

### By Beth Green University of Idaho Argonaut

On Wednesday, the ASUI appointed two new senators to fill vacant seats. One of the new senators is junior Debra Ann Hodge.

Hodge, 34, is what is loosely defined as a non-traditional student one above the age of 26 or a parttime student. The UI student body is only a little less than 38 percent nontraditional, according to New Student Services. Hodge is the lone

Senate.

She came to the UI to fulfill her "dream of pursuing a college degree which I feel will give me the options to do what I want to do. It has come at great personal cost to myself."

"It was a controversial issue in my family, I was basically ostracized," she said.

Perhaps because of her emotional hardship, Hodge is driven to success. She is a full-time student in the natural resources field. Her goal is

non-traditional student in the to be involved with natural resource issues in developing countries, and she said her appointment to the Senate will help her develop personal skills necessary to achieve her dreams.

Even though Hodge did not know she was up for the appointment until Monday night, she is ready to assume her responsibilities as soon as possible. "I need to be like a sponge to learn as much as I can, I'm not coming in with a big agenda, but I certainly will have one by the time

I run in April," she said. "I would like the University of Idaho to maintain and increase its user-friendliness for the students in the areas of looking into the transition for new students coming in and helping to facilitate the outgoing graduates in the areas of job search and graduate school placement," Hodge stated. Her definite goals are not vet clear.

The Senate also appointed Bradley Schaff to the position of senator and Krista Brady to the office of ASUI

Attorney General. "Our goal is to find them a place in our student government where they can show their desire and interest," ASUI President Mahmood Sheikh said of the appointees.

As senator, Hodge has been assigned to the College of Graduate Studies, the ASUI Academics Board and ASUI Rules and Regulations Committee. She will represent Chrisman and Neely Halls, and the Farmhouse and Phi Delta Theta living groups.

donors dictate policy? By Bob Fick

### Associated Press

BOISE - Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has picked up where other policy makers left off in trying to maximize increasingly inadequate public resources in an anti-tax atmosphere.

The new governor is using financial incentives that encourage government managers to find efficiencies that free up the matching cash required to participate. And he is focusing on individual and corporate largesse for the financial bridge needed to make some programs realities.

It is a national trend, and in Idaho one that goes back years.

It has left government officials with little choice but to intensify private fund-raising and procurement of contracts with industry to generate the money needed to con-tinue meeting public demand for their services.

'I see no groundswell to raise taxes," Kempthorne said. "You can enhance services through partnerships. But we can't let us get into a position where the basic services are shifted to others.'

It is that line, one Senate Finance Chairman Atwell Parry admits is fine, in today's world that has raised some questions about just how much donors or corporate contractors can, or should, influ-ence public policy.

"We appreciate the money that is coming in from around the state, and we don't want to discourage that," Parry said. "But it simply comes down to, 'He who supplies the gold makes the rules,' and you run the risk of that hapening."

Jury rules web sites amounted to threats **By Lauren Dodge Associated Press** 

PORTLAND, Ore. -- Abortion 'oes who created "wanted" posters ind a Web site listing the names and iddresses of "baby butchers" were ordered to pay dlrs 107 million in lamages by a federal jury that said he tactics amounted to illegal hreats.

Planned Parenthood, several bortion doctors and a clinic had ued the activists under the U.S. acketeering statute and a 1994 fedral law that makes it illegal to incite violence against abortion doctors or heir patients.

Unlike previous cases brought inder the 1994 law, this one did not nvolve any physical confrontations or explicit threats. Because of that, he anti-abortion activists contended he Internet site and the posters were



protected by the First Amendment.

"The jury saw the posters for vhat they are - a hit list for terrorsts," Gloria Feldt, president of 'lanned Parenthood, said Tuesday.

Yet within minutes of Tuesday's verdict, constitutional experts said it vent too far and defendants said hey would appeal, calling it a threat o constitutionally protected political peech.

"It's really just a statement from he court that says, 'Please shut up," aid defendant Michael Bray. "It's an obscene assault upon the right to ree speech. It says that when an bortionist cries out that he feels rightened by the speech of others, hat the speakers should shut their nouths.'

The jury took 4 1/2 days to reach ts verdict, which consisted of dlrs 06.5 million in punitive damages nd dirs 500,000 in compensatory lamages. As part of the tight securiy surrounding the case, the judge aid the names of the eight jurors vill never be made public.

Some of the defendants, who ncluded more than a dozen individals and two anti-abortion organizaions, said they would not alter their actics. And they said the other side vill be hard-pressed to collect ecause they have transferred their ssets to make themselves "judgnent-proof."

"This is a moral and constitutionl outrage," said one of the defenants, Catherine Ramey. "There is o threat and they knew it. We use icket signs - they use the courts."

At issue was a Web site called The Nuremberg Files," which lists undreds of abortion doctors ccused of committing "crimes gainst humanity" and invites readrs to send in doctors' addresses, cense plate numbers and the names f their children. When three doctors vere killed, their names were rossed off like items on a grocery st.

Similar Wild West-style posters vere handed out at rallies and in bortion doctors' neighborhoods, ffering a \$5,000 reward for infornation about a "Deadly Dozen" octors.

Photo by Cade Kawamoto

assistant Aaron Donnelly confers with students using the new McClure Hall computer lab. Teacher

# Mines dedicates new computer lab

#### By Stephen Kaminsky University of Idaho Argonaut

The College of Mines and Earth Resources will officially dedicate a new state-of-the-art teaching lab today from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The facility represents an investment of approximately \$200,000 paid for by student lab fees, said Tamitha Hammond, senior secretary for COMER.

The new teaching lab, available to all UI faculty, is located McClure Hall 214A and contains 26 266mhz Pentium II computers, each with its own Zip drive and CD-ROM.

Like other computer labs, this one is hooked up to the campus network and also to the instructor's computer. This allows the instructor's computer to monitor each machine individually. The lab was already used for classes last fall, and continues to be utilized this computers. A lab monitor at work there said semester.

Lance Deverich, who is employed jointly by the COMER and Information Technology Services, will maintain computer equipment.

The local networks can be more efficiently maintained by technicians familiar with the individual requirements of each system as well as the overall network.

University of Idaho Provost Brian Pitcher will formally cut the ribbon at a reception hosted by the COMER and the Office of Outreach and Technology. Assisting him will be Glenn Wilde, vice provost for Outreach and Technology and Earl Bennett, dean of COMER.

Room 214B, the student lab located adjacent to the teaching lab, recently acquired more computers for a total of 38. The machines in the student labs are similar to the teaching coffee beginning at 9:30 a.m.

the lab used to be nearly empty. But lately it has been nearer to capacity as more students, mainly from the College of Mines, learned of it. A lab monitor is present for computer help and to answer questions from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Thursday, on Friday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. until 8 p.m.

McClure Hall is relatively new and also houses other interesting areas like the seismology laboratory and room 209, an impressive multimedia classroom open to all colleges. The rest of the building is divided up into office, classroom and laboratory space.

McClure Hall is located directly across the street from the old Mines building, and west of the SUB. The campus community is invited to attend the dedication and for free food and

Kempthorne's point man in the campaign to increase childhood immunizations, James Hawkins, is actively stumping for private donations.

"An overwhelming response is coming from the corporate community, doctors, hospitals," Hawkins said after an anonymous donor gave the campaign \$10,000. Examples are numerous.

The Albertson Foundation is giving Idaho public schools some \$50 million a year. Hewlett-Packard and others give computers to schools.

Idaho's four public colleges are raising tens of millions of dollars a year for scholarships. Over half their operating budgets are underwritten by contract income and contributions. Few if any new buildings are constructed without at least some private cash.

Micron Technology Inc. put up \$5 million to build a \$10 million Interstate 84 interchange near its Boise complex. It paid \$6 million and Boise State University cajoled supporters to put up another \$6 million for the \$13.5 million engineering building complex.

The technology building Micron was demanding on the BSU cam-pus in the early 1990s was initially privately financed through what were called certificates of participation until the state finally took the payments over.

### Washington's use of tobacco windfall closely watched by states

### **Associated Press**

OLYMPIA, Wash. -- What Washington state does with its initial \$323 million share of the national tobacco settlement could set a crucial precedent for other states, witnesses told lawmakers on Tuesday.

"Every state in the union is looking at this state," said Greg Connolly, director of the Massachusetts Tobacco Control Program, referring to state Attorney General Christine Gregoire's pivotal role in the national settlement against big tobacco last November.

"Has Christine Gregoire delivered for the nation! And what you do is going to determine what happens in Wisconsin, Alabama, Georgia, Maine, New York, Rhode Island," Connolly said. "... This is a historic afternoon.

The national settlement with 46 states totaled \$206 billion, with Washington to receive about \$4 billion over 25 years, including \$323 million in the two-year fiscal period between 1999 and 2001.

Connolly was one of several witnesses who urged the House Health Care Committee to support Gov. Gary Locke's proposed use of \$150 million of the initial amount to set up an endowment to pay for smoking cessation and anti-tobacco programs. Competition for the money was expected to be fierce among special interests in the Legislature.

Some legislators expressed concerns about the effectiveness of government programs in changing the behavior of teen-agers, who seem to rebel against the efforts.

