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Career Fair held today in Student Union Ballroom

LISA LANNIGAN

NEWS EDITOR

tudents have several options for future employment this month.

The College of Agriculture Career Day is scheduled for today in the Student Union Ballroom from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Mark Heitstuman, assistant to the director of academic programs at the College of Agriculture, says over 30 employers will be there to talk to students about career options and summer employment. Some of the companies planning to attend are Cargill, Simplot, JC Penny, and Farm Credit Services.

"While the Career Day is sponsored by the College of Agriculture, all UI students are welcome," Heitstuman says.

Representatives from Cargill will also be in Agricultural Science Building Room 62 today from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. for an information session.

Students in the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences themselves put together the fourth annual Natural Resources Career Fair, scheduled for Tuesday.

The fair takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the first and second floors of the Forestry Building.

The College of Forestry's Student Affairs Council has initiated the fair for the past four years. Meribeth Lomkin, a senior in range resources, says students did all the contacting of companies to attend the fair.

"It's something that nobody was doing," she said. "We do get opportunities to discover a lot of help for the college career coordinator, Riva Morgan," Lomkin said.

A few of the companies attending include Boise National Forest, Inland Empire Paper, Washington State Parks, Nez Perce Tribal Forestry, and Sportsman's Cove Lodge. Some employers will presentations in the afternoon and evening of the career fair.

"It gives students a chance to meet people from those companies," Lomkin said.

After meeting employers and setting up interviews, students may want an opportunity to prepare themselves. On Thursday, Career Services is offering a workshop entitled Marketing Yourself with a Resume and Cover Letter" at 11:30 a.m. in the Career Services office in Brink Hall. For more information or to preregister, call 885-6121.

Cooperative Education is also offering help for students looking to get the most out of employment opportunities. "How to Make the WSU/UI Summer Job and Internship Fair Work for You," a workshop presented by Cooperative Education, will be held Thursday from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the SUB Silver Room. For more information, call Cooperative Education at 885-



Former WSU student Charles Mears stands outside the SUB in protest of grading politics. Mears also claims that WSU "stole" a large sum of money that

Psychologist speaks on eating disorders

CHARLOTTE WEST

STAFF

n a world of Barbie dolls and stick-thin supermodels, body image has become a preoccupation for many American women. On Thursday Dr. Rosalyn Meadow, Ph.D., will be giving a talk entitled "Good Girls Don't Eat Dessert," held at 7:30 p.m. in the University of Idaho Student Union Ballroom.

Meadow will use a mix of slides and examples from contemporary media images. She will discuss eating disorders such as anorexia, bulimia, and binge eating on college campuses. Anyone who has a desire to change their feelings toward food is invited to

Her lecture will focus on the media's influence on female body image.

According to People magazine, the body measurements for the average model are about 33-2333. This size is achievable for only about 1 in 20

Eating disorders are a prevalent cause for concern for women on college campuses. Studies estimate that between 10-25 percent of college age women suffer from some form of an eating disorder.

According to the National Association of

Anorexia and Associated Disorders, eating disorders affect 7 million American women. Eighty-six percent of sufferers report the onset of their illness before the age of 20.

The primary preventive measure for these disorders is educational programs such as Meadow's lecture at both the secondary and college levels.

Meadow is co-author of the book Good Girls

Don't Eat Dessert: Changing Your Relationship to Food and Sex. She has also been a psychologist and sex therapist for over 20 years. Her book discusses the modern obsession with the "perfect" size and provides positive solutions for women negatively affected by the "thinness craze."

University enrollment numbers up over last spring

The number of students enrolled in the University of Idaho increased slightly this spring over last. It is the first time since 1995 that the numbers have gone up. The '96 and '97 spring semesters averaged a loss of 607 students from the prior year.

The total number of students enrolled at UI this semester is 10,401. That is 33 more than last spring. The number includes full and part-time graduate and

While the Moscow campus population is down from last spring by half a percent — 47 students — the Boise Center and University Place in Idaho Falls

The UI Boise location enrollment increased by 12 percent to 382 and Idaho Falls rose by 19 percent to 454.

"These figures reflect the statewide nature of the university and the increasing importance of our centers throughout Idaho," said UI Provost Brian

There are 8 percent more Idaho residents enrolled this semester than last spring, and 1.2 percent fewer out-of-state students. This semester there are 312 fewer students than in the fall.

Ten years ago, there were 1,635 fewer students enrolled at the UI than now. That number increased by an average of 401 students per year until spring of 1995, when the population peaked at 11, 573 students. The next two years saw a marked drop in numbers of students.

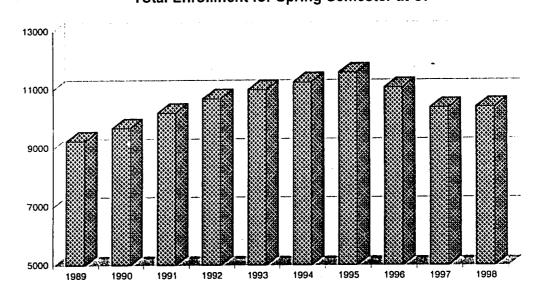
Over 6,700 people are full-time undergraduates this semester.

There are an additional 2,781 part-time undergraduates and 2,131 graduate

The university uses the total number of credit hours being taken at the UI to estimate enrollment in terms of full-time students. For instance, this semester students are signed up for a grand total of 127,460 credit hours. That figure, divided by the average number of credit hours per students — 15 for undergraduates — yields the equivalent number of full-time students the UI is

This semester that number is 8690.9, as compared to 8564.1 last spring.

Total Enrollment for Spring Semester at UI





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WSU reports record enrollment, but below target

PULLMAN — Spring enrollment at Washington State University reached a record 19,474 students, but was still 4 percent below its target, the school said.

Last year, there were 19,415 students enrolled in spring classes.

Higher non-resident tuition fees have cut out-of-state enrollments by 312 from last year.

The economic crisis in Asia dropped international enrollments by 93 from last year, the school said.

The school is seeing a surge in applications for next fall, because of increased marketing and because of the football team's appearance in the Rose Bowl, Provost Gretchen Bataille



Proposed legislation will require licenses for tattoo artists, body plercers

BOISE - Rep. Debbie Field, R-Boise, said she had some trepidation Friday as she approached the State Affairs Committee with a proposal to license tattoo artists and body piercers.

Members wanted to see some examples. She couldn't provide any.

Field said she was approached by the Cosmetology Board, which wants to license tattooers and body piercers. "They really do have a problem in this area," she said.

The board wants authority to inspect establishments to make sure they are sanitary, Field said.

Eventually the committee voted to introduce legislation calling for a \$50 license. It will be considered by the Bindaesi Committee.

"Should we require parental consent?" asked Rep. Margaret Henbest, D-Boise.

Boise State reports largest spring enrollment in history

BOISE - Boise State University is reporting a record-setting spring enrollment and a 3 percent increase over last spring.

Enrollment typically drops during the spring semester, but this year 15,384 students enrolled for the spring semester.

Boise State's enrollment is up in a variety of areas, from full-time freshmen to full-time graduate students, said Mark Wheeler, dean of enrollment services.

This is the third consecutive semester we have had a record enrollment. A more stable enrollment from fall to spring leads to the kind of managed growth we want," Wheeler said.

Legislators turn down sales tax credit for food banks

BOISE — Legislators said it was a good idea, but they didn't like the process.

The House tax panel on Friday turned down proposed legislation to allow food banks to claim a sales tax credit based on the value of donated food.

Sponsors said it would make \$27,000 per year available to food banks, which are hardpressed to meet demands caused by welfare reforms. The sales tax credit was to be based on an arbitrary value of \$1.70 per pound of donated food. The legislation stipulated that the tax credit could be used only to purchase

But Revenue and Taxation Committee members said they didn't like the process, which amounted to giving a third party a tax credit for purchases made by someone else.

"We are opening a brand new door for exemptions," said Rep. Dennis Lake, R-Blackfoot. "We will live to regret it."

'This is terrible tax policy, one I don't want to get into," said Rep. Golden Linford,

Committee to research tax credits for home-school, private school families

BOISE — Idaho residents might get a lot more information later this year about the concept of granting state tax credits for families that do not use the public schools.

The House Revenue and Taxation Committee on Friday approved legislation from chairman Donna Jones to seek authorization for an interim study committee.

