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## Letters and Science may cut spending \$2.8 million to make budget

BY MORGAN WINSOR  
ARGONAUT STAFF

Job security and salary cuts. These are two of several things that are causing the nerves of many University of Idaho faculty and staff to be more than a bit shaky these days. "I'm worried, I think all of us are," said Hil Priest, budget specialist for the UI College of Letters and Science. A stagnant economy, coupled with a permanent tax relief bill passed by legislators last year, is cinching the main cash flow artery to the university, cutting approximately \$29 million from the college's budget over the next few years. Like other departments ordered to trim up to 15 percent of their operation

budgets, the College of Letters and Science's budget, which consists of more than 20 programs, is getting pounded. The department has outlined a plan "not yet set in stone" to cut 15 percent—approximately \$2.8 million—from its \$18.8 million base budget. Although nothing is final, Priest said job security is a concern. "We're hoping not to have to cut anybody; we're already stretched pretty thin as it is," she said. Almost 97 percent of the Letters and Science budget is allocated to salaries. A 15 percent reduction could result in the loss of 36 full-time faculty and staff. Approximately 250 full-time faculty and staff make up the department. Priest said he hopes early retirement

incentive packages will help ease the financial burden. "But then we'll need that money to hire more people anyway," she said. Priest said finding where to pinch funds is tricky. She said there is no talk of shutting down entire departments. However, merging departments and programs, and increasing class size are options being explored. "We're really focusing on helping the students," Priest said. "We're planning on not letting anybody go. That would be the worst case scenario." She said an example of a possible merge would be English and foreign languages. Another would be fusing theatre, music and art. The merging of departments would

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HIL PRIEST  
BUDGET SPECIALIST

eliminate an administrator and possibly other staff positions. Priest said all departments are feeling the fiscal squeeze, but the ones most likely to be beaten more are smaller departments like foreign languages. Other programs that make up the department are biology, chemistry, the

School of Communication, history, math, statistics, the Martin Institute, the Lionel Hampton School of Music, philosophy, physics, political science, psychology, sociology, anthropology and justice studies. General studies and environmental science also fit into the department but have their own operation budgets. UI Budget Director Mark Brainard said chances the college will see more state funding to lessen the fiscal blow are weak. He added that despite the chaos of budget shaving, UI will "remain strong." "But we will look a bit different over the next few years. We have to," Brainard said.



THERESA PALMGREN / ARGONAUT

Josh Elliott, a sophomore in civil engineering, is working on a math problem for his dynamics class that is the study of motion Thursday in the study room in the Janssen Engineering Building.

## A civil action

*Elliott in second year of engineering degree program*

BY ANNIE GANNON  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Josh Elliott was always good at math. His parents told him in high school that he could probably go into engineering, but he didn't think much of it. "I don't even know any engineers," he said.

Then he went to a couple of lectures about the engineering program at the University of Idaho and decided it might be something he would enjoy.

The 20-year-old is now a sophomore in the civil engineering program here at UI. Actually, he's only one credit sort of being a junior.

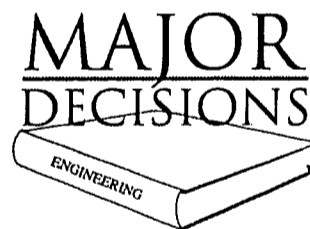
Elliott is from Boise, and he would like to go back there eventually.

"I figured there was a lot of demand for (civil engineers) in a city like Boise."

Ideally, Elliott would like to work for the State of Idaho to help build roads, bridges and airports.

"Then if I had to move, I'd still be in Idaho. I wouldn't want to move my family around a lot," he said.

Right now, he has taken a lot of basic classes, like statistics, dynamics and circuits, which all engineering majors need. All the classes start out



general so students can switch easily if they'd like.

Other engineering majors offered at UI include electrical and computer, chemical, biological and agricultural, mechanical and geological. The civil engineering program boasts 190 undergraduate and 55 graduate students.

"As far as I knew, UI was the best engineering school in the northwest. It's by far better than any other school in Idaho," Elliott said.

In fact, two of the first four graduates of UI in 1896 were in civil engineering, according to the university's Web site.

Though Elliott said he would like to get into the more specified classes for civil engineering, he's still enjoying it.

But he still has a while before he gets his degree. "I'll probably graduate in 2005 ... December of 2005."

## MOOVIN' ON UP



SHAUNA GREENFIELD / ARGONAUT

Spring calves like this University of Idaho Charlais can be found west of campus by the Livestock Pavilion.

## Crisis Hotline is still here

BY MEGAN OTTO  
ARGONAUT STAFF

Last fall, there was a crisis occurring at the Palouse Crisis Hotline.

Due to a lack of communication among directors and a discrepancy in where funds were going, the hotline was close to failure.

Steve Bonnar has changed all that. Hired as the new executive director of the hotline in October, he has brought the line back to the land of the living. "It's taken five months to get a clear picture of what's going on," he said.

The crisis line was begun in the late '70s with a center in Pullman and another in Moscow. During the '80s the two lines merged into the present day line, which is located in Pullman. There are also business offices in Moscow. The number for the crisis line is (509) 332-1505.

The line makes no money and is funded by donations and grants written by Bonnar. "I've written five or six grants in the time I've been there."

The line also has contracts with Whitman county and Region 2 Health and Welfare. The line covers their calls during the after hours.

Whitman County rents out a building and then donates it for use by the crisis line. One of the volunteers lives in the basement and works the night shift three nights a week. "I just want to create a place like home for them," said Bonnar.

In addition to Bonnar, a nine-person board of directors oversees the crisis line. Seven seats are currently filled. The board is made up of a wide base of community members as well as students. Most of the current 60 volunteers are students from WSU and UI.

It's essentially a matter of students helping students with their problems. The line receives about 2,000 calls per month; that number is cut in half during holidays when students leave.

Bonnar praised his volunteers for their dedication to the job. "The volunteers are just amazing," Bonnar said. "What motivates them is an internal thing." Bonnar remained in awe of his dozens of volunteers, restating several times that without them, there would be no line.

"Once a volunteer has received a call asking what time it is, they're halfway to being a bona fide hotline worker." The hotline receives many simple calls, answering questions about time and weather. Bonnar also remembers receiving a call asking how to spell a word.

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## UI hosting RHA regional conference

BY SARAH CUMMINGS  
ARGONAUT STAFF

No frills. That is the motto of the RHA regional conference held at the University of Idaho this week.

There will be no fun and games for the approximately 77 delegates representing the 23 schools throughout the intermountain region.

"This conference is structured differently than most," said Joe McKenna, conference chair. "It's solely for business."

Representatives from each school will present an overview of their residence hall program and information about its activities and leaders in hopes of qualifying for the national conference held at the University of Minnesota in May.

"It's a thorough process the schools go through," McKenna said. After presenting themselves and their program, each school will go through a ques-

tion and answer period. They will discuss aspects of their program that worked and didn't work and defend themselves. The school chosen to have the best program will represent the intermountain region at nationals.

The University of Idaho Resident Hall Association plans to compete for school of the year and the Hallenbeck Service award, intended to honor the lifelong achievement of Don Yackley, director of Resident Living.

"It's a big honor and really hard to be able to host the conference," McKenna said. RHA won the bid to host the conference. "The bid was 30-35 pages explaining the accommodations we had to offer, like hotels, transportation and places to hold meetings," McKenna said.

"We've been planning this [conference] for a year and a half now," McKenna said.

"It has been six years since U of I hosted the event."

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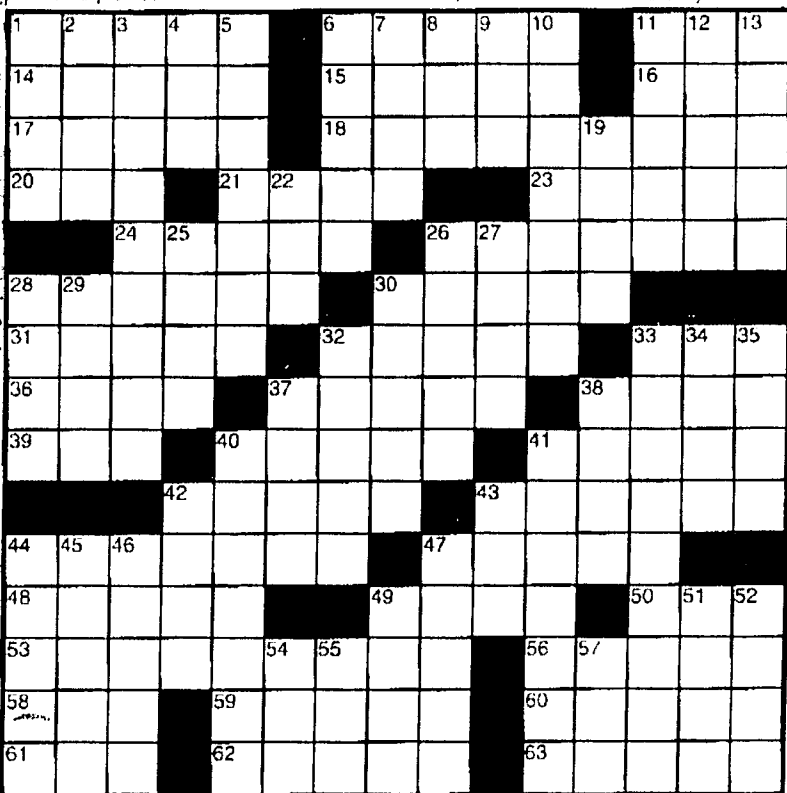
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## Campus Calendar

- Today**
- Vigil for Peace
  - Friendship Square
  - 4-6 p.m.
  - Jazz Bands and Choirs
  - Recital Hall
  - 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday**
- Palouse Chamber Music Workshop
- Monday**
- Recital Hall
  - 8 a.m.
  - "Memorializing 9.11" exhibit
  - Horizon-Aurora Rooms, Idaho Commons
  - 2-5:30 p.m.
  - "A Soldier's Story"
  - SUB Borah Theater

## News

### UI students receive award

University of Idaho students Sarah Thompson of Ririe and Erica Hauk of Eugene, Ore., received the UI's "Wonder Award" presented by Residence Life. It recognizes UI students who excel in leadership, participation, commitment, and a willingness to go above and beyond for other UI students.

Thompson helped coordinate and produce a successful Residence Assistant winter training program for 56 Residence Life staff members. Her peers and co-workers nominated her for her diligence, hard work and the student/staff-oriented program that won her the award. Thompson, the director of Scholars Residence, is a senior at UI majoring in Spanish and English.

Hauk's peers nominated her for the extra work and positive manner with which she represents the views and values of the Ethel Steel House, a woman's

cooperative living community on campus. Hauk is the hall president of Steel House and a junior at the university double majoring in animal science and Spanish.

### Engineers promote fitness

Mathcounts, a national math coaching and competition program that promotes middle school math achievement, holds regional competitions Saturday at Jennifer Junior High School in Lewiston, and Tuesday at North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene.

The University of Idaho College of Engineering supports this activity, sponsored by Idaho Society of Professional Engineers, by giving \$200 in scholarships to the top four individual winners in the two regions.

Regional teams from across the state then will compete in Boise on March 9 for four additional \$1,000 UICE scholarships. These top four state "mathletes"

will form the Idaho team and compete in the national Mathcounts contest June 14 in Chicago.

"This event is meant to provide fun and recognition to students who could one day use their skills in the field of engineering," said Howard Peavey, associate dean for academics in UI's engineering college.

The events precede National Engineers Week, Feb. 18-24.

### Photos on exhibit at Co-op

The photos of people in South Carolina taken by Linda Pall of Moscow will be on display at the Moscow Food Co-op Art Gallery Feb. 15 through March 7 to help bring awareness to Black History Month in February. An opening

reception will be Feb. 15 from 5:30-7 p.m.

Pall has called Moscow home since 1972. As a member of the National League of Cities when she was a city council member in Moscow, she joined the National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials (NBC-LEO). She was a member for over six years.

These photos were part of a much larger exhibit that was offered by the Third Street Gallery two years ago. The Charleston photographs were shown at the Kansas City Convention Center in December 1998.

The Moscow Food Co-op Art Gallery is located at 211 E. Third St. Moscow, Idaho and is open from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. daily.

### CAPSULE

From the April 9, 1971, edition:

The Latah County Commissioners will consider a resolution allowing the sale of wine in grocery stores at the commission meeting next Monday afternoon. Several local beer distributors have contacted the commission and declared their intent to attend the meeting to voice their support for the resolution.

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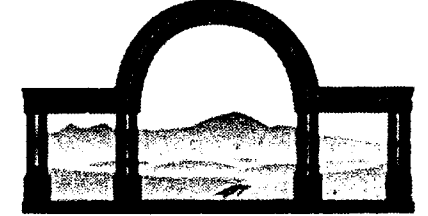
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- I would rather die than be fat.
- I feel fat even though people tell me I am thin.
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- I have a secret stash of food.
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# Two more senators leave ASUI

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After last week's appointments of the two new ASUI senators, two more seats opened up this week.