"Why are more teens participating in things that are bad for them since government has got involved with more programs?" asked Rep. Joyce Mulliken, R-Ephrata.

But some of those concerns were allayed when Connolly wowed the panel with a presentation that included sample television advertisements that had successfully helped reduce smoking in a adults and teen-agers in Massachusetts.

The ads featured, for example, a talking camel defending its species against the tobacco industry's portrayals of camels as smokers, and a gritty-voiced former model with no vocal chords regretting her days as a cigarette poster girl.

Both Connolly's testimony and that of John Miller, a staffer with the Senate Health Committee in California, were designed to prove to lawmakers that comprehensive, anti-smoking campaigns do work.

In Massachusetts and California, a combination of in-school programs, statewide education campaigns, price increases and aggressive advertising campaigns have yielded results, they said.

For example, in California, smoking among adults fell from a average of about 26 percent to 18 percent since the anti-tobacco program began 10 years ago.

"We believe we have prevented 500,000 heart attacks since we began and saved the state hundreds of millions of dollars," he said.

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WASHINGTON \_\_\_\_ North Korea's military discipline appears to be eroding, but there is no reduction in the massive threat the communist nation poses to U.S. and South Korean forces, America's top intelligence officials told lawmakers Tuesday.

In a wide-ranging hearing, the officials named Korea, Iraq and international techno-terrorism as the key national security challenges.

"I can hardly overstate my concern about North Korea," CIA Director George Tenet told the Senate Armed Services Committee. "In nearly all respects, the situation there has become more volatile and unpredictable."

Wretched living conditions deteriorate further, food shortages are acute, and few heavy industrial plants make anything, according to U.S. intelligence. Crime and a lack of discipline, even in military ranks, are more common and citizens are more likely to blame North Korea's leader, Kim Jong II, for systemic problems.

Army Lt. Gen. Patrick Hughes, head of the Defense Intelligence Agency, cited intelligence reports that describe North Korean soldiers out of uniform, marketplace activity going on without governmental control, and frequent disruptions in the course of a military unit's training.

"All of this will encourage the North to rely still more heavily on risky brinkmanship in its dealings with the United States," Tenet said.

Still, North Korea continues to expand its conventional military forces and its ballistic missile capability.

U.S. intelligence is closely following a massive North Korean construction project at Kumchang-ni, an underground complex large enough to house facilities for making plutonium and other weapons-grade material for nuclear weapons, Tenet said.

"We are deeply concerned that North Korea has a covert program," Tenet said.

Pyongyang is also developing a longer-range missile, the Taepo Dong 2, that could carry heavy payloads to Hawaii and Alaska and lighter-weight weapons to parts of the rest of the United States, Tenet said.

Neither Tenet nor Hughes see any reduction in tension with the Iraqi regime of Saddam Hussein, Though hampered by international sanctions, Iraq could, under the right circumstances, develop a large inventory of weapons of mass destruction, cruise missiles and short- and medium-range missiles and could expand

its air and ground forces dramatically by 2020, Hughes said.

"Absent a fundamental change in governance, uncertain circumstances and a revitalization of military capability will be Iraq's direction," Hughes said.

In prepared text submitted to the committee, Tenet described Saddam as "more frustrated and desperate to break out of (U.S.) containment" but cautioned that he maintains a firm grip on power, "leaving few vulnerabilities that can be exploited by those opposed to his rule."

The CIA is under increasing pressure from Congress to develop covert strategies aimed at toppling Saddam, though most Iraqi experts give the effort little chance of success.

Terrorism remains a key national security concern and Tenet said Americans and American interests are increasingly the target of international terrorists. Attacks by the suspected terrorist Osama bin Laden, believed responsible for last summer's U.S. embassy bombings in Kenya and Tanzania, "could occur at any time," Tenet said.

And terrorists use increasingly sophisticated techniques, including cyber-terrorism capable of wreaking havoc in America's increasingly computer-dependent society, Tenet said.



Moscow Extended Weather Forecast

### Today:

• Don't miss Hua Lin's discussion of "An image extraction and recognition system using neural network" at 3:30 p.m. in Engr/Physics 214.

### **Coming Events:**

• Dr. William K. Medlin, the author of Fire Mountain: A Nation's Heritage in Jeopardy, will speak at Book People on Feb. 6, 5 p.m.

· Managing the Lolo Trail during the Lewis & Clark bicentennial? Well, Jim Caswell, Supervisor of the Clearwater Natl. Forest, has given the matter some thought. He will discuss Monday night, room 10, forestry building, 7 p.m.

• Pastor Tim Sebens of the Grace Baptist Church of Moscow will

speak on why relationships fail, and love Tues. Feb. 9 at 7:15 p.m. in Borah Theater in the SUB.

· Pamela Bathurst will present a lyric coloratura soprano recital Feb. 16 in the Music Recital Hall at 8 p.m. On the program are six of Paul Goldstaub's arrangements, a selection of Igor Stravinsky and "Coyotes" by some guy named Ricky Gordon.

### **Opportunities and Information:**

· The poetry contests are starting again. 21 lines or less to New York Poetry Alliance, Box 1588, New York, NY 10116-1588, or <www.freecontest.com>. \$1,000 grand prize.

# Legislature makes another run at reforming liquor laws

BOISE — The politically sacred precepts of private property and free enterprise are at the heart of another attempt to reform Idaho's post-Prohibition system of allocating liquor licenses.

Yet it's unclear at best whether a conservative Legislature struggling to keep up with the hospitality industry's modern commercial realities is ready to move into the 20th century on the eve of the 21st.

"Much of our alcohol law is distorted. It's based on how things have evolved over the last 60 or 70 years after Prohibition," Republican state Sen. Jack Riggs of Coeur d'Alene said. "It's odd that we in the state allowed it to get to that point."

Clark of Hayden were co-chairmen of an interim committee that tackled a thorough review of the state's alcohol laws for the first time in a decade.

The product of their work starts making its way onto legislative calendars during the session's fourth week. Most of it just updates, clarifies or refines laws governing the state Liquor Dispensary and its retailers.

But at the top of the committee's agenda was finding a way to update the process of issuing state licenses for selling liquor by the drink without doing significant financial harm to holders of existing licenses.

The result might finally allow a growing number of restaurants and other businesses outside cities to

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Riggs and GOP state Rep. Jim get liquor licenses without going to the Legislature for a special dispensation.

> That is exactly what legislators like state Rep. Tom Loertscher want to avoid. He is no fan of repeated requests for special liquor licenses from golf courses, resorts and other businesses operating outside cities. But the Bone Republican likewise has no stomach for making it easier to drink in rural areas like the one he represents.

"It's a tough issue for a lot of my constituents," he said.

Loertscher's opposition, like that of many of his colleagues, is based<sup>®</sup> on a simple philosophy: "You don't do anything that promotes the proliferation of alcohol." Clark and Riggs say their goal is

not alcohol proliferation but modernizing what many consider an archaic system.

"The first hurdle I think we're already over, which is we think there should be something to allow some licenses out in the county," Riggs said.

Assuming a majority of legislators share that opinion, the question becomes how to level the playing field without deflating the property value of existing liquor licenses or putting new licensees at an undue competitive advantage.

The interim committee initially proposed lifting the ban on issuing licenses to businesses in unincorporated areas and allocating one license per county for every 3,000 people living outside cities. No county would receive less than four

new licenses, and county commissions could still decide to keep their jurisdictions dry.

Cities now are allocated one license for every 1,500 people.

Besides a more restrictive population-based allocation to counties, the new licenses would be tied to the premises that first obtains it. That would be aimed at avoiding the kind of transfers that have increased the going price for the limited number of existing licenses to as much as \$435,000.

A new license costs just \$750.

Jennifer Lindsey, executive director of the Idaho Hospitality. and Travel Association, said the value of their liquor license is the primary asset for some older businesses constantly operating on a: razor-thin margin of profitability.

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### Wright Flyer on Mars

WASHINGTON - To mark the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers first airplane flight NASA wants to duplicate the event --- sort of - on Mars.

The NASA budget for 2000 contains \$50 million to begin development of a Mars airplane.

An animated video played at the budget briefing showed a small, pilotless plane parachuting toward the sandy surface, unfolding its wings and propeller, and puttering off.

In actuality, a lot about the plane remains to be determined, including actual design and means of propulsion and delivery to Mars, NASA Administrator Daniel S. Goldin said.

Flying in Mars' atmosphere is like flying at 100,000 to 130,000 feet altitude above Earth, he said, so much research needs to be done. A long-range jetliner flies at about 30,000 feet altitude.

There is also an eight-minute time lag for radio messages between Earth and Mars, complicating the control of the plane, which would be unmanned

The goal, is all goes well, is to make the flight in 2003, the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers flight, though NASA's briefing



Briefs

Compiled from Associated Press **Radioactive waste site** 

### will cost \$12 billion

ARCO, Idaho --- Officials at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory this year will select the best way to prepare the site's highly radioactive waste for disposal.

At a cost estimated at up to \$12 billion, the 36 year task likely will require as many as 1,200 workers depending on the technologies selected, said Tom Wichmann, high level waste program manager for the Department of Energy.

