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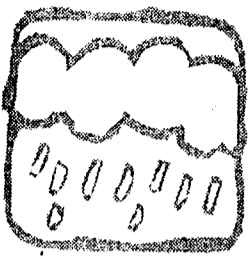
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Non-traditional student appointed to ASUI Senate

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 part-time student. The UI student body is only a little less than 38 percent non-traditional, according to New Student Services. Hodge is the lone

non-traditional student in the 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

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 yet 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.

Will corporate 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 continue 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, influence 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 happening."

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 campus in the early 1990s was initially privately financed through what were called certificates of participation until the state finally took the payments over.

Jury rules web sites amounted to threats

By Lauren Dodge
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Abortion foes who created "wanted" posters and a Web site listing the names and addresses of "baby butchers" were ordered to pay \$107 million in damages by a federal jury that said the tactics amounted to illegal threats.

Planned Parenthood, several abortion doctors and a clinic had sued the activists under the U.S. racketeering statute and a 1994 federal law that makes it illegal to incite violence against abortion doctors or their patients.

Unlike previous cases brought under the 1994 law, this one did not involve any physical confrontations or explicit threats. Because of that, the anti-abortion activists contended the Internet site and the posters were protected by the First Amendment.

"The jury saw the posters for what they are - a hit list for terrorists," Gloria Feldt, president of Planned Parenthood, said Tuesday.

Yet within minutes of Tuesday's verdict, constitutional experts said it went too far and defendants said they would appeal, calling it a threat to constitutionally protected political speech.

"It's really just a statement from the court that says, 'Please shut up,'" said defendant Michael Bray. "It's an obscene assault upon the right to free speech. It says that when an abortionist cries out that he feels righted by the speech of others, that the speakers should shut their mouths."

The jury took 4 1/2 days to reach its verdict, which consisted of \$107 million in punitive damages and \$100,000 in compensatory damages. As part of the tight security surrounding the case, the judge hid the names of the eight jurors who will never be made public.

Some of the defendants, who included more than a dozen individuals and two anti-abortion organizations, said they would not alter their tactics. And they said the other side will be hard-pressed to collect because they have transferred their assets to make themselves "judgment-proof."

"This is a moral and constitutional outrage," said one of the defendants, Catherine Ramey. "There is no 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 hundreds of abortion doctors accused of committing "crimes against humanity" and invites readers to send in doctors' addresses, license plate numbers and the names of their children. When three doctors were killed, their names were crossed off like items on a grocery list.

Similar Wild West-style posters were handed out at rallies and in abortion doctors' neighborhoods, offering a \$5,000 reward for information about a "Deadly Dozen" doctors.



Photo by Cade Kawamoto

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

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 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

computers. A lab monitor at work there said 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 coffee beginning at 9:30 a.m.

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.

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 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 an 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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North Korea 'unpredictable'

Associated Press

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 Il, 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 con-

trol, 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.



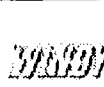

In prepared text submitted to the committee, Tenet described Saddam as "more frustrated and desperate to break out of (U.S.) containment" but cautioned that he maintains a firm grip on power, "leaving few vulnerabilities that can be exploited by those opposed to his rule."

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

	Friday	Showers HIGH: 40° LOW: 30°
	Saturday	Rain/Snow HIGH: 44° LOW: 33°
	Sunday	Windy HIGH: 43° LOW: 38°
	Monday	Rain/Snow HIGH: 41° LOW: 34°

Announcements

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

Associated Press

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."

Riggs and GOP state Rep. Jim 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

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 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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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 a 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 facul-

ty 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 professors 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 jury 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 cash-strapped Russian government is expected to take years to introduce the jury system.

Irish bachelor farmer 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 Misses 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 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 are among blacks.

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 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."

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 putting 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, it is all goes well, is to make the flight in 2003, the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers flight, though NASA's briefing papers admitted it could slip to 2005.



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Everclear to cram music down the throat of Pullman

Will most likely induce soul coughing

By Kristi Ponzio
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 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 30-something 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 De 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.



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

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 indie 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."

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

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.

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

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 *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 at

<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.