Senators Will Webb and Julia Decker announced their resignations at Wednesday night's senate meeting. Both senators have served in the Senate since September. Each expressed regret at the decision, which was immediately put into affect after the meeting.

This comes one week after two senate positions, left vacant from last semester, were filled. Matt Henman and Joe Lienhard were selected as new senators Jan. 30 after interviews with ASUI President Kasey Swisher and members of the senate in a special meeting.

Henman is a freshman studying political science. Lienhard is a freshman studying

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**WILL WEBB**  
FORMER ASUI SENATOR

vocal music education. Both of the new senators live in the Alpha Kappa Lambda house on campus.

Henman said, "I really wanted to serve the students and become active." After running for office this fall, he reapplied when seats came open this spring.

Still developing solid plans for what he wishes to do with his first term, Henman is excited for the chance to serve in a leader-

ship position. "I wanted to give myself to my school."

Webb and Decker both cited school pressures as one of the reasons for their resignations. "There is a reason that there are virtually no engineering majors involved with this organization, and I have finally realized why," Webb said in his letter of resignation.

Changing attitudes toward their positions were the other reason behind the departures. "My efforts would be better suited to activity boards," Decker said.

The position of senator requires a great deal of creativity and innovation, Webb said, and he felt unequal to the task. "I felt like I was simply voting yes or no to other people's bills."

Both senators hope their positions will be filled by capable people.

These seats are now open for applications.

# Chocolate doesn't just taste good

BY BERGEN TORSKE  
ARGONAUT STAFF



The most popular gift on Valentines Day might prove to act as an aphrodisiac, a substance often associated with arousing sexual potency.

Although there is little evidence to support this belief, chocolate has more than one way of proving it is beneficial to the body.

"In my observations and virtually everyone I know, chocolate does seem to affect moods," said Dr. Charles R. Morrison, licensed psychologist and professor at the University of Idaho.

Even though chocolate serves to satisfy a craving and makes the body feel as if it is more content, chocolate is not as simple as may taste.

"Chocolate is actually a very complex substance," Morrison said. "There are over 300 chemicals in chocolate."

Three notable chemicals are caffeine, theobromine and phenylethylamine (PEA).

According to a CBC News Web site on chocolate, caffeine possesses energy-boosting properties. Theobromine stimulates the heart and the nervous system and phenylethylamine stimulates the same reaction in the body as the feeling of falling in love.

Other affects chocolate has on the body are found in the increase of serotonin and endorphin levels after consumption, Morrison said.

"Endorphins are a natural substance in the body and they help with mood and pain regulation," Morrison said. "Serotonin also is a natural biological substance throughout the brain that is one of several neurotransmitters that are part of the brains communication process."

"Chocolate can affect serotonin levels, but it's indirect," Morrison said.

Chocolate cravings are often associated with feelings of depression, poor mood, and gloominess. Both brain substances seem to fluctuate throughout the day and on a monthly basis, Morrison said.

This helps explain the craving women have for chocolate in premenstrual cycles when serotonin levels are lowest. The need to satisfy these feelings comes in part by using food to help enhance a positive feeling.

According to drkoop.com, 12 M&M's, six Hershey Kisses or a snack-size candy bar will alter a mood.

Morrison also says that eating chocolate in moderation can only play a part in lifting a mood, but it can't change any environmental or genetic predisposition of low serotonin levels.

"It is part of other things that you do to improve your mood, but it's not the answer," Morrison said.

There is also debate as to whether chocolate is actually addictive. The members of Chocolate Anonymous Association would agree that chocolate repeats one craving after another; however, one University of Pennsylvania study found different results.

This study was done on so-called chocoholics, and found that the cravings might not lie in the chemistry. Rather, the cravings come from the texture of chocolate, and how it "melts in your mouth, not in your hand."

With this holiday set aside especially for lovers, it comes as no surprise why chocolate is the perfect gift for Valentines Day.

"Those who like it [chocolate] think of it as a special treat," Morrison said. "It has a lot of qualities that make it a natural gift for Valentines Day."

# ASUI can make dreams real, Swisher says

BY MEGAN OTTO  
ARGONAUT STAFF

In the conclusion of his first State of the ASUI address, Kasey Swisher recalled a story. When he was speaking to a new student unfamiliar with the ASUI, Swisher was asked what the ASUI could do for that student.

"I sat there for a moment, looked him straight in the eye and said, 'Whatever you can dream.'"

Swisher has big dreams himself for ASUI, which he outlined in his speech given at the ASUI Senate meeting Wednesday night.

Swisher expressed both his regret for the current state of the university and his admiration for the way student government has handled the crisis. He had only words of praise for his fellow leaders and their work. "I can honestly say that I stand amongst the best colleagues for which a leader could ask."

Also in his speech, Swisher outlined ASUI's current projects.

The revision of the health system on campus was number one. The importance of maintaining a good health center as well as expanding those services provided have not been lost on ASUI.

Vandal Taxi and the Volunteer Center are projects currently in place but being expanded. The taxi service is being expanded later on in this year and the Volunteer Center has begun efforts to increase student volunteerism.

Currently in the works is a revision of the current advising program. ASUI is attempting to make it a more interactive process and increase the amount of information passed from advisor to student in both undergraduate and graduate advising.

The Vandal Gold program has finally been put to the state legislature and will be decided on later this semester.

Other projects that should come into play later in the semester include "Slam Against the Spread" a charity softball tournament played to raise awareness of STDs and AIDS as well as funding for free tests for students. ASUI also has plans for the annual University Diversity Week, which include the hope to bring MTV to campus as part of their Fight for your Rights campaign.

Pushing for student activism is the most important thing ASUI seems to have taken on during this semester.

"I cannot overemphasize the importance that our state government plays in the livelihood of our education and our time spent here," Swisher said. Along those same lines is the redrafting of ASUI constitution and a new addition: the member's bill of rights.

Swisher seemed very optimistic and enthusiastic about ASUI and their goals for the University. "While other institutions are beleaguered with unprecedented internal battles, we have come together to take on the challenges never before seen by our organization, and better yet, we are winning."

## CRISIS

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These calls do not dominate the volunteers time, but neither do suicide calls. "Many people think that's what a crisis line is about, suicide calls," Bonnar said. "But we only get about two or three every year where police intervention is needed."

"Most people have the answers when they call, they just need to talk," Bonnar said. The volunteers step in to take the position of willing listener. The line offers brief crisis intervention for callers. More permanent solutions are also provided in a list of community resources. "We're a clearinghouse for that sort of information."

"One girl received a suicide call from a pay phone on her very first night," Bonnar recalled. Those are the moments that make or break volunteers. Bonnar had no information on the turnover rate for volunteers, but did

say that it takes a semester for most people to get comfortable on the line. "We have people leave for a semester and then pop back up again," said he.

Bonnar hopes to keep volunteers around longer by creating a safe, comfortable environment for them to work in.

Bonnar is working with the University of Idaho Architecture program to help with designs for remodeling the living quarters below the Crisis line.

Bonnar also puts out a Crisis Line Chaos Newsletter, featuring articles like "Call of the Week" and "Stump the Volunteer."

"It's a way to keep everybody linked, to keep everyone positive."

There are also other opportunities for volunteering at the crisis line. There are several training meetings during the year, for which cooking and fundraising are other aspects of the volunteer process. "There's a wide variety of different paths for people to volunteer for," Bonnar said.




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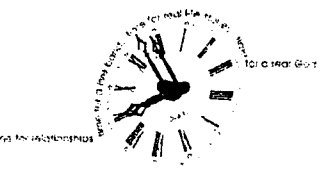
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# Former Enron CEO says he knew of no improper deals

BY CHRIS MONDICS AND DAVE MONTGOMERY  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

WASHINGTON — Former Enron Corp. chief executive Jeffrey Skilling told Congress on Thursday that he knew of nothing improper in the company's questionable deals and that he had no idea the energy giant was in danger of collapse when he quit last summer.

Skilling told skeptical members of a House subcommittee that the deals, as described to him by the executives who designed them, did not breach the company's conflict of interest rules and did not appear to be out of the ordinary.

"I was not aware of any arrangements to conceal liabilities," he said. "The financial statements issued by Enron reflected accurately the condition of the company as I understood it."

But two other Enron executives offered different accounts. Jeffrey McMahon, the chief operating officer, and Jordan Mintz, a senior lawyer, told the subcommittee they repeatedly tried to warn Skilling about potential conflicts in transactions between Enron and partnerships set up by Enron executives.

The testimony came on a day when several other executives who are key to unraveling the complicated web of transactions declined to testify, citing their Fifth Amendment right not to incriminate themselves.

Former chief financial officer Andrew Fastow, who created and managed many of the questionable partnerships, took the Fifth Amendment, as did former chief risk officer Richard Buy, former chief accounting officer Richard Causey and Michael J. Kopper, former managing director of Enron Global Finance.

Fastow and Kopper made at least \$40 million from the partnerships, and Causey and Buy both

had significant oversight responsibilities.

Skilling repeatedly told the lawmakers he thought the Houston-based energy company was in sound financial condition when he resigned Aug. 14, six months after he became CEO.

"On the day I left," he said, "I absolutely, unequivocally thought the company was in good shape."

Lawmakers challenged Skilling's assertions, citing a scathing internal report that said the company hid losses and overstated profits through more than 1,000 murky partnerships. Skilling, the report said, "certainly knew or should have known of the magnitude and the risks associated with these transactions."

"It is increasingly clear that this collapse was not brought about by the isolated acts of rogue employees," said Rep. James C. Greenwood, R-Pa., chairman of the House oversight and investigations subcommittee. "A disaster of this magnitude requires the complicity of more than a few bad apples. From senior managers, to corporate directors, to outside counsel and accountants, almost no one who had the power to sound the alarm . . . did so."

Skilling was asked repeatedly how he could have been unaware of the company's dire financial condition when he left. He said he was at a loss to explain the company's downfall, which ended Dec. 2 in bankruptcy.

"I can't for the life of me understand how we went from where I thought the company was to bankruptcy in such a short time," he said.

Mintz told the subcommittee he became aware of the problems involving several partnerships shortly after he joined the company as a general counsel in early 2000.

"As soon as I (arrived), I saw a lot of dysfunctionality," he said.

Mintz described his months-long effort to get Skilling and other senior executives to deal with potentially damaging conflicts of interest involving Enron partnerships set up by Fastow.

In a Dec. 7 memo to Causey and Buy, Mintz noted that documents given to potential investors emphasized that Enron executives who managed one partnership could use their insider knowledge of Enron to benefit the partnership.

Mintz's memo went on to suggest that the partnerships could have benefited at the expense of Enron and its shareholders.

Mintz said he was told that Fastow had Skilling's full backing.

McMahon told the committee that he, too, was troubled by Fastow's efforts to establish partnerships that did business with Enron, posing a conflict of interest for Fastow and other Enron employees.

McMahon said he told Fastow in early 2000 that a deal in which Enron proposed to buy out Kopper and a partner for \$10 million would be damaging to Enron.

Enron had established Chewco, the partnership involving Kopper, several years earlier to raise funds to protect the company against risky investments. McMahon said he complained to Fastow that the profit should have been no more than \$1 million.

In response, Fastow said he would take over the negotiations. McMahon testified he later learned that Enron had bought out the interests of Kopper and his partner for the original \$10 million.

McMahon, then the company's treasurer, said that during his talk with Skilling he issued an ultimatum: Fix the conflicts, or he would ask to be transferred to another position.

Shortly after the meeting, McMahon said, Fastow called him and said that because of his com-

plaints to Skilling, he was not sure the two could work together.

Skilling then proposed to transfer McMahon to another part of the company, an offer that McMahon accepted.

Evidence gathered by the subcommittee in recent weeks suggests Enron executives reaped millions in profits from the suspect deals while investors suffered huge losses.

"Mr. Fastow, aided by a number of the witnesses subpoenaed here today, shared in huge fees totaling tens of millions of dollars to arrange and participate in bizarre transactions that were, at the least, imprudent," Greenwood said. "At worst, (they were) contrary to the very interests of the company, shareholders and investors they were duty-bound to serve."

In other developments Thursday:

■ An Enron executive and a bookkeeper with the company's retirement plan sought to further explain a decision last year that prevented employees from selling company stock in their 401(k) accounts as the stock's price fell. The decision triggered intense criticism, but officials told a House committee that the freeze was needed to allow the company to switch to a new bookkeeper.

The company briefly considered postponing the freeze and allowing employees to withdraw funds, but determined that it was too late to stop the process.

■ A spokeswoman for Kenneth Lay said the former Enron chairman is "still discussing his approach" to a pair of subpoenas from congressional committees. The subpoenas, compelling Lay to appear next week, came after Lay declined to testify voluntarily. Kelly Kimberly said Lay is talking with his attorney about whether to answer questions or take the Fifth Amendment.



