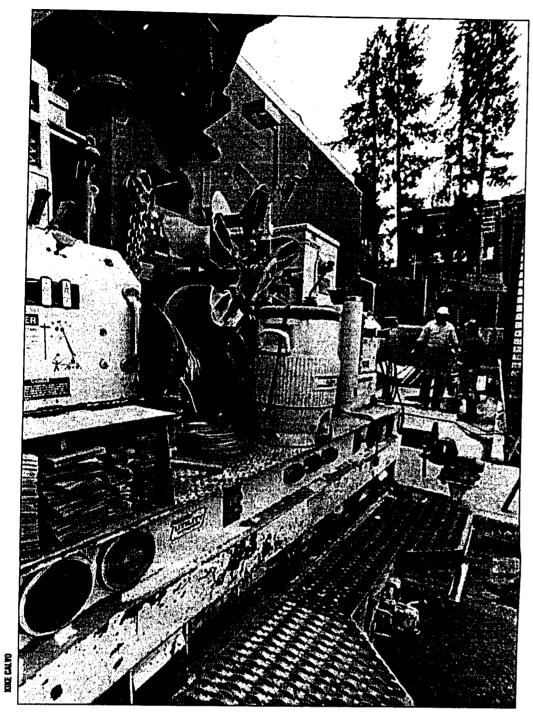
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A transformation



A work crew installs the power lines for a new transformer Wednesday in front of the Mines Building. The job should be done by Monday.

State salaries neglected by Idaho Legislature

ERIN SCHULTZ

In a presentation given Tuesday, members of the University of Idaho Staff Salary Task Force used state salary trends to tell a disturbing story of what is happening to state employees.

This year, UI faculty have had serious concerns with the lack of funds for pay raises and health benefits. Salary Task Force presenters pointed out that this reflects a concern of all state employees, which includes not only universities, but those in law enforcement, transportation, health and welfare, and the tax commission.

Wileen Anderson, a UI employee and one of the presenters of Tuesday's forum, explained background events which prompted the Salary Task Force's research. Instead of using designated money for state employee pay raises this year, the Legislature decided to balance its budget.

Current figures from the Idaho Personnel Commission and the Employee Information System show that Idaho's state employees already lag behind payline averages of their profession. The Legislature's decision not to fund pay raises this year puts the employees even further behind.

"When you don't fund state salaries, you are hurting people who provide very important services. (The Legislature) needs to think who they are hurting," Anderson said. "The reality of it is that people at the U of I have salaries so low they fall into the poverty level," Jane Baillargeon, another presenter on the Salary Task Force, said.

As a result, it has become the mission of the Salary Task Force to educate the Legislature on the facts.

"We are 3 to 5 percent behind cost of living increases alone, not to mention other factors," Baillargeon said.

The presentation went on to demonstrate how many Idaho employees fall below their market averages, which are determined by salary surveys for jobs of like value.

Ironically, legislative intentions state, "It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Legislature that an employee may expect to advance in the salary range to the labor market average rate for the pay grade assigned to a classification" (Section 67-5309 C(a), Idaho Code).

Baillargeon says these intentions of the Legislature are being compromised. Legislative funding of salaries has not been sufficient to keep up with payline shifts, cost of living increases, or to recognize merit.

The presentation ended with several recommendations from the Salary Task Force. Their proposed salary model takes into account the above factors.

"We need to convince the Legislature they need a salary model so that they don't get behind... Right now we're so far down that it looks overwhelming to fund," Anderson said.

Student photos on web only with consent

JENNIFER KARINEN

Plenty of students are embarrassed to let their friends see their Vandal ID photo. Imagine their mortification if it was on display for the whole world.

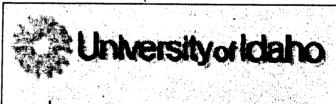
The University of Idaho decided student photos won't

addresses, telephone numbers, e-mail addresses, and majors. Personally identifiable information is any information that makes the student's identity easily traceable. It includes social security number, names of family members, student ID number and personal characteristics. FERPA restricts schools from releasing personally identifiable information to a third party without the consent of the student.

STUDENTS' VOICE

Argonaut

Geller said photos aren't specifically listed under either category. He advised Computer Services to get student permission. "To be on the safe side what is appropriate is to ask the student," he said.



automatically appear on computer screens when users look up a student through the electronic directory, "Find a Vandal." The photo will only appear if the student gives the university written permission.

Computer Services replaced the old electronic e-mail and phone number lookup with Find a Vandal on Sept. 25. Find a Vandal is more sophisticated. There is space for a photo beside the information about the student. Right now every student looks identical — a gold and black Vandal occupies the space.

"We've had calls from all parts of campus," Kari Dickinson, acting director of Computer Services, said. "People are terrified their picture is going to appear without their permission. The photo will never be available unless the individual asks for it to be."

Computer services got legal advice when deciding whether or not to put the photos on the web. Randy Geller is the senior associate for University Counsel. He explained Vandal photos are classified as educational records.

These records are governed by the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974. The act requires schools and colleges to give students and parents rights to personal information. It severely limits disclosure of this information to third parties.

Educational records contain two types of personal information. Directory information includes names,

Students must submit their permission online or in writing if they want their picture to appear in the electronic directory. This will make the private information public. Students can request directory information be made private by filling out a form at the Registrar's Office. University Registrar Rita Pikowsky said when this form is filed a confidential flag is put on the student's account. All information is restricted. The system is not sophisticated enough to censor just one item. A flag also prevents administrators from confirming if a student does or does not attend the university. Currently 147 students have confidential flags on their accounts.

University employees, faculty and staff aren't included in FERPA. Computer services decided that employees would feel better about the service if they also voluntarily made their photo available.

The only photo allowed on Find a Vandal is the student's Vandal ID picture. Computer Services hasn't figured out how to transfer photos from the Vandal Card system to the account tracking system yet. Dickinson said Find a Vandal might display photos by the end of the semester but there are no guarantees.



Unless you've told them otherwise, this is your picture according to Computer Services.



Roads, logging cause most of the sildes in forest

MOSCOW — More than half of the landslides on the Clearwater National Forest in the winter of 1995-1996 were the result of logging roads, according to a U.S. Forest Service study.

That entailed about 58 percent of the 905 slides recorded. Another 12 percent were tied to other timber harvest activity, while the rest occurred on intact, undeveloped slopes.

Doug McClelland, an engineer for the Northern Region in Missoula, Mont., said the team writing the report identified five landslide risk factors that will be considered when building roads on the Clearwater in the future.

They include angle of slope, its geological makeup, the direction a slope faces, elevation, and such things as vegetation and weather.

things as vegetation and weather. The study did not include the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness or the Palouse Ranger District of the forest. The mixed ownership patterns on the Palouse District would have complicated a study, McClelland said.

Al Espinosa, a former Clearwater fisheries biologist, said the study confirmed the obvious.

Although the slides occurred in an unusually wet winter, he said the forest must anticipate those yearly fluctuations so the ground does not come "unglued" when precipitation occurs. The last significant wet year was in 1974, in which similar levels of slides occurred.

"It's steep country. In terms of road-building, it's really sensitive to those kinds of impacts," he said.

A total of 400,000 cubic yards of material were involved in the 1995-1996 landslides and about half of that reached streams.

The team said an equal amount of stream-impacting silt came from natural landscapes or logged, roaded areas.

To better control erosion caused by 4,500 miles of roads on the Clearwater, poorly constructed ones need to be obliterated, Espinosa said.

The full study will be released at a University of Idaho symposium Nov. 1.



Tax collections surge ahead of projection for August

BOISE — A second straight monthly surge in paycheck withholding coupled with the first strong sales tax collections in 10 months helped push overall tax receipts well above projections for August.

August. The Batt administration's chief economist, Michael Ferguson, said the two were "positive indicators for the health of Idaho's economy."

The Division of Financial Management said revenue in August was \$4.2 million higher than anticipated, erasing the fractional \$100,000 cash deficit at the end of July.

The strength comes on the heels of an \$18 million surplus over the revenue forecast for the 1997 budget year that ended June 30 and re-enforces prospects that the existing tax system can accommodate budget demands Gov. Phil Batt must meet this winter in the final legislative session of his term.

But continued spending pressure from the prison system that has been siphoning needed cash from education and other programs has set the stage for a decision by the new governor on a major state tax increase after the 1998 election.

The difference from 1987, when the last major tax hike was approved, is that Idaho was locked in a near depression then while today the economy is still growing, albeit slower than during the boom years of the early 1990s.

Paycheck withholding, a key sign of the strength of the labor force and a major component of personal income tax collections, was \$2 million higher than predicted for August. But that strength along with \$1.6 million more than expected in July withholding marked a break from four straight months of payments below the benchmark.

Typically volatile corporate tax collections, which finished \$6 million over last budget year's benchmark that was slashed dramatically because of depressed computer chip prices, were \$2.2 million higher than expected for August because of strong estimated quarterly payments.

Killer's complaint focuses on guns at murder scene

LEWISTON — Convicted double murderer Kenneth D. Arrasmith has filed a \$1.2 million lawsuit over the silence of a former sheriff and two of his men about guns found at the crime scene.

Arrasmith filed the complaint against former Nez Perce County Sheriff Ron Koeper, former Capt. Scott Whitcomb and Sgt. Jim Colvin, as well as Cliff Whitcomb, the son of the captain, and a dozen other unnamed defendants.

The 2nd District Court lawsuit seeks a jury trial on whether the men violated Arrasmith's constitutional right to due process of law by covering up information about two guns taken from the shop where he killed Ronald and Luella Bingham on May 17, 1995.

A handgun belonging to Cliff Whitcomb was removed moments after law enforcement descended on the shop. A second gun was found in a car outside the shop and was removed by Cliff Whitcomb the day after the killings. Neither was included in police reports or offered as evidence at the trial.

