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## ASUI Senate looks

 over off-campus representationBy Steven Kaminsky
Last week, the ASUI Senate creat ed a list assigning Senators their respective living groups. living groups, usually split between two residence halls and two Greek houses. Two senators represent off-
campus students as one of their livcampus students as one of their living groups. Numerically, off-campus students are under-represented. In the roughly 6000-person under-
graduate community, approximately graduate community, approx the 23
1500 people live in one of residence halls, 1500 live on-canresidence in of of the 25 Greck Houses
pus
and 3000 studens live off-campus. While off-campus students represent 50 percent of the total population they are only four percent of the total representation in the Senate. E:in Kennedy, who lives off campus, thought that the Senate did not represent her. "It's disturbing that
each hall or Greck housc has its own each hall or Greek house has its own
say that it seems the Senate plans events primarily for students who ve on campus.
Brenda Koc Brenda Koch also thought the Senate didn't represent her. She
thought that the Senate should have thought that the Senate should have
some influence over the community regarding rent prices and lease regarding rent prices and lease
agreements. Also, she said that Senate programs are geared more towards young traditional students. The Senate assignment list was short one living groups, the Alumni Residence Center ( $\wedge \mathrm{RC}$ ). The ARC houses people who are over 21, and
mostly non-traditional sudents. mostly non-traditional students. Eric
Leitz, a longtime resident of the Leitz, a longtime resident of the
ARC, had this to say regarding rep resentation regarding U1 spending resentation regarding U1 spending
like the Student Recreation Center "What does the Senate do for us really, besides raise tuition?" Off-campus living has become more atractive in recent years parly because the price of apartment living has become lower as compared to dorm life due to the building boom in Moscow.

## Jazz Fest needs volunteers

## Dartmouth students protest decision

By Katharine Webster

HANOVER, N.II. - Fraternity and sorority members at Dartmouth College are so furious at the school's push to get rid of the traditional Greek system that they canceled the keg jump and 21 other to show how boring life on campus can
An estimated 1,000 students protested Wednesday night outside Dartmouth happens to be on fraternity row. He did not come outside Wednesday, but
did speak to about 900 students Thursday night as he opened the carnival on the college green. About 600 students had marched from fraternity row to the Darmouth Green to
hear Wright. Must wore sweatshirs dishear Wright. Must wore sweatshirts displaying Greek letters, and many non-
members wore $T$-shirts declaring members wore T-shirls declaring,
"Unafiliated but i support the Greeks." Before Wright showed up, the students sang the college song emphasizing the line "Lest the old radition fail."
When Wright was introduced only about 10 people applauded and as he began to speak one student let off a siren and played a recording urging, "Let's figh Wright! Let's fight Wright!" But the crowd shushed him with bous. ture of a dog Wrigh joked. "I have not been invited to any fraternity parties this

weekend, but I still intend to have a good time." Most of the crowd booed.
But not all supported the Greeks. "Racist and sexist incidents go down on his campus and no more than 400 students show up" to protest, "and they're fighting for their right to party?" said Zaira Zaifra, 22, or New York City. The fraternity system, she said, "is fostering arrested development among these kids." Wright plans to meet with a student delegation Monday evening. Students were stunned by
the school's plan, made public Tuesday, to do away with the traditional single-sex residential fraternities and sororities and make campus life "substantially coed" to encourage "respectful relations mencen women and men."
Official
school whether the plan means equiring fraternities an sororities to go coed or phasing them out altogeth er. Administrators say the re seeking student sug estions.
The College Fraternity So W Wednesday canceled all 21 Gre

New UNIX

## servers up

## new UNIX servers,

 Falcon and Raptor, have joined the Nest. The two e-mail servers have been added because changes to the older servers. "We're retiring some of the older servers and dedicatingothers to just $c$-mail," said Ray others to just e -mail," said Ray Anderson, a network systems analyst with Information
Technology Services. "There'll be sort of a loss of servers but
on as planned.
On as planned.
for the keg jump, members of Psi Upsilon fraternity traditionally flowd their front lawn to create an ice rink and hold a contest to see which ice skater can jump over the most beer kegs. The fraternity will hold a forum on Greek life instead. Greek officers also canceled hig parties Oor the rest of the semester. College Fraternity Sorority Council memJamic Paul said by canceling this

## UI collaborates to create

 CdA education centerBy Beth Green

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by this fall by this fall. The result of this
will create will create the
Northern Idaho Center Northerm Idaho Center
for Higher Education (NICIIE).
The institutions are already doing some advertising together now for NICIIE, said Pitcherovost Brian Pitcher. He said that by fall he would like students to be able to walk into Lewis-Clark offices in Cocur
d'Alene and register d.Alene and register
for U1 courses and for
Tersa.
The institutions have been discussing this matter for about discussing this mater for about
two years, but it has just been
in the last three or four months they have been getting people they have been gettix
together, Pitcher said
In light of the demographic and economic studies done by the three institutions, the colleges decided the consolidation of the education center was the best idea. The population of the Cocur d'Alenc area is projected to increase more rapidly than any other part of the state, according to Pitcher. He said County is projected Kootenai County is projected to double
over the 1990 figures by 2010 . The UI already has 500 students based at the Cocur d'Alene center, and Pitcher said that he anticipates a 400 to 500 percent growth
"The purpose of
center is to offer a full
range of degree and cer
tificate programs,"
Pitcher said. NIC wil offer an associate degre
program through the program through
center. The UI wis-Clark will pro

vide baccalaurcate programs and the UI will allow for graduate studies there.
If a need for courses such as health care programs, which are a specialty of Idaho State University in Pocatello, those distances will be offered over elecourseducation, such as aid. Univen NiCHE, Pitcher Washingtonstics in eastern into the mix at NICCIE if egree programs are needed that are not a specialty area of The cost of taking classes at NICIE will be comparable to the price of attending the $U$. TODAY'S WEATHER

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## Inside

(Far Right) Old Navy, a retail clothing manufacturer, was clothing manufacturer, was present informing students
about the clothing job market.


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School aid agreement may pave way to cooperation By Bob Fick
Associaled Press

 third straight school year is laying the groundwork for an almost unprecedented compromise between educawriters. writers.
The The question remains whether Gov. Dirk kempthorne will sign on the deal that could well provide a
foundation of trust to mule the fallou of any future policy disagreements between educators and lawmakers. "I think they both understand that success can be accomplished by working together," Senate Education
Chairman Gary Schroeder, RMoscow, said. "And that may be Moscou; said. "And that may be in this state." New attendance statistics indicate ionally from last year, when enrollment artually dropped for the first time in a ceade. And indications are
that the trend will continue for 1999 .
2000.
That negates carlier estimates of a 4.000-student increase from this year to next. And it means less money is needed to operate schools, leaving more cash in even Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's relatively modest stat aid proposal for extras. That opened the way for new State Schools Superintendent
Marilyn Howard a Democrat Mhe education coalition that includes the education coalition that includes mise that Republican legislative leaders seem to have readily accepted. "I don't think we've had any disagreement over priorities, my absolute commitment to education,", Kempthorne said. "The disagreement "e've had is where to find the money, so l'm encouraged that we're working ogether."
or the first time in recent memo ry, the education coalition is drop-
ping its demand for the more expen ping its demand for the more expen-
sive state aid package it always proposes only to sec governors Democrat and Republican alike scale back.

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Announcements

## Today:

- Curt Mack, wildifife biologist for The Nez Perce Tribe, will discuss grey wolf recovery in Idaho at
p.m. in the Moscow Community Center. Sponsored by the Palouse Audubon Society.


## Coming Events/things:

- Carol Marlowe \& college recruiter for HewlettPackard will give tips on passing the job interview Thursday, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the SUB Gold - You are invit
workshops on test preparation and test-taking strategies, Mar. 2 and 4 3-5 p.m. in CEB 105. Call 5-6746 to register. Presented by Meredyth Goodwin, Director of Studen
Support Services. Support Services.
- Intro to career services, tomorrow -The Jazz Festival
- An exhibit of photographs taken at the 1998 Lionel Hampton Jazz
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recommendations, requests, suggestions or to find out more information.

