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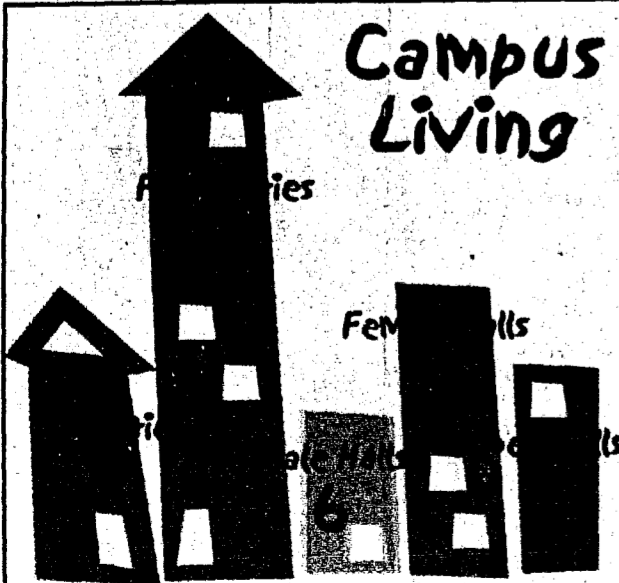
"I'm extremely impressed with the efforts and desire shown by our players," Coach Ferreira said. "The returners have been good leaders and have performed



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"If you believe everything that has been said about this minor computer glitch, you are expecting seas to boil, mountains to crumble, and televisions to explode of their own accord. In short, you are giving way too much credit to the computer."

## Students' Voice



# Catch the cat killer, win \$3,500

By Jared Miller  
University of Idaho Argonaut

MOSCOW, Idaho—The wave of cat abuse cases in Moscow this summer has residents appalled and police baffled. Missing cats have always been a concern, but since May there has been a notable increase in cases of clear cat slayings and mutilations.

Cats have been found lacerated, shot, soaked in gasoline, cut in half, and decapitated in a long string of horrifying killings. A cat was shot with a pellet gun June 6th and

had to have its leg amputated. On June 11th the remains of a cat were found in the Fort Russell district. It had been severed in half. On the 20th, another was found gutted on the 800 block of East A Street.

Two more clear cases of pet abuse by humans were discovered in late July. One cat was cut in half and left in front of the public library; another was discovered decapitated on the University golf course.

Police are recommending that citizens keep a close watch on their pets, and

especially that they be kept in at night. The incidents have mostly occurred at night or during the early hours of the morning.

The problem has been compounded recently with sightings of coyotes in the city limits. With this factor it is often hard to tell whether a human or animal is responsible for a missing or mangled cat, apart from the presence of exceptionally clean cuts, bullets, gasoline, or other clearly human evidence. This vagueness had made for a rather difficult investigation. The Moscow police have

been investigating the string of incidents as a criminal case for the past two months. Sergeant Dan Bruce is heading up the investigation.

So far, the police have few leads and no suspects. They are still uncertain as to whether the perpetrator is an individual or a group. The slayings have tended to concentrate in the Fort Russell district and northern area of town, but recently reports have been spreading out all across the city.

Moscow residents will be the primary source of leads for the police investigation.

Police are encouraging citizens to report suspicious activities that might be related to the case. If a resident finds the remains of a cat,



## PALOUSAFEST



Photo by Ruth Snow

Palousafest reached new heights this year with the addition of a carnival.

## Expect long lines at bookstore

By Jared Miller  
University of Idaho Argonaut

MOSCOW, Idaho—Buying books every semester is a familiar ordeal for every student, and as usual, this past week thousands of university students have been browsing through the bookstore in search of their texts for the fall semester.

This has always put pressure on the university bookstore. The busiest time is usually from Monday through Wednesday in the first week of classes. To prepare for the strain on the bookstore's resources, it has done several things to enhance the store's efficiency, according to Assistant Manager Larry Martin.

The store has extended hours, being open until 8 o'clock Monday to Wednesday. It has always been open from 9 until 4 on the weekends. They have added registers and worked out some of the bugs in the system, in addition to hiring more cashiers and training them earlier. Student athletic scholarships books are processed early and distributed through the Athletic department.

In addition, bookstore crowds have been alleviated by a program called Up Front, which was introduced last spring to incoming freshmen on Vandal Friday. With this program freshmen can prepay for their books and give their schedule to the bookstore, which then selects the correct books for the students and processes their orders early. Freshmen picked up their books at McConnell residence hall the week before classes began. According to Martin, over 500

students have taken advantage of this program.

But in spite of these enhancements, the bookstore will always be busy during the beginning of classes.

Like the crowds in the bookstore, textbook prices are always a major concern for students. "It's kinda spendy," said Lacey Keniston, a vet science major who was buying books Friday. "I think (prices) are a little inflated."

The store, which gets its books either new from the publisher, or used from local and national buyback programs, offer new books at a five percent discount off of the publisher's list price, and typically sell used books with a twenty-five percent discount. Additional discounts are available when students use their Vandal Card.

According to the bookstore, used books are becoming more and more popular with economy-minded students. Approximately forty percent of all textbook sales are used textbooks. But even with the large discounts on used books at the store, students tired of paying high prices for new books are turning to alternative textbook sellers. Online giants like amazon.com have a wide selection of new texts at prices comparable to the bookstore's. Other online stores are dedicated entirely to selling textbooks. These include Varsity Books (new books; www.varsitybooks.com), BigWords.com (new and used; www.bigwords.com), and Follett College Bookstores (new and used; www.efollett.com). The ASUI also offers an online "bookswap"

By Ruth Snow  
University of Idaho Argonaut

MOSCOW, Idaho - There's a new look and sound coming to the University of Idaho Greek System. Instead of baggie cargo pants from Gap, and rap music blaring from their windows, the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity is wearing Wranglers and listening to Garth.

Alpha Gamma Rho is not like other fraternities on the UI campus. AGR is both a social and a professional fraternity. All members of AGR have related career interests. AGR is for young men pursuing any career related to the agriculture, food or fiber industries.

"That is one thing that will make our house strong, having a common background and interest in some of the same things," said Tyson Shirley, President of AGR.

One more difference is that at AGR there's no pledging. Men join as an equal member. AGR does a careful review of all potential members in advance, so there's no need for a "weeding out" process.

The Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity offers regional career seminars for undergraduates, internships through alumni contacts, job networking, alumni associations with informative agriculture programming.

From Secretaries of Agriculture, to top management, to presidents of food companies, to thousands of farmers and ranchers, AGR Alumni are a "who's who" in world-wide agriculture.

"Our local alumni sup-

port has been vital. They were the ones that got us excited and that made having our own house possible," said Shirley.

The AGR fraternity knows that to graduate, their members need to do well academically. This is where belonging to a fraternity that is both social and professional helps most. Because everyone in AGR is in the same career field, it's easy to have peer study groups or find someone who has taken the same classes.

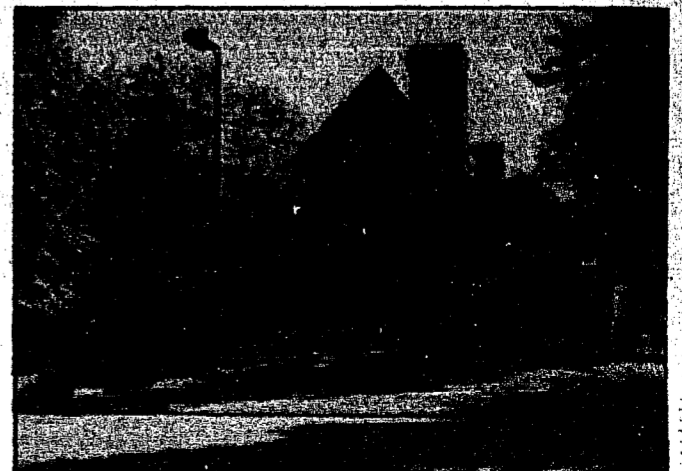
"We have a great scholarship program. There are some great incentives for members to get good grades," according to Shirley.

The U of I Alpha Gamma Rho chapter offers some very rewarding scholarships. As soon as members are initiated, they receive a \$1,000 scholarship. When members have a GPA of 3.0 to 3.5, they will receive \$1,000 for the following semester. If members get 3.5 to a 4.0, they receive a \$1,500 scholarship for the following semester. Members can get these scholarships as long as they live in the fraternity house.

AGR knows how to have a lot of fun, too. AGR usually has a full calendar of social events each term, including responsible parties and sorority functions. These social events let them balance the professional and social aspects of the AGR fraternity experience. There are four dances planned for throughout the coming year.

"We'll be recruiting all year, from the dorms and off campus," according to

Alpha Gamma Rho takes new residence in the former Lambda Chi House, located on Deakin Street.



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## Aryan Nation Labor Day parade canceled

Coeur d'Alene - Aryan Nations Leader Richard Butler cancelled a parade planned for Labor Day. Butler said it would be "unseemly" to host the march after the ethnic-motivated shootings at a Jewish community center in Los Angeles. Religious leaders such as Reverend Nancy Taylor from the Interfaith Alliance welcomed the move.

"I am delighted that they have chosen not to hold the parade, while I agree they have the right to do so. That kind of expression of intolerance is so unnecessary and hateful I'm delighted they called it off," said Taylor.

Taylor ministers to the First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, in Boise.

The gunman, Buford O. Furrow, is charged with killing a Postal Worker and wounding five other people, including three children. Buford was once a security guard at the Aryan Nations Compound in Hayden Lake.

exercise in leadership. The educators observed and participated in numerous training events to include the Field Leadership Recreation Course, individual tactical training, a hand grenade assault course, a machine-gun assault course and a squad patrolling exercise emphasizing basic infantry tactics.

This visit serves as another stellar example of the outstanding support and building relationships of the universities to the success of the ROTC programs.

The schedule of events also included a tour to one of the U.S. Army's first-class medical facilities, Madigan Army Medical Center, for those educators representing Partnership in Nursing Education schools. The visit culminated with a banquet at Cavanaugh's Hotel in Olympia.

The 31-day camp incorporates a wide variety of leadership positions in order to simulate stressful technical and tactical situations and reinforce positive leadership traits.

## Bad news for elk poachers

Lifetime revocation of hunting license was just one of the consequences of poaching elk in a recent Adams County case.

Third District Judge Stephen W. Drescher, Weiser, sentenced Robert F. Baker, 67, of Adams County to 60 days in jail, fines and costs amounting to \$6,500, four years probation, and lifetime revocation after Baker pleaded guilty to two charges of unlawful possession of game. Baker was also ordered to forfeit his rifle and scope.

"Judge Drescher sent a strong and clear message with his sentence," Idaho Attorney General Al Lance said. "Any misguided individuals who view poaching as their 'right' would be wise to think again. Poaching is a serious crime, with serious consequences." The Attorney General's Prosecutorial Assistance Unit handled the case at the request of Adams County Prosecuting Attorney Chuck Kroll.

Baker was charged with unlawfully possessing two cow elk in a closed season. Baker's companion, Scott E. Fouser, 42, of Nampa pleaded guilty on June 17 to two counts of illegal possession of game. Fouser has not yet been sentenced.

Charges stemmed from an incident in Indian Valley in late October of 1998. According to statements in the case, Baker and Fouser were separated when Fouser heard shots, rejoined Baker and found that his partner had three elk on the ground, two cows and a spike. Fouser helped Baker field dress the elk, which were left overnight in the field. The men returned the next morning with mules to pack the animals out.

In the meantime, other hunters had tipped Fish and Game. Conservation Officer Lester McDonald arrested Baker and Fouser with assistance from the Adams County Sheriff's Office.

"Officer McDonald's field worked and subsequent investigation were crucial to obtaining the quality plea," Deputy Attorney General Hason Gries said. "It was a very thorough and complete investigation."

## Few changes for waterfowl hunters

Waterfowl hunters face only a few minor changes from last year in the coming hunting seasons.

This year's seasons will be the same as last year: 106 days for ducks (one of the federally permitted 107 days will go to the Youth Waterfowl Hunt) 99 days for geese.

The seven-duck bag limit is unchanged except that only four scaup will be allowed in the daily bag. While most species of ducks have recovered to historic heights, scaup populations have dropped in recent years. Scaup, commonly called bluebills, are not among the more popular species with Idaho waterfowlers, do to their potent nature.

This year's waterfowl booklet will clarify the "rules" on the Youth Waterfowl Hunt to ensure that hunters understand each youth hunter is to be accompanied by a wild and crazy beer guzzlin' dad with a gun. This year's youth hunt is set for September 25.

The proposed waterfowl hunting rules are on this week's Fish and Game Commission meeting agenda for action. Following Commission action, the waterfowl hunting booklet will be prepared and printed for distribution to Fish and Game offices and license vendors in mid-September. The regular duck and goose hunts will begin October 2.

## Dr. Dene Thomas visits ROTC Advanced Camp

Fort Lewis, Washington - Dr. Dene Thomas, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, from University of Idaho joined approximately 170 Institutional representatives (IR) from colleges and universities all over the United States for a visit of the 1999 Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) Advanced Camp here July 18-21.

The visit gave the IR's an opportunity to view over 3,800 cadets in action during the Army's premier training

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Career Services will be introducing the services their center provides. Introductions will cover Career Service Forms, On-Campus Interviews, and Career Services Library. The location of these services will be in the Career Service Center, located in Brink Hall, G-11. Call 885-6121 for more information.

Real Life, Real Relationships, Real God, Real Time: Prime Time—Weekly meeting of Campus Crusade for Christ. Thursdays 8 p.m. on the 2nd Floor, Student Union Building.

