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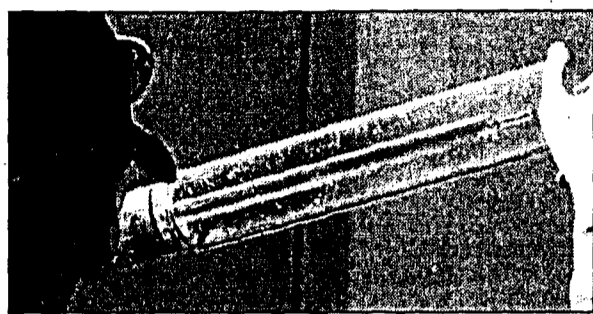
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PART ONE

The mess called Meth



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TIMELINE THE HISTORY OF METH

1887: Amphetamine is synthesized.

1919: Meth first produced by Japanese chemist A. Ogata.

1930s: First prescribed as a nasal inhaler for asthmatics. This led to abuse by non-asthmatics who would get slightly high by soaking the inhaler strips in coffee.

1938-1942: Meth widely used by American and Japanese soldiers during World War II. (U.S. Army survival kits contained it as a remedy for fatigue. (Japanese also used it to help soldiers fight sleep and provided it to their pilots during kamikaze missions.)

Post-WWII Japan: After war, a large number of Japanese becomes addicted to meth. During this time, the Japanese people suffer social dislocation along with scarcity of housing and food, poverty and unemployment.

1951: Japan enacts Stimulant Control Law.

1954: Japan amends Mental Health Act to include compulsory hospitalization for chronic meth addicts who insist on putting themselves and others in danger.

Post-WWII in United States: Meth rises in popularity in California, where many of the largest meth labs first appeared. The drug is popularized by motorcycle gangs.

Late 1950s-1960s: California becomes a hotbed of meth abuse. Because it is so cheap to produce, the drug becomes known by many names such as trailer park meth and bath tub meth.

Present: Meth continues to be a major problem around the world. Now, many meth cookers have found cheaper and more dangerous ways to cook meth, increasing the risk taken by meth users.

Sources:
The Criminal Investigation Bureau:
www.cib.state.ut.us/meth_history.html, 1994 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: Public Health Reports



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(ABOVE) GOOD HOPE, Calif. — A Riverside County Sheriff agent holds approximately 25 pounds of finished crystal methamphetamine that was seized in a raid at a home, June 17, 2000. (TOP) West Valley City, Utah — An agent with the Drug Enforcement Agency looks for fingerprints on one of the methamphetamine-making devices seized during a raid at a public storage company, March 21. For the DEA, meth has become "the No. 1 law enforcement priority," in Utah, Barry Jamison, an agency spokesman, said.

Drug has spread to Inland Northwest

J.P. DIENER, SPECIAL TO THE ARGONAUT

It fights battles in New York, Kansas City and Los Angeles. It wages war in the Pacific Northwest's major cities, Seattle and Portland.

It is steadily invading Spokane, Boise, Lewiston, Pullman and Moscow. It is methamphetamine, and it is spreading through the United States, leaving a trail of suffering and destruction in its wake.

Methamphetamine comes in many forms, but it is most dangerous in the powdered form commonly referred to as meth. Though it is often associated with people on the lower end of the economic ladder, it seeps through every part of society. Earlier this year, the elite U.S. Air Force Academy was hit by a drug scandal in which cadets were caught in possession of various narcotics,

including methamphetamine. Meth is not confined to urban America; in fact, it has become a very popular drug in rural communities because the ingredients are easy to obtain and it is fairly simple, though dangerous, to make.

Meth has become a major concern in the Northwest. Authorities in Spokane, Boise and Coeur d'Alene have recognized the problem and begun fighting the numerous meth labs lurking in their cities.

Law enforcement officials in Whitman, Latah and Nez Perce counties have also noted the growing danger of meth. Some have even called it the biggest drug threat in the area.

Spokane

Spokane, the most populated city in the Inland Northwest, has taken the brunt of the meth attack. In 1993, 22 people were treated for meth addiction in publicly funded clinics throughout Spokane County. By 1999, that number had jumped to 503. Busting meth labs has become routine for Spokane law enforcement officials.

John Grasso, supervisor of the drug unit in the Spokane prosecutor's office, said that in the last two years, about 50 cases of meth manufacturing have been prosecuted and there is an equal number currently waiting to be prosecuted.

"When it comes to prosecution [of meth manufacturers]," Grasso said, "we have about a 90 percent success rate."

Grasso pointed out that under state law in Washington, the amount of meth seized makes no difference in sentencing. It only requires a conviction for the act of

"We recognize the fact that simply serving time in prison does not cure the addicts."

JOHN GRASSO
SUPERVISOR, SPOKANE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

manufacture or delivery of the drug. A convicted person without a prior criminal record will face 51 to 68 months in a state penitentiary, but a convicted person with a prior record of felony drug possession will usually be sentenced to a much longer period.

Neither Spokane County nor the state of Washington has adopted a throw-away-the-key philosophy.

A program called Drug Offender Sentencing Alternatives gives courts the option of splitting the time roughly in half between straight jail time and a closely supervised probationary period requiring abuse treatment and education.

A similar program has been established for people convicted of drug possession only, not manufacturing or distribution. This system, which Grasso identified as a "drug court," gives the court the option to sentence drug abusers to a year in various treatment programs.

"We recognize the fact that simply serving time in prison does not cure the addicts," Grasso said. "Addicts commit other crimes in order to support their habits, so if we can get

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Tools Symposium could fix society

BY ANNETTE HENKE
ARGONAUT SENIOR STAFF

For the next three days, the University of Idaho will host a discussion on the relationship between tools and technology during the Tools Symposium.

The speakers will discuss the impact of tools and technology on respective fields, varying from business, medicine and the arts. The Tools Symposium is being held in conjunction with the UI Engineering and Design Symposium.

This is the finale of the year-long program hosted by the College of Letters and Sciences entitled "Tools Are Us: Technology and the Making of Humanity."

The symposium will include lectures, debates, panels, workshops and class visits by several of the speakers and presenters. The goal of this event, according to the Tools Symposium Web site, is to "provide a framework for far-reaching discussions about the central role technology... plays in the creation of human identity and the impact of these changes on our future."

The symposium will kickoff at 7 p.m. today with an address by UI President Robert Hoover regarding the State of Technology at UI. A reception will follow the event.

Some of the speakers on hand for the symposium will include author and engineer Harry Petroski, CEO of eBay Meg Whitman and science fiction author Bruce Sterling. In addition to other events, these three will participate in a panel discussion on the human future of technology. The event will be moderated by Moira Gunn, the host of National Public Radio's "TechNation."

A full schedule of the events, as well as background information on the speakers is available at the Tool Symposium Web site: www.its.uidaho.edu/tools.

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Bush policy to promote more energy production

BY MIKE ALLEN
THE WASHINGTON POST

TORONTO — Vice President Dick Cheney said Monday that the Bush administration's energy policy will emphasize increased generation over conservation and rely on an ambitious expansion of the country's oil, coal and natural gas industries in addition to a broader reliance on nuclear power.

Providing a broad preview of the recommendations the administration's energy task force will make to President Bush in the next few weeks, Cheney said he sees no "quick fixes" to the problems that have led to rolling blackouts in California and forecasts of higher gasoline prices for motorists this summer.

"The potential crisis we face is largely the result of short-sighted domestic policies — or, as in recent years, no policy at all," Cheney told editors and publishers at The Associated Press's annual meeting. "As a country, we have demanded more and more energy. But we have not brought online the supplies needed to meet that demand."