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## A cool cat survives three-week sea saga

BY MELISSA GRACE  
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

NEW YORK — Curiosity killed a cat — almost.

The latest twist on this age-old proverb happened last week at Berth 80 Maher Terminal on the waterfront in Newark, N.J.

It was there early Jan. 29 that a black cat was discovered — nearly frozen to death — in a huge refrigerated wine cargo container that had been shipped across the Atlantic from a vineyard in Italy's Tuscany region.

Surprised Marchesi Antinori Wines workers, who found the frost-covered feline when they opened the 1,200-case shipment, feared the worst. The 2-year-old, green-eyed male didn't move, didn't react to a flashlight and couldn't even be coaxed by a bowl

of milk. "Everyone thought he was dead," said Francine Bryan Brown, a spokeswoman for the wine importer.

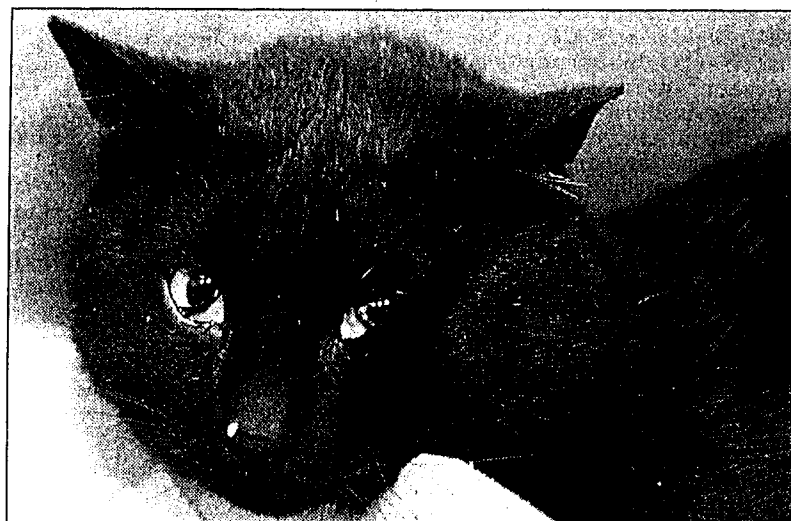
An animal rescue unit was called, and the cat — which was lucky despite the color of its coat — was ultimately revived. He's been recovering at Newark's Associated Humane Societies.

The workers who found him dubbed him Peppoli, for the brand of chianti that was in the container.

They said the cat may have been poking around in the container just before he was locked inside and the cargo ship set sail on the three-week Italy-to-New Jersey voyage.

Peppoli survived, they believe, on the condensation that can gather along the edge of the 40-foot-long container, which is kept at 55 degrees while at sea.

Wine company workers were trying to discover whether Peppoli — who was not wearing a collar — has an owner who



KEITH TORRIE / NEW YORK DAILY NEWS  
This black cat, now at the Newark, N.J., Humane Society, arrived in a shipment of wine from Tuscany, Italy. He was in the container for about three weeks.

misses him in Italy. If not, they said, they'll keep him. Cathy, 40, a wine warehouse dispatcher who didn't want her last name used, said, "This poor guy came over an ocean, sat in there for three weeks without food and water. I refuse to believe he came to America to be left in a shelter."

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- What office does Colin Powell currently hold? A) Secretary of State B) Chairman Joint Chief of Staff C) Senator of New York D) Secretary of Interior
- February was chosen for African American History Month because it marks the birthdays of which of these two influential people? A) Abraham Lincoln & Martin Luther King Jr. B) Malcom X & Colin Powell C) Frederick Douglass & Abraham Lincoln D) Rosa Parks & Harriet Tubman

**True or False**

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# OPINION

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**U-WIRE** — The staff at the Daily Bruin at University of California-Los Angeles is decrying the nomination of George W. Bush for a Nobel Prize. Nobel's will states the winner of the annual prize "shall have conferred the greatest benefit on mankind" or "shall have done the most or the best work for fraternity between nations, for the abolition or reduction of standing armies and for the holding and promotion of peace congresses."

He did attempt to "work for fraternity" after the Sept. 11 attacks by establishing coalitions with other nations in hope of carrying out a successful retaliation against terrorists. But as the war has dragged on, Bush's leadership has become more questionable. During his State of the Union address, for example, he referred to Iran, Iraq and North Korea as an "axis of evil" and intimated that the war on terrorism should be carried to these nations. The problem is other nations, including Russia, all of NATO and various Arab states, don't believe the military effort should extend beyond Afghanistan. As far as they are concerned, Bush can go at it alone — so much for "fraternity."

On Monday, President Bush sent Congress a \$2.1-trillion budget, fashioning the largest increase in military spending in two decades. The budget allocates a \$550 billion increase in defense spending during the next 10 years — all for the sake of "the war on terrorism." If Bush truly is concerned about enhancing world peace, he might consider using some of his bomb money to work on establishing economic stability in the countries he pillages. Afghanistan's total gross domestic product in 2000 was only \$21 billion — less than 4 percent of Bush's defense increase alone. If Bush really wants to root out the seeds of evil, perhaps he should do so by making Afghanistan an economically viable country — rather than one where citizens can be easily convinced into hating the United States because of their economic hardships. Only when Bush does this will he "have conferred the greatest benefit on mankind."

**U-WIRE** — The staff at the Arkansas Traveler at University of Arkansas opposes President Bush's plan to fund abstinence-only sex education in public high schools.

Schools aren't talking about responsible sex, and teen-agers aren't having responsible sex. America surpasses every other civilized country in the world in teen pregnancy, according to a study conducted by the U.S.-based Alan Guttmacher Institute, a nonprofit organization that focuses on sexual health research. Last fall, its study revealed that the U.S. birth rate for teens is at the same level as that of Great Britain in 1970.

Adolescents are not perfect; they are children making decisions that will affect them for the rest of their lives, and the government is refusing to give them the education or the tools to protect them from the dangers of sex because of a ludicrous notion that a classroom teacher could bestow moral virtue upon hormone-influenced teens.

Every person should take responsibility for their actions and should take into consideration the consequences of his or her actions. But schools are not only denying children protection, they aren't telling them the risks of their actions. That is true irresponsibility.

James Wagoner, Advocates for Youth president, promotes abstinence-plus programs that explain the effectiveness of abstinence and the use of contraceptives as well. He also finds it preposterous for the Bush administration to ignore the concerns of sexual health. "I find it stunning that an administration that touts the values of science when it comes environmental policy can't run fast enough away from science when it comes to sexual health," he said.

One-third of U.S. school districts teach an abstinence-only program. But the reality is half of all teen-agers have had sexual intercourse. The United States is the only country that has a formal policy promoting abstinence. The United States has the highest teen birth rate. Coincidence? Hardly.

The government is attempting to instill and preserve values of sexual responsibility in teen-agers by simply telling them, "No, no." But teens aren't saying, "No, no," and a high school health teacher's sermon will be the last thing on their minds after prom or at a party. But they'll remember that they have a condom in their purse or wallet and use it.

Thompson said he would cut funding when he saw the results of studies because he is "a results-oriented kind of person."

Almost one million pregnant teens seems like a visible result of funding for abstinence-only programs.

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**OUR VIEW**

## Stop the bombs

*Air strikes were not as precise as possible*

Nearly five months after the World Trade Towers collapsed following a devastating terrorist attack, the hostilities in Afghanistan seem to be drawing to a close. The Taliban is out of power, and members of al Qaeda are on the run and seemingly unable to carry out any more attacks.

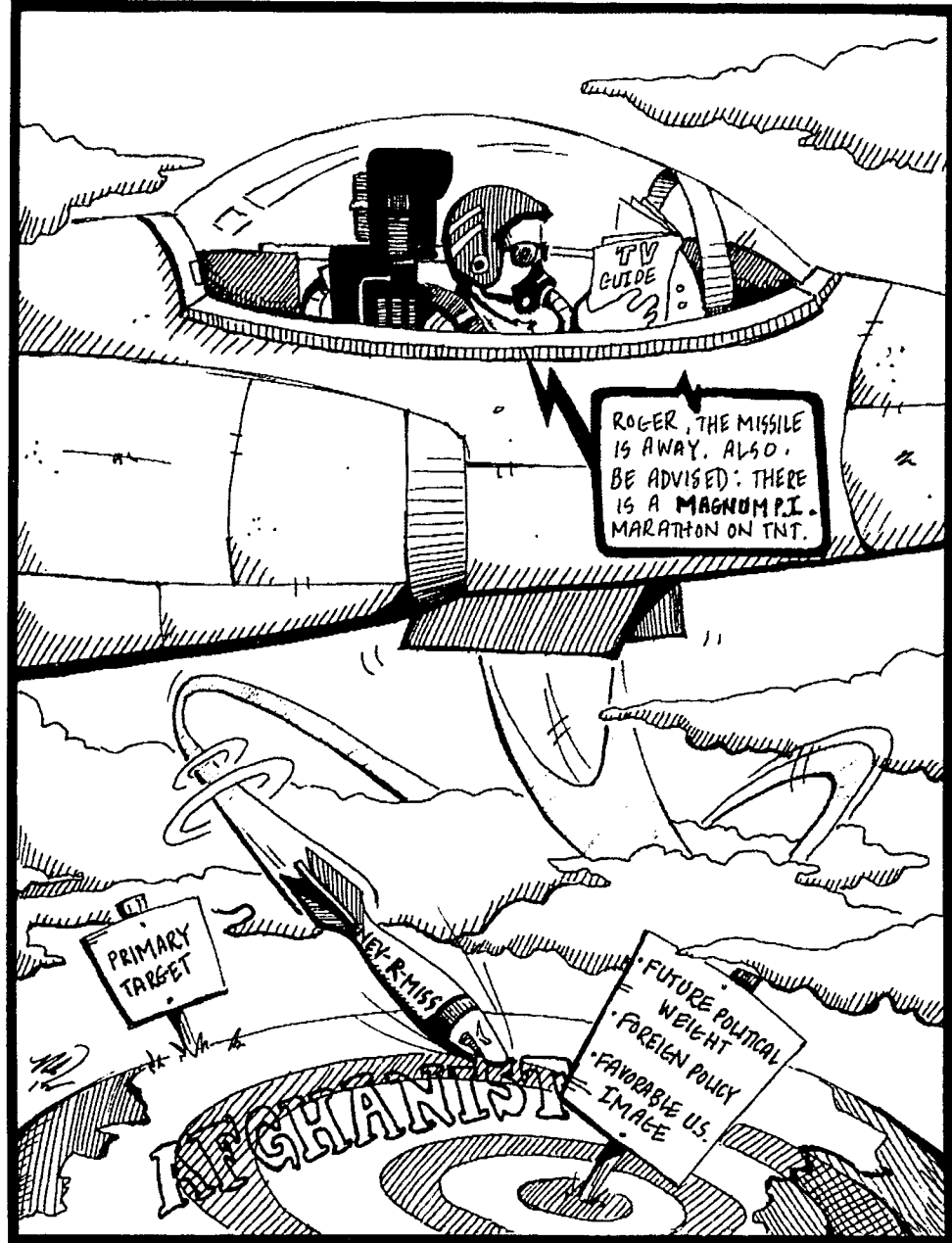
Any military power our foes once had has been smashed, but U.S. casualties have been remarkably light. Once again, the world has learned American forces are always ready to carry out the will of our nation and retribution is swift and overwhelming.

But it's not always accurate. Although our weapons are capable of pinpoint accuracy, and although these weapons have been used to great effect in Afghanistan, our military still makes mistakes that result in the loss of innocent lives.

Most recently, an Afghan village was incorrectly identified as containing Taliban and al Qaeda members. All 27 detainees captured in the raid were released after Afghan and American troops realized and admitted the error. To mend the damage done, the CIA has paid family members of those mistakenly killed in the raid a bounty of \$1,000 (after all, there is a recession on).

In another incident, American planes attacked a convoy that trusted Afghan forces identified as Taliban. After the attack, some Afghan officials wondered about the authenticity of that intelligence, and word surfaced that the convoy was actually a group of anti-Taliban leaders headed for the inaugural party of interim Afghan leader Hamid Karzai. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld stuck by the initial intelligence and defended the attack.

Recently, the U.S. military has back-



NOAH KROESE / ARGONAUT

tracked on the issue, admitting that the intelligence was unfounded. The people killed in the attack were indeed anti-Taliban leaders headed for the inauguration. Most likely, the sources who tipped off American forces about the convoy, although they were opposed to the Taliban, were seeking to wipe out all opposition to their own presence. Afghanistan clearly is not a case of "us against them."

Instead, it is a region rife with complex and age-old rivalries. American military planners hoped they could use these rivalries to their advantage, but in this case our forces have been used to further someone else's selfish priorities.

These recent disclosures say a lot about what is actually going on in Afghanistan. If the world is to have any hope of creating a peaceful Afghanistan, the American military needs to take a hard look at the impact it is having on Afghan people.