The cleanup involves transferring 3,800 cubic meters of granular waste and 1.4 million gallons of liquid waste into a solid, leak-proof form that could be readied for shipment to a permanent dump outside Idaho.

The waste currently is housed at the INEEL's Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center, which sits atop the Snake River aquifer, the state's largest freshwater source.

Former Gov. Phil Batt cut an deal in 1995 with the federal government in which the state agreed to accept limited future high-level waste for temporary storage at INEEL in return for a court-enforced cleanup schedule for the site that would be completed by 2036.

The first critical deadline under that deal is April 30, when the first shipments of plutonium-contaminated waste must leave Idaho.

### More women becoming profs, but at lower pay

WASHINGTON --- More women are becoming college professors but they get less pay and fewer promotions, a survey by a university faculty trade group finds. In 1974-75, women made up 22.5 percent of all U.S. faculty members.

By 1997-98 the percentage had increased to 33.8. But the study by the American Association of University Professors indicates that more than half the

women are in lower positions such as lecturers and instructors, regardless of the type of institution.

In 1997-98, women represented 55.6 percent of lecturers, 58.6 percent of instructors and 46.8 percent of assistant professors - the profession's full-time entry level position. But just 18.7 percent of full pro-

fessors were women.

The data are based on an annual survey of about 2,500 public and private college administrators. The response rate is about 75 percent, researchers said.

Women also are more likely to work at community colleges, which generally pay less than four-year colleges and universities.

The report, released Tuesday by the group, was also published in the January-February 1999 issue of Academe, the group's journal.

### **Russia's supreme court** bans death penalty

MOSCOW - Russia's highest court banned all courts in the country Tuesday from handing down death sentences until the jury system is adopted throughout Russia.

The ruling means an effective abolition of the death penalty, said Constitutional Court spokeswoman Anna Malysheva. Introducing the iury system will take years, and Russia is likely to deliver on its promise of banning the death penalty before then, she said.

"Starting today, we effectively have no death penalty," Malysheva told The Associated Press.

Russia promised to abolish the death penalty when it joined the Council of Europe in 1996, but so far has only enacted a moratorium on carrying out death sentences.

Capital punishment has remained on the books, and courts have continued to sentence people to death even though nobody has been exe-

cuted since August 1996, according to the government.

Meanwhile, Russia has also been trying to adopt the jury system, but so far only nine of the country's 89 regions have it in place. The Moscow region - but not the city of Moscow - is one of those that do.

Russia's Constitutional Court ruled Tuesday that until all regions have adopted the system, no death sentences may be passed anywhere in the country.

And the chronically cashstrapped Russian government is expected to take years to introduce the jury system.

## calendar recruits wives

NEW YORK - Patricia Cahill Jones and Jennifer Lucas were driving through the green rolling hills of southwest Ireland when they spotted a farmer walking cattle alongside the road.

"Hey, are you single?" Ms. Jones hollered out the open car window.

The two Queens residents weren't trolling for dates. Well, at least not directly. And not for themselves.

They were on a quest to find 12 men - ages 18 to 89 - to grace the pages of "Bachelor Farmers of Ireland Calendar."

They found them. But Misters January through December, concedes Ms. Jones, are "anything but beefcake."

It's a journey that began in 1997 in Astoria, Queens, after the two longtime friends, both Irish-Americans, read an article about a shortage of women in County Kerry, Ireland, that was jeopardizing the existence of family farms.

"I loved the headline: 'Shortage of women a threat to population,' said Ms. Lucas, who works at Newsweek magazine.

The article said that between the ages of 25 and 29, there were 61 single women to every 100 single men, and between the ages of 30 to 34, there were 46 women to every 100 men.

### Intelligence officials press for NATO troop intervention

WASHINGTON - NATO troops will be needed to prevent wider warfare between rival factions in Kosovo even if a peace agreement is reached, U.S. intelligence officials said Tuesday. A Kosovo mission faces more danger than peacekeeping in Bosnia, they warned.

'We are on the verge of a dramatic deterioration of the Kosovo crisis as the limitations of winter weather pass," CIA Director George Tenet told the Senate Armed Services are among blacks. Committee. "A NATO ground force is indispensable to a solution."

Sen. John Warner, meanwhile, warned against U.S. troop deployment without a peace agreement, and Sen. Jeff Sessions said Congress should be involved in any decision to commit U.S. forces.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, a Connecticut Democrat on the Armed Services Committee, said the United States, if a negotiated settlement in Kosovo is reached, should be ready to commit a "limited number of ground forces" to a peace-keeping mission led by European allies.

Lieberman said Tuesday that he was worried that instability from the Kosovo crisis could spread throughout the Balkans.

"Containing a larger war would require a significant investment of U.S. resources, so I believe it is in the United States' best interests to work to bring peace to Kosovo before the conflict spreads," he said.

Kosovo's rebel spokesman, Jakup Krasniqi, announced Tuesday that the ethnic Albanian rebels will attend peace talks in France this weekend aimed at ending the bloody 11-month conflict. The Serb parliament will decide Thursday whether the government will take part in the talks.

State Department spokesman James P. Rubin welcomed the Albanian decision Tuesday and again raised a threat of NATO bombardment against the Serbs if they declined.

#### Study provides evidence of racial divide in AIDS CHICAGO -----Researchers

reported that blacks donating blood for the first time are 25 times more likely than whites to have recently acquired HIV infections.

The study is the latest to document the growing racial divide in AIDS, which is evolving from being largely an illness of white homosexuals to one of poor blacks who catch it through drug abuse and heterosexual encounters. Across America, more than half of all HIV infections

The research examined blood donors, who are among the least likely of all people to be infected. Those who do risky things, such as inject drugs, are discouraged from giving. And since most donors do so repeatedly, they have already passed earlier screening tests.

Recently, scientists developed a method of testing blood that reveals whether the infection is new or longstanding. They used it to look for fresh infections among people across the country who were giving blood for the first time.

Dr. Michael P. Busch and others from the Blood Centers of the Pacific in San Francisco used the papers admitted it could slip to 2005. new method to analyze the samples of 1.7 million first-time donors. Of the total, 427 were HIV-infected. The new test revealed that 58 of them had been infected within the previous few weeks.

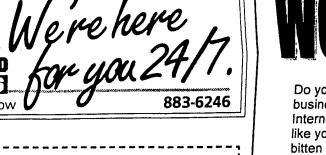
Busch said new infections were about three times more common among first-time donors than among those who give repeatedly.

The analysis showed that about 2 of every 100,000 white donors annually are newly infected, compared with 51 per 100,000 among blacks and less than four among Hispanics and Asians.

Dr. Martha Rogers of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said the latest data reflect "the well-recognized shift in the epidemic to people of color."









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# Right-wing power grab gains some steam

By Greg Mullen University of Idaho Argonaut

You have heard me say it before: one of the finest assets of the University of Idaho is the residential nature of the campus. Our strategic goal to become a resident campus of choice in the West hinges on the growth and development of all oncampus living, both residence halls and fraternities and sororities. We took a major step in the right direction late last month at a weekend retreat specifically to examine and discuss Greek life on the Moscow campus.

The retreat included Greek student leaders, live-in and alumni advisers, corporation members and national representatives. The group discussed, among other topics, their role in the university's strategic plan, risk management, growth for Greek houses, alcohol and civility. They prepared a vision statement that focuses on community academic achievement, personal development and positive image in "safe and healthy chapter facilities."

The mission statement also pledges the Greek system to be a "significant contributor to the University of Idaho's goal to be the residential campus of choice."

The retreat group also committed to four primary values: High standards of academic achievement, quality faculty relations, member retention and recruitment.

Developing the whole person through the "continued rich tradition of service, brotherhood and sisterhood, leadership education, personal responsibility, respect for ideals, values and personal differences. Creating Greek community and promoting interfraternalism. Commitment to state-of-the-art living environments, including education on health and safety issues; improvement chapter management and preparation for the future.

Finally, the group identified several action areas including scholarship and faculty/university relations. alumni and interfraternal relations, public image, improved living environments, membership issues, as

A major implication of the president's impeachment is the consolidation of power within the Republican Party by the pseudo-Christian right wing of the party. The failure of party moderates to break ranks is a strong indication of where true power lies.

The right wing of the Republican Party is opposed to the changes taking place in our society. They would like to return to some mythical Leave It to Beaver past, where there was no civil rights movement, no sexual revolution, no women's liberation, no feminists, no gay liberation. They wish to return to a mythical white bread past where blacks stay in the ghetto, women in the kitchen, and queers in the closet.

This Republican right is associat-

ed with a broad range of other tionary GOP, even if it falls from groups, ranging from militias to thinly-veiled white supremacists. They provide both justification and political cover for violent outbursts: gay bashing, church burning, clinic bombing. They are well-funded, well-armed and well-organized.

The power of the far right to field well-funded candidates in primary races has kept party moderates from defecting from impeachment. Voices of moderation are marginalized within the party. Even the early stages of the presidential contest are focused on shutting down the moderates.

Instead of offering a solid platform, instead of attacking the president, instead of attacking likely Democratic nominee Al Gore, candidates in the Republican primaries are turning on moderate Republican George W. Bush.