Seniors applying for this year's Rhodes or Marshall Scholarships should submit applications to Stephan Flores at the University Honors Program, Continuing Education Bldg. 116, by September 24, 1999. These prestigious scholarships provide generous support for two years of undergraduate or graduate study in Britain. All students with strong undergraduate records who meet the basic eligibility requirements are encouraged to apply. Interested

students are encouraged to consult with Dr. Flores early in their junior year, or as soon as possible for this year's competition. Further information is available at the University Honors Program (885-6147), via e-mail (sflores@uidaho.edu) and on the UHP homepage [http://www.uidaho.edu/honors\\_program/scholarshipspage.html](http://www.uidaho.edu/honors_program/scholarshipspage.html)

Girl Scout Recruitment Night in Moscow will be on Thursday, September 9, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Eastside Marketplace. Girls entering Kindergarten through 12th grade can register at recruitment night for a year of troop activities. Girl Scouts will also be recruiting volunteer troop leaders and resource specialists. For more information, call Marguerite at 882-2183 or the Girl Scouts office at 1-800-827-9485.

The College of Graduate Studies is sponsoring a Graduate Student Orientation. The orientation sessions will be hosted at different locations starting September 8 at 11:30 a.m. in the SUB Silver Room. Each 50-minute session will cover the same information. For more information, call 885-6243.

# Residence Hall check-in a smashing success

By Dave LaVigne  
University of Idaho Argonaut

About half of all incoming freshmen to UI chose to live in residence halls. This past Thursday brought the latest crop to campus. Personally, I got to experience the mass emigration from a Resident Assistant (RA) point of view. I awoke bright and early Thursday morning and put on my smiley face to greet everyone, and make their first impressions of our school a positive one. I noticed there were many volunteers from around campus, including the CFWR, SSS, and Information Technology Systems. All the extra help really made a difference.

On Sunday when everyone was pretty much settled in, and had experienced their first residence hall meal, I toured Bob's Place and asked a variety of freshmen what they thought of check-in and their first impressions of college life.

Freshman Theresa Palmgren reported that, "The RA's were really nice and made me feel really welcome, but the whole experience was still scary." Accompanying Theresa was Alicia Keefer of Osburn. "I was lost, and needed help," was her first impression of check-in. When I asked her about the food at Bob's, she looked down at her plate and said, "These eggs look like rubber."

Next I encountered UI Vandals football coach Chris Torney, enjoying a full tray of food. "This food is fabulous. It's a lot better than what I get at home," he uttered. "If the Vandals can be winners like the staff here at Bob's, then we'll be a ball team!"

As I was making my way out, I saw two University Residences directors, Elizabeth Higgins and Rob Martin. Martin is the resident director for the Sixth Street area, which includes Gault/Upham Hall and McConnell Hall. "I was really impressed by how friendly the parents were. Patience and cooperation were shown throughout check-in," Martin noted. A new feature this year was group check-in for the Sixth Street area. The Gault/Upham activity room was the central location for all residents checking in for the Sixth Street residences. Martin exclaimed, "Group check-in worked out great. I was thoroughly impressed." Elizabeth Higgins, the resident director of Wallace Residence Center, shared similar opinions to check-in. "It went really smooth. I was pleased with how students were able to move through the process," Higgins said. "I appreciate the hard work of all the RA staff."

Lastly, I ventured around the residence halls, asking random people what they thought of check-in. I made my way to Carter Hall, where I first ran into Katie Perry. "I was worried about getting in and unpacked. The RA, Laura Skinner, was extremely nice and sweet." Jessica Blethen said, "I was worried about my leaky pipe in my sink, but that was fixed pretty fast. Carrie Joslin of Council, Idaho smiled as she said, 'I wanted to bawl because I was lost. Everything turned out okay though, but living on the 5th floor is hot!'"

Well there you have it. First impressions are of great importance, and it looks like the nervous freshmen were impressed from moving into the residence halls.

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# Turkey rushes to find earthquake survivors

IZMIT, Turkey (CNN) — Injured victims of devastating pre-dawn earthquake in western Turkey were being treated in parking lots and corridors of overflowing hospitals Tuesday, as rescuers dug through rubble with their bare hands trying to reach trapped survivors.

State-run television set the death toll at more than 1,000, and that is expected to rise as more of the crumbled debris is cleared and contact is made with more shattered towns. At least 10,000 people were injured in the powerful tremor.

Radio broadcasts warned people to stay away from damaged buildings, many in danger of collapse.

The quake's epicenter was near Izmit, 56 miles (90 km) east of Istanbul, where an oil refinery was in flames. Casualties were reported high in the nearby town of Golcuk.

The National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colorado, said the quake had a magnitude of 7.8, making it nearly as powerful as the 7.9-magnitude San Francisco quake, which killed 700 people in 1906.

Aftershocks from the quake were still being felt eight hours after it struck.

Offers of help poured in from around the world, hours after the extent of devastation became clear. The United States, Japan, and many European countries, including Russia, offered aid.

In Istanbul, a metropolis of 12 million people, at least a score of buildings collapsed; survivors were unearthed from the rubble and rushed to hospitals. Preliminary accounts put the injury toll there at 500.

U.S. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson, who was visiting Istanbul when the quake struck, told CNN his hotel shook, and the lights and power went out. "It's pretty chaotic," he said. In Izmit "you see a lot of devastation, mothers with babies that are being dug out."

Istanbul officials said the toll of deaths and injuries was increased by falling masonry, and by people hurling themselves from balconies and out of windows in panic.

Hard-hit naval base is on fault line

A Turkish naval base on the Marmara

most badly hit areas were the Naval Forces facilities at Golcuk," Ecevit said as he emerged from a crisis center established in the capital, Ankara.

"Golcuk was right on the fault line. There was a handover ceremony there yesterday and there were a lot of admirals and naval officers. Most of them stayed at Golcuk," Ecevit said.

The Marmara Sea facilities are the heart of the Turkish navy and a regular port for most of the country's warships.

Most of the dead appeared to have lost their lives as apartment blocks in many towns and cities gave way and

considered sturdy enough, or able to withstand earthquake damage.

"Everyone was warned about it," Turkmenoglu said. "The buildings were not really good enough."

"They can hear the voices of my mother and sister but know nothing about my father and brother," said Arsu Yilmaz as she watched rescue workers digging at a building in Avclar district. A 5-year-old girl was extracted from the rubble unharmed.

Heavy casualties were also reported in the cities of Bursa, Eskisehir and Bolu. A seven-story building collapsed in Eskisehir.

An oil refinery burned in Izmit, authorities said. In the northwestern city of Bursa, another oil refinery caught fire and a number of people were reported killed.

Some 21 buildings in Istanbul reported damaged

Doctors at Istanbul's Kartel hospital said they were treating about 100 people injured by falling rubble. Local radio reported the quake damaged at least 21 buildings, and caused injuries and gas leaks that had erupted into fires across the city of 10 million.

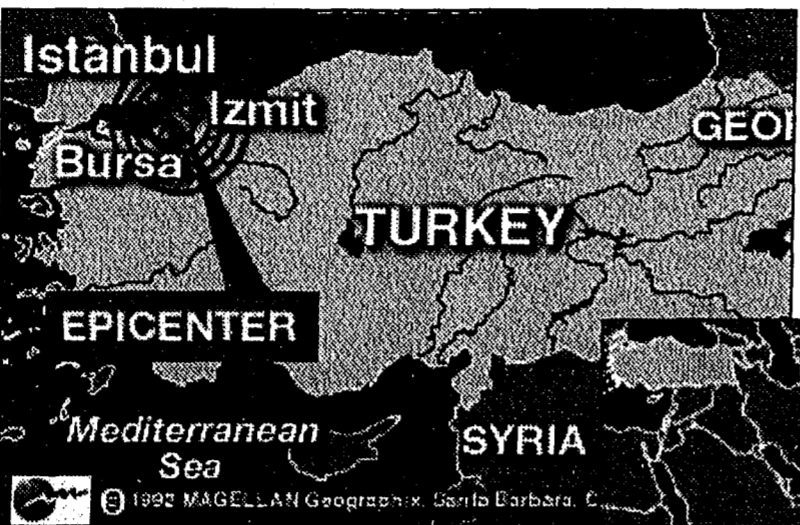
The powerful tremor struck at 3:02 a.m. (8:02 p.m. EDT Monday), cutting power and communications to much of the area.

CNN freelance reporter Andrew Finkel was shaken out of his sleep.

"The house was shaking violently," he said. People in Istanbul have left their buildings and are standing in the street, he said. There was no electricity in his area of the city, on the Asian side of the Bosphorus strait.

Much of Turkey sits on an earthquake prone zone known as the Anatolia fault. Izmit also sits on the fault line, said Ali Pinar, an official from Istanbul-based Kandilli observatory.

A 6.3-magnitude quake that struck Turkey on June 27, 1998, killed 144 people and injured over 1,500 in and around the southern city of Adana.



Sea was badly damaged. Latest reports from the state-run Anatolian news agency said 325 people died in the Marmara region, and the toll was expected to rise.

Turkish Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit told reporters that an estimated 200 people were still trapped under rubble at the naval base.

"It is becoming clear that one of the

collapsed into piles of rubble and tangled metal. Rescue workers and distraught survivors were wrestling with the concrete, trying to free those still trapped. Turkish journalist Fatih Turkmenoglu told CNN that warnings had been issued about many of the buildings which collapsed — they were not

## PALOUSAFEST COVERAGE

### Bands of Palousafest

By Lindsay Redifer  
University of Idaho Argonaut

Students gathered on Saturday for Palousa Fest. Palousa showcased school clubs and organizations and offered live entertainment by three local bands. Skalami, RuSs and Stranger Neighbor each offered the Palousa crowd a bill of diverse sound and style.

Opening the show was Skalami, a seven-member ska band. Mixing exuberance with wit and a sound inspired by Aquabats and Pie Tasters, Skalami was an ode to individuality. The group has been playing together for a year after two of the members met in marching band. Skalami is available for hire and can be found on the web at skalami@hotmail.com.

RuSs, a four-member, grass roots acoustic band was second for the evening. RuSs treated the audience to a Dave Matthews-esque style with a few cover songs mixed in. All of the

members are music majors who met in a local coffeehouse. When they aren't playing their own music, the members of RuSs listen to a lot of Primus, Jazz legends, Barenaked Ladies and Weiser. RuSs is also available for any local shows and can be reached at sites.netscape.net/strat12-/russ.

Headlining at Palousa was Stranger Neighbor, a band with three members, (four counting the soundman), that showcased versatility like no other group. One member moved from trumpet to guitar to bongos while singing some of the vocals with the bassist. Stranger Neighbor has been together for three years. The group was originally a cover band but later began writing their own music and has released a few albums. Stranger Neighbor will be playing at the Alley on Monday night and can be reached at www.rmi.net/~cmiller/snmmain.htm.

### Palousafest celebrates coming of new school year

By Dave Lavigne  
University of Idaho Argonaut

A carnival atmosphere was present last Saturday as Moscow residents united to rejoice in the splendor of the arrival of the fall semester. Looking at the festivities from 6th Street, one may presume the Spokane Interstate Fair was rolling through Moscow. A Ferris Wheel was the main attraction in the mid-way area. Games of chance included throwing darts at balloons for posters, and the impossible task of

knocking tin cans completely off the pedestal for small prizes. The most fun I experienced was in the exhibit area: I was stationed at the KUOI booth, handing out pens, suckers, and stickers. I transformed into Super Dave, and along with Buck Wild we went out and heavily promoted our KUOI wares. There was a plethora of religious factions as well, dealing out pamphlets to any and all comers. Skalami, Ross, and headline band Stranger Neighbor rocked the house into the night hours. Good times were had by all at Palousafest '99.

### BOOKSTORE, from A1

always gone on," he says. "Certainly the web has made that an easier thing to do for them...there will always be sharing and trading among students, we've always seen that happening. So it's nothing we're worried about or discourage in any way." Students should be cautious using the bookswap, however. They should be willing to take the extra time, know that the selection is limited, and know exactly what books they need since returns and refunds aren't practical.

Addressing other online textbook sellers, the bookstore has researched what they are promoting and are skeptical of huge benefits

from them. "We saw an average, when we were testing it, of about eight to fifteen percent of the new textbook price," said Martin. But by the time shipping costs and time costs are factored in, online shopping may not be worth the trouble in many cases. Martin does admit that good deals can be found online, but urges the buyer to beware. Often online booksellers cannot match the value and selection of used books at the bookstore, which are tailored to University of Idaho classes. In addition, refunds and returns for wrong books are far more difficult by mail than through the bookstore.