He said 1,300 to 1,900 new power plants will be needed over the next 20 years.

Cheney, who is heading the task force that has been meeting in private since January, provided few details of the panel's conclusions. He said it would recommend "a mix of new legislation, some executive action as well as private initiatives" to bolster energy production.

But he made clear that the administration will base its policy on promoting a vigorous expansion of the traditional energy industry and will avoid the kinds of austerity measures that marked the country's response to the energy crisis in the 1970s.

"To speak exclusively of conservation is to duck the tough issues," Cheney said. "Conservation may be a sign of personal virtue, but it is not a sufficient basis — all by itself — for a sound, comprehensive energy policy."

Cheney said alternative energy sources such as wind and solar power may provide an important part of the country's energy strategy in the years to come but that it is premature to rely on them now. "Years down the road, alternative fuels may become a great deal more plentiful," he said. "But we are not yet in any position to stake our economy and our own way of life on that possibility."

Bush promised during last year's campaign to develop a muscular national energy strategy, and named Cheney to head the task force less than two weeks after taking office. Various sectors of the energy industry have billions of dollars riding on the outcome of the administration's policy review.

Cheney said the plan will call for increased exploration for new sources of oil, coal and natural gas, and construction of refineries, plants and pipelines. He reiterated the administration's support for drilling in Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, which he said could be tapped for oil without disrupting its environment.

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Fiji update

Battery charges dropped for members of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, Green charged for hazing. Victim harassed by out-of-house members and alumni. IN FRIDAY'S ARGONAUT.



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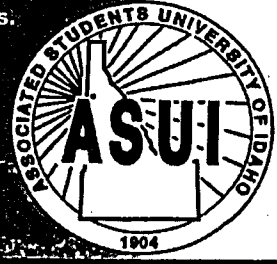
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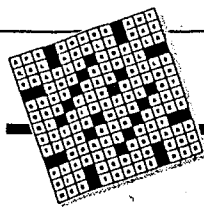
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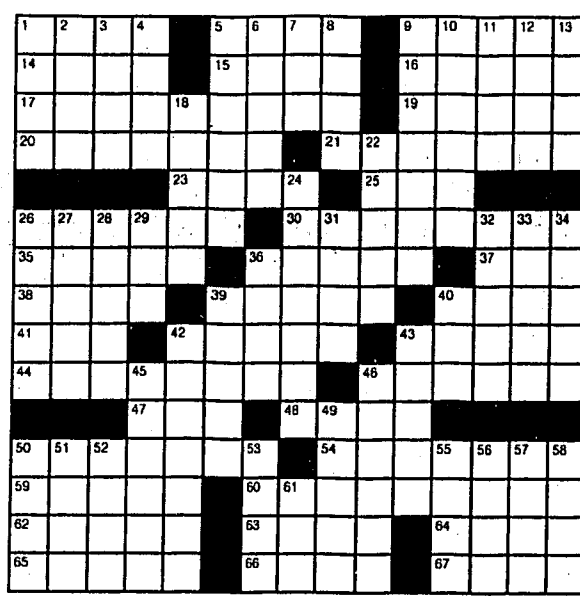
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 - Fall into obscurity
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 - Large motorcycle
 - Say again
 - Republican symbol
 - Foe
 - Porkers' pads
 - Color
 - Inquires
 - Spud
 - Thompson of "Dead Again"
 - Pair
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 - Tosses
 - Sowers
 - Carefree
 - "Norma ___"
 - Festive event
 - God of love
 - In the direction of
 - Anticipate
 - Giraffe relative
 - Traveling worker
 - Assistants
 - Dweeb
 - Golf club
 - Believer in God
 - Low joint
 - Home in San Juan
- DOWN**
- Brits' raincoats
 - Sonic boomerang
 - Rip
 - Revise text
 - Curdled milk product
 - False spirits
 - Author Delighton
 - Theater box
 - Beats soundly
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 - Mosquito barrier
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 - Burst of flame
 - Heavy curtains
 - Shade of a



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them to stop using, then everybody wins." But the treatment option is entirely voluntary. Convicted users who decline treatment are sentenced to prison time.

Coeur d'Alene

Just across the state line from Spokane, Coeur d'Alene was recently praised by state officials for its fight against meth. The Idaho State Police hired three new specialists to combat the spread of meth in the Coeur d'Alene community. The city's inhabitants were commended for their willingness to aid in the fight. ISP Director Col. E.D. Strickfaden told the Press that roughly half of the 186 meth labs busted in Idaho in 2000 were in North Idaho. With the added law enforcement and the tremendous help of the Coeur d'Alene community, Strickfaden believes that growth of the drug will soon halt. "Increased resources provided two years ago were concentrated in Coeur d'Alene, which was experiencing the highest level of methamphetamine laboratory seizures," Strickfaden said. "The community of Coeur d'Alene responded beyond our expectations. We're taking them [meth labs] down, and we're not seeing the skyrocketing growth."

No. 1 drug threat and that the reason behind the increase of meth in the area is due to increased demand.

Bill Thompson, prosecuting attorney for Latah County, has pursued three cases of meth production over the last two years. He said that in a typical meth lab case there are three main points considered.

First is the circumstance of the lab, particularly whether or not it is in the vicinity of children.

Second is the amount of actual methamphetamine discovered. The last is the lab operator's prior record.

Thompson also said that anyone found in possession of a working lab or lab materials can be charged with trafficking. A conviction means an automatic five-year sentence without parole.

Though it doesn't appear that meth has made as big an impact on the quad-cities, its growing prominence in Spokane and Coeur d'Alene have area law enforcement worried. Dave Dembleyker, an investigator with the Idaho State Police, recently told the Lewiston Morning Tribune, "We have discovered more labs since January than we did all last year."

Whitman County Prosecutor Jim Kaufman said that he is concerned and interested in what will happen as time goes by, because the lab busts in the south Spokane County area are getting too close to home.

Sandra Dickerson, a Nez Perce county prosecutor, said she has seen only one meth manufacturing case prosecuted in the past three years. "Most of these types of cases end up either pleading out, and/or by the time of trial the defendant has skipped," Dickerson said.

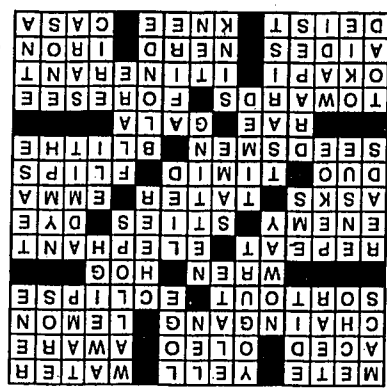
However, she mentioned that the penalties of trafficking in methamphetamine are harsh. Under the trafficking statute, persons convicted of meth manufacturing face a mandatory minimum five-year imprisonment and not less than a \$25,000 fine.

"The influx and dominance of methamphetamine as the drug of choice is fairly recent," Dickerson said. "The drug is extremely addictive and depending on the dosage can in fact be lethal. The majority of those involved in the manufacture are addicts themselves, and for that reason the recidivism rate is high."

Methamphetamine is the first hard drug to be a real threat in the rural communities of the Inland Northwest. The next two parts of this series deal with the meth subculture, the world of "tweakers," "cluckers," "wiggers," "spun monkeys" and "crank queens." They will also cover how badly it affects users and their families, what is being done to fight it, and what it takes to rehabilitate.