## $\longrightarrow$ News Briefs

Washington colleges lobby together
puliman, Wash. Washington's six public universities Numbers. voices of alumni to Olympia on Thursday to push for more money for higher education
lobbying and public receptions billed as "Iligher Education Day," replaces the traditional individual lobbying days of Washingtun's public universities.
State schools
State schools this year presented makers. Each school has made increasing facully pay its top priority for the 1999 legslative session
and is joimeng in requests for furds and is joinng in requests fir fiunds
to recruit professors and boost 10) recruit professors and boost Officials from Washington State University expect more than 300
alumini of the six schools to particialumini
patc.
Spokeswoman Janc Yung said Higher liducation Day organi/ers expect 60 lawnakers to attend the
day's events. Co-speakers of the House, Clyde Ballard, RWenatchee, and Frank Clopp, D-
Seatte, are scheduled to give the keynote addresses.
Graduates of the six schools will and, in the alternoon, will attend committee meetings and individually lobby lawmakers from their districts.
For $W$
For WSU, Higher Education Day is part of a six-month effort to cre-

Clinton main dish at GOP banquet
REXBURG, Idaho - The topic of conversation at the annual
Region VII Republican Lincoln Day Dinner Saturday night was pre-
dictable: President Clinton.
U.S. Senator Larry U.S. Senator Larry C
attacked the subject with enth
am. "history will not think well The 30 -year-old event drew
Republicans from around Idaho kepublicans from around Idaho, including Reps. Mike Simpson and
Helen Chenoweth, Sens. Mike Crapo, Craig, and Gens. Mike Dirk Craig said the impeachment did ot happen because some Republicans changed their vote.
"It happened becuuse Democrats were willing to overlook the corruption of the cvil president," he said. "lle wass evil in his intent, not just with Menica, but because cost."
Crapo also broached the subject. "It didn't turn out the way I'd hoped in terms of procedural decihe said. "But I believe we weed keep fighting for what we believe Kempthorne took the opporiuni ty 10 reiterate his plans to make reading skills a top priority and to nization record.
"This is the generation of the child. and Idaho is going to do its
part to uphold thas." Also at the banquet, Clifford Jaussi of Madison Coumly was named among the Most Valuable Rupublicans. He has been the precinct chair-

Michigan state Greeks ban parties for 30 days
EAST LANSING, Mich. Greek system at Michigan State Unithout the spending a month synonymous acivities its become The university's frateries. sororities Thursday began a and imposed 30-day moratorium on social activities in response to criticism about excessive campus drink-
Instead, members will turn to the values that the Greek system is
based on, things like comnumity based on, hings like comnumity brotherhood and sisterhood. -"I think that we realize that sub stance abuse is a serious issue fac-
ing education in the United States


Photo Contributed by MSU Michigan State University Fratemities like this will be forced to hang up their cups this month, as Greeks imposed a 30 day moratorium.
today," Rebecea Gillespie, presi Alpha Omicron Pi told the Detroi Free Press for a Saturday story " believe the Greek system is trying to be leaders addressing this for the Whate university.
Canpus Greek organizations have taken the brum of criticism
about the college abour the college dinking problem. (6) recent studies. A 1997 Harvard University study, for example, found 73 percent of fraternity members and 68 percern of sorority members are frequent binge
drinkers. Binge drinking is defined drimkers. Binge drinking is defined
as five or more dinks in a sitine "We need to take a break, take a breather and focus our organizations on our founding values," said Billy Molasso, Michigan State's coordinator of Greek lifte.
fivities from date parties social crs to chapter events.
In the past four months in Michigan, it least four young people have died after drinking on col-
lege campuses.

Settlement allows white city students to choose a school
milwaukee - white students who live in the city's school district can attend public schools in suburban communities under the
state's open enrullment program state's open enrollment program,
state and city school officials say.

A settlement between the statc Department of Public Instruction
and Milwaukee Public Schools and Milwaukee Public School
announced Friday will allow one white student for every four minority students to attend school outside the district.
The state and school district have been in court for several months
over the district's policy that bans wher the district's policy that bans the school choice program. State Superintendent John Benson has said students should not be discriminated against because of their race. The district had argued that allowing white students to
attend suburban schools would hurt its racial balance. There were 272 city students who applied to participate in the public school choice program. All 73 minority students were approved
but 199 whites were rejected Most program participants will echosen by lottery.
Students given first priority will those whose parents pay tuition for their children to attend suburban schools. The open enrollment program prohibis fanilies from paying The parental choice program provides public-financed vouchers for use at private and religious schonls, but only poor Milwaukee
students are eligible students are eligible. The public school choice pro-
gram is to allow transfers that are gram is to allow transfers that are
approved by both the students' current district and the one the student
wants to attend wants to attend.

## ASUI Lobbyist Report

First of all I would like to thank you for your support of this column.
This is one of the moss effective This is one of the most effective ways to communicate relevant
issues to you, and I appreciate the issues to you, and
opportunity to do so.
With regard to legislative issues, 1 would like to discuss House Bill 139. HB 139 is perhaps the most threatening piece of legislation affecting students introduced in this legislative session. This bill has a variety of consequences. First, it classifies mandated student fees as
public funds. It then stipulates those public funds. It then stipulates those
funds (i.e. our student fees) could funds (i.e. our student fees) could
not be used to influence items appearing on an election ballot.
While it may sound clear and sim-
ple, there are a number of negative
ramifications this bill could have on students.
We should oppose this legislation because of the principle and precedent it would set. According to the ASUI Rules and Regulations, the ASUI shall present information in a manner which "all sides of an (election) issue are fairly represented." In
other words, we are already in. Other words, we are already in com-
pliance with the intent of this legislation. I1B 139 is simply more gove ernmert where it is not needed. The State Board of Education, an entity of the state, has established a structure, set forth in the Idaho Constitution, to oversee Idaho's universities, including student fees. This structure works well, and this bill would needlessly disrupt that system and compromise our ability to use our fees in a manner we feel appropriate and responsible. this drastic and indusive to even the part of he state if it were to pas the part of the state if it were to pass.
Could they then add another layer of stipulations to our student fees once hey were out of our purview? And dare we wait for that day?
This bill also raises a very difficult free speech question. If student fees
are indeed "public funds," which the are indeed "public funds," which the bill would attempt to do, then public funds should not be used to influjust as your tax dollars should not be
used by various state departments to influence election ballot issues.
However, are student fees really "public funds" student fees really (jencral has written" Should our stu dent government be allowed to expend funds to support or oppose issues on an election ballot that clearly would affect them? Fo example, if a proposition appeared on a ballot that would double student fees, should we be allowed to bill was to pass, surudens? if this bill was to pass, students would be lefi virtually defenseless on issues appearing on an election ballot that Interestingly affect them. Interestingly, the bill altows for election issues, such as hiring a student to serve as the ASUI lobbyist. The bill also exempts "legitimate news organizations operating at the state's universities and colleges (when they) are providing bona fide omits any mention of editorial covcrage.
Clearly this is a complex and difficult issue, with a variety of unan-
swered questions that surround it The ASUI's official position, as stated by the ASUI president and supported by the Senate, will be to oppose this bill. I will be testifying against it when it is heard in the House State Affairs Committec this Friday. Please contact me with any questions or concerns you have on


Curt Wozniak
ASUI Lobbyist


## Millennial Madness <br> 

# Political correctness sucks the life out of society 

By Noelle Schlader

Sitting in my room, drinking nough tea to reenact the Boston Tea Party and reading the newspaper, I
noticed something that makes my noticed something that makes my
blood boil. Amongst all the headlines and news bits the real truth of the matter is becoming lost. The culprit? Political correctness. Now, I know that by the sound of things you, the reader, are to believe
that I am anti-politically correct. To that I am anti-politically correct. To
assume this, which would make an assume this, which would make an
ass out of you and me, would be ass out of you and me, would be
totally incorrect. I agree that political correctness is a useful tool to attempt at creating etiquette among different people. But political correctness has grown from being a good idea into a giant overgrown
lizard that is demolishing our societal Tokyo and sucking us down its cavernous mouth. Confused? Let me explain.
To me political correctness is only needed at certain times, during certain functions, and in certain jobs. man who many consider the man who many consider the
Antichrist, but I just feel he is misAnderstood, has a job in which politunderstood, has a job in which polit-
ical correctness is key in getting character or ruining lives?
By Bob Phillips, $J$
University of /daho University of ldaho

## 1 guess it all started

 when Mighty Mouse began snorting cocaine. This must have been the beginning of the Rev. Jerry Falwell's love/hate relationship dren's programming. Poor Tinky Winky! 11 e is certainly a more manly shade of purple than Teletubby has a riangular antenna Teletubby has a triangular antenna say people should be sending cards to his mother for the delivery of that head, not denouncing it as a symbol for gay pride.If the Rev. Falwell really wants to look at the immoral things taught to our children, he should be looking in places other than made-for-children television shows. How about That '70s Show or Waylon Smithers, from The Simpsons? Or even, God the South Park gang and all heir the South Park gang and all their just missing out on all the real targets.