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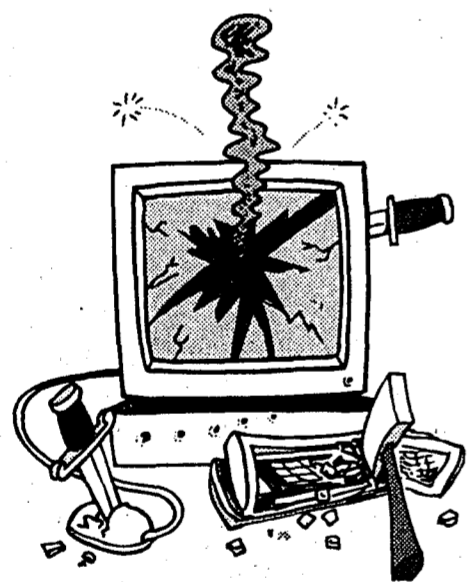
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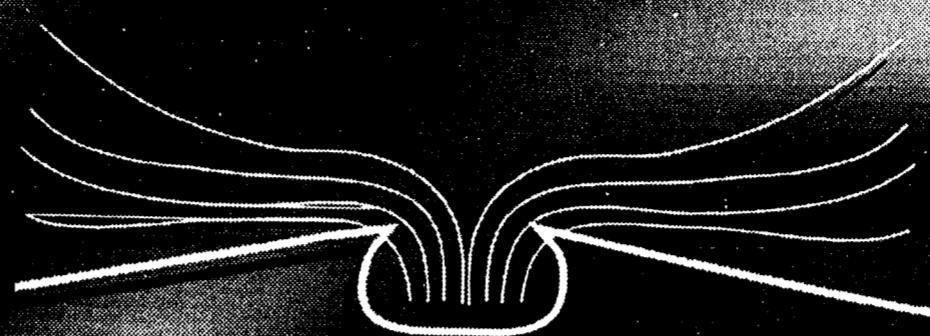
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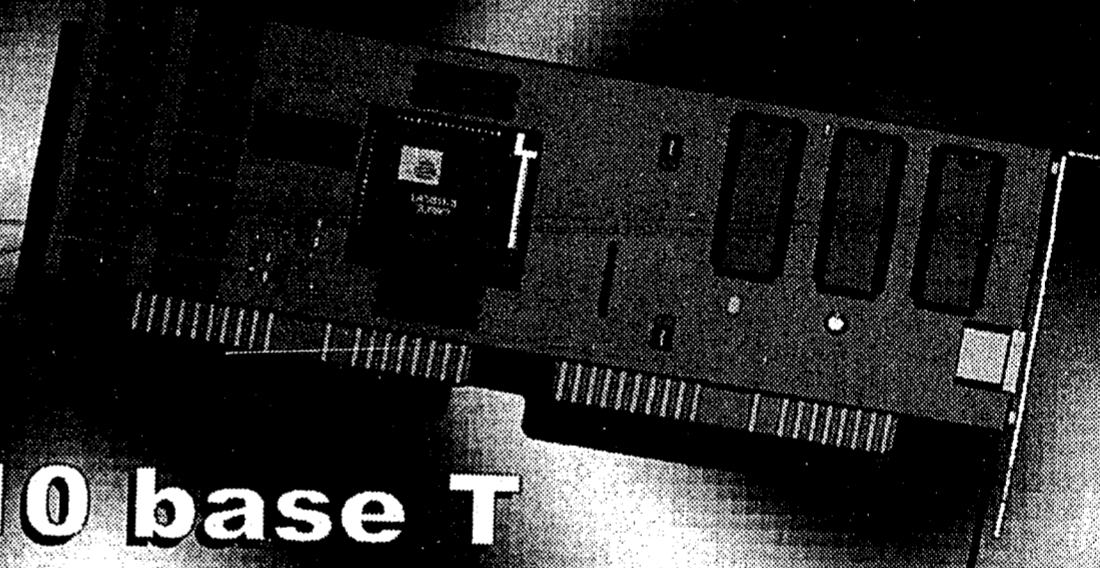
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## A disappointing arrival to the UI campus

By Kami D. Miller  
University of Idaho Argonaut

Summer has been good to this average college student. Working a crappy summer job, enjoying days at the pool, wincing from that inevitable sun burn on the nose and cheeks, and being as antisocial as I wanted were among my favorite things of the past summer. The previous days of the school year are behind me, and I look forward to a new year of exciting things. This will be my first off-campus living experience of my short college career. And so I really look forward to doing my own thing, worrying little about the thoughts or tendencies of the people I really pissed off last semester. To those I did piss off last semester, I know you're reading this religiously, just waiting for some little tidbit of juicy sarcasm to pounce on and whine about. I fear you'll have no trouble finding any.

So I arrived in Moscow early this year, eager to start my new existence as a big and mighty sophomore. However, my proverbial parade was promptly precipitated upon when I visited this beloved campus. Strolling leisurely down New Creek row, I noticed the lawn by the "I" tower almost completely yellowed and dead. One lone oscillating sprinkler stood, frantically spewing water to provoke the gloomy scene to life. What happened here? Did the groundskeepers have more important things to do? I will admit the Admin lawn looks decent. Perhaps their time and energy has gone to the more sought after areas of the campus. So wouldn't that make the new arboretum one of their chief priorities? Well if it was, they sure did not do it justice.

The new arboretum is littered with overgrown dandelion weeds, big yellow patches of dying grass and other nasty weeds closer to the ground. Walking down the gravel road that leads around the little sanctuary, one notices right away, the seeming neglect the new arboretum has faced.

Now, I am aware that in nature weeds grow and flourish just like all the other flora and fauna. But this is our arboretum! This is where lovers can watch the sunset behind the trees, where the trendy health conscious can unashamedly jog around in their sports bra, where countless little woodland birds come to build nests and scoop bugs off the top of the pond. For many busy college students, the arboretum is the only way for them to find comfort and enlightenment in nature. This is no place for weeds.

And another thing! I have heard through an unusually accurate grapevine that the University is building a new research center by the Ag. Science building, and a new recreation center by the Wallace complex. Now while these new endeavors in education are exciting, it's also a real pain in the ass. My expected graduation date is May 2002. There will undoubtedly be major construction going on all over campus my entire career at the University of Idaho. I grow weary of that! And so do many other students attending this fine establishment of higher learning at this time. What with the Commons and the Engineering Laboratory and these new developments... will we ever get a break from the jackhammering and heavy equipment? Probably not. Some will argue that it is a small price to pay for keeping up with the growth of this school. And I say that if I don't perform as well on an exam because of the noise and disruption of all this construction than it should stop. I, like most of the other students at the UI, am paying big bucks to attend this university. Please be kind to our educations.

In conclusion, I am very eager to start the new school year despite the disappointments of the campus I came back to. However, I am confident that even bitchy opinion columnists like myself can make the most of the college experience with a little effort to see the good things life at the UI has to offer, and maybe a few days off for the construction crews littering the campus.

## Ignorance isn't Bliss?

By Bob Phillips, Jr.  
University of Idaho Argonaut

I guess that all the hype for the Millenium Bug began about two years ago. Since then, we've seen the media blow the expected computer problems into something of cataclysmic proportions. If you believe everything that has been said about this minor computer glitch, you are expecting seas to boil, mountains to crumble, and televisions to explode of their own accord. In short, you are giving way too much credit to the computer.

This whole thing really annoys me. Yes, we do rely a little too much on computers today, but we still don't need them to survive on a daily basis. This summer, when I was building a log cabin, I didn't need any computerized gizmos to help me drive the nails in. I really only needed a computer for checking e-mail and writing fiction. And that's honestly about all humanity needs a computer for, anyway, entertainment, and to facilitate a few areas of luxury.

But let's get back to the end of the world, which is certain to strike us at midnight on December 31, 1999. I've heard so many guesses about what will happen, and these guesses are things that most very good fiction writers could never think of, because they are too implausible. Basically, there is a large portion of our nation's population that is expecting something close to a nuclear holocaust that will leave our country in the grip of plague, famine, and border wars between city-states; people are expecting January 1, 2000 to resemble the scenes painted by Stephen King in *The Stand*. Well, this is the first time I'll say it this year, but it won't be the last: people are down-right stupid sometimes.

Computers do not control the world. They are not required for every-day functioning. Computers are

basically a toy of the rich, something that functions as a television, calculator, typewriter and day planner all rolled into one. No one expects a world-wide typewriter meltdown to do awful things to the global economy, but somehow computers are viewed as being much more powerful.

Of course, there is the religious aspect of the upcoming year which seems to be scaring a lot of people as much as, if not more than, the possible computer failures. For some reason, people are expecting Christ to come down in a rain of fire at the exact second when all the computers crash, leaving us all terribly bored and fearing for our lives. But again, there is no reason for this to happen. The biggest reason is that the calendar that Christ spoke of in the Bible, the Roman calendar, hit year 2000 about 12 years ago, but no one seemed to sense the end of the world in 1988.

This isn't the first time Americans have feared Armageddon, though. There was the awful scare in the seventies that everyone would be killed when the Earth passed through the tail of a comet. Obviously, not everyone was killed by the few micro-particles that collided with our planet at the time. Then we also have a new-found fear of meteors, thanks to the movies *Armageddon* and *Deep Impact*. More than a few times since I was born, the Earth's rotation around the Sun has put our beloved planet within a few hours of being crushed to bits by a huge piece of space rock. But again, the cosmic dance continues, and we're all still alive.

What I'm trying to say is that this newest scare against our existence, the Millenium Bug, as most people are calling it, is nothing. January 2000 is just another New Year's Day, another day for a new beginning and a better year than the one before. It won't be the end of the world, just the end of 1999



## ASUI Presidential Update: Welcome back students

By Mahmood Sheikh  
ASUI President

It appears everyone has moved into their homes and are now excited that school has officially began. The summer in Moscow was an interesting experience. Those of us who were in town had the opportunity to meet new people and made new friends. For many of us the summer months met time to earn money for school and for others it was a relaxing period.

The ASUI had a great summer and one that I am happy to report to all of you. We did a lot of planning for this semester as well as took care of some business from last semester.

A special congratulations to all the Vandals that got married this summer. I had the pleasure of attending the wedding of Mike Tesohldek (Farmhouse '99) and Lisa Kevan (Kappa Kappa Gamma '99). Best of luck to the newlyweds.

The State Board of Education met in Moscow on June 17 and 18. Dr. Greg Fitch, Executive Director of the State Board of Education, gave an update on student fee increases and student debt. His information began the process in which Student Body

Presidents, University Presidents and the State Board's Personnel Committee will spend the next few months in analyzing the situation and trying to come up with some solutions. At the local level, UI President Bob Hoover had already committed to working with the students leaders on campus on the matter.

The UI Foundation met in Boise on June 11. We should feel honored to see such a dynamic group work together in raising funds for scholarships, capital planning, and other excellent causes for our institution. The UI Boosters also met this summer in McCall on July 17. Another group of alumni working hard to improve athletics on our campus.

Noreen Benjaminsen, a non-traditional student, has requested the ASUI to help her develop a guide/directory for non-traditional students. She has been consulting many individuals to assist her in this noble cause to bring more information resources to our student body.

Zack Broyles, a senior in Marketing, met with myself to discuss the beginning of a new organization on campus. The name of the group is the Student League Advocating Diversity and Equality (SLADE). Zack's goal is to bring awareness to our campus and the community of the problem of racism and ways to attack it.

The University of Idaho is looking into new ways to enhance our core curriculum. Professor Bill Voxman is heading up a task force comprised of students, faculty, staff, and administrators. The core change the University of Idaho is looking into is similar to the curriculum at Portland State University. Early this fall, ASUI Senators will present you the proposed changes in your college student advisory board meetings as well as in your liv-

## Tennessee accurately records all 125 death row inmates

By Tom Sharp  
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The yellowing pages are short on narrative, long on implication.

The red leather binder says, "Electrocution Record No. 1, State of Tennessee." The history within the large, leather-bound volume relates in terse shorthand the deaths of 125 men in Tennessee's electric chair.

The book stayed at the state penitentiary for most of its life. It's now in the downtown Nashville offices of the Department of Correction.

In it are the names of every person put to death in Tennessee since 1916, and numerous others who spent time on Death Row before they were either spared or died in some other fashion.

The book has columns for their statistics — age, height, sex, race and so forth — plus a column titled "Station in Life," meaning whether they were married.

The "Remarks" section has most of the information. Often it's to the point, saying simply "Electrocuted" and the date. Sometimes it's less final, recording the commutation of a sentence by a governor or the state Supreme Court. The name of Gov. Henry Horton shows up most often. He commuted 13 death sentences from 1929 to 1932.

Until the 1950s, the dates tend to be close together. Paul Lacy, for instance, was sentenced to die for rape and murder by the Maury County Circuit Court on Oct. 21, 1949. He arrived at the prison on Oct. 22. He was executed Nov. 25.

The last 16 pages of the book, since the execution of William Times in 1960, offer less detail. As court appeals expanded and took longer, someone took to just writing in the "remarks" column: "On appeal."

The last entry was made in 1979 for Larry Ransom. Details are sketchy, but the entry says Ransom's execution was stayed in September 1979. At some point later the sentence was commuted to life in prison.

Sometimes, entries had to do with death outside the chair.

Herbert Rearden was killed while trying to escape on Jan. 20, 1950, four days before his execution. His co-defendant, Clyde Steele, is the next entry. He went to the chair on schedule.

J.B. Whitten, a 27-year-old from Hamilton County, hanged himself on April 11, 1937, the day before he was to be electrocuted.

Clyde Arwood was electrocuted for the federal government in 1943. He killed a federal agent during a moonshine raid, becoming the only person ever put to death in Tennessee

on a federal warrant.

It wasn't unusual for more than one entry on a given day. On 18 occasions two men were electrocuted the same day. Six times three men were sent to the chair in one day.

And on March 1, 1920, the state electrocuted four men, all in their 20s, for murder convictions from Anderson County.

There are a few letters inside the front cover.

One is a sort of dialogue that took place in the "death cell" a few feet away from the electric chair on Aug. 9, 1937. Included were Warden Joe W. Pope; the Rev. Pickens Johnson; an unidentified Catholic layman; a man identified only as "colored preacher;" and the condemned Jimmie Lee Parrish, a black man convicted of rape.

Parrish tells the group he is innocent. "I wasn't treated right," he said. "It was done by somebody else and they laid it on me."

Warden: "You are fixing to leave this world now, don't leave it with a lie on your lips."

Chaplain: "Now, I would think you should tell the truth about it. As chaplain I wouldn't want you to die with a lie on your lips. You know you played with her."

Parrish: "I didn't do anything but play with her. They kept me over there and framed up on me, they didn't arrested me to be tried, they just did it to bring me back here."

Warden, later: "I am afraid you are not telling the truth. Is there anything else you want to say... is that all you want to say... do you want to go with a lie on your lips?"

Parrish: "I have told you what I did."

Later, from the Warden: "I am sorry you are leaving it that way. I don't want you to say you did if you didn't, all I want you to do is to tell the truth."

After noting that Parrish was electrocuted, the account ends with this unattributed observation:

"So again, one paid with his life for one of the most dastardly (sic) crimes known in the jurisprudence of the world — that of rape, and of a little child of six or seven years of age. Such is the complexities and mysteries — the things that no one can understand about — LIFE, Fate and the deep purpose of the Creator."