Arrasmith testified that he went to the shop to secretly tape record the Binghams' confession that they had been sexually abusing his 15-year-old daughter. He said he saw Ronald Bingham reaching for something, possibly a gun, as he approached carrying two weapons. Bingham was shot 23 times as he worked under a pickup truck.

Arrasmith also testified he saw a gun in Mrs. Bingham's hand before he shot her six times in the back.

Prosecutors challenged Arrasmith's claim of self-defense during the trial, arguing that no weapons were found at the scene. He was found guilty of first- and second-degree murder and was sentenced to life in prison.

But his lawsuit said Koeper, Whitcomb and Colvin violated Arrasmith's "opportunity for a fair trial when they each stood by and allowed perjured testimony into evidence that the crime scene was thoroughly searched and no guns were found."

The next step is for those named in the suit to respond within 20 days of being served. Meanwhile, an appeal of Arrasmith's murder convictions remains before the Idaho Court of Appeals.

Announcements

Today

• Ballots to vote for Homecoming Royalty are due by 5 p.m. They are available at Student Advisory Services and the Alumni Office. For more information, call the Alumni Office at 885-6154.

• The UI Department of Electrical Engineering Research Colloquium will present "What's in a Cell Site?" at 3:30 p.m. in the Engineering/Physics Building Room 214.

Coming Events

• The spring 1998 Time Schedule is available now for viewing on the World Wide Web at <http://max.csrv.uidaho.edu/ schedule.htm>. The Registrar's Office will be receiving time schedules from the printer in late October.

• A Career Services Workshop "The Discover Career Planning Program" will be Oct. 9 at 3:30 p.m. in the Education Building Room 202. Pre-registration is required. Career Services will also be giving an introduction to career services, Oct. 7 at 3:30 p.m. in Brink Hall G11.

• Dee McNamer, author of such award winners as Rima in the Weeds and One Sweet Quarrel, will read Oct. 8 in Life Sciences 277 at 7:30 p.m. The reading is free and open to the public.

• Michael Myers, associate professor of philosophy at WSU, will discuss "Brahman: A Philosocial Theology" Oct 23, 7-8:30 p.m. in Morrill Hall Room 402.

• Hanry SiJohn, Coeur d'Alene tribal elder, will speak Oct. 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the UI Law School courtroom at Sixth and Rayburn.

• The UI Homecoming Parade will begin at 11 a.m. on Oct. 11. This year's theme is "Vandal Magic." For more information, call Shana Plasters at 885-6951.

• The 1998-99 competition for U.S. Information Agency Fulbright will close Oct. 23. Deadline for UI students submissions is Friday. For more information, call Gleanne Wray at 885-4073 or e-mail gleanne@uidaho.edu.

• The UI ammeter radio club will meet on Oct. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Ham Shack next door to the UI Power Plant on Sixth Street.

Clubs

• The Dentoteki Kyokushinkai Karate Club is looking, for UI students interested in self-defense

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arate training. For more information, contact Glen Manry at 332-3669 or Carlo Felicione at 882-6331.

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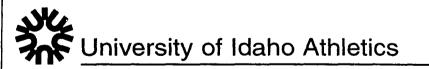
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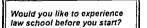
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Would you like help in deciding if law school is right for you?

Dear Vandals,

Thank you to all Vandals for your support. We would especially like to thank the **near record number** of students who came out to **support their team**. We would also like to apologize for the long lines at and around kick-off time. We have improved the student gates to the Kibbie Dome, and students should be able to avoid long lines in the future. We hope to see you all back on October 4th, when the Vandals open the 1997 Big West schedule with North Texas.

Tailgate, come early, and have fun! See you on Saturday!

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The University of Idaho Athletic Department

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Marriott participates in sanitation classes

Improper temperatures, lack of hand washing main factors in food-related disease outbreaks in U.S.

DEVON HAMMES ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Marriott, dining service provider for the University of Idaho, is one of the 21,000 Idaho food establishments that participate in a food service and sanitation class.

After implementing required supervisory food safety and sanitation training four years ago, the Department of Health and Welfare has announced that the success of the program has initiated an increase in food services around the state participating in training programs. A food worker training program for non-supervisory employees will be implemented the first of the year and managed by the food industry, according to the Dept. of Health and Welfare.

The combined training will ensure that all employees with food-related duties at a food establishment receive food safety training," Don Brothers, food protection program supervisor with the Department of Health and Welfare, said. "Currently every food establishment in the state has received a copy of the rules and a

food safety manual."

According to Food Safety from Farm to Table - A Report to the President, approximately 9,000 deaths and 6.5 to 33 million illnesses in the United States reported each year are food related. Four factors have been proven to be responsible for most food-borne illness outbreaks.

The most common factor is improper holding temperatures, and Idaho food services are required to keep perishable food hot, between 140 degrees Fahrenheit or above and cold at 45 degrees.

The second leading cause of outbreaks is when employees of food services do not wash their hands. It is required to wash hands before preparing food, after touching raw foods and after using the toilet.

Inadequate cooking is another cause of illness and other outbreaks. It is stated that all E.coli outbreaks involving meats could have been prevented by proper cooking.

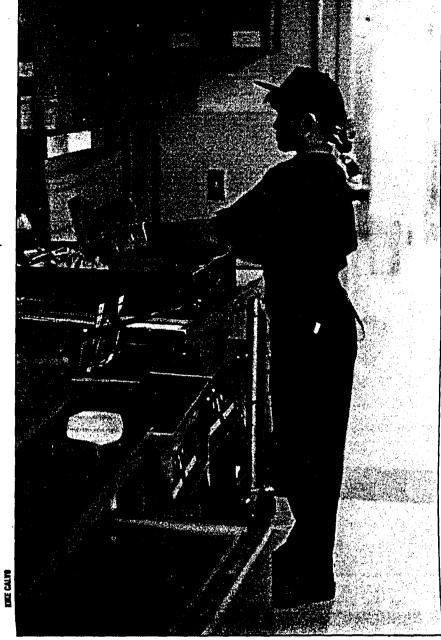
The final factor is contaminated equipment. Food services are required to properly sanitize all equipment which receive food.

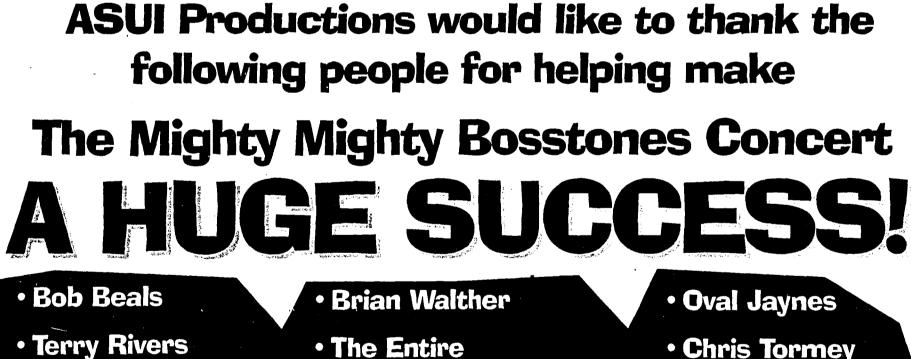
Colleen Bumgarner, food service worker for UI, said they as food service providers abide by all necessary regulations.

"We (employees) attend a food service and sanitation class, we wash our hands and wear gloves when handling food, and all of our equipment is properly sanitized in a Microclean, three-sink method,' she said.

Bumgarner also explained that meat is cooked at about 160 degrees Fahrenheit, depending on the type of meat.

Vilma McIntosh, an employee of Marriott Dining Services, says she is required to wear gloves when working with food.





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Students request changes in summer session

LENORA BEGAY

CONTRIBUTING WRITER

University of Idaho students want a wider variety of courses and more upper-level courses during the summer session.

A recent survey conducted by the UI branch of the American Marketing

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Association also shows students would like to have classes spread throughout the day as well as having more science courses. Sid Eder, director of UI Summer

Programs and Extended Learning, said all department heads are currently preparing their 1998 summer schedules. He said that



The Vandal Marching Band practices for tomorrow's football game

like to as well surveys will help improve the scheduling of courses for the summer.

"Obviously, an increasing number of students, like other college students across the country, are using summer sessions as a way to pursue their educational goals," Eder said. "If this is true, it's all in our best interest to be more on target." A total of 373 students responded to the

A total of 373 students responded to the one-page questionnaire distributed during the week of Sept. 15. The survey was conducted during the day and distributed to students on campus.

campus. Despite the small sampling, Eder said, "Four percent of the student population is a good sample size." He compared it to the national pollsters who routinely take marginal samples of the United States population. However, some of the department

However, some of the department directors say they have already set their schedules and have no plans to change them. The schedules are due on Oct. 8.

"We will do a few things differently," said Roy Atwood, chairman of the school of communications. "We will offer a web design course."

The communications department will not offer very much this summer because not enough faculty will be available, Atwood said. The department changes from year to year depending on the availability of faculty, he said.

"Basically, it doesn't affect our scheduling very much," said English Department Chairman Douglas Adams.

Adams said he is unaware of what

students were surveyed except the information provided to him. "Only a few students requested more courses in English."

