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Code of conduct receives new look

BY MEGAN OTTO
ARGONAUT STAFF

Changes to the University of Idaho code of conduct that began in April of this year will continue to roll forward on the University of Idaho campus.

While the furor over presidential and senatorial resignations last semester has died down, the work on policies and procedures concerning discrimination and civil rights still continues.

In April of last year, three ASUI senators entered the offices they share with other groups on campus, stole the flag representing the Gay Straight Alliance and later attempted to burn it with the assistance of the ASUI president.

A week later, all three senators and the president resigned. Another senator later resigned for having knowledge of the event.

In the weeks following those events, campus became a center of talk about civil rights, equality and fair treatment. In an effort to keep up with times, the student code of conduct has been chosen to update its discrimination policies and language.

There is a policy within the faculty and staff handbook, but that does not cover student-to-student activity. A change to the student code of conduct would make violations of the discrimination policy punishable by the University Judicial Council.

The senators involved will be punished for violations of student property rights on campus later this semester, when hearings can be set before the judicial council.

Working with several students representing ASUI, the residence halls and other groups on campus, Dean of Students Bruce Pitman hopes to have changes made during the course of this semester.

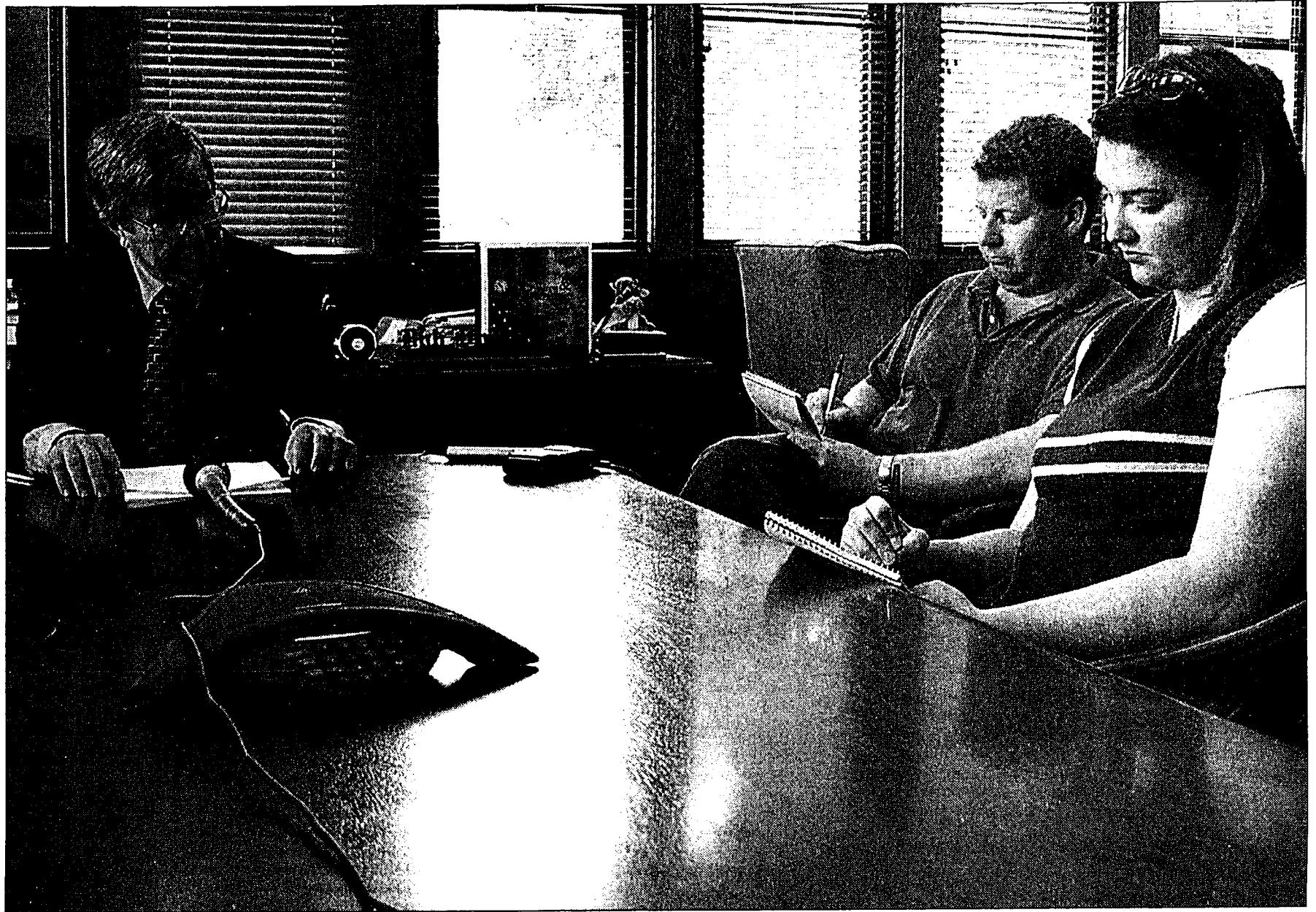
"It's going to be a longer, thoughtful process," Pitman said. Pitman met with students last semester and will continue to meet this semester, with the first meeting taking place next week. The main purpose of meetings at this time will be to research other schools' code language and to find something that will work for the university.

"I'd like to have our homework and proposal process done by mid-semester," Pitman said. After that point, it will be given to the faculty council to work with. They are the deciding factor for policy changes.

"Once faculty council passes a change of policy procedure, that's typically where it stops," Pitman said. Officially, approval from the entire faculty is required for changes to policies or codes, but those meetings occur only semi-annually.

Pitman hopes to have the changes made and all problems worked out as quickly as possible.

"There is no value in having this drag on; it needs to be addressed."



THERESA PALMGREN / ARGONAUT

Glenn Mosley and Maggie McGehee take notes as President Hoover talks about enrollment and future projects at a press conference Monday. Hoover spoke

UI increases enrollment, decreases in funds

BY MORGAN WINSOR
ARGONAUT STAFF

Despite turbulent economic headwinds, budget crunches and a significant reduction of faculty and staff, University of Idaho President Bob Hoover remains optimistic about the institution's future.

During a press conference Monday, Hoover briefly spoke about several upcoming plans that will beef up the university's reputation. He also stated the university has succeeded in increasing enrollment by three to four percent, a key element in bolstering the institution's struggling budget.

The university is operating on a tight budget spawned by the nation's limping economy, which last year forced the state's Division of Financial Management to restructure its 2003 budget. The restructuring's trickling effect prompted Gov. Dirk Kempthorne to ask higher education institutions such as UI to manage on 98 percent of their allocations for 2002.

"Our goal was to grow by 2.5 percent or more," he said.

The majority of the head-count increase came from freshmen, which Hoover said reached a new record high. The enrollment of graduate students also climbed 15 percent.

Twenty-five-year-old freshman Dan Ellis is one of the 65 new freshmen attending the university's Moscow campus. Ellis said what lured him to attend UI was its low student tuition.

"Tuition fees here (UI) were competitive compared to other schools I checked out," Ellis said. "The price of books is what's sucking all my financial aid. I kissed most of that money goodbye on four books."

Mike Whiteman, vice provost for enrollment management and director of international programs at UI, said student enrollment at the Moscow campus has grown to 10,792, a 400-plus jump from attendance last year.

Hoover said international student body also has grown significantly, with the majority of foreign students coming from the Pacific west coun-

tries such as India.

Aside from addressing enrollment figures, Hoover expressed enthusiasm about the university raising funds of over \$100 million over four years. He also looks forward to the completion of a \$32 million student housing development currently underway.

"It (student housing) is a great problem," he said.

Hoover also said unlike last year he anticipates this year there will not be any university-wide meetings to address budget concerns. Instead, Hoover will direct some of his energy celebrating the construction of new facilities, such as the newly erected Albertson building located on the Moscow campus, and the research park on the Post Falls campus.

As for questions regarding the university receiving any additional funding from the state to make up for the \$29 million in revenue losses

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Non-traditional students welcomed to UI

BY GRANT MCCrackEN
ARGONAUT STAFF

After selling insurance for a decade, John Papineau woke up one morning three years ago and said, "I am not happy." He came to the University of Idaho and graduated last May.

Papineau told his story to a group of non-traditional students Saturday at the Commons. "No matter how hard it seems, you can do it. I am proof," he said. "I got my undergrad in counseling in three years, and now I am working on my master's."

Making up almost 30 percent of UI's student body and nationally one of the largest groups on college campuses, non-traditional students face many problems that are shared with traditional students, as well as challenges of their own.

There was no lack of diversity in the group of students that attended the orientation. From all across the country, seeking different majors and with unique reasons of return, the students all had their own stories and concerns about their attendance at UI.

Dr. Bruce Pitman, dean of students, assured the new students, "We have a very attuned staff. You have unique questions and unique needs. We are here for you."

All the speakers at the orientation discussed the definition of a non-traditional student. Mary Lu Schweitzer, coordinator of new student orientation, easily defined the

term. "It is more a matter of life experience than a matter age or of time spent away from school," she said.

