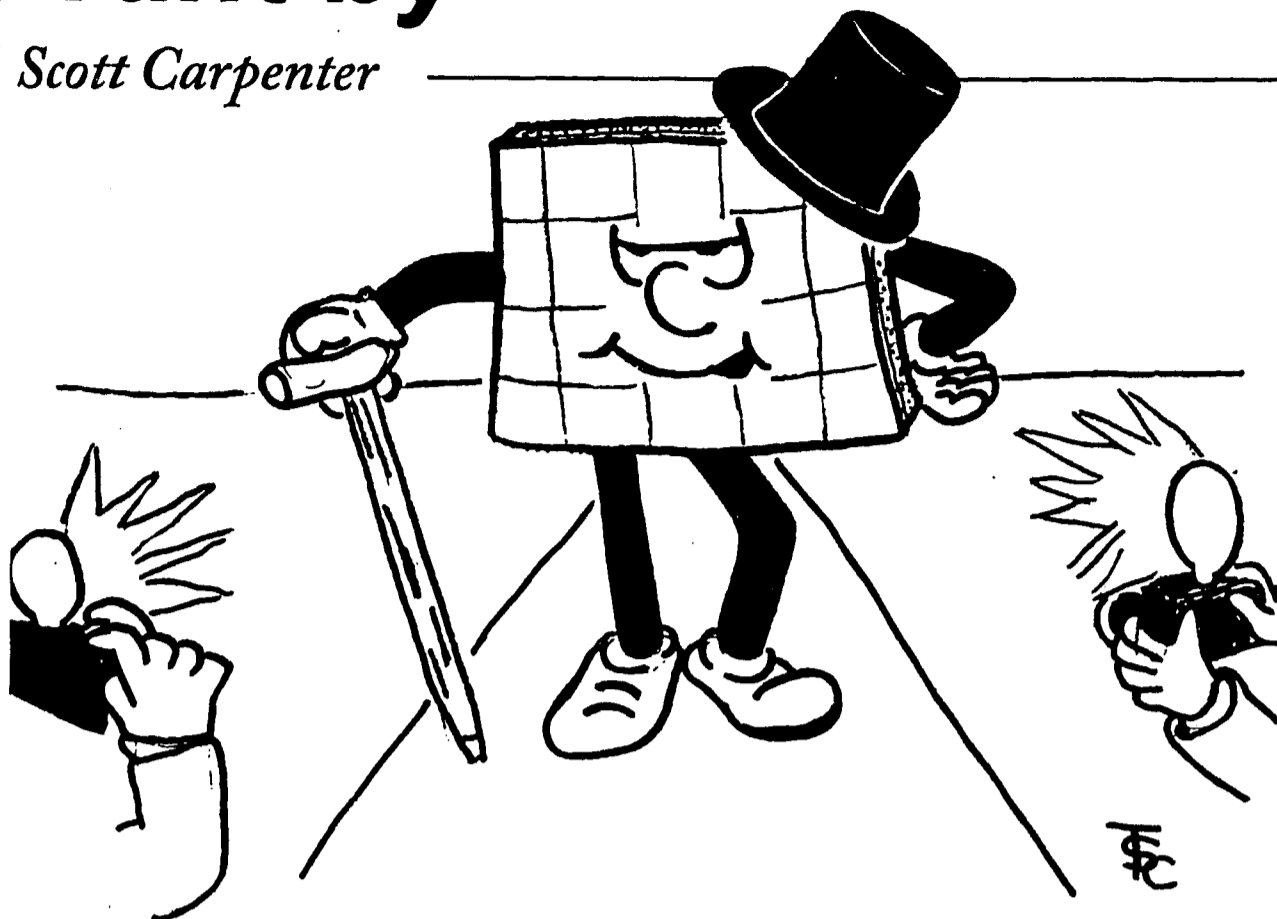
These people are simpletons at best. If they would do their research, they would realize that linseed oil is a major ingredient in most paints and varnishes. However, linoleum does possess a multitude of recreational possibilities.

A favorite pastime of an anonymous University of Idaho couple is to pour a few bottles of Wesson oil on the kitchen floor and get it on. Other people try to smoke linoleum, but contrary to popular belief, doing such a thing will reward you with nothing more than a headache.

I was lucky enough to converse with Mr. Linoleum himself, Ron Dennis. Dennis has graduated from the linoleum training school and is quite possibly the most qualified person on the Palouse to answer any linoleum based query.

Dennis informed me of a possible linoleum conspiracy. It turns out that what you thought was linoleum on your bathroom floor, may be something completely different.

The linoleum saga begins back in the late 40s. It was quite popular back then. It had no problem making friends and was



always invited to the "cool" parties. Life was good for linoleum, and it only seemed to be getting better.