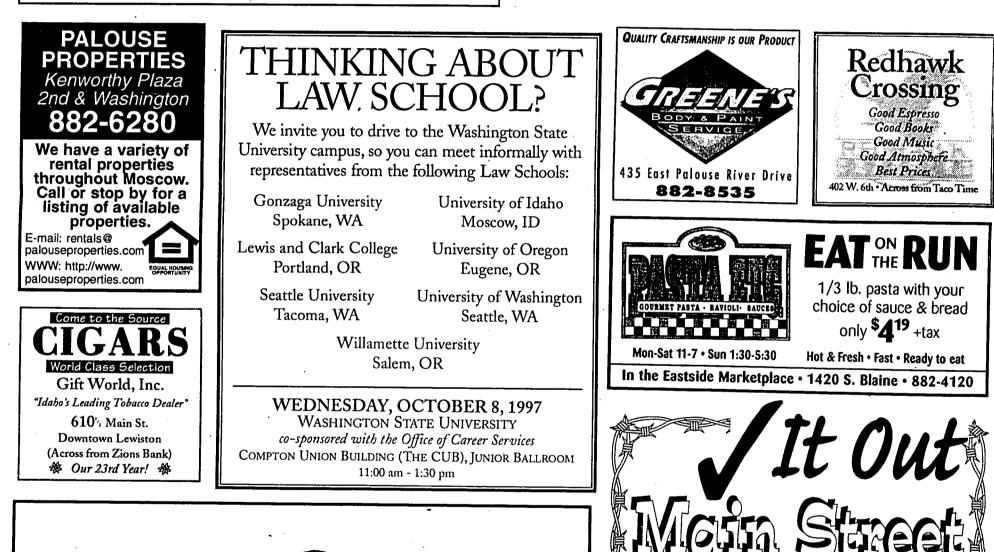
Eder cited several recurring problems with the summer programs that he would like to address. For example, UI faculty members are not obligated to teach during the summer. Some faculty in certain disciplines conduct their researches and studies during the summer which makes them unavailable for teaching. Other faculty make plans to spend time with their families.

Eder says there are two ways to provide for students and still respect faculty's needs for summer breaks. He suggests the use of visiting faculty from other universities across the country and additional use of cooperative arrangements with Washington State University.

"It is a common practice among other universities to invite distinguished scholars to teach during the summer months," Eder said. "It would be an opportune time to be invited to the Northwest."

The cooperative arrangements with WSU in some departments are already in place but "we underutilize them in the summer," Eder said. He said there is a need to expand this program.

program. "We need to be more attentive to the students' needs like other universities do," Eder said of the need to expand the UI summer session. He said he has sent letters to all the department heads, college deans and associate deans informing them about these results.



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We truly appreciate all of the students, staff and faculty who took time out of their busy schedules to help with the Freshman Contact Program.

Freshman Contact Program Planning Committee



New Women's Imaging Center deals with women's health

KATIE BAKER

STAFF

A new Women's Imaging Center makes state-of-the-art technologies available for treatment of breast cancer and osteoporosis convenient for Moscow women.

The Center is a showcase for many other centers in the United Sates. It has mammography, ultrasound and DXA bone density screening for osteoporosis. It also has the latest machine for digital stereotactic breast biopsies.

"It's exciting to be on the cutting edge," Jody Polley, the Center's service area leader, said in a UI Women's Center presentation Wednesday.

One of the main issues that the Imaging Center deals with is breast cancer.

The percent of breast cancer occurring in younger women is not high but that doesn't mean that it doesn't exist," Mary Robinson, a radiology technologist, said.

The center has a mammography that can detect breast cancer up to two years before the patient would be able to feel anything herself.

However, it is very important for women to be checking monthly for lumps in their breasts. Nine out of 10 breast fumors are found by women themselves.

There are four different types that women should be aware of. The first type is a breast that has fibrosistic lumps. These are softer lumps that move around and are often cysts. Other types are breasts with dense tissue and average breasts with definite lumps in it. If solid lumps can be felt than it has a higher chance of being cancerous. The fourth breast type is the average, normal breast with no lumps.

If a lump is detected a woman should contact her doctor. From there the doctor might recommend an ultrasound, mammogram, or possibly a digital stereotactic breast biopsy.

A biopsy is one of the procedures done at the Women's Imaging Center. A woman can have a stereotactic biopsy instead of an open biopsy, in which a surgeon would cut out the cancerous tissue. This procedure is done with a needle that inserts into the breast where the suspicious tissue is located. By use of computers, the radiologists are able to take pictures of what is going on throughout the procedure. This enables the radiologists to be extremely precise when extracting the sample of tissue from the breast.

"The only thing that hurts is the numbing of the skin — you don't even feel the samples (being extracted)," Robinson said.

The center also offers DXA bone density screening for osteoporosis, a condition which half of all women will develop in their lifetime.

that measures how thick the patient's bones are in the spine and hip.

"As you get older, your bone mass drops down," Robinson said.

Women should be concerned if they are below the normal bone density range. If they are extremely below the average range than they have a high risk of breaking bones if they

It is never too late to prevent osteoporosis. "We are trying to educate the community about osteoporosis," Robinson said.

Women who are most at risk are those that have gone through menopause. However, what women do now can greatly affect their chances later of decreasing bone loss

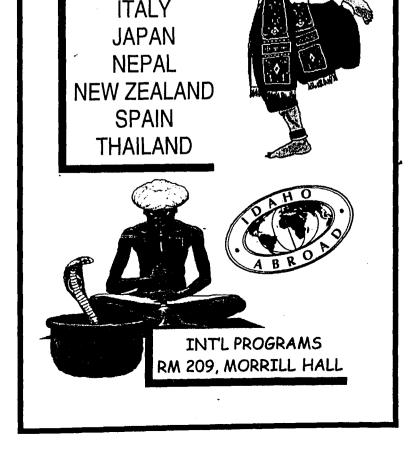
Ways to help prevent chances of developing osteoporosis are by not smoking, not drinking too much, and having a diet with a sufficient amount of calcium (at least 1,200 milligrams per day).

Also, some women take hormones, such as estrogen and fosanax, to increase their bone density. If women have a high risk of cancer then estrogen should be avoided.

"As (women) reach menopause they should go get a screening done," Polley said.

The DXA machine is an x-ray machine

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The scaremongers are right — Cassini isn't safe



WES RIMEL OPINION EDITOR

ell, it sure seems like there are a lot of people that like to agree with the status quo, saying everything is just fine and that our goverment would never do anything to endanger its own people. Of course, this is the same United States government that annihilated the Native Americans and now says that there was never any UFO in Roswell, just that it was some Air Force weather balloon experiment that was actually started some 10 years later. With that stated, it is easy enough to say that our government is not very trustworthy and does not give us all the facts.

Of course, since this is the '90s there is also the wrinkle of the mainstream media suppressing information we should know because it is in their best interest. This is simple because all of the mainstream media in our country are controlled and operated by a few very powerful, international companies. Think they are going to air something that is obviously not in their best interests? Probably not. Case in point — each year at Sonoma State University a panel of judges pick the Top 10 most censored stories of the year. The number one story for 1996 was Cassini. Why so little talk in the mainstream media about the Cassini? Well, NBC is owned by General Electric and CBS by Westinghouse. Add that to the fact that more than 40 percent of the world's nuclear power plants use Westinghouse engineering, while GE manufactures turbines for nuclear reactors. Enough said.

Of course, the best way to attack the Cassini launch this month is to point out a few very fundamental flaws in logic and attention to detail that the NASA engineers are guilty of.

Michio Kaku, a Ph. D. Professor of Theoretical Physics, who heads the Graduate Center at City University in New York points these out nicely. He is also a very good source of information since he has written nine books for graduate students, is the cofounder of a physics theory, and is a Fellow of the American Physical Society, an honor held by only the top 10 percent of physicists

power source. So one would think that NASA has run a test to simulate the most extreme accident which could happen, but they haven't. Despite never conducting a fullscale test of a realistic accident scenario, NASA simply makes up numbers and fabricates them to arrive at the lowest possible death totals for their Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). Of course, NASA would like to say that a disaster could not happen but their actual track record is far from perfect.

As Dr. Kaku points out, "It is justified to make estimates. But it is then standard procedure within the scientific community to give error bars or estimates of uncertainty ... no uncertanties are given in the FEIS, which is a serious flaw."

However, despite all the uncertanities over numbers of crude estimates, the FEIS concludes that a maximum of 28.7 curies, or less than .01 percent, of the plutonium could escape during a launch phase accident. Kaku points out that, "The number is made up. Since no one has ever done a full-scale test of RTGs in the



it is pure guesswork as to how much plutonium will

escape." Of course, despite the fact the numbers are made up there are no error bars or indications of reliability, Dr. Kaku writes of this, "The largest source of error in this calculation is the fact that the engineers

have made up many of the numbers out of thin air. Thus, calculating the

plutonium release to three significant figures reveals a remarkable lack of understanding of even elementary statistics." Kaku goes on to say that he feels a figure of 30 to 40 percent escape in plutonium is much more likely.

In addition, the most fundamental, basic principle has also been overlooked by NASA When calculating the area of impact in a lauch accident, the FEIS assumes that almost all the plutonium would be contained at the launch site. Quoting Kaku again, "In other words, the NASA engineers have discovered a new law of physics: the winds stop blowing during a rocket launch." Of course, history proves that wrong. The Challenger explosion sent debris hurtling over a significant area, and the accident at Cheronobyl caused



bunch of anti-nuclear activists have been having a royal fit lately. What's the deal? Why, NASA, with the planned launch of the Cassini probe this month, will shoot plutonium into space. Oh, no! How horrid! This is just the prelude to

bound to go wrong and we'll all be contaminated with radiation and DIE! WE'RE ALL GOING TO DIE! IT'S THE BEGINNING OF THE END!

Similar excitement was created around the turn of the century with the introduction of electricity. People tend to fear what they don't understand, so naturally many opposed to using electricity to power public street lighting. But who nowadays

even using a TV or a stereo? Yet now we have the same hysteria with nuclear power.

Cassini uses a radioisotope thermoelectric generator (RTG) as its power source. This is not a nuclear reactor. The device uses heat generated by nuclear decay to produce electricity. A similar device is found with many portable car CD players — that thing that you plug into the cigarette lighter works on the same principle; it's just a different source generating the heat. The heat in Cassini's RTG comes from the

nuclear decay of plutonium-238, which is not the weapons grade isotope of the element. Furthermore, the plutonium used is plutonium dioxide, not the pure form. Small bricks of this special ceramic material are encased in graphite and iridium, both hig heat resistant materials, thus protecting the plutonium from accidental explosion. Plutonium dioxide is also insoluble, which means if it falls into the ocean it won't dissolve into the water or enter the food chain.