We need to slow down and gain a better understanding of the tribal factions there. We should respect the sanctity of innocent Afghan lives as much as we respect the sanctity of our own. Until that happens, perhaps further military operations in the country should be suspended.

E. R. L.

## Lindh should face the music

As the war on terrorism draws on, it seems that more and more people have more and more little quirks to complain about.

People's complaints range from our seemingly futile attempts to "get" Osama bin Laden all the way to the argument that the Bush administration is using the war as an excuse or maybe just a distraction from the "Bushisms" President Bush has become known for.



WILL PAYNE  
Columnist

A lot of these complaints are completely justified, and the questions they bring up definitely deserve attention and answers. But it seems there is another issue going on right beneath our noses.

John Walker Lindh was indicted Tuesday for his involvement with the Taliban, and unlike chasing Osama bin Laden and complaining about Bush's verbal blunders, not quite so many people seem to have outspoken opinions about Lindh and the charges against him, which could possibly lead to life in prison or even the death penalty.

The cause of silence goes straight to an apparent conflict in ideals. On one hand, we have the fact that Lindh, an American, supported the Taliban.

We have his family's emotional side of the story, which paints a picture of an innocent boy seeking religion who was simply fighting for what he believed without any intent of killing or being involved with the killing of Americans.

The first ideal is that of the desire to see justice served, the second grace for a prodigal son. The latter might not seem to carry much weight. In a court of law, it doesn't. But it's the one thing, the one ideal we all carry in one way or another, that has kept a lot of mouths that would normally be spouting off about what should be done closed.

According to www.cnn.com, Lindh's indictments include "conspiracy to contribute services to al Qaeda, contributing services to al Qaeda, conspiracy to supply services to the Taliban and using and carrying firearms and destructive devices during crimes of violence."

The evidence is blatantly strong in support of these indictments. The chances of Lindh going free anytime soon are next to nothing.

But still, the simple concept of grace looms overhead, and that conflict has left a lot of people silent. It's obvious what needs to be done. Lindh must be held accountable for his actions. But it's not quite so obvious as to what we should think as individuals and how we should feel. Grace and justice: You can't have one and the other at the same time.

But that simple desire for grace is always present. People want to believe he didn't know what he was getting into. People don't want to think he knew exactly what he was doing. It's easier that way.

We all put ourselves in his shoes at least for a moment. Not as a criminal, but as a man, and in that moment it's hard for us to picture ourselves as any better. We may not have aided terrorists, but the reality of our own imperfections sometimes just keeps our mouths closed. Does Lindh deserve everything that could be coming his way? I don't know. However, I do know that compassion does not negate action, regardless of circumstance. If Lindh is guilty of a crime, he needs to pay the consequences, even if he had no idea what he was getting into. Ignorance of one's actions is never an excuse.

Each individual is responsible for what they are doing and to understand the consequences. Justice is the only conclusion that will ever bring appropriate closure to this odd twist to the war on terror.



MUCHIRA

"The wrong people are getting killed. America should not be fighting terrorism just in anger; they need to do it in a tactful way."

Tim Muchira  
senior  
Kenya



ALBERTSON

"I think they are still very effective because of the capture of several Taliban leaders so far and because bin Laden has been very low-key."

B. J. Albertson  
freshman  
Lakeview, Ore.



TSCHIDA

"I think it's still pretty effective. This stuff is expected to happen since it's a war. I think we're still reaching our goals."

Riley Tschida  
freshman  
John Day, Ore.

**QUESTION**

**Do you feel that the American forces have been effective in the war on terror despite recent mistakes?**



HOLMBERG

"Yes, because unfortunately innocent people are taken in any war, so you have to look at the big picture."

Sandra Holmberg  
junior  
Everly, Iowa



MULLIGAN

"No, because to truly fight terrorism, you have to be able to fight the ones who are responsible. They are fighting all of the people in Afghanistan in general."

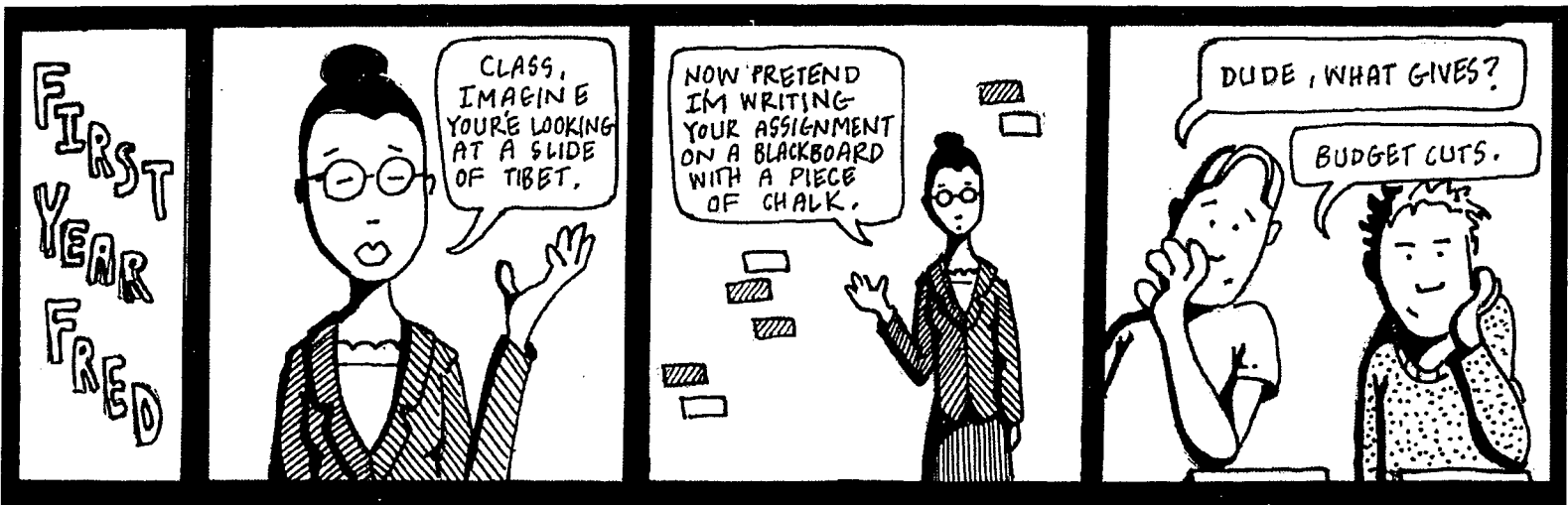
Shaun Mulligan  
freshman  
Clarkston, Wash.



JENKINSON

"The war on terror begins in our own homes by buying local products that don't exploit third-world nations and by fighting terrorism together."

Robin Jenkinson  
graduate  
Moscow



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## Today

The jazz bands and choirs will perform tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Lionel Hampton School of Music recital hall. Tickets are available at the door. Admission prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children, students and senior citizens.

**Jim West**, a Los Angeles producer/composer/musician and guitarist with Weir Al Yankovic, will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Lewis-Clark State College Silverthorne Theater.

## Monday

"My Fair Lady" will be performed at WSU's Beasley Coliseum at 7:30 p.m. In conjunction with the performance, Festival Dance will also be having a silent auction where members of the audience will be able to bid on items before and during the intermission. The funds will benefit Festival Dance Education Programs.

Tickets are \$20 and \$25 for adults, \$16 and \$20 for students and \$12 and \$16 for children 12 and under. All tickets in the first seven rows are \$32. Tickets are available at the Beasley Box Office and The Depot in Pullman, at the UI North Campus Center in Moscow, Albertsons in Lewiston, and all G&B Select-A-Seat locations. For more information or to contribute, call (208) 885-3267.

## Wednesday

The cello and bass choir will perform at 8 p.m. in the Lionel Hampton School of Music Recital Hall on Feb. 13.

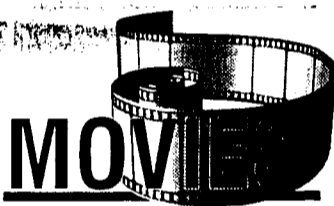
## Thursday

The symphony orchestra will perform at 8 p.m. in the Lionel Hampton School of Music recital hall. Tickets are available at the door. Admission prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children, students and senior citizens.

**Sir-Mix-A-Lot** will perform at CJ's. Tickets can be purchased early at [www.ticketswest.com](http://www.ticketswest.com). They are \$13.00 in advance and \$15.00 at the door. There will be a meet and greet after the show with autograph signings. Doors open at 7 p.m.

## Feb. 15

The Lark Quartet will perform at the University Auditorium as part of the Auditorium Chamber Music Series at 8 p.m. Contact the UI Ticket Office (885-7212) for ticket information.



## In theaters next week

Opening Feb. 15

**HART'S WAR** - Bruce Willis may be stuck in a German POW camp, but he's a hero. So, with the aid of photogenic Colin Farrell, he hatches a plan to blow up a munitions plant.

**JOHN Q** - Denzel Washington's son needs a heart transplant to live. But the system's all fouled up. So Denzel gets hostile and takes the emergency room hostage. Uh-oh.

**IRIS** - The performances in this look at the life of the writer Iris Murdoch are being hailed as among the best of the year. Judi Dench, Jim Broadbent and Kate Winslet star.

**CROSSROADS** - Britney Spears grows up and stars in her very first movie.

**SUPER TROOPERS** - Vermont lawmen act improperly on - and off - the highway.

**RETURN TO NEVER LAND** - Now here's something a parent can hug. Peter Pan returns.

Source: Charles Ealy, Dallas Morning News

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## Top country albums

1. Drive, Alan Jackson
2. O Brother, Where Art Thou?, Soundtrack
3. Scarecrow, Garth Brooks
4. Pull My Chain, Toby Keith
5. Set This Circus Down, Tim McGraw
6. The Great Divide, Willie Nelson
7. Coyote Ugly, Soundtrack
8. Blue Moon, Steve Holy
9. Rascal Flatts, Rascal Flatts
10. Greatest Hits, Martina McBride

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BRIAN PASSEY / ARGONAUT  
Jack Johnson, top right and bottom right, performs Thursday evening at Washington State University's Beasley Coliseum with drummer Adam Topol, center, and bassist Merlo, left. Musician Howie Day was the opening act. Johnson's performance was preceded by a film he made on surfing.

## Jack Johnson goes crowd surfing

BY CHRIS KORNELIS  
ASSISTANT A&E EDITOR

Jack Johnson sent a surge of emotion through Pullman's Beasley Coliseum Wednesday. He treated fans to songs from his debut album "Brushfire Fairytales" as well as some unreleased tracks and cover tunes. Johnson shared the stage with Howie Day.

Johnson, who got his start directing and scoring surf films, showed one of his films before either of the acts took the stage.

The film was exciting at first, taking the viewers all around the world as the surfers explored different surfing paradises.

But after 15 or 20 minutes of the 40-minute video, the crowd became restless, calling out for the music they paid to see.

As the film drew to a close, there was some booing and a few unflattering remarks. It was an excellent and impressive video, just the wrong setting for the audience.

Following the film was Howie Day, the young guitar player from

the East Coast. Day was received warmly by the fans who were obviously impressed by his ability to loop tracks and make a larger sound than one would expect with just a man and his guitar.

Johnson's presence on the stage was met with a loud roar from an obviously enthusiastic crowd. Johnson would not let the crowd down. For the next 90 minutes, Johnson played song after song impressing the crowd with his amazing sound and unique stage presence.