The mere existence of such a reac-

power in the next elections, will pull the nation far to the right. Already, before they have fully consolidated their power, they have stalled all progress for years. They have rolled back affirmative action and slashed welfare. They have pushed the president into the largest military and law-enforcement buildup since the Reagan years, when the American and Russian empires butted heads across the globe and World War III always seemed five minutes in the future.

Indeed, this military and police buildup is most frightening of all. The far right has already demonstrated its capacity for violence, while still limited to spontaneous action and small underground cells. What would happen if such a bunch of reactionary thugs were to get their hands on the full military and security apparatus of the United

States?

Regardless of the formal outcome of the impeachment process, some of the implications are already clear. It is still possible that voices of moderation will survive within the party, but it looks less likely every day. If one of our two parties is seized by proto-fascist extremists, America will be in for dark times.

It may be too late to save the Republican Party; that is up to the moderates who have yet to show any signs of courage. But we can begin to prepare for the future. All Americans who believe in the progress we have made in the last half-century must prepare to stand together. Some of us believe the progress has not gone far enough; others believe it could have been done differently. But if we cannot stand together in resistance, we will suffer alone in defeat.

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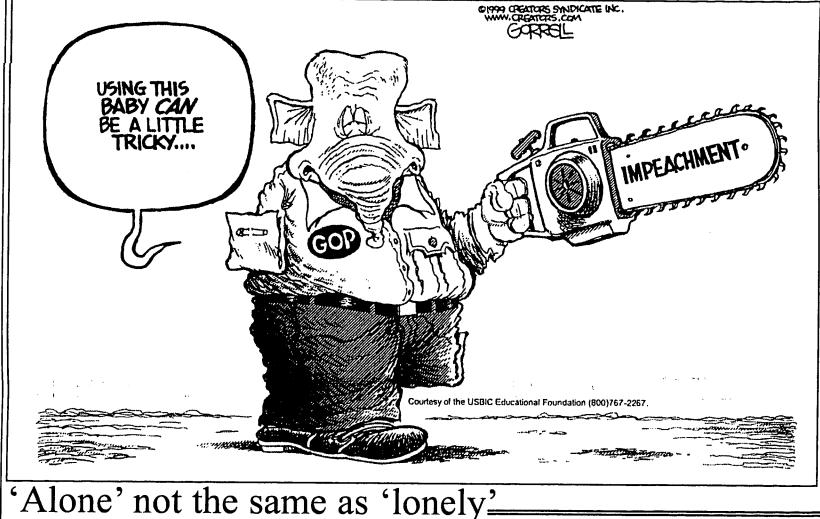
By Jason and the Argonauts

To the left of this page, you will notice the face of UI President Bob Hoover, who contributes a weekly "President's Corner" to the Argonaut. President Hoover's corner has recently been joined by columns by ASUI President Mahmood Sheik and ASUI Lobbyist Curt Wozniak.

These columns are meant as a public service to the student body and faculty to keep them informed of the goings-on of the Administration and the ASUI. However, there has debate among members of the Argonaut Editorial Board pertaining to whether these respective "corners" actually help enlighten the student body or merely serve as blatant PR for the respective parties. Criticism of the lack of substance in these "corners" has been countered with the argument of "public service."

We at the Argonaut would like to know what you, our readers, think about this issue. If the "President's Corner" is disliked by the majority of readers, we will kindly inform him that his services are no longer needed. The same goes for Mr. Sheik and Mr. Wozniak. The space on the Opinion page of the Argonaut is limited; if readers would rather read Argonaut staff columns, political cartoons and letters, please let us know. Likewise, if you find the "corners" to be informative, beneficial and a nice feature of the Argonaut's Opinion page, please give them your support.

The Argonaut strives to be "The Students' Voice." Student response to our publication is a very important part of our meeting this goal. Whether you think "President's Corner" and its new brethren are meaningless fluff or important updates, we encouarage your response, and the Opinion page will be modified or kept the same depending on those responses. The box on the lower portion of this page lists the options for contacting us. We await your response.



well as substance abuse and risk management.

Traditionally, the Greek community is an important segment of our student population and critical to achieving our goal in becoming a campus of choice in the West. We want to support them in any way we can to help make the plans and goals they've established for themselves a reality.

On another topic, I want to congratulate Dona Walker, our director of Multicultural Affairs, the minority student community and all who gave of their time for their work on planning the Celebration of the Dream observation of Idaho Human Rights Day. They put together a great program that was interesting and meaningfully.

Along those same lines, civil rights leader Myrlie Evers-Williams, the former chair of the board of directors of the NAACP and widow of slain civil rights leader Medgar Evers, will deliver a public address Feb. 17 at WSU. The free address at 7 p.m. in WSU's Beasley Performing Arts Coliseum is sponsored by Avista Utilities-WWP Division, WSU and the University of Idaho. She'll sign copies of her autobiography, Watch Me Fly: What I learned on the Way to Becoming the Woman I was Meant to Be published by Little Brown. I hope you have an opportunity to attend.

### **Bob Hoover**

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It began with arranged marriages, became blind dates and evolved into personal ads. Institutions such as the Idaho Falls Date Connection, as well as our own Chapel of Love, are only hindering the problem. What is the problem? It's the social pressure placed on those of us who enjoy our time alone, the confirmed bachelors and spinsterly bachelorettes; according to media and artistic portrayals of life, there is something wrong with being alone.

By Bob Phillips, Jr.

The traditional college student is in the age bracket wherein one should be seeking a life-partner or spouse. This object of your affection should be thinking in a similar fashion, so marriage and the beginning of a family unit would quickly ensue.

What if a person does not want to be married as soon as college is finished? What if someone enjoys spending time with a group of close friends as opposed to scrambling to find a date every Friday night? Is

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there something wrong with this person, some anti-social personality trait which needs to be corrected? I think not, and I will attempt to explain why.

In psychology, there is no true definition for "abnormal" behavior. Criteria for being "abnormal" or "deviant" or just "maladaptive" are sketchy at best, but there is always the requirement of being unhappy, as well as a stipulation of the condition impeding normal daily tasks. So then, is chronic loneliness a problem that needs to be fixed? No, it isn't. Granted, the solitary individual is an oddity within our culture, but no one is being hurt by this lonely person, and more importantly, there is no excessive unhappiness.

People tend to point and laugh at someone who hasn't had a date in two years, but no one asks if that person has wanted to date in those years. There is a cultural stigma against people who like to be alone, and I would like to try and rock that stigma.

Why should people be together? Is Accept Vandal Cards at The Perch

As a student of the University of Idaho, I try to enjoy the conveniences the university has set up for us students on a budget. One particular convenience I would like to address is the use of our Vandal Cards to make purchases across campus. This allows us to pay for things like health care or lunch with our Vandal Card. My main concern here is lunch (i.e., not all eateries on campus accept the Vandal Card).

Recently, I have been dining at an N.M.L. (Non-Marriot Location) on campus. The Perch is located on University Ave. between the Delta Chi and Delta Sigma fraternity houses and across from the Campus Christian Center. The Perch is a great place for students to eat on campus because of several factors. 1. It's on campus. 2. It's cheaper. 3. There is more variety than the Satellite SUB. 4. Better food. 5. More business hours per day. 6. Friendly atmosphere. The Perch is basically a con-

the ticking of a biological clock enough to force a couple to marry too soon, is the urge to conform so strong as to force a shy girl to date every man who asks? I don't think that one factor is enough, but the unvoiced social pressures are enough to push someone over the edge. Newspapers are full of details of married life, but few single people get attention. Were Bill Clinton unmarried, then our country would be looking at how he acts as our military leader, not how he acts as a husband.

I suppose this article was fueled by the Jan. 18 "our Generation" section of the Spokesman-Review. This newspaper is running a blind date contest, which I would love to enter just to mess up. Open to teens age 14 through 18, contestants are asked to

write a one-page letter describing why they would be the perfect candidate for a blind date, and to include the characteristics of the ideal match. This whole idea is ludicrous. Why force this idea of being a couple onto people who are still learning about their own self, still discovering skills

venience store that serves hot meals and has seating.

However, The Perch is not allowed to accept Vandal Cards for payment. The Vandal Cards should be usable at The Perch or any other local business that would be interested in accepting them.

Go to The Perch, try some of the good eats, and while you're there, sign the petition to have the university allow The Perch to accept the Vandal Card.

Ray Wallace

### Frye review reveals plot

Regarding Heather Frye's review of A Simple Plan, might I suggest next time that she not devote two thirds of her review to revealing the entire plot in detail. It does little good to imply that this is a must-see suspense film when she has taken all the suspense away from those who read her column.

Jay Feldman

and talents? This media pressure to be part of a couple is sickening, but so inherent that no one even questions it. No one but myself, and probably a few other isolated individuals.

Maybe my rage has been incited by the proximity of St. Valentine's Day or possibly a recent examination of my own life. I have been quite single for two years, and I have been more happy in that time span than when I was dating one particular female. There is subtle, unconscious pressure hitting me from many angles to go meet people, to get back into the dating scene. I am lucky, I know who I am, therefore I can be happy in isolation.