Ignore the scaremongers Cassini is safe

LANCE R. CURTIS

COLUMNIST

nuclear war in outer space! Something's

thinks twice



starting a car, or

And the special ceramic nature of it means that it breaks into large chunks, not small dust particles that can be easily inhaled. Of course, the plutonium releases

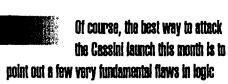
radiation, but this is largely in the form of alpha particles, which are the nuclei of helium atoms. A single sheet of paper provides sufficient protection from this mild form of radiation. True, alpha particles can damage cells and cause cancer, but first it has to get past the graphite-iridium casing, and if a single sheet of paper provides enough protection, I imagine the graphite-iridium casing will do.

Don't freak out when I tell you that this is not the first time that NASA has used RTGs to power spacecraft. Past usage included several of the Apollo missions. Everyone, I'm sure, has seen the movie Apollo 13. Do you remember that scene where the astronauts remember that scene where the astronauts were re-entering the atmosphere? Ron Howard did a good job of showing the huge waves of flame and heat generated by friction with the Earth's atmosphere. What he didn't show you was the plutonium. Yes, the Apollo 13 craft was powered by a RTG that used plutonium! We all know how the movie ended. So all those skeptics who think that ended. So all those skeptics who think that plutonium will burn up and spread all over the sky are just loony!

Many Cassini critics have suggested solar power as an alternative to the RTG. As an engineering student, I know the importance of design considerations. In space travel design, one of the most important concerns is weight. The more it weighs, the more fuel you need to get it into orbit, and that increases cost. Using conventional solar cells for power would require a solar panel the size of a quarter of a football field! That's simply too much weight. There are solar cells that have increased efficiency, but these also weigh more, so you have a smaller panel that weighs just as much if not more. Frankly, that doesn't solve the problem.

But you don't have to be a rocket scientist or an engineer to understand that Cassini is totally safe. After all, NASA is currently directed by the Clinton Administration, and we all know that the President is a poll man. He's always wanted to be portrayed as a defender of the environment and a protector of children. So if Cassini were really that bad, wouldn't the President be against it? Freak, he wouldn't even let it get off the ground! But the launch is still going as planned. That alone should be enough to quiet any fears, especially in those who have a hard time grasping the science behind the issue.

Scaremongering and pessimism form the basis of the main opposing argument. But those aware of the facts know that Cassini is safe. If we fear what we don't understand, then knowledge is the key to overcoming that fear. After all, only the ignorant would dare to base any argument on frail tactics like scaremongering. For more information (pro and con), check out http://www.seds.org/spaceveiws/ cassini/rtg.html>.



from accidental explosion.

are guilty of.

and attention to detail that the NASA engineers

Small bricks of this special ceramic material are

encased in graphite and iridium, both highly heat

resistant materials, thus protecting the plutonium

in the U.S.

First of all, it should be noted that 400,000 curies of plutonium-238 are to be used in the Cassini experiment, the largest space mission ever undertaken with this

radioactive debris to scatter the globe.

In all likelihood there will be no disaster. And nobody will get cancer and everyone won't die. But to say the Cassini is safe is just not true.

On Nov. 3, 4 and 5, you will be asked to vote on the Student Recreation Center. Watch the Argonaut for a special feature on the Recreation Center, then go vote.

UI shouldn't whine about decrease in enrollment

Letter to the editor

Isn't it funny that the University of Idaho is complaining about enrollment when they are kicking good students out of the university at the same time? A very good friend of mine who scored a 3.6 gpa was asked not to return because of an influx in students and not enough room. Now we have an article come out that the university doesn't have enough students. Maybe they should look at who they are kicking out; to make up the decrease in enrollment.

-Kori Johnson

UI student

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Exposing a dammed Idaho



JR WRIGHT

The dam system in northern Idaho corrupts landscape and destroys wildlife habitat. The dams in northern Idaho, specifically the Dworshak Dam, have concerned University of Idaho students and professors since it was built in 1965.

I spoke with a Mechanical Engineering professor here at the university to weigh the pros and cons of dams. "What about the dam fish, or the dam forest submerged beneath the huge dam lake?" I asked.

"Dams?" he confirmed. "Dam, dam, dam..." he contemplated, pacing back and forth.

"I see, so you are talking about Dworshak Dam," he answered. number of applications. They enable large amounts of relatively inexpensive power to be generated by means of turbines that harness the power of water. By creating a reservoir of water behind the dam, flood control can be implemented by retaining water at times of increased precipitation and releasing water during times of decreased precipitation, thus protecting human populations from flood damage."

That explanation sounded good enough to me, until I began researching. My main dam interest was to see if the benefit of dams outweighed the trouble they brought with them. So why build a dam? We certainly do benefit from dams. They provide a reliable source of water for agricultural, domestic, and industrial purposes. Dams allow humans to enjoy a tremendous ability to inhabit a huge geographical range. Dams generate hydroelectricity, create an irrigation reservoir, and control flooding.

These "benefits" are not without cost. Dams produce massive changes and drastically alter and change the delicate equation that is the balance of nature. They completely submerge pristine valley forests, affect all wildlife existing of millions of dollars to build (and administrators wonder why this university simply doesn't have much money). Case in point — the Dworshak Dam cost \$327 million dollars to build. There would be no budget crunch if we had that money.

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The construction of Dworshak Dam and the filling of the reservoir resulted in the loss of approximately 15,270 acres of terrestrial habitat.

15,270 acres of terrestrial habitat. The greatest loss of wildlife habitat was the winter range for Rocky Mountain elk and the white-tailed deer. To offset this loss, mitigation lands have been developed, and are managed for winter range. But the acres of additional lands adjacent to project lands, at the confluence of the Little North Fork and the North Fork of the Clearwater River.

The construction of Dworshak Dam also resulted in the blocking of the anadromous steelhead trout, and the conversion of a river habitat (Clearwater River) to a reservoir habitat (Dworshak Reservoir).

However, thousands upon thousands of fish have been crammed into the reservoir, so now anyone can load their amazingly expensive, high-tech fishing gear into the back of their brand-new pickup and head down to the reservoir with Coors Light in hand. Too bad they won't see any elk or deer, and too bad the once pristine valley is now crowded with suntanlotioned trash-throwers.

The long-term harm is overlooked for the short-term benefit in the production of dams. NASA geophysicist Dr. Benjamin Fong Chao has found evidence that the weight of the world's collective reservoirs is speeding up the Earth's rate of spin and is changing the shape of Earth's magnetic field. Now new research is making it quite evident that damming is having some surprising global dams in the world, 5,500 in the United States and 618 in Canada, is it any wonder there are global effects?

There is a huge list of troubles that comes with the production of a dam and reservoir. Earthquakes, groundwater effects, landscape destruction (flooding of forests and arable land), destruction of fish habitat and fisheries, greenhouse gas pollution, changes to climate, changes to the global environment, change in speed of the earth's rotation, changes to the shape of the earth's magnetic field, destruction of upstream and downstream ecosystems, destruction of deltas and wetlands critical to migrating wildlife... and wildlife extinction.

So I went back to speak with the university professor and we both went over all of the data I had found about dams. This time his attitude was a little different, as he simply said "No dam good!"

Dams symbolize the arrogance with which we assault the natural world with our notions that size and expensive technology can solve our economic and social problems. This obsession with size is not restricted to Third World development. Who profits now,

"Well, dams are effective for a

within the valley, and cost hundreds

mitigation lands required 5,120

effects. With about 39,000 large

and who pays later?

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• **Uiversions** Friday, October 3, 1997 The Argonaut Bosstone plans to cryogenically freeze his scalp

T. SCOTT CARPENTER ASSISTANT ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

s you may well know, the Mighty Mighty Bosstones A have come and gone. They've left in their wake copious college students, skanking to the live tunes still reverberating in their heads. I had the chance to talk to Bosstone saxophonist Tim Burton on the phone a few days ago, before technology cut us short. See below for details.

Argonaut: So, you guys ever been in the Moscow area before?

Tim Burton: No, we have not. We played Boise twice now in a short period of time, though. So is it going to be a good gig? Arg: It should be pretty good.

Tickets are selling great and pretty much everyone knows you are coming

TB: We got a great tour — it's all Boston bands.

Arg: Are they all ska oriented? TB: Nope. Not at all. Drop Kick Murphy is like hard-core punk, the Amazing Royal Crowns are more of a rockabilly thing, and Bim Skala Bim is definitely ska.

Arg: If you had to cryogenically freeze a part of your body besides your head, what would it be? TB: Uh... my scalp, because I

still have all my hair. I wake up every day and thank the lord for that.

Arg: How long have you guys been playing? TB: We kind of had a few

incarnations together in the early years where we would play for a while and then not play for a while. But if you count since we've been touring and we all quit our day jobs, it's been about seven years. But then, we were jamming as friends and doing bar gigs even before that.

Arg: In your opinion, will the turn of the millennium bring Armageddon and the total annihilation of the human race? And if so, how will it affect your music?

TB: No I do not believe it will bring Armageddon.

Arg: Are you sure? I hear God

likes round numbers. TB: Ummm, I don't believe in God.

Arg: Well, neither do I for that matter

TB: So there you go. The other thing is that the millennium won't be until 2100 either, if you believe in numbers...

Arg: Do you mean 2001?

TB: Yeah... right. They didn't start at zero, right. They started at... well, I don't know what they did. So anyway, people will have probably breathed a sigh of relief by the time the real Armageddon comes along.

Arg: The Mighty Bosstones, maybe. But what exactly constitutes the second Mighty?

TB: I don't know. Arg: Were you guys the Mighty Bosstones for a while, and then just got a big head after you signed with a record label?