There might be some good reasons that our link to Heaven is attacking the Teletubbies, though. Maybe Falwell is secretly lusting after one of the obviously-female children's role models. Maybe he once had a

Children's Television: Building
anything done. He can't go on tele-
vision, offend and insult half the vision, offend and insult half the population and then ask for every-
one's cooperation in defeating the one's cooperation in defeating the
evil alien scum from the planet Xxcun22. (pronounced Bobland) Xxcun-2. (pronounced Bobland). Not only would he only have half of
the public backing him up, he would have to deal with the other half that joined the Xxcun?2s just to get him out of office.
cally contat important to be politand you are forced to choose mailperson over mailman or every word you have just written must be checked. God only knows you would 1 t want to offend Mo hidden
tribe of Tibetan Midget Monks Who Only Eat Parsley On Thursday. We ize that no matter who we are, we are only human, and as such, sometimes we just stick our own feet in our mounts.
All in all, All in all, I think that political cor-
rectness has its uses and is needed in today's sociely. I just feel that our society is trying to get drunk on political correctness and I'm worried about what will happen when society wakes up next morning in omeone else's bed and with a huge hangover.
 thing for Miss Piggy and is trying to
fill the void, but not even the Teletubbics can cut it. Maybe puppet show as an impressionable youth and has been traumaitized ever
There are other possibilities,
though. Maybe Falwell is seeing
gaiety in even the most wholesome gaiety in even the most wholesome,
innocently childish programs because Falwell is desperately eager 10 come out of the closet himself.
Maybe Falwell is secing Maybe Falwell is seeing too many realize that what he said was simply stupid. This is the same man, I must remind you, who adamantly believes that the Antichrist will be Jewish. Don't forget, Falwell was
also the man who explained to us that the Y 2 K computer failure is to be a message from God. I don't support this man's
theories, but I do consider the nuggets of wisdom which emanate from Falwell's consecrated lips to be very curious.
Will some
Weone, anyone, who is sup why to be a supporter and believer of Jesus Christ feels some compel to voice such asinine thoughts on such an alarmingly regular basis? I mean, from a marketing standpoint, purple is a great color because it appeals to Antichrist could claim any religion

## Social Security: Where's the Crisis?

By Greg Mullen
Cinversity of lduhu
Offecial Washington, in its eagerness to show that hipartisanship still exists, has found a united batte
cry: "Save Social Security now!" But when the pretense is stripped away, the politicians are the ones we must save Social Security from. There is no Social Security erisis.
True, the system needs lixing. In a True, the system needs lixing. In
litle more than 20 years, the curremt system is expected to start paying out more than it brings in.
About 10 years after that, it is pro jected to run out of money. What? Twenty years? Thirty years'? Where's the crisis'?
If we're smart, we'll do somecertainly shouldn't put it off. But Social Security is an enormous and a complex system. We should give
ourselves the time we need to ourselves the time we
devise a proper solution.
With 30 years before the system
collapses, why is

he wanted, because everything
would be a live anyway, As for Y2K that's more of a poor planning issuc than divine retribution.
Jerry Falwell is a good example of why I have so many atheist friends. When the religious mouthpieces are pronouncing such inane. misinfortned crap, who would pick the present as a time to try and find a
religion? The Rev. Falvell is undermining a great many good things mining a great many good things
which religions have done for the world by making excessive fuss over ambiguous advertising choices. Falwell is looking for things to yell come to the point that he is willing
able to invent claims simply to get people to listen to him.
Well here's my
Well, here's my plea to the world: Don't change; not for me, not for President Willie, not for Jerry Falwell. If things were different, the
religious wingnuts yelling abougnus would still be yelling about something, and there
would still be immoral acts being performed by authority figures performed by authority figures
behind closed doors. The world is just the way it should be, but there are so many people who refuse to acknowledge how bad things could be.

Washington in such a hurry to save
Social Security this Social Security this year? The pull one over on us.
The debate is framed by the corporate media as a choice between two options. On the one hand, we could raise taxes, slash payments and increase the retirement age. On degrec of we could enact some first option continaty. Since the the Aurericen panly won't hy with believe the sccoop is isevitable.
What does privatization mean?
The most overt plans are somewhat limited. They call for some version of investing the Social Security trust fund in the stock market. Since the First World War, we're told, the stock market has outperfavmertes the trust fund's current performance was stable from year performance was stable from year
to year, there would be no problem. But it's nol.

Puting our money in the stock

market is risky. Remember the accounts of corporate elite, while not only important that the fund percent. And when the markets go grow over 80 years. It's important down, those few percent will be that it not be battered by the ups swallowed up. What happens if and downs of the economy. That's Social Security starts losing Security Kalled Social "rphere is money? Where's Security. Knowing that
the fund will decade or wecover in a cold comfort if pensioners find their be
These plans constitute a welfare payment to the financial industry. Already, Wall industry. Already, Wall sizing our economy from real production to useless McJobs. Now they want to get their hands on our national savings account. They'll make tons of profits when all that money pours into the markets, but most of the wealth will be imaginary.
 Other plans, les no Social public so far, call Security tization. These crisis. plans are poposed think tanks which Greg Mullen seem to drive legisGreg Mution these days. They seem to think the only proper functions of government are to shoot people, drop bombs on them
or lock them up. They believe in the or lock them up. They believe in the less of all of the market, regardhas suffered ovealures capitalism There's a reason Social Security is social. It was created to provide what the private sector could not: a
secure future for the elderly and infirm, regardless of Wall Strect's swings.
Social Security is the cornerstone of the New Deal. That may seem antiquated by now, in a society which does not know its own history, but the New Deal helped mion
lions survive the Great Depression, and has formed the bedrock of our social safety net ever since.
Politics today have shifted so far to the right that gutting the New
Deal itself seems perfectly reasonable. But the millions of us who are alienated from politics know better. We let the right gut welfare prolet them stop the nation in its tracks let them stop the nation in its track
for a year without a complaint.
But Social Security is the bedrock
But Social Security is the bedrock
of our modern nation. We cannot let the short-term profit of Wall Street deprive us of our most basic securi-
ty. It's time that we draw a line in the sand.