Please, do your friends a favor when you try and match them up with someone from your history class. Consider that some people are happier being alone than they are on a date. Peer pressure is an immense weight, and many are crushed beneath it every year; this forced notion that all must be paired up in happily-married couples is wrong. I'm not ready to get onto Noah's Ark just yet, so my match will have to bide her time.

## Is PC the death of free speech?

### By Scott J. Mahurin University of Idaho Argonaut

The ASUI ought not be so niggardly with student funds.

I have a friend who is a real niggard with his money.

Now, if the above sentences do not get me fired, then it is clear the Argonaut staff is way ahead of the rest of the country.

So, what's all the hubbub about? Last week in Washington, D.C., a man was fired for his use of the word "niggardly." He was fired because the word sounds too much like the racial slur. Apparently no one stopped to look for a dictionary to find out what the word actually means.

According to Webster's Dictionary, the word "niggardly" is used to describe a mean, covetous and stingy person. Somebody like Ebenezer Scrooge would qualify as niggardly. Granted, it is a word that few people know the meaning of, but this does in no way justify a man losing his job because of its "racism." It isn't a racist word. Even the most deluded advocate of political correctness would have to think of firing someone over the use of the word niggardly would be extreme.

As usual, this is a case of political correctness going way overboard. This man's only crime was a large vocabulary. We have obviously gotten to the point where real prejudice does not matter, but the mere appearance of it from the muddled minds of ignorant people lost in the guise of political correctness is the only standard.

Think about it. You can now officially be fired from your job by saying or writing a word that "sounds" racist. It doesn't have to be racist, it just has to sound racist. All that matters anymore is perception, and an extreme political correctness philosophy is intolerant and an enemy of freedom.

Adherents of political correctness tend to be the most intolerant people on the earth. Language is under attack. I am not white. I have to be called a Caucasian or a Euro-American. Jesse Jackson is not black. He is an African-American. Well, what if you're white and from Africa? Does this make you an African-American?

Criticizing political correctness can get one in trouble, so please do not misunderstand me. Racial slurs are wrong and should be avoided. There are some parts of our language that are never OK to use, and most of them appear on Yo! MTV Raps!

As in the case with our poor unemployed friend who knew too many words, hopefully we can see how foolish we all have become. This recent case of political correctness gone horribly wrong is nothing more than a wake-up call. So wake up. Cooler heads and sane thoughts must prevail.

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# Recruits bolster future of Vandal football

**By Todd Mordhorst** University of Idaho Argonaut

Ever since November, Chris Tormey has not been able to wipe the smile off his face. Idaho's football coach was grinning ear to ear Wednesday as he announced his recruits on the final day for signing letters of intent.

Coming off perhaps the finest season in Idaho history, the Vandals improved their size and athletic ability with five junior college transfers and 16 high school seniors. Idaho has now fully expanded to the standard 85 scholarship players in Division I football.

"On paper this is probably the best group we've brought in since I've been here the last five years. They're all really solid people, good students, and I think there is some real talent in this class,'

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Tormey said. Of the JC transfers, who Tormey expects to make an immediate impact, Andrew Holt from San Jose City College, and Matt Leituala from Ricks College will compete for spots on the offensive line. Bryan Brooks from West LA Junior College will help out on the defensive line. All three of these linemen are already enrolled at Idaho and will begin spring drills in April.

Tormey was excited at signing two outstanding athletes from West Valley College, Rossi Martin and Justin Wilson, who both play receiver and defensive back.

"Even though we weren't really actively looking for JC receivers, they just were too good of athletes

to pass up," he said.

have great size and mobility. Terrell Bailey, a 6-foot-8, 287 lb. offensive lineman from Denver, Colo., was all set to sign with the University of Washington, but when they had a coaching change, Bailey decided to become a Vandal. Another outstanding offensive lineman is Kyle Stewart, from Kent, Wash. He is 6-foot-2, 295 and could compete for playing time immediately.

Tormey was especially successful recruiting in the state of Washington this year. With the Huskies changing coaches after the season and the Cougars coming off a losing season, Idaho's success attracted many of the top players in the state.

USA Today's Washington

pass up," he said. The high school recruits also recruits also unheard of 63 touchdowns and unheard of 63 touchdowns and 4,225 yards his senior year and holds the national high school record for career TD passes. Tormey said John Welsh is the Vandals' starting quarterback, Lindgren will have a chance to compete and the best man will get the iob

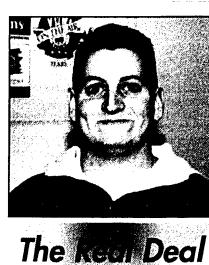
the job. "He's got confidence and a lot of ability. If he comes in and redshirts then he'll be in a position to compete and the best players are going to play," Tormey said. After the loss of Joel Thomas,

the Vandals signed Tyree Clowe out of Central Valley High School in Spokane. Tormey compared Clowe with Thomas physically and said he may have a chance to play immediately.

Another highly touted Spokane product is Matt Dillon, a 6-foot-3, 242 lb. defensive lineman. From Ferris High School, Dillon was a standout at the UI football camp last year, and is a great all around athlete.

Paul Nieman from Sandpoint was signed for his athleticism, as he may be used at quarterback or in the defensive backfield. He is the younger brother of Alli Nieman, who leads the UI women's basketball squad.

Despite Tormey being approached for head-coaching jobs Washington and Oregon State University in January, Idaho's recruiting did not suffer. Tormey said his interviews were both within a few days and decisions were made quickly, so potential recruits weren't left in limbo.



**Barry Graham** University of Idaho Argonaut

### Who really watched the "Big Game"?

Okay, I broke even on my Super Bowl bets this week. I can safely say that when you gamble using some thought, you will win a large percentage of the time. Denver was the better team on paper and the better team almost always wins the NFL championship. Even though Atlanta's run to the Super Bowl was novel, you just had a feeling that the Broncos were going to bring their "A" game to Miami. It's too bad that the Falcons received a "C" for their effort!

Let's be honest here though. How many of you actually stayed tune to the entire broadcast? This Super Bowl had to be one of the worst snoozers of the last 20 years. Accept for the diehard Bronco and Atlanta fans, it's hard for me to believe that many people enjoyed this affair. And with good reason. Not only did this "Big Game" lack suspense and action, but the supposed compelling story-line featuring Falcons coach Dan Reeves and Denver's Mike Shanahan fizzled out a week before the actual kickoff.

Fox Sports had little to go on here and it was evident. Usually, some type of hype is generated during the two weeks before the Super Bowl. This season, the "Big" story involved the apparent dislike that Reeves and Shanahan had for one another. Well, that story never amounted to anything. No one cared.

So then, the media tried to buildup the contest as John Elway's final game. So throughout the broadcast, we get close-ups of Elway throwing passes, scoring a touchdown on a quarterback sneak and gleefully laughing and then hoisting the Vince Lombardi trophy through a mass of reporters. Still though, we do not yet know if, in fact, it will be his last season.

But, you have to admit, close-ups of Elway crossing the goalline and enjoying the moment does make for great television. Especially in light of Fox's blunders throughout the telecast. Speaking of Fox, why would one show seven hours of pre-game material? Well, the obvious reason would be ratings. However, even with the Super Bowl becoming a holidaylike celebration for many people, watching seven hours of pre-game equates to having absolutely nothing better to do. The only saving grace for the pregame show was the player journals that were separated into three segments. Knowing what the players did in the two weeks before the Super Bowl is interesting. I only wish that we could have heard and seen the PG-13 or Rrated versions of the journals because we all know that sitting down in hotel rooms and playing pool wasn't all the players did. Just ask Atlanta's Eugene Robinson. Then we get to the actual announcing of the game. It was reported by a rival sports network and play-by-play announcer Pat Summerall had a little too much to drink before the game. Whether that's true or not, Summerall's performance suffered in the beginning of the contest. And it didn't help that John Madden was uanble to rescue him. Madden failed to deliver in the beginning although he had one good line during a close-up shot of the star of the Ally McBeal. The worst though is the half-time show that has now become its own little spectacle. I would rather watch the Fox round table of ego maniacs that includes Terry Bradshaw, Chris Collinsworth and Howie Long. It was actually extremely amusing to have watched the pre-game show where Bradshaw spent five minutes trying to prove that he could spell cat and Collinsworth cried and blamed former Cincinnati running back Stanley Wilson for two Super Bowl defeats. The only highlight of that crew was host James Brown who carried the entire group despite being drowned out of the majority of the show by loud and irreverent noise. All in all, this past Super Bowl was a major disappointment. Furthermore, the commercials didn't even live up the expectations of past years. My only solace in the event was that won \$10 on Sunday. However, my joy of winning quickly diminished this past Monday when I had to part with the money.





Zeljka Vidic, one of Coach Greg South's promising freshman, lines up her backhand during practice on Wednesday.

By Sean Campbell University of Idaho Argonaut

In the sports world few can name the four tournaments that make up the Grand Slam (that's tennis lingo), let alone who has won these internationally prestigious events. In fact, many see tennis as a mindless, erratic game where two people swat at a little green ball, as if it was a pesky fly, amidst a chorus of primal grunis.

Oh contraire; it is a physical test of one's endurance, a challenge of precision accuracy, and a chess match of cerebral warfare.