Reporters who contributed to this story include Julia Peterson, Christina Browning and August Leavitt.

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Globalization

Panelists discuss progress, problems

BY LAURA GENTRY
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In the wake of recent World Trade Organization protests, the topics of globalization and international trade have been brought to the forefront of social concerns around the globe.

In this year's University of Idaho Borah Symposium, the Borah Foundation Committee dedicated the symposium to discussing these topics. The symposium, entitled "Economic Globalization: Source of Peace or Source of Conflict?" kicked off this year with a panel discussion Tuesday night in the College of Law Courtroom.

Panel participants included Delia Aguilar, associate professor of Women Studies at Washington State University; Judy Edmister, principal assistant, WSU Wood Materials and Engineering Lab; Shaikh Ghazanfar, UI Economics Department head; Dale Graden, UI associate professor of history and Gundars Rudzitis, UI professor of geography.

The panel was moderated by James R. Jones, UI professor of Agricultural Economics. Each panelist was allowed approximately 6-8 minutes to speak on a topic of their choice regarding globalization. The presentations were then followed by a question and answer period that allowed audience members to address the panelists.

Ghazanfar, the first panelist to speak, joked that his students receive a "free globalization experience" in his classroom every day. Ghazanfar, born in British India, is a strong proponent of creating "a single global market for goods."

"Global education is an absolute necessity for the new millennium," Ghazanfar said. He quoted Francis Fukuyama, Thursday night's symposium presenter, from his book "The End of History and the Last Man," saying "deliberate democracy has achieved its ultimate purpose; that is a triumph of the individual. There is no practical place to go other than to spread itself around the world."

"In essence, what he is saying is 'We are done with going west, young man. Now let's go global,'" Ghazanfar said.

Aguilar followed Ghazanfar's presentation with a very different message. Aguilar presented what she believes to be the adverse effects that a globalized economy has on women around the world, especially in third world countries. She cited an expose of Nike in Harper's magazine, which states that the company puts young Asian girls to work in their factories for 14 cents an hour.

Edmister was the next panelist and spoke of her personal experiences around the world relating them to the globalization process.

Graden discussed the historical context surrounding globalization, especially regarding "the voices of resistance" that he believes are too often overlooked and the large corporations that he believes shape our opinion of the globalization process.

"One thing is certain, we need to be listening to the voices of resistance. ... We in the industri-

alized north have become separate from those voices," Graden said. "The corporations who seek the trade agreements seek to convince us that globalization is a given, an inexorable process. Those corporations own the media here in the United States. They have extraordinary capacity to shape appearance and information. So it would seem to be our responsibility to be looking as critically as possible for the complexities of the impact of globalization."

Rudzitis was the final panelist and presented some globalization success stories, as well as some of the problems that countries are encountering.

Rudzitis concluded the panel discussion by suggesting that the international discourse might benefit from a change in perspective.

"Perhaps what we need to do is change the direction of the dialogue. Perhaps development is a dead concept. Perhaps globalization is spreading a dead concept," Rudzitis said.

Fukuyama discusses views on economic globalization

BY KEITH SOUTHAM
ARGONAUT SENIOR STAFF

Speaking to a full SUB Ballroom Thursday, Francis Fukuyama outlined his ideas of social capital and its effects on economic globalization. Fukuyama's presentation was part of the Borah Symposium 2001.

The Borah Symposium has been sponsoring such events since 1929, when the symposium was established. In addition to Fukuyama's lecture, this year's symposium also hosted a panel discussion and lectures by WSU professor John Bodley and author Carlos Fuentes.

In his lecture, Fukuyama spoke in support of economic globalization, stating that it would lead to more peaceful relations among nations. According to Dr. Fukuyama, there has never been a historical example of a democratic government reverting to dictatorship when the Gross Domestic Product is larger than \$6,000. Furthermore, there has never been a historical example of such social democratic nations warring with one another.

For these reasons, Dr. Fukuyama spoke in favor of globalization, saying, "I find it very interesting that the left has made globalization the enemy," a reference to the fact that many typical "leftist" ideas would be included in his version of globalizations — like social democracy.

Fukuyama's lecture focused most closely on the concept of social capital. Just like other forms of capital (e.g., money, human power, etc.), social capital

is essential to not only businesses but also government. Fukuyama cited an observation by the Frenchman Alexis de Tocqueville, a man who made many insightful observations of America and Americans in the 19th century.

Social capital's specific value is that it allows communication and cooperation between multiple groups. For example, a group of people unable to cooperate because of the inability to communicate, compromise, accept authority, etc. lacks social capital.

Fukuyama went on to give examples of societies that have and lack social capital. A contrast-

ing example, for Fukuyama, is China and Japan. According to Fukuyama, the Japanese have more social capital because they put more trust in government and extra-familial relations than do their Chinese counterparts.

Fukuyama then gave further example of how a lack or presence of social capital could hinder or help the process of economic globalization. The concern is that, since social capital is linked to societal values, economic globalization could be seen as one society pushing its values on another society. Fukuyama seemed to think that this was not the case.

Finally, Fukuyama finished the lecture by fielding questions on many topics both related and unrelated to his lecture.

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7 p.m.
Humanities and Technology Symposium
President Hoover will present "The State of Technology at the University of Idaho," Commons fourth floor

Wednesday2

11:30 a.m.
March planned to expel Boise Cascade from the University of Idaho. The march will start at the library plaza.

3:30 p.m.
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Career Services Office
Brink Hall

Wednesday2

6 p.m.
Student Composers Concert
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7:30 p.m.
"Praying to Elvis" by Nick Green
"Phoenix" by Melanie Gable at the Kiva

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Recital Hall

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Friday4

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Boise's Quail Hollow. Held May 4-5, 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.
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Technology Engineering-Physics
Room 214

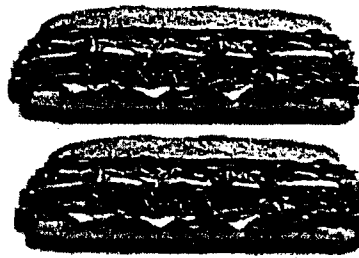
7:30 p.m.
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"Phoenix" by Melanie Gable at the Kiva

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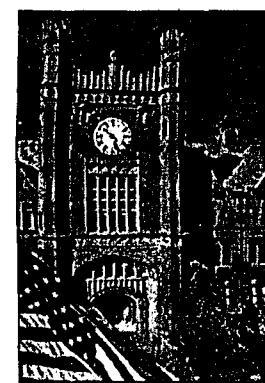
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QUESTION
Have you heard any derogatory comments towards ethnic minorities or women on the UI campus?



GLEN

"Yes, I have heard derogatory comments towards minorities in general. I think it's a problem that needs to be solved because it's ethically wrong and the diversity on our campus is growing. We need to respect that growth and treat those people with respect."

Colin Glen
senior from Boise



LAMAY

"Yes, it's offensive to me and it should be offensive to everyone on this campus."

Jeanine LaMay
sophomore from Idaho Falls



WEESNER

"No, there have never been any incidents that I have observed."

Jeff Weesner
junior from Nashville



BAKER

"No, I think it occurs but not around the people I hang out with."

Danielle Baker
senior from Boise



LEE

"I don't hear too much on ethnic minorities, but I think there is a lot of degrading of women on this campus. Right now it's not a major problem. It's just guys talking but it could turn into a problem in the future."

Jared Lee
freshman from Wallace



OURVIEW

What's in a name?