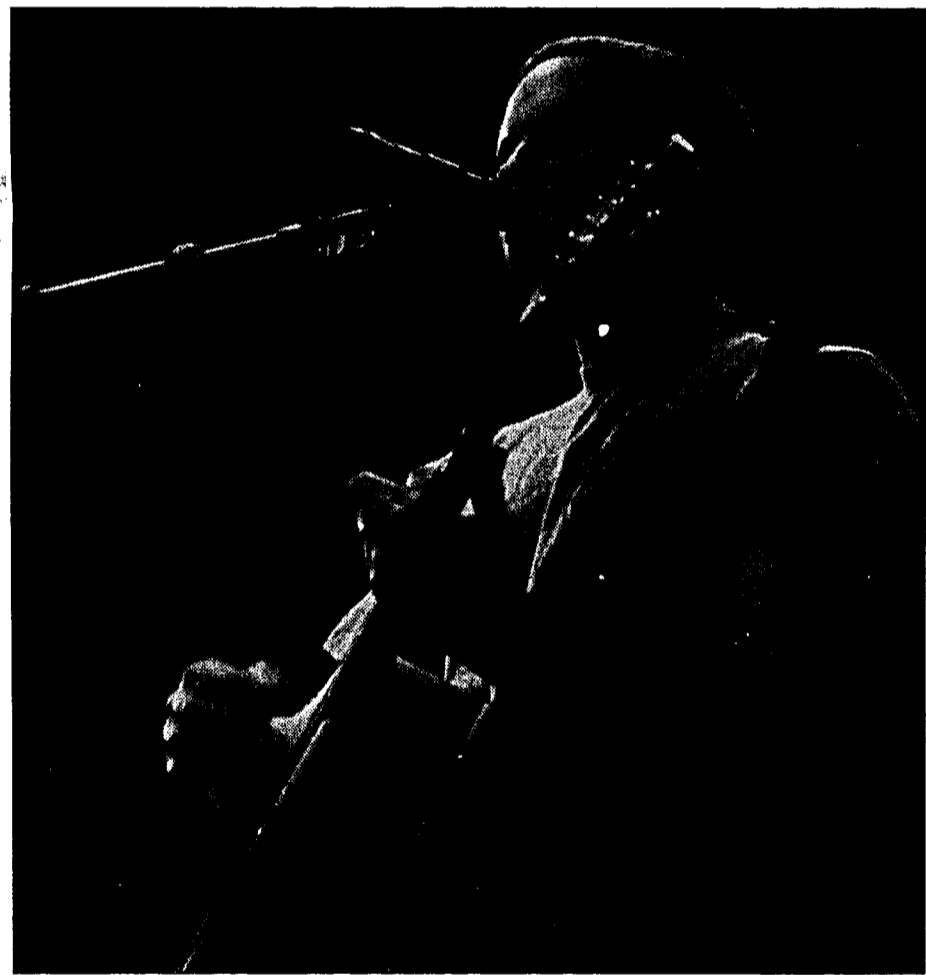
After playing songs from "Brushfire Fairytales," including "Sexi Plexi" and "Fortunate Pool," the crowd got more and more into the music. It wasn't until halfway through the show, when Johnson played the crowd favorite "Bubble Toes," that the crowd became enchanted by the words and music of Johnson and bandmates Merlo and Adam Topol.

Following the band's set, Johnson came on stage solo to perform acoustic songs. The three-song set included the haunting song "The News." Written before Sept. 11, the song is very appropriate for what has been happening in the news these last several months.

Back with his band for a two-song encore, Johnson sent fans away amazed and made fans out of skeptics.



JOHNSON



## Howie Day brightens up the night

BY CHRIS KORNELIS  
ASSISTANT A&E EDITOR

Only a handful of lucky fans were in attendance Tuesday when Howie Day performed a two-hour set of tunes at WSU's intimate Wadleigh theatre. Day's tunes were as exciting as they were impressive.

Performing alone, Day used many different looping devices and effects pedals to give the feeling that he was larger than he appeared. Incorporating riffs from bands such as The Smashing Pumpkins' "Today" as well as harmonizing with himself, Day builds layer upon layer, creating a sound that is most often found in the studio, not in a live show.

At the age of 21, Day has mastered the art of filling a room with himself through his music, stage presence and his ability as one person to put out the energy of an entire band.

One of the most impressive aspects of Day's live show is that he throws so much emotion into his music. His songs, which often tell a story, appear to be very personal to him, and that is very apparent in his live show. Day is one of the few performers who is able to capture the best of both worlds in his live show with the



DAY

"I've been playing ('The Drugs Don't Work') since I was 17."

HOWIE DAY  
MUSICIAN

crisp sound of a studio recording in a live environment that is full of energy.

Day's show, however impressive, had a tendency to drag on at times with a feeling of monotony. Part way through his set, Day covered the Verve's "The Drugs Don't Work," a song Day told the Argonaut he has "been playing since I was 17." Hearing "The Drugs Don't Work" filled in a lot of the blanks as to why Day's songs all sound the way they do, and as time went on, each song sounded more and more like the Verve's piece.

Day is still young and full of potential. As time goes on and as he goes on to make more albums, hopefully he will branch out as a songwriter and be able to establish himself with his own sound.

Day's own sound may become apparent when he begins work on his new album. He said he hopes his new album will be "different, with better lyrics." Also in Day's plans for the future is a European tour this March, opening for Heather Nova.



# Oscar nominations get an early start

BY MOIRA MACDONALD  
THE SEATTLE TIMES

Set your alarms, Oscar watchers: The nominations for the 74th annual Academy Awards will be announced Tuesday morning, at the ungodly hour of 5:30 a.m.

Marcia Gay Harden, last year's best-supporting-actress winner, has the unenviable duty of being in full hair and makeup before dawn to announce the nominees alongside academy President Frank Pierson.

Expect numerous nominations for Ron Howard's "A Beautiful Mind," the year's most-likely "Oscar movie" - it's comfortably made-in-Hollywood, with an impeccable cast and an inspiring story of triumph over adversity, and is the sort of old-fashioned movie-making that Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences members like to reward. (It should be noted here that academy voters, made up primarily of people who actually live and work in Hollywood, tend to vote a little differently from film critics and audiences, taking into consideration not only the film's merits, but such factors as popularity, he-was-robbed-last-year and studio publicity campaigns.)

Also expected to receive multiple nominations are "In the Bedroom," "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring," and "Gosford Park." All were praised by critics and audiences, all have strong studio backing, all have distinguished themselves in end-of-year awards.

So, on to specifics. The predictions below were chosen via a combination of pre-Oscar award recognition, general buzz and my own intuitive (and, sadly, not always reliable) hunches. For convenience, the hopefuls are ranked in three categories.

## BEST PICTURE

Sure things: Popular favorite "A Beautiful Mind" and critics' darling "In the Bedroom" will be on the ballot; slightly less certain but still extremely likely is "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring."

Wild cards: Well within range are Robert Altman's elegant "Gosford Park," Baz Luhrmann's love-it-or-hate-it "Moulin Rouge" and David

Lynch's wonderfully weird "Mulholland Drive." More remote, but still possible, are "Amelie," "Shrek," and current box-office hit "Black Hawk Down."

Alas, no way: Too small, too weird, released too long ago - but let's have a moment of silence for the deliciously twisty "Memento."

## BEST ACTRESS

Sure things: Sissy Spacek, "In the Bedroom," and Halle Berry, "Monster's Ball." Personally, I can't wait to see Halle's Oscar dress.

Wild cards: In descending order of likelihood, Nicole Kidman, "The Others" (probably not "Moulin Rouge"); Judi Dench, "Iris"; Renee Zellweger, "Bridget Jones's Diary"; Naomi Watts, "Mulholland Drive"; Tilda Swinton, "The Deep End"; Stockard Channing, "The Business of Strangers."

Alas, no way: Julia Blake in "Innocence" and Charlotte Rampling in "Under the Sand" gave beautifully complex, mature performances - but in tiny, non-American films.

## BEST ACTOR

Sure things: Russell Crowe, who's rapidly becoming the Tom Hanks of the new millennium, is a safe bet for "A Beautiful Mind." Also predictable: the four-times nominated Denzel Washington for "Training Day."

Wild cards: Tom Wilkinson, "In the Bedroom"; Will Smith, "Ali"; Billy Bob Thornton, "The Man Who Wasn't There"; Gene Hackman, "The Royal Tenenbaums"; Sean Penn, "I Am Sam." Also, as the wildest of wild cards (although his Golden Globe nomination gives him more of a shot), John Cameron Mitchell for "Hedwig and the Angry Inch."

Alas, no way: The fine gentlemen mentioned above are likely to crowd out the lesser-known Anthony LaPaglia, who in "Lantana" gives an absolutely devastating portrait of a troubled husband.

## BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

Sure things: Jennifer Connelly, who recently won the Golden Globe for "A Beautiful Mind," has the most momentum. Also more-than-likely: Kate Winslet for "Iris," and at least one of the splendid Brits

in "Gosford Park" - Maggie Smith, Helen Mirren, Kristin Scott Thomas.

Wild cards: Marisa Tomei, "In the Bedroom"; Judi Dench, "The Shipping News"; Cate Blanchett, "Bandits" or "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring."

Alas, no way: Wouldn't it be fun to watch Emma Watson, from "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," give an acceptance speech? Don't bet on it, though.

## BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR

Sure things: Jim Broadbent, who won the Golden Globe for "Iris" but was also memorable this year in "Bridget Jones's Diary" and "Moulin Rouge" is a safe bet, as is Ben Kingsley's wondrously malevolent performance in "Sexy Beast" and, if enough Academy voters saw him, Steve Buscemi in "Ghost World."

Wild cards: Ian McKellen, "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring" could snag a nomination here, as could Jon Voight for "Ali" (no, not for "Tomb Raider"), Jude Law for "A.I." and the soon-to-be-Skywalker Hayden Christensen for "Life As a House."

Alas, no way: As I suspected last summer, everyone's forgotten the wonderfully reptilian Hugh Grant in "Bridget Jones's Diary." Sigh.

## BEST DIRECTOR

Sure things: Ron Howard for "A Beautiful Mind"; Peter Jackson for "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring"; Robert Altman for "Gosford Park."

Wild cards: Although his "In the Bedroom" should be a major Oscar force, Todd Field may be too much of a newcomer to score in this category. Taking his slot might be Baz Luhrmann for "Moulin Rouge," two-time directing nominee David Lynch for "Mulholland Drive," Ridley Scott for "Black Hawk Down," or Jean-Pierre Jeunet, "Amelie."

Alas, no way: John Cameron Mitchell, who brought such ferocious energy and style to

"Hedwig and the Angry Inch." **BEST ADAPTED SCREENPLAY**

Sure things: Despite some controversy over exactly how closely Akiva Goldman's screenplay for "A Beautiful Mind" followed Sylvia Nasar's biography of John Nash, expect him to be cited here, along with Todd Field and Rob Festinger for "In the Bedroom" and Peter Jackson, Fran Walsh and Philippa Boyens for "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring."

Wild cards: The well-respected Steve Kloves may get a nod for "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," Terry Zwigoff and Daniel Clowes for "Ghost World," Robert Nelson Jacobs for "The Shipping News," and "Bridget Jones's Diary," for which Helen Fielding adapted her own wildly popular novel.

Alas, no way: Ted Griffin's breezy, smart script for "Ocean's Eleven" may be overlooked, because he and Steven Soderbergh made it all look so easy.

## BEST SCREENPLAY WRITTEN DIRECTLY FOR THE SCREEN

Sure things: "Gosford Park," written by Julian Fellowes; "Mulholland Drive," written by David Lynch. Also, save a spot for two-time screenplay nominees Joel and Ethan Coen for "The Man Who Wasn't There."

Wild cards: "Memento" may get tossed a bone here for writer/director Christopher Nolan. Jean-Pierre Jeunet and Guillaume Laurant's whimsical "Amelie" could sneak in here, as could Wes Anderson and Owen Wilson's cool-but-sweet "The Royal Tenenbaums." And "Moulin Rouge," which may get shut out of the big categories, might get a nomination here for Baz Luhrmann and Craig Pearce.

Alas, no way: The quartet of French writers who crafted "Under the Sand" deserve mention here - but aren't likely to get mentioned Tuesday.

# Hiding in the 'Real World'

I'll be the first to admit that Tonya is not my favorite cast member of "The Real World: Chicago." It's nothing personal, I just connect with other cast members better than a close-minded person from Walla Walla, Wash.

But even though I'd don't relate to her, I'd like to meet her. I want to talk to her. And being the journalist-in-training I am, I want to interview her. The story is that Tonya supposedly lives among us. I was told, and it's now pretty much common knowledge, that she works at a local retail store.

So the big question is, What the hell is she doing in Moscow? I've never been to Walla Walla, but I've heard it smells like onions, so that could be one reason she's here.

I don't intend to ask Tonya about the intricacies of RW's plot. What fun would that be? I like the suspense, the fights, the gnashing of teeth and so forth. And besides, she's probably got binding legal documents preventing her from talking about the twists of turns in the Windy City.



DAVID  
Editor in chief  
Dave's columns appear regularly in the Argonaut. His e-mail address is argonaut@sunstate.edu.

But legal issues or not, she's out there. I've seen her with my own two eyes. She does, in fact, exist here on the Palouse. Twice I saw her. That hairdo is unmistakable. Her employer probably got a little curi-

ous when I would show up in the juniors department, with me and my 6-foot-4 frame, and the fact I was shopping for young women's clothing.

But she's since disappeared. Believe me, I've been watching for her. So, Tonya, talk to us, tell us your story. Tell us why black people intimidate you and why you think homosexuals do a lot of drugs and lead sinful lives. And by all means, tell us where you came up with this stuff.

I'll be waiting for your call.