So how will the Vandal women's tennis team fare as they embark upon a whirlwind road trip that has them competing against Pacific, San Jose St., and Santa Barbara on consecutive days?

"We're going to have our hands full, but we will compete with them, and we will compete well," said head coach Greg South.

South's foreshadowing may prove true on both counts. He considers both Pacific and Santa Barbara to be strong teams,

each vying for the Big West title. However, the Vandals will bring to California a young but talented team lead by senior Katrina Burke. "She's as good as anyone in the conference. She could be the best player," South rightfully said, Burke was the No. 2 player in the conference last year.

Amidst a flurry of backhand flurries, Burke spoke of her final year as a Vandal. "I know I can be just as good as them [my opponents] on any given day.'

After three years of analyzing her opponents weaknesses from across the net, her words may echo in their ears this season. If not her aggressive, net charging play will leave them in a fit of frustration. The Australian native Burke is not the

only spice South can draw out of his cauldron. Depth is the word he uses to

describe his melting pot of talent. Freshmen Pooja Deshmukh and Zeljka

Vidic will vie for the 2 and 3 spots while Glorianna Serrano, Cameron Erickson, and Barbara Perez-Martinez will fill out the rest of the lineup. South pointed out none of the spots are set in stone; instead they will rotated. All in all, they pose a formidable lineup for all challengers.

Another challenge is a lesson in geography. Deshmukh's graceful baseline play was honed in her home country of India.

Her father began coaching her on the fine points of ground strokes at the age of eleven. Over the years Pooja ascended the ranks of India's tournament circuit. In so doing, she dethroned the No. 1 junior player as well as conquering the national doubles championship.

Before arriving in Moscow ten days ago, and stepping foot on snow for the first time, she was ranked No. 6 in India.

With this in mind she humbly spoke of he goals for this season. "I'm just trying to establish myself and work on my weaknesses." Only a freshman, her future looks sweet.

Fellow freshman Zeljka Vidic may be the smoldering candles on the multicultural cake that South is baking. In Croatian her name means "wish".

Photo by Nic Tucker

"My parents wanted a daughter, I granted their wish," she said with a blush.

Zeljka began her apprenticeship in the art of serve and volley at what she considers a late age of ten. If so, this Croatian has developed quickly, dazzling her home country on the creamy clay courts of Eastern Europe.

As she makes the transition to the hard courts of the US, South beams with excitements when he talks about her ability to excel as an all court player, who has a natural feel for the ball.

All six women may be divided by oceans and massive chunks of land, but no dissension looms in the shadows of this team that Deshmukh calls, "absolutely internationally diverse." Instead they are a close group who look forward to learning about each other's cultures and languages.

And that was truly a shame!

# Chiwira cold in Moscow, hot on track

#### By Cody Cahill University of Idaho Argonaut

Upon arriving in Atlanta for the 1996 Olympic Games, University of Idaho track star Tawanda Chiwira didn't think the Games would prove to be much different than other events he had run in.

Chiwira, a Zimbabwe native, had competed in the 1995 World Championships in Sweden, so he was used to running alongside the world's best runners.

He soon realized, though, that the Olympics were no ordinary competition.

Soon after arriving, the hoopla that surrounds the Summer Games began to sink in and Chiwira found himself walking beside some of the most prominent figures in sports during the Opening Ceremonies "[At first] I really felt like it was

just another meet," said Chiwira, "It really didn't occur to me that I was at the Olympics until the Opening Ceremonies when I saw the Dream Team and Muhammad Ali carrying his torch."

Although Chiwira was running his specialty, the 400-meter dash, in front of millions of people worldwide, his nerves didn't seem to bother him any more than a normal race. And although he had spent two weeks previous to the Games off of his feet after suffering from shin splints, he was able to persevere.

Chiwira ran not only a personal best during the second heat of the competition; his time of 45.89 was good enough for a University of Idaho record, and more importantly a Zimbabwe national record.

The effervescent and friendly Chiwira came to Idaho after head track coach Mike Keller came to Zimbabwe to recruit runners. Four other Zimbabweans had become Vandals and Chiwira, who initially wanted to attend school down south where the weather is much warmer, decided that Idaho would be the place for him as well.

While Chiwira has enjoyed his tenure in Moscow, he does have a few problems with the Idaho, namely the climate.

"I believe that being a sprinter, you must be able to live in warm conditions. It is hard to get the maximum out of your body in cold conditions and that is where the Dome comes in, but sometimes the Dome is being used and you have to work out outside where you cannot warm up properly. That is one of the downsides of Idaho."

Chiwira is also somewhat less than pleased with the level of competition that is drawn at indoor meets in the area.

"I wish that a lot more schools would come to the meets here, so we could have a lot more competition

indoors," said Chiwira. "As far as I'm concerned I don't get enough competition from other schools."

Chiwira, who suffers from asthma, competed in rugby and soccer as well as track in both primary and high school. After high school he gave up all these activities, but when his asthma attacks began to become more severe, Chiwira realized that he needed to continue competing in some form of athletics to remain in shape. A track coach convinced him to stick with running.

"One coach told me that there was this one guy in Kenya who is a world champion and he has asthma," said Chiwira.

"So I decided to start running, and funny enough, I didn't just get healthy, I started running faster than I had in high school. So I decided I'd stick with it for health purposes and because I've got quite a future," said Chiwira who plans on earning his degree and then running pro for a few years.

In Chiwira's spare time, he enjoys playing chess and listening to music. He is a volunteer DJ at KUOI and his headphones are a permanent fixture whenever he is around campus.

Chiwira, who also runs the 200meter dash and holds the indoor school record for that event, is looking forward to running the 400 in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney Australia.



Tawanda Chiwira pushes himself during practice as he tries to improve on last weekend's speciacular performance.

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# Everclear to cram music down the throat of Pullman

### Will most likely induce soul coughing

**By Kristi Ponozzo** University of Idaho Argonaut

The Levi's Sno-Core Tour 1999 is in full effect this month, making one of its first stops at the Beasley Coliseum in Pullman. The concert will headline alternative group Everclear, retro/new age/jazz/experimental group Soul

Coughing, rapper Red Man and DJ Spooky.

Everclear declined an interview, but the down-to-earth band Soul Coughing happily accepted.

Soul Coughing, promoting their new album *El Oso*, is anxious to strut their stuff for the first time in this area. M Doughty leads the band on vocals, Mark De Gli Antoni on sampler keyboard, Sebastian Steinburg upright bass and Yuval Gabay on drums and percussion.

El Oso, meaning the bear, is Coughing's third album preceded by Ruby Vroom and Irresistible Bliss. Their sound is hypnotic and funky; they truly are unique in their style. They are a great dance band with dominating jungle beats and their radio-friendly single "Circles"



has made its way to the Billboard Top 40 charts.

Their tunes are filled with wild overdubs of answering machines, cheese graters, bells, whistles, toys and any other unorthodox gadget that makes a sound.

De Gli Antoni adds to the organized chaos with his experimental sampler keyboard. The sampler is very modern and acts as a kind of tape recorder.

"I wanted something that had a quirk to it, I experimented with it and it just turned my music upside down," said De Gli Antoni. De Gli Antoni, who has a Master's in music composition, has never been in a band before. Gaby's credits include Bosh, an experimental percussion threesome and Zahar, a Moroccan folk music and rock band. Steinburg's career has included stints in everything from a reggae band to belly dancing combos as well as collaborations with New York's leading dissonant guitar hero, Marc Ribot.

Doughty owes his lyrical prowess to drawing from beat poets and A Tribe Called Quest. Doughty, having given up on the music industry, formed the band in the hopes they could book a few bar shows and have fun. That was 1992, and little did he know that the New York



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Soul Coughing (left) and Everclear (right) will be coming to the Beasley Coliseum along with musical cohorts Red Man and DJ Spooky.

scene would rocket them to success.

The band is a great combination, according to Antoni, and they work well together. Doughty usually writes the lyrics and the rest of the band comes up with music.

Typically, a song for Soul Coughing starts by one band member bringing in an idea and the band molding it and shaping it into

something they can call their own. "Coughing is used to touring as

their own headliner by ourselves and we have actually never really listened to any of Everclear's music," said De Gli Antoni, who is looking forward to touring with their unknown-to-them headliners. The band has built their 20- to 30something fan base the old fashioned way by relentlessly taking their commanding live show on the road.

"We have been to some really beautiful places: Sicily, Lisbon, Amsterdam, Minneapolis, where the crowds were just great," said De Gli Antoni, "and we have toured with really great bands like Dave Mathews and Soundgarden." But it has not all been sunshine and acid trips; the band has had its shares of ups and downs. "Some months you could just kill. each other," said Di Gli Antoni. The venues they played were not always prime either. When touring with Lollapalooza in 1994 they had the experience of playing second stage and being mostly drowned out by the headliner show.

The Levi's Sno-Core Tour will hit Beasley Friday, Feb. 12. Tickets are available at through G&B Select-A-Seat outlets for \$26.

shares of ups and downs. Select-A-Seat outlets for \$26. Modest Mouse, et al., enter the maw of the Cougar

By Ben Morrow

University of Idaho Argonaut

The night: Friday, Feb. 5th, 1999. The time: 8 p.m. sharp. The place: the CUB Ballroom at Washington State University. (Like the SUB, only it starts with a "C.") The price: Only \$5.