Earlier in the session, the tax panel killed legislation that would have given families a tax credit of up to \$1,500 for each child that didn't use public schools, but instead is homeschooled or attends parochial or private schools. Sponsors argued it wouldn't actually cost anything, because money going for the tax break would be offset by the fact that fewer children would be attending public

Opponents contended there would be little savings from losing a student here and there, and argued it would be a huge drain in funding for public schools.

bases, R-Payette, said the uncertain cost probably killed the bill.

"The fiscal note probably was the biggest factor in the defeat of the bill," she said.

Announcements

Today

- The College of Agriculture Career Day is scheduled for today from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. Over 30 different employers will be on campus to advertise positions and interview students for internships, permanent positions, and summer employment. Cargill, Simplot, JC Penny, and Farm Credit Services are among the companies planning to attend. The Career Day is sponsored by the College of Agriculture and all UI students are welcome.
- · Local poet, writer, and teacher Joy Passanante will read from her collection of poems Sinning in Italy today at 12:30 p.m. at the UI Women's Center. This brown-bag lunch program is free and open to the public.
- Join Cargill representatives at an information session on "Career Opportunities with Cargill," today from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Agricultural Science Building Room 62.
- · The Forest Service is taking comments on a new proposed roadless area policy which will prevent logging roads from being built in certain roadless areas. To encourage people to comment on the proposal, I-SEAC is hosting an awareness dance with Galactic Tofu Farmers today at 8 p.m. at the Vox. For more information, contact I-SEAC at seacidaho@hotmail.com. For more information on the policy, contact <www.fs.fed.us> on the Internet.

Tomorrow

- A workshop entitled "How to Make the WSU/UI Summer Job and Internship Fair Work for You," will be held Thursday from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the SUB Silver Room. For more information call Cooperative Education at 885-5822.
- •A Career Services workshop entitled "Marketing Yourself with a Resume and Cover Letter" will be held Thursday at 11:30 a.m. in the Career Services office in Brink Hall. For more information, contact Career Services at 885-6121. Preregistration is recommended.

Coming Events

- In celebration of Black History Month, RAACE will be holding a "Soul Food Sale" Friday from 11:30 to 1:30 in
- · Tickets are on sale for "Cruise the World: A Passport to Adventure," Saturday from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Student Union Building, sponsored by the International Programs Office and the International Friendship Association. Prices are \$3.50 general admission. \$2.50 for UI students and \$7.50 for families. For

more information call the IFA at 885-7841.

- · Start thinking about golf this spring. Season passes for the spring semester are on sale now at the UI pro shop. Shop hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please call 885-6171 to verify the opening date.
- The Moscow Sister City Association invites members of the community to its annual Spaghetti Dinner, Sunday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at St. Augustine's Center in Moscow. Cost is \$4 for adults, \$3 for children and \$12 for a family of four.
- · About 20 employers will be talking with students at the fourth annual "Natural Resources Career Fair" Feb. 24 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences.
- Register today for a "Wedding Workshop." The program is sponsored by the UI Community Enrichment Program and is for those planning a wedding in the near future. The date of the class is March 7 from 1-5 p.m. For more information or to register, call the UI Enrichment Program at 885-6486.
- Was there really life on Mars? Dr. Leslie Baker will talk about simulating Martian hydrothermal reactions on Feb. 27 at 3:30 p.m. in the Engineering/Physics Building.
- · Falun Dafa nine-day seminar, a high level cultivation exercise of Buddha's School, will be March 2-10 everyday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the SUB Silver Galena Room. Admission is free. More information is available at http://www.uidaho.edu/~huan1086/>.

Opportunities

- A number of companies and organizations will be visiting the UI Career Services office this semester to fill job vacancies. Recruiting visits begin this month. Seniors and graduate students who wish to meet with these companies and discuss employment opportunities must register-with Career Services. Several introductory workshops are offered by Career Services to explain the registration and recruiting process; a worship schedule is available at their office in Brink Hall. For more information, call 885-6121.
- The Student Counseling Center offers the following throughout the Spring semester:

Groups: Divorce Group, Women's Psychotherapy Group, Grief Support Group, Making Marriages Work: Strategies for a Successful Marriage, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Support Group and Bipolar Group.

Work Shops: Choosing a Major every Wednesday, 3:30-5 p.m., Assertiveness Training March 10, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Stress Management Feb. 27 and April 30, 2:30-4 p.m. and Reducing Test Anxiety March 5 and May 7, 2:30-4 p.m. Call 885-6716 or stop by UCC 309 for more information.

Tough test? Call someone for sympathy.

ASUI, SArb sponsor pop can pull tab philanthropy

Tabs help cancer patient's mother stay with her during treatments

CANDICE LONG

The simple act of yanking the pull tabs off a pop or beer can will help a mother stay with her daughter while she receives cancer treatment.

Sarah Largent, a 15-year-old Potlatch resident, has a tumor in her lung. She will be in Seattle for cancer treatments through August. Her mother will stay at the Ronald McDonald House in Seattle. The cost is \$7 a night — it is estimated that it will cost \$200 a month or

People drink so much pop and beer here that if everyone places their tabs in the designated cans. we can help.

 Allyson Lee. community service co-chair for SArb

Idaho. Their peers and people in the community now have the opportunity to help support their mother's stay.

ASUI and SArb have co-sponsored a philanthropy by placing tin cans in the living groups and various places throughout campus in hopes of filling them up with pop can tabs. They will be collected every two weeks and will continue to be collected as the semester progresses.

We are doubling the manpower," said Allyson Lee, community service co-chairperson for SArb. "Students from both ASUI and SArb can go back to their living groups and urge students to participate."

"Right now our goal is to recycle 100 percent of the tabs on campus," Lee said. "People drink so much pop and beer here that if everyone places their tabs in the designated cans, we can help. The whole idea behind this philanthropy was to help Sarah's mother stay with her and we have started a living group competition to get them to want to compete.'

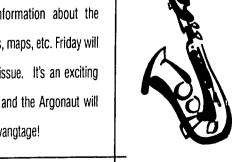
Prizes for the contest will be a pizza party for the living group, a movie night exclusively for the living group and their dates, and gift certificates. The winner will also receive a participation award given out at the ASUI awards banquet during Mom's Weekend.



\$1,600 at the end of eight months. Largent also has a brother, Jason, and a sister, Angela, who attend the University of Sarah Largent contributed photo



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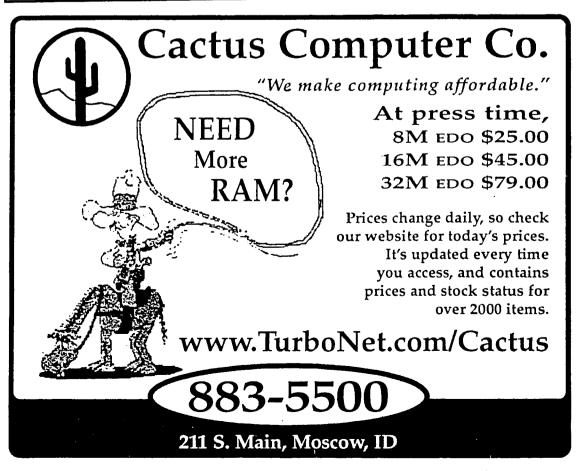


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Former UI student still charged with murder in infant death

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MOSCOW— A first-degree murder charge will stand against a former University of Idaho student accused of shaking his 15-week-old daughter to death.

Second District Judge John Stegner denied Latah County Public Defender Steve Mahaffy's motion to reduce or dismiss the charge against David Pettit Friday. Last month, Stegner rejected a motion to change the May 4 trial's location because of too much publicity.

Stegner rejected Mahaffy's argument that malice aforethought was necessary to charge Pettit. Idaho law states aggravated battery committed on a child younger than 12 which results in death is considered first-degree murder.

Deputy Prosecutor Robin Eckmann said intent was proven

at Pettit's preliminary hearing in December.

Pettit's wife, Barbara Dawn Pettit, testified he did not want to take his daughter to the doctor after she was found limp and unresponsive. He told police he was holding Rebekkah on the arm of a chair when she fell and struck her head. He admitted to shaking his daughter to revive her.

Eckmann also argued it was premature for Mahaffy's change of venue motion, saying that would be more appropriate during jury selection.

Mahaffy's last motion, to suppress evidence given to police before Pettit was arrested, will be heard at an evidentiary hearing next Friday.

That motion said Pettit made several requests to be released by Pullman Police which were denied after he took his daughter to a Pullman doctor for medical treatment.

He was transported to the Moscow Police Department and interviewed for an hour, then read his rights. Court records said Pettit stated he never felt free to leave during interrogations by both departments.