Love Reconsidered: Arg columnists both wrong

By Jay Feldman

It is hard to understand why, when there is so much of substance to consider on one of life's mos wonderful mysteries, your two
opinions on love from Friday's Argonaut say so little and so poor-
Scoll Mahurin's piece, which focuses on a problem he creates concerning a materialist's ability to
love, brings up extremely love, brings up extremely complex
issues in the philosophy of mind His argument is based on premises grounded in deeply disputed issues whose conclusions he mistakenly assumes as forgone throughout his picce. If we must stake out som metaphysical ground before lov like the conclusion.
Even if it were the case that a materialist was required to consider that the ultimate nature of loving
consisted in neurons firing, this


Mahm
'fluff'
Yes, 1 think that providing space for the ASUI President is a good idea. Most students are completely (unless they are Greeks who need to pad their "social resume") and its activities on this campus.
I think it is quite ironic to see Mahmood's column adjacent to Feldman's column about journal ism on this campus. Although Feldman and I locked horns on many issues when he was a Senator and I was SMB Chair, he is dead right about content and lack of newspapers nationwide stud at the Arg. I hope that Mahmood's and the
does not eliminate the possibility
that those neurons could be firing in those neurons could be firing
in suay as to create a transcendent feeling of spiritual love. In other words, for the strictest materialist, all experience (as well as concepts like morality for that
matter), including love and spiritu alism, could originate purely as physical brain activities but be felt in as deeply a "spiritual" way as an idealist would claim to feel them. This argument, when fleshed out, refutes the majority of his claims
but more importantly might turn his argument against him and fully ontologically explain his exatted spirituality in materialist terms. Mr. Phillips fares no better. He boasts a "very good definition of
love" as the foundation of his artilove" as the foundation of his arti-
cle; but 1 find it to be so narrow and absolute that it represents a caricature love and far from the views of what real human beings who are really loving would call love. I
does not capture any of the nuance

Arg's efforts to keep studets Arg's efforts to keep students ASUI pays off in the long run. often painful and plagued by often
Speaking as a person who has to begrudging agree with Feldman, I would much rather read an "ASUI
President Report" than another of President Report" than another of
those pedantic "caffeinated rants"

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and readability.
and depth or amazing varicty of the expericnce that most of us would onsider love; but rather substior the deepest understandings of serious relationship based upon the caring interaction of a multitude of different people. So, because his counter-intuitive and his requirement for the existence of love be that he be able to find examples of his caricature in the world, he of
course concludes love does no course c
cxist.
But ma But maybe even his kind of love exists. We also must ask the question if he has exhausted all of the possible routes for locating examples of his caricature love? As conably his focus on the USA and his limited personal experience that are the reason that he has not found "true" love. Love is certainly broad nough even to encompass "rrue" love as he defines it


Barry Graham
Does anyone watch sports?
Pirst we have a six-month lockout.
Then this messy thing clears up and fans of the NBA are treated to a 50 game regular season schedule without
Michael Jordan. The NBA, without the greatest player of all-time, would be
difficull for many fans. Forget Jordan for just one minute and think about what is happening here!
A 50 -gane schedule is the light at
the end or the tumnel. Remember how that awful 82 -game schedule dragged on and on for, it seemed like, a full year or so. Well, rejoice, because 32 games
won't be aired on TNT or NBC or even TBS. Furthermore, you won't have to
hear your least favorite announcers making horrible analogies about the
speed of windshield wipers and a 15 -
year veleran center.
Plus, in 50 games, teams like the Denver Nupgets, the Sacramento Kings Clippers can actually have a semi-
decent record. You know in the $10-40$ decent record.
and $6-44$ range.
and 6-44 range.
Besides the fact that there are less
games to see therc will actully be games to see, there will actually be a
competition this season. Finally, the Utah Jazz have a real chance to win a
championship other than the Midwest championship other than the Midwest In the EEst, there are at least six
teams with a legitimat teams with a legitimate chance at
shaking conmissioner David Stern's Shaking commissioner David Stern's
hand in Juine while accepting the championship, trophy. Although, shaking Stern's hand isn't exactly like I know that all of the people that lost money over scason-tickets have a real gripe about the lockout. But for the
majority of fans that are casual observers dont just dann the league every major sport has had some kind of money issue which has caused a strike, loekout or other inconvenience. You to last as long as it did. delay, games aren't going to be as pretty as they could be. "Ugly" ball is
going to last for a whilc Buy here are enough great players in the league, sans Jordan, to provide quite a pick-me-up
alter this wave of ugly ball has ended.
Who really cares about Mike Tyson

this writer uses the subject of Mike Tyson continuousty in his columns, | there isn the sports. So here we go ga again! |
| :--- |
| world of | ffter getting free of prison. Now, he will probably go back after violating his

parole with his latest incident However, their is word that Tyson
may be able to be let yo from prison for mayhts That is, the former champ can go penitentiary at various times of the car. He gets to box, make millions of "ligrs but then gets sent back to the
"Big House" after his work is Sompleted.
same type of ability that he has briefly same yype of abilty years of his career
shown in the latter year there is a chance that he could get a tille Worst yet is the fact that Tyson, if he cere to win the clampionship, could
cetire with the gold. Of course, Tyson wouldn't be able to cat gruel with his buddics with the championship belt The bottom line here is that the system that governs professional boxing sucks,
which is evident by the mere possibility which is evident by the mere possibility of the above situation.
Why doesn't this boxing council just let Tyson compete on the Ultitiate Fighting circuit during these "work
ceaves" instead of in an actual leaves" instead of in an actual
sanctioned boxing ring, Ultimate sanctioned boxing ring, Ultimate
Fighting is more of Tyson's bag these days anyway. He is a ticking time bomb that gets angry affer somconc asks him if he is having a good day. So, why not just place him in an environment where he could vent. That way, after he kilat
someone, there will be no chance that he can ever be released from prison and into this society


Kaniel Dickens, the high-flying Vandal,always manages to elevate and execute above the rim

## Vandal men spank not so Mean Green 85-66

By Todd Mordhorst
Idaho took sole possession of secon Idaho took sole possession of second
place in the Eastern Division of the Big
West with an $85-66$ drubbing of North West with an $85-66$ drubbing of North
Texas Saturday night in the Kibbie Dome. Texas Saturday night in the Kibbie Dome.
A laid back 2,724 fans watched the Vandals start slowly, and then use a couple of long runs to put the lowly Green away
The Vandal supporters may have been The Vandal supporters may have been subdued by the unusually warm
temperatures in the Dome, or more likely, by the sloppy, inconsistent play of both teams. At 1-20, North Texas did not appear to
be much of a threat, but they had played be much of a threat, but they had played
Boise State tough on Thursday, out rebounding the Broncos. The Vandals, like the fans, were relaxed and joking around during warm up drills. Kevin Byrne said it
is sometimes tough to stay focused and is sometimes tough to stay locused and
motivated for a gane like this.
"We didn's have a he "We didn't have a huge crowd, they
don't have a record that's really don't have a record that's really
intimidating. You want to be really juiced up, but at the same time, you're afraid y in almost timid playing a team like that." Even though ldaho did not play their
best basketball, UNT Head coach vic Trill
said he thought Idaho had the best shot at
winning the Big West tournament in
March. He said the experience and
versatility of Idaho make them tough to
defend and they have the players to hit the defend and they have the players to hit the clutch shots.
"They've got all the tools. [Avery]
Curry's a great player and so is [Gordon]
Scoul." Trilli said "They quickness, they can beat you physically, and they can beat you shooting the ball." After North Texas looked to be a worthy
opponent carly on, they went cold and the opponent early on, they went cold and the
Vandals took advantage. The game was tied at 21 with about eight minutes left in the first half when Idaho scored 14 straight
points. Devon Ford scored eight in the run and
would go on to have a career night, finishing with 24 points a and severen boards. Ford consistently filled the lanes on the
break and hung around the baskel for casy lay-ins, "He's been getting tighter and tighter "He's been getting tighter and tighter efensively. He's got an uncanny knack for poing and finding balls around the goal. He of his opportunitics," Coach Dave Farrar said of Ford. pointers in the crucial run, and also had a
nice night overall, with 21 points, seven
rebounds and six assists.
The Vandals flurry at the end of the first break, but North Texas would come out strong in the second period. Led by a solid lead in half nine minean Green cut the lead in who had been sick betore theginald led UNT with 17 points and two othe freshmen finished in double figures. As the youngsters put together some
solid play, Idaho's lead shrunk to $54-46$ and solid play, ldaho slead shrunk to $54-46$ and
some fans in the Dome grew restless. At some lans in the Dome grew restless. At
one point, Farrar called a 20 second timeout and as the players were gathered around him he stared down his players and
did not say a word. His eyes sent the message and a word. His eyes sent the
Vandals turned it on and put the Mese the Vandals turned it on and put the Mean
Green away. "I think they scored two baskets and we called the timeout and [Farrar) looked at us
for about 2 seconds cach and that was enough for vecerybody to go out and tighten '"You get it, especially when he stares looking through you," Byme added
Gordon Scott had a three point play with
about nine minutes lefi for his first buct
about nine minutes left for his first bucket
of he game and would score five points the
of the game and would score five points the
rest of the way. Kevin Byrne continued to
dominate the glass, pulling down 15
rebounds to go with 10 points.
Cameron Banks, who Cameron Banks, who has been played just 13 minutes. Coach Dave Farrar explained Banks hadn't practiced in three
wecks and he hasn't been as effectivc in last few games. "He obviously is behind right now in his
onditioning and his confidence. He has to conditioning and his confidence. He has to star and play ,"
The Vandals are contenders and trail league leader Boise State by 1 game with three games to go. They go on the road this beek, playing at Utalimate and Nevad