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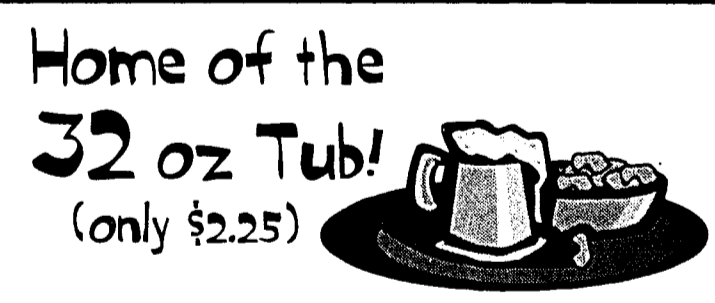
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Rod Bryant	CB	6-1	180
Kody Kraus	DE	6-3	228
Darryl Murphy	CB	5-11	185
Kelly Nead	DE	6-4	236
Robert Ortega	CB	6-1	200
Johnny Parra	DT	6-3	310
Shung Peoples	TB	5-10	182
J.R. Ruffin	CB	6-1	190
Malfred Shaw	TB	5-10	207
Cedric Thompson	WR	5-8	175

### High school recruits

	K/P	Ht.	Wt.
Mike Barrow	K/P	5-11	165
Robert Davis	S	6-4	195
Keith Greer	TE	6-2	250
Brandon Mascorro	WR	5-9	170
Matt Newell	OL	6-8	285
Wendell Octave	WR	6-1	185
Nick Pilon	DE	6-4	231
Andrew Stobart	FB	6-2	310
Jade Tadvick	DT	6-5	298
Kelly Talavou	DT	6-2	310
Hank Therien	OL	6-7	318
Nate VanderPol	OL	6-6	290
Jaron Williams	LB	6-1	200
Geoff Zuber	DT	6-4	280

## Soccer RECRUITS

Kayla Constable	Midfield
Amanda Findlay	Defender
Adriane Kehl	Forward
Lindsay Smith	Goalkeeper
Alyson South	Forward
Caitlyn Wicks	Midfield/Defender

## Top 25 COACHES' POLL

- Duke** 20-1  
Last Week: def. North Carolina 87-58, Def. Clemson 98-88
- Kansas** 19-2  
Last Week: def. Missouri 105-73, Def. Colorado 100-73
- Maryland** 18-3  
Last Week: def. Virginia 91-87, Def. Carolina St 89-73
- Oklahoma** 17-3  
Last Week: def. Oklahoma St 58-53, def. Texas 85-84
- Cincinnati** 20-2  
Last Week: def. East Carolina 75-48, Lost to Marquette 74-60
- Alabama** 19-3  
Last Week: def. Arkansas 109-94, def. LSU 57-48
- Florida** 16-4  
Last Week: Lost to Kentucky 70-68, def. Mississippi St 76-48
- Virginia** 14-5  
Last Week: Lost to Maryland 91-87, Lost to Missouri 81-77
- Kentucky** 15-5  
Last Week: def. Florida 70-68, def. South Carolina 91-74
- Gonzaga** 20-3  
Last Week: def. Portland 102-67, def. Portland 94-80
- Miami Fla** 19-3  
Last Week: Lost to Boston College 70-65, def. Connecticut 68-66
- Oklahoma St** 17-5  
Last Week: Lost to Oklahoma 58-53, Lost to Kansas St 70-61
- Arizona** 15-6  
Last Week: def. California 68-58, def. Stanford 88-82
- Illinois** 15-7  
Last Week: Lost to Ohio St 78-67, Lost to Michigan St 67-61
- Oregon** 17-5  
Last Week: def. UCLA 91-62, def. USC 73-69
- Wake Forest** 16-6  
Last Week: def. Carolina St 82-81, def. Florida St 89-80
- Syracuse** 17-6  
Last Week: Lost to Georgetown 75-60, Lost to Rutgers 82-74
- UCLA** 15-6  
Last Week: Lost to Oregon 91-62, def. Oregon St 70-48
- Georgia** 17-5  
Last Week: Lost to South Carolina 80-67, def. Mississippi 79-72
- Stanford** 13-6  
Last Week: def. Arizona St 90-81, Lost to Arizona 88-82
- Pittsburgh** 19-4  
Last Week: Lost to Notre Dame 89-76, def. Villanova 71-59
- Ohio St** 17-3  
Last Week: def. Illinois 78-67, def. Northwestern 58-57
- Marquette** 19-3  
Last Week: def. Tulane 68-66, def. Cincinnati 74-60
- USC** 16-5  
Last Week: def. Oregon St 64-51, Lost to Oregon 73-69
- Texas Tech** 16-4  
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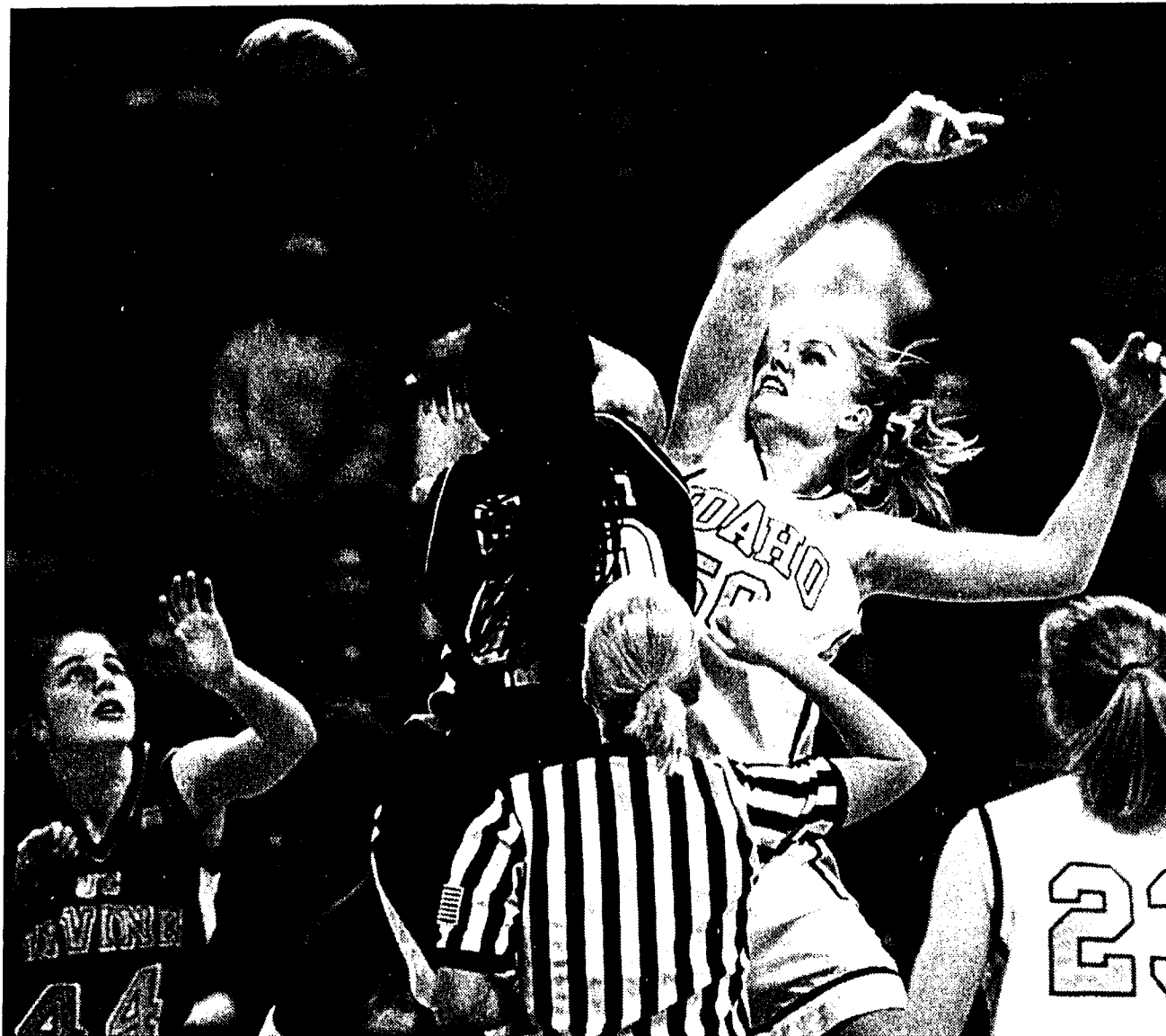
## BIG WEST LEADERS SET FOR REMATCH THIS WEEK

The top two men's teams in the Big West Conference will face each other this Saturday night as Utah State faces UC Irvine in the Bren Events Center. One game separates these teams in the league standings. The game is also the Game of the Week on KDOC-TV.

The last time these two teams met was on January 10 in front of a live national audience with Jerry Green's driving layup being the difference in a 67-66 win for UCI. Last year, the season series was split.

# ARGONAUT SPORTS

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Julie Wynstra (No. 50) fights for the ball against a UC Irvine player. The Vandals won 72-67.

## Vandals top Anteaters

BY BRIAN ARMSTRONG  
ARGONAUT STAFF

The Vandal women's basketball team pulled off a big win against the UC Irvine Anteaters Thursday night with a score of 72-67, thanks to a career night from senior Darci Pemberton.

The game began as a back-and-forth affair until the Anteaters opened up a 22-6 run early in the first half, stretching their lead to as much as 16 points. However, the Vandals kept themselves in the game by responding with a run of their own to close out the period, scoring 13 points to Irvine's two. At the break, they were down only seven points, 37-30.

The Anteaters defense gave the Vandals some trouble in the first half, as they applied a tight man-to-man scheme. UI turned over the ball 10 times to the quick hands of the Irvine guards.

Darci Pemberton played the best first half of her career, scoring 16 points on 5-9 shooting, with four rebounds, and two steals. Pemberton also hit two three-pointers and all four of her free throw

attempts.

The second half was almost all UI, as the Vandals opened up a 16-2 run putting the Vandals ahead by the score 54-47 mid way through the half.

Irvine got the game close again at 61-58, before Meg LeBlanc hit her third three-pointer of the game followed by a driving lay-in by Pemberton to put the Vandals back up by eight points.

Julie Wynstra made a big turnaround jumper with one minute left in the game, and Irvine made a basket on their next trip down the floor, but then had to foul the Vandals to stop the clock.

Jennifer Schooler went to the line and made two free throws to put the Vandals up 70-65 with 25 seconds left in the game.

Each team scored one more time before the final buzzer sounded, and the Vandals won the game 72-67.

Pemberton followed up her outstanding first half with an even better second half, scoring 17 more points to finish with a career high 33. She also ended the game with 11 rebounds, completing the double-double. Pemberton filled every cate-

gory on the stat sheet piling up three assists, two blocks, and three steals in 38 minutes of play.

Meg LeBlanc finished the game with 13 points, 11 of them coming in the second half. She also had three blocks and five rebounds.

"Darci started penetrating and got their defense concerned about her, so she just looked outside and found Meg who hit some big shots for us," head coach Mike Divilbiss said.

Julie Wynstra scored 12 points and pulled down six rebounds. Keisha Moore grabbed eight boards and scored six points.

The Vandals out-rebounded Irvine 41-25, and shot 59 percent from the floor in the second half, as they continue to be impressive despite being shorthanded.

On another note, Jennifer Schooler came two assists closer to moving into the Vandals' top-ten all time list for most assists in a season, as she needs just three more to reach that goal.

Idaho improves to 9-13 overall and 3-8 in conference, as UC Irvine falls to 7-15 and 4-7 in conference play.

## Hanging on to the glory years

Huffing and Puffing. Dragging feet. Blood, sweat and wheezing. Hacks. Flops. Showboating, or at least attempts at showboating. Whining, scratching, and occasionally even all-out tackling.

While the last paragraph very well could have been describing the mosh pit at most rock concerts these days, it is actually describing intramural basketball at the University of Idaho.

Intramural basketball is a way for many students to regain their fading glory years. Or, for those of us who never had glory years, it's a chance to finally attain them.

It could also be the last time that some students will have the chance to play under the guidance of referees. You wouldn't know it, however, from the way most intramural players treat these referees.

I'm currently in the middle of my second intramural basketball season at UI, and I think it is a great way to stay in shape and enjoy a wonderful game. It takes a lot of the fun out of it, though, when players who really have no business even being on the court act as if they're playing in the seventh game of the NBA Finals.

These players, and you know who you are, usually complain about every single foul or traveling violation that is called. Moreover, they often blame their own athletic inadequacies on the nearest outlet, which is usually the referee.

Granted, the referees appointed for UI's intramural basketball games aren't exactly perfect. Let's cut these guys some slack, though. Intramural games should be fun and physically beneficial activities that help students relax, not the gruesome foul-fests they sometimes turn into.

Don't get me wrong, though. I'm not out to take the competitiveness out of basketball. I may be a 5-foot-7-inch, 145-pound point guard with no hops and a penchant for turning the ball over, but I want to win as much as anybody.

However, I'm sick and tired of hearing skinny, whiny pretty boys complain to intramural referees that "the sun was in my eyes," or that "the ball is a tad over-inflated." Ok, maybe they don't say those things exactly, but you get my drift.

Just because you see Tracy McGrady or Allen Iverson arguing with referees on Tuesday night NBA basketball on the Superstation, that doesn't give you the right to do it to your fellow students that have chosen to referee your games.

After all, McGrady and Iverson have a lot more riding on their respective games than UI students do on their games, unless your entire semester is ruined by not receiving an intramural champion tee-shirt. C'mon folks, let's be serious.

I'm not saying I don't lose my cool now and then, either. Sometimes I get upset with the referees, and I'd like to think that my peers would hold me accountable for that, letting me know when I am out of line. I'll do the same for you. That's called sportsmanship. Try it, it's cool.