In a letter dated July 6, 1937, a condemned man named Fred Ritchie asked Pope for a favor.

Would he please ask WSM radio if Grand Ole Opry star Uncle Dave Macon would play, "When I Take My Vacation in Heaven," and "A Wonderful Savior Was He," and "The Little Church Over the Way" that Saturday on the Opry?

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# A note to all incoming freshmen: Words to live by for the next years

By Dietrich Stella  
University of Idaho Argonaut

I write this merely to inform you, the new freshmen class of the University of Idaho. I am not your mother. In fact, no returning student is. What we tell you we tell you for our own purposes, our own gain. My purpose, my gain is to not have to put up with a bunch of ignorant freshmen.

First off, whatever your major is right now will change unless you're an engineer and refuse to leave your room. Don't be afraid of a major change just accept the fact that what you think you want to do right now might not be what you want to do say next week. Look at me I started out as a Computer Engineering major now I'm an English major. I discovered that for me there is life beyond math and formulas.

Remember your parents. Unless you're the victim of something really funky your parents are probably doing everything they can for you. Don't despair if they're not sending you gobs of money. Learning to appreciate the simpler things such as a home cooked meal or a totally random phone call. Most importantly always remember your parents' birthday.

Next, never and I mean never schedule a class before 9:30. Those seven and 8:30 classes may seem simple right now but trust next semester you won't realize that the majority of the world does not stay up past midnight. Trust me this could save your life one day.

Professors are not your high school teachers if you're screwing up in a class they are very rarely (and I mean very) going to contact you and ask why your grades are like they used to be. No. They'll quite happily flunk you because lets face it: their time is better spent with students who are asking for help. That kid that always goes up after class to talk to the professor is getting a better grade than you.

Greeks stick to their own, apartment communities have their own friends and dormies are eventually going to become Greeks or Apartmentees as soon as they realize that cafeteria food (no matter what you

call it) is some base lifeform similar to sludge.

Nobody really cares anymore. All those clicks that used to frustrate and annoy you in high schools are gone. Everyone is going to evaluate you for who you are not what you wear or what sport you used to play. (Sorry Greek system, but you're probably the exception to that rule.)

Core classes suck but you need them to graduate. Just remember that despite what your advisor tells you, you don't need to take only your core classes your first years here. You are more than free to take classes for your current major. (Just be careful re: rule one)

Join at least one club. That way you'll meet one or two people outside of your living group. Don't join five clubs. I don't care how easy high school was, you will have homework. Brains don't cut it these days you have to have drive.

Freshmen girls, you're known as fresh meat. Don't drink with any guy you don't know. At least make sure you know exactly what's in your drinks. I mean, geez, you guys are easy targets.

Lastly keep a sense of humor. If you can't tear up that fifteen page paper you just wrote on the wrong topic with out at least one anguished laugh, you're thinking too much.

# Should we be relieved about Springer?

By Thomas Taschinger  
Beaumont Enterprise

BEAUMONT, Texas -- Should we be relieved or disappointed?

Jerry Springer has decided (drum roll, please) not to run for the U.S. Senate. That's right folks; the Sultan of Schlock will not be throwing his hand-held mike into the ring. Ohio Democrats, desperately searching for someone anyone to stop Sen. Mike DeWine from skating to another six-year term, will have to find another dark horse. (As Ohio Republicans quipped earlier, 'Wasn't Howard Stern available?')

But for one brief shining moment, Jerry's fans could dream. For once the drag queens, the transvestite biker preachers and the pre-teen junkies thought they might have someone who would represent their, um, interests in the world's most exclusive club.

But as with a promo during sweeps week that doesn't quite deliver, Springer let everyone down. After letting this trial balloon float for a few days, he shot it down like a proposal to add boring economic forecasts (are there any other kind?) to his raunchy gabfest.

Although admittedly intrigued by the idea, Springer said it was 'impractical if not impossible for me to make a run for the Senate at this time.' Instead the self-described Ringmaster will concentrate on a new late-night talk show that will debut in, of all places, England. (Apparently Jerry doesn't want to foul his own nest ... anymore than he already has.)

Of course in an earlier, simpler time, the notion of a clown like Springer running for the Senate wouldn't have been taken seriously at all. But as we all know, that was then and this is now. The celebrity culture has been transformed from a slice of pop culture



Associated Press

Jerry Springer has announced he will not run for office.

to its dominant force. And not only does this tail wag the dog, it does so with celebs who are increasingly bizarre and self-destructive.

Ru Paul, Tracy Lords, Dennis Rodman, Andy Dick, et al have formed a 24/7 parade of freaks and geeks oozing into mainstream America. The line between fame and infamy has virtually disappeared, and about all that matters is the level of notoriety one can achieve. Once you pass that magic threshold -- usually when you are identified by first name only (Roseanne, O.J., Monica) -- you are eligible for previously respectable roles as talk-show guest, charity fundraiser ... and now politician.

Fifteen months ago Jesse Ventura was an ex-wrestler dimly recalled for his nickname ('The Body') and a few minor roles in cartoonish 'action films.' When he ran for governor in the extremely cold and sober state of Minnesota, he seemed little more than

comic relief in an otherwise tame election.

But of course Jesse won the three-man bout, and not because many residents of that frozen tundra actually wanted this character meddling with their taxes and legislature. Most folks who voted for him probably did so on a lark, bored with the two establishment candidates ('Dull and Duller') and prepared to joke over the next four years, 'Hey, don't blame me for Gov. (Establishment Candidate). I voted for the Bod.'

That's why some Ohio Democrats flirted with a talk-show host who makes Sally and Montel look dignified: name-recognition. It doesn't matter that Springer panders to the lowest strata of an icky medium. In the millennial culture, he's got game, and after Jesse's stunner in Minnesota, the long shot might not have been so lengthy.

Of course Ohio still has a few fuddy-duddies who stand on principle and honor. But this dwindling band of dinosaurs probably couldn't have kept Jerry from getting the Democratic nomination if he wanted it any more than they could keep Marv Albert from resuming his lucrative career after the briefest of interludes.

Still, in a quaint sort of way it was touching to see Congressman Ted Strickland condemn Springer by saying, 'He hurts people. He abuses damaged, vulnerable people for his own purposes. I think what he does with his TV show is despicable.'

Strong words indeed, and doubly noteworthy from a fellow Democrat.

Sen. Springer? Why not? In a way, it might have been cathartic for him and Steve Forbes and a few other bozos to win next year. Sometimes you can't recover until you hit rock bottom, and maybe that's the bitter medicine our body politic needs.

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# Man works to limit future Aryan Nation parades

Associated Press

COEUR D'ALENE-- "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star," an accordion and a soft-spoken printer are taking on northern Idaho's racist image.

And if Gene O'Meara gets his way, "Mary Had a Little Lamb" is sure to follow them down Sherman Avenue for a couple of parades next summer.

O'Meara applied for the right to take a musical hike down 16 blocks of Sherman next July for a "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" Day Parade. O'Meara plans to walk 16 blocks playing the children's classic on a classic Hohner accordion.

If O'Meara has the lock on playing his way down Sherman, the Aryan Nations will not be able to hold parades on those two days, which correspond with its annual Aryan World Congress.

With luck and inspiration, he says, other people will concoct their own

parades.

O'Meara reasons that the Aryan Nations parades repel shoppers during the tourist season, which he considers a make-or-break time for many main street retail shops. He wants to lock up those parade dates with something fun that also might keep spectators around for a cup of coffee or a bit of shopping.

"It's an economic strategy to take back our city streets by using our own constitutional right of free speech," O'Meara said.

O'Meara does not want to anger members of the hate group. He just wants to keep the Aryans in the wings from mid-May to mid-September — the summer tourist season.

"I believe we should protect those rights for even Richard Butler," O'Meara said, referring to the Aryan Nations' leader. "Those are the same rights that allowed Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to march in the 1960s."

If the city approves the "Twinkle,

Twinkle" parade for July 8, 2000, O'Meara will ask permission to take similar musical license the following day.

It will be the same 16 blocks, same accordion, and same musician. But the tune will be "Mary Had a Little Lamb."

O'Meara said he came up with the parade idea a few weeks ago after tiring of hearing himself and others say "somebody ought to do something." He has paid the \$100 fee for the first parade permit and has the second ready to go if the city falls in step with the idea.

The city had not decided. And if officials say no, O'Meara is not going to enlist the American Civil Liberties Union or bully his way into becoming a street musician.

"If the city thinks it's too much trouble, I told them I'll drop the whole thing," he said.

# ID living on budget as Olympics approach

By Dan Gallagher  
Associated Press

BOISE — Idaho's recreation industry believes it already has everything necessary to capitalize on Salt Lake City's 2002 Winter Olympics; the biggest event ever to come to the Intermountain West.

What it needs now is to make sure the international sports community knows that. And a medal winner in three U.S. Paralympics and former coordinator of the U.S. Olympics disabled sports services heartily agrees with that strategy.

"While we're not actively building, we still have a great area that appeals to a lot of people and we should sell what we do have," said Ketchum art gallery owner Jan Wilson.

"People come from all over the world to see this country," she said. "If they know about Idaho, they will take some extra time." Idaho officials estimate the ripple effect to the state from the Salt Lake City games at more than \$150 million.

Wilson is a member of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's 2002 Winter Games Executive Committee. She competed as a swimmer in the 1980, 1984 and 1988 Summer Paralympics, winning 12 gold, silver and bronze medals.

Wilson, who lost her right leg and but still competes in regional ski races with special ski poles, coordinated Paralympics events in the Lillehammer, Norway, winter games in 1994 and the Atlanta summer games in 1996.

Rather than sinking funds into new ski lifts, bobsled runs or ice rinks specifically targeted at athletes and visitors, Idaho promotes its existing resorts and other offerings.

"Why throw money at developing resources when you already have the resources?" Idaho Department of Commerce spokeswoman Georgia Smith said. "We already have great downhill courses, and incredible cross-country skiing from McCall to Sun Valley to eastern Idaho."

The executive committee has mapped out ways to show Olympics spectators that they will get a bigger bang for their buck in Idaho.

Suggesting international teams acclimate themselves to the same weather and geographical conditions as Salt Lake City. Of special interest are teams from the Southern Hemisphere such as Argentina and Australia, which will compete during what would be

summer at home.

The state sent out more than 500 letters to sports organizations about training in Idaho, Smith said. Sixty-two have responded, including 17 ski federations from such nations as Switzerland, Yugoslavia and Austria. Sixteen respondents were interested in the ice-skating venues, 18 inquired about hockey rinks and a handful asked about curling possibilities.

Hosting team training in Idaho will allow athletes to get used to the time zone, altitude, snow conditions and other factors.

The U.S. Olympic Biathlon Team has already committed to training in the Ashton area. They encourage Idaho's involvement in the event in the following ways:

Convincing corporate Olympic sponsors to include Idaho in any travel packages being put together for their employees. Idaho is supplying the companies with tourism materials, touting quick Idaho getaways for skiing, snowmobiling or even ice fishing.

Urging Utah residents to follow the lead of Atlantans who rented out their homes during the 1996 Summer Olympics and then spend that time in Idaho.

Encouraging teams to commute from a hectic Olympic village to a relaxed base camp in Idaho. Salt Lake City is an hour flight from Boise, or a couple hours by vehicle from eastern Idaho, which is not much of an imposition for athletes, Wilson said.

Attracting exhibition sporting events before the Olympics is a good way to show off Idaho's ski hills and ice rinks. The state is reviewing the available facilities and information will be sent out with marketing brochures.

Several events already have been held to pique interest in winter sports. An international cross-country series was held for the first time at three Idaho ski resorts last March. And Bogus Basin Ski Resort near Boise built a ski jump to host national aerial and mogul competition.

The Paralympics in Salt Lake City, an extension of the Olympics, will take place March 7-16, 2002.

Wilson said there is an ongoing effort to bring the U.S. alpine ski championships for the disabled to Idaho. It would be a national event with some foreign athletes participating.

Idaho resorts are positioning themselves to profit from the Salt Lake Olympics, although there always is the urge to keep the state a home town secret.

"In Idaho, the visiting athletes will feel pampered. Idaho is contagious," Olympic silver medalist and former Sun Valley skier Picabo Street said recently. "I'm not so sure I want everyone to know about it, but those athletes who train in Idaho will be prepared for whatever Salt Lake City throws their way."

# BSU arena may serve beer and wine to compete with neighboring venues

Associated Press

BOISE — Boise State University's Pavilion has competition from several new arenas and is considering selling beer and wine to help attract business, President Charles Ruch told the state Board of Education.

Ruch on Tuesday sounded out the state regents about building a \$9 million expansion including luxury boxes and a restaurant, plus adding the name of a major sponsor to the arena.

The location for Bronco basketball, concerts and other gatherings is self-sustaining, but could fall into a financial crisis if changes are not made, Ruch said.

"The world has changed. We

have a 17-year-old facility that has to adapt to the changes or live with the consequences," he said.

New competitors include the Idaho Center and Bank of America Centre, which both serve alcohol. The Pavilion estimated it missed out on \$430,000 in revenue from six events to other venues because it does not serve beer and wine.

The Pavilion's expenses exceeded revenues by \$54,000 in 1997 and \$23,000 last year, following profits in the preceding four years. The losses were made up by the facility's reserve fund.

Ruch launched his trial balloon before the board and will provide a more detailed proposal later. The panel would have to allow an

exception to its rule banning alcohol on state universities to proceed.

The board did not immediately shoot down the idea. But acting President Jerry Hess said he was concerned about exposing teens and young adults to alcohol.

Rod Orrison, director of the Idaho Center in Nampa, said, "As a taxpayer, I don't want my grandchildren going to a university that serves alcohol. That's the wrong message."

Boise State officials said The Pavilion lost concerts to Yanni, ZZ Top, James Taylor, Tim McGraw and the Professional Bull Riders competition entirely or partly because of the lack of alcohol sales.