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Idaho track celebrates Vandal Invitational alone

| By Sean Campbell | matched as the women's $4 \times 400$ | 4x400 team established |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| University of ldaho Aryomut | relay team also captured its third consecutive Vandal Indoor | themselves, unofficially, in the top live nationally in this event. By |
| As countless University of | championship in a time of 3:51.98. | knocking off another 1.62 seconds |
| ho students moseycd off on | Discus thrower, Alohalani | their time of 3:08.32 they |
| mantic excursions to celcbrate | Santiago left with a smile on her | would have automatically |
| holiday of love, amidst the | face as she defeated the | qualified for the NCAA |
| ffy powder of ski slopes and out | competition with a throw of 40.90 | Championships. |
| of the way motels, the University |  | As stunning as Chiwira and Co. |
|  | The best performance of the | were in the $4 \times 400$, others shined |
| ly. Love sonnets and candes | evening may have come from | under the bright lights of the |
| re traded in for track spikes and | someone who wasn't even | Dome. Adekunle Adejuyigbe |
| ighted discs at the 24th ann | supposed to compete. Tawanda | captured the open 400 with a time |
| Vandal Indoor Invitational Friday at the Kibbie Dome. | Chiwira anchored the final leg of the men's $4 \times 400$ relay in royal | of 46.84, also a provisionally qualifying mark. |
| The ten-team field converged | fashion. Blazing around the track | Strongmen Joachim Olsen and |
| ghty Kibbic Dome in | in 44.4 seconds he crased what | Daniel Benetka muscled through |
| 兂 | had been a 10 meter lead by | the throwing events. Olsen hurtled |
| mis | Washington's James Mackey. | the shot put 58 feet $51 / 4$ inches to |
| titles. Along with the competitive | Although the open 400 is much | capture the title, over three feet |
| atmosphere that such a group | different from the relay, | farther than his closest |
| standouts exudes, the meet | sprinters are allowed a running | competition. Benetka flung the |
| featured the indoor javelin throw | starl, his leg of the relay would | discus just over 178 fect, crushing |
| for the first time since 1986. <br> If this wasn't enough to entice | have been a world record. <br> Head Coach Mike Keller's | his closest competitor by 13 feet. Hugo Munoz did not break any |
| dents to pass up on the slopes a | words of praise lingered as the | school or personal records by any |
| semester, in-state tuition waiver | echo of Chiwira's feet subsided. | means, but his mark of six feet 11 |
| was given away to one lucky | "If he won the NCAA Indoor, I | $3 / 4$ inches was enough to edge out Andre Ervin of Fastern |
| individual. |  | re Ervin of Eastern |
| This tasty box of chocolates proved to be more than just | that caliber." Chiwira's time the Behind | Washington University by two |
| uring to look at for the meager | Idaho's NCAA Rankings |  |
| or take a few who had journcyed |  |  |
| to the restroom. | Althlete | Event Rank |
| Jeannine Korus continued her | Tawanda Chiwira: | 200 No. 12 |
|  |  | $400 \quad$ No. 5 |
| Indoor championship in a school | Adekunle Adejuyigba | 400 No. 16 |
| record breaking time of 55.98. Not | Joachin Olsen | Shot Put No. 9 |
| for someone who has just | Hugo Munoz | High Jump No. 6 |
|  | Idaho Team | 1600 relay No |



## Paralyzed ex-football player takes a few big steps <br> A couple of times, his legs gave <br> li's become his trademark, and <br> Utley credits his positive attitude

By Bob Baum
Associated Press
PHOENIX - For the first time since he lay paralyzed on the
Pontiac Silverdome turf seven years ago, Mike Utley stood in public Monday and took a few wobbly steps.
By standing up, you feel who an are," he said. "I was 315 pounds andoot-6. 1 was proud to be as big as I was. I was prou
as I am. I want it back." Towering over everyone as he did so long ago, wearing a Detroi ineman made it a few feet down wooden walkway, painfully swinging one leg ahead, then the other.
his wore lower leg braces to keep his ankles from rolling. A friend greadied him on cach side. He excruciating step, his girlfriend Dani Andersen helping him by making sure his spindly lower legs stayed straight.
way, and the two buddies on each
side, retired NFL center Bill Lewis and Lions linebacker Rob
Frederickson, Brederickson, had to catch him. But he made it 10 feet or so. "Whew! I'd rather go through double days than that," he said atterward. "No, it's exhilarating sitting in this chair."
His sense of humor, a major ally throughout his struggle, was on display, too.
As Utley
As Utley stood poised for this high drama, a cell phone rang. "Dominos," he said, imitating the Everyone laughed.
Then it was back to business, as it has been every tough day since that horrifying moment on Nov. 17, 1991, in the Lions' home game against the Rams.
He knew immediately the injury was scrious. Two of his vertebrae
had been crushed. As he was carried off the field, he gave the crowd a "thumbs up" gesture.

Ulley has come to symbolize grit, face of grim odds. He vows the someday walk off the field from the spot he was injured. He talked Monday of someday walking his mont thre
church. church.
He's a those steps ing way from that, but hose steps in front of a crowd of
reporters and photographers in Phoenix hotel conference room were an emotional triump nonetheless. nonetheless.
"It was awesome to see him up there," Lewis said. "Yesterday when we rehearsed, I was practically in
tears. It's nothing short of tears. It's
miraculous."

Utley, 33, is paralyzed from the chest and elbows down. His upper arms still are the bulging biceps of a football lineman. But he has only partial control of his hands and lower arms. About two years ago, he
began to feel some sing began to feel some sensations in his legs. He can feel his toes, describing
it as the way you'd feel on an
remely cold day He began working with
biofeedback, trying to identify the connection between his brain and those few alive nerves in his legs. He kept up daily, grueling physical
therapy.
"Relabilitation is a lifesyly," he said. "It's not something you just
do."
A major reason for his public display, and the pressure that came with it, on Monday was his desire to raise more money for his Mike
Ulley Foundation, dedicated research aimed al finding a cure for sinal cord injuries.
Utley was Utley was quick to point out that no two spinal cord injuries are the
same.
"The one thing you can control is your mind," he said. "I'm not saying everyone will get as far as l've gotten. But they can do something today they didn't do yesterday. Maybe they can go outside. Maybe
they can whed themselves aroud they can wheel themselves around
the block, and maybe tomonow they the block, and maybe tomorrow they
can do two blocks."
for everything he has accomplished, whether it be snow skiing, scuba
diving, driving equipped van or taking those few steps.
"It's
a
"It's a good start," he said of his effort Monday. "Is it the finish !ine?
Not even close? Will I Will I walk again? You betch on? I've taken a few more steps before, but I've never gone this far. I want to walk off that Silverdome, and one day I will. It might not be tomorrow, but someday I will. I guarantee it." Doctors, who once told him he'd never walk again, now look on Utley as a great asset.
'," gives their new patients hope," Ulley said. "If you take hope lose them forever. But it goes back to the person. If you're a champion before you got hurl, you're a champion now. But you have to work at it. You have to have goals. I will never be number two, not today, not tomorrow, not ever. Why
Because belice in myself,"

He talked of going to hospitals to visit children stricken by paralyzing
injuries, seeing their family's in pain and solidifying his determination to find a cure.