That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet but might not be politically correct

"What's in a name?" Juliet's question for the young Montague below her balcony is one of the better-known lines from Shakespeare's timeless saga of love and loss, and it appears that Juliet's question is timeless. In an era of political correctness, the United States still grapples with the importance of names, especially those dealing with ethnic distinctions.

Is it best to say black or African American? Indian, Native American or American Indian? Does one say Hispanic or Latino? Even National Public Radio's "Morning Edition" recently featured a story about the terms "Oriental" and "Asian."

What about words that have become part of the American vernacular, but are offensive to different nationalities or sexes? Some people do not even realize that using terms like "gypped," "scalped," "jewed," and "kipped" can offend.

Even members of the Idaho Legislature are not fully aware of the meaning behind these offensive terms. The Idaho Spokesman-Review reported that Idaho Rep. R. J. Harwood (R-St. Maries) used the term "Jew 'em down" at a House State Affairs committee meeting. And of course, despite its offensive connotations that the word "squaw" sparked discussion and controversy in Idaho this year but remains in Idaho

place names.

It is easy to point out blatant mistakes, but a large contingency of people in Idaho and in the United States are simply unsure of which terms they should use. Political correctness is discussed in newsrooms, classrooms and around the dinner table.

If these were just words, it probably would not matter as much. The fact that these words represent people is what makes this discussion of names so important.

To ignore the discussion and stop making an effort to use politically correct terms or the names that a person or group wishes to be called is to dismiss the identity of that person or group.

Approaching these issues with sensitivity and curiosity is what Rob McDonald, who covers human rights and diversity issues for The Spokesman-Review, strives to do.

McDonald said that there is no one right answer. Each community has such rich diversity that one name often will not suffice for an entire group of people. His strategy is to simply ask and listen to what a person would like to be called.

Trying to find general names that will work for each group living in the United States may not be possible. That does not mean the dialogue over which names to use should cease.

It simply means that the process of understanding and

living in this diverse melting pot we call America will take a continued effort from all who inhabit it to embrace the rich diversity of our communities.

Of course, mistakes will be made, lessons will be learned and each successive generation will, we hope, grow to have a better understanding of the social and cultural mosaic define America.

McDonald said he tries to use the things his grandmother taught him as guidelines when he does his job. "My grandma taught me to be polite, be nice and if you are rude, make amends quickly."

Although there may be no concrete answer to the question of what is in a name and which name is most proper, the best solution may be to follow the sage advice of McDonald's grandmother and uphold basic kindness and values.

It is time for University of Idaho students to shed their reluctance to use language that is politically correct or sensitive to different ethnic groups. Too often things are said on campus which offend and hurt others.

It is time to realize that the names and words we use are not just conglomerations of letters and sounds but powerful tools that need to be used with conscience, accuracy and kindness.

Leah Andrews
for the Editorial Board

Performance spiritual, not religious

Dear Editor:
This short statement is in response to an article written about my performance April 19. My inspiration to do the piece came from a quote by Ram Dass, yet the article referred to him as a Christian spiritual leader. He is not. Ram Dass is a spiritual leader. I am not angry about the misunderstanding; I only

want to clarify my reasons for performing. The performance was not intended to have any religious connotations. It was an exploration of human tolerance and understanding. That is all. Thank you for your time.

Jeff Mack

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Try ice cream for breakfast and change the world

There are times in our lives when we must break the conventions of society. Something as simple as eating ice cream for breakfast would be frowned upon and seen as strange.

But have you ever stopped to ask why such a mundane action would be demonized? If you look at it correctly, ice cream has milk, so it's partly healthy. It has sugar to wake you up and it tastes good. It's almost the same as eating Cocoa Puffs.

But because we are not used to eating ice cream as the main course of a meal, only as dessert, you would probably wonder what was wrong if you saw a friend eating ice cream for breakfast. Or perhaps, you would assume your friend had not yet gone to bed and the ice cream was dessert, not the morning meal.

But why are we so quick to denounce things that flow against our societal conventions? Maybe some people like the idea of dating on the Internet because of the mystery it involves and the chance of finding someone truly special. And I have heard that a skirt is just more comfortable than pants. Who cares if a guy wears a skirt so long as it fits the current trend of spring colors?

Who really cares? Are we that superficial as a group that something odd but harmless must be denounced? It's really not fair to say that someone is strange because he wants to wear lipstick, or wonder and worry about a woman's mental health while she's out playing football.

To paraphrase a line from a country song, it's not wrong, it's just different. In our individualistic society, our group mentality in a paradox. Everyone is supposed to be himself, but when someone goes farther into themselves than expected, sanity is questioned. So, how much of yourself are you allowed to be or allowed to express? The unspoken message of the larger social cliques is "be yourself by acting just like the rest of us."

This mindset is elitist and unproductive because it alienates anyone who does not fit the profile for that clique. It alienates those who show up for an afternoon class wearing pajamas.

My solution, as difficult as this might sound, is to stop judging people by their harmless actions. Men in drag are not hurting you, and a woman using a jackhammer is just doing her job, not trying to be some domineering feme-nazi. Let the little things go in a culture that has become so easily offended that we have to use "politically correct" speech. Just have fun, relax and don't worry about the quirks of others.

Womens Center opens its doors to the opposite sex

The University of Idaho Women's Center wants to become more man-friendly by changing its name to be gender neutral. The Women's Center, in an effort to prove it's not a refuge for man-bashing and tea parties, wants to change its name to "The People Center."

Because, after all, men are people too. The Women's Center has been trying to bring men into the center (and not just as tag-alongs with their girlfriends) for several years.

Obviously, the stigma of a mono-gender name scared off any potential card-carrying Y-chromosomes.

But the People's Center? Have we sunk this far into the political correctness abyss?

It's a great idea to get men involved with the programs at the WC. Programs dealing with sexual health and safety should be available to everybody. And the lounge is an added bonus considering it's one of the few places left on campus to just hang out.

The People's Center is such an unappealing name for a place where students can be educated, hangout and receive support from a caring and knowledgeable staff. The People's Center sounds like that cocktail weenies knock-off in grocery stores called "Potted Meat Product."

Why not drop the group-defining name and just call it "The Center?"

Then the name never has to be changed again. Think of how much money could be saved with staying with one sign. We could even save more money by just taking down the word "Women's."

Even without a name change, men should duck into the WC sometime. It's not just a place for women to drink tea and watch Oprah. You guys are invited too. But I wouldn't go in there after the weekly showing of "Waiting to Exhale" if I were you — just kidding!



BOBPHILLIPS
Columnist

Join Bob in his fight against the status quo. His e-mail is arg_opinion@sub.uidaho.edu

Upcoming EVENTS

May 2
Third Eye Movement
CUB Ballroom, WSU
8 p.m.
Free Admission

Dorian Michael and Todd Hallawell
Fingerstyle Guitar Duo
Thorn Creek Grille
7:30 p.m.

May 3
Velvet Alex
John's Alley
10 p.m. \$4

May 4
Moscow Community Theatre
Three one-act plays
The Kenworthy Theatre
7 p.m.

Shadow of the Vampire
Borah Theatre
7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

Battle of the Bands
Lewiston Civic Theatre
8 p.m.

May 5
Moscow Renaissance Fair
East City Park
10 a.m. to dusk
Check Friday's Argonaut for the whole scoop

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8 p.m.

Live Music at WSU
Glenn Terrell Mall, WSU
7 p.m.

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Hanuman
John's Alley
9:30 p.m.