Pettit remains in the Latah County Jail without bond. He also may face escape charges after sheriff's deputies allegedly found a sharpened toothbrush, a large flat steel washer, two steel screws and a conduit clamp in his cell Monday.

Pettit is accused of using the washer as a chisel to chip away at the concrete wall that frames the cell's windows. Notes allegedly indicated Pettit planned to stab a deputy with the sharpened toothbrush during his escape.

Prosecutor Bill Thompson said he is waiting for the final report from the sheriff's office to decide whether to file charges.

Legislator wants to ban date rape drug GHB before it gets around

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BOISE — A legislator wants to outlaw a so-called "date rape drug" before it can be used and abused in Idaho.

Rep. Celia Gould, R-Buhl, is asking lawmakers to designate gamma hydroxybutyrate a "Schedule 1" controlled substance, like heroin, so authorities can stop people from producing and selling it.

Schedule 1 penalties include up to life imprisonment and up to \$25,000 in fines.

Experts say that, in small doses, the drug creates euphoria and relaxation, but higher doses can lead to amnesia, comas, or death.

Moscow police are hearing reports of the drug being circulated among University of Idaho students.

"We haven't made any arrests partly because the laws are very vague about this particular drug," Moscow Police Chief Dan Weaver said. "That's why we are certainly supporting this legislation. It would give us a tool to more actively seek out people who are

doing more harm with this drug."

Idaho law already includes penalties for rapists who drug their victims. It might be hard to quantify how often rapists use the drug. Tests often don't look for it. Victims may not be able to identify their attackers because the drug causes amnesia.

It also is tough to quantify problems resulting from the drug because of the nature of date rape itself.

Women may be reluctant to come forward because they blame themselves for accepting a date, said Evelyn Mallea, a Twin Falls social worker.

"Even though she said no, she feels somehow she contributed to it," Mallea said.

Eleven states have banned the drug. Gould said the reasons for prohibiting it are twofold.

"There are a couple of messages we want to send here. One is we want this drug to be illegal. Another is we won't tolerate this kind of sexual abuse in Idaho," she said

The House Health and Welfare Committee has unanimously voted to introduce the legislation.

Strategies for avoiding becoming the victim of rape

From the UI Policies and Information of Interest to Students, 1997-98

- 1. Don't assume "it can't happen to me."
- 2. Limit or avoid use of alcohol and other substances which impair judgment.
- 3. Be aware of the amount of alcohol you and others around you have consumed.
- 4. Know your own values and know when and how to communicate them.
 - 5. Avoid being the only couple in a secluded place.
- 6. Have your own transportation or arrange transportation with someone you trust.
- 7. Prepare mentally consider your response if pressured to do things you don't want to.
- 8. Become informed about rape, sexual assault avoidance strategies, and safety issues.

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Ul receives load of photos, albums from Lionel Hampton

MOSCOW — The University of Idaho has received 1,160 pounds of memorabilia from the namesake of the school's annual jazz festival, Lionel Hampton.

Music professor Lynn Skinner is working through boxes of albums, photos, and musical scores belonging to his close friend.

"I'm touched," he said. "These are some very precious pictures."

There are slick promotional portraits of Hampton in his younger years, Hampton playing music with children and posing with politicians. A staunch Republican, Hampton has played the vibes at the White House many times.

This year, the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival, which begins Feb. 25, will celebrate Hampton's 90th birthday.

memorabilia The particularly valuable since most of his belongings were destroyed in an apartment fire a few years ago. The fire got so hot it melted the metal on Hampton's vibes.

These boxes escaped the flames because they were in storage. Pulling out a worn album entitled Hamp Stamps, Skinner exclaims, "I've never seen that before."

Skinner's plan is to eventually find a permanent home at the Moscow school for all the jazz history he is collecting.

"That's always been their (the university's) commitment to the festival, to Lionel."

In 1987, the department was

I'm touched... these are some very precious pictures.

-Lynn Skinner, Lionel Hampton School of Music

renamed the Lionel Hampton School of Music.

Hampton's fame began when he started playing with Benny Goodman. Later he formed his own Big Band providing a platform for other stars, such as Aretha Franklin.

Skinner also recently received a plaster mold of trumpet player Dizzy Gillespie's face. Gillespie's wife was going to send it to the Smithsonian Museum, but changed her mind.

Trekker across both poles meets Moscow children

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MOSCOW - Will Steger, an adventurer to the world's most inhospitable places, has wanted to explore since childhood.

His resume reads like an extreme-sport enthusiast's travel guide: dog-sled trips to both poles, climbing in the Andes, motorboat jaunts the length of the Mississippi River and kayaking more than 10,000 miles of the world's northernmost rivers.

Steger told some stories and showed slides to students at St. Mary's Catholic School, McDonald Elementary School and Lena Whitmore Elementary School last week.

In 1995, he led the International Arctic Project, a six-person expedition from Russia to Canada by way of the Arctic Ocean, and the first dog-sled expedition to cross the Arctic in a single season. Along the way, he sent messages to schools around the globe tracking the trip via the Internet.

Upon completion of the expedition, the National Geographic Society awarded him the John Oliver La Gorce Medal for exploration, an honor shared with Amelia Earhart, Robert Peary, and Jacques Cousteau.

On the 1989-90 International Trans-

Antarctic Expedition, he led scientists from around the world on the first Antarctic crossing by dog sled — the longest polar crossing ever.

At the time, several countries were considering beginning mining expeditions on the remote continent, and Steger said he wanted to show them Antarctica was worth preserving in its pristine state.

"I'm always cautious of causes," Steger said. "This was sort of the first time. We madeit kind of a popular stage, or cause, to preserve Antarctica."

Steger grew up in a family where his parents never even camped as he grew up in Minnesota. His desire to explore came mainly from reading National Geographic, and his parents' willingness to let him tromp into the woods.

Steger does not have any immediate plans for his next exploration, but he would like to be more self-reliant, using fewer supply drops from planes and maybe skiing where he would normally use dogs.

He plans on moving with his wife into a cabin in the most remote piece of wilderness he can find and writing daily, Internet-posted updates on life in the outback.

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UI fans need to start caring about their teams

How about parking the recliner and coming to a game for a change?



WES RIMEL OPINION EDITOR

have to say that I've been greatly surprised by our men's basketball team this season. After last season's 13-17 record, including a 5-11 record in the Big West, and a new coach for this year, there seemed to be little reason for optimism. However, after road games against North Texas and New Mexico State last weekend, Idaho is looking strong. The Vandals scored 100 points en route to beating North Texas and lost by a mere point to New Mexico State. As the season progresses, one thing becomes clear: this is a good basketball team.

Idaho currently boasts a 13-9 record, and is in third place in the Big West with a 7-5 record. They also have two big home games

I've been to many of the games this year, and there is no way to describe the crowd

turnouts except for "pathetic." And the only way to describe the basketball being played on the court is exciting. When there are three times as many empty seats in the stands as fans there is a problem — at least when there's an exciting basketball game.

People don't come to games for a variety of reasons, but normally teams with few fans also have few wins. However, this team wins consistently at home, oftentimes to teams that may have better overall talent. That is something to be proud of — it's at least one reason to show up to the games.

I have seen a lot of Vandal basketball over the years, and cheered them on through good and bad. But never do I remember seeing such small, quiet crowds for home games. Just a few years ago the Vandals would always draw 9,000-10,000 fans for BSU games. This year they could barely draw

The current Vandals are not the most talented team to ever wear Idaho uniforms but they may be the most spirited. They really play as a cohesive unit with a passion for the game. The teams they play against are normally taller and sometimes quicker as well — but these guys are still finding ways to win.

Their last two home games of the year include a game against Utah State, the top team in the conference, and Nevada, a long time rival. The sad part is, probably only 3,000-4,000 people will even come to each game. I guess nobody cares if Idaho beats

either of these teams, and nobody cares that the Vandals may have one of the best head coaches around either. I am an agreement with many when I say that head coach Dave Farrar is the real deal. Unfortunately, who

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knows how long the UI will be able to keep him here - after all, it's hard to give the guy a raise when nobody bothers to come to the

Some critics think that the UI is just a

stepping stone institution for coaches, and we'll never be big time anything. Too bad none of those critics come to the games they weren't there to realize Idaho has already been big time in both men's basketball and football, in addition to other

I used to live in Boise and go to the UI-BSU games there. The football and men's basketball games were almost always sold out. Granted, there are always plenty of Vandal fans at those games, but the BSU
Pavilion would pack in 12,000 for basketball,
while here in Moscow the matchup draws 4,000 silent fans that make the most noise when the pizza guy makes the rounds.