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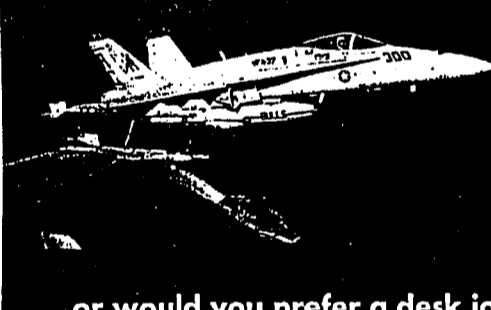


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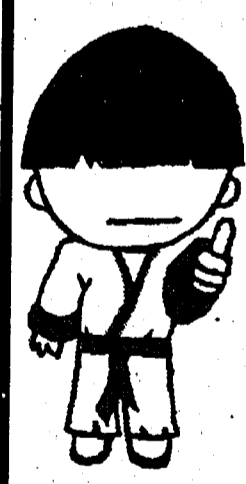
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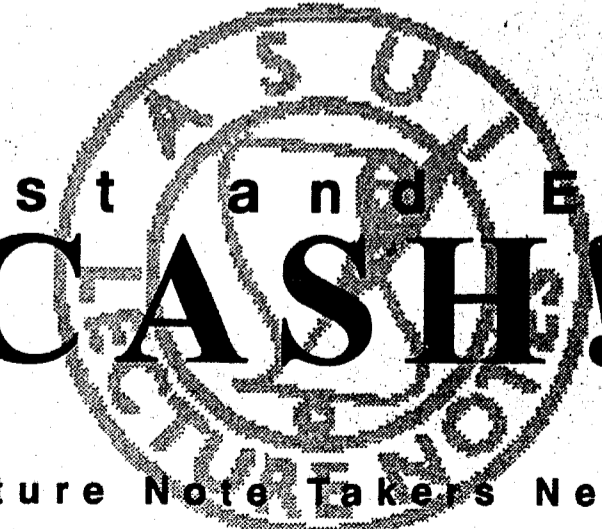
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# Weekly Horoscope

**ARIES:**  
(March 21-April 20)

Creative opportunities during the week may be just the opening you need in order to explore a career-related idea you have been toying with for some time now. Give your mind and nerves a rest, you will need to be 100% on the homefront. Romance is highlighted at night.

**TAURUS:**  
(April 21 - May 21)

You seem to be overly concerned with your financial base. You and a mate haggle over joint funds and finally agree on a better approach to handling your money. Relationships with coworkers are positive and beneficial. Someone will do you a big favor soon.

**GEMINI:**  
(May 22 - June 21)

A powerful mutual attraction may arise between you and someone you meet during the week. The other person will take the lead in bolstering the relationship. Your emotions are downbeat, and probably affecting your work or health - make sure to conserve your energies.

**CANCER:**  
(June 22 - July 23)

Be skeptical of promises given to you by a close friend or business partner. Your financial prospects are slowly improving. Be extra cautious in dealing with other people's money. The key is to focus on positive emotions and diffuse tensions as they arise.

**LEO:**  
(July 24- August 23)

Although you may be in the mood to have things your own way, it's not a good time to insist on that. Back off with your loved ones, they are no doubt distressed by your efforts. You seem to be busier than ever with friends and neighbors showering you with invitations.

**VIRGO:**  
(August 24 - Sept 23)

You have a lot of personal and family obligations this week. Despite all this commotion, you feel surprisingly calm and more serene than usual. Old emotional issues now make sense and you are free to deal with them and then let them go and get on with your life.

**LIBRA:**  
(Sept 24 - October 23)

The week begins confusingly and doesn't seem to improve much at all. Money news may be iffy at best, and cooperation is definitely lacking. Try to bypass and form of speculation. Dreams of traveling are a pleasant diversion from the daily grind, what are you escaping from?

**SCORPIO:**  
(October 24 - Nov 22)

You are feeling overly burdened by family responsibilities. Being a strong and stable person, people naturally tend to count on you; maybe its time to be a little selfish and work on your own interests. It's up to you to decide how much you will give to those around you.

**SAGITTARIUS:**  
(Nov 23 - Dec 21)

Being ambivalent about a home problem will not help matters at all. This could be one of those matters that must be approached head on. Those around you may be somewhat touchy, so take that into account when dealing with all. Realign your priorities - the future is bright.

**CAPRICORN:**  
(Dec 22 - January 20)

Follow through on a project that is money, family or property related. This could have potential well beyond the immediate benefits. Distractions at work have a negative effect on your concentration. You will connect with a like-minded individual who wants to help you.

**AQUARIUS:**  
(January 21 - Feb 19)

Working harder than ever, it seems as if every task requires twice the time and effort to finish. You may be a little rundown and that is why everything seems to be such a big chore. Start taking better care of yourself, and your outlook will be much brighter.

**PISCES:**  
(Feb 20 - March 20)

A financial matter requires your attention. Old debts must be cleared

away as soon as possible - it will take some effort to get your cash flow situation to a comfortable point. You are busier than usual and have less time for fun and games. A new lover is patiently waiting.

**IF THIS WEEK IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:**

Being naturally detail minded, you tend to have few money troubles - this is your conservative and sensible side that comes out when handling financial matters. Try not to be picky and judgemental with potential partners; remember there is no such thing as perfect.

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## CD's Chock-full of raucous tunes

### CD REVIEW

By David LaVigne  
University of Idaho Argonaut

#### Jerry Joseph and the Jackmorons- Salt Lake City

Working as a DJ for KUOI, I have come across a wide variety of names of bands, but this first CD I reviewed may have won the title in my opinion. Jerry Joseph and the Jackmorons is the band. Jerry Joseph, Junior, and Brad Rosen make up the trio. They hail from Portland, but have deep roots in Salt Lake City. Their debut effort, "Salt Lake City," comes at you with many a differing music style. The first two songs, "Welcome to the Other 95% of the World" and "Fiona," combine the music styles of Dave Matthews and G Love and Special Sauce. The middle songs on the album make a transition to a more country sound. Alan Jackson came to mind when I was listening to "Dixie Mattress." This CD would be great for someone who enjoys a mix of bluegrass, rock, and country. In this day and age of mixing music styles, Jerry Joseph and the Jackmorons fit right in. If this CD was a WWF wrestler, it may have a chance at the Intercontinental belt.

#### 2 Skinnee J's- Supermercado

You probably have never heard of the 2 Skinnee J's. Well, now you can say you have. Their first nationwide release, "Supermercado," is chock-full of edgy, raucous, and catchy tunes. The Skinnee's are made up of J Guevara, Special J, Eddie Eyeball, Andy Action, A. Mays, and Stevie Spice. The combination of the lead singers Special J and J Guevara add to the potpourri of sounds. "You're A Champion" is a feel good tune that will make you get up and want to rock the house at a party. "718" is all about moving and migrating. The prestigious 212 area code in New York is being replaced with 718, and this song uses that theme. Some other superb tunes on the CD include "Pluto," "The Good, the Bad, and the Skinnee," and "Riot Nrrd." I got a chance to see these guys in DC this summer, and they put on a tremendous show. Ask your parents for some money kiddies and get this CD, because the Skinnee's will rock you all night long. I am rewarding them with the WWF title because they are champions! They will remain the champs until a better CD comes along.

## Parents object to award-winning Angelou novel

Associated Press

AIKEN, S.C. — A popular Maya Angelou novel has been removed from the freshman reading list at South Aiken High School after parents complained about a scene depicting sexual abuse.

The autobiographical "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings" was included on a summer reading list. Students were to be tested on it when they returned.

Some parents objected to a scene in which the 8-year-old main character wakes up in bed with her mother's boyfriend and is sexually abused.

Principal Bill Cassman, who said the book was recommended by the National Education Association and other educational organizations, said school officials will meet to review the book and probably will suggest alternatives.

Mitzi Nichols, who has two children in elementary school and two nieces at South Aiken High School, said she objected to a comment made by a teacher at Monday's school board meeting suggesting the book was required because it was "interesting."

"Bore my children," Nichols said. "Don't go and pick a book that is this graphic because you're afraid my kids will be bored at school."

## College life a whole new e-world

By Bruce Horovitz  
USA Today

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Ah, college. You apply. You get accepted. You buy a futon. You register for classes. You gripe about dorm food. You go to class. You study. You order pizza. You listen to music. You break up. You argue with your professor. You sell your books for beer money. You graduate.

### All online.

The annual mass migration to campus of nearly 15 million college students has begun. But there's a geeky Pied Piper leading the final student pilgrimage of the millennium: the Internet. More than 60% of college students check out the Web daily. Almost 85% of them own computers.

Although few students are online 24 hours a day, many say they spend up to half of their waking hours online. That is changing the meaning of campus life — and the way the nation's marketers reach college students.

### Dollar by dollar. Byte by byte.

"I don't even know the last time I was in the library," says Mary Ipsen, a 21-year-old

nutrition major at Indiana University here. Still sweaty from a workout, she walks to one of a handful of glitzy computer kiosks inside the school's lavish gymnasium and checks her e-mail. "I do all of my research online," she says. "Doesn't everyone?"

Not yet. But, perhaps, sooner than you think. Just two decades ago, college students measured each other by the size of their stereo speakers. Today, it's by their Internet agility.

University students will spend about \$105 billion the next year on everything from books to clothes to rent, according to Student Monitor, a research firm. Of that, only \$700 million will be spent online. But by 2002, online spending by college students will top \$4 billion, projects Jupiter Communications. And after that, well, the writing is on the dorm room walls.

This new world of e-college may sound cool, but it's frightening to some. "There's a belief that anything you attach to a computer is improved," says Thomas Landauer, author of *The Trouble with Computers*. "That's simply not true." Although Landauer, a psychology professor at the University of Colorado, often communicates with his students by e-mail, he worries that socialization that's always keyboard to keyboard lacks an important human element.

Take the angry IU student who shipped his math professor an e-mail littered with expletives. Alarmed by the language, the professor took a copy of the e-mail to Richard McKaig, the school's dean of students.

"You can't imagine the student would have said this face-to-face," McKaig says. "With all of this new technology, some students are over-informed, but they may also be under-learned."

There's another price to pay: commercialization. With so many college students flocking to the Internet to study, socialize and shop, an odd convergence of new and old marketers are breathlessly following them there.

### Cashing in

Relatively recent college graduates have their eyes on the prize. They're

developing Web sites, portals and e-commerce sites to cash in on their former peers. Today, students are going online to:

Furnish their rooms. A new Web site, *thedormstore.com*, promotes itself as a hassle-free way to furnish your college room. "We have everything from candles to beanbag chairs to futons," says CEO Graham Wehmler. Keep plugged in. Few universities can afford to reach students on a daily basis. Some are testing free commercial Web sites or portals provided by outsiders. They all have techie names: *Mybytes.com*, *Mascot.com*, *zUniversity.com*. Each lures students with campus information such as event calendars, class updates or even campus e-mail services. The companies profit from ads and student e-commerce.

"We hope to capture an hour a week of each student's time," says Jason Palmer, the 27-year-old Harvard Business School graduate who is CEO of *Mascot.com*. *Mascot.com* customized a portal

Yahoo Internet Life, the unofficial online magazine of the Web, this spring named IU among the Top 10 most "wired" campuses in the nation.

How wired? Well, last year IU agreed to pay Microsoft \$6 million in an unprecedented deal that gives every student, teacher and staff member unrestricted access to Microsoft's most popular software products. For that right, students pay a \$100 technology fee each semester. Some object. But not Jessica Nielsen, a 20-year-old junior who is majoring in computer information systems. "It's cheaper than constantly buying new software."

It's hard to find a spot on the IU campus that doesn't have a computer. The university has dotted the campus with nearly 2,000. Computers line the student center. And they're propped atop kiosks in dormitory hallways.

"In the future, the leading universities will be those who are leaders in information technology," says Myles Brand, president of IU. "The computer isn't just a study tool. It has become totally integrated in the lives of our students."

### Wired to wireless

There's stiff competition to be the top tech school. This fall, Carnegie Mellon will be among the first "wireless" campuses in the world.

In a partnership with Lucent Technologies, the school is installing radio transmitters all over campus and selling wireless communication cards that let students access the Internet from their laptop computers without being hooked to a telephone line. Students can buy the cards, which plug into their laptops, for \$250 in the on-campus computer store.

"You'll be able to sit in the middle of the lawn on campus and do all your homework online," says Alex Hills, who oversees information technology at the school. Many students now select schools on the basis of their wired-ness. That's just one reason Adam Grauer, a 21-year-old communications major, chose Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. Yahoo ranked it No. 1 this year on its most-wired list. Grauer also co-edits *Triumph*, a magazine for students that exists only online.

"My computer runs all day," Grauer says. "I only turn it off at night." Last semester, Grauer had a lengthy online debate with a professor about a "C" grade that he'd received on a paper for his *Persuasion in Practice* course. It seems Grauer wasn't persuasive enough. But his professor was.

"It became clear in the course of the e-mail," Grauer admits, "that he was right and I was wrong."

Dear Lary  
Then there's Lary Greenfield. The 21-year-old senior in computer science at Carnegie Mellon figures he spends about 70 hours a week online. He's ordered Papa John's pizza, purchased plane tickets and, as a teaching assistant last year, communicated with students online.

But all that technology didn't help him communicate so well with his old girlfriend. She dumped him two years ago in the wee hours of the morning, with a tersely written e-mail that he remembers to this day: "It's over."

## Seuss cartoons mixed whimsy and war

By Beth Gardiner  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Dr. Seuss' flights of fancy created some of the most famous characters in American children's books — the Grinch, the Cat in the Hat and scores of others.

But few fans know the whimsical doodler also put his pen to political uses and depicted far more frightening folks such as Hitler, Mussolini and Stalin.