The late 50s came around, and with it came competition in the form of vinyl.

This new counter-top/floor surface was the direct cause of the decrease in linoleum sales, and for good reason. It was also marketed under the name "linoleum".

"They call it linoleum, because it has a similar look," Dennis said.

Fraud?! Caveat emptor?! Carpe Diem?!?! These words ran through my head like a monkey chasing a remote control banana. Let's say you have in one hand an ordinary triple

vanilla latte and in the other hand you have a cup of festering rat snot. You could swear up and down that the rat snot is just another vanilla latte, but upon making your little brother drink it he may beg to differ.

Pardon me if the preceding example was in poor taste, but if I'm going to buy linoleum, then I want linoleum! Not some vinyl abomination! It makes me physically ill to think of all the poor saps who have fell victim to this heinous plot! T. Scott Carpenter may put up with a lot of crap, but he will not stand still and allow this to go on! I will do something to correct this wrong! Fear not, citizens of Moscow, for I am your champion!

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The web delivers virtual gifts and cards

Send the gift of love, infectious disease

AMY SANDERSON
STAFF

This week's web review features the bizarre and banal things available for mailing over the internet. Why send a plain e-mail message when you can give an electronic postcard or virtual kiss?

E-mail card sites offer free ways to send birthday cards, virtual pizzas, and cyber-beers to anyone with an e-mail address. The following sites provide some of the more ridiculous and wacky means of communication out there in the world of the virtual.

Virtual Presents:
<<http://www.virtualpresents.com>>. For those who hunger to shop but are short on cash, welcome to virtual materialism. From this site, you really can send a special someone the Porsche or diamond ring they've been desiring. There are several categories to choose gifts from — everything from perfume to pet rhinos. To mail the gift just enter in the e-mail address of the person receiving the present and they will

receive an e-mail with a code allowing them to return to the site and pick up their present. Maybe this is the starving college students answer to Christmas presents.

The E-Kissing Booth:
<<http://www.thekiss.com>>. It's not quite cyber-sex, but a virtual kiss can be a surprising way to say hello to your main squeeze. At this site, pucker up and your kiss will be blown across cyber space to reach its destination. The recipient is e-mailed and given a code for the kiss waiting for them at the site.

Your target of affection must return to the site before being kissed. The delay might possibly kill the mood, but when is the time for true love? The site and graphics are so cheesy that it is fun. Smooches can be customized to your lip preferences. Options from the menu include an array of colors and lip shapes from thin to "surgically enhanced". I opted for something a little more on the wild side: leopard skin lips.

This site sounds steamy but it is actually pretty tame. That is, except for something called the "kissing machine" you can order from the site. I won't elaborate but let's just say this curious device involves batteries, stereo wires and descriptive words like stimulating.

E-cards: <<http://www.e-cards.com>>. This electronic card site is my personal favorite. What is so cool about this site is with every e-card sent, a contribution is given to the World Wildlife Federation Fund. The cost of the service is free to users since the contributions come from sponsors and advertisers who pay to

be on the site. It's probably the easiest way to support a good cause.

The images and photographs available for the e-cards are mostly images of wildlife, foreign places and the great outdoors. The photographs are all good quality, some by renowned photographers like Robert Altman.

I was impressed with the vast amount of images to pick from. Choose an image of a place, person, endangered species or artwork, then type in a message to complete a virtual postcard. Also on this site are links to environmental sites and information on how to further contribute to the World Wildlife Federation Fund.

Mail a Malady:
<<http://www.hypno.co.uk/mailmalady>>. This site is a response to all the overly warm and fuzzy electronic cards being sent. Yes, there is a darker side to virtual presents and it is not pretty. This free service will send an infectious disease like small pox or athlete's foot to the victim of your choice. Like most other e-mail card sites, the recipient must return to the site to pick up their message after entering in the code given to them. Once this is done, a picture appears displaying the disease they have contracted.

The Mail a Malady site is not for the faint at heart. The realistic images and photographs border on plain bad taste, but it's all in good fun, right? Oddly enough, from this site you can also send something nice to your friends. Pick from an assortment of nostalgic cards that have subjects like fuzzy baby animals.

A look ahead...

• Tonight at John's Alley catch Marlee MacLeod and her band playing a diverse mix of rock. Show starts at 10 p.m. Saturday at the Alley rock to the sounds of Lift Kit. Joining them will be Zeb Coolie and Alvah Street. Show starts at 10 p.m.

• Boy are you lucky. Monday Sept. 22 John's Alley is hosting three Ska bands. Kongo Shock, Dave's Big Deluxe and Warsaw will all be playing. Show starts at 9 p.m., \$5 at the door. If that weren't enough, you pay \$2 for a pint of Henry's and get to keep the stylish glass emblazoned with the Henry's logo. Want more? Refills only a dollar. Be there or be so very lame.