I don't want to see moms and dads cry anymore," he said. Before he rose for that moment on his feet, he explained why he had decided to take these steps publicly
Ile wanted to show doctors, 11 e wanted to show doctors,
insurance companies and the health industry in general that rehabilitation is a lifelong process something a seriously injured person needs to do until he dies. And there was a more persona reason.
"I want to do it for my family and the people who have given me
support from the first day when I suppor from the lirst day when
came off that field and gave that thumbs up," he said, "everyone in the Detroit organization, the friends l've made since I've been hurt. I will show them that I have never quit. I will never quit until I ann completely free of this spinal cord injury."

## UI women split two on the road

## BSU downs New Mexico 70-48

BOISE, Idaho - Senior forward Roberto Bergersen scored 22 points and helped spark a $15-4$ scoring rum at the start of the second half as
Boise State defeated New Mexico

State 70-48 Saturday night in Big
West basketball.
New Mexio State (16-9, 8-4) led
$7-5$ with $14: 30$ left in the first half,
but BSU (17-5, 10-2) came back to hold a $31-21$ halftime lead.
scoring run led by Bergersen and senior guard Gerry Washington, Boise State's career 3-point field goal record with a total of 172 . Boise State's pressing defense reed 30 turnovers.
The Aggies were led in scoring by junior guard Brad Bestor with 21 points. Charles Gosa also was in
double figures for the Aggies with 10 points. manage only five field goals in the first half as Boise State's defense kept the ball away from Gosa, the Aggies' leading scorer who failed to score in the first half.

By Cody Cahill

The Vand

The Vandal women split two
games on the road this weckend defeating New Mexico State 70-57
 succumbing to Nevada 88.73 on Sunday. Woolf shined on the trip,
Susan Susan woolf shined on the trip,
pouring in 22 points in the win over pouring in 22 points in the win over
the Aggies and added another 20 in The loss to the Wolf Pack. By connecting on 8 of 15 threc-point
attempts over the weekend, Woolf is now only two shots short of tying the Vandals single season threepoint record of 63, a record Woolf herself set last year.
She also surpassed
or second place on Idaho's all-time for second place on Idaho's ali-time

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junior is 65 thrce-point baskets short of Kecli Johnson's school record of
${ }^{207}$
Woolf wasn't the only Vandal Woolf wasn't the only Vandal
who used long range accuracy to who used long range accuracy to
help down the Aggies on Friday as freshman point guard Rikki Jackson
nailed 2 of 3 from beyond the arc. nailed 2 of 3 from beyond the arc.
The Vandals shot a scason-best $7-12$ The Vandals
from deep.
Thac proficient shooting by the Vandal broficient shooting by the
relatively relatively lackluster offensive
performance by All-Americt performance by All-American
candidate Alli Nieman uncharacteristically low nine points. Nieman, however, came up big on
the boards and on defense the boards and on defense, as she
cleaned the ylass for a doze cleaned the glass for a dozen
rebounds and block three shots, as the Vandals maintained a solid lead

## White officially retires

$\underset{\substack{\text { By Jim Carison } \\ \text { dssocilued Press }}}{ }$
MILWAUKEE

- This time Reggie White put it in writing.
The NFL's career sact turned in his retirement letter to
Green Bay Packers Grecn Bay Packers general manager
Ron Wolf on Monday - and gave Ron Wolf on Monday - and gave
no indication he intends "Ile's officially retired." It's over. 1 think he's had it," Packers spokesman Lec Remmel said.
The 37 -year-old White had The 37 -year-old White had said
last season would be his last. But last season would be his last. But
there were hints the All-Pro player might change his mind after the Packers hired his longtime friend,
Ray Rhodes Ray Rhodes, as head
replace Mike Holmgren.
White wound up making 16 sacks
and earning Defensive Player of the and earning Defensive Player of the Year honors in what was to be his
farewell season, and that also raised farewell season, and that also raised
speculation he might not be ready to retire.
Then came reports during the

Sunday in Reno would be a
different story however Nieman doubled her scoring output (18 points) from two nights before and grabbed 11 rebounds, it was the
Idaho defense that failed ter allowing the Wolf Pack 88 points Idaho also turned the ball overts. 23 times; a combined 10 of which came
from guard's Jackson and Woolf Idom guard's Jackson and Woolf.
Idaho played catch-up the entire game and had the score within two at $38-36$ moments into the first half but would never get close again, as
Nevada led by as much as ar Nevada led by as much as 18 over
he course of the second half The Vandals' record now stan at 13-10 overall, $6-5$ in conference. daho is three games behind Eastern
Division leader North Texas and Division leader North Texas and a
game behind second place Boise
State.
weekend that a return by White
would cause trouble for the Packers in staying within the NFL salary cap White, an ordained minister, told only factor in his decision was "what I think the Lord wants me to Last April, White said hc intended totire. But after repeating to Holmgren he wouldn
come back, White said he had revelation while having back therapy. "God spoke to me and said you
made a promise," White said at thic time. "When I signed the deal last year, I signed a five-year deal with
the promise that I would play for the promise thal I would play for
two years."

Last month, after the Packers los to San Francisco in the playoffs, White said he expected to retire an focus on his other interests.
But when he was in Hawai
arlier this month for his record 11 th Pro Bowl moppearance, he secmed to
Peave a slight

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leave a slight opening when he told
an interviewer he was "intrigucd" an interviewer he was "intrigued"
about the idea of returning to play about the idea of returning in plates.
under Rhodes.
"When Ray got the job, if anyon "When Ray got the job, if anyons'
else had goten the job i wouldn
che have been intrigued," White told
Fox television at the time. "I've really been praying about it and thinking about it. Right now I'm
retired" retired
Wolf had acknowledged the
Pacs $\$ 4.4$ million salary to provide roo under the salary cap to pay defensive tackle Santana Dotson and linebacker George Koonce under the Friday.
The team also has yet to $\operatorname{sign}$ All Pro wide receiver Antonio Freeman who was designated last week as the The Packers this week first free agent since the signing period began, as guard Adam Timmerman signed a five-yea
contract with the St. Louis Rams. Wolf and Holmgren brough White to Green Bay as a free agent in April 1993, and the longtime Philadelphia Eagles star helped
return the Packers to the Super Bowl for the first time in almost three decades in January 1997, when they
beat New England 35-1, beat New England 35-21.
Wolf told the Green Bay Press-
Gazette on Monday that the NFL asked teams not to retire more player numbers, but don't expect to see White's No. 92 on the field any Already retired by the Packers are Tony Canadeo's No. 3, Don
Hutson's No. 14, Bart Starr's No. 15 and Ray Nitschke's No. 66 . "The league has asked all of us to said. "I'd think we'll retire the jersey, not the number, if you know
what $\$$ mean. But I can say his: what F mean. But I can say this: No
one will wear that number as long as one will wear that number as long as