Only at a university where the students don't bother to show up for any games, and alumni are always too busy to make a trip from Spokane or Boise, does the Interim Athletic Director (Kathy Clark) have to write a letter to the editor pleading for more fans. Though sometimes the university or the teams may have been at fault for poor attendance in the past, it doesn't seem so this

The administration started funding for a public relations campaign and the teams are winning, and winning exciting games. Men's basketball coach Dave Farrar also congratulates the few fans that normally do come for helping his team win after the game. So the next time you wonder why the UI gets no fans, look in the mirror - chances are you didn't show up.

Letters to the editor

Support Wade and alternatives to wood

Wade Gruhl is no hypocrite, he simply wants the freedom to choose. I too, want choice when it comes to paper. I want the right to purchase hemp or kenaf toilet paper and notebook paper, even product packaging in every store. I want the opportunity to choose products that are not made from trees extracted from our national forests, not cut near

watersheds and certainly never taken in any prescribed clear-cut.

There are many agrifibers much better suited to paper production than wood, including kenaf, hemp, agricultural residues, and reclaimed fabric. Most of these fibers yield more pulp per acre than our national forests or tree farms and require fewer pesticides and herbicides.

Why does Potlatch and others in "forest products" fail to pursue these common sense alternatives? It must be taxpayer subsidies — Americans continue to pay these institutions to use the least effective and most destructive methods. It's a holdover from the bygone days when we believed there was an overabundance of everything on this continent from salmon and fresh water to trees.

We've pretty much worked our overabundance theory right out the door. Today only 1 percent of the continental United States has yet to be exploited or developed in some way. The problem, for people like Wade and myself, is that on the surface, between the lines, and even in this newspaper — trees are a poor source of paper.

That fact is not Wade's fault. He's trying, often pushing with both hands and two feet, to make a blind industry see the light. That's a difficult thing to do when talking heads are completely scaled by the prospect of easy money.

Every time I look at Potlatch I see American failure.

In addition to yielding more pulp per acre than our national forests or tree farms, fewer chemicals and less time and energy are needed to pulp agricultural fibers because they contain very little lignin. Another benefit of wood fiber is their inherently light color — agrifibers can be effectively brightened using totally chlorine free (TCF) bleaching processes, eliminating the production of highly toxic chlorine byproducts, such as dioxin. Crops like hemp and kenaf also provide a means of adding strength to recycled fibers without using additional wood.

Only in the past century have forests been cut extensively to make paper. I know of no rational explanation for cutting even one tree from our national forest for paper. Am I wrong? Can one reader out there logically explain any practical and ecologically sound reason to encourage, let alone teach, the use of wood fiber as a paper source?

Wade, like many of us, want freedom to choose. That's something our timber industry fights to prevent. I wish we could keep companies like Potlatch on the (tree) farm and out of our national public forests.

I don't want wood-fiber paper. I don't know anyone who does. Consider our national heritage, become a little more paper wise. Contact Rethink Paper at http://www.igc.apc.org/ei/paper/aboutrtp.html>.

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10 reasons humans should never, ever be cloned . . .



Attila the Hun







Adolf Hitler Joseph Stalin





Idi Amin





Pol Pot

Saddam Hussein Pee-wee Herman Dennis Rodman

Jim Carrey

Courtesy of the USBIC Educational Foundation

Real reasons for bombing Iraq

If the American people believe that the reason the United States is preparing to bomb Iraq has anything to do with Iraq possessing weapons of mass destruction, I'm afraid they are being

Nations rarely, if ever, tell their populations the real reasons for military action. It is very galling to hear the United States, which has fired over 300 tons of radioactive weapons of mass destruction. The economic sanctions against Iraq could be considered a weapon of mass destruction, killing people and leaving property untouched. What about the bombing of Iraq's water purification and sewage treatment plants, which still haven't been repaired because of the embargo? Contaminated water there is leading to epidemics of disease. This is another weapon of mass destruction.

Why aren't American inspectors present in other countries that have weapons of mass destruction and have invaded neighboring countries? Israel has nuclear weapons and has invaded Lebanon, still occupying part of that country. South Africa has nuclear weapons and under apartheid rule invaded Namibia and Angola. Both India and Pakistan have atom bombs and have had border disputes for years.

I suggest that the real reasons for inspections and sanctions are to keep Iraq weak and provide an excuse to keep aircraft carriers and a large U.S. military force in the region to protect the profits of oil companies. Also, keeping Saddam Hussein as the logeyman in the Middle East provides an opportunity for American weapons manufacturers to sell a lot of weapons to nations bordering Iraq. The United States is the world's number one arms

If these ideas sound like a conspiracy theory to anyone, I say they are a lot more logical than the fairy tales which appear in the U.S. media.

Letters to the editor

Stop sucking your baby bottle

Ah yes, yet another letter about how the professors work for us, are our employees. How our student fees pay their salaries, buying their complete and rapt attention to every nuance of our learning process anxieties. What bunk! As if any of our pitiful little fee (this is a very affordable university) is left over for salaries after it is spread out over facility maintenance, administration, and services. I'll bet student fees only fund 25 percent of the university budget.

I'm certain that most educators tire of the whiners and cadgers wanting the lecture retold in storybook one-on-one fashion, wanting the answers that will be on the test, that hand-holding, pillow fluffing extra special attention that they deserve, because they

are special students.

How about taking responsibility for your own learning process — take good notes, read the book, listen to the lecture, make your girlfriend/wife type them up (doesn't do much for you but helps her learn). It is almost as if the whiners sit through the lecture and instead of listening they are already planning their after class, after hour "feed me!!" questions.

Ultimately in all learning we have to translate the material - from lecture, text, and experience, into a format that we understand. Learning styles range from visual, to aural, to intuitive, to repetition, and combinations of these. This means that when we learn, the final process is to teach ourselves, and that translation process differs from individual to individual, and often evades exact description.

The letter goes on and on in its own sophomoric, pedantic style about how that "A" is so all-important out there in the real world. I've got news for you all: In the 20 years I've been in business, hiring over 100 employees, contracting with multinational companies, neither I, nor my clients have valued a GPA over competence. Have you ever heard the old adage "The A students become professors, and the B students hire the C students"?

What employers are looking for is competency, good work ethic, and attitude and if they find out (usually from the interview) you were one of the grade whiners it demonstrates a sorry lack of competence, and maturity, and more attitude problems down the road. "What do you mean the professor couldn't teach it to you (after 3 tries at the class)??" What you really mean is that you didn't have enough initiative, or brains to figure out how to learn it, and those aren't good things.

Yes, the professor owes it to you to speak clearly, and to cover the subject matter, and to not be too dry about it all (I have never had a poor professor at the University of Idaho, yet), but he/she is not your mom. Yes, as in many things, ultimately you figure it out for yourself, and in the school setting progress is assessed by grades and other methods that are different than real job assessments. Further there is a 'real life' apprenticeship of learning, for all professions, and the university and the professor won't be there to hold your hand through that one:

-John Russell

It's people like Wes that lower attendance

Hey Wes Rimel, were you at a basketball game or the opera? At a basketball game (and most other sporting events) it is considered good behavior to stand and yell throughout the entire game.

Take a look at the Olympics — I noticed that throughout the entire speed skating event almost everyone stood. Next time you're watching North Carolina or Michigan on the TV look at the crowd and you might notice they are all standing and cheering. At many big time programs it is considered a duty and an honor to stand throughout the entire game. Obviously, you and your fellow whiners don't feel that Idaho is big-time anything and worthy of a passionate crowd.

You are right about your generation not knowing the meaning of the word respect they can't and don't respect people who have a passion for life — (just look at the letters and column whining about the Christians). I am so glad that you and many of your boring classmates were not at Idaho during the Monson years when 10,000+ people would cram into the Kibbie Dome to cheer on one of the best teams in the nation.

I believe that Farrar is the caliber of coach who can once again place Idaho back at the top of the NCAA. Home court advantage is a big part of any sporting event and home court can only be attained by the action of the fans. Grow up and get a passion for

I'm wondering Wes, were you the moron who yelled at my friends and I to sit down and shut up during the Utah-Idaho football game last year? The Vandals needed the noise and support at that time, yet I think you wanted to tilt your Lay-Z-Boy back and sleep. Six people in that section of fans swore they would never again attend an Idaho sporting event because of someone like you. They have never come back.