• Tomorrow, check out the Farmers' Market in Moscow. Fresh fruit, veggies, flowers and musical entertainment.

• The Capricorn will be shaking to the grooves of Stranger Neighbor tonight and tomorrow night. Dig it!

• CJ's will be home to the rock of Stubblehead. Who knows what could happen.

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Cougs maul Vandals

KINDRA MEYER
SPORTS EDITOR

The University of Idaho volleyball team quickly discovered they were in Cougar territory Tuesday night, as rival Washington State University preyed upon them 15-9, 15-7, 15-5.

With crowds cheering, music thumping and hearts pumping, the Vandals took on sixth nationally ranked WSU with a sincere and collected effort. After all, the struggling Idaho team had nothing to lose.

After a disheartening three-game loss to Gonzaga, the team committed themselves to a goal of internal stimulation. But as head coach Carl Ferreira puts it, "you can't predict thunderbolts."

Thunderbolts are exactly what hit Idaho this week, as their plans of team unity were disrupted by the announcement of Shalyne Lynch's inability to finish the season. As if coping with the loss of their number two hitter, starting freshman Alli Nieman came down with the flu. In addition, both senior Jeri Hymas and leading player Jessica Moore continued to be pained by injuries.

Despite these setbacks, the Vandals took Tuesday evening's match in stride, proving that although the Cougs may have won the battle, they did not win the war.

Although Ferreira noted that of course he doesn't like losing, he was encouraged by his team's display.

"The big thing we have been trying to work on and I would give us an A+ for was not reacting to WSU. We played volleyball just because we wanted to and that is a huge step," he said.

Game one marked a great deal of composure on the part of the visiting team, as they jumped out quickly on WSU to hold a 6-2 lead. Much of this spark came at the hand of junior Beth Craig, who delivered a game high of seven kills. However, the Vandal lead eluded

them quickly with the stellar play of powerhouse Jennifer Stinson, who managed to defy virtually every UI block. The Vandals fought for each point and managed to earn nine before the deciding mark was aced by the hot hand of Shannon Wyckoff.

"We started out a little slow and missed some blocks," said WSU head coach Cindy Fredrick. "It's nothing we need to worry about as long as we can come back, but we might change our line-up in the near future."

It was the Cougars who controlled the pace of game two, firing away on the net with the likes of Stinson and Keren Oigman. Things looked bleak as the home team streaked by the silver and gold until the score reached 1-11. A turnaround occurred that sparked them to ignite a 4-0 run before WSU put an end to the game 15-7.

The third game proceeded as many predicted the entire match to go... as a mismatch. It seemed as though everything the Vandals did well, their opponent executed more efficiently. Stride for stride, UI could not match the home team's overall play. WSU put away 11 points before their competitor answered, but the Vandals would not go silently into the night. Their momentum carried them to a 4-1 run, but it was not enough to hush the likes of the Cougs, who dismissed them 15-5.

Ferreira gave his team credit for their effort in Tuesday's game, and notes that despite their roller coaster of a week, the team responded well.

"They are a better volleyball team than we are. They transition quickly and they are explosive at the net," Ferreira said. "The thing we are after is to continue to improve, and tonight instead of reacting to the play of WSU, we had them react to us."

Craig led the Vandal attack,

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Idaho rugby club — getting down and dirty



TODD MORDHORST

STAFF

Despite arguments from football or soccer players, rugby may be the most physically demanding sport. Eighty minutes of non-stop, full contact action without pads or helmets may not sound like fun to some people, but the University of Idaho's Men's Rugby club is looking forward to its first test of the season Saturday in Missoula, Mont.

The club enters its 21st season growing in popularity and improving steadily. Club Vice President Justin Vaughn said there are about 25 players on the team.

"The numbers are about the same this year, but the club has grown a lot in the past few years," Vaughn said.

Coach Peter King said the players have a wide variety of experience.

"We've got guys that have played for a number of years, graduate students that have played in previous college time and we have guys that have just come out yesterday. We accept anyone that wants to come out."

The club hopes to build on their past success last. Playing in a Canadian Union the club took second in the league last season. King said the team did well last year, beating the other team on the Palouse, Washington State.

"They beat WSU a number of times which is a challenge for them every year. They have a very good program over there and it was fun to beat them last year," King said.