Ongoing

Master of Fine Arts/Master of Arts
in Teaching Thesis Exhibition
UI Prichard Art Gallery
Through May 12

Dreamscapes
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Digital Gallery of Art
Eastern Washington University
Through April 30

Fine Arts Graduate Thesis Exhibition
Fine Arts Center, WSU
Through May 12

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University 4 Theatre
882-9600

Freddy Got Fingered
Rated R
7:00, 9:00

Crocodile Dundee in L.A.
Rated PG
7:00, 9:00

Spy Kids
Rated PG
7:00, 9:30

Forsaken
Rated R
7:00, 9:15

EastSide Cinemas
882-8078

Along Came a Spider
Rated R
7:15, 9:30

One Night at McCool's
Rated R
7:10, 9:20

Bridget Jones Diary
Rated R
5:00, 7:05, 9:10

Someone Like You
Rated PG-13
9:00

Joe Dirt
Rated PG-13
5:00, 7:00

Town and Country
Rated R
5:00, 7:20, 9:40

Audian Theatre
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Blow
Rated R
7:15, 9:30

Cordova Theatre
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Driven
Rated PG-13
7:00, 9:15

Trivia

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Answers to Friday's Trivia.
Look in Friday's Argonaut for more trivia.

1. A. The Eagles
2. B. Ten Years After

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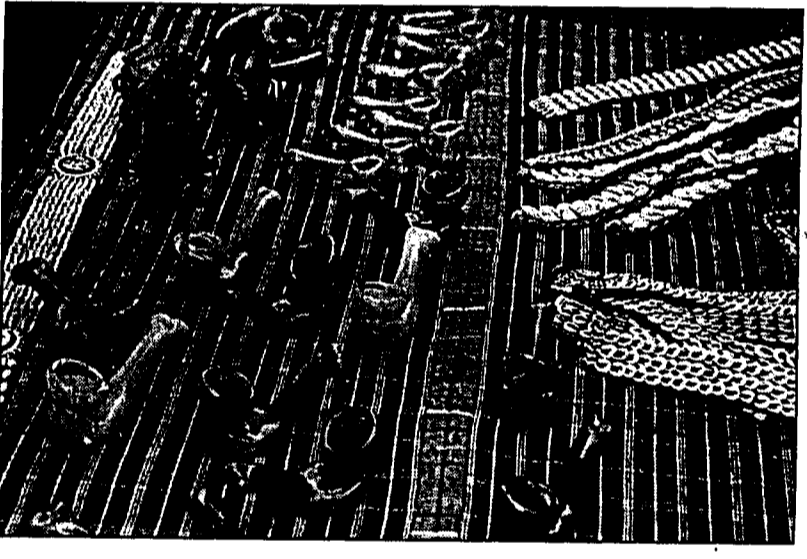
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Hemp Fest 2001



Fern, who works for Seattle Hemp Fest, talked to people about hemp Saturday at the festival.

HERESA PALMGREN / ARGONAUT



Glass-blown pipes and other hemp-related merchandise were sold by vendors at the festival.



A group of students enjoy music at the Hemp Fest. There were booths and band performances.

Spring music concert blooms at UI

STAFF REPORT

The University of Idaho Chorus will present its spring semester concert on May 3 at 8 p.m. in the Recital Hall of the Lionel Hampton School of Music Building.

Under the direction of Mark E. Fisch, now in his second year as director of Choral Activities in the Lionel Hampton School of Music, the program will feature a performance of the "Requiem" by Gabriel Fauré with organist Susan Billin. An adjunct assistant professor in the Lionel Hampton School of Music, professor Billin will open the concert with "Cortège et Litanie," a contemporary French work for solo organ by Marcel Dupré. She then joins the University Chorus as accompanist for the "Requiem," one of the great choral settings of the Mass for the Dead.

Though often somber in tone as dictated by the text, Fauré employs lovely melodies and captivating harmonies that never bore the ear. Soloists for this performance will be Lisa Fisch, soprano, Craig Davis, baritone and Bray Wilkins, baritone.

The second half of the program will begin with a guest appearance by the Vandaleer Concert Choir, the select classical choral ensemble.

Vandaleers will start with a set of three American folk arrangements on secular subjects. The third piece of the group, "Bird's Courting Song," is a particularly entertaining setting of an Early American song in which various flying creatures relate the

reasons behind their distinguishing attributes.

The humorous character of the text is enriched by the contributions of an unlikely pair of instruments, flute and tuba, played respectively by two other members of the Lionel Hampton School of Music faculty, Merrie Siegel and Torrey Lawrence.

Next follows a pair of novelty songs, "Sick of the Songs of the Sea" from men's chorus and "The Duel" from women's chorus. "Sick of the Songs of the Sea" is a delightful parody of the sea chanteys that make up a great part of the male chorus repertoire. "The Duel" is a playful setting of Eugene Field's poem on the confrontation between the gingham dog and the calico cat.

The nursery rhyme-like text is aided by the presence of a soprano saxophone, played by senior Music Business major Doug Rinard. The Vandaleers' portion of the concert closes with "Soon I Will Be Done," a Mark Hayes arrangement of the popular negro spiritual.

University Chorus then returns to the stage with a group of five American hymn settings, including Virgil Thomson's striking a cappella arrangement of "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" and two stirring Mack Wilberg arrangements for chorus and piano four-hands, "Death Shall Not Destroy My Comfort" and "Saints Bound for Heaven."

Come and enjoy an evening of beautiful and invigorating choral music. Admission is free.

Sly and company run out of gas, and ideas, in 'Driven'

BY RITA KEMPLEY
THE WASHINGTON POST

Sylvester Stallone becomes the Yo-duh of the open-wheel racing circuit in "Driven," a drag of a car-crash movie directed by his "Cliffhanger" collaborator, Renny Harlin. Stallone, who wrote the redundant, humorless and overlong screenplay, portrays the sagacious, saggy-faced mentor of a rookie overwhelmed by sudden fame.

Besieged by sportswriters, autograph-seekers and corporate sponsors, Jimmy Bly (Kip Pardue) is on track to win a world championship when he goes into a spin and falls behind the defending champ, Beau Brandenburg (Germany's Til Schweiger). There's only one thing to do, reasons racing impresario Burt Reynolds: call in the Hummer (Stallone), a reckless hot-dogger who earned his nickname because he hums in the face of danger.

Hummer assumes he's been called back to race, and he's chagrined to discover that instead he's been hired to tutor the high-strung wunderkind. But the smell of the oil and the roar of the crowd is enough for now, so he takes the kid to his muscled embrace. Jimmy's cut-throat manager and brother (Robert Sean Leonard) stands in Hummer's way, but he's soon sucking the wily veteran's exhaust.

At first, Jimmy pooh-poos the wisdom of Hummer's homilies: You've got to run your own race, rev your own wheels and hum your own hum. Most important of all, you've got to have faith: "It's like a good disease. It's contagious." May the Ford be with you. Yet when the going gets tough on the track, Hummer's advice echoes in Jimmy's ears. (It's a wonder he can hear a thing, what with the movie's bone-rattling soundtrack.) But as Jimmy soon learns, the race does not always go to the man with the most maxims. Beau wins again.

When they're not on the track, the characters race through insignificant relationships with other human beings. Beau dumps his luscious fiancée, Sophia (Estelita Warren), and Jimmy makes his move on the girl. Hummer has lost his love (Gina Gershon) to another driver and gives Beau, Jimmy and Sophia a lot of helpful advice. Happily, Hummer later hits it off with a sportswriter (Stacy Edwards) so clueless she probably thinks a crankcase is a grumpy old man.