I think a large part of the reason for the decline in attendance at Idaho sporting events is due to the actions of people like yourself. Let the rest of us enjoy the game with a passion, not a dull, boring meaningless existence that you hold so dear to your heart.

-Chris Storhok

Wood industry should open eyes to alternatives

The Feb. 6 issue of the Argonaut contained an editorial letter written by two forestry students (Donald Regan and Robert Jenko). The letter itself was (supposedly) written in response to a remark that characterized the forestry department as a economically biased institution. However, the letter seems to quickly polymorph into a classic piece of logging-industry propaganda.

If the allegation that the forestry department teaches logging over ecology, then why is it that over half of the response is spent supporting logging? Certainly, if we are to believe that the department is well rounded, they would have detailed many examples where the department was working to somehow decrease logging rates. Instead, they pointed out that only two of the 17 options offered are directly focused on logging; the other 15 are only involved when determining the environmental impacts. However, I submit if students in other options are any similar to you in their thinking, their bias is equally damaging.

They pointed out that our society is entirely dependent on logging and lumber production. Many people, and most environmentalists, would agree. However, this does not permit us to ignore progress and change — they themselves pointed out that care must be taken when making uninformed, short-term decisions. This is even more true in the case of long-term impact decisions, such as a logging operation or the installation of a new materials extraction plant. Even though our society today cannot live without its paper products, we need to be cognizant of the realization that other alternatives do exist, instead of blindly supporting a method simply because it has somehow grandfathered itself into our economic system.

Universities all around the country are researching alternatives to lumber and waferboard. However, they are not promoting mining and non-biodegradable adhesives. Instead, they are researching possible agricultural alternatives. Hay can be used to insulate. Cotton can be used for toilet paper. Hardy plants can be pressed in a manner that is similar to waferboard. One might be led to think that given the location and the economics of the region, the University of Idaho would be a prime spot for furthering research in these areas. However, as Mr. Gruhl stated and they re-affirmed, the department of forestry is too involved in promoting logging to be bothered.

It is important to note in this age that the amount of money and time spent by the timber industry to promote logging as a safe and necessary technique is well beyond comprehension. Wouldn't it be better if this money and time were spent developing alternatives to the destructive nature of logging? Even businesses would benefit greatly from this. Those which developed the techniques and products would ultimately be the chief suppliers in the field.

Finally, I personally was offended by the remark that the logging industry has created some type of wonderful recreation area for people by building so many roads. Beyond the obvious permanent damage to vegetation and ecology and the natural tendency to cause erosion, roads have done nothing but provide us with a method for re-entering the barely reforested regions to rape them once again. Logging roads do not provide recreational alternatives, they promote destructive recreation and force those who once enjoyed the serenity and sanctity of the nation's forest to move deeper into the forests to achieve what could have been found at roadside 20-50 years ago. Anyone who questions the damage being done should take a ride to Elk Butte and look around. Is that what you call a renewable resource?

-Dan Vishnesky

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Art to the bone

by Heather Frye



lattoos, tats, skin pictures. Etched in coal from burned sticks, India ink, and indigo dye. Tattooing is an ancient art, used by mankind for centuries to associate or disassociate an individual with a group or thing. Documented history indicates that tattooing was practiced in ancient Egypt between 4,000 and 2,000 B.C. It spread into other lands around 1100 B.C., gaining

tattooing is an integral part of the culture. Despite its traditional popularity in other cultures, tattooing has endured much social stigma here in the United States. Generally thought of for many decades as a mark of the weathered naval man or the burly ex-con, it has not until recently been a popular form of personal expression for the mainstream American. However, the iron curtain around this art form is, and has been, steadily dropping. The methods for tattooing have improved vastly over the past couple of decades and people of all ages and from all walks of life are warming up to the appeal of skin

popularity in New Zealand and Asia, where even today

The number of formal tattoo studios in the nation has mushroomed over the past few years in keeping with the booming interest in the art. There are three tattoo artists here in the Palouse region alone. Jeremy Hogan, proprietor of Falling Moon Tattoo Studio here in Moscow, has been in practice for seven years. He started back in high school with homemade equipment and came quickly into demand by word of mouth. Today, his small downtown studio sees a good deal of business with the steady stream of locals and college students desiring a tattoo or body piercing. He works with his customers to assure that they are satisfied with their tattoo when they leave.

'We'll use their ideas and our hands and artistic abilities to make sure they get what they want," said

Telisa Swan, owner of Little City Studios in Palouse, received her formal degree in fine art from Washington State University before going on to train with experienced tattoo artists.

"It's a kind of folk art," said Swan. "You have to learn from someone who is willing to teach you." Swan has been tattooing for four years now and her business has been growing steadily. Swan sees a lot of college students wanting WSU Cougar emblems and other small tattoos but notes that customers who want a medium sized tattoo will be getting the better bargain at her studio.

"Sometimes I get carried away on time and detail but I



Leonard Bronner at the receiving end of a tatooing needle from Jeremy Hogan at the Falling Moon Tatoo Studio.

don't charge the customer extra for my own perfectionism, said Swan.

Todd Holley has added an unusual and very convenient twist on the occupation of tattooing. Have Guns, Will Travel is both the name and philosophy of his new business. He will come to you and do the tattoo in the comfort of your own home. As he does not have the overhead of rent to pay, he is able to pass on lower prices

to his customers.

There is a great deal of romance behind the thought of getting a tattoo these days. It's thrilling, fashionable - a little racy. However there are some pros and cons to be . considered before getting one. Going out to get a tattoo sheerly for the sake of having one can lead to disappointment later on.

It's amazing how quickly people will say 'yeah, that's it, that's what I want.' They haven't really put a lot of thought into it; they just want a tattoo," said Holley.

Tattoos are not to be approached on a whim. They are meant to be permanent and are very hard and expensive to remove. It is best to put a good deal of thought into the tattoo before ever coming close to a tattoo gun.

Pain, naturally is always a consideration. Yes, it does

hurt but the pain is part of the tattoo.

"As far as pain goes, if you can't deal with it, you probably shouldn't get [the tattoo]," said Hogan. Some areas of the body are more painful to tattoo than others such as stomachs, hands, and areas located over a bone like the ankle. A topical anesthetic can be applied which helps a little initially but some pain will still be

Idaho has no regulations other than age when it comes to tattooing so it is best to shop around and ask questions of your artist before you get your tattoo. All of the area artists use sterilized equipment and gloves but this may not

be true of everyone It pays to ask.
While the legal age for getting a tattoo in Idaho is 16, the area artisans require that you bring a parent with you if you are under 18. And don't expect to drop by the parlor and get a tat on your way out of the bar either.

"Drunks are hard to work with and they bleed a lot. I

just won't do it," said Hogan.

Lifestyle is another important factor to be taken into account when getting a tattoo. A well done tattoo will look good and bring a lot of satisfaction if it is well taken care of. Exposure to sun, stretching of the skin with age, and the way that the skin is taken care of can all have an effect on how a tattoo will look a few years down the road.

A tattoo that represents the integral you can be a very satisfying acquisition. If you do decide to get one you can make an appointment with any one of our area artists. Falling Moon Tattoo Studio is located at 307 S. Main Street in Moscow. Appointments can be made by calling 882-4257. Along with regular tattoos and body piercing, they also specialize in permanent makeup tattoos. You can make an appointment with Todd Holley by calling 883-3047. Little City Studios is located at 100 W. Main in Palouse. They are open 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and are also open every other Saturday. They have a large line of body piercing jewelry and can order many other types. Walk-ins are welcome, but you can call for an appointment at either 509-878-1917 or 800-

The Caffeinated Rants of

----T. Scott Carpenter -

Hannibal Lecter was just a recovering vegetarian

I love meat. I love to swath my torso in my Pierre Cardin leather jacket, and slip on my lambskin loafers.

My brother once had a leather couch. It must have been constructed with the combined flesh of three whole mechanically separated bovines. By Jove, was it ever comfortable!

Have you ever eaten Chicken in a Biscuit? If you have, then you know what heaven tastes like. Granted there is minimal chicken content in them and the majority of the taste comes from assorted man-made chemicals, but golly if they ain't some tasty little snack crackers!

Has anybody ever seen a happy vegetarian? Let me just answer that question for you. No. And if you know an alleged vegetarian that does not have a soulsinging personality, then chances are they are getting some beef behind closed doors.

We are a race of omnivores, which means we cannot be fully happy unless we devour a boiled lamb with our brussels sprouts, or at least some monkey brains with our fried cabbage. There are those who think they can fool their instincts into bypassing the consumption of such carnage, and maybe they will. But they will spend the rest of their lives in constant temptation like a recovering junky in Tijuana.