The team will travel to Missoula this weekend where they will play two or three games. The club is not in a league this fall, but will play WSU Sept. 27 and host Eastern Oregon on Oct. 18. Vaughn said the club is considering joining a northwest collegiate league that would include Washington, Oregon State, Washington State, Montana and other Northwest schools. This

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The 'Buc' stops here for fans in Florida



BARRY GRAHAM

STAFF

Listen closely Tampa Bay Buccaneer fans! Your team's 3-0 start is merely a fluke. Forget the nonsense about a young and aggressive defense, an up and coming quarterback that gets better every week or a running back that is the heir apparent to Barry Sanders.

Forget all that and take a peek into reality. The Buccaneers have defeated teams like Detroit and Minnesota on the road and the San Francisco 49ers at the "Big Sombrero" in Tampa Bay.

Granted those were impressive wins over less than spectacular teams. However, the real test to see if the Bucs are contenders and not pretenders will come later in the schedule when they will face the Packers twice and the rest of the NFC Central a second time around.

Ardent NFL fans might even argue that the Buccaneers, with their great start, are still second banana to the Dolphins in the Sunshine state of Florida. Well, the Bucs will get their chance to prove us all wrong when they host Miami this Sunday.

Here are a few reasons why the Bucs will finish with a 6-10 record.

First, Tampa Bay hasn't made the playoffs in a million years (I am exaggerating just a bit, it's been almost 18 seasons), Trent Dilfer is not a prime-time player and will never be, you have to have balance on offense and must be able to take advantage of what your defense gives you.

Last but not least, teams like the Bucs have to continue to be perfect each and every week in order to gain continued respect. Face it Tampa, you're just not ready to play with the top dogs. Give it a few more seasons. As was the case in getting rid of those ugly uniforms at the start of this season, Tampa Bay is heading in the right direction.

Speaking about heading in the right direction, how about those New York Yankees?

The "Bronx Bombers" are getting ready to defend their World Series championship. With the current format of Major League Baseball, New York would open as the wild card and face Cleveland in the first round of the American League playoffs.

The Yankees would play the first two games of the series in the friendly confines of Yankee Stadium. New York has pretty much owned the Indians this season and could put Cleveland on the brink by winning the first two games.

The other American League series will pit the Orioles against the Mariners in what could be the most intriguing matchup of the post-season.

Since the Yankees lost eight of 12 meetings against Baltimore this season and always play poorly against Seattle, New York sits in a tremendous position. If the Oriole vs. Mariner series goes five games, which is a distinct possibility, both teams could be

worn out. Although, Seattle pitching is suspect after Randy Johnson, New York would still likely hope to face Baltimore in the A.L. Championship Series.

New York dominated and took 3 of 4 against Baltimore in the season ending series just a week ago. Add that to the fact that the Orioles are still feeling the sting of last year's loss to New York in the A.L.C.S.

Can either Ken Griffey Jr. or Mark McGwire really break Roger Maris' home run record this season?

Probably not. With just a handful of games left on the 1997 schedule, both Griffey Jr. and McGwire would have to catch fire for the remainder of the season. Let us look at McGwire. The big first baseman probably has the better shot.

He just signed a multi-year contract with St. Louis and now doesn't have to worry about any negotiations that could become bothersome.

Next, the Cardinals have nothing to play for as three of the four playoff spots are a lock. The National League West is still up for grabs with St. Louis not figuring into that race. With the Cardinals out of contention, McGwire can swing freely and for the fence and will likely get the green light from coach Tony LaRussa.

Griffey on the other hand has much more on his mind. The Mariners hold a sizable lead over second-place Anaheim but know that they must win the A.L. West in order to make the playoffs.

Griffey will likely forget about the home runs and concentrate on doing whatever is necessary to lead Seattle to the World Series title.

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finishing the evening with nine kills while Hymas added five. Sophomore setter Anna Reznicek capitalized on her dump, recording five kills for a .375 percentage and snagging five digs.

"We had three practices before this where we really concentrated on team and individual motivation. We were ready and waiting for a game," said Craig.

For the Cougs, Stinson was in top form, raking in 12 kills for a .500 percentage in addition to four block assists. Her partner in crime, Oigman, pounded away ten kills with a percentage of .421 while stretching for three block assists.

WSU had a sizable blocking advantage throughout the match, finishing with 10.5 in contrast to Idaho's meager 3. The hitting of the Cougs also benefited their outcome, as they hit .370 for the night while UI only managed a .006.

Fredrick admitted there was a notable difference in the team presented Tuesday in contrast to last season's crew.

"You can't compare the two. You're looking at Carl coming in with a new team and Tom had a fabulous setter. Carl's got a young setter and that takes a little time to develop. Carl has to have a little time to get the team together."

Idaho drops to 3-6 in non-conference play while the Cougars continue their streak at 12-0. This weekend the Vandals travel to appear in the Connecticut tournament.

If attitude is everything, the team is ready to move into the next phase of competition.