## Arts \& Entertainment

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Hempilation 2: Musical cannabis capers
 political message anyone who likes it green can' ignore, the liberation of marijuana. And with acts like George Clinton, Willic Nelson, Spearhead, Jimmic's Chicken Shack and Hank Flamingo, maybe more than a bunch of stoned hippies will listen.
Judging from the big names in the business on this album, one would think the overall quality of the goods would be great, and it is. But there is some bad bud in the midst of the 20 songs showcased on Hempiation 2 . One such band would be Robert Bradley's
Blackwater Surprise playing Blackwater Surprise, playing some kind of The song, however, aims to put more diversity and maturity on the album, which it docs, along with other country bands like From Good Homes and Willic Nelson.
Nelson, who in a prepared statement says, "There's nobody alive that docsn't know how feel about wecd," plays a hearfelt live sont
titled "Me and Paul," which was ironically recorded in Amsterdam, the "worldwide center for cannabis connoisseurs."
Unfortunately for those who attempt to show maturity or political sense on this album, Nelson starts off the song by announcing, "I wrote song about me and Paul. I called it Me and Paul. Old Wille sound ans his lot ike Fortest Gump which lacks any real cohesion it ten to the song, welson really does practice what he preaches.
A few other country-csque songs pop up from time to time, and while it is niee to see that the Hempilation 2 aibum tries to appeal to the typical hard-working pot-smoking steer rustler, most fit the mood.
The country songs on the album are not the
only ones that give weed heads a bad name, however. "30 Days in the Hole" by Gov't Mule and the Paul McCartney song "Let Me Roll It" performed by Big Sugar both showcase some ind of weird, cheesy butt-metal sound. Do pot mokers like this? Probably. But for the rest of the public, it's probably something to stay away from, especially since "Let Me Roll It," clashing with most of the album, has nothing to do with marijuana
Then come the songs that apparently weren't written while their respective artists were higher than a kite (the good ones) A few of the best h
include "High" by include


Chesnutt, Spearhcad, Wayne Kramer, the Fun Clinton defins and George Clinton.
Clinton definitcly lives up to his funky past on Hempilation 2, with his song "US Custom Coa Guard Dope Dog." The song is about all the benefits and troubles of a dope dog, like all the weed he gets to smell, and, on the downside, face, damn! for a sh**ty half gram."
Thace, dann! for a sh* ty half gram.
This sort of humor abounds on the almost five minute long romp, and, adding to it is the awful early 90 s sound of the song, like gangsta rap
that is to
Probably the best track on the album, howe is "Sidemousin' the Bong," by Mike Watt. Watt and his drummer, George Hurley, both from IREHOSE, and The Minutemen along with vocalist Petra Haden and Stephen Perkins (Pormo for Pyros, Jane's Addiction) adding even more drums and multiple bong hits at the end of the song.
Not only is "Sidemousin' the Bong" easily the most original song on Hempilation 2, but it is hashish-hating politician can argue with that? hashish-hating politician can argue with that? Another good song on the album is "The Joker," redone by album is "The Joker, redone by
Spearhead. The band does a fine job it, making the song a little funkier and "trippy," according to one little red-cyed devil who strutted in the vicinity while the song was goin' on "Darryl," who was in fact high at the time, said one of the voices in the background of the song "...sounded like the suave commercial guy that tries to hit on women. Very weird and trippy." "Darryl" had plenty more to say, but, at the ime of he inceviev, ended up closing with can't remember now." This was unfortunate, since the CD is obviously targeted mainly teners like "Darryl," but understandable.
Finally, the last track that deserves honorab mention for goodness is "Weed (to the Rescue)" by Vic Chesnutt. Even though the song is only 1:43 long, it is great to hear Chesnutt, who is paralyzed, say "weed to the rescue" over and over again, especially since he uses the green for "medical reasons."
Hempilation 2 freetheweed, out on Capricom Records, is a pretty good album overall, featuring a diverse bunch of bands and a message that, in the eyes of the musicians. cannot be ignored Wayne Kramer, who contributes "If you're a up hest in a prepared statement, "Look. sums up best in a prepared statement, Look, no one money to buy more refer OK maybe they wanted the double chocolate chip cookies.

## Angels in America author to visit UI

By Heather Frye

There are doubts floating around The near passing of Proposition One and multiple neo-Nazi demor strations in Idaho have some comvisit by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Tony Kushner will even hap pen, much less draw a crowd. Kushner is the author of Angel America: a Gay Fantasia on National Themes, a provocative a revolutionary play that garnered Kushner instant stic
in the early 90 s.
Angeers is set in 1986, a time
Reaganism was dying and the AIDS epidemic had reached near genocidal proportions. The play tackles issues such as homosexuality, religion and politics with a ferocious honesty.
One scene includes a young Mormon couple struggling with the
fact that the husband is fact that the husband is unable and his estranged wife. Some locals though in support of Kushner's visit, are worried the play's frankness on these subjects might spark a negative reaction. "It might be just too controversial," said one Moscow resident who wishes to remain anonymou,
However, doubts aside, Kushner' two-day stop at the University of Idaho is not only expected to hap pen, but has been anticipated with excitement for many semesters. Humanities fellows Katherine Aiken, David Lee-Painter and Gary Williams from the history, theat respectively, are bringing Kush to Moscow with a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The three departments feel Kushner's work spanned the gap between the three disciplines and provided a pastureland of opportunity for wide-ranging dis cussion on diversity
All three departments and the philosophy department have been
including Kushner's work in their curriculum since last year. There will be a substantial num ber of students who have had a chance to read and discuss this play by the time the author of the play
visists," said Williams in a preared

Growing number of snowboarding games hit home systems

By Shawn Rider
Writer for Gamesfirst.com
Catch the Winter $X$ Games? During the women's slopestyle compectition, one of the riders pulled a double-grab 360 . The announcer hollered, "Ding ding ding," and called the trick. It Struck aorders re werence making a games are affecting the sport itself.
Snowboarding is the latest trend in video gaming. Last Christmas season Coolboarders 2 was one of the top-selling PSX games. Currently out are $X$ Games Pro Boarder(PSX \& PC) Coolboarders 3(PSX), 1080 (N64) and Snowboard Kids(N64). Due out soon are Big Air Snowboarding(PSX) Capcom's Freestyle
Boardin' $99(\mathrm{PSX})$ Boarain ${ }^{\text {Squard Kids }}$ II(N64) and AirBoardin' USA(N64). Clearly, there's no
shortage of games available and the demand is as great as ever. So what's the deal? Well, first off, they're fun. Snowboarding games are like ra ing games mixed with fighters. You go really fast, dodge obstacles and onem the hill but you also to do button combos to pull tricks. From a coordination standpoint the video game dexterity required Website first.com
is medium to high, and I think this aspect in and of itself draws people into the games.
Then there's the easy obvious explanation: Video games and snowboards are both made for 14 year-old boys. To an extent, I think this reasoning is fairly sound. When I was 14 I thought snowboarding was the coolest thing in the world. Ten years later,
I still think snowboarding is damn I still hink snowboarding is dam cool, but it kind of embarrasses
me how the industry has its recur ring bouts with juvenilia, even though I can't deny it was exactly that immature " $\mathrm{f} * * \mathrm{k}$ off" attitude that led to my initial love of the sport. So what? The 14 -year-olds can now play goo snowboarding game But to say it's only out www.games- - something males playing these games,
and these are the only demographics enjoying snowboarding, would be incredibly shortsighted and stereosyow beal. One of the other aspects fond of ing dive ality of riders Snowboarding as a sport officially began in the early 1980 s , and within 10 years there were notable female snowboarders. A couple of —— See GAMES, A8