I decided to give vegetarianism a try once. I was at a county fair with my friends when a small army of militant vegans accosted us and brought us back to their headquarters over between the scone booth and the cheap crap booth. They spoke to us about the "unspeakable" evils in the beef industry, such as how beef is hung up and tenderized by manure germs and how cattle are constantly verbally abused by Farmer Bob, so that when it comes time to be slaughtered their egos are so crushed that they practically raise their hooves and volunteer to go first.

My heart bled for a second, but my blood is thick and it scabbed over quickly. Unfortunately, not before me and my friends all made a deal to be vegetarians for a week, just for the heck of it. It was a small boring town that we lived in, and this would give us something to do when we weren't watching the local drunks stumbling out of the corner karaoke bar at two

in the morning. That night went fine. The next day, however, I had a moment of epiphany in which I came to the

conclusion that chickens did not have feelings and therefore did not count, so I ate some McNuggets. The day after that, I couldn't help but think about how stupid cows are. They don't do anything but eat grass, and they are so absurd looking. With that big bulky

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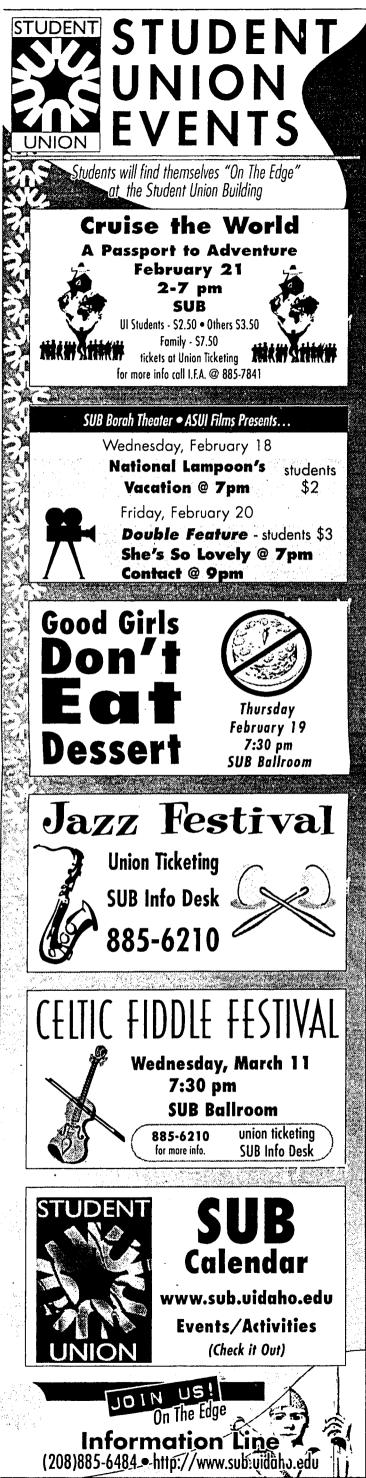
body and those little skinny legs, they are practically just slabs of beef on stilts. I can't accept the notion that such an impractical abomination was meant to achieve any purpose except fill the gap in a McDonald's hamburger bun. So I decided that beef

The morning after that I was reading the newspaper. I was quite appalled by the evil tendencies common within the human race, and so I decided that human beings were an exception also.

After this realization, I spent a few years in prison cursing the names of those heathen vegans who had originally shoved me down the path of protein depravity.

I don't dislike vegetarians. Some of my best friends are vegetarians; I swear! However, I just don't understand how a person can turn down a big, bloody chunk of dead animal flesh for a rice cake.





Dance Off '98 – Dancin' the Night Away

Two University of Idaho dance productions, Companions and Sunday Morning, have been chosen for the American College Dance Festival in Laramie, Wyo. this Feb. 25-28. The winners of this regional festival will have the honor of performing their dances in Washington, D.C. at the Kennedy Center.

Kennedy Center.

That's why the UI Dance Majors and
Minors Club presents Dance Off '98. This is
a 24-hour Dance Marathon where 13 dance students keep movin' and shakin' for 24 hours straight.

"We only get a ten minute break every two hours," explained Erika Julian, a junior dance student.

dance student.

But all this work is for a good cause. This fundraiser is designed to help lower the cost for the dancers, so they can take off and show everyone UI's talent. Since they're paying their own way, any pledges and participants are a big help.

For two bucks at the door of PEB 110 on Friday, Feb. 20, you can really learn how to cut a rug. Beginning at 8 p.m., the fundraiser kicks off with a dance contest followed by 24 hours of fun and instruction. Professor Diane

hours of fun and instruction. Professor Diane Walker will be teaching Social and Ballroom Dance. Mindi Payne, a junior dance major, will teach Tap Dance. Participants will also learn African Dance, and join in drum circles arranged by senior music major and dance student, Quentin DeWitt.

And if that isn't enough to get you there on Friday, prizes will be given away,

including a 1 year membership to the Moscow Coop, gift certificates to Moscow Winery and Casa de Oro, jewelry from Moscow Jewelers, and more.

Two dollars not only buys dance instruction, but also helps send UI dancers to a regional festival.

The dance students started rehearsing these productions in October, and were adjudicated for

the Festival in December. "Each dancer has worked 5 or 6 hours a week right before the

productions, and about three hours a week inbetween,' according to Julian.

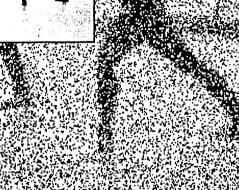
They've put in a lot of effort, and deserve a chance for a big pay off.

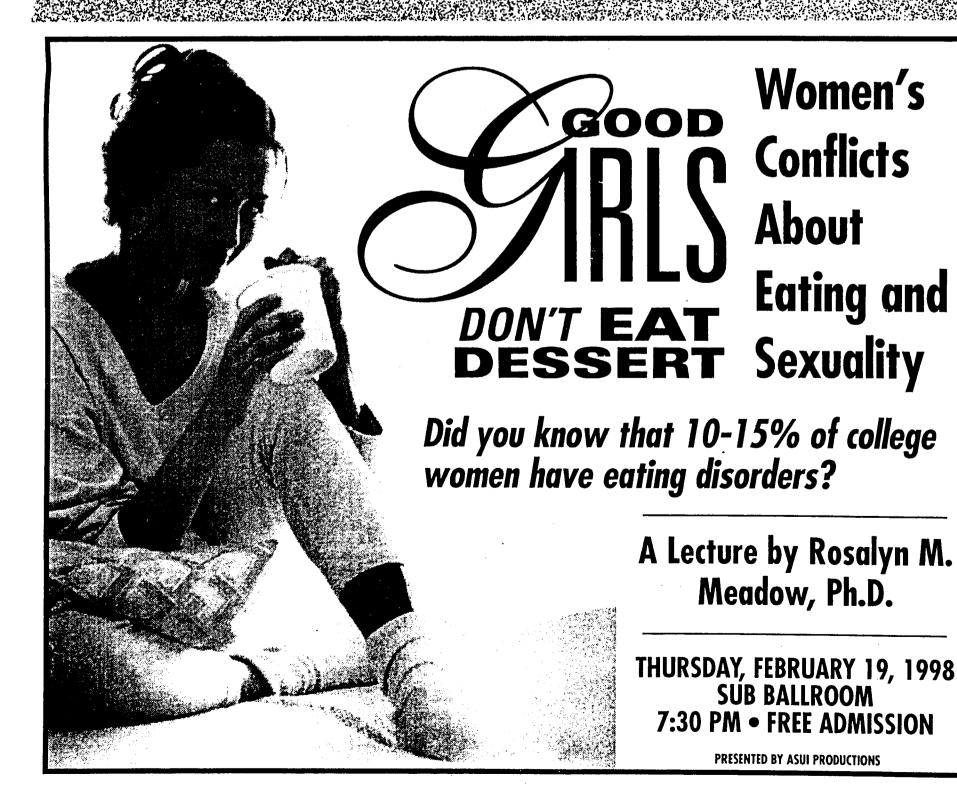
Performing at the American College Dance Festival is exactly that. Assistant Professor Emily Wallace, who has choreographed Companions, said by playing at the festival and the Kennedy Center the school gains a "larger chance for awards and grants."

To make a pledge for any amount per hour or for questions, call Dance Club President Tamara Scott at 882-1418, or Erika Julian at 882-6517.