"I think we can be a nationally ranked team," Craig said. "We have the talent and we have the heart, I think it's going to come together soon."



Vandal News and Notes

Idaho-Central Florida game to be televised

Saturday's University of Idaho vs. Central Florida football game will be broadcast live.

In Moscow the game will be on Cable Channel 11 and in Coeur d'Alene it will be on Cable Channel 21.

Kickoff is 4:05 p.m.

Vandal Volleyball

Idaho takes their show on the road this weekend as they face

two teams for the first time in history — Harvard and Boston College — as well as competing with familiar foe Connecticut at the Connecticut Tourney.

Boise State tickets now on sale

Single-game tickets for the Nov. 22 Idaho-Boise State football game are now available. All seats are reserved and are \$18. Kickoff is 5 p.m. (PST).

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league is still under construction but could be a big step for the club sport.

As a club sport, the rugby team receives \$2,100 from the university. Vaughn said the money is used for equipment, tournament fees and traveling expenses.

King said efforts are being made to have rugby become a sanctioned sport, like football or basketball.

"The USA Rugby Union, which governs rugby nationwide, has been working to make it part of the intramural association. Then they can link into the university sports programs and become a sanctioned sport in that fashion."

King claims that rugby is the fastest growing sport in the country and describes it as a mixture of football and soccer. The emphasis of the game is on possession. After a team scores they receive the ball, instead of kicking to the other team as in football. Fifteen players play the entire forty-minute half with substitutions for injuries only.

"When you step on the pitch, you're the team. It's a challenge and it takes a lot of aerobic conditioning," King said.

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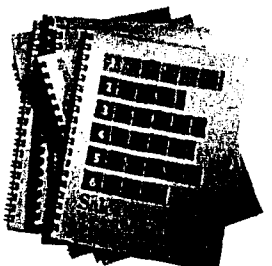
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Skinner leads Idaho's defensive attack as they head into their 100th season

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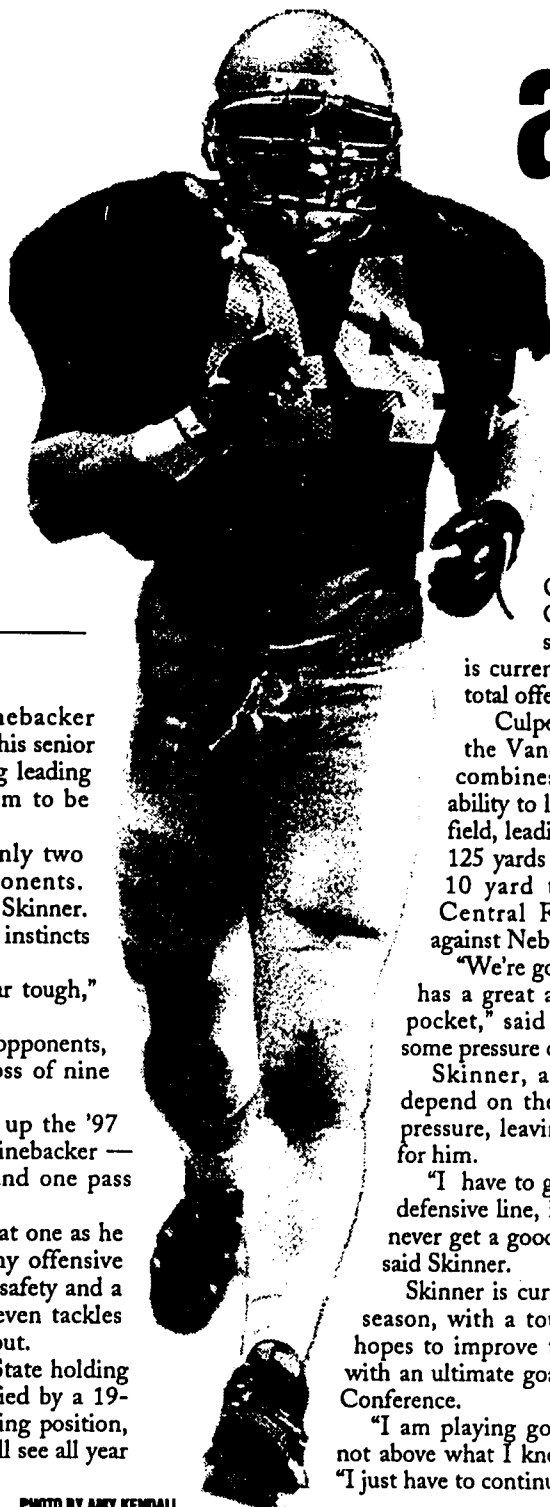


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Although the '97 Vandals are without linebacker sensation Jason Shelt, who led the defense in his senior season with 128 tackles and is second among leading tacklers with 461 career tackles, the Vandals seem to be picking up where he left off.