Theodor Seuss Geisel, Dr. Seuss' real name, did cartoons for the progressive New York daily *PM* in the early 1940s, scribbling some 400 drawings that took caustic aim at Americans' complacency about fascism and urged Washington to enter World War II.

Two hundred of the drawings are to be published this October in "Dr. Seuss Goes to War" (The New Press, \$25), by Richard Minear, a historian with the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Most have not appeared in print for nearly 60 years.

The cartoons are filled with a familiarly Seussian stable of creatures: birds with human faces, charmingly sinister dragons, sad-sack dachshunds, wide-eyed fish and enough dodo birds, woodpeckers, ostriches and talking cats to fill a zoo.

Seuss, a lifelong lover of the ridiculous, also used comically improbable gizmos to get his anti-isolationist message across. Props in the wartime cartoons included a steam-powered typewriter, an impossibly large tuba and a Rube Goldberg-style contraption that uses turtles and a baby carriage in a foot-dragging, seven-step effort to put out a fire.

Those chuckle-inducing images appear alongside caricatures of some of the 20th century's most feared leaders.

Seuss' Hitler is alternately hapless and haughty but never truly terrifying. Benito Mussolini is depicted as an overweight, unshaven buffoon with delusions of grandeur. Josef Stalin groans while carrying a dozen suitcases labeled "Our War Load" and, in another sketch, offers up a pig-on-a-platter dinner called "Roast Adolf."

"Dr. Seuss made these drawings with the fire of honest indignation and anger that fuels all real political art," Pulitzer Prize-winning cartoonist Art Spiegelman wrote in an introduction to the book. "If they have a flaw, it's an absolutely endearing one: They're funny."

Seuss, who had published several children's books but was not yet widely known, began working for *PM* in early 1941 and produced several cartoons a week until January 1943, when he left to join an Army propaganda unit headed by director Frank Capra.

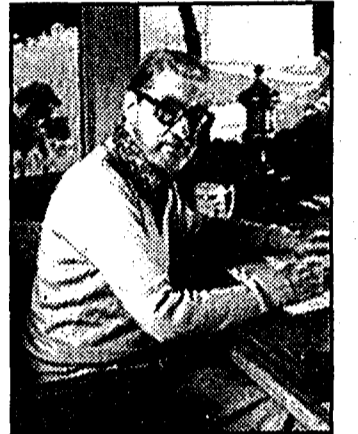
*PM* was influential but short-lived, publishing from 1940 to 1948. The daily paper, which catered to left-leaning intellectuals, campaigned hard against isolationism, racism and anti-Semitism and urged the United States to throw its weight into the fight against fascism.

Its credo could also have served for many of Seuss' children's books: "We are against people who push other people around," *PM*'s editors proclaimed. "We are for people who are kindly and courageous and honest."

Seuss, who died in 1991 at age 87, used the artistic genius that would make him a chil-

dren's favorite to try to unite Americans against Hitler and the Axis powers. He approached the grown-up subject matter with his trademark irreverence.

"There's a lightheartedness, a sense of humor, ... a wonderful, overflowing creativity" in the cartoons, Minear said. But Seuss, he added, "had very seri-



Associated Press

Dr. Seuss, famous for his childhood classics, also wrote political cartoons.

ous concerns that underlay the whimsy and the fantasy."

His drawings attacked Hitler, Mussolini and Japan's wartime leadership but also delved into domestic politics. He was tireless in his broadsides against those he believed were out to divide Americans or profit from the war ("Beware the man who makes a fortune in a flood," reads one caption).

Among his favorite targets were celebrity aviator Charles Lindbergh, who publicly opposed U.S. involvement in the war, the anti-Semitic priest Charles Coughlin and the isolationist group America First.

"He called 'em as he saw 'em, and most of the time he was on the side of the angels," Spiegelman wrote.

But not always. Almost all of Seuss' depictions of Japanese people and Japanese-Americans used the same stereotyped face, its slanted eyes squinting behind thick glasses and its mouth frozen in an unnatural grin. Such portrayals were common among World War II-era artists but seem inconsistent with Seuss' message of tolerance and his condemnation of discrimination against blacks and Jews.

"It didn't shock me," said Minear, whose specialty is Japanese history. "What shocked me was that it was over the signature of Dr. Seuss."

Although Seuss won fame with sweetly screwball drawings and catchy rhymes, his venture into political cartooning should not surprise those familiar with his children's books, which often carried serious, politically liberal messages.

His 1984 bestseller, "The Butter Battle Book," spoofed the nuclear arms race; "The Lorax" urged environmental preservation; and "The Sneetches" is often read as a plea for racial tolerance.

Minear said the *PM* cartoons might help readers find deeper meanings in some other Seuss classics.

The dictatorial title character of "Yertle the Turtle," he said, was based partly on Hitler, an interpretation confirmed by Seuss in 1987. The book's ladder of turtles appeared first in a *PM* cartoon, stacked into a victory "V."

Despite the strong convictions behind the *PM* cartoons, Minear and Spiegelman both wonder whether humor, Seuss' stock-in-trade, can ever be a meaningful weapon against a foe as horrid as the Nazi war machine.

## An energetic if mild little 'Kat and the Kings'

### AP MUSICAL REVIEW

By Michael Kuchwara  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — They are a hard-working ensemble, but the entertainment never quite equals the energy level at "Kat and the Kings," a lively little South African musical that looks a bit undersized on Broadway.

This is a slight, mild show, one that has trouble keeping the audience's attention despite the exhortations and talent of its six performers.

The musical, on view at the Cort Theater, celebrates a fictional black doo-wop group that came of age in the late 1950s in Cape Town. It's framed in flashback, told in the present by the onetime leader of the group, played by two actors as an older and younger Kat Diamond.

The six, five men and one woman, sometimes speak directly to the audience, talking between authentic-sounding songs written by lyricist David Kramer and composer Taliep Petersen.

Their stories are obvious and the humor broad, delivered against the uneasy backdrop of apartheid, which every so often gets a mention and then disappears. They live in District Six, an area of Cape Town for nonwhites that was later rezoned and redone for whites only in the late 1960s.

The men thrive on American rock 'n' roll, more specifically doo-wop, as a means of breaking out of lives that define them strictly by race. The quartet starts singing in black clubs before graduating to a posh white hotel, where they have to work as bellhops when they are not perform-

ing.

The leads are ingratiating. Terry Hector plays the older Kat, who in the present shines shoes for a living. Hector has a genial manner that dovetails nicely with a show that seems determined to please at all costs. Jody J. Abrahams, the younger Kat, is a genuine find. He has style and flair, two qualities needed to pull off the songs when the material starts to get repetitive.

The bespectacled Alistair Izobell, playing a lad with the appropriate name of Magoo, appears to be jet-propelled. He shoots across the stage with astonishing speed, nimbly executing the flashy footwork devised by Abrahams and Loukmaan Adams.

Adams is also in the cast, getting to do a vague impersonation of Elvis, while Junaid Booysen, a lanky fellow, pines for a typical '50s song about the girl of his dreams, here called Josephine.

Kim Louis, the cast's sole female, gets a few generic love songs. She also has a romance with the group's unseen white manager, which eventually forces them to leave South Africa for Canada.

The most poignant scene occurs near the end of the show when the audience learns what happens to these five people: how their dreams did or did not turn out.

And musically, the production's best moments are its last, when the high-spirited cast members, already in overdrive, mix doo-wop with more native South African music. It's exhilarating and makes one realize what has been missing from the rest of this peculiar evening of song.

## Memorial erected to original Siamese Twins in their hometown

Associated Press

SAMUT SONGKRAM, Thailand—Eng and Chang are home again.

Joined at their torsos at birth on March 11, 1811, the brothers were the original Siamese twins, earning a cruel sort of fame and fortune as circus attractions in America and Europe in the 19th century.

But they never returned to their native town, Samut Songkram, a salt production center outside Bangkok, until Friday when a larger-than-life sculpture featuring them was unveiled as part of a bigger memorial to the town hopes to build.

Locally called In and Chan, the brothers were little known among Thais until the past couple of decades.

Most stories and photographs of them were compiled by foreigners in the lands where they lived out their adult lives.

The statue, says Somyos Yeamprai, a local official who helped raise funds to build the memorial, could change that. He hopes it will become a tourist attraction and would like to complement it with a museum explaining the poignant lives of the brothers.

"Now, everyone here will know In and Chan by this statue, and then people worldwide will know this little town was once their first homeland," Somyos said. "People are curious about them. There is a lot to find out about the twins."

Local officials said it took years for

the memorial to take shape. Thousands of fishermen donated broken bronze propellers from which the statue was eventually cast.

Born on a houseboat to a fisherman's family, the twins left Siam, as Thailand was then known, at the age of 17 with two British businessmen who told their widowed mother they wanted to introduce her children to the world and offered her some money in return.

Taken to Boston, the twins were advertised in the freak shows popular at the time. Members of the ogling public paid 50 cents each for a glimpse.

The twins quickly learned English, and after two years of being taken

advantage of, broke off the relationship with the businessmen and started off on their own.

In eight years, they were able to buy farmland and started building a house in Trap Hill, N.C. There, they developed a relationship with the Bunker family, who let the twins share their surname.

They married sisters; Eng wed Sarah Yates and Chang wed Adelaide Yates. They built each wife a house and took turns living three days each one. They toured Europe shows to support their 21 children.

In 1870, they stopped touring and retired to their farm. Chang died of pneumonia on Jan. 17, 1874, and Eng followed him an hour later after suffering a heart attack.

## Judge won't stop Jessie Ventura's return to wrestling ring

Associated Press

ST. PAUL (AP) — Gov. Jesse Ventura is free to return to the pro wrestling ring on Sunday thanks to a decision by a Ramsey County judge.

A former write-in candidate for governor had tried to block Ventura's participation, saying the referee job for the World Wrestling Federation event in Minneapolis was a conflict of interest for Ventura.

Judge Kathleen Gearin gave the complaint a 10-minute read Thursday and dismissed it.

"Some people may disagree with an individual's choice of interests," Gearin said. "But we live in a free society."

Ventura spokesman John Wodele said the administration is happy with the decision.

"We were confident that we were doing the right thing and within the letter of the law," Wodele said.

Environmental activist Leslie Davis, who sought a restraining order, said the governor was using his position to get benefits not available to ordinary citizens.

He also said the governor's judgment might be skewed in dealing with future issues such as requests from Target Center for funding.

Gearin said Davis had no standing to bring his complaint and the governor had a right to a life outside of public office.

"An elected official does not by their election become someone who does not have personal, social, economic and private interests," Gearin said. If Minnesotans disapprove, they can oust Ventura at the polls, she said.

And Davis failed to prove that he would be harmed by the governor's participation in the wrestling event, a prerequisite to getting a temporary restraining order, the judge said.

Davis disagreed, saying 17 years of work by his group Earth Protectors was "being dismantled because of a governor who is not doing his work."

Davis had earlier filed a complaint with the state attorney general's office. But Assistant Attorney General Christie B. Eller said Davis didn't have standing to request an opinion from the office, something only certain state and local officials can do.

After the decision, Ventura's attorney Alan Eidsness said he didn't know of any state laws that subject elected officials to state conflict of interest laws.

Ventura has said he will donate to charity the \$100,000 fee he is getting from the WWF to referee. Wrestling experts say he also is likely to receive

at least \$1 million in video royalties and the use of his trademarked name.

The watchdog group Common Cause Minnesota filed a similar complaint Wednesday with the Department of Employee Relations, saying Ventura was violating conflict of interest laws.

Karen Carpenter, commissioner of employee relations, said her office isn't authorized to issue a legal opinion. The complaint has been sent to the governor's office, which is working with its attorneys to get a legal opinion on the matter, she said.

Common Cause President David Schultz didn't expect the complaint to stop Sunday's event, but hoped the governor would think twice before participating in similar events in the future.

Schultz said he wins regardless of the decision on his complaint.

"If it's ruled that he is covered by the conflict of interest laws, we've proved our point," Schultz said. "If it's ruled that he is not covered, then we've shown a major discrepancy in the law that he can live up to a lower standard than everyone else."

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# Art enthusiasts flock to the Burning Man Festival

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Some of the world's finest art installations inhabit the world's most inhospitable art gallery.

An elaborate copper fire-fountain, a detailed scale-model replica of a Reno casino, a two-story "stained glass" chapel built entirely out of discarded plastic — these types of ironic, astounding contemporary art pieces can't be found at SFOMA or Yerba Buena Center for the Arts. They're installed in the middle of nowhere, in the scorching Black Rock desert, at the annual Burning Man festival.

Though many consider the controversial week-long event to be a clothing-optional free-for-all, Burning Man has developed into a premier venue for the creation and appreciation of art.

"When you're a kid, everything is endlessly fascinating, and I'd like to try to recapture that feeling," said Kimric Smythe, a San Francisco artist who is creating a 35-foot exploding clock tower for perfor-

mances revolving around this year's Burning Man theme, time. Smythe is also the artist who creates and deploys pyrotechnics for the Man, which goes up in flames the last night of the festival.

That quest for kid-like pleasure may be the payoff that entices artists to spend untold hours and dollars building elaborate installations and carting them, piece by piece, hundreds of miles into a harsh desert.

It's not an easy task, but somehow Burning Man artists have overcome distance, expense, and hostile desert conditions to create installations like a 20-foot flame-spewing Giant Ass, an adult-sized playground, and a towering Tesla coil that shoots static sparks for hundreds of feet across the desert floor.

The logistics of creating and carting these installations to Burning Man are simply enormous, and on top of all the bare-bones planning the average Burning Man trip requires, they seem insurmountable. To begin with, creating installations takes a heck of a lot of work even before heading to the playa.

"It's a lot of work, a lot of work,"

sighed Nikki Lastreto, a San Francisco writer and party organizer who's working on one of the most ambitious camps. Hourland's scenery will include a 32-foot lotus flower that will open during closing ceremonies, life-size Buddhas, a state-of-the-art sound system, giant artificial palm trees, and three camels rented from Reno.