All these complications are like pit stops squeezed between the movie's nine races, which come at you in a souped-up barrage of track-related whoop-de-do:



Actor Sylvester Stallone, left, and director Renny Harlin, collaborators on the 1993 mountain-climbing hit "Cliffhanger" and race-car thriller "Driven," pose for a photo in Long Beach, Calif., April 6, 2001. Intrigued by the racing world, Stallone began developing "Driven" in the mid-1990s. Harlin, a lifelong racing fan, signed on to direct Stallone's project after a failed attempt to secure film rights to the life of Brazilian racer Ayrton Senna.

screaming tires, spectacular collisions, cheering crowds and sexy groupies lovingly consuming foot-long hot dogs.

Harlin is to nuance what Stallone is to new ideas: He hasn't got any. The material offers but one source of suspense: if Reynolds dares change expression, will his excruciatingly lifted face crack like a melon? While comely, the supporting players possess the acting chops of traffic cones and, seemingly, IQs lower than the speed limit in a school zone. The exception is the underappreciated spitfire Gershon as Hummer's sarcastic ex-wife.

Of course, Stallone depicts himself reverentially. He's just so darn lovin' and givin'. He even sacrifices his own ambitions for his callow colleagues. At one particularly chivalric moment, the announcer tells the crowd, "I guess we all learned a little something from the Hummer today." Yes, there are two lessons here: One, skip the movie, and two, find out who Reynolds' plastic surgeon is and don't make an appointment.

'Dear Alice' book not worth the column inches



CHRISTY VIEMEIER Arts and Entertainment

Christy's smokes 'fat catnip blunts' and has to write to advice columns about it. Her e-mail address is arg_a&e@sub.uidaho.edu.

Advice columns are sections naturally read after consulting the daily horoscopes in newspapers. However, in Steven Ryniak's 'Dear Alice ... Advice Columns From Completely Insane Idiots,' the problems needing solutions could make front-page news.

This pocket-sized book of "compiled" pleas for help is classified as fictional humor, but it's possible the letters were inspired by actual events.

The letters written to "Alice" are raunchy, pitiful and just plain stupid. The problems include excessive body hair, a cat that smokes "fat catnip blunts" and a person who kicks everything in sight.

and a couple whose young son is dating their 98-year-old Turkish exchange student.

There are no responses written to these letters, which might have made the book more humorous. The problems are usually worth giggling over but it's a roll-your-eyes-and-groan kind of laugh. The sad fact is there are probably people in this world dumb enough to get themselves into the troubles created in this book.

"Dear Alice ..." is not really worth the time to read unless boredom would cause a reaction similar to the tantrums expressed in the book. The imagination the author uses for the problems is impressive, but give students until the end of Finals Week, and they too will be loopy enough to create insane idiots.

Buy this book as a gag gift for someone addicted to Ann Landers' wisdom. Teachers could use the rated PG problems for writing exercises to have students write responses to. Read the book while killing time in the bookstore but follow this advice: save the money for the newspapers.

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Women invited to golf NCAA's

The University of Idaho women's golf team, still in the midst of the Big West Conference tournament, was chosen Monday to participate in the NCAA Central Regional at West Lafayette, Ind.

The Vandals already have four tournament victories this season as they head into the May 10-12 tournament at Purdue University's Kampen Golf Course at West Lafayette, Ind.

Individually, junior Julie Wells and Nicole Keller have one tournament victory each. Wells leads the Vandals with a per-round average of 77.40. Keller is right behind at 77.70. Rounding out the team going to West Lafayette are junior Noelle Hamilton (78.55), junior Lindzee Frei (78.94) and sophomore Maria Valente (79.42).

Intramural golf scramble

Campus recreation is holding its 2001 Intramural Golf Scramble May 6.

Entry deadline: Today by 5 p.m. in Room 204 of Memorial Gym.

Entry fee: \$16 green fee per person, or show proof of season pass. Must be paid to Campus Recreation at time of registration.

Format: 18 holes, Scramble. Tournament date: May 6; University of Idaho Golf Course.

Participants must check in at the registration table 20 minutes before assigned tee time to avoid forfeiture.

Volleyball signs Canadian

University of Idaho volleyball coach Debbie Buchanan announced the signing of Sarah Meek for the 2001 season. Meek, a middle blocker from Sherwood Park, is one of the top players from Alberta.

Meek joins Laura McCaffrey in the Vandals' 2001 recruiting class.

What to watch SPORTS ON TV

Tuesday
NBA
Conference quarterfinal 5 p.m. TBS
Conference quarterfinal 7:30 p.m. TBS

MLB
Boston at Seattle 7 p.m. FSN

NHL
Dallas at St. Louis 4 p.m. ESPN
New Jersey at Toronto 4 p.m. ESPN2

Wednesday
NBA
Philadelphia at Indiana 6 p.m. TBS
New York at Toronto 5 p.m. TNT
Sacramento Kings at Phoenix Suns 7:30 TNT

MLB
Colorado at Philadelphia 4 p.m. ESPN2
Boston at Seattle 7 p.m. ESPN, FSN

NHL
Buffalo at Pittsburgh 4 p.m. ESPN
Colorado at L.A. 7 p.m. ESPN2

Thursday
NBA
Conference quarterfinal 5 p.m. TNT
Conference quarterfinal 7:30 p.m. TNT

MLB
Milwaukee at Atlanta 4:30 TBS
St. Louis at Florida 4 p.m. FAM
Boston at Seattle 7 p.m. FSN

NHL
Dallas at St. Louis 4:30 p.m. ESPN
New Jersey at Toronto 4 p.m. ESPN2

Golf
PGA COMPAQ Classic of New Orleans
Noon ESPN

Ballpark figures MLB (as of April 29)

Batting Average (AVG)			
Player	Team	POS	AVG
1. M. Ramirez	BOS	DH	.402
2. J. Edwards	STL	OF	.400
3. S. Stewart	COL	OF	.400
4. R. Aurilia	SF	SS	.390
5. J. Gonzalez	CLE	OF	.387

Home Runs (HR)			
Player	Team	POS	HR
1. L. Gonzalez	ARI	OF	13
2. B. Bonds	SF	OF	11
3. C. Delgado	TOR	1B	10
4. C. Delgado	TOR	1B	10
5. C. Johnson	FLA	C	9

Runs Batted In (RBIs)			
Player	Team	POS	RBIs
1. M. Ramirez	BOS	DH	31
2. L. Walker	COL	OF	30
3. A. Pujols	STL	3B	27
4. J. Gonzalez	CLE	OF	26
5. L. Gonzalez	ARI	OF	26

Runs (R)			
Player	Team	POS	R
1. L. Gonzalez	ARI	OF	26
2. L. Helton	COL	1B	26
3. C. Floyd	FLA	OF	24
4. T. Walker	COL	2B	24
5. S. Stewart	TOR	OF	24

Hits (H)			
Player	Team	POS	H
1. M. Ramirez	BOS	DH	39
2. J. Suzuki	SEA	OF	39
3. C. Knoblauch	NY	OF	38
4. S. Stewart	TOR	OF	38
5. J. Gonzalez	CLE	OF	36

Stolen Bases (SB)			
Player	Team	POS	SB
1. C. Knoblauch	NY	OF	10
2. L. Castillo	FLA	2B	9
3. G. Williams	TB	OF	8
4. E. Young	CHC	2B	7
5. A. Soriano	MIL	2B	7

Big West Championships too much for Idaho tennis

BY GARY J SMITH
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Both the men's and women's tennis teams returned home early from the Big West Conference in Ojai, Calif., last weekend.