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## Vandals prepare for next season

BY NATHAN JERKE  
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Many people went on through Wednesday without even a second thought about it being a national holiday, National Letter of Intent Day.

Though it's not recognized by the government, it is one of the largest days for universities across the country who are planning for the next season.

UI celebrated the occasion with a gathering of faculty, alumni and fans at University Inn to announce the newest members of the University of Idaho football and women's soccer teams.

"We're very fired up; we know our future is grand. We'll get through the tough times," UI head football coach Tom Cable said. "That's what makes you a great champion — you can survive the tough times."

The women's soccer coach Larry Foster also announced the newest additions to his team. In a year where UI saw the first group of soccer player's graduate, the need for some replacements at key positions was realized.

But improving over last season's mark of 9-8-3 is the overall goal of Foster and UI soccer.

"We're feeling pretty great with what we signed," Foster said. "It would be nice to have one more defender, but with the players we have returning for next year we're absolutely solid."

Coming to UI are six proven players that will make a difference immediately. Alyson South and Adriane Kehl come in

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UI HEAD FOOTBALL COACH

as forwards, Kayla Constable and Caitlyn Wicks as midfielders, Amanda Findlay as a defender, and Lindsay Smith comes in as a goalkeeper.

All the girls with the exception of Findlay are from the Northwest; Kehl and Constable come from the Spokane area and South is the lone Idahoan, from Boise.

"We're really, really proud and pleased with this recruiting class," Foster said.

The main focus of the day however, was on the football team. Cable got a warm reception from the crowd as he took the podium to announce his new players.

The goal for Cable and his crew was to find a defense that could match the productivity of the potent offense, and he

feels they accomplished that goal. Fourteen high school graduates and 11 junior college transfers will come into Moscow next season to help improve on a dismal 1-10 football season.

"At the end of last season I said this team had to change, we had to change our characteristics and our attitude about playing the game," Cable said. "We had to find a way to play defense. And two things go into that, one is coaching, two is the players you have in your program."

Cable did do something about both of those, with the additions made to the coaching staff since the end of the season and now the addition of some defensive strength.

The newest members epitomize the speed and power that have become the norm in college football. Beginning with the junior college transfers, here were some positions Cable had to find a different recipe, the defensive cornerbacks. And with the addition of four there is now a hope of making a stop in the secondary.

Rod Bryant, Darryl Murphy, Robert Ortega and J.R. Ruffin are the names that will become common knowledge in the next year, but the most noteworthy fact is that only one is under six feet tall, a welcome change from years past.

Some recognizable names will also be joining the squad,

Kody Krause and Kelly Nead, from Ricks College in Rexberg, will be lining up beside each other at defensive tackle. Ryan Atoe, cousin of UI alumnus Mao

Tosi, and Johnny Parra come in as defensive ends. Finally a pair of tailbacks, Shung Peoples and Malfred Shaw, and a receiver, Cedric Thompson round out the transfer class.

"We felt that the most important thing was to put together the opportunity for us to play defense," Cable said. "That means going out and getting some older kids on the defensive line and some athletes at corner that could come in here and transform this team defensively."

Coming out of high school will be a group of great up and comers.

Of the seven offensive and defensive linemen the average weight is 287 pounds.

These players are the meat of the recruiting class, but all the side dishes come by way of the position players.

Andrew Stobart from Boise, a steal from local college BSU, was one of the featured players of southern Idaho last season comes to UI as a fullback. Kicker Mike Barrow and receiver Brandon Mascorro were high school classmates from Ventura, Ca. and look to be keys in the future of the Vandals.

Despite the additions, UI football will have much of the same look of a year ago, but hopefully with one big difference.

Cable is looking to next year and hopes the changes pay off in the end.

"I'm ecstatic about what we were able to go out and do to make this team better for 2002," Cable said. "From that standpoint, I'm as happy as one could be today. We got done what we set out to do."



## Texas, UM land outstanding classes

BY BILL BUCHALTER  
THE ORLANDO SENTINEL

ORLANDO, Fla. — The eyes of the BCS will be upon them for the next four years, as Texas has been declared the consensus national recruiting champion.

Now Longhorns fans are going to demand a BCS championship and Sears trophy to accompany the anointed symbolic title.

Listen to the praise. Student Sports Magazine describes the class as one of the best in the past decade and one of the best defensive lines in the past five years.

"I love what they have done in the trenches. Their offensive and defensive line combination is about as good as you could ever hope for," said California-based recruiting analyst Alan Wallace of SuperPrep magazine.

"No doubt Mack Brown is the top recruiting coach in the country," said Pennsylvania-based recruiting analyst Phil Grosz of G&W Recruiting.

Brown, Florida State's Bobby Bowden and Tennessee's Phil Fulmer were recognized recently in a publication as the best "closers" among college football coaches. All three helped their teams earn Top 10 classes. But with the recognition also comes expectations and those expectations are translated into winning — and not just winning, but winning big.

The past two national champions, Miami and Oklahoma, won titles with unranked recruiting classes. But the pressure will be on Brown and his Longhorns to win a "real" on-field title as well as the mythical recruiting title.

On paper, the University of Miami's class is the school's best in at least a decade and one of the best in school history. The challenge facing this group of skilled, fast athletes is whether it can accomplish as much as UM's unheralded classes of the past four years.

UM Coach Larry Coker liked the way he and his staff met needs for defensive backs and receivers. We will probably be ranked pretty high, and we should be."

Florida State, finishing fast

as it has in previous years, emerged with another skill-laden group that met needs on the defensive line and at line-backer, running back and receiver. The late addition of running back Lorenzo Booker from Ventura, Calif., was a nice caper to National Signing Day.

"This was one of the most exciting recruiting years I've been through because there are so many good players out there," Bowden said. "We felt like we would get our share, and I think we did."

Florida had to deal with the transition from Steve Spurrier to Ron Zook, but Zook and his staff reeled in a nice group of skill-position players. Yet the Gators did not meet their needs at line-backer and on the defensive line.

"I am excited about the class," Zook said. "We've got 20 new people, and we really feel like they are people who are not only awfully good football players but student-athletes and good people as well."

Most national recruiting gurus point to Tennessee as the best class in the SEC, to Virginia as the biggest surprise in the nation and to South Carolina as the most improved class in the SEC.

"It was the best recruiting class ever for Virginia," said analyst Tom Lemming of Schaumburg, Ill.

Notre Dame Coach Tyrone Willingham was another recruiter under the national microscope. His ability to attract some high-profile skilled athletes to South Bend in the final 96 hours before National Signing Day may be the first step in returning the Irish to national prominence.

But most talk centered on Texas' unprecedented success at keeping players home in a state with the reputation for producing many of the nation's elite. But the classes at Miami and Florida State demonstrated once again that future BCS championships could come through the state of Florida.

Texas has heard the talk before, but has not been to a BCS bowl. Longhorns fans are expecting this class of highly skilled football players to get them there.

## What it means to be a man

I've been debating lately what it means to be a man. What is it exactly that distinguishes the fairer sex from the gents? What is it that truly defines a member of the male side of the spectrum?

This line of questioning arose on one of the most reportedly manly days of the year: Super bowl Sunday.

In the closing seconds of the fourth quarter with the score tied at 17 all, the Patriots kicked a 48-yard field goal for the win.

This wasn't enough to keep me riveted. Actually, to call me unenthusiastic would be an understatement. A Lawrence Welk marathon would have had more appeal.

Does this make me less of a man?

Abnormal, even? Does my lack of interest in football signify some genetic deformity in which my testosterone is at Martha Stewart levels?

Is it, in fact, what we do

that defines our roles in this society? If so, is there a checklist of masculine activities or interests that someone could send me? Football is probably on there. The same is true for

hunting and driving a 4x4 that uses more gas in one day than a 747.

Chalk up one more thing that depreciates my standing in the macho community. I drive a Honda Civic, I've never been in a bar fight.

And I'd rather drink a warm mug of lard than a beer.

What about appearance? Is the line drawn at physical characteristics? Checklist again: Chiseled, rugged face?

Check. Muscle and hair coverage that closely resembles that of Cro-Magnon man (sloping brow optional)? Check. Deep, husky smoker's voice? Check.

Of course, if you believe any of the afore mentioned details about yours truly, there's some ripe ocean-front real estate in Nevada you should really look into.

Our models for the ideal image should come from the media, right? Movie and television icons are the standard by which we should measure all aspects of our lives.

Fortunately, I've got that part covered. My Woody Allen workout plan is really starting to get results. Maybe, just maybe, the answer lies beneath the surface. But to what belief systems must we subscribe in order to wear the badge of manhood? Where are those guidelines? How can I truly know I'm seen as a man in the eyes of my peers? How can I ever be truly secure

without this list, this set of rules?

Here's the kicker: it doesn't matter. There is a kind of mad courage involved in being who you are, regardless of whether or not that adheres to a pre-conceived notion of what others think you should be.

Social constructs feed stereotypes of every kind. According to "The Man Show," being a man means knowing the infield fly rule (which I don't) and watching scrambled porn (negative again).

So the next time you're not feeling up to par, remember that being a man means whatever you want it to mean. You set your own standard and then stick to it, while keeping an open mind at the same time.

That's what's called integrity. It's a tall order, I know, but if everyone instinctively knew exactly who they were, therapists and opinion columnists wouldn't have much to do.



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## Utah visitors stumble over liquor laws

BY RICK MONTGOMERY  
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SALT LAKE CITY — A TV crew from Germany came to explore the Winter Olympics host city. After a week, the reporter met the mayor and got straight to the point: "About your liquor laws."

First-timers to Utah can't help but notice.

Guy walks into a bar. Bartender asks, "Are you a member?" Guy walks out.

Salt Lake City Mayor Rocky Anderson has tried to make one thing clear with the foreign press. Yes, the laws are "bizarre," he says, but Olympic visitors may rest assured that they can drink.

Reluctant to swallow that line, The Irish Times said in a headline, "Winter is Going to be One Big Drag."

The liquor laws of this state run by teetotaling Mormons may confound foreigners. As in Utah, private-club membership dictated the drinking scene in Kansas until voters in 1986 approved a batch of so-called "sin amendments" to the state

constitution.

By allowing liquor by the drink, the Kansas vote overturned a century of temperance that had prompted even some airlines to stop serving cocktails 30,000 feet above the wheat fields.

In Utah, "it's generally one of the first questions visitors ask," said Salt Lake Chamber President Larry Mankin. "But we who live here know it's not difficult to get a stiff drink. It's easy."

"It's a wink-wink and nod arrangement—really a bunch of silliness," said Mike Kaplan, a club owner in Park City, Utah.

Visitors might think twice before club hopping, membership fees range from \$5 for two weeks to \$30 for a year. At many restaurants, they can order a drink without paying a club fee, provided they also order a meal.

They need no membership to drink beer or wine spritzers at a brew pub.

Still, John Saltas sees a public-relations disaster brewing as the unfamiliar cultures confront the rules. Club owners have

posted signs explaining the procedures in various languages.

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# Facts every UI student should know.

## Report of the Interim Student Health Advisory Board (ISHAB)

In September 2001, Vice President for Student Affairs Hal Godwin and the leadership of ASUI, Graduate Student Association and the Student Bar Association jointly appointed an Interim Student Health Advisory Board (ISHAB). The ISHAB began its work with the understanding that UI would require health insurance as a condition of enrollment effective fall semester 2002. This understanding evolved over two years of consultation and strategic planning. The ISHAB, however, was charged with considering all of the factors surrounding this decision and making specific recommendations for how to implement it. At its final meeting Nov. 15, 2001, the ISHAB unanimously recommended that, beginning Fall 2002, UI degree-seeking students enrolled for four or more credit hours must be covered by health insurance. **Under no circumstances will any student be required to purchase the student health insurance program (SHIP) if they are already covered by health insurance. Please e-mail your comments to:**

**health@uidaho.edu**

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

### Why is the university requiring students to have either personal health insurance or enroll in the student health insurance program (SHIP) provided by the University of Idaho?

There are a number of independent reasons for this change in university policy for the 2002-03 academic year. A complete statement of factors is available at [www.uidaho.edu/ship/](http://www.uidaho.edu/ship/).

- Requiring health insurance as a condition of enrollment is in the best interests of students, the university and the Moscow community. The large number of students without health insurance — currently estimated to be as high as 25 percent of the student body — jeopardizes access to non-emergency health care, even for students with personal health insurance. There is also a financial benefit for both students and the University when un-expected health care costs are covered by insurance. Unexpected expenses are one of the leading causes for students to withdraw from college.

- The existing health fee already is a form of mandatory insurance. The UI already has mandatory insurance in the form of the current \$40 per semester health fee. The flat, \$40 per semester fee does not provide comprehensive health insurance for care beyond the Student Health Services; and it unnecessarily duplicates the personal health insurance many UI students carry.