In three games the Vandals have given up only two touchdowns — shutting-out their last two opponents. Leading this charge is junior middle linebacker Ryan Skinner. Skinner is somewhat a replica of Shelt with the same instincts and work ethic.

"He is a very similar kind of player — blue collar tough," Coach Chris Tormey said.

Skinner has lived up to this by putting fear into opponents, leading the Vandals with 36 tackles, three for a loss of nine yards and one sack.

Despite the loss to Air Force, Skinner opened up the '97 season with an excellent debut at starting middle linebacker — responsible for 19 tackles, one tackle for a loss, and one pass break-up.

Skinner's first start in the Kibbie Dome was a great one as he and the defensive line denied Portland State of any offensive effort, instead they pummeled Portland State with a safety and a fumble recovery in the end zone. He also added seven tackles including one for a loss for the convincing 43-0 shut-out.

After another great effort last weekend at Idaho State holding the Bengals scoreless, Skinner had 10 tackles amplified by a 19-yard interception return that left the Vandals in scoring position, the Vandals will face possibly the best offense they will see all year in Central Florida tomorrow.

all opposition

Central Florida, whose 0-3 record is a misinterpretation of the talent they possess. Last week they left Nebraska down 17-14 at halftime despite losing after a third quarter domination by the Cornhuskers 28-24.

"They have one of the top two or three college quarterbacks in the country," Tormey said of Central Florida's Daunte Culpepper, a three year starter who in his junior year is currently ranked 16 nationally in total offense.

Culpepper will provide a twist to the Vandals defensive attack, as he combines a great arm with a great ability to leave the pocket for the open field, leading the team in rushing with 125 yards in three games, including a 10 yard touchdown run that put Central Florida up 7-0 last week against Nebraska.

"We're going to come after him — he has a great arm and moves well in the pocket," said Skinner. "We have to get some pressure on him."

Skinner, a native of Lewiston, will depend on the defensive line to get this pressure, leaving the gaps and open field for him.

"I have to give a lot of the credit to the defensive line, if they do not get it done, I never get a good look at the running back," said Skinner.

Skinner is currently enjoying an excellent season, with a tough test tomorrow he just hopes to improve to peak at conference time with an ultimate goal of winning the Big West Conference.

"I am playing good but not above average, not above what I know I can do," Skinner said. "I just have to continue to improve each week."



Ryan Skinner

Fast Facts

Hometown: Lewiston, Idaho

Major: Advertising

Age: 21

Other Interests: Golfing, Waterskiing, Wakeboarding

High School Career

1992 Inland Empire League Defensive Player of the Year

1993 Inland Empire League Offensive Player of the Year

1993 First team all-state selection at running back and linebacker

College Career

Named 1994 Scout Team Player of the Year during his redshirt season

Finished 17th in tackles last year as a rarely played backup to Jason Shelt

Game high: 19 tackles, 8/30/97 at Air Force

At Skinner's current pace of 12 tackles per game he will surpass Duke Garrett for sixth place for total tackles in a season with 132 tackles

Strengths: Ability to read offenses and protect against the run

Weakness: Agility, covering running backs out the backfield

Credits: After witnessing first hand Jason Shelt's devastation to offenses for three consecutive seasons, Skinner credits Shelt with the linebacker he has become

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Ancient rivalries die hard

TONYA SNYDER
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Ancient rivalries still run in Vandal blood.

It's been said thousands of times over the centuries. It's written in the holy word of the Bible, preached by politicians trying to avoid nuclear war and screamed at second-graders with an obsession of throwing mud at the kids across the fence.

Love thy neighbor.

These ancient words of wisdom may have even echoed across college campuses across the nation, but here at the University of Idaho, students have added one teeny, tiny microscopic exception.

Love thy neighbor, unless it's a Cougar or a Bronco (we don't tolerate their kind here in Vandal-land).

These age-old rivalries date back to prehistoric times. Sure, they were around before the dinosaurs met their unfortunate end. How else do you think something that catastrophic could have happened — some huge meteor falling from the sky or some stellar phenomenon concocted by scientists in bleached white lab coats? Come on now, let's get real.

Buried deep beneath the ground, somewhere between Moscow and Pullman is a rumored site, an

archeologist's paradise which contains many clay tablets and pictographs depicting the ageless competitive spirit of the Vandals.

An old friend of my family, a guru in fact, told me the story inscribed in these ancient tablets. He made me swear that I would never repeat this tale to another living soul.

So, here it is.

Once upon a nether-time, there lived three great spirits — the Cougar, the Bronco and the Vandal. They all thought themselves the smartest and toughest beings in all the universe. They would all sit around in their togas, which were prevalent in that day, and speak of their superior powers to each other.