TB: We were actually the Bosstones, then when we started touring we added the Mighty Mighty as kind of a fresh start. Just to kind of kick ourselves in the ass and give ourselves an ego boost. I think somebody just stuck it on a flyer that we were using to promote the show, and it just stuck.

Arg: Not unlike Ezra changing their name to Better Than Ezra. TB: Why was that?

Arg: Oh, I don't know. Some guy in their band died, and I guess

they felt they were better off. You listen to a lot of Better Than Ezra? TB: I do not, no. Arg: Really! Well they are really

big up here.

TB: Hmm. Are they from up there somewhere?

Arg: No. Actually I've been

lying about the whole thing. TB: Oh... yeah. Well you know, I'm just not really familiar with that band.

Arg: Most people aren't. Finish this sentence. "The Bosstones are just like The New Kids On the Block, except for...'

TB: (Five minute pause.) We can draw... 2,000 people into a nightclub.

Arg: Yeah, The New Kids On the Block are really big up here too.



TB: Yeah... I'll bet. They are all good guys, we know those guys, they're from Boston.

Arg: Oh. What can someone expect from a live Bosstones show?

TB: High energy. We have a great sound system and everything like that. And I can guarantee the opening bands are going to be really good, too.

Arg: So are you really good friends with the opening acts, do you guys get together and spend all day at the mall?

TB: Totally good friends. That's why we are bringing them on the road.

Arg: What's the largest creature you ever stuck in a microwave?

TB: I've never stuck a live thing in there. A white fish like a fish in there like a white fish. You know what, I'm on a cell phone here and I think I may be running low on batteries. So could we just finish this up... Ty? I just want to do that

before we run out of batteries here. Arg: No problem. I know that a lot of bands are really touchy about how they are labeled. Do you guys consider yourselves ska, or

something else? TB: Nah, we definitely love ska music and it is a big influence in what we do, but we throw anything into the mix. We're also punk rock fans, we're heavy metal fans. So anything that's rock we'll pretty much throw in there.



Consider a detour when U-Turn comes to a theater near you

A review by Jennifer Karinen

liver Stone says he wanted to make a thriller filled with the black humor of Hitchcock.

U-Turn has none of Hitchcock's subtle humor

are one in the same. Civilization is savage.

Superior, Ariz. has all the residents one would find in any other Western. The sheriff, the drunk, the Indian, the prostitute. In U-Turn they're all crazy and hungry. Hungry for sex, money and violence. The residents of Stone's town are over the top. Their personalities are packed to the teeth with extremes. Their clothes are crazy, their hair is crazy, the way they talk, think and walk is crazy.

and artfully constructed climaxes. It is built on shock value. Somewhere near the end of the movie the main character wonders aloud what sick, horrible thing will happen next. It's just one appalling revelation after another. Except for the fact these occurances aren't that shocking. They are only tired clichés, weary of being used over and over in Stone's films. Incest, abuse, drugs, murder, etc. The movie only gets the audience to wonder which 'shocking' cliché will come next.

This time the setting is the sagebrush spotted desert of the American West: Superior, Arizona. U-Turn could be called a Western for Generation X. The West and its characters are treated with the tone of cynicism this generation holds paramount. John Wayne is dead and so are any naïve notions of duty, honor and sacrifice. The self-reliant, individualist hero of the Western genre is exposed for what he really is: completely self-serving. He'll save the damsel in distress if he can get something out of it. He'll kill her for the same reason.

The generation this movie is marketed for isn't going to go for duty, honor and sacrifice. This is the unsentimental West of author Cormac McCarthy. There is no black and white or good and bad. It's "survival of the fittest" and "kill anything that gets in your way." It's a landscape Oliver Stone can create in because it expects, it survives, on violence and gore. There are no borderlines between civilization and savagery; they This town is Twin Peaks in Hell. But Stone is no David Lynch. Lynch's characters are

multidimensional. He exposes the weirdness festering under the guise of normality. Stone takes the weird and makes it psychotic.

U-Turn slaves at being hip. It's got the attitude, the off the wall characters and it's fast and flashy. Its snappy images flip over the retina like pages of a glossy magazine. Like a magazine, it's low on content and high on style. Style is where the film gets interesting.

The use of color is absolutely striking. Certain colors paired together reel the mind through different time periods. There are vivid and sharp, deep blues and reds. These put the film in the present, the cutting edge colors of the 1990s. There are dull earth tones: muted brown, pukey pea green and faded orange. It's a visit to the 1970s. Stone mixes all this nostalgia together and creates an image of a town that is stuck in the past and

simultaneously consuming the present. It's probably a good thing the stylistic devices overwhelm the film. U-Turn is a pretty movie, but its characters and plot are made shallow by Stone's old formula of sex, violence, drugs. He looks at the west with a tone of cynicism that is too dark. If it weren't for the stylistic devices, the movie's pitiful plot, shallow characters and recycled taboos would make it more of a yawn than it already is.

Web sites explore the world of slang AMY SANDERSON Hey, Bub, I'm getting sick

STAFF

For travelers in need of language skills and those of us still using words like "gnarly" and "bitchin'," there is help. The Web provides free language lessons for travelers, students, or those just wishing to increase their slang vocabulary.

Travalang <http://www.travlang.com> This site is a huge database for travelers looking to learn basic survival phrases for trips to foreign countries. At this site users learn important phrases like "where is the bathroom?" in over 50 different languages. Widely spoken languages as well as less common ones like Zulu can be found here. Travalang gives users both the English and the foreign translation and will also play a sound bite for the pronunciation of each word. Click and listen as the computer speaks languages like Turkish, Welsh or Finnish. Non-English speakers can also use the site by picking the language they speak and the one

they want to learn from an easy-to-use menu. Travalang features include online foreign dictionaries to look up specific phrases. Other information for travelers like currency exchange rates, air-lines and accommodations can also be found here.

The Alternative Dictionaries <http://www.notam.uio.no/~hcholm/altlang> Although the graphics are poor and it takes a while to download, this site is worth the wait. Here users find those "dirty" words not mentioned in Spanish 101 or in most dictionaries. Knowing a little slang in a foreign language is often essential for communication in the real world. At this site discover that there are a million things foreigners can call an annoying American tourist.

With close to a hundred languages from Arabic to Yiddish, this site teaches users to swear just like the locals. Learn Latin slang for telling someone "to go to the netherworld." The alternative dictionaries page provides lists that can be added to if users notice important words are neglected.

Also at this site are great links to other slang web sites like the "Cursing in Swedish"

American Slanguages Travelers only have to go as far as across the country to discover that even different American cites have a language of their own.

read layout, the Slanguage site gives lists of popular slang phrases in major cities across the U.S. Find out what locals in Seattle call that tall tourist attraction and learn the many ways to describe a cup of coffee.

The site's creator, Mike

Ellis, claims to be an expert at guessing people's origin by their speech pattern. Ellis' short lists of slang words also include some slang terminology from Ireland, Canada and

A list of colloquialisms from Spokane is even being added to the list, so keep posted to region closest to the Palouse.

and tired of your lip! page <http://www.slanguage.com>

With a clean and easy-to-

South Africa. see what words have been chosen for the

Como ser estudiate internacional, y no morir en el intento

KIKE CALVO

STAFF Seguramente todos los que llegamos a la Universidad de Idaho, vivimos situaciones similares. Por verguenza, temor, o simplemente por falta de confianza, quedan para siempre en el tintero. Sudor y tinta, y nunca mejor dicho, colman el recipiente con historias, anecdotas y problemas.

Llego el primer dia del ano, tuvo que salir de su hogar media hora despues de la noche vieja. No fue facil. Cansado y triste, se monto en un tren cargado de equipaje. Lloros y abrazos impregnaban el aire. Momentos complicados en la vida de un individuo. Tras ello, la dificil seleccion de nuestras pertenencias. Uno quiere acarrear con todo, no olvidar el mas minimo detalle. Pero con las prisas, y el dejar todo para el ultimo momento, pasa lo que pasa. Nos olvidamos algo. Ni que decir

tiene que podremos encontrar nuestro objeto en el país de destino. Menos mal que America cuenta con casi cualquier bien material que uno pueda necesitar; si, pero ya no es lo mismo. Nosotros queriamos nuestro objeto.

Nuestro personaje, no tuvo problemas con el idioma. Sin embargo, son muchos los que si los hallan. Haber superado esa pruebecilla que llaman TOEFL, no implica de ningun modo el que entendamos los dialogos de cine, las noticias, o a esa amiga que trata de leernos sus poemas anglosajones. "Y no hay manera chico" -como dirian mis amigos cubanos- uno lo intenta una y otra vez, y no hay forma. Gracias a Dios, o Dios mediante, lo mismo da, el tiempo no solo nos da la razon, sino que tambien lo cura todo. Con el tiempo y paciencia se nos abre un nuevo mundo, el mundo de comprender al

projimo, que no es poco. Y hay algo que si que no tiene cura, el clima. Antes de su partida, nuestro misterioso amigo temia por su salud. "Hace mucho frio, llevate mucha ropa", le decian. Y tenian mas razon que un santo. Creo, sin temor a equivocarme, que Moscow cuenta con el peor clima, no solo del mundo, sino de parte del Universo, o al menos, de esa pequena porcion que yo conozco. Nada mas descender del Mini-Van que le trajo desde Spokane a estas tierras, la nieve ya cubria el terreno. "Y que voy a hacer yo aqui" pensaba para sus adentros. "En mi tierra luce el sol, la gente camina por la calle, y la ciudad da muestras de vida". Pero amigos, craso error. Moscow es Moscow. Sin comentarios. Alla cada cual con sus pensamientos, y aunque seguramente las ideas seran unanimes, callemos por no pecar.