"We do a lot to build our crazy summer camp," Lastreto said.

Lila Drake, a Portland artist who is building a shade tent entirely from discarded CD-ROM software discs, estimates she's spent at least 100 hours on her project.

"You start to wonder why you're doing it," Drake said. "But when you get out to the playa and see all the other amazing art, what you've done looks puny in comparison."

Kal Spelletich, a San Francisco artist who works in collaboration with techno artists Seemen, says he's put in thousands upon thousands of hours on Burning Man projects.

"I could be making \$50 an hour at a machine shop, but instead I get really obsessive and work insanely long days on my art inventions," Spelletich said.

This year these inventions include an elaborate facade of The Last Victorian for Rent in San Francisco, a giant mechanical clock with a spinning, fiery human figure, and a six-foot, three-headed, flying steel dog with a 20-foot wingspan and its own lighting system.

Obviously, these types of creations don't come cheap. Spelletich and others get some grant money from Burning Man organizers, but much of the cost is absorbed by the artists themselves.

As much as possible, artists try to use found objects in their work. For instance, in creating the Burning Man, Smythe uses discarded lumber for the structure's wooden pieces and burlap bags donated by coffee companies and leftover wax from candle-makers to create the Man's pyrotechnic display.

"For a little while, we were throwing money at art projects, but we know how to scavenge," Smythe said. "My clock tower will have bell music played as it burns, and we went down to the junkyard looking for something that would do the trick: aluminum car rims actually play notes. It would cost hundreds of dollars for real bells, but now they're free. It's cheating if you just go buy what you need."

Transporting the art to the desert is also a challenge. Huge trucks must be rented for the endless trips back and forth. Not only is truck rental itself expensive, the insurance premiums are, too.

"We've done insane, sad damage to trucks. It's unavoidable when you're moving heavy machinery," Spelletich said, adding that he and his helpers plan to make about 10 trips back and forth to Black Rock to set up his creations. "One time we did over US\$10,000 in damage."

Many trucking companies are

even refusing to do business with Burning Man participants at all. Pense, for example, cancelled reservations for 1999 rentals that appeared to be on their way to Burning Man.

As if the twin hurdles of transport and expense weren't enough, artists must also battle the intense desert heat, wind, and sun. Installations are difficult to erect, and keeping them standing and undamaged in wind storms, rain showers, and merciless sun is even more of a challenge.

"Building on the playa is just really, really hard," said Brian Doherty, a member of the Los Angeles Cacophony Society, which is building Small After All World, an ironic replica of a certain ride at a certain aggressively litigious theme park corporation.

"You're building in intense heat with no shade, and [a lot of] dust. That can really muck up acetylene torches. And the wind blows everything down if it's not completely secure."

Not exactly the best of conditions in which to build, say, a tower of animal bones or an 11-football of ice which slowly melts on the desert floor. But artists in past years have created these installations and plan even bolder ones for the future. The obstacles, it seems, aren't enough to discourage the creative, unorthodox artists who consider Burning Man worth the effort.

"The people who do this stuff, it's

# Student convicted of piracy

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Oregon (AP) — A college student pleaded guilty to illegally distributing movies, music and software programs from his Web site in what federal prosecutors on Friday said was the first Internet privacy conviction under a 1997 law.

Jeffrey Levy was arrested after investigators found thousands of pirated software programs and digitally recorded movies and music had been distributed through equipment at his apartment near the University of Oregon campus in Eugene, officials said.

Levy, a 22-year-old senior there, could get up to three years in prison and fines of up to \$250,000 for his violation of the No Electronic Theft Act, also called the NET Act. It makes it illegal to reproduce or distribute copyrighted works, even if they are distributed without charge.

"Mr. Levy's case should serve as a notice that the Justice Department has made prosecution of Internet piracy one of its priorities," said James K. Robinson, assistant U.S. attorney general.

Officials wouldn't specify what movies or music he was distributing.

The FBI was tipped by university computer managers who saw an unusually high volume of traffic on one of its servers — computers that typically handle connections with the Internet.

The school does not monitor individual exchanges, but watches volume to make sure the system is working smoothly, said Joanne Hugi, director of the university's computer center.

"We're not sitting here being cybercops," Hugi said.

Calls to the Software Information Industry Association in Washington, D.C., found only a recorded message saying the office had closed early for the weekend.

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## Volleyball team revved up for season

Following one week of two-a-day practices, the UI's volleyball team continues to impress third-year coach Carl Ferreira.

"I'm extremely impressed with the efforts and desire shown by our players," Ferreira said. "The returners have been good leaders and have performed well in practice."

The Vandals have seven letterwinners from last year's 15-14 team — Idaho's seventh successive winning season. Eight new faces, seven of them freshman, have also been thrown into the mix.

Idaho returns starters Anna

Reznicek and Shalyne Lynch, both seniors; junior Regan Butler and sophomores Heather Kniss and Jenny Neville.

"Heather Kniss is a lot more explosive this year," Ferreira said. "There has been a tremendous amount of commitment from her."

Ferreira said Butler, a 6-foot-1 middle blocker, has made the most improvement from last season and will be counted on in 1999.

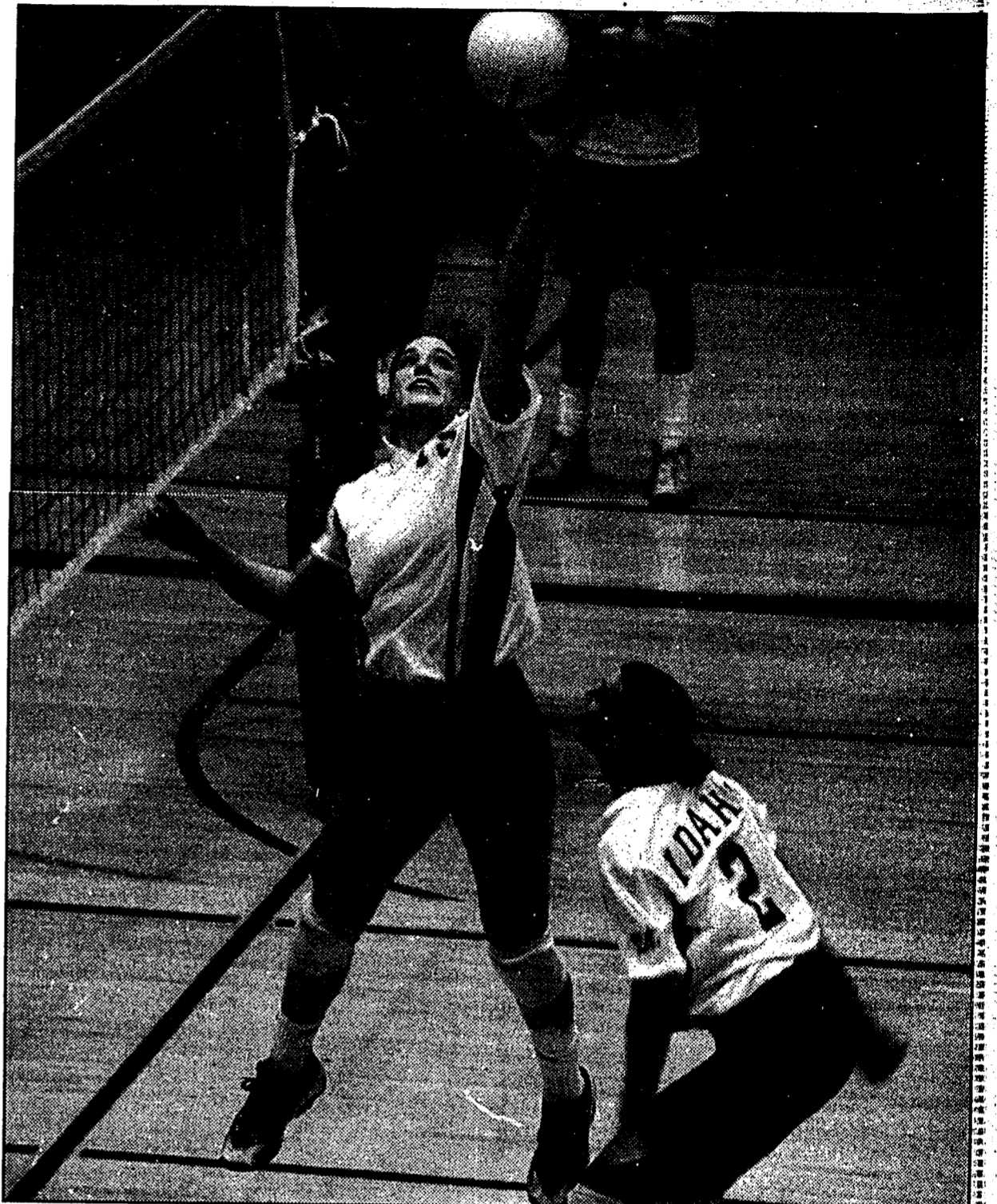
"The players are having fun and getting along very well," Ferreira said. "There will be quite a few freshman contribut-

ing this season."

Once freshman who has made a mark is 5-foot-8 setter Jacelynn Wionzek. "I've been more surprised by Jacelynn than anyone else," he said. "She has shown she can set at a Division I level."

The Vandals open the season Sept. 3 against 1998 NCAA Tournament qualifier Davidson at the University of Portland Invitational. The match begins at noon.

Story courtesy of Andrew Longeteig, Sports Information



UI Women's Volleyball Team run through practice drills, in hopes of winning the Big West Conference this year.

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Sept. 21	Gonzaga	7:00 p.m.
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SPORTS IN BRIEF



**Rodman arrested for public drunkenness, disturbing the peace**

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. — King of the outrageous, Dennis Rodman, 38, was arrested and later released Sunday after police were called by someone at a restaurant-bar complaining that Rodman was drunk and causing a disturbance. The former NBA star spent a few hours in custody, and was booked for investigation of being intoxicated in a public place, a misdemeanor, reported by the Associated Press. Rodman was ordered to appear in court Oct. 1.

**Actress Geena Davis misses bullseye in U.S. Olympic semifinals**

BLOOMFIELD, N.J. — Actress Geena Davis failed in her attempt to be an Olympic archer Saturday. She will, however, try again in four years. "I think I did well. I was very happy," Davis told the Associated Press after finishing 24<sup>th</sup> out of 28 women competing in the U.S. Olympic trial semifinals. The top 16 archers advanced to the second round.

**Arab games halted in respect to recently deceased prince**

AMMAN, Jordan — The Arab Games will cease for three hours as a mark of respect for Prince Faisal bin Fahd, the Saudi king's son, who died Saturday, a top Jordanian official said. Faisal was the equivalent of the sports minister of Saudi Arabia. "The Arab Games will go on," the games director Bassam Haroun said. However, "all events will stop for three hours" on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Haroun told the Associated Press. Prince Faisal had been admitted to the hospital earlier Saturday for heart problems.

**Florida governor declares August 22nd "Wade Boggs Day"**

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Florida Governor Jeb Bush declared Sunday "Wade Boggs Day" in a State of Florida proclamation. The Tampa Bay Devil Rays held a tribute to Boggs' joining baseball's 3,000 hit club. Boggs, the Devil Rays' third baseman hit a home-run off of Cleveland's Chris Haney on Aug. 7 for the milestone hit.

**Seles advances towards Maurier Open title, could play Hingis**

TORONTO — Monica Seles took another step towards her fifth straight du Maurier Open title and a possible showdown with top-ranked Martina Hingis, beating ninth-seeded Austrian Barbara Schett 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 in a quarterfinal on Saturday. Seles, who was to meet unseeded Anne-Gaëlle Sidot of France in a night semifinal, had stronger serves and made fewer unforced errors in the third set to take the match. Seles and Schett had begun their quarterfinal on Friday night, but it was suspended because of rain tied 1-1 in the first set.

**McGwire hits 49th, 50th home runs**  
**Mac trails by 1, but Mets beat Cardinals**

Associated Press

NEW YORK — New York Mets fans got all they wanted Sunday. They watched Mark McGwire make history, then saw their first-place team win a dramatic game. McGwire hit two home runs to become the first player to reach 50 homers in four consecutive seasons before the Mets came from five runs down to beat the St. Louis Cardinals 8-7 Sunday on Edgardo Alfonzo's RBI single in the ninth inning of the first game of a doubleheader. Big Mac launched a monstrous homer in the first inning against Octavio Dotel. He hit a 1-1 pitch an estimated 502 feet — his longest of the season — and left a dent about 60 feet high on the scoreboard in right-center.

The shot shattered a light bulb in the 16 for Ray Lankford's number — just a few feet below McGwire's 25. In the bottom of the third inning, a worker climbed up the back of the

scoreboard to screw in a new bulb.

McGwire's 50th homer looked routine compared to his first-inning blast. He led off the seventh with a fly ball that just cleared the outstretched glove of Shawon Dunston in left-center and landed just over the 396-foot sign.

The Mets came back from a 6-1 deficit to tie it in the eighth on John Olerud's grand slam and Mike Piazza's 30th homer. After McGwire's single in the ninth off Armando Benitez (2-2) — who struck out McGwire in his first six at-bats against the slugger — helped the Cardinals take a 7-6 lead, the Mets came back once again.

Ricky Bottalico (2-7) came on with one out and walked the first two batters he faced. Rickey Henderson followed with an RBI double before Alfonzo singled to left through a drawn-in infield to score Matt Franco with the winning run.

The Mets poured out of the

dugout to mob Alfonzo — a scene similar to their comeback win last month against the Yankees — and Robin Ventura lifted Henderson up on the pitcher's mound.

The Mets won for the 22nd time in 29 games to remain in first place in the NL East. McGwire's homers came in his first career at-bats against Dotel and Tam. McGwire has seven multihomer games this season and 60 in his career. He also leads the NL with 116 RBIs.