Yes, it is true, partially famous/underground indy band Modest Mouse is coming to the Palouse, bringing three other bands, Track Star, Pedro the Lion and the Bahai Faith. This becomes quite the deal since even if every band sucked (they most likely won't), a potential concert-goer could still get about a band a buck.

The quality of headlining band Modest Mouse, however, needs no questioning. Having already established a rather firm following, Modest Mouse's music ranges from sad empty ballads to jumpy disco-beat rock-oriented songs, with trademark whining. Distorted guitar lines are also present, of course. Modest Mouse has been together for over three years now, made up of three modest members. Isaack Brock plays guitar and sings, Eric Judy is on the low end and Jeremy Green plays the skins. Fans of the band will definitely not want to miss this (especially for the mere handful of 500 pennies it costs) and those who haven't "been to the mouse house," as their live shows are usually considered as good as the albums. Also on the bill for entertainment is Track Star. a band straight out of hippie-ville, AKA San Francisco. The band has been going at it for over four years now and describe themselves, at least in the Bay Area, as "old school."

Todd Sullivan on drums) said in an interview the most popular style of music in San Fran. right now would be funk metal and hip-hop. This is the main cause for the "old school" label; Track Star gets credit for being one of the oldest bands around.

Track Star usually does not even play too often in their hometown now, however, as so many clubs have shut down, and instead have been on five U.S. tours and especially like to play in the Northwest.

The band's influences, although always changing, include Elvis Costello and Otis Redding. Their new album, out on Subpop Records and titled *Communication Breaks*, can attest to some of these influences.

But that is only half the hayride. Other albums released by Track Star include three seven-inch records, *Removable Parts/The View, Cashed Out/August* (split with Kid Dynamo), and *No Big Deal/Push It*. Other works to their credit include one 10-inch, a cassette split with Raisler and a variety of appearances on compilation albums. Yes, these boys know what's up. played in Chinatown (although he would like to) and he does not really notice too many hippies around San Francisco. When asked, he counted about three.

"Well three hippies," Troy recalled, "but one of them was talking about some of his friends (who maybe you could assume were also hippies) so that might be upwards to five or six hippies total for San Francisco."

Track Star will be playing a whole new set of songs this time around the Northwest, catering to their self-described audience of "the kids, a lot of parents, (and) the overachievers."

Seattle band Pedro the Lion, features guitarist David Bazan, bassist Josh Golden and drum dude Ben Brubaker. Their songs are mostly about fictitious stories and musings inspired by questions and personal theories contributed by Bazan.

Pedro the Lion's first album is now out, titled



**Contributed Photo** 

The ever-so-humble rodent returns to the Palouse tonight for a musical extravaganza, including Track Star, Pedro the Lion and the Bahai Faith.

Matthew Troy, guitarist (other members include Wyatt Cusick on guitar and vocals and

Troy said at live shows he likes to make the audience feel comfy by talking to the crowd and, although he noticed the band jumps around less nowadays, the effort to not take themselves too seriously and make everyone feel at home is still there.

Troy also had some interesting comments about his home, stating, "A lot of awesome bands have come from San Francisco, but a lot of the good bands right now aren't getting a lot of attention. What am I saying? San Francisco is number one!"

Troy also added that Track Star has never

It's Hard to Find a Friend. They play anywhere from a bar to a church and describe themselves as "pretty straightforward pop music." For the lion's share of info, check them out on the web

<www.indyrock.com/madeinmexico/pedro.htm>.

Also scheduled to play at this event is the Bahai Faith, straight out of Pullman. Expect somewhat Modest Mouse-like music, only heavier and with more of a garage band tint.

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Tickets are on sale for this plethora of bands and door ticket sales will start in the CUB's lobby at 7 p.m. This should be a show not to miss, especially for fans of indy rock. So brave the pass to Pullman and check out Modest Mouse, Pedro the Lion, the Bahai Faith and Track Star.

# WERC-ing to preserve wolves in the Northern Idaho wilderness areas

**By Bob Phillips, Jr.** University of Idaho Argonaut

Over Christmas break, I was invited to go to Winchester, Idaho, and visit a wolf sanctuary. Always an admirer of natural beauty, and a little anxious to get out of the apartment, I greedily accepted the invite.

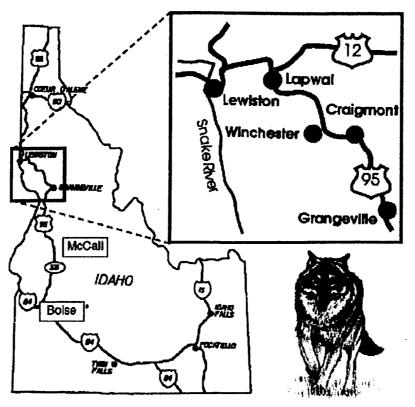
Four of us crammed into a car with a skipping CD player, and about an hour and fifteen minutes out of Moscow, and following a third review of our directions, we found the Wolf Education and Reintroduction Center (WERC) in Winchester. All right, so Winchester isn't a thriving metropolis, but the dangerous mountains and rugged forests made the setting appropriate.

We met our friendly and knowledgeable guide, Levi, and were told a brief history about the wolves and the WERC. I was too busy fussing with a pair of borrowed binoculars to pay as much attention as I should have, but I gathered that the 11-wolf pack lived on a territory that was about 20 square acres, and which was enclosed by two chain-link fences. The double fencing allowed WERC volunteers and employees to peruse the territory and feed the wolves, and also acted as an extra safety measure if the wolves decided to try and head for the hills of the surrounding area.

We crossed a frozen bog and slid across some ice plates en route to an observation deck that was situated on the side of a hill, peeking over the fences to give a decent view of the wolf territory. Eyes peeled, we stood on the damp lumber for a few minutes, but noticed no movement from the animals. Having never seen a real wolf before, I didn't know what to expect, until a black creature appeared in the middle of the clearing we'd been watching. I never saw where it came out of the trees, and it never made a sound walking through the dead pine needles, but here he was, loping through a golden meadow in the fading sunlight.

A yip, followed by a bark, and then my skin tensed up as a chorus of wolves began to serenade us from the fringes of their enclosure. I can honestly say that the two and a half hours of total driving time, the soaking wet socks, and trying to peer into leafy vegetation too thick for my eyes was well worth it. The ballad the wolves howled for us was something not meant to be described in a newspaper article; their song should be reserved for a lonely love story, or possibly some very well-written country song, or a poem about universal isolation. That eerie well of sound,

ebbing in and out in imperfect harmony, this was by far reason enough to drive to Winchester and back for a 30-minute tour. When the wolves finished their tune, a mist of silence rolled between the hills. Our guide took us to another observation area, one



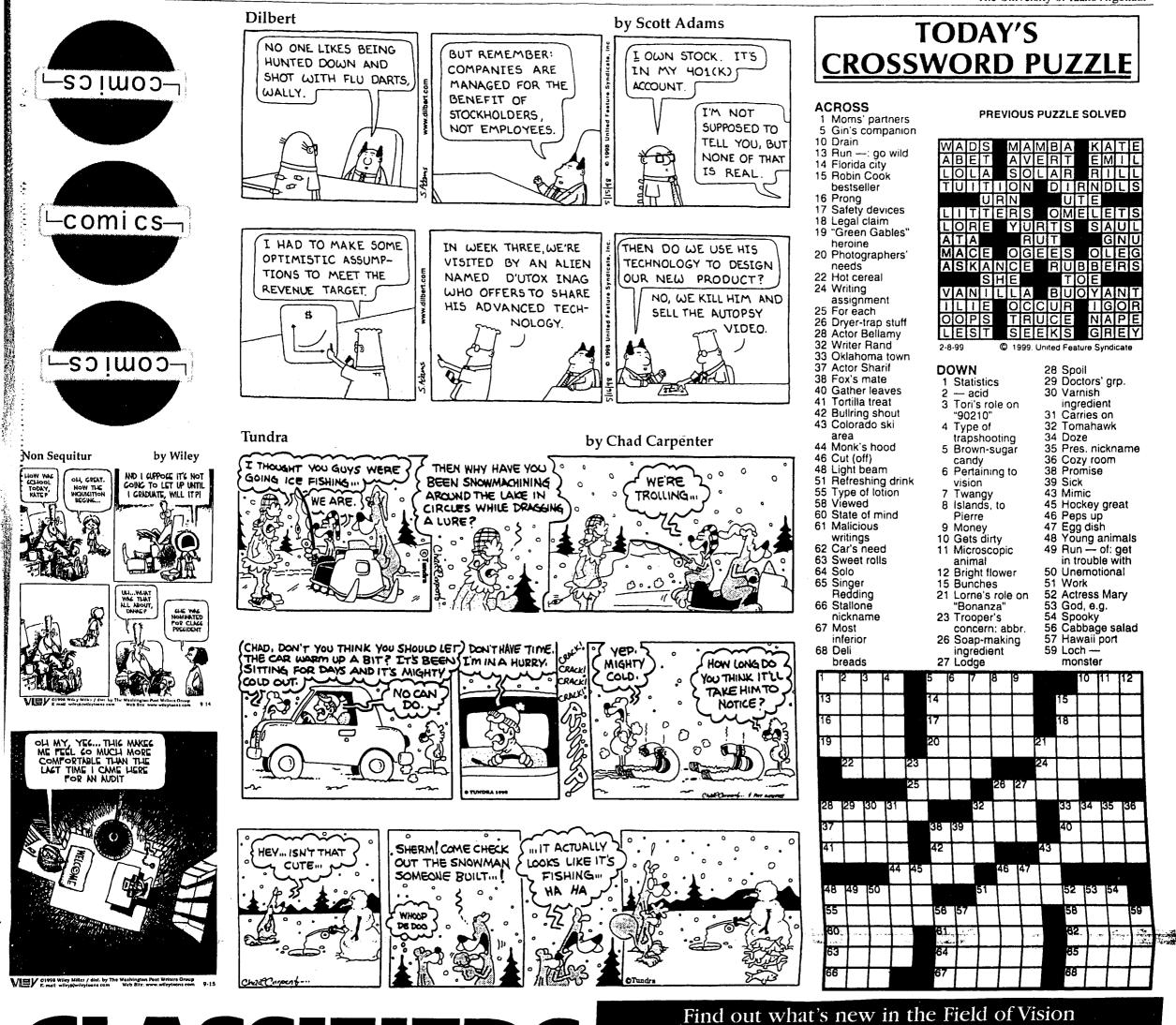
which seemed closer to where the majority of the sound had come from. Nearly falling a few times while changing locales, I had time to reflect on the spiritual implications of the WERC and all that it was doing. As our guide had told us, there is a great deal we can learn about nature just by listening to the various songs the wolves sing from night to night, or morning to morning. He told us that the wolves regularly sing at dawn and at dusk, and it seemed our timing had been perfect.