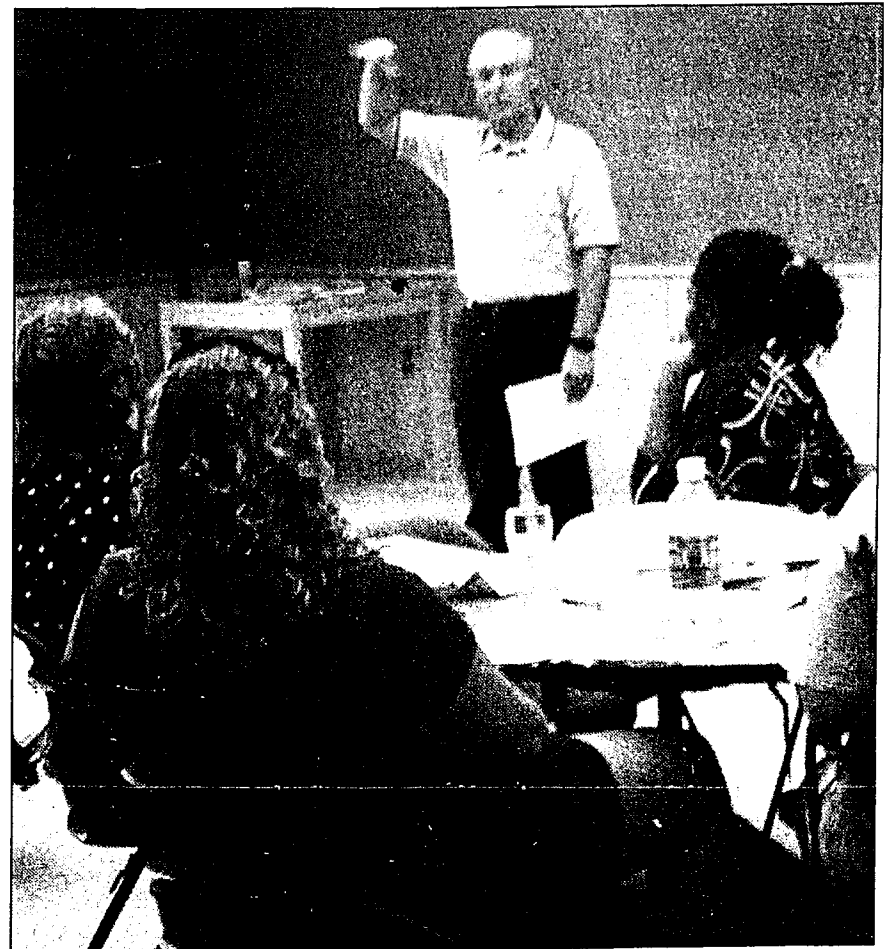
Dr. Martha Kitzrow addressed the new students on the complex issues that they will face in the upcoming year. "Being a Non-Traditional student is not a question of age," says Kitzrow. "It just means that you are not coming to college directly from high school, resulting in a host of concerns that you must learn to adjust to such as jobs, the care of others that are in your care, financial transitions, and stress."

Director of Student Financial Aid, Dr. Dan Davenport, said, "Talk to your financial aid advisor. There are scholarship opportunities everywhere, and for your (non-traditional students) changing needs and circumstances the financial aid office can help with federal aid."

Non-traditional students are often making the transition from the job market to life as a student. "It is hard, but we are here to make that financial adjustment easier," said Davenport.

The orientation broke into small groups presenting some of the major programs that service all students, and some focusing on non-traditional needs. Student health insurance, time management, student disability services, and transfer student sessions were a few among many of the services that presented to the group.

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Financial Aid Director Dan Davenport talks during the non-traditional student orientation Saturday morning in the Commons.

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UI fund grows from pennies

UI's Found Money Fund of Idaho began with three cents 21 years ago. Today, that number is more than \$138,507.31.

"We couldn't wait until Found Money reached the \$150,000 benchmark to tell the world this good news," said founder Terry Armstrong. The program encourages people to turn in change they find around campus.

Some weeks the take is around \$3.07; other weeks bring major totals like \$37.12.

The fund is on course to become a multi-million dollar birthday gift for the university on its 200th birthday in 2089. "We met the 100,000 mark by 1999, and we're right on course for the \$150,000 level, hopefully by the year's end," said Armstrong.

Since he won't be around for the final gift to the UI in 87 years, he suggests a committee meet periodically to submit ideas for how to eventually spend the interest earned.

New Web site offers internship, job-search help

The University of Idaho is partnering with MonsterTRAK, a Web-based career information system used by over 1,400 colleges and universities nationwide, to provide faster, easier connections for students and alumni with internship and job prospects.

Announcements are available 24 hours a day to anyone with a UI identification

number, by linking to MonsterTRAK through www.its.uidaho.edu/careerservices/. The service is free and also gives employers access to a searchable pool of qualified candidates.

The partnership includes UI offices of career services, cooperative education and alumni. Jobs posted will include internships, summer and after-graduation inquiries, and mid-career jobs of interest to alumni. One special feature allows students and employers to arrange on-campus interviews.

"There's no doubt this last year or so has been a tough job market," said Dan Blanco, UI Career Services director. "The tougher the job market, the more valuable this service becomes." Blanco said the tool is another extension of UI's technological orientation. "This online service is in keeping with UI's reputation for being one of the 'most-wired campuses in the country.'"

Orientation sessions to further explain the use and benefits of MonsterTRAK will be held at various times and places around campus from Aug. 28 to Sept. 18. For more details, contact UI Career Services, 865 West 7th St., (208) 885-6121, career@uidaho.edu, or go online at www.its.uidaho.edu/careerservices/.

UI to attend international bioenergy conference in Boise

The University of Idaho and the U.S. Department of Energy are among those organizing the Bioenergy 2002: Bioenergy for the Environment conference in Boise Sept. 22-26.

The conference is a regional gathering of groups in the Pacific Regional Biomass Energy Program, including groups from Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington. Foreign countries represented include Brazil, India, Canada, Denmark, Sweden, Japan, Russia and Bulgaria.

In all, 200 scientific and technical papers will be presented. Topics range from the gasification of forest or agricultural materials for fuel to the use of bio-diesel in national parks to promote renewable and cleaner-burning fuels.

UI is deeply involved in many areas of alternative fuels research, ranging from work to use straw to fuel power plants and breed new mustard varieties for bio-diesel production to the UI National Institute for Advance Transportation Technology work to build a cleaner-running snowmobile.

Wyoming author presents work Sept. 4

Western writer Mark Spragg will present his latest work during a public reading at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 4 in the College of Law Courtroom.

The reading is sponsored by the UI creative writing department. Admission is free.

Spragg is best known for "Where Rivers Change Direction," a memoir about growing up in Wyoming. For that work, he was awarded the 1999 Mountain and Plains Booksellers Award. A screenplay based on that book recently was sold to Turner Broadcasting as a planned television movie.

His newest book is the novel "The Fruit of Stone." It's the story of best friends in love with the same woman.

West Nile virus probably Idaho bound

The West Nile virus that has alarmed citizens and public health officials in other states in recent months probably will reach Idaho this summer or next, a University of Idaho entomologist said.

Marc Klowden, a UI entomologist whose studies have focused on mosquitoes as carriers of malaria, said the threat posed by the disease is relatively low to people, but caution is still advisable.

"It's already in Wyoming, Colorado and even Canada, so I'm sure it will be here this year or next," Klowden said. Idaho residents can protect themselves against the unlikely chance of exposure to the virus by avoiding mosquito bites.

It's also important to eliminate mosquito-breeding areas such as small puddles or standing water in outside containers.

The West Nile virus was discovered in New York in 1999 after large numbers of dead birds were found. This year, 269 people have been diagnosed and 13 have died in the United States from the virus.

But little is known about Idaho mosquitoes, such as what species are present and where, and when their populations peak.

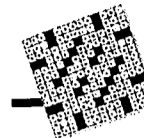
"I don't want to panic anyone. It's not something that's going to sweep across the state," Klowden said. "The people who are most at risk are the very young and the very elderly."

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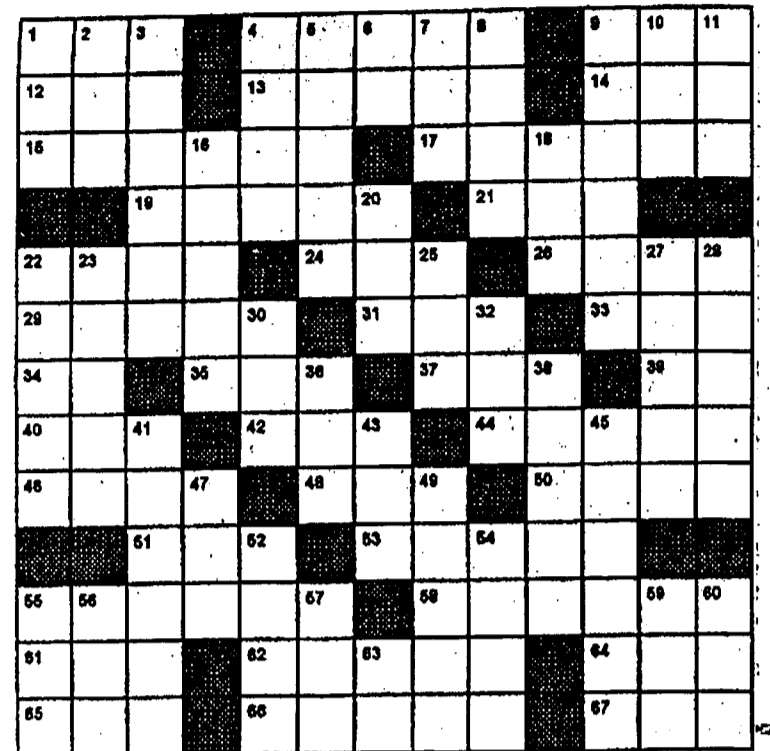
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Lo: 53°

WEDNESDAY
Sunny
Hi: 84°
Lo: 51°

THURSDAY
Isolated t-storms
Hi: 85°
Lo: 49°



Crossword



ACROSS

- 1 Cereal grain
- 4 Pretend
- 9 Portion of body
- 12 Town in Oklahoma
- 13 Crinkled fabric (var. spelling)
- 14 Had dinner
- 15 Comfort in sorrow
- 17 Sunday Christian festival
- 19 Go in
- 21 Came upon
- 22 Conveyed
- 24 No relative height
- 26 Saucy
- 29 Study of insects (abbr.)
- 31 Road substance
- 33 Fish eggs
- 34 Midwestern state (abbr.)
- 35 Negative word
- 37 Had a seat
- 39 Southern state (abbr.)
- 40 Droop head
- 42 Even
- 44 Natives of ancient Media
- 46 Absent without leave (abbr.)
- 48 Parents education group
- 50 Hole in skin
- 51 Altercation
- 53 Once more
- 55 Dwarfed trees
- 58 Confer holy orders upon
- 61 Form of be
- 62 Rain
- 64 Fork prong (Scot.)
- 65 Rocks on mountain top
- 66 Theme
- 67 Direction (abbr.)