- Pending legislative mandate. Legislation is expected to be introduced in the 2002 legislative session mandating that Idaho colleges and universities require health insurance. The UI may be able to avoid the need for a legislative mandate — which may include provisions that are difficult to administer — by voluntarily requiring students to carry insurance as a condition of enrollment.

- Long-term viability of optional insurance. The UI's long-term ability to maintain an adequate student insurance program is questionable if we do not join the growing number of colleges and universities requiring health insurance as a condition of enrollment. There are very few voluntary student health insurance programs that provide an appropriate scope of benefits and affordable cost.

- Improving benefits and value. Requiring health insurance allows UI to provide better value and better benefits per dollar of cost.

- Student recruitment and retention. The Student Health Insurance Program will become a student recruitment and retention tool for UI. More than 700 students shifted from their personal health insurance this fall because of the cost and/or benefit advantages of the UI program. Many students' parents can realize a \$300 to \$800 annual costs savings by taking advantage of our program.

### Will waiving participation in the SHIP be difficult?

No. A web-based waiver system and a downloadable form will be developed that allows students with personal health insurance to easily waive their participation in the UI's SHIP. Designed by the ISHAB subcommittee on insurance requirement, the enrollment/waiver system will be simple and easy for students to use.

### Will students presently covered by Medicaid be allowed to waive participation in the UI student health insurance program?

Yes. Student Health Services will become a Medicaid provider for both Pharmacy and primary care services.

### Will students with personal health insurance have to pay a fee to waive participation in UI's program?

No. A late waiver fee will only be charged to students who submit waiver petitions after Friday, Sept. 13, 2002.

**These are just a few questions you might have.**

**More detailed information about student health insurance and Student Health Services is available at**

**[www.uidaho.edu/shs](http://www.uidaho.edu/shs) or [www.uidaho.edu/ship](http://www.uidaho.edu/ship)**

# 'Overwhelming' ceremony expected for Games

BY MICHELLE KAUFMAN  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

SALT LAKE CITY — A little-known speedskater, a third-generation Olympian, and the tattered flag rescued from the World Trade Center rubble will take center stage tonight as an estimated 3.5 billion viewers tune in to the Opening Ceremony of the most tightly-guarded Olympics in history.

President George W. Bush will be among the Rice-Eccles Stadium crowd of 45,000 for what is expected to be an emotional extravaganza that will take time out to honor the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Eight American athletes and three Port Authority policemen will carry the tattered flag into the stadium, and will stand at attention as the "Star Spangled Banner" fills the wind-chilled mountain air.

Musical guests ranging from Sting to the Mormon Tabernacle Choir will perform, and hundreds of skaters will spin on a giant rink.

The secret cauldron lighter (rumored to be the entire 1980 "Miracle on Ice" U.S. hockey team or a combination of U.S. and Russian players from that game) will be revealed.

As the final preparations for the ceremony were being made Thursday, all the talk was of the tattered flag.

Short-track speedskater Amy Peterson, a five-time Olympian who will carry the official U.S. team flag in the Parade of Nations, said she is glad the Ground Zero flag will also be included in the ceremony.

"It's important for that flag to be there, because it's part of who we are now, each and every American. It says 'We're still standing,' and I think it will be extremely moving to see that flag

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AMY PETERSON  
FIVE-TIME OLYMPIAN

going up."

U.S. athletes and team officials say they have received "overwhelming support" from the other 76 Olympic nations about the decision to include what could be construed as a jingoistic symbol in a ceremony meant to celebrate world harmony.

Luger Mark Grimmette, one of eight athletes in the tattered flag honor guard, said: "That flag belongs in this ceremony because it represents not only Americans, but all the victims who died that day. After the attacks, we put a sticker on our sled that said, 'We Remember the Innocent Victims of Sept. 11,' and every time we went to a race, teams from other countries would come up and say, 'Can we have some of those?'"

By now, just about all the nations on the circuit have those stickers on their sleds.

The Opening Ceremony will include more than 2,000 athletes.

American viewers can expect up-close-and-personal looks at Peterson and skeleton slider Jim Shea Jr., who was selected by U.S. teammates to give the

Athletes' Oath.

It is the same honor given his late-grandfather, Jack, a speedskater, at the 1932 Olympics in Lake Placid. Jack had planned to attend tonight's ceremony with his son, Jim Shea Sr., a 1964 Olympic cross-country skier, but he was killed by a drunk driver in a car crash near Lake Placid on Jan. 22. He was 91.

Peterson, a native of Ballston Spa, N.Y., finished fourth in the 1998 Olympics in Nagano in the 1,000 meters after overcoming chronic fatigue syndrome.

She won the silver in relay in 1992 and bronzes in the relay and 500 meters in 1994. Her uncle, Gene Sandvig, was a member of the 1952 and 1956 Olympic speedskating teams.

"I'm sure it will be the most overwhelming experience of my life carrying that flag in," Peterson said. "I'm still shocked I was picked."

Shea also used the word "overwhelming" in describing his emotion about taking the same oath as his grandfather 70 years later.

"I was taken aback for many reasons, the main one being that this is the same oath my grandfather took, so obviously, it will be a very emotional moment for me," he said.

Security will be tighter than ever. The Federal Aviation Administration ordered a no-fly zone during the Games and the Salt Lake City International Airport will be closed tonight for three hours.

The stadium will be crawling with National Guardsmen. Biathletes were forced to lock up their ammunition today, and hundreds of security officials will guard the biathlon venue.

But Peterson and Shea said they are not apprehensive about going to the ceremony.

"Are you kidding? It took us an hour



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Amy Peterson, five-time Olympian speed skater, smiles at a news conference announcing her as a flag bearer.

to get two blocks and we had to go through four security checks," Shea said. "Anything could happen, but security here has been extremely thorough, so I plan on having a good time and not worrying about it."

Beginning Saturday, Hollywood-like scripts will unfold as competition opens with figure skating, freestyle skiing, cross-country skiing, ice hockey, Nordic combined and speed skating.

Will speedskater Apolo Anton Ohno live up his billing? Can Picabo Street make the medal podium again? Will the

women's bobsled competition be as compelling as the pre-Olympic soap opera? Can figure skater Michelle Kwan win without a coach? Can Todd Eldredge medal without a quadruple jump? Will German luger Georg Hackl become the first Winter Olympian to win four golds? Will Canadians Jamie Sale and David Pelletier end Russia's 38-year stranglehold on pairs skating? Will Swedish biathlete Magdalena Forsberg, a five-time world champion, finally win the medal that has eluded her?

The world will find out soon.

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**EMPLOYMENT**

5 Vendors for Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival in Moscow: Sell caramel apples & cotton candy during Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival. Required: Ability to make change. 3-6 hrs/day. \$7.00/hr. For more info visit [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or SUB 137 for a referral for job #02-253-off

**EMPLOYMENT**

UR Mailroom Attendant Assist University Residence with mail distribution by: sorting mail; delivering items; preparing outgoing mail for delivery; and performing related tasks. 8:30am-12 pm, MWF and every other Saturday; \$6.00/hr. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the STES office at SUB 137.

**EMPLOYMENT**

AmeriCorps VISTA/ASUI Volunteer Center Coordinator: Assist the Volunteer Center by working with student volunteer programming; collaborating efforts with the Office of Academic Service Learning. Position is full-time, Monday-Friday (some weekends) and begins January 22, 2002 and ending April 30, 2003; rate of pay is approximately \$700/month plus an education award or stipend at the end of service. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the STES office at SUB 137.

1 - 2 Line Cook in Pullman: Prepare breakfast & lunch foods. Preferred: previous cooking experience, ability to work quickly under pressure in fast paced environment. Possess a team worker attitude. Must work 4 days out of 7. Start at ending pay rate of last related job + some tips. For more info visit [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or SUB 137 for a referral for job #02-257-off

Childcare Teacher in Moscow: Teach 2 year olds. Curriculum is provided. Preferred: Education, Child Development, Psych, or Soc. majors & child teaching experience. References. 2 1/2 hrs. on the first & third Tues. of the month. \$15.00/shift. For more info visit [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or SUB 137 for a referral for job #02-291-off

**EMPLOYMENT**

Multiple Forestry: Technicians in Anderson or Burney, CA: Take timberland sample plots and collect stream & riparian zone attribute data. Other duties include taking drainage profiles, tree measurements, lab work, and other forestry management tasks. Required: must be enrolled or accepted in an SAF accredited forestry school. Graduating seniors, unless accepted to graduate school, will not be considered. Must be able to cross-country hike and negotiate steep terrain. FT, Summer. Salary: \$2200-2500/month DOE. For more info visit [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or SUB 137 for a referral for job #02-293-off

**EMPLOYMENT**

Telecommunications Assistant: Assist with the UI Phonathon by contacting alumni and friends of UI in a fundraising and "friend raising" capacity; providing information about the University, specific colleges or programs; updating prospect information; completing pledge cards; maintaining tally sheet of calling activity; serving as an ambassador for the University of Idaho. Minimum of two shifts during Sunday from 4:30 pm-8:30 pm or Monday-Thursday 5:30 - 8:30; position begins ASAP and ends May 2002; \$6.00/hr to start plus prizes and bonuses; closes February 1, 2002 or WSCIF. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the STES office at SUB 137.

Cook in Moscow: Cooking & cleaning. No experience necessary. 2-3 hrs, Fri nights. \$6/hr. For more info visit [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or SUB 137 for a referral for job #02-287-off

Computer Assistant in Moscow: Typing, photo alignment, captions, etc. Required: Experience with Macintosh and Pagemaker. Variable. \$8/hr. For more info visit [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or SUB 137 for a referral for job #02-252-off

**EMPLOYMENT**

Event Staff, Conferences & Events: Assist with the University events by working various positions in event setup, operation, and strike; moving tables, chairs, staging, sound and lighting. On call depending on event schedule; position starts ASAP and ends May 2002; \$5.50/hr DOE. 151-CONF. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the STES office at SUB 137.

Video Camera Operator Assist the ITS Video Center by videotaping classes, events, and seminars. Begin date: ASAP; hours will vary by assignment; 11am-1pm MWF especially needed; \$6.50/hr. 103-ITS. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the office at SUB 137.

**EMPLOYMENT**

Telephone Interviewer Assist the Social Science Research Unit by: conducting interviews over the phone; entering data into the computer; and performing related tasks. 4:30-8 pm M-Th; \$6.00/hr; closes 2/18/02. 105-DEV Telecommunications Assistant. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the STES office at SUB 137.

Art Class Models, Art Department: Pose nude for an art class by maintaining poses long enough for students to finish drawing; cooperating with the art instructor when posing, changing poses when needed, and performing related tasks. All body types encouraged to apply. Monday or Wednesday, 11:20am-2:20pm, \$12.00 per hour. 158-ART. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the STES office at SUB 137.

Video Operator: Assist the College of Engineering with their video programs by performing a variety of functions. Begin date: ASAP; 10-12 hours per week; \$5.15/hour. 103-EO. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the office at SUB 137.

**EMPLOYMENT**

Development Coordinator in Moscow: Coordinate development of a request for proposals involving National Fire Plan. Required: Research techniques, document development, and communications skills. PT. For more info visit [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or SUB 137 for a referral for job #02-296-off

Childcare in Moscow: Take care of young children, get them ready for school and put them to bed. Required: Responsible, be able to watch children closely. Sun-Thurs: 11pm-8am. Varies; perhaps room & board. For more info visit [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or SUB 137 for a referral for job #02-300-off

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**EMPLOYMENT**

Second Grade Teaching Aide in Moscow: Assist the second grade teacher in the classroom with all subjects, helping children with the assignments, supervising the children & related classroom duties. Required: experience with young children Preferred: Degree in Elementary Education, but will consider current majors in Education. A background check will be done. FT or PT, depending on availability. DOE. For more info visit [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or SUB 137 for a referral for job #02-299-off

Custodian and orderly, performing heavy duty cleaning of facilities; operating scrubbing, buffing, vacuuming machines and related equipment. M-Th; 9pm-7:30am; \$7.25/hr. T175A-FM. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the STES office at SUB 137.

Custodian, Facilities Maintenance Ensure assigned building and area are clean and orderly; perform heavy duty cleaning of facilities; operate scrubbing, buffing, vacuuming machines and related equipment; perform related tasks. M-F; 4:00PM-1:00AM; \$7.25/hr. 175-FM. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the STES office at SUB 137.

Custodian, Idaho Commons & Union: Perform general cleaning of assigned areas; 10+ hrs/wk flexible (weekday and weekend hours available) Employment Dates: ASAP-as funding permits \$6.50/hr DOE. 175-ICU. For a more complete description and application information visit the STES website at [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or the office at SUB 137.

**EMPLOYMENT**

Special Ed Teacher in Moscow: Provide hands-on special ed for children. Write & administer IEPs. Required: Special Ed Certification. A background check will be done. FT. DOE. For more info visit [www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld](http://www.uidaho.edu/sfas/jld) or SUB 137 for a referral for job #02-255-off

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