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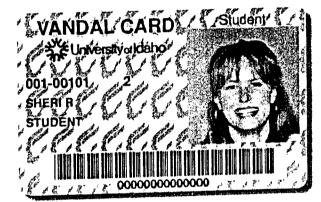
- · What are you waiting for? The Andy Warhol exhibit at the Prichard Art Gallery only lasts until Feb. 28. Time is running out!
- · Local poet, writer, and teacher Joy Passanante will read from her collection of poems, Sinning in Italy, at 12:30 p.m. today, in the UI Women's Center Lounge.
- Oh, that wacky Griswold family! Watch the hilarious antics run amok as Chevy Chase, his wife and biological spawns cavort in the desert, swim in the nude, and eat doggie pee sandwiches in National Lampoon's Vacation. See it in the Borah Theater tonight at 7 p.m.
- She's So Lovely hits the screen in the Borah Theater on Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. Has anyone ever heard of this movie?!
- Select ensembles from the UI Lionel Hampton School of Music will be presenting "Hamp's Gala" on Tuesday, Feb. 24. The concert will be given in the Administration Auditorium and will begin at 7:30 p.m. Donations benefiting the music scholarship fund will be accepted at the door.

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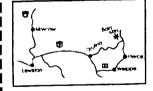


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Idaho women hunting for Eastern Division title

TONYA SNYDER

SPORTS EDITOR

The Lady Vandals are sitting pretty in second place in the Eastern Division race, just a half-game behind leader Boise State. While second is great, the team is looking for the division championship and a berth to the Big West tournament.

This weekend, Idaho trampled a struggling North Texas team in front of 840 fans in Memorial Gym.

All around, the Vandal team was looking good. Their shooting from the field was consistent in both the first and second half, always keeping above 55 percent. They out-rebounded the Eagles 38 to 27 and stayed far away from foul trouble. The only less than spectacular part of the Vandal performance was turnovers, Idaho committing 24, but North Texas topped

Alli Nieman topped all performances Saturday with her 24-point effort. Last year's Big West Freshman of the Year hasn't changed her tune since becoming a sophomore. Not only did the 6-foot-1-inch Nieman lead scorers, hitting 11-of-17 from the field, she pulled down nine boards,

seven on the defensive end alone. The lead was always in Idaho's favor, as the Vandals pulled out to a solid 41-26 lead at the half, a lead they would not lose. In the second half, UI outscored the Eagles 48-30 to pull off the lead and the win, 89-56.

Nieman's effort was followed by Susan Woolf with 13, six of those coming from behind the arc. Kathryn Gussett was perfect from the floor, draining five and sinking one from the line for her 11-point effort.

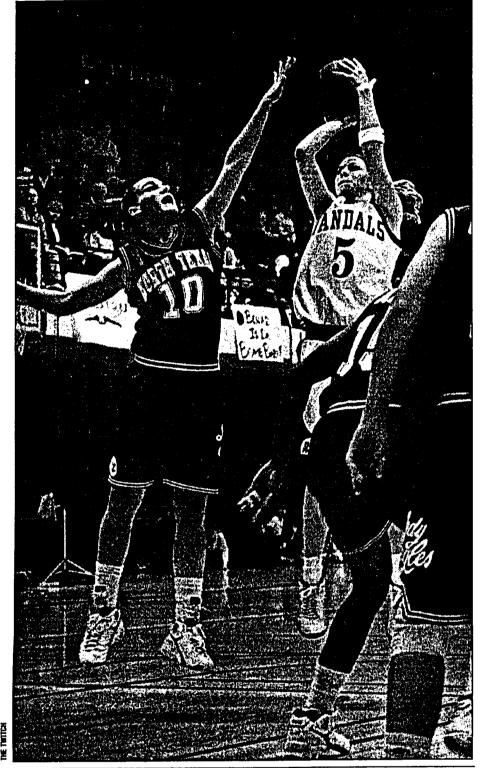
For the most part, North Texas struggled from the field, shooting only 31 percent in the first half and improving to 44.8 percent in the second

Deedra Alex hit 7-of-11 from the floor for 17 points for North Texas while Allison Clark chipped in 12. Empress Drane was active for NTU with 5 defensive boards.

The Idaho women are now 12-12 overall, 7-3 in Big West action while

North Texas drops to 9-14 and 3-8 in the conference. The Vandal women are back in action this Friday at 7 p.m. against New Mexico State in Memorial Gym.

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Long Beach State	3	8	.273	1-3	2-5
Cal Poly	3	9	.250	1-7	2-2



Kelli Johnson goes up for a jumper in the middle of the key in Friday's 89-56 win over North Texas.

Earnhardt finally sees Daytona winner's circle

STEVE BLATNER

STAFF

arlier this year, John Elway and the Denver Broncos reached the pinnacle of the National Football League by finally winning the game that had eluded them for so many years: the Super Bowl.

On Sunday, Dale Earnhardt, after 19 ye of frustration and near misses, won the crown jewel of NASCAR Winston Cup racing: the

NASCAR, unlike other sports, holds its biggest and most lucrative event first. The total purse for the race was just over \$7 million and Earnhardt took home a little more than \$1 million for his first place finish.

For the first time in the history of the Daytona 500 brothers started in the first two positions.

Bobby Labonte, the pole-sitter, started in first and his brother, 1996 Winston Cup Series Champion Terry Laborte started second on the outside row.

Earnhardt started fourth, while defending Daytona 500 Champion, NASCAR poster boy, and member of Pepsi's Generation Next Jeff Gordon started way back in 29th.

The race started as Dan Marino of the Miami Dolphins and co-owner of car 13 driven by rookie driver Jerry Nadeau, waved the green flag.

Pole-sitter Labonte took the early lead

until lap 14 when two time 500 winner, and the last driver to win back-to-back Daytona 500s, Sterling Marlin took the lead.

Marlin's lead was short lived as Earnhardt stormed past him to take over first.

At this point in the race the first five cars, driven by Earnhardt, Marlin, the Labonte brothers, and 1990 Daytona 500 winner Derrike Cope distanced themselves from the rest of the pack by reaching speeds close to

By lap 37 Gordon had battled his way through the middle of the pack to catch the

Up to this point the cars were still racing under the green flag and some teams were getting ready for the first pit stop of the 500mile race.

On lap 52 most of the back of the pack cars went into the pits while the leaders stayed out. Five laps later, with Earnhardt running in first, the lead pack raced into the

Earnhardt took a four-tire change and fuel and came out of the pits with a disappointing time of 21.4 seconds. As a result of Gordon's lightning fast pit time of 17.7 seconds a few laps earlier, the 1997 Daytona 500 winner

was in first place. Earnhardt, also known as the Intimidator because of his ominous black car and icy cold stare, roared back up to the front despite the poor pit time, but at the halfway point of the

race Gordon was the leader and picked up an additional \$10,000 for leading lap 100.

Gordon led until lap 122 when his car got out of the draft and fell off the pace allowing Earnhardt and teammates Rusty Wallace and Jeremy Mayfield to blow by.

Three laps later the first caution flag of the race came out as Ward Burton cut a right front tire leaving debris on the track. The caution allowed all cars to come into the pits for fuel and tires.

Wallace was first after the restart, but he wasn't able to maintain the lead as the Intimidator passed him to regain the lead.

The cars raced under green until lap 174 when Robert Pressley and John Andretti got mixed up in turn two. The caution flag came out again allowing all 17 cars still on the lead

With 26 laps left and 17 cars on the lead lap, the car that could get out of the pits and back onto the track the quickest, would have a huge advantage with less than 25 laps to go.

Earnhardt was first out of the pits followed by his teammate Mike Skinner. Mayfield and Wallace came out third and fourth setting up a showdown between the two teams. Bobby Labonte, with a strong pit stop, moved back into contention along with Gordon.

The race went back to green on lap 178 and Earnhardt's teammate Skinner gave him a strong push, which allowed him to put some distance between Mayfield and Wallace.

Mayfield, Wallace, Labonte, and Gordon would all get by Skinner, leaving Earnhardt all alone and left to face the hard-charging cars behind him.

Mayfield would take a shot at the lead, but Earnhardt mirrored his every move. Gordon made one last ditch effort take over the lead but with three laps remaining he experienced car problems and finished back in the pack in

Wallace fell off the pace a bit, allowing Labonte to move into third to battle it out with Mayfield and Earnhardt.

With less than two laps to go, Andretti once again got tangled up, this time with Lake Speed, which brought the third and final caution flag out.

The caution meant the race would end under the yellow flag, so whoever could get to the starting line first would win the Daytona 500.