DOWN

- 1 Organization of American States (abbr.)
- 2 Fuss
- 3 Art
- 4 Accountant (abbr.)
- 5 Wicker basket
- 6 Tantalum symbol (abbr.)
- 7 Open (poetic)
- 8 500 sheets of paper
- 9 Mad
- 10 Inhabitant (suf.)
- 11 Each
- 16 Susan
- 18 Month (unofficial abbr.)
- 20 Decompose
- 22 Plant with compounded leaves
- 23 Bestow upon
- 25 No longer is
- 27 Slang for OK
- 28 Annoy persistently
- 30 Witty remark
- 32 Male sheep
- 36 The extreme end
- 38 Having moderate heat
- 41 Depressant
- 43 7th Greek letter
- 45 Give
- 47 Vegas
- 49 Greek marketplace
- 52 Tear down
- 54 One of armed services
- 55 Used to hit ball
- 56 Indicates mountain
- 57 Belonging to a thing
- 59 007's creator
- 60 Born
- 63 Bone

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From the Oct. 29, 1968, edition: Highlighting the Dad's Day festivities for this year is Bill Cosby, the nationally known comedian and star of television's secret agent spoof "I Spy." The famous recording comedian will appear at University of Idaho for the second time for two performances.

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Students return to change, inconveniences in Moscow

A water shortage, public nudity and remodeling on Main Street spice things up

BY HOLLY JERICOFF
ARGONAUT STAFF

Returning students may be surprised by the amount of friction and change that altered the City of Moscow over their summer break.

On July 15, a public nudity ordinance was passed in response to a group of women who earned money by holding a series of topless car washes in Moscow.

According to the ordinance number 2002-13, passed by city council, no individual may willfully expose private parts of their body in public, which include the anus, genitals, the cleft of the buttocks or female breasts.

Exposure of a female's breasts who has not yet reached puberty, or is in the act of breastfeeding, is exempt to this ordinance.

A local group which call themselves the Muscovites For Equal Rights is now in the process of preparing a petition to have a public vote in to overturn the controversial ordinance.

Another development this summer came when Moscow

began to experience a major water crunch after well nine was shut down due to a broken pump.

Forty percent of Moscow's water is supplied by this well, said City Councilman Jack Hill.

Water has been a pressing concern for the city of Moscow before the pump went down, explained city council member Peg Hamlett.

An aquifer shared by Moscow, Pullman and other areas of the Palouse has been dropping at an alarming rate of one foot per year, she said.

"The pump has been sent to Texas to be repaired and is expected to be back by Aug. 31," Hill said.

Another dining mainstay, the Casa de Oro Mexican restaurant on Main Street, has been closed due to a change in ownership.

Irma Lopez, the new owner, said that they are currently in the process of remodeling and redecorating the new restaurant to be renamed La Casa Lopez.

Lopez expects the restaurant to be up and running the first week of September.



EMET WARD / ARGONAUT

A hose lies unused in the backyard of a Moscow home last week during water cutbacks.

FBI to search Florida building for more anthrax clues, leads on bio-terrorism

BY KEVIN KRAUSE, KATHY BUSHOUSE AND
RAFAEL LORENTE
SOUTH FLORIDA SUN-SENTINEL

BOCA RATON, Fla. (KRT) - Ten months after the first discovery of anthrax, the FBI said Monday it is going back into the quarantined American Media Inc. building to search for tainted mail that could provide more clues about the fatal bio-terrorism attack.

Agents will have help from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry. They are expected to enter the building on Broken Sound Boulevard Tuesday or Wednesday and work for about two weeks. Robert Stevens, a photo editor for AMI tabloid The Sun, died from anthrax exposure on Oct. 5.

"No one in South Florida has forgotten that Robert Stevens is the first victim of the anthrax

attack. We hope that the evidence collected during the course of this operation will help bring to justice the person or persons who committed this horrific act," said Hector Pesquera, special agent in charge of the FBI's Miami office.

New scientific methods will enable investigators to go beyond last October's tests that produced only positive or negative readings for anthrax.

"Since then, we've developed techniques that will allow us to determine the quantity and the distribution of the spores," Pesquera said.

However, he would not discuss in detail the scientific techniques to be used, saying it's part of the criminal investigation. He also stressed that the new search for evidence has nothing to do with Dr. Steven Hatfill, a Maryland bio-warfare expert who has been named a "person of interest" in the investigation by U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft.

After FBI officials conceded Monday that their initial work last year at AMI did not focus on who

infected the building, some local and federal leaders questioned why it took so long for investigators to return.

"First of all, the search last October was not as comprehensive as you may have imagined," said Dwight Adams, assistant director of the FBI's laboratory division. "It had a very high public health concern as opposed to the investigation."

Since that time, the government has developed new sampling methods that it says will allow them to better track spore contamination.

In October, anthrax was discovered in a mailroom and on Stevens' computer keyboard. Spores were later found in 84 locations throughout the building, including 35 areas such as desks, slot computers and keyboards, file cabinets and mail slots. But the FBI did not find any letters or packages that might have carried it.

"Now, because of the new techniques, we're going to be able to make a comprehensive search of

the entire building," Adams said.

He said they will focus on AMI's mailroom, where another employee was infected but survived. A letter containing the disease could have left a trail that can be detected based on spore contamination in the building, officials said.

A similar mailroom search nine months ago allowed FBI agents to find an unopened anthrax letter sent to U.S. Sen. Patrick Leahy's office in Washington, D.C. After an anthrax-laden letter was delivered to Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle's office, all Capitol Hill mail was sealed in barrels and examined at a Northern Virginia site. The Leahy letter was then discovered among those barrels of unopened, quarantined mail.

"We're going to be utilizing those same techniques and technologies here in this building again in the hopes of pinpointing high concentrations of

FBI See Page 8

Multicultural Affairs works in diverse ways

BY BRIAN PASSEY
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The Office of Multicultural Affairs at UI has a threefold mission among the citizens of Moscow and the surrounding area.

Leathia Botello, coordinator of Multicultural Affairs, said the office has three main purposes: retention of multicultural students, multicultural education on campus and in the community through programs, and multicultural education in the classroom.

"It's kind of a home for diversity and for unity ... where we can all come together," OMA peer mentor Angie Hernandez said.

The OMA works to retain students through advising, scholarships and offering support systems for students, professors and organizations. One of the ways the office gives support to students is through peer mentors.

Jaime Barajas, president of the Organizacion de Estudiantes Latino Americanos, and Casimira Lavala are the head mentors who join three new mentors: Hernandez, Gerardo Alvarez and Juan Sanchez, vice

president of the College Assistance Migrant Program Organization of Students.

"The thing we try to do is make the students feel like more of a family at UI," Barajas said. "[We] help make them feel more comfortable and feel like friends."

Friday and Saturday the office provided a few orientation activities for incoming students. Friday they held the multicultural orientation to help incoming freshmen learn more about OMA and the services it provides. They played games to provide a social atmosphere, and the peer mentors spoke to the students about becoming involved on campus, managing time and experiencing different UI traditions.

Botello also asked the students for their input and help as the office chooses a new director to replace former interim director Dr. Juandalynn Taylor. The process is currently underway and is headed by Yolanda Bisbee, director of the College Assistance Migrant Program.

The office uses many programs of its own as well as supporting the programs of other

organizations on campus to help the members of the community appreciate the diversity on campus, according to Botello. Some of the programs and events the office is involved in include the Cesar Chavez celebration, the annual Pow Wow and the Day of the Dead.

Among the multicultural student organizations the OMA works with are the Asian American/Pacific Islander Association, the Native American Student Association, OELA, CAMPOS, the new Hawaii Club, Recognizing African American Concerns in Education and various multicultural Greek sororities and fraternities.

The third way the OMA serves the campus is by bringing multicultural education to the classroom itself by teaching and supporting instructors who teach tolerance and diversity, Botello said.

The Office of Multicultural Affairs is currently located in the UCC but will be moving to the third floor of the Administration Building probably sometime in October.