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 indie 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,

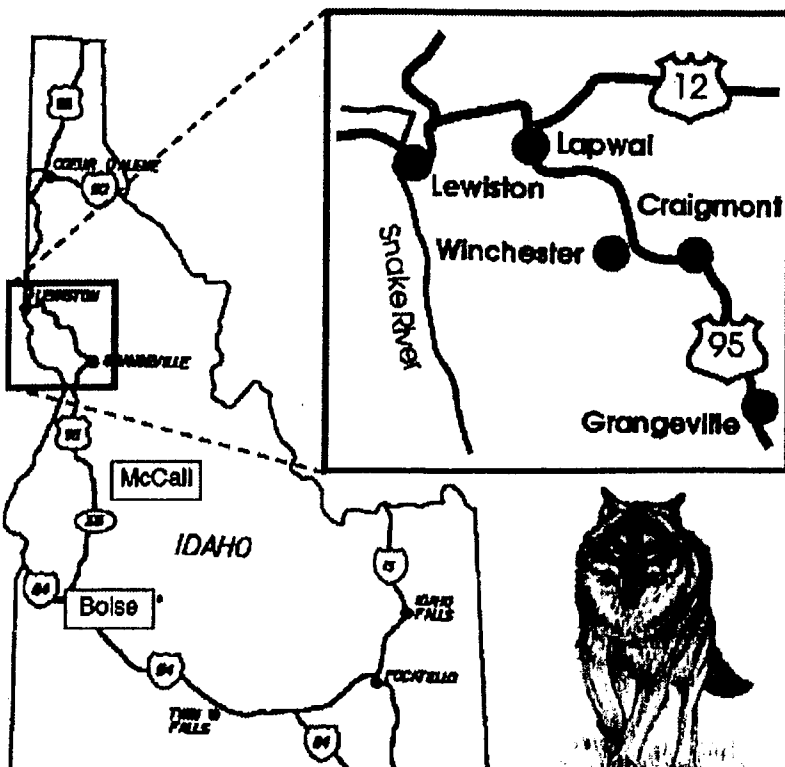
ebbing in and out in imperfect harmony, this was by far reason enough to drive to Winchester and back for a 30-minute tour.

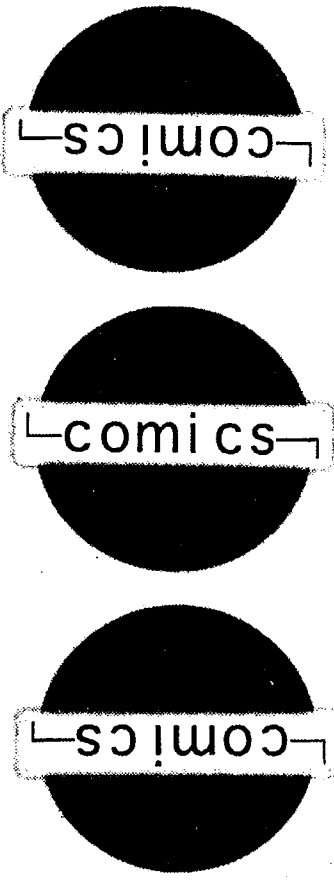
When the wolves finished their tune, a mist of silence rolled between the hills. Our guide took us to another observation area, one

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



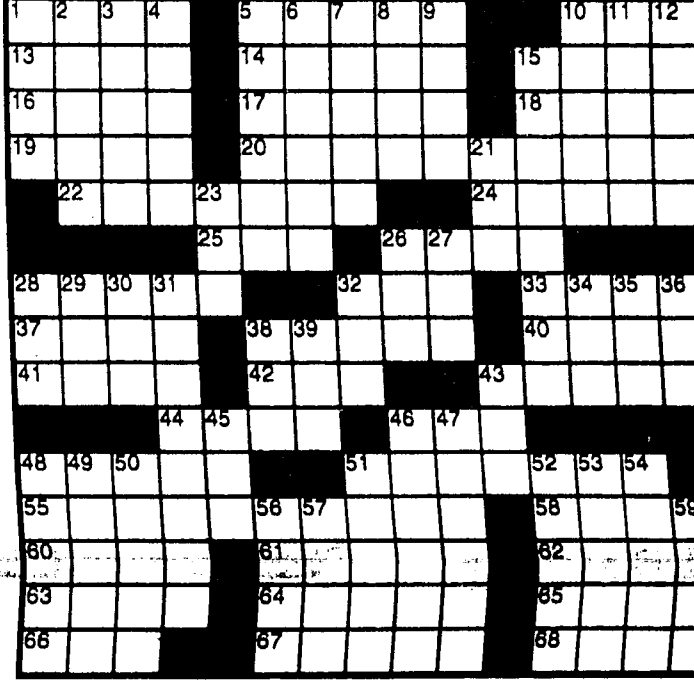


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The return of *Hollywood Squares*: tick-tack-dopey

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 bluff? 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 refresh. (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 Katy Chappell, for whom the most obvious question might be,

"Who's that?" Instead, Bergeron asks, "What famous brothers are named Leonard, Julius, Herbert and

Adolph?"

To this, Katy 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 befitting 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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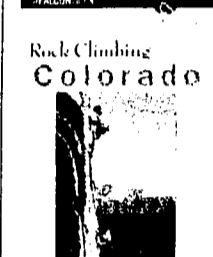



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