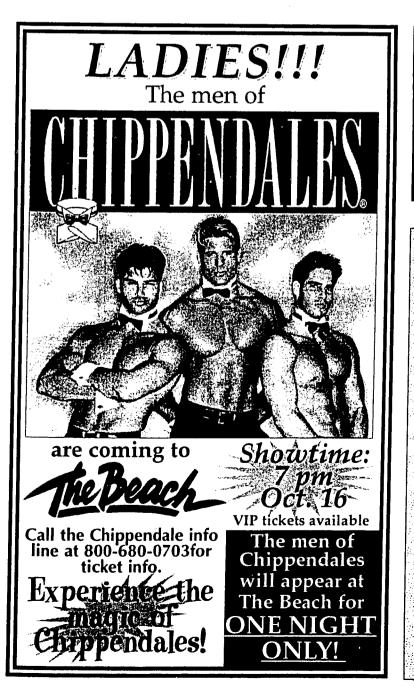
estudiante internacional se dirigio a la piscina. No hay nada mejor que nadar todos los días para conservar nuestro estado de salud. Pero este dia era diferente. Tras hacer varios largos, salio al resbaladizo suelo a coger una tabla. Y no se le ocurrio otra cosa que saltar con toda su energia a la parte poco profunda de la piscina. La tranquilidad sumisnistrada por la vida en Moscow se vio de repente alterada. Se habia lesionado. Dios santo bendito. Nieve mas lesion implica descanso, ausencia total de movimiento. Y asi fue. El doctor le coloco una venda y por un par de semana estuvo pendiente de saber si una intervención quirugica era necesaria o no. Fueron dias de angustia. Inestabilidad motora sobre superficies altamente resbaladizas. Era el momento, habia que poner a prueba a los amigos.

Como cada dia, nuestro

Esos individuos que acabamos de conocer, de los que apenas sabemos nada, pero que desde la llegada, son nuestros amigos. Seguramente muchas de las relaciones iniciadas en el campus perduraran por siempre, y aunque no fuera asi, que bonito vivirlas.

Las amistades respondieron a nuestro protagonista. Grandes personas le invitaron a comer, le llevaron la compra a casa (gracias R. Keenan), e incluso Devanira bailo con el las siguientes semanas a pesar de su imposibilidad total de seguir el ritmo salsero.

Y la gran pregunta: Y quien era el? Pues es sencillo, el era yo. No importaba el personaje, sino tan solo la moraleja. Todos los internacionales, y en especial los latinos estamos fuera de nuestros entornos, que mayor privilegio que contar con el apoyo y la amistad de nuestros semejantes.

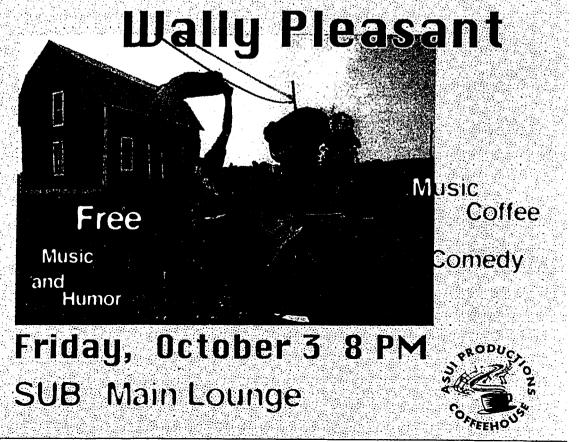




That was Swahili

for "I really loved

the show!"



A look ahead

 Stranger Neighbor will be rocking the Capricorn tonight and tomorrow night. Are you tough enough?

• Head on down to CJ's. Stubblehead will be playing tonight and tomorrow night, dig it!

• BeeCraft, a Spokane rock group with a taste for improvisational jamming, will be playing John's Alley tonight. They're different, come check them out.

• Tomorrow at the Alley, boogie to the sounds of Shovel Jerk, Flourish and Shag Harbor.

• The University of Idaho "Mount Logan '97" climbing expedition team will be presenting a multi-media slide show of their trip. Showtime is on Tuesday, Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Borah Theatre. Admission is free to everyone.

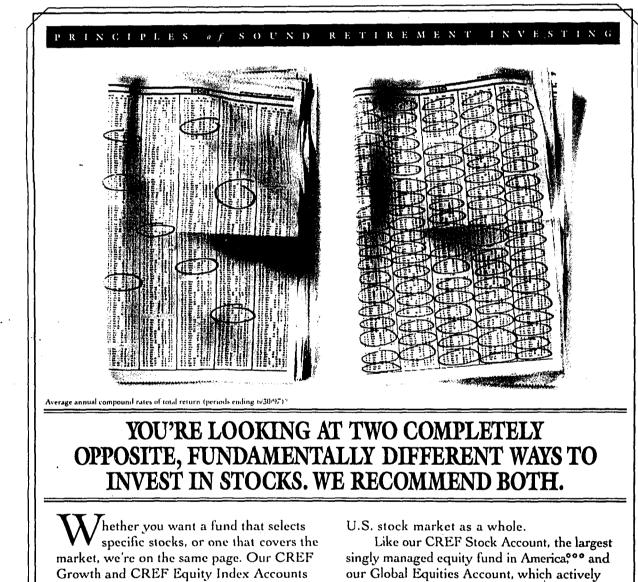
• Massage your worries away every Wednesday, 12:00 p.m. -2:00 p.m. at the Vox. Come have lunch and a 15 minute massage from Meredith. \$10 for 15 minutes.

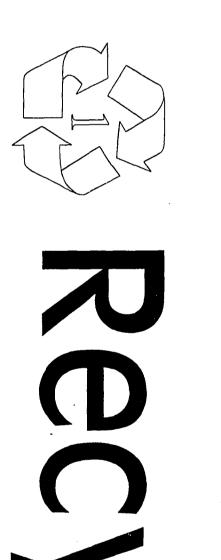
• The Rocky Horror Picture Show is showing tonight in the SUB ballroom at 10 p.m.

• Raised in Captivity is playing tonight, tomorrow and Sunday night at the Collette Theatre at 7:30 p.m.

The Arte Flamenco Dance Theatre will be performing tonight at the Beasley Coliseum in Pullman. Check out this exotic form of dance. For information, call 883-DANS.







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Sports " Pacific rips Vandal magic to the core

TONYA SNYDER ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Pacific proved last night why they are no. 10 in the nation. In three games, the Tigers ore the Vandals apart in their ome lair 16-14, 15-14 15-3.

The past two weeks for Vandal olleyball have been nothing short magic.

It started with the amazing erformance at the Connecticut ournament where UI thrashed loston College, Harvard and the UConn Huskies to take the title. Couple that with two impressive Big West conference wins last veekend against Nevada and Utah state and Vandal middle blocker essica Moore being named Big West player of the week, one might venture to say the magic of the lefending conference champs is back, and in full force.

But there were no rabbits to be oulled from the magic top hat last night against Pacific.

The 10th ranked Pacific (9-2) reveled in past glories once again Thursday night as they showed Idaho a little magic of their own.

Historically, Pacific has dominated the Vandals. At their first meeting back in 1986, the Tigers put away Idaho in three games. This, however was just the beginning of the three game rout of UI at the hands of Pacific. Last season, Pacific beat Idaho in Stockton, Calif. 15-8, 15-9, 15-9 and yet again at the Big West Tournament, eliminating Idaho from competition.

"Pacific, year in and year out, traditionally has been one of the top volleyball programs in the country, coach Carl Ferreira said.

The first two hits of game one showed a bit of hesitation on the part of the Vandals but a dump from Anna Reznicek quickly got UI into the swing of things. Beth Craig followed with three key kills to tie the score at 2-2.

To say the Vandals were hot at

the net is an understatement. The entire Idaho squad was hitting better than they had in Memorial Gym all season led by sophomore setter Reznicek with a .500 attack percentage.

Nicole Tomaino served an ace to help pull the Vandals to a 7-5 lead over a shaky Pacific team. Despite taking a time-out, the Tigers struggled to regain composure while the Vandals extended to a 10-5 lead thanks to a pair of kills by senior Jeri Hymas.

The Vandals faltered late in the game, allowing Pacific to go on a 6run, to tie the game at 11-11 before calling time-out.

Idaho had the game all wrapped up, serving for game point, 14-13, but botched a key hit, forfeiting possession to Pacific who finished off the Vandals 16-14.

Craig led the Vandal attack in game one with six kills for a .364 hitting percentage followed by Hymas with five. Addie Hauschild had top numbers for the Tigers with four kills and three digs.

Offense wasn't the only thing going well on Idaho's side of the net. Their defense was stunning as UI out-blocked the Tigers 3-1 and had six recepts to kills compared to Pacific's four.

Pacific carried over their momentum in game one into game two. All visible signs of jitters and jet lag gone, the Tigers pulled out to an early lead, forcing the Vandals to take two time-outs to try and curb the now well-oiled Pacific squad. Two aces from the Tigers put them on top 2-9.

It wasn't as if Idaho didn't have a chance. The Lady Vandals had numerous opportunities. Strong work at the net and key digs kept rallies alive, but UI just couldn't capitalize.

Kyle Leonard came up with three kills in a row to keep Idaho in the game, but rotation and net violations destroyed any advantage the hits might have created.

Down 13-3, the Vandals staged

a two-point run off the work of Reznicek and Jessica Moore, but even these two team leaders couldn't hold off the inevitable Tiger win 4-15.

The hot offensive game of UI was non-existent in game two, not even a single block was set to stop the Pacific front line. The Idaho offense was just as elusive as their defense. The Vandals only managed to scrape up ten total kills and a hitting percentage at .192 compared to 16 kills and a phenomenal .452 attack percentage by the Tigers.

Jennica Smith, a sophomore outside hitter for Pacific led both teams in kills with five followed by teammate Randy Jensen with four kills and three digs. Leonard and Moore carried

much off the weight of the little offense by Idaho, each hitting home four kills.

Once again, the Tigers led early in game three until a kill by Moore got the Vandals on the scoreboard at 1-3. Vandal scoring seemed to be a mere distraction in the course of the game - the Tigers went on a 4-0 run and led 7-1 before Idaho scored their next point.