The women defeated UC Irvine in the first round (4-0) but fell short to rival Boise State in the semifinals (4-2) to end their season with a final record of 13-8. The men's team lost in the first round to the University of Pacific (4-0), ending their season with a 6-18 overall record.

Going into the nine-team tournament, the women Vandals were seeded seventh. They beat the Anteaters of UC Irvine, the second seed, in a huge first-day upset.

It was the duo of Barbora Kudilkova and Vida Senci playing at No. 1 that started everything off right by earning their 14th win together this season and their

10th in the top position. Continuing the momentum against Irvine in singles, the women earned three straight victories, securing the win. Kudilkova upset her opponent Natalie Exon for her second win on the day in the No. 2 spot 6-4, 6-2.

Next for UI was Pooja Deshmukh, winning 6-4, 6-3 at the No. 3 position and earning the second spot for most UI victories this season.

At No. 6, Larissa Nicoll stepped up her play with a win over Christie Posner, 6-4, 6-4 to capture the final singles point and send the Anteaters home.

The semifinals were a different story for UI women as the BSU Broncos were on a role following a victory over Pacific.

Being defeated for only the fourth time in the season, Senci and Kudilkova fell 8-3 to BSU followed by an 8-6 loss for Pooja

Deshmukh and Zeljka Vidic. The women played a close match in singles, claiming two victories over BSU. At No. 3, Deshmukh defeated Anna Oehme 6-4, 6-1.

Monica Martin, playing at No. 5, defeated Laurie Cheung, 6-1, 6-4. The match of the day went to Kudilkova vs. Helen Lawson at No. 2 singles. In the first set, Kudilkova pounded Lawson 6-3. Not giving in so easy, Lawson forced her way back with a 6-1 win in the second.

The third set came down to the tiebreaker with a heart stopping 8-6 defeat Kudilkova and the match victory BSU.

UI women finished the season with high notes from Vidic, who finished the season with a 15-4 record despite missing most of last year due to injury. UI returns five starters to next year's squad.

The men's team, playing without No. 2

player Eddie Brisbois, put forth the effort but came up short in the first round Thursday. Giving up the first two doubles matches and losing the first point symbolized their year: great effort but just short of the final victory.

"Our guys put up a really good fight without Eddie in the lineup," Idaho assistant coach Kula Oda said. "The good side of it is our guys got great experience this year and will build on it for next season."

Amod Walkalkar, Stephen DeSilva and Chris Faulman all lost at Nos. 1, 2 and 5 in straight sets, ending the match.

The UI men's team returns nine members to next year's team. Amod Wakalkar will graduate this spring.

Next season's team will have added experience as Brad Lum-Tucker, Faulman and Fabian Dummett are current freshman.

Commentary

Professional sports crowd the tube

The NBA playoffs are on Channel 6; the NHL playoffs are on Channel 43; the PGA Tour is on channel 2; Major League Baseball is on Channels 5 and 24.

If channel-surfing sports fans keep clicking their remotes, they will be sure to find NASCAR, MLS and WUSA somewhere as well.

I have even seen a broadcast of the professional miniature golf tour.

Are sports fans really so hungry for more and more sports that television producers are find-

ing a demand for little balls rolling through windmills? Personally, I have a hard time keeping up with all these sports. One could hardly take a breath between the end of the NFL season and the start of the XFL season. Do we really need another season of professional football?

Of course, if you are not a football fanatic, there are the NBA and the NHL to keep your attention over the winter. But unless you have time to sit and watch games every night of the week, you have to resort to morning box scores or ESPN's Sportscenter to keep up to date.

This is the equivalent of watching movie trailers as opposed to the actual movies. We have reached a point where a true sports fan cannot keep up with details.

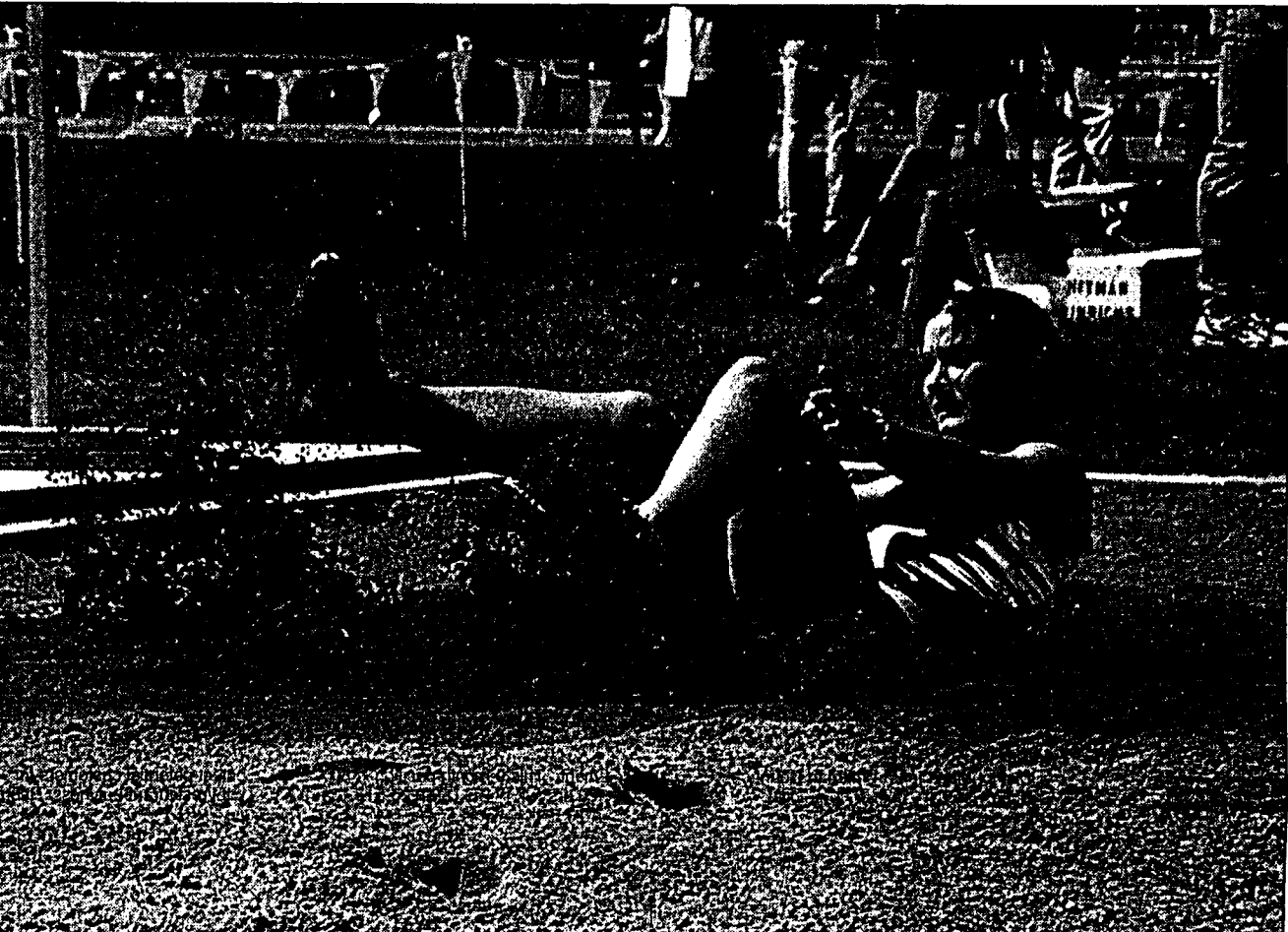
So you might know that Tiger Woods won the Masters, but did you see the two clutch par putts he made on holes 9 and 10?