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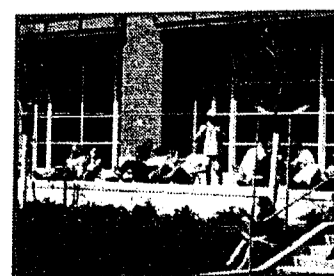
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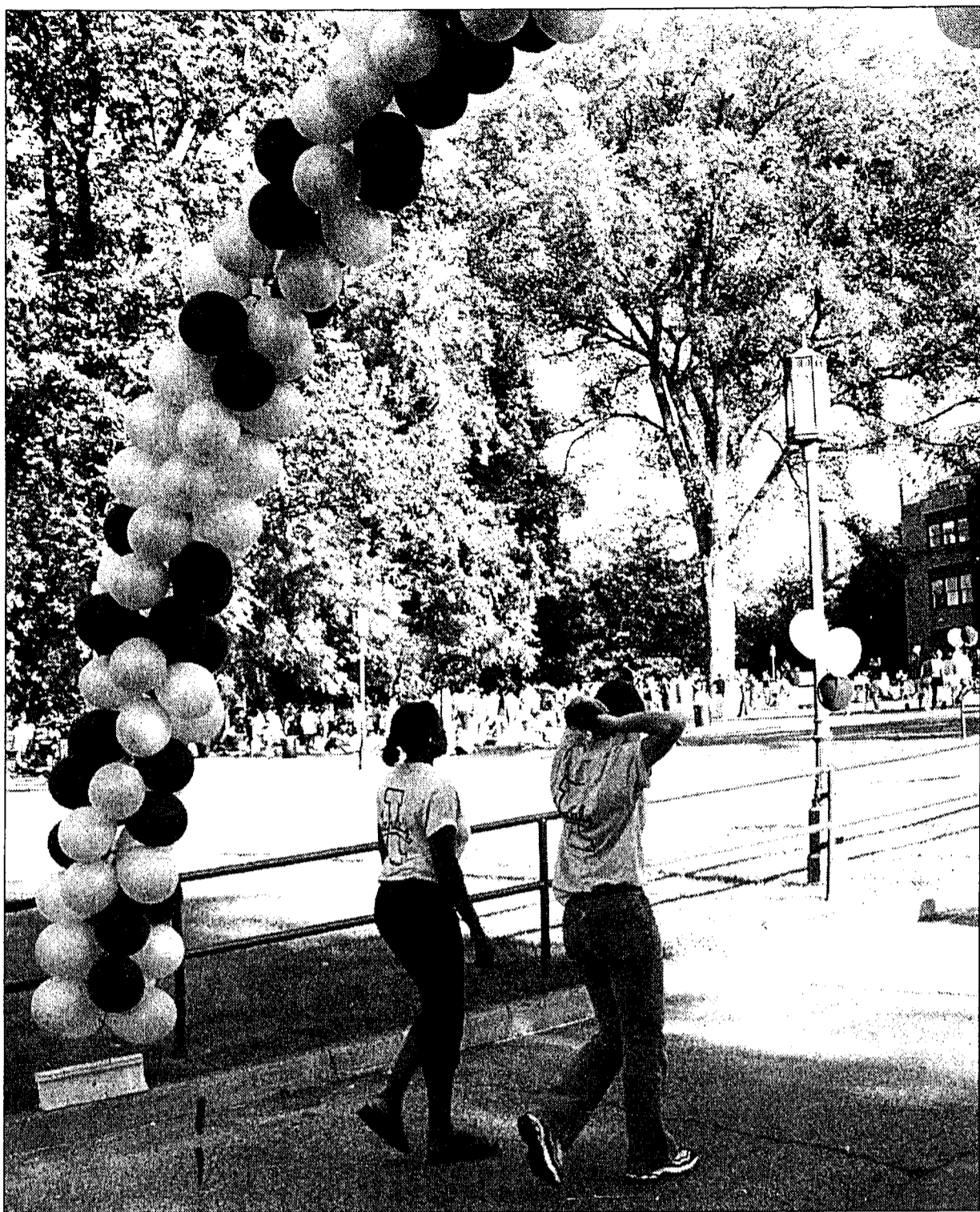
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New students attended an orientation barbecue Sunday evening on the Administration lawn as part of the university's welcoming activities.

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The orientation culminated with a keynote speaker, Papineau said.

Papineau gave words of advice about professors, spousal support and getting involved in campus. Schweitzer described his as "the poster-child for non-traditional students and a success story for UI."

Janis Scott, 60, of Grangeville, has to come to UI this year to finish her architecture degree. A freshman in 1966, Scott met her first husband and married him after he graduated that year. Scott is mother to three children. After raising her children, dealing with family problems and marrying her second husband, Scott realized she wanted to finish her degree to better her life and alleviate debt. "There is no money without a degree," she said. "Sometimes I feel like I am slamming my head against a wall." Coming to Moscow and enrolling she told herself, "It's now or never."

Juggling a part-time job, a spouse in another city, a family life and school, Scott remains enthusiastic. "I am so happy I came back," she said. "If I died tomorrow, I would be happy knowing I had come back, even without the degree."

Scott's multi-tasking life and focused mentality is exactly what Papineau spoke about. "Non-traditional students look at school as a job to be done," he said. "And it is a job we love."

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As for questions regarding the university receiving any additional funding from the state to make up for the \$29 million in revenue losses over the next few years, Hoover said, "I don't think you get assurances in this kind of environment. We're trying to

make this as transparent to the students as possible, and the community."

For more information about UI's budget restructuring, visit the institutional planning and budget's Web site at www.its.uidaho.edu/IPB/

UC Berkley sophomore runs for city council

BY JENNIFER KLINE
DAILY CALIFORNIAN (U. CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY)

(U-WIRE) BERKELEY, Calif. - Running against incumbent Council member Kriss Worthington for the District 7 Berkeley City Council seat, University of California-Berkeley sophomore Micki Weinberg said he hopes to unite UC Berkeley and its surrounding city.

"We need to work on the relationship between the city and university, and I am in the perfect position to do so," Weinberg said.

Weinberg, who calls himself an "independent progressive voice," said the City Council has been plagued by petty factionalism.

Weinberg will be the only student candidate in the coming City Council elections.

District 7 includes parts of Southside, which contains Units 1, 2 and 3, and parts of Telegraph Avenue.

Weinberg said he wants to provide affordable housing, but not at the expense of neighborhood interests.

"We need to work together with both sides," Weinberg said. "We need to make the best of things through working together."

Weinberg criticized his opponent Worthington on housing issues.

"My incumbent has been disappointing in finding a good relationship between the city and university," Weinberg said. "A lot of affordable housing plans have not been voted on or voted against."

Worthington, however, defended his record on student housing and said he has advocated for affordable student housing.

"Students want more housing, and I have fought very hard for more housing as well as more affordable housing," Worthington said.

Besides housing, Weinberg also said he will address traffic

congestion and People's Park crime.

"Traffic diversion (of two-way streets into one-way streets) diverts the problems," Weinberg said. "The larger issue is looking at the traffic problem within the context of the city."

Crime at People's Park is embarrassing, Weinberg said, but added that it is "important to remember why People's Park is there and not forget our heritage."

Weinberg has listed as supporters Berkeley Mayor Shirley Dean, and council members Betty Olds and Miriam Hawley.

"I thought it was very appropriate for a student to be on the City Council," Dean said. "I was very pleased to hear that a student stepped forward - not someone who recently graduated or will graduate. I like his energy and his willingness to speak up."

But ASUC External Affairs Vice President Jimmy Bryant, who has voiced his support for recent UC Berkeley graduate and District 8 candidate Andy Katz, said he does not support Weinberg.

"I think it is a great idea another student is running for council," Bryant said. "I only hope that this student is as knowledgeable on how City Council works (as Katz). I don't know Micki's platform, and I haven't talked to him enough to lend him support."

Worthington said he hopes Weinberg's candidacy will inspire more students to become interested in government.

But Worthington added that he is still the candidate that best represents student issues, despite running against a student candidate.

"Students don't just want someone who is a student," Worthington said. "They want someone who will fight for them and stand up for them against people who are against student interests, which I have done numerous times."

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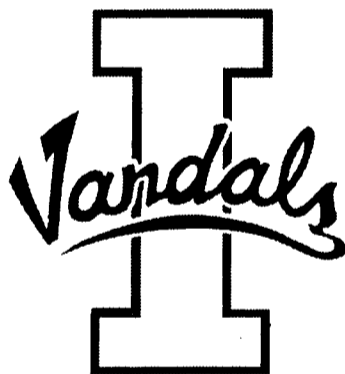
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With exercise, healthy meals, students can avoid "Freshman 15"

BY TAMARA EL-KHOURY
KNIGHT RIDDER/TROJEN NEWS SERVICE

(KRT) - When Sarah Rogan was a freshman two years ago, she and her friends spent many evenings in the dining hall at Wellesley College. Their unlimited meal plan made it easy for them to go back for seconds, thirds and even dessert. By the end of the year, Rogan had gained 15 pounds.

Rogan's college weight gain is so common, it is ominously known on campuses as the "Freshman 15." Although her experience is not unusual, it can be avoided.

Her first semester, Rogan actually shed a few pounds playing for the school's soccer team but once the season ended, she got sucked into the poor habits of college life.

"Eating in college is a very social thing... Once the season ended, it all came on," said Rogan, 20, who is now a junior French and neuroscience major. She attributes Wellesley's limitless meal plan and the social aspect of eating to her weight gain.

It doesn't help that the local pizza shop in Wellesley, Mass., delivers Ben and Jerry's ice cream with their pizza and that one of the area restaurants delivers fresh desserts right to the dorms.

"People always joke about the 'Wellesley 30' or the 'Wellesley 50,' and since we're an all-girls school, we don't worry about what we're eating," Rogan said.

Some schools like Rutgers University are trying to raise nutritional awareness among students. Along with her student staff, Peggy Policastro, the director of the Healthy Dining Team at Rutgers produces "Eating 101," a weekly newsletter.

The newsletter, placed on tables in the dining hall, addresses nutritional topics of interest to students, such as the Freshman 15, dieting fads, caffeine consumption and holiday eating.

She also has one of the dining hall chefs perform a cooking demonstration for students while Policastro explains nutrition and healthy food preparation. The food is then served to students.

Poor food preparation and food choices aren't the only mistakes students make that contribute to weight gain. One of the biggest errors victims of the Freshman 15 make is to skip meals.