Heather Awalt's ace and three back-to-back kills by Chambers brought game-point around much earlier than the Vandals had hoped. A simple down ball killed Idaho's hopes of ousting the three-match losing streak with the Tigers taking another easy win, 15-3.

Chambers and Smith led the Tigers in kills with 13 and 12 respectively. Smith also added 10 digs to add to Pacific's total of 31.

Craig and Moore carried the burden of the Vandal attack, each with 10 kills on the night. As a whole, Idaho was out-hit 41-52

with their attack percentage falling drastically in each game. Game three's attack percentage was a

lowly .143 percent. "We definitely didn't achieve what we wanted to," Kyle Leonard said. "We knew that if we came out and competed in all three games, we would have been effective. We need to compete all match long, not just sporadically like tonight.'

"We didn't pass as well as we'd liked, but still I'm pleased with our overall improvement and development as a team. Without a doubt, we are a much better team than we were three weeks ago," said coach Carl Ferreira

The Lady Vandals face off against Boise State Saturday at 6:00 p.m. in Boise. The Vandals lead the series with BSU 33-22, winning 13 straight over the Broncos since the 1991 season.



Idaho defenders Kyle Leonard, Jessica Moore and Kelly Holzer sprawl to save a Pacific kill last night in Memorial Gym

Idaho looks to open Big West with 20th straight victory at home

BRAD NEUENDORF

STAFF

Tith a win against North Texas tomorrow, the University of Idaho will have one of, if not the longest home winning streak in the nation.

According to the NCAA Football records book, no team going into the 1997 season was at the 20 game winning streak. If the Vandals claim victory tomorrow, they will possibly be the first team since Fresno State in 1990 to win 20 consecutive games at home. Chances are the last time the Vandals lost at home, you were probably sheering on your high school team, dreaming of college. Doug Nussmeier was the quarterback under head coach John L. Smith when the Vandals last lost at home against Montana, Nov. 6, 1993.

highest student attendance in Kibbie Dome history.

With the largest student crowd ever for a season opener many problems arised, causing impatient students waiting in line instead of cheering on the Vandals.

Mike Hogan and the UI marketing department have combated this, allowing access to students through the south gates as well as adding two gates on the north side. Also, problems with the Vandal card database should be taken care of to ensure easier flow through the gates.

Parcells, Jets continue to surprise



their ball-control running game is "one of the best" in the American Football Conference.

And when you have Coach Parcells on the sideline, no matter how volatile and rigid he may be, your team has a chance to win.

The Jets are seeing that firsthand. Okay, luck also plays an intrical part as well. The Jets played an average game in which they were outplayed thoroughly by the Oakland Raiders in week four but still won, thanks in large part to three missed Cole Ford Id goals a botched and a field goal that was returned. for a touchdown after being blocked. The Jets dominated the Cincinnati Bengals this past weekend by doing the same things that they have all season. Cincinnati 's offense was stifled from the first snap and the Jets completely controlled the time of possession. So now, the Jets are 3-2 and looking pretty solid. Don't get me wrong, duplicating the 1969 Jets that won Super Bowl III will be miraculous task for this group of players, but they are on the right track to making the playoffs.

a new contract with the Blazers of the NBA, immediately I pondered just how much an average scorer with good rebounding and defensive skills could command in cash.

It was later divulged that Wallace received \$80-million over six seasons. If my math serves me correctly, that's over \$13 million per season. Basically, that is amazing!

Wallace, who came out of North Carolina at the same time as Jerry Stackhouse, who plays for the Philadelphia 76ers, has been a

With a home winning tradition as strong as this you would assume that all the students would be eager to support the Vandals.

To say the least, the Vandals have lacked power in pulling crowds to games in previous seasons. In the past, 2,000-2,200 students would be considered a good crowd. If this is any indication, things could be looking up for the Kibbie Dome atmosphere – against Big Sky comedic relief Portland State there vere over 3,000 students in ttendance. This was the second

Vandal fans are encouraged to come early tomorrow and support the Vandals in their quest for a Big West championship.

"Our goal this year is to win the West Conference Big Championship and this is a critical game for us," head coach Chris Tormey said. "We need the same home field advantage this game that they had in their stadium last year."

That game eliminated the Vandals from any piece of the conference championship last scason.

"A great crowd is a tremendous home field advantage and we would appreciate the same kind of support in this game, if not better than we had in the first game," Tormey said. "Let's keep the streak alive and make us as much noise as you feel like."

, E,T,S. Jets, Jets, Jets. That mock chant was just one of many heard around sports broadcasts on ESPN and other stations.

However, times have changed since last season and the New York Jets are looking, well, rather good. New York continues to shock analysts, fans and sports writers alike. New York, which . was the laughing stock of the NFL in 1996-97, has already tripled its win total from last year in the first five games of this scason.

The hiring of Bill Parcells is reason enough but the improvement revolves around much more than a good coach. The Jets are not making the same mental and physical mistakes that they made game after game last season. Defensively, they can stop other teams. Offensively, quarterback Neil O'Donnell is healthy and a

Booming salaries mar offseason in NBA

When I saw a recent

SportsCenter on ESPN in which

Portland's Rasheed Wallace inked

legitimate 15-point scorer who has the potential to be a ferocious inside player. But is he worth that kind of a salary? Is anybody?

Later in the week, Cleveland Cavalier guard Bobby Sura, who has been made famous for his ability to get above the rim and dunk with one hand, signed a new deal worth \$32 million over approximately six years.

Now Sura has potential to be a solid player in the NBA but that is it. He will never be considered in the top ten shooting guards in the league and is probably the third best player on his team, next to Shawn Kemp and possibly Danny Ferry.

Speaking of Kemp, since he departed Seattle and will now be a Cavalier, it is quite apparent that he will receive a new and much richer contract. A contract

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Vandal Volleyball

Idaho takes on Boise State Saturday, Oct. 4 in Boise. The Vandals have won 13 straight over BSU since the 1991 season and are seeking number 14 this weekend. Tune in to KHTR Hot 104 for game coverage.

Stride For Gold

"Stride For Gold," a fundraising event benefiting the UI women's athletic teams is to be held Oct. 25 from 9-10 a.m. in the Kibbie Dome.

Striders and donors are still needed for this event. Striders will receive free tickets to the UI volleyball team against Cal Poly, a ticket to a celebration brunch after the event at the University Inn Broiler and other gifts for total donations pledged.

Anyone who would like to participate as a strider in this activity may contact UI Athletics at 885-0200, or Pam Farmer at 883-1519 for more information.

Huff 'n' Puffin Fun Run

Moscow Parks and Recreation is sponsoring the fourteenth Huff 'n' Puffin Fun Run on Saturday, Oct. 4. The race begins at 10 a.m. at the Eggan Youth Center. Register for either the 5 km or 10 km course. For more information, contact Moscow Parks and Parameters at 882 7005 Parks and Recreation at 883-7085.

Adult Basketball League

The organizational meeting for the Adult Basketball League will be Thursday, Oct. 16 at 6 p.m. at the Eggan Youth Center located at 1515 East D Street. A team manager and/ or representative must attend. Team registration will be Monday, Oct. 27 between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. only. Team fees are \$400. For more information, please call 883-7085.

Bucs blaze — Tiger fades

TODD MORDHORST

STAFF

There are certain things you can count on in the world of sports. Things like the Bulls winning NBA titles or the Vandals winning in the Kibbie Dome. You can always count on the Tampa Bay Buccaneers to lose 12 games a season and you can put money on Tiger Woods in match play. Or can you?

Last Monday's headlines proved there are no guarantees in sports as the Bucs moved to 5-0 on the season and Tiger lost three matches at the Ryder Cup.

Tampa Bay fans are seeing something they haven't seen in a long time and it isn't just new uniforms — it's good football. Head coach Tony Dungy has put all those first round draft picks to good use and the Buccaneers look like the team to beat in the NFC.

This is a team that was on the verge of moving out of Tampa after the 1994 season. With new ownership and good coaching the team has completely turned around.

The strengths of this team are in its youth. Quarterback Trent Dilfer isn't putting up huge numbers, but he runs the offense efficiently and can make plays when he needs to. Rookie running back Warrick Dunn from Florida State is the early front runner for Rookie of the Year. Dunn's quickness is balanced with fullback Mike

Alstott, a big bruising runner out of Purdue. Warren Sapp has been a terror on the defensive line along with Brad Culpepper, who had three sacks last Sunday. Linebacker Hardy Nickerson is providing leadership and his usual stellar play. Most importantly, Tampa Bay is playing like a team of destiny. Last week against the Arizona Cardinals the offense standard to gru the least but they found a work the

offense struggled to say the least, but they found a way to win. A fake punt ended up paying off for the Bucs and Arizona missed a field goal in the final seconds that would have won the game.

Though they already have big wins over San Francisco, Minnesota and Detroit, the Bucs will face their biggest test this Sunday when they travel to the other bay. The reigning Super Bowl champions desperately need a win or they will fall three games behind Tampa Bay in the NFC Central standings.

In other "believe it or not" events of last weekend Tiger Woods went 1-3-1 in the Ryder Cup as the U.S. fell to the Europeans. Woods was not the only U.S. golfer to disappoint, but he lost a critical singles match to Costantino Rocca on Sunday, proving he isn't invincible.

The talented U.S. team was favored to win the Cup, but the Europeans built a big lead on Saturday and the Americans were unable to recover. U.S. captain Tom Kite said his team didn't know the course as well as the Europeans. Tom Lehman said the Europeans played better as a team and Tiger Woods simply said you can't always win.

In Tiger's defense he didn't get much help from some of his teammates. PGA Championship winner Davis Love III went 0-4, while British Open Champ Justin Leonard went 0-2-2. Leonard blew a huge lead in his match on Sunday and could only produce a point.