You might know that the Seattle Mariners are the best team in baseball right now, but did you see short stop Carlos Guillen foul off several tough pitches from Andy Pettite on his way to an important base hit in the second inning of last Wednesday's game against the New York Yankees?

I guess we just have to face the fact that we live in a sports world dominated by highlights and championships. The sports fan is changing from one who follows their favorite team game after game to one who watches an endless barrage of slam dunks and homeruns.

It seems to me, however, that this can only go so far before many of the games start to lose all meaning. Sadly, the only games that will mean anything anymore will be the Super Bowl, the World Series, the NBA finals, the Stanley Cup Finals and possibly the major golf and tennis championships.

It is that old economic principle of supply and demand. The supply of professional sports is dangerously close to outweighing the demand for them.



Chelsea Huffman lands a long jump two weeks ago in Pullman. The Vandals competed Friday at WSU in the Cougar Invitational.

THERESA PALMGREN / ARGONAUT

Lightning fast Whyte does it again

BY DEBI CAIN
ARGONAUT STAFF

The sun was shining on the University of Idaho Vandals in the early afternoon Friday at the second annual Cougar Invitational in Pullman, with UI putting together one of its best performances of the season.

The weather caused a minor delay toward the end of the meet but didn't slow down the near unstoppable Vandals.

Sprint-hurdler Angela Whyte continued to be a bright spot on the women's side by shaving more time off her 100-meter sprint. Whyte ran the event in a personal best 11.66 seconds, breaking the pre-

vious school record set in 1998 by Humrei Thompson. On top of that, the finish broke the Cougar Invitational record and made Whyte the fastest woman in the Big West Conference in the 100-meter. Whyte was also a part of the 4x100-meter relay team that finished second in a time of 46.06. She finished second in the 200 meters in a time of 24.06.

The Vandal men ruled the sprints, taking first, second, third and fourth places in the 100-meters. Nikela Ndebele placed first with a time of 10.57. The men placed second through fourth in the 200 meters and first and second in the 400 meters. Josh Guggenheimer won the event, running a season best 47.89 and finished second in the 400-meter hurdles. The men also won the 4x100-meter relay in a season best time of 40.75.

Junior sprinter Brenda Nipp ran an outstanding 400-meter race in a time of 56.16, a personal best. Teammate Heather Hoeck posted a personal best 56.37 in the event.

The two took second and third in the event.

Joachim Olsen clinched another first place in the shot put with a throw of 63-11 3/4. Simon Stewart finished second improving his NCAA provisional qualifying mark with a throw of 59-7 3/4. Olsen also won the men's discus with his best throw of the season, 184-8.

Freshman Sarah Fischer won the women's javelin with a throw of 141-6 that beats teammate Colleen Case for the conference best toss. Case finished third in the event with a mark of 133-0.

The Vandals are at home this weekend, hosting the Vandal Jamboree May 6 at the Dan O'Brien Track and Field.



WHYTE



GUGGENHEIMER

Backpack the Selway River to experience true wilderness

BY BRIAN SNYDER
ARGONAUT STAFF

With much of the high country still somewhat snowbound, backpackers are looking for adventure along some of the region's pristine river systems. This time of year, river drainages often provide the best, if not only, access into wilderness and backcountry areas. Their lower elevation allows for considerably warmer temperatures, which in turn usher in the colors of spring and the calls of wildlife.

There are many beautiful rivers that fit this description, but few combine wilderness with access as well as the Selway River, the main gateway into the vast Selway Bitterroot Wilderness.

From its confluence with the Lochsa River at Lowell, the Selway traces its path over 100 miles to headwaters situated high along the Idaho-Montana border. Twenty miles of dirt road parallel the river

from its mouth, ending at the start of loads of wilderness hiking. Unlike the drier pine forest landscapes just to the south, the mountains and forests along the Selway grow lush with cedar and fir.

The resulting effect, especially on sunny days, casts a soft greenish hue onto the crystal-clear water. Towering old-growth ponderosa pines poke through in places, some as old as 300 years, relics of a bygone forest fallen to fire.

Contrary to popular belief, the Selway-Bitterroot and other wilderness areas are not islands of ancient forests rich with endangered species and old growth flora. Along the Selway, it is not uncommon to

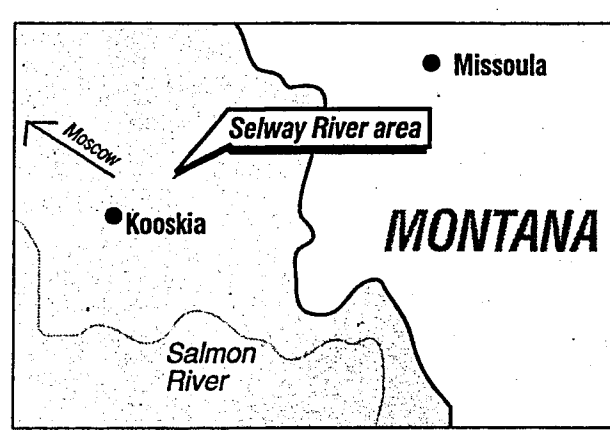
walk long distances through fire-scarred terrain marked by avalanche paths and landslide debris. Removed from any biological management, the landscape is literally a mosaic of life in all stages of development. This defining wilderness quality has upheld the healthy

populations of native flora and fauna. Recently, black bears could be seen occasionally along the river or up side streams.

Elk and deer also thrive in the Bitterroots, providing food to sustain the largest population of gray wolves in the lower 48 states.

And last, there is the fishing. Currently, fishing season remains closed on the Selway with water levels blown out and spring spawning in session.

But by Memorial Day weekend the hatch will be on, and backpackers can enjoy some phenomenal catch-and-release action above Selway Falls. Rainbows and cutthroats exist in large numbers and are eager to take anything resembling food.



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TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Women lead, men second after first day of golf

BY BRIAN ARMSTRONG
ARGONAUT STAFF

After 36 holes Monday, the Vandal women's golf team has a six-stroke lead, and the men are 10 shots back at the Big West Conference Championships at Serrano Country Club in California.



WELLS

They must overcome their deficit and win the tournament if they want to advance to the regional tournament. The women, however, learned Monday that they have already been selected for the NCAA Central Regional tournament.

"They're very happy," coach Brad Rickel said of his women's team.

While the men are down, it is less of a deficit than they overcame at last year's tournament, which they ended up winning in a playoff.

"We're four-over-par for 36 holes. Last year we would have been way out in the lead. Irvine and Pacific just went real low in the second round today," Rickel said.

Josh Nagelmann is out in front for the Vandals with a two-round total of 140, four-under par. Taylor Cerjan is tied for 16th with 147, Ryan Benzel and Travis Inlow are tied for 18th with 148, and Doug McClure is tied for 23rd with

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BRAD RICKEL
VANDAL GOLF COACH

149 to put the Vandals at a 36-hole total of 580.

The men need to catch UC Irvine, which leads the tournament at 570.

Julie Wells shot a second round of 69 to take a four-stroke lead in the tournament. Her 36-hole total is one over par with 145. Noelle Hamilton is in third, and Nicole Keller is in fourth. Maria Valente is in a tie for seventh and Lindzee Frei is in 12th.

The women lead Long Beach State by six strokes with a 36-hole total of 604.

The tournament concludes today with 18 holes and is a must-win situation for the Vandal men.

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