"If you don't feed (your body), it will feed itself by using up some of your stores. But when it does that it gets very frugal. In other words, you lower your metabolic rate (when you skip meals) then when you eat, you can store more (fat) since you're burning fuel at a lower rate and that's how some obesity starts," said Thomas Castonguay, a professor of nutrition and food science at the University of Maryland, College Park.

Skipping meals causes students to overeat later in the day, according to Tausha Robertson, the coordinator of fitness and nutrition at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Student Health Service. "When you skip meals your blood sugar levels are going to drop off at some point," she said.

Eating right isn't the only healthy habit students should adopt. Castonguay stresses physical activity as

the best way to prevent weight gain.

"I think that that the major source of the problem is not only with easy access to food - the dining hall choices are tremendous - but the lack of physical activity that is typical among college students with serious, challenging courses. Put the two together, and a little beer and nachos and voila...the Freshman 15," Castonguay said.

Robertson says she often hears students complain that they've gained weight in college. Like Castonguay, Robertson points her finger to inactivity as the leading cause of the freshmen 15. She also blames a change in eating habits.

Mike LoConti, 20, knows this problem well. Now a junior business finance major at Northeastern University in Boston, LoConti didn't gain weight until his sophomore year. As a freshman he made it to the gym daily, sometimes even twice a day, but once he started his co-op program his sophomore year, he spent more time in his car or at a desk than in the gym. He gained 25 pounds.

"The workout gets cut out by never

being in the same place... I lost focus on my body because I was so busy looking for a job," LoConti said. Always on the road on his way to school in Boston, his hometown in New York or to see his girlfriend in Maryland, LoConti's schedule lacked consistency. He became too exhausted to work out, and when he had time to eat, he ate fast food.

What LoConti didn't know was that he didn't need to spend hours at the gym after work. All he needed was less than an hour a day of physical activity to maintain his weight.

"At a minimum, we should all attempt 30 to 45 minutes a day of at least brisk-paced walking at least five times a week," Castonguay said. He stresses "regular exercise as part of a lifestyle, not as though you were on a mission from God that lasts 10 days and leaves you slumped over in a pile of exhausted flesh," he said.

Robertson agrees. "The key is you kind of have to start these habits now because these are the habits you'll stick with for the rest of your life," she said.

LSU students live in fear of serial killers

BY HARRISON SHEFFIELD
THE CRIMSON WHITE

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (U-WIRE) - While students at the University of Alabama fall back into their routines of homework and tests, students at another Southeastern Conference school are dealing with a serial killer who has claimed the lives of three women since September 2001.

Students returning to Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, La., are being warned by police to use extreme caution in the wake of the murders. Officials from the Baton Rouge Police Department have confirmed that the murders are connected, citing DNA evidence.

According to the Baton Rouge newspaper The Advocate, the killings began Sept. 24 when Gina Wilson Green, a 41-year-old nurse, was found strangled in her home.

In late May, Charlotte Murray Pace, who had once lived three doors down from Green, was stabbed to death in the home she had moved into a few days earlier. Pace was a 22-year-old MBA graduate of LSU.

Pam Kinamore, the most recent victim of the serial killer, was taken from her home on July 12. The 44-year-old's body was discovered at an exit on Interstate 10, after her throat had been cut.

The murders have sparked fear across the LSU campus, said Kristen Meyer, editor of The Reveille, LSU's student

newspaper.

A group of female UA students all expressed uneasiness and concern over the existence of a serial killer in a college town much like their own.

Summer Williams said she had heard about the Baton Rouge, La., serial killer while flipping television channels. However, she said she would not make any changes to her routine unless the murders had taken place near her home.

"If I was in the area, I would make sure my neighbors kept an eye on me, and that a light was always on outside, and that I had my cell phone with me," said Williams, a senior majoring in business management.

April Nesmith, a senior majoring in human development and family studies, said she did not know about the murders before being asked about them, but the news made her more aware of the dangers that exist in the world.

"If we in Tuscaloosa were in the same situation, I would definitely not go out by myself," Nesmith said. "That's a risk that is not worth taking when you're dealing with a murderer who might kill again."

The story was news to Leslie Garrett, as well. Garrett, a senior majoring in nursing, said learning about the murders, as well as the spate of child abductions that have made headlines this summer, reminds her again how important it is to be aware of her surroundings.

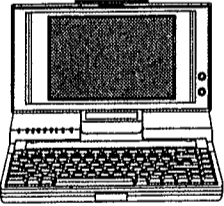
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Scientist files ethics complaint against Justice Dept. in Anthrax investigation

BY SUMANA CHATTERJEE
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (KRT) — Brimming with anger, Steven Hatfill, a bio-defense specialist who has been identified as a "person of interest" in the anthrax attacks, said Sunday he has offered blood and handwriting samples to the FBI to try to exonerate himself.

In his second press conference in two weeks, Hatfill complained that the scrutiny from the FBI and Attorney General John Ashcroft isn't warranted. "My life is being destroyed by arrogant government bureaucrats," he said.

The former government scientist, who worked on a U.S. biological warfare program, said he is submitting his blood to test for anthrax antibodies or vaccines. He has also offered writing samples to compare against penmanship on letters and envelopes in the anthrax-laden mail. He said he wants the FBI to waive its privacy regulations and make the results public. He is certain he will be exonerated, he said.

"I want to look my fellow Americans directly in the eye and declare to them, I am not the anthrax killer. I know nothing about the anthrax attacks. I had absolutely nothing to do with this horrible crime," he said.

"I want to look my fellow Americans directly in the eye and declare to them, I am not the anthrax killer."

STEVEN HATFILL
PERSON OF INTEREST IN ANTHRAX INVESTIGATION

Hatfill's lawyers have submitted a formal ethics complaint to the Justice Department for publicly linking him to last fall's anthrax attacks that killed five people and sickened 13 others. Investigators searched his Frederick, Md., apartment twice, his car, a storage unit in Florida and his girlfriend's home. So far, they have found no physical evidence linking him to a crime, he said.

FBI officials have not charged him, or anyone else, for the anthrax attacks. He is not considered a suspect, according to the FBI and Justice Department officials. But just last week Ashcroft said Hatfill remained "a person of interest to the Department of Justice."

The FBI has revealed no other names of the 20 to 30 scientists they are investigating. "This assassination of my

character appears to be part of a governmental effort to show the American people that it is proceeding vigorously and successfully with the anthrax investigation," Hatfill said.

Hatfill's complaint takes issue with the term "a person of interest," which has no legal meaning, according to Hatfill's lawyer Victor Glasberg. It also asks the Justice Department to investigate the leaks that have led to a media frenzy.

Hatfill, 48, attracted the FBI's attention, in part, because he commissioned a study in late 1999, while working for a private defense contractor, on the effects of a possible anthrax attack through the mail. He had also worked at the Army Medical Research Institute at Fort Detrick, Md., once home to the U.S. biological warfare program and a repository for the Ames strain of anthrax used in the attacks.

The Defense Department lifted Hatfill's security clearance last August. SAIC Corp., a San Diego-based private defense consulting firm that specializes in classified work, dismissed him in March. After a second search of his apartment in August, Hatfill was put on paid administrative leave from a position at Louisiana State University.

College 101: Beware of anybody bearing a credit card for you

BY DELANO MASSEY
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

AKRON, Ohio (KRT) — During the first couple of weeks of school, there will be a flood of them.

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"Credit card companies go on college campuses looking for students to hire. They'll go to fraternities and offer them \$20 for every student they get a card," said Mary Sites, director of the Consumer Credit Counseling program in Canton, Ohio. "I don't think they should be allowed on universities, but there's no law against it."

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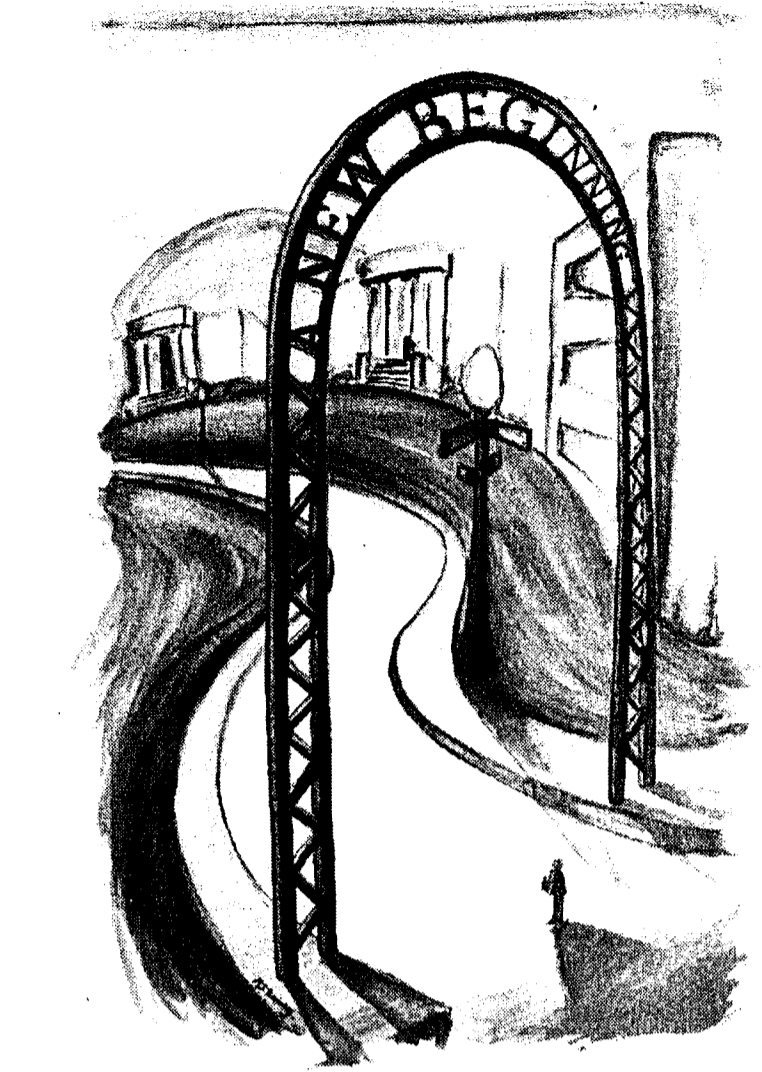
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"It's sort of sad. A lot of these students have trashed their credit history before they even get out of college," Sites said. "The companies are thinking that the kids will get the cards and stay on track and have established credit when they get out, but that's not usually what happens."