While the big names struggled, guys like Scott Hoch and Jeff Maggert played well. Hoch Maggert and Lee Janzen were the only U.S. golfers with winning records for the weekend.

Colin Montgomerie, who said he wanted to take on Tiger Woods in match play, led the Europeans. Montgomerie and Woods played in the team competition on Friday, splitting their two matches. Costantino Rocca and Bernhard Langer were also very valuable for the European squad.

The Europeans can celebrate for now, but the U.S. recently announced the roster for the next "Dream team." We'll see who's celebrating after the World Basketball Championships next year.

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that will pay him a much bigger salary then he has ever received before. Is Kemp worth that kind of cash?

forward Kevin Garnett just recently had his outrageous, to say the least, demands met when the organization signed him to a \$120 million six-year extension.

Garnett is an all-star — no doubt about that. Garnett can score, play defense, run the floor and do anything any player in the NBA can do. He knows it and wanted to be paid a handsome amount of cash for his efforts. It's a sum that probably far exceeds his worth.

The T-Wolves offered \$100 million plus over the same amount of time but Garnett still was not in the signing mood before his whining and crying became to unbearable for the Wolves organization to handle.

The scary aspect of all of this is that the demands for large contracts will not subside but only increase as these competitors' demands are met.

How greedy are these athletes becoming? Is their life so stressful that a couple million per year just doesn't cut it anymore? Apparently it is. Professional players with skill are tremendous for sports fans, writers and analysts. However, no athlete should be able to command that much cash for their services especially when a player who competes in a similar league barely makes enough money to support their family, e.g. the WNBA.



Jessica Moore — Queen Midas

SPORTS EDITOR

Everything Jessica Moore touches turns to gold.

Since her freshman year on the University of Idaho volleyball team, fans and coaches alike knew the 6foot blonde possessed something special. From the moment Moore graced Memorial Gym's court, she has not let them down.

In that initiating season, Moore earned the Big Sky Conference's Freshman of the Year honor. A trail of awards and press have followed the junior's path since she blazed onto the Vandal scene in 1995.

Last season she continued to deliver, leading the league in blocks with an average of 1.33 as well as maintaining second in the conference with a hitting percentage of .389. Moore was awarded first-team all-Big West honors as well as being named a Big West Player of the Week.

Now, as an aged junior with substantial experience, she has made the transition from teen wonder to focused leader.

"This year my role has changed immensely," Moore said. "Last year I started to develop a leadership role but it was hard because I didn't get that much respect because I was still young. Now I have to be a leader everyday."

She admits that the pressure from that role is sometimes grueling, but its rewards are far greater.

"Not that I slacked off last year, but there were times when I just went with the flow and still got things done. It's much more intense now, Carl and Ellen always remind me that my teammates feed off of me, it's a lot of responsibility," she said.

The years have not taken their toll on Moore's stamina. This season she leads the Vandals with 3.62 kills per game and 1.89 blocks per game. In yet another attribution to her hard work, she was named Big West Player of the week for her efforts against last weekend's wins over Utah State and Nevada. She combined for 26 kills, 13 digs, seven blocks, four service aces and a .353 attack percentage.

Watching her today, it's difficult to believe volleyball only became a part of her life when she entered into high school. Although her childhood was saturated with athletics, her main focus had always been basketball until her freshman year.

"I wasn't even going to try out my freshman year because I didn't think I would make the team," Moore said.

It was quickly apparent that Moore was a natural, as she moved up to the varsity team within weeks of try-outs.

That raw natural talent is exhumed in every play she makes at Idaho, combined with years of training under the direction of former UI head coach Tom Hilbert and now Carl and Ellen Ferreira.

Moore admits the transition period from Hilbert to Ferreira and his staff has been rough on the team, but she believes the turbulence is behind them.

"With a new coaching staff, it's going to be uncomfortable because everything you're learning is completely new. But now you know what Carl expects and it's starting to come together."

Although Moore graduated from Belgrada, Mont., her roots are embedded in Seattle, Wash., where she lived the first 14 years of her life. It was there where her love of sports stemmed at the tender age of six, playing t-ball and basketball soon thereafter.

Basketball continued to be her main focus throughout high school, and though she was recruited more heavily for it, she needed a change of pace.

of pace. "I was feeling burnt out of basketball. I had been playing it for a very long time and volleyball was still new to me."

Only two other teams recruited the budding star for volleyball, and Moore was much more impressed with Idaho's program and professionalism.

The Vandals picked up an ace in Moore, who has helped lead the past two teams to championships. This season got off to a rocky start, but after a 5-0 run the past two weeks, UI seems to be headed in the right direction.

"In the beginning of the season, people were unsure of their roles, everybody was trying to put everything together and it just wasn't connecting. It was getting out of control. The whole turnaround stemmed from the Connecticut tournament after our first game. We sat down and had a team meeting where we decided we weren't having fun, and that we weren't having for us. Ever since then we have been playing completely different."

In order to maintain this momentum, the middle blocker believes her team needs to work on consistency and staying emotionally in tact throughout the entire match.

Head coach Ferreira knows how vital the junior's presence is to the team's physical and emotional



Jessica Moore

stability.

"She has been our most consistent performer all along. Her teammates have come to expect her to play consistently night in and night out, which she does. Not an easy role to be in because not only are you doing your job but you're carrying the emotional balance of your teammates as well."

Moore plans to graduate in 1999 with a degree in General Studies, which she hopes will lead her towards a career in Communications and public relations. Following graduation, she would like to head back to Seattle and pursue her dreams.

Athletics has given Moore more than she can express in words.

"It's given me strength to keep

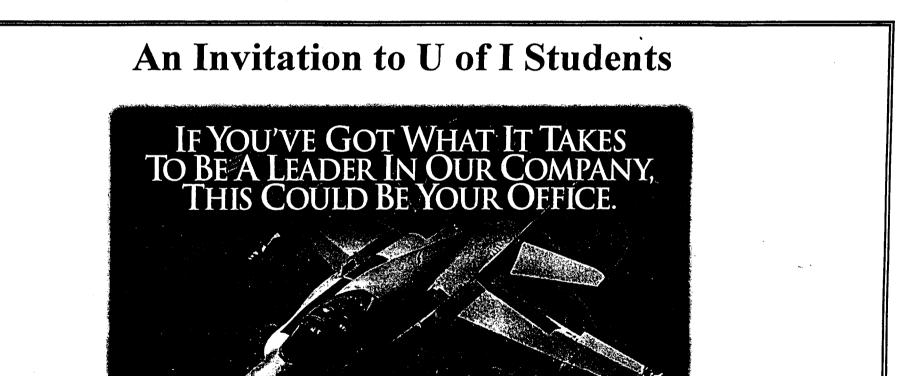
pushing through tough times — life is hard. You have to learn how to interact with all different personalities. School has never been easy for me and athletics have always come easily for me so it's about finding that balance."

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Not only does Moore have the golden touch on the volleyball court, but she has a heart of gold.

"I would like to make a difference in at least one person's life. Before I die I would like one person to say Jessica Moore was the most influential person in my life."

Idaho's golden girl possesses the confidence, poise and pure athleticism to lead the Vandals to another championship. What Moore could the volleyball program ask for?





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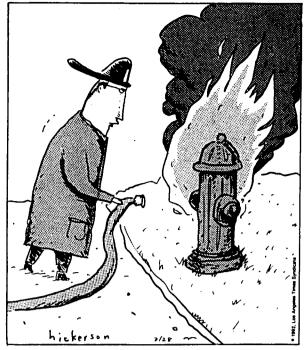
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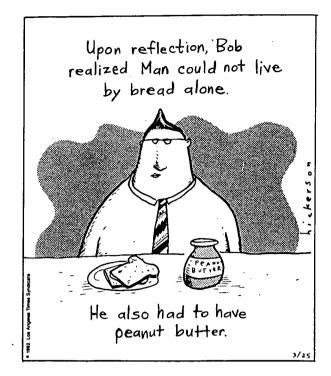


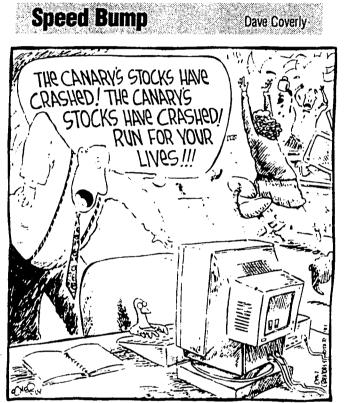
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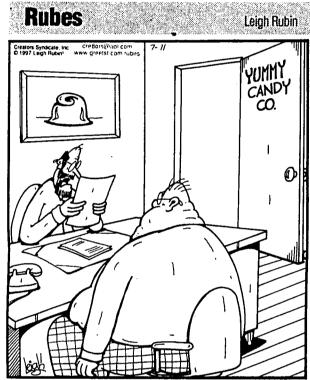


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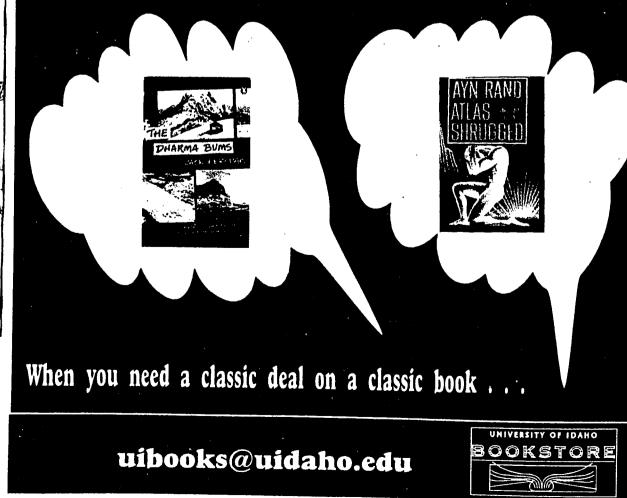


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