"I am so great," said the Bronco; "That I am an institution in myself."

The Cougar and the Vandal both laughed in the face of the Bronco, for some reason deciding to acknowledge the meager beast's poor existence at that instant.

"Well," said the Cougar, "I have mighty claws and a wonderfully synthetic growl."

The Bronco and the Vandal laughed at the Cougar, mocking his computer-generated growl.

At last, the Vandal spoke up.

"I am so great that...well, I just am, okay!"

And with those great words of

wisdom spoken, the Cougar, the Bronco and the Vandal were more determined than ever to prove, once and for all, who was indeed the greatest of them all. They challenged each other to a contest of sorts, a contest of wit and athletic ability. They called this test a rivalry and vowed to continue until they had the answer set forth by the God of Sporting events. And with that, the Bronco, the Cougar and the Vandal rode off into the sunset, togas flapping wildly behind them.

Well, I think the supposed "God of Sporting Events" must have died laughing, because neither the Bronco or Cougar have seen hide nor hair of this deity, though it is rumored in small circles in Moscow that he was seen with Elvis down at The Beach.

To this day, the answer to this ancient riddle has yet to be answered, and the rivalry still thrives.

During the recent match-up of WSU and Idaho volleyball teams, the tension is still running high despite struggles of the Lady Vandals.

Junior Jennifer Stinson, a 6-foot-1 outside hitter for WSU recalled the last time WSU volleyball fell to the Vandals in her freshman year.

"Anything can happen against UI. It's happened before, but we

can't lose to Idaho."

But the struggles of a new Vandal program has made the difference.

"There was a lot more tension last year," recalls WSU coach Cindy Fredrick. "I was darn near sick going over to play them at Memorial Gym."

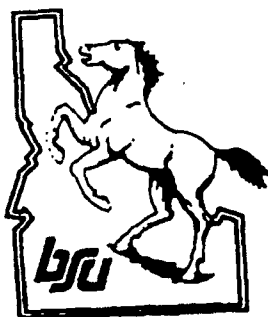
"I think because we are so close, only eight miles apart, this is an instinctual rivalry. No matter what or when we're playing, we get fired up," Kyle Leonard, senior outside hitter said.

This rivalry between schools isn't limited to just volleyball. In fact, it's not even limited to athletics. The Broncos, by far the Vandals nemesis, and Idaho seem to undertake yearly contests on who can design the worst Vandal/Bronco-bashing t-shirts around. Alumni fight it out in the office, betting on the games and even sabotaging computers and cubicles with appropriate paraphernalia.

But can all this rivalry actually be healthy. Despite all the gnashing of teeth and hurling pointed remarks, most agree these rivalries are healthy, some may argue even better than vitamin C.

Besides, have you ever seen a sick looking Vandal after crushing BSU 78-3 in the Kibbie Dome?