From our second lookout, we had a closer view of the territory, but it turned out that the sounds we had heard were just echoing from deeper within the wolf habitat. Sounds were bouncing off pine trees and rocks, as well as being funneled between the hills of the enclosure. We stopped for a few minutes to see if any of the other animals would waltz into the clearing, which we watched from a different angle. Sure enough, a pair of gray-white wolves, one which was clearly and irrevocably larger than myself, skirted the tree line, pacing back and forth as if in anticipation of some mystic event.

Upon this sighting, our small

group again changed locations, traveling to the crest of the hill which acted as the right-side boundary of the clearing we'd been watching. While traveling, we again saw the black wolf, but the larger gray wolf was laying about ten feet beyond the inner-most fence. This wolf named Wahotts (meaning "howls a lot") was huge, an awe-inspiring, intelligent force of the wild. I've killed deer and been way too close to buffalo, but this wolf, separated from me by fences, was by far the most glorious aspect of nature I've ever witnessed. He came to the fence and sniffed the air, as if saying "thanks for visiting."

If you're interested in visiting the WERC in Winchester, visit their homepage at www.wolfcenter.org, or call Wendy Savino at (208) 924-6960. Wolf activity peaks during their mating season, which usually runs from the end of January through the beginning or middle of February. What the WERC is doing is fantastic, something that really deserves support. This time of year is the best time to visit, so take a day off this weekend and head out to Winchester.



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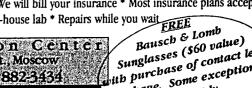
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# The return of Hollywood Squares: tick-tack-dopey

**By Frazier Moore** Associated Press

NEW YORK — *Hollywood Squares* is tick-tack-toe with a wardrobe budget.

It's nine Skinner boxes with celebrities inside. When the stars are fed a question, they respond by showing off.

It's a shopworn exercise with delusions of grandeur. Just get a load of the opening visual: a computer-generated gala sprawled across Hollywood, with acres of revelers plus searchlights, confetti and helicopters hovering above a giant game board. This would dwarf Mardi Gras and the pyramids of Egypt.

Oversold? Never mind. With *Hollywood Squares*, disinformation is the stock in trade.

A trivia question posed by host Tom Bergeron ("What's the happiest place on earth?") will trigger a jokey comeback from the occupant of the chosen square ("It's the proving ground for Viagra").

Then, when the swells of laughter subside, the celebrity will tender the

official answer (Disneyland). But is this the truth or a bluft? That's what Contestant X or O must correctly judge to claim that square.

Of course, the biggest bluff by these celebrities is their own conviviality, as if their "Squares" appearance were only for fun.

As the show wears on, you can imagine each of them, whether Jenna Elfman, Estelle Getty, Coolio, a pair of Baldwin brothers, or some celebrity you'd never seen or heard of before, reminding themselves why they came: to gain a wider audience, to promote a current project, or maybe just to savor a pause in an inexorable plunge back to obscurity. No, this is serious business.

Premiering last fall, the current Hollywood Squares revives what in 1966 began a 14-year run with chipmunk-faced Peter Marshall playing host to personalities like Rose Marie, Wally Cox and Paul Lynde.

But the corny charm of the original, with its \$1.50 daytime-TV look and its gang of has-beens on their last roundup, is absent in this early evening '90s rehash. (Check local listings for station and time.)

Now everything is too glitzy, too self-aware, too exaggerated. (In the cavernous studio, Bergeron and the contestants are poised on a riser so high it looks like they're expecting a flash flood.) In short, too Hollywood.

One thing, however, hasn't changed. It's still fun to see how dumb certain contestants can be. For instance, Laura (who is O)

picks the square inhabited by Bronson Pinchot, to whom Bergeron directs this question: "If you combine boric acid and silicone oil, what do you get?"

"Pamela Anderson's breasts," Bronson Pinchot quips. But, seriously, folks: "Bleach."

Laura agrees, Uh-oh. "You get Silly Putty," Bergeron discloses. X gets the square.

Next turn, Laura picks the square with Katsy Chappell, for whom the most obvious question might be, "Who's that?" Instead, Bergeron asks, "What famous brothers are named Leonard, Julius, Herbert and

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To this, Katsy Chappell answers: "The Brothers Karamazov." Laura agrees. Oops. Turns out these are the real names of the Marx Brothers. X gets the square.

For Laura and any alert viewers, there's a valuable lesson here: Don't place your faith in celebrities; star worship can lead you astray. But that's not the only principle at work on *Hollywood Squares* in its current incarnation.

"Here's how we play our game," Bergeron began one recent edition. "First of all, we don't alienate the center square."

Center square, of course, is the permanent address of Whoopi Goldberg, and it's Whoopi who rules.

Come what may.

Question: Two male fish give birth to their young. One is the pipefish. What is the other? Whoopi: "The blowfish."

Question: How is the speed of a boat measured? Whoopi: "By the number of barf bags."

As glib as she is tacky, she holds sway in the center square with the sense of entitlement belitting an executive producer of the show, as well as its designated star. (Host Bergeron is only second-billed.)

Even as contestants choose other squares and their resident celebrities, viewers get frequent reaction shots of Whoopi. Just to stay current on how she's doing. Whose importance, as you are forever reminded, surpasses all else.

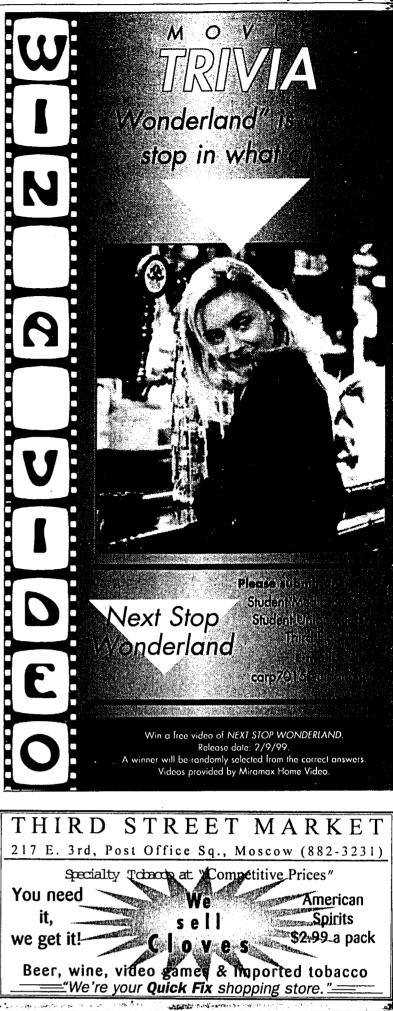
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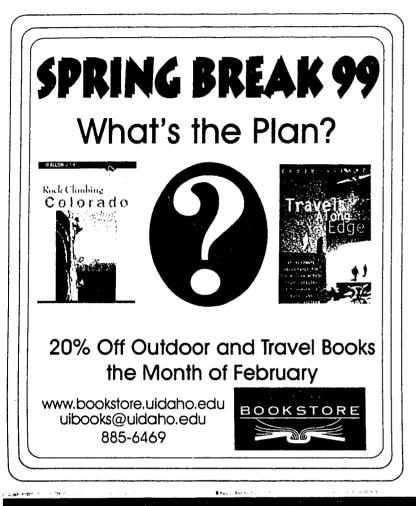
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