McGwire moved ahead of his pace from his record 70-homer season, hitting No. 50 in the Cardinals' 124th game — one game earlier than last year, when he hit his 50th and 51st homers in a doubleheader at Shea.

That is the second fastest pace ever, behind only Chicago's Sammy Sosa — who hit his 51st Saturday in the Cubs' 121st game.

Piazza has seven homers in his

last eight games and tied Bobby Bonilla's club record by driving in a run in nine consecutive games, who also had an RBI single in the fourth, tied his career high with five RBIs.

Joe McEwing got the Cardinals started with his first career lead-off homer. Alberto Castillo drove in two with a homer in the eighth and a sacrifice fly in the first.

McGwire also tied Babe Ruth for the most 50-homer seasons in a career with four. Six players, including Sosa, have hit 50 in two seasons. ... McGwire's 507 career homers are four behind Mel Ott for 14th place. ... McGwire has 13 homers in his last 21 games. ...

Henderson had three hits and reached 30 stolen bases in a season for the 20th time in 21 years. The only season he didn't reach the plateau was the strike-shortened 1994 season, when he had 22. ... The Mets bullpen had thrown 25 2-3 scoreless innings before McGwire's homer.

**Another crash with Tracy infuriates Andretti**

Associated Press

CICERO, Ill. — Paul Tracy is auto racing's version of the obnoxious driver who hangs on others' bumpers and takes paint chips with him when he blows by.

He was at it again Sunday. And just like last year, Michael Andretti got tangled up in the mess.

Tracy knocked himself and Andretti out of the Target Grand Prix when he bumped Andretti and sent them both into a wall as they battled for third place. The crash left Andretti lightheaded and then livid.

"I don't understand what Tracy was thinking," Andretti said. "He put me in an impossible position. He was swinging toward me beginning down the straightaway. He could have hurt me."

While Tracy has won once this year and is fourth in the points standings, his career has been tainted by his history of aggressive — some say reckless — driving. His nickname on the circuit is "Captain Crunch." Team Kool Green owner Barry Green had to tell him and teammate Dario Franchitti to knock it off after they had a series of bumps last year.

Tracy already had spent six races on probation last season before colliding with Andretti in Australia. After citing Tracy for blocking, risk and unsportsmanlike conduct, CART chief steward Wally Dallenbach made the unprecedented move of suspending Tracy for this season's opener.

"Paul Tracy did his normal driving out there," Andretti said.

"He doesn't think, obviously. It's such a shame. He took both of us out of the race."

But Tracy insisted the crash wasn't his fault. It was Andretti who wouldn't move out of the way when he tried to pass.

"It's tough to pass. A guy's got to let you go through," Tracy said. "I got up beside him. He's got to let me by. If he doesn't back off, we're going to make contact."

Andretti and Tracy had just taken the green for the 99th lap and were heading into turn three when Tracy pulled up alongside Andretti to pass him. Etiquette calls for the slower driver to back off; Andretti didn't, but Tracy didn't appear to be that far ahead either way.

Tracy continued sliding over and down, finally bumping

Andretti. Both cars spun hard into the wall.

"I was watching him coming toward me. I'm going like, 'Please, no, no, BOOM!'" said Andretti, who was taken off the track in an ambulance.

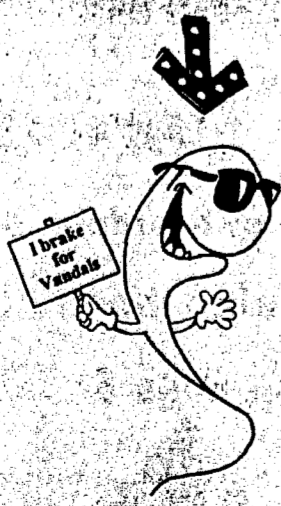
Andretti doesn't plan to talk to Tracy about the incident, but he will talk to Dallenbach.

He's not the only one. Race winner Juan Montoya and runner-up Dario Franchitti accused P.J. Jones of blocking traffic, a complaint that's been made before this season. And third-place finisher Jimmy Vasser said Robby Gordon wouldn't move despite several blue flags that are supposed to signal a driver to let a faster car pass.

Dallenbach left the track shortly after the race and could not be reached for comment.

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VANDAL SPORTS CALENDAR

Soccer scrimmage scheduled

The silver and gold soccer scrimmage is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 27 at 3:30 p.m. The scrimmage will be held on Wicks field.

Vandal boosters conduct "kickoff cruise" in Couer D' Alene

Kootenai County Vandal Boosters will be conducting its Chris Tormey Kickoff Cruise on Lake Coeur d' Alene Aug. 27. The cruise, featuring Idaho football coach Chris Tormey and his staff, is from 7-9 p.m. Members of the University of Idaho spirit squad and the marching band will be performing. The cost is \$15 and \$10 for Vandal Boosters under age 30. The cruise will feature hors d'oeuvres and a no-host bar. Boarding is at the Coeur d' Alene Resort. RSVP to Bob Yuditsky at 208-765-8002.

Vandal floating green golf scramble

The Vandal Floating Green Golf Scramble, hosted by the Coeur d' Alene Tribal Casino, is Aug. 27 at the Cour d' Alene resort. Former Idaho football great Wayne Walker, ex-Vandal basketball coach Don Monson, will join Idaho men's basketball coach David Farrer and athletics director Mike Bohn. Tee time is 8 a.m. for the five-person scramble. The cost is \$175 per person which includes lunch. The Coeur d' Alene Tribal Casino is also sponsoring a hole-in-one contest. A \$5,000 payout will be made to a hole-in-one winner. An additional \$5,000 would also go to University of Idaho scholarships. To register, call Randy Haddock at 208-664-9783 or Bob Yuditsky at 208-765-8002.

Intermural sports make life a game

By Jennifer Wamick  
University of Idaho Argonaut

It doesn't take a scholarship or an official Vandal jersey to be a sports star. With the UI's thriving intermural program, all it takes is a little paperwork and some commitment.

"It gives everyone a chance to get out, have fun and relieve some stress," Carmen Stanfield, an Intermural supervisor said. "I think it's wonderful."

Among the sports in the fall lineup are flag football, billiards, basketball, frisbee, soccer, volleyball, and several new fall sports—punt, pass and kick, the golf skills challenge and swimming.

To sign up, simply obtain a roster, either from the Campus Recreation Office in Room 204 of the Memorial Gym Building or download a schedule at [www.uidaho.edu/services/campus\\_recreation\IM](http://www.uidaho.edu/services/campus_recreation\IM). Fill it out with names, and have the appointed team captain return it

to the Intermurals office with their Vandal Card.

There are two skill divisions in intermural sports — recreational and competitive. Recreational teams do not play for points, only fun. Competitive teams play for points and, while sororities and fraternities can enter multiple teams per house, only one can be designated the "point

gathering" team.

The winners, individual and team, of each sport will receive an intermural jersey and an invitation to a champions' social.

In addition to player participation, Intermurals offers refereeing opportunities for anyone interested. "I highly encourage it," Stanfield said, the referees are trained hands-on. It provides

people a chance to make a little extra money without working too many hours, and a chance to meet lots of people, she said. Those interested should contact Greg Morrison in the Old Memorial Gym Room 204 for details. The first training clinic will be for flag football officials on Sept. 7.

September Schedule of Intermurals

Sports	Entry Deadline	Play Begins
Flag Football	Sept. 7	Sept. 13
Women's Weight Training Clinic	Sept. 7	Sept. 8
Co-Rec Vsoftball	Sept. 9	Sept. 11
Ultimate Frisbee	Sept. 14	Sept. 19
Soccer	Sept. 15	Sept. 22
Punt, Pass and Kick	Sept. 15	Sept. 17
Tennis Singles	Sept. 16	Sept. 19
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Golf Skills Challenge	Sept. 21	Sept. 25
Tennis Doubles	Sept. 23	Sept. 26
Co-Rec Tennis	Sept. 30	Oct. 2

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# Jones, Greene blaze to fast times in 100 meter heats

By Steven Wade  
Associated Press

SEVILLE, Spain — Marion Jones and Maurice Greene opened their bids for multiple gold medals with sensational times Saturday in the quarterfinals of the 100 meters at the World Championships.

It was a special day for Jones, as her husband, C.J. Hunter, won the gold medal in the shot put for his first major international title.

Jones, seeking an unprecedented four golds, won her heat in a championship record 10.76 seconds.

Greene, shooting for a rare sprint double and three golds, ran 9.91, the sixth fastest time in the world this year.

Jones' time shattered the previous championship record of 10.82 set by fellow American Gail Devers in 1993 in Stuttgart. She also bettered her season's leading previous best of 10.80.

Only four women in history have run faster, including Jones, who posted 10.65 last year. The late Florence Griffith-Joyner still holds the world record of 10.49, set in 1988.

The 100 semifinals and finals are set for Sunday.

A couple of hours after Jones' race,

Hunter — whom she married last October in Raleigh, N.C. — won the shot put with a career best heave of 21.79 meters (71-6) on his final attempt.

Hunter bellowed and whipped his arms in a windmill motion when he saw the result posted on the board.

After being called for a false start, Jones blew away the rest of the field as she solidified her status as the overwhelming favorite for the sprint title.

"I couldn't have asked for a better atmosphere, better weather," Jones said. "The track is fast, fast, fast. Watch for some world records."

Also qualifying for the semifinals in impressive style was American Inger Miller, who won her heat in a personal best 10.86, her first sub-11 since 1996. Greece's Ekaterini Thanos also ran 10.86, a national record.

Others advancing included Devers and France's Christine Arron, both in 11 flat.

In the men's 100, Greene clocked his seventh sub-10 race of the year and showed signs he may be set to threaten the world record of 9.79 he set earlier this year in Athens.

"It's going to be a very fast final," Greene said. "Everybody's predict-

ing I'll break (the record). We'll have to wait and see about that."

Greene outran one of his top rivals, Canada's Bruny Surin, who clocked 9.95.

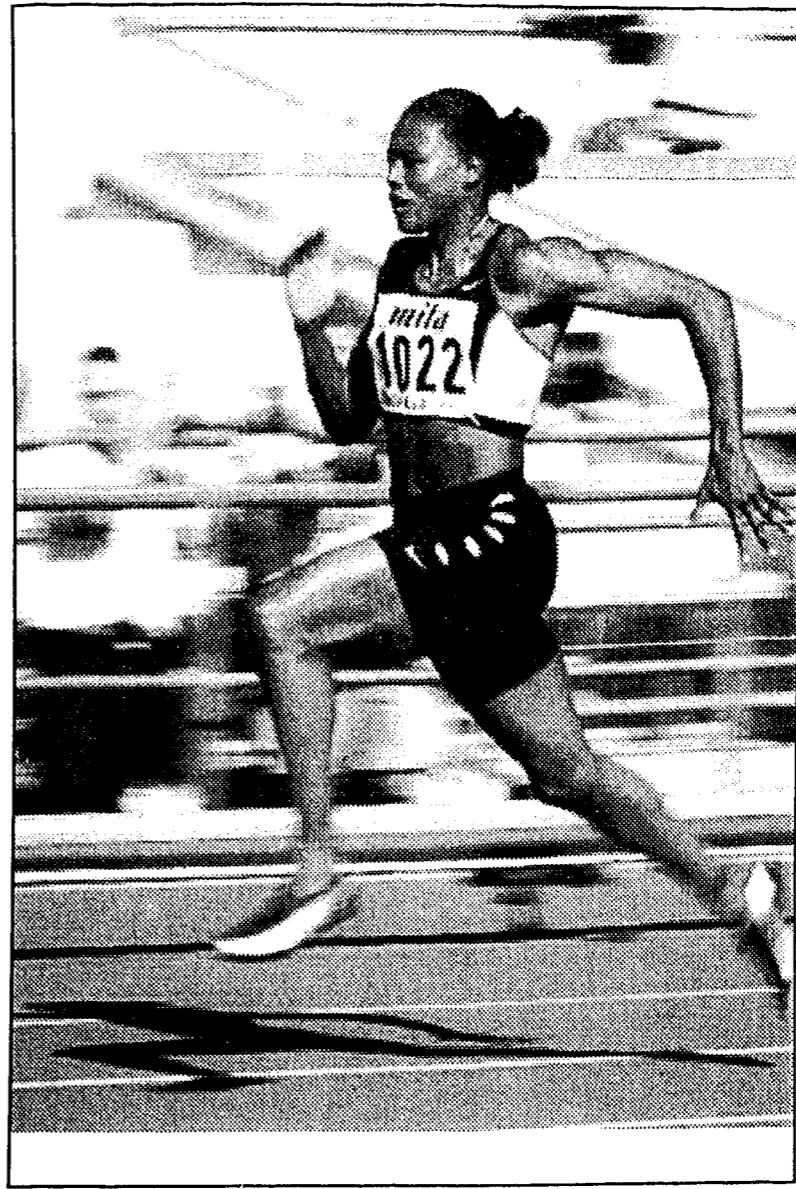
"My coach (John Smith) told me, 'Show 'em a little bit, but don't show 'em all of it,'" said Greene, who is also competing in the 200 and 400 relay. "I believe I did that."

Others winning their heats were Obadele Thompson of Barbados (10.04), Jason Gardener of Britain (10.04), Dwain Chambers of Britain (10.08) and Namibia's Frankie Fredericks (10.09).

The first gold medal of the championships went to Russia's Ilya Markov, who won the men's 20-kilometer walk in 1 hour, 23.34. Olympic champion Jefferson Perez of Ecuador took the silver, 45 seconds behind, while defending champion Daniel Garcia of Mexico was third, another 12 seconds back.

The versatile Jones also advanced to the final of the long jump. She is seeking gold medals in the 100, 200, long jump and a relay.

In the long jump, Jones leaped 22 feet, 4 1-4 inches on her second attempt, a distance that automatically put her into Monday's final.



Marion Jones sprints to victory in her 100 meter heat race.

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