## Master magician's life filled with mystery

## tackles topic of breast cancer


MEDINA, Ohio
woman, worried about a lume shat has found in her breast, sisits the doctor to get a mammogram. Trying to relax, she tel
"Read a magazine..."
No relief there: She catcties herself staring into the clearage that spills
stand.
The aneedute may sound like the bad memory or black humor of a breast cancer survivor, but it come from the comic page of your local newspaper.
"Funky Winkerbean," a strip drawn and written by Tom Batiuk rhymes with "attic") and carried nationwide is in the nationwide is in the
midst of a six monthmidst of a six monthone of the main characters, Lisa Muore, is reated for breast can-
cer.
The story is winning kudos from breast cancer awar ness organizations and survivors of the disease for its accuracy,
lionally.
While Batiuk says he was intersted in a straightforward porrayal of breast cancer treatment, he spent four years creating this series and researching the disease, his real goal was to describe, and empathize, with the invard journey breast cancer leads to. "One of the big points of the strip is putting yourself in the frame of reference of these peothe drawing studio of his rural home about 30 miles south of home about
Cleveland.
"The emotional story to me is far more important. I researched facts to get the protocols defined properly, but to me the anecdotal stories were far more interesting. You got into how the cancer affiected not just the woman, but the man, their friends and everybody in their cir-
cle." In the storyline, Lisa, an atrrac-
tive, recently married woman in her 20s, first feels a pain in her breast when she gets tackled dur ing a friendly pickup football caught it."
game.
A seif-examnation confirms her Auspicions. She visits the doctor, is
diagmoed with breast cancer, and undergues a mastectomy and chemotherapy.
At the point the series will leav off in June, the stluation is still somewhat unresolved. Lisa will survice, hut Batiuk says the strip will weching on her cader isstes Wuching on her cancer, such as th
end of Lisi's chemotherapy and end of Lisa's chemotherapy and
breast reconstruction. .F'm not going to jus Butiuk said.
Sonce of the story's most
pognant and fumy moments come sruggle to her husband, Les, disease, and "I read the strips with a hug. all at once. I cried In one strip near and laughed and the end of the story, felt like I'd relived Lisa has bought my own experience hair loss that goc in a way: He really with chemoherapy.
${ }_{-}$Regina Brett She and L.es are cuddled on the couch and he say
love your hair, the way ... where do your have it
done?"
She pulls off the wig and looks She pulls off the wig and looks replies with a grin.
Regina Brett. a columnist for the Akron Beacon Journal who was cated for breast cancer last ycar, eneck it for accuracy. She said he was amazed at Batiuk's realism, especially since he does not have an immediate relative or clo. friend with the disease. (The cartoonist says he was inspired by many stories he had heard from acquaintances).
"I read the strips all at once," Brett said. "I cried and laughed
and felt like I'd relived my own experience in a way. He really
caught it."
The story has received similar praise from the National Alliance of Breast Cancer Organizations, New York-based group that educates people about the afliction expected to strike 175,000 wom
in the United States this year "We think the comic strip reat venue to increase awarencss for young women who whilc

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hey're at relatively low risk, should develop a healthy breas
creening routine.", said Jill McClure, a spokeswoman for the
group.
Batiuk has used "Funky Winkerbean" to approach sensitiv opics hefor
When he started the strip in 1972, the former high showl teacher was writing what he calls
"gag a day" humor about a grour of typical teen-agers.
"I wrote 'Funky' as the antithessis of 'Archic,"" he said. "The majori ly of kids aren't on the football leam, they're not cheerleaders." But Batiuk's comic strip has volved over the years. Ilis first Foray into more mature subject matter came in 1986, when Batiuk who keeps current on fads and Cleveland-area high school he attended, noticed a picture he'd drawn of a pregnant girl.
"Suddenly it dawned on me," he said. "ll M'm writing about kids in high school, and this is part of what their lives are about, then ought to write about it. If 1 don then l'm writung some fantasy. A series about teen pregnancy which also featured $L$ isa as the entral character, followed. The made him realize he could take on made him realize
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has touched on topics such dyslexia and teen-age suicide. humor now arises from the natural ceactions of the characters to thei situations, not just from setup gags. "I've found there's a hunger out there for something different, something more substantial," Batiuk said. In an introduction to his latest series, Batiuk wrote tha while "there is no cure for life, descriptions of our struggles can and $I$ think do, make a difference At age 51, baby-boomer Batiuk, who sports a ponytail and has a ludio decorated with posiers of he Beatles and Bruce Springsteen, said he wouldn't want to return now to the slapstick strips he wrot carly in his carcer.
"I think your thoughts are just different than they were when yo were young," he said. "You're more introspective
hese stories are."


## By Greg Korent Associated Pres

WESTMINSTER, Md. -. Here's how Raynond became R Mond!, the Wonderful Wizard or Westminster, the Aristocrat of Deception, the guy who gleetully deceapitated audience members,
then ran around with their heads It's a long story, best told in Ray Mond's cluttered second-floor office, where the walls are plaslered with posters from his infimous spook shows and framed cer tificales and plaques of his accomplishments, magical and otherwise It started in 1925 at the State Theater in Westminster, where 7 was watching John Lippy pull silks from warching John Lippy pull silk. This wasn'। Raymond's tirs exposure to magic. For his 6 th hirthday, his mother gave him a 49 cent bouk of tricks, which Raymond read cover to cover. But this was the first magician he'd ever seen, and he was amazed. When Raymond got home, he made a tube like Lippy's out of an oatmeal container and painted it black. "My mother gave me hell for the mess," he says.
By age 8, he put on his first magic show at the Westminster Methodist Chureh. For his finale, he levitated his sister, Ruth, then even tell his mother how he did it. "I felt so ashamed for not telling her," he said. But a magician's first rule is never reveal your secrets. He was paid $\$ 5$ for the show, $\$ 4$ more than he made sweeping the floor of Shriver's canning factory
in Westminster. Right then, Raymond made a decision which set the course of his life. To his parents dismay, he dec
By the age of 16 , Raymond was developing a reputation as a card manipulator and escape artistidy typhenated his first name intono
 He also becaume interested in mentalism and worked for nearly a year as Rajah Ramo at the New Howard Ilotel in Baltimore, gazing the a crystal ball he picked up at pawnshop. After his engagement there onded, Ray-Mond traveled to lorida to work in Dr. Miles Medicine Show. He earned S 15 a week for drawing crowds to Dr. never-kept promise of chopping of someone's head, plus he carmed a 5 -cent commission for every botte he sold of Dr. Miles' Bunion Remover.
Ray-Mond credits Dr. Miles' with caching him showmanship, a lesson that served him well later in life.
During World War II, Ray-Mond was assigned to the Army's Ninth Boders, a coinpany of performers hat entertained Allied troops. Following his honorable dis harge with seven bronze stars, Ray-Mond toured with his card and cigarette routine in Monte Carlo, Rome, Greece, Holland and Germany. His was one of five in a command performance for the British royally. While in England, Ray-Mond
nel and married a British Red Cross voluntecr, Doris Mae Broo Doris became his stage manag Billed as The Atomic Mystery Bevue, the show featured levitaion, sawine a woman in hall and 18 other large illusions. Capitalizing on a growing inter sti in spook shows, Ray-Mond eworked his show with a horror theme and began touring the United States. Ilis most popular effeet wa he Buzz Saw Illusion in which Ray-Mond would seemingly decap tate a hooded audience member with a circular saw, then carry what head in a bag up and down the the tead aisles before magically reatater aisles before thage thead to its grateful owner.
A1 81, looking back on his career Ray-Mond wonders if he should have been bolder, maybe moved to Hollywood. But his friends are glad he made Westminster his home. He owned a magic and novelties shop on Libery' Street for a few years in the midt-1940s. For 17 years he put on a free Halloween nagic show at Westminster High chool.
I's almost impossible to go one doesn't recognize him and the ne doesn't recognize him and the proceed to share a magical memo hey have," from one of his many and occasional assistant. In 1994, then Carroll County Commissioner Ben Brown declared Ray-Mond to be the Wonderful Wizard of Wesiminster and mandated him to perform one new trick per year for the next 25 years.

## Steeling the show <br> 

GAMES, from A
years later the female professional snowboarder emerged and at resorts nowadays there are plenty of women dragging knucklc. Ben Hinckly is a black professional
snowboarder riding in videos and competition less than 20 years after the formation of the sport. How long did it take hockey to get a brother in the league?
This diversity is represented in the video games. There are characlers of bonh genders and all nation
alone. X Games Pro Boarder, the only game to feature real professional snowboarders, has three omen and five men available for play. The research says females are not as interested in blood and guts games as males are, and the relative nonviolence of snowboarding games therefore appeals to them. know at least a few women who are really good at Coolboarders 2, 3 and $X$ Games Pro Boarder. I think the snowboarding games really do transcend gender boundaries, pre-
senting the kind of ageression and ension appreciated by both sexes. Regardless of all else, the fact is nowboarding is making people oncy, and lots of it. There's no nd in sight for snowboarding natching them up. And if you hought "alternative" sport games are seasonal, E^ Sports is cashing in this summer with Street SkSers. 'm intrigued. I haven't seen anyhing good in the way of skate games since $720^{\circ}$.

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