Sites said that nearly 20 percent of her cases are students from Kent State University, and she has about 1,000 clients. Sites estimates that the average debt for a college student is probably about \$5,000, compared to the \$8,000 or \$10,000 average for a working adult.

"The students will get the credit cards. There's no doubt about that," Sites said. "When you are a college student, you don't have a lot of money, so it's very tempting."

"If the client or student would sit down and go over their budget, and the credit card company could tell them what their monthly payment would be, they can



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U. Alabama campus still reeling from fire, shooting

BY HARRISON SHEFFIELD
THE CHIMSON WHITE

(U-WIRE) TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Shock from last week's shooting and arson instances did not wear off of University of Alabama students this weekend.

The fire followed a picnic sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta sorority and Omega Psi Phi fraternity the night before. The event was interrupted by gunshots and the arrests of two University students, Timos Fears and Rodney Demille Moore, for reckless endangerment. Hours later, an early-morning fire broke out at the Delta Sigma Theta house.

No one was injured in either incident.

Some students said they had read stories about the events in local newspapers, but most learned of the fire through word-of-mouth.

"I can't believe that someone would do this on our campus,"

said Jessica Kinney, a freshman majoring in interior design. "It makes you wonder why someone would do this."

Other students were not as shocked. Dave Murib, a junior majoring in engineering, said the fire does not shock him.

"It doesn't surprise me that this stuff happens. People get drunk and crazy and, then they do things like this. I've seen people set dumpsters on fire plenty of times. But it has never been aggressive toward other people like this is."

All students interviewed hoped that those responsible for the blaze at the sorority house would be found and arrested. Matt Magathan, a senior majoring in business management, said the perpetrators should be expelled from school if they are students.

"This is serious stuff, when you have people setting buildings on fire, especially buildings where people are sleeping,"

Magathan said. "I don't want people like that on our campus, causing trouble and getting people hurt."

Rumors about the fire's cause have been circulating around campus. Barbara Stampul, a junior majoring in political science, said she had heard several stories about the incident, but authorities have not confirmed any of them.

"It's very unfortunate that this happened. Thank goodness no one was hurt," Stampul said.

Eight women were in the sorority house at the time of the fire, according to a statement the University released Thursday. Tiffany Hall said the fire could have been much worse, without the fire alarm and the women evacuating the house.

"I have heard about fires in dorms where people don't get out of bed because they think it's a false alarm. This should remind everyone to take fire alarms seriously," Hall said.

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More students opt for on-campus living

BY SUSAN C. THOMSON
ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

ST. LOUIS — Living at home while going to college — it's the time-honored way to do a degree on the cheap.

And it seems to be on the way out. Except for community colleges, pure commuter colleges are getting harder to find all the time. Over the past several years, many of these schools have started new campus housing, or expanded or remodeled their existing supplies.

And, along with a smattering of those from out-of-town and foreign countries, many students have flocked to the new digs.

Carissa Bertels hails from the Madison County community of Dorsey, Ill., just 20 minutes away from Southern Illinois University Evansville, where she will be a junior this fall. Still, she chooses to live in a university residence hall, one of three 500-student units the university has built in the past eight years while remodeling its old stock of campus apartments.

Bertels says she likes the campus life because it affords her "more freedom" than living at home with her parents. And with no chance of an unreliable roommate stifling her on rent, it also beats an off-campus apartment, she said.

Matthew Amsden commuted from home in Manchester, Mo., to St. Louis Community College at Meramec last semester. Now he's moving into a residence hall at Lindenwood University in St. Charles, Mo. Lindenwood has been expanding its housing stock along with its enrollment. "I have nothing against my parents, but I'd like to get out on my own," Amsden said.

Only a few years ago, independent-minded students like Amsden and Bertels avoided living on campus, thinking it cramped their style. Times and attitudes have changed as colleges nationwide have built new and more attractive student accommodations.

Gary Schwarzmuller, executive director of College and University Housing Officers-International, says col-

leges are in the middle of a spurt of housing construction. "There's more activity now than I can remember in 30 years," he said.

The boom stems in part from research showing that students who live on campus are more likely to stick to their studies and graduate — and that the freshman year can be the key to success. So universities with ample supplies of student housing are less likely to give students, especially freshmen, a choice.

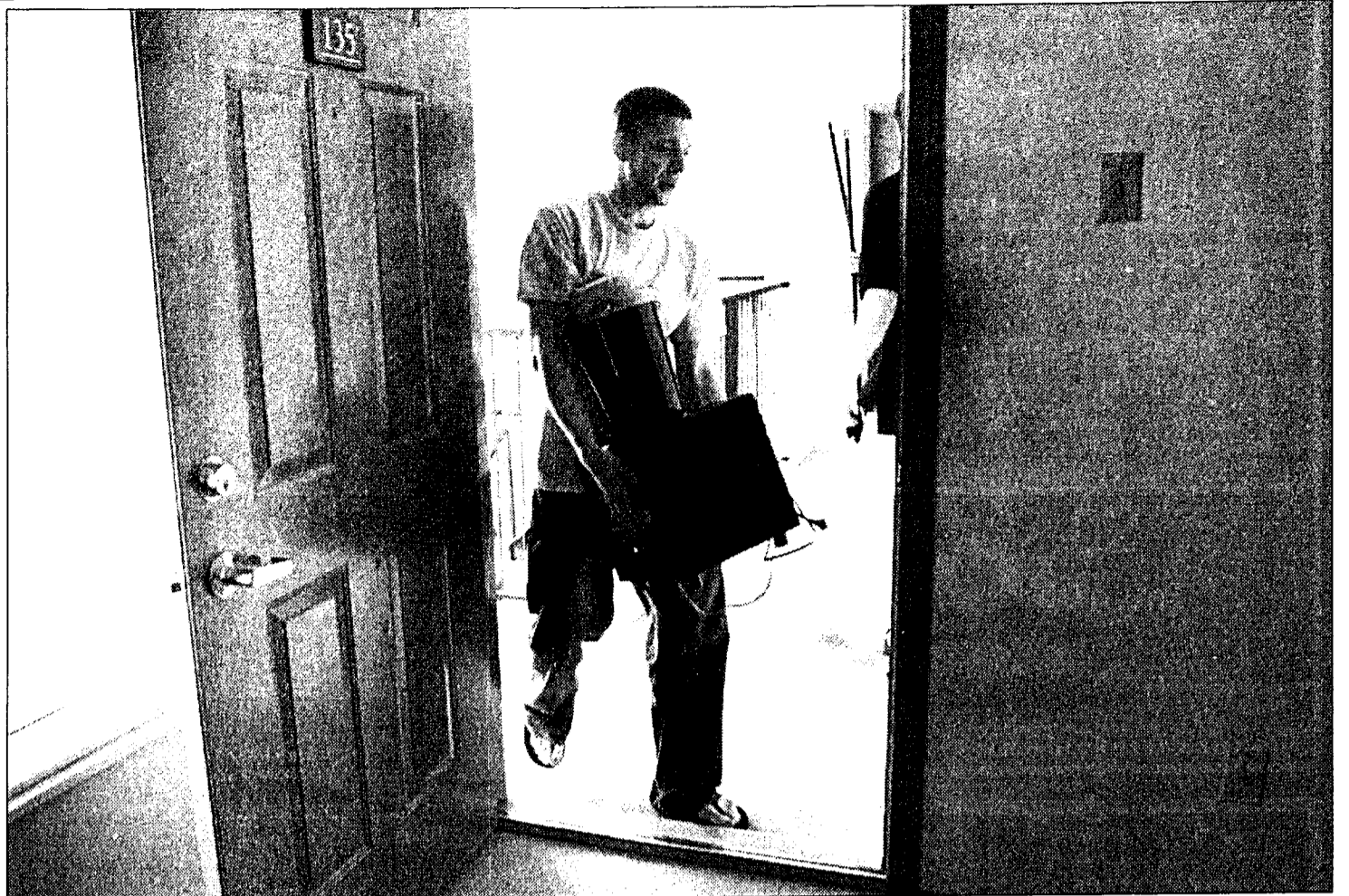
St. Louis University merely suggests that all freshmen from beyond driving distance live in campus housing for at least their first year. Washington University and the University of Missouri at Columbia insist on it, as will Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, beginning in the fall of next year.

Students are anything but resistant. Even Washington and St. Louis universities' townies are eager to live with their peers rather than their parents. Washington University reports that no more than a couple of dozen freshmen every year exercise their option to commute. Of the 3,509 students who have reserved rooms in St. Louis University's residence halls for the coming semester, 531 come from within 25 miles of campus.

Once they come as freshmen, there appears to be no dislodging them. Washington University's residence halls for upperclassmen have been filled to capacity. St. Louis University easily fills all student rooms, not just those for freshmen. Associate Provost Ned Harris says this is a big change from just a few years ago, when demand was tepid for half as many on-campus spots.