Mayfield and Labonte traded paint as they pulled out all the stops in their efforts to catch the man in black, but it was not to be, as the 46-year-old Earnhardt crossed the starting line as the second oldest winner of the Daytona 500 in his 20th attempt.

Laborte finished 2nd, followed by Mayfield 3rd, Kenny Schrader (who raced with a cracked sternum) 4th, and Rusty Wallace finished 5th. The top rookie finisher was Nadeau in 21st and ESPN favorite Dick Trickle finished 27th.



Vandal

News and Notes

Trin takes on Nagano

Gregory Sun of the University of Idaho and his teammate, who represented Trinidad-Tobago, finished 32 out of a field of 36 bobsleders this weekend at the 1998 Winter Olympic Games in Nagano, Japan.

Vandal Club Hockey

The Idaho team went head to head against the Montana Grizzlies this weekend in an impressive effort. Even against Montana, their toughest competitor of the season, Idaho pulled out a 6-3 win in front of 200 Grizzly fans with Mike Travis picking up the hat trick. Montana came back the next morning and soundly defeated the Vandals 8-2.

This weekend is the last home matches for Idaho. They take on Montana in the Ice-A-Rena in Spokane Friday at midnight and Saturday at 10 p.m. The Vandals have had a spectacular season so far, boasting a 11-3

Men's Basketball

The Vandal men take on Utah State Thursday in the Kibbie Dome starting at 7:05 p.m.

Idaho intramural doubles foosball is starting up. Entry forms are due Thursday at 5 p.m. in Memorial Gym Room 204 for all men's, women's, and co-rec teams. Play will start Saturday.

Doubles Table Tennis

Intramural doubles table tennis entry form deadline is next Thursday, Feb. 26. All entry forms should be returned to Memorial Gym Room 204 by 5 p.m. with play beginning on Saturday, Feb. 28.

Pullman Youth Soccer Association

Soccer referees are needed for the upcoming spring

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Start thinking about golf this spring. Season passes for the spring semester go on sale Feb. 11 at the UI pro shop. Shop hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please call 885-6171 to verify the opening date.

100 K Run

The 9th Annual Washington State University 100 Run has been set for Sunday, April 5. The 62+ mile course follows a loop through the Palouse country of southeast Washington, starting and finishing at the WSU campus.

The race is open to competitive and non-competitive teams and solo runners. Registration fees are \$12 per members of relay teams and \$35 for ultras. Early registration deadline is Friday, March 13. Late fees will be charged on registration after March 13 with no registrations accepted after April 3.

For more information or to registration materials, please contact the Activities/Recreational Sports Office at WSU at (509) 335-9666.

Women's Rugby Practice

The Idaho women's rugby club will practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8-9:30 p.m. in the Kibbie Dome. All interested players meet on the southwest concourse. Please contact Aimee or Janet for more information at 883-8345.

Men's Volleyball Club

The men's volleyball club is looking for some new faces, both as players and a coach for the spring semester. Players and potential coaches should contact Wendy Wilson at <wils0791@novell.uidaho.edu>.

Volleyball

Kelly Weiss, a 5-foot-10-inch outside hitter from Mesa, Ariz. signed a letter of intent Friday to play volleyball at the University of Idaho.

Weiss started two years at Westwood High School, earning a first-team 5A all-state honors her senior season as she led her team to a 34-4 record and a runner-up finish in the state tournament for the second successive year. After her senior year the Arizona Republic chose Weiss as one of its "Super Doze" — one of the top 12 high school players in the state, which includes all classifications.

"Kelly has very explosive jump and arm swing," second-year Idaho coach Carl Ferreira said. "She is an exceptional athlete who is a very good volleyball player today, but has the potential to have an excellent collegiate career.'

Weiss averaged 3.09 kills, 2.76 digs and .70 blocks per game last season while hitting at a .282 clip. In her junior year, she had a .305 hitting percentages well as averaged 2.07 digs and .55 service aces per game as Westwood High complied a 33-2 record.

"Kelly is a very dynamic athlete and extremely competitive," said Ferreira, who plans to play Weiss during her freshman year at Idaho.

Weiss joins 5-foot-11-inch setter Jennifer Neville of Sonoma, Calif. in Idaho's recruiting class. Ferreira expects to sign one more player before the signing period ends April 1.

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Teams fight for position in the NBA

Bulls domination won't control this season's play-off hopes



BARRY GRAHAM

The NBA playoff wars are almost upon us and one thing is clear — there appears to be no favorite, although no one can count out the Bulls. And why would you? They have only won five NBA titles in this decade.

Age is catching up with Chicago, along with some egos that are finding times tough in the Windy City.

The Bulls have Michael and Scottie, although the latter appears to be somewhat of a distraction. Chicago has experience on their side and few teams have the ability to go into the United Center and win late in the regular season as well as in the playoffs.

If there are any other contenders in the Eastern Conference, please stand up! Well, there are the Indiana Pacers with first-year coach Larry Bird, who candidly said this past

Sunday that he is finding the coaching business difficult and demanding. Really, I always felt that NBA coaches did very little in the profession. They only have to coach egotistical athletes with huge salaries and a somewhat "me first" attitude. The Pacers have talent, but they are relatively inexperienced and are not battle tested.

The Knicks will be a non-factor in the playoffs without Patrick Ewing. Remember that Ewing severely injured his wrist and hand during a game a few months ago and will be out indefinitely. The two teams that should pose a challenge to Chicago are Atlanta and the Miami Heat.

The Hawks of Atlanta were off to their best start in franchise history but have tailed off since the start of the season and are in the middle of the pack in the Central Division. Still, the Hawks have quite a lineup with Steve Smith leading the charge and Dikembe Mutumbo, Christian Laettner, and Mookie Blaylock all bonified competitors that are capable of helping Atlanta go deep into the 1998 playoffs.

Miami is one of the better teams in the East with Tim Hardaway and Alonzo Mourning leading the team. With Pat Riley as coach, Miami has the experience to beat any team in the conference en route to the NBA Finals.

In the Western Conference, Seattle is a legitimate contender to upend the Bulls in the East. The Sonics are forgetting all about Shawn Kemp as Vin Baker has more than filled in for the former Seattle star. Baker has

been an inside force and has shown the ability to take a game over when needed. Gary Payton is still in the top two or three best point guards in the league. His defensive prowess is still sensational and he has improved his outside shot.

And don't forget about the Utah Jazz. The

Age is catching up with Chicago, along with some egos that are finding times tough in the Windy City.

Jazz are not having the same type of year that they did last season, but they are still a threat, especially with John Stockton at 100 percent and Karl Malone beginning to dominate the interior. Remember that the Jazz are probably the best home-court team in the NBA, as few teams can win in Utah.

The Lakers have one of the best lineups in the league. Los Angeles' only weakness is youth and it has reared its ugly head in several recent games. On Sunday, several young Laker players made critical mistakes down the stretch, which helped in their 90-88 loss to the Houston Rockets in a nationally televised Western Conference showdown in the Forum in Inglewood, California.

The Lakers could go deep into the playoffs based on their talent alone. Whether or not they can advance to the finals is another question.

Finally, we have the Spurs and Rockets. San Antonio is the most improved team in the league due to the fact that David Robinson is back and Tim Duncan has made a tremendous impact as a rookie. The Spurs need more outside shooting though, which is a must late in a playoff game. Houston, like Chicago, has a solid group of veterans that can still compete at a fairly high level. And Charles Barkley, although now the sixth-man for the Rockets, continues to prove that he is still one of the fiercest players in the league.

There appears to be many teams that could emerge from their respective conferences. But don't count out the teams that are playing well right now. Forget how well Jordan and O'Neill are playing. The teams that peak late in the season will represent their conferences in the NBA

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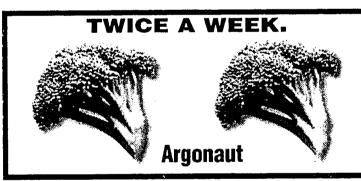
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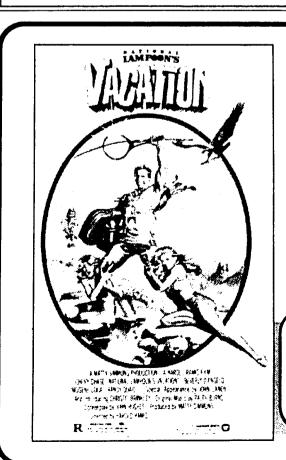
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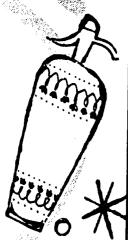


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