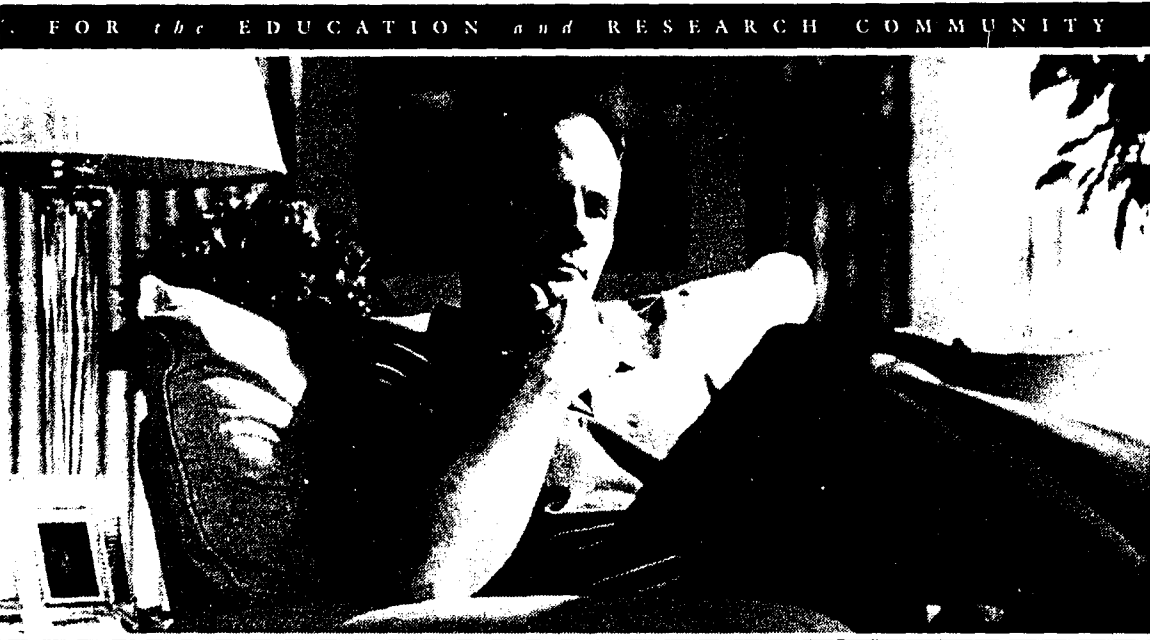
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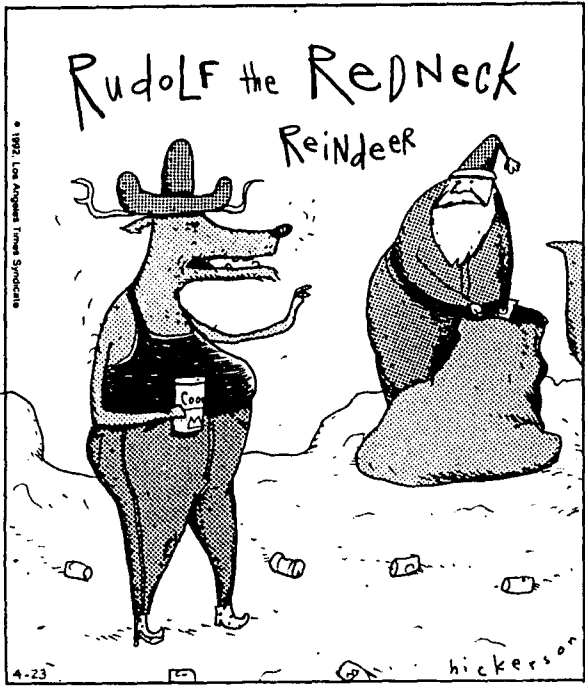
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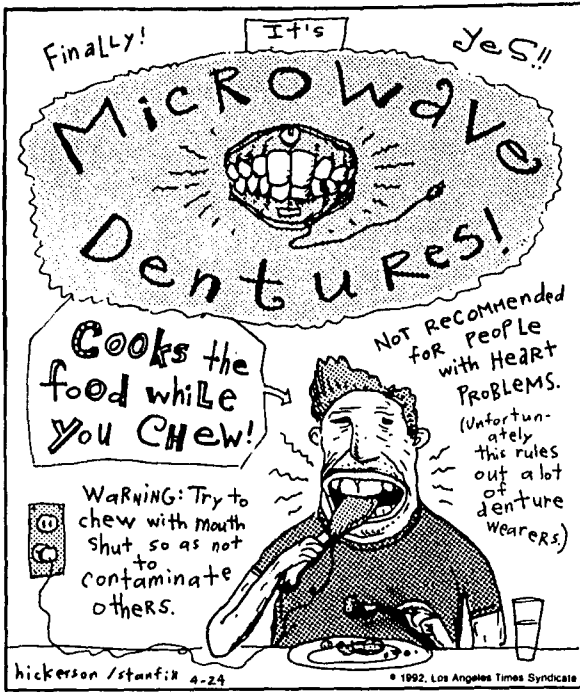
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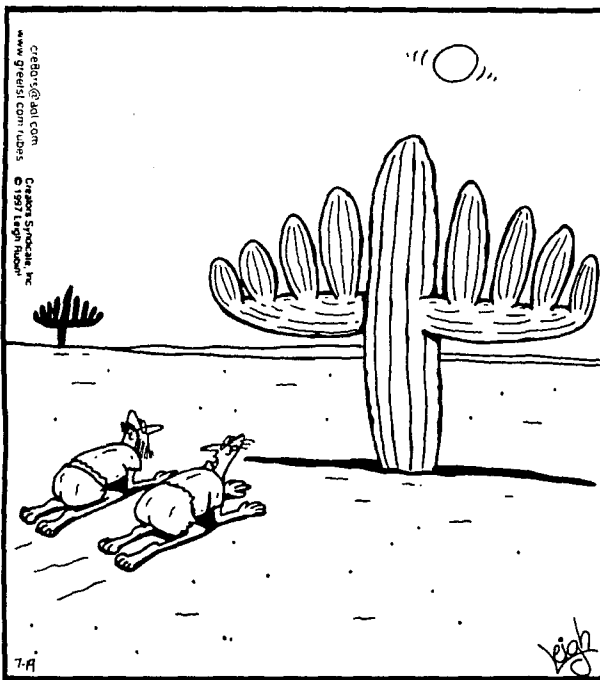
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