And, no wonder. Today's best college rooms feature all of the advantages of home and then some. They're wired for reliable, at-a-click access to the Internet, with a portal for each student. Many offer cable hookups to boot.

The latest in campus accommodations are apartment-style set-ups with kitchens, living rooms and, in many cases, individual bedrooms and bath-



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Rob Jearls of St. Louis, Missouri, moves into his on-campus apartment at Webster University. Although he lives close enough to drive to the campus, Jearls, an in-coming freshman, decided to live on campus for a more complete college experience.

rooms. Compared with the spare, concrete dorm rooms of old with common showers down the hall, they couldn't be more attractive, grown-up, private and, in students' eyes, desirable.

Maryville University in St. Louis is opening its first such building this fall, its third residence hall altogether. Apartments were what University of Missouri-St. Louis and Webster opted

for in adding rooms over the past several years. At Webster, the result is Webster Village: six low-rise buildings plus a clubhouse and outdoor swimming pool, opened four years ago and looking for all the world like a suburban singles complex.

Freshman Rob Jearls, from just three miles away in south St. Louis County, is sharing a two-bedroom unit in the vil-

lage this fall with Chris Weddle, who could walk to campus from a home just three blocks away.

For Jearls, living on campus is a matter of getting "the whole college experience." His mother, Pamela Jearls, said she wanted that for him, even at a price of \$505 a month for the room, plus \$1,260 a semester for the university's least expensive meal plan.

Porno features Arizona State U. student body VP

BY RACHEL SCHICK
ARIZONA DAILY WILDCAT (U. ARIZONA)

(U-WIRE) TUCSON, Ariz.— Arizona State University president Michael Crow said Thursday that disciplinary action would be taken against ASU fraternities and fraternity members, including the executive vice president of the student government at the Tempe university, who took part in making a pornographic video that included sex on a campus lawn, porn stars and a sexual scavenger hunt.

Members of the UA community said a similar event couldn't and shouldn't happen here.

The September production of "Shane's World #29: Frat Row Scavenger Hunt 3" featured ASU fraternity members, including a shower scene with Brian Buck, Sigma Nu member and executive vice president of the Associated Students of ASU, performing sexual acts with porn stars.

The ASU student body president and vice president said they didn't see the production of the video as a big deal, and that it would most likely not affect any leadership positions.

Members of Theta Chi, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Kappa Sigma and Sigma Nu were all involved in the film, featuring a "sexual scavenger hunt" by the film crew.

Sex toys and other objects were used as the hunt moved from bedroom, to living room, to limousine, to poolside, and even to a public campus lawn and the front of a residence hall.

Two women were in each of the two teams that performed sexual acts with the fraternity members. The teams earned points in the scavenger hunt via sexual acts, and the team with the most points won the hunt. There was no sexual intercourse.

The video was brought to the attention of ASU administrators in early July. Administrators said the sexual acts violated the code of conduct.

ASU President Michael Crow had consulted with the Arizona

Attorney General's Office and the campus police department regarding the appropriate disciplinary response.

UA student body president Doug Hartz commented, "Students at the UA should know that this type of thing will not be tolerated at our institution."

UA fraternity officials, have also distanced themselves from the event.

"The sad fact is that it was a few people who couldn't control themselves," said Josh Surridge, Public Relations representative for UA Interfraternity Council. "We definitely have confidence in our fraternities here not to pull a stunt like that."

Hartz said leadership at ASU was very different from that of the UA student government's, and added the possibility of a similar event here is not likely.

"We hold our leadership to a higher degree," Hartz said. "As leaders you have to maintain a professional image."

Andy Quinn, a UA pre-business sophomore, said he thought most guys would say yes to an opportunity to be in a porn video, but not if it jeopardized their

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Cheney urges swift action against Iraq despite lack of direct ties to al-Qaida

BY RON HUTCHESON
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

WASHINGTON — Vice President Dick Cheney on Monday presented the Bush administration's most forceful case yet for a pre-emptive strike against Iraq, urging swift action to head off the danger that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein will attack first.

Cheney told a group of veterans that he has "no doubt" Hussein is preparing to use weapons of mass destruction against the United States. Cheney dismissed war critics as victims of "wishful thinking or willful blindness."

"We will not simply look away, hope for the best and leave the matter for some future administration to resolve," Cheney said in a speech at a Veterans of Foreign Wars convention in Nashville, Tenn. "The risks of inaction are far greater than the risks of action."

A new Knight Ridder poll indicates that most Americans are gung-ho for the global war on terrorism and a solid 67 percent favor taking it to Iraq, according to the survey, conducted by Princeton Survey Research.

Much of the support seems to be based on the belief that Hussein is in league with terrorists.

With painful memories from Sept. 11 still strong, 77 percent of Americans say they support military strikes against any country that harbors terrorists associated with Osama bin Laden and his al-Qaida network. About 57 percent consider Iraq an enemy in the war on terrorism.

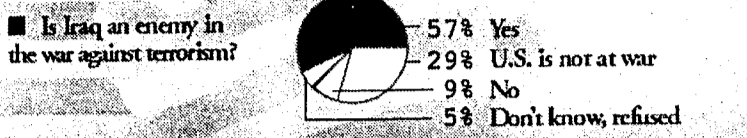
"The American people felt gravely wounded by 9-11 and the urge to take steps to prevent something like that from ever happening again is extremely strong," said Evans Witt, president of Princeton Survey Research, a polling firm that surveyed 2,003 adults between Aug. 5 and Aug. 18. "People think of things through that prism. 9-11 is the context of all discussion of Iraq."

The Bush administration has not produced any evidence linking Iraq to the Sept. 11 attacks or al-Qaida. The link is important because it would make it easier for the Bush administration to win support for military action from the American people, allies overseas and Congress.

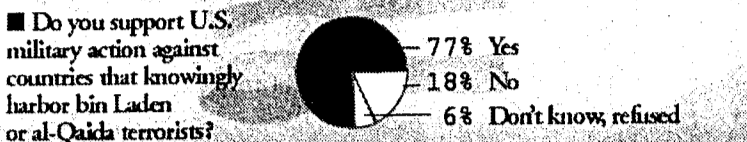
Experts say scant evidence ties

U.S. views on attacking Iraq

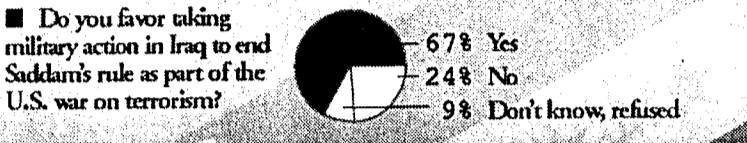
How Americans feel about U.S. military action against Iraq, according to a new Knight Ridder poll:



68% of Republicans, 55% of Democrats polled say Iraq is an enemy



80% of 35- to 54-year-olds, 68% of those 65 and older support it



52% of African-Americans, 70% of Hispanics* favor it

Note: Numbers may not total 100% due to rounding

*Of any race

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Source: Princeton Survey Research Associates national poll for Knight Ridder of 2,003 adults, Aug. 5-18, 2002; 2% error margin
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Iraq to al-Qaida.

"I am not aware of any demonstrated link between Iraq and al-Qaida," said Jonathan Tucker, a former U.N. weapons inspector in Iraq who is now with the Monterey Institute of International Studies, a research organization. "There's no link between Sept. 11 and Iraq that has been well documented."

Opponents of military action, including several prominent Republicans with impressive foreign policy credentials, increasingly are warning against pre-emptive strikes against Iraq. They urge Bush to take time to rally support from Congress and allies overseas first.

Over the weekend, former Secretary of State James Baker joined former National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft in urging Bush to seek another round of U.N. weapons inspections in Iraq before going to war. Both men were confidants of Bush's father, former President George Bush, during the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

"Although the United States could certainly succeed, we

should try our best not to have to go it alone, and the president should reject the advice of those who counsel doing so," Baker said in an opinion piece in Sunday's New York Times. "The costs in all areas will be much greater, as will the political risks."

On Monday Cheney bluntly rejected the possibility of trying to restart U.N. weapons inspections in Iraq. "A return of inspectors would provide no assurance whatsoever of his compliance with U.N. resolutions," Cheney said.

U.N. inspections ended four years ago when Hussein forced the inspectors to leave Iraq. "Simply stated, there is no doubt that Saddam Hussein now has weapons of mass destruction; there is no doubt that he is amassing them to use against our friends, against our allies and against us," Cheney said.

Cheney and White House spokesman Ari Fleischer both reiterated Monday that the administration would consult with lawmakers about any military action on Iraq, but stopped short of saying they would seek a vote of approval in advance.

Russian space flight set to take off, with or without pop star

BY MARK McDONALD
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

MOSCOW, Russia (KRT) — Officials at Russia's space agency said Monday that an upcoming mission to the International Space Station would blast off as scheduled, with or without American pop star Lance Bass.

Bass, 23, a singer with the boy band 'N Sync, signed up to join a Russian Soyuz crew on its Oct. 28 flight to the space station. But an agency spokesman said Monday that Bass' group of backers, which includes MTV and Radio Shack, missed Friday's deadline to pay \$20 million for the trip.

"We realize Lance Bass might not find enough money to go," said Konstantin Kreidenko, a spokesman for the cash-strapped Russian

Aviation and Space agency. "We are in constant talks with the American side, but our patience isn't limitless. Except for their promises, we've received nothing from them. Nothing at all."

"This mission does not depend at all on Lance Bass. We are going anyway."

Kreidenko said Russian technicians were preparing a special cargo container that would be added to the spacecraft in case the singer bailed out of the trip. The container and its goods will weigh the same as Bass, reflecting the tight weight restriction aboard the spacecraft.

The singer recently completed training at the Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Center outside Moscow. On Monday he began a week of flight training at the Johnson Space Center in Houston,

after flying in from Moscow over the weekend with the rest of his crew.

"The training part (in Russia) went in a satisfactory manner, but the final results will be seen in a pre-flight test that he will have to pass," Kreidenko said. "There was never any question of removing Mr. Lance because he wasn't up to it. In Russian circuses, even bears can be taught to ride a bicycle."

Bass' sponsors, which include television and film companies that are interested in producing a series, a documentary or a feature film about the singer's trip, could not immediately be reached for comment. But one of his backers, David Krieff, a Los Angeles producer, said recently that the final payment was merely being slowed by

bureaucracy. The deal, he said, was "100 percent going forward."

But with just two months before launch, time could be getting short.

"We have to make a new spacesuit for him, and we need to make a special chair that exactly fits his dimensions," Kreidenko said. "The work involved can't be done in a day."

If the trip comes off, Bass would be the youngest person ever to go into space and the world's third "space tourist."

American millionaire Dennis Tito went up in 2001, and Mark Shuttleworth, a South African Internet tycoon, paid for a ride in April. In their respective taxi rides to the space station, the tourists joined two-man crews of cosmonauts, the Russian term for astronauts.

FBI

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spores to lead us to a dissemination device presumed to be a letter or letters," Adams said.

Once they collect what might be thousands of samples from the AMI building, government scientists at a Miami lab will compare them with the anthrax strain found in letters addressed to Leahy and Daschle.

Investigators believe that the anthrax found in the AMI building was the same strain used in Washington and New York, although the spores may have been dispersed differently.

"We're looking for large quantities of spores in order to clinically characterize those spores and compare them against the spores" found in the senators' letters, Adams said. "The techniques and tools that were developed... will allow for thousands and thousands of samples to be taken that, back in October, would have overwhelmed any public health laboratory in the state or in the nation."

Investigative work done inside the building 10 months ago focused mainly on identifying the strain of anthrax and minimizing any potential public health hazard, FBI officials said. "We had a person that had been exposed to anthrax, and at that point it became potentially a public health issue," Pesquera said.

Investigators learned last year that a news assistant opened a package that was addressed to pop singer Jennifer Lopez and sent to The Sun.

The employee said it had no return address and contained an open box of laundry detergent and an inexpensive Star of David.

It was thrown in the garbage and incinerated before investigators could examine it. The FBI previously called the package irrelevant to the investigation because it was destroyed.

Florida Health Secretary Dr. John O. Agwunobi said the current operation will not pose a public health threat to anyone living or working nearby.

Later Monday, some local and federal officials said they hoped

the FBI's return wasn't because of Boca Raton being forgotten in the panic that followed the anthrax attacks on Congress and New York media outlets. The FBI's investigation also may help speed up efforts by Florida's U.S. senators to have the federal government take over the building in order to clean it thoroughly.

"Every American who is victimized by a terrorist attack should have the ultimate confidence that the federal government will come to their aid. For the last 10 months, as the AMI building has sat in isolation while contaminated with anthrax, the people of South Florida have not had that assurance," said Rep. Robert Wexler, D-Fla.

"I hope that this investigation by the FBI will help move that process along," U.S. Rep. Mark Foley, R-Fla., wonders why the FBI wasn't in the AMI building eight or nine months ago.

"It seems like the case may have grown cold after all these months," he said. "My suspicion is they've decided they didn't get all the evidence they needed."



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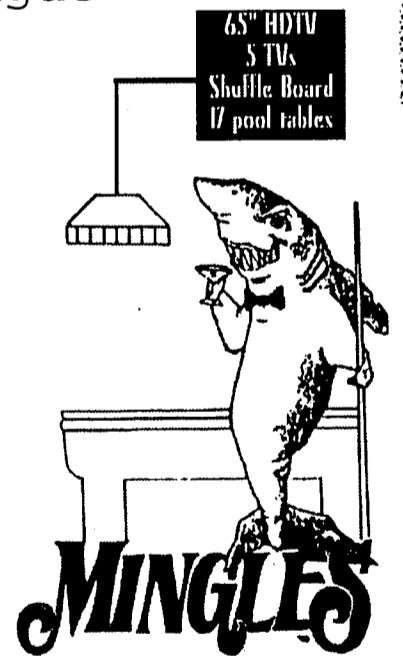
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Tree climbing was included as one of the many activities free to students at the Palousafest Saturday afternoon by the Commons building.

Picking cell phone plans for college depends on several factors, expert says

BY JERRY LYNOTT
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

As students are starting back to college with a cell phone, which plan to use will require some study on their part.

What carrier should you sign up with? Who is paying for the phone? What is the coverage area?

They're all good questions, said Allan Keiter of MyRatePlan.com, an Atlanta-based online resource for consumer services in the areas of credit cards, travel, insurance and long distance.

But topping the list, he said, should be, "What's it primarily going to be used for?"

If the phone is mainly for long-distance calls home, tailor the plan for that, Keiter said. If the student travels frequently, consider a plan with a regional or national coverage area. Another plan might be best for a student whose calls are mainly for around the school.

"A lot of plans have free long distance," Keiter said. It makes sense then for a student who is going to be away most of the year to get

listed in the market where the school is located so they can make local calls and take advantage of the freebie.

A student might have to deal with roaming charges for calls outside their coverage area when they return home for holidays or breaks, however, Keiter said. If the trips home are frequent, consider going with a regional or national plan.

If parents are paying for the phone, they might want to look at prepaid minutes, Keiter said. "It's good for budgeting purposes." The airtime is programmed into the phone and operates on the same principle as buying a phone card with a designated block of time.

Students who buy their own phones and pay their own bills will be required to undergo a credit check by the service provider. You must be 18 to qualify to buy a phone in the first place, Keiter said.

With the right plan, having a cell phone at school "could actually be an opportunity for the family to save money" and forgo the expense of having a school-supplied phone

in the dorm, Keiter said.

Face it, cell phones are becoming ubiquitous. There are approximately 140 million users nationwide, Keiter said. The convenience of dialing up anyone at anytime in anyplace makes them a must-have item for business, pleasure or emergency.

A cell phone is "a good thing for the younger person with a mobile lifestyle," Keiter said.

He suggested visiting his Web site or another, SimplyWireless.com, or providers like Verizon, Sprint, Nextel, VoiceStream and AT&T to see what plans are available and how they compare in cost, coverage, fees, extras and phones.

Plans may be purchased from the site or at a retailer or carrier's store. Some people like to see and handle the phone they'll be using and prefer to do their shopping in person, Keiter said.

Whatever the method, his advice is to shop for the plan that suits your need. "There's no magic solution," he said.

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organization's reputation.

"It's a little inappropriate," said Quinn, member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. "I would feel weird if it was going on at our house."

Surrige said if "a case as serious as this" occurred at UA, the participants would be immediately referred to the Dean of Students. In addition, the fraternities involved would be reprimanded by the Greek Judicial Board and by their individual national organizations.

James McGovern, a French and computer engineering junior, said pornography makes life more interesting and would not affect a leadership role.

He referred to Italy, where an ex-porn star is a member of parliament.

"As long as people don't get hurt (it's OK)," McGovern said.

The University of Arizona Code of Conduct prohibits public sexual indecency and indecent exposure but is not specific enough to

include anything related to the production of pornographic videos.

According to the Code of Conduct, however, the board may take "necessary and appropriate action to protect the safety and well-being of the university."

Punishments ranged from a warning to expulsion.

Alexis Hernandez, associate dean of students, said he was not aware of past similar occurrences or what the dean of students would do if it were to occur now at UA.

"I know of no policy related to that," Hernandez said.

Hartz expressed concern that the conduct of ASU leaders would harm the reputation of UA student leadership. Both campuses are linked by the Associated Students of Arizona, a student lobbyist group, and both student governments lobby the State Legislature for more funding of higher education.

"As leaders we have to prove constantly that our opinions are credible," Hartz said. "We will have to work cooperatively (with the leaders of ASU) to try to re-establish the professionalism."

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Faulty intelligence hampers U.S. forces in Afghanistan

BY PETER SMOLOWITZ
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

ZORMAT, Afghanistan (KRT) — In the largest military effort of the war on terrorism since March, U.S. troops finished an eight-day mission in the eastern mountains Sunday, seizing weapons and prisoners, but none of the suspected terrorists they sought.

About 2,000 troops stormed the area near Pakistan, taking 11 prisoners, then releasing two of them. U.S. military commanders were disappointed, saying Taliban or al Qaeda forces had been alerted.

"It was clear to me there was advance warning in each of the sites we went to," said Col. James Huggins, commander of the Fort Bragg, N.C., 82nd Airborne Division troops in Afghanistan. "We're here trying to do a mission for the country (Afghanistan), so we've got to work with the country. What they do with that information, I don't know."

Faulty intelligence has troubled U.S. forces in their efforts to hunt down any remaining al Qaeda and Taliban forces. In January, U.S. soldiers raided a village north of Kandahar, believing it contained Taliban compounds and weapons.

All 21 people killed in the raid were anti-Taliban fighters or people loyal to U.S.-backed President Hamid Karzai. Another 27 people taken prisoner were released. And in July, about 40 civilians were killed in a U.S. gunship attack on a village where U.S. forces had suspected Taliban or al Qaeda loyalists were hiding.

In the coming weeks, the U.S. forces plan to establish a base in the eastern mountain region to intensify their search. "They're not going to fight, especially when we're in this much mass," said Huggins. "Once we set up the forward staging area, we can be a lot more aggressive."

The last large operation for U.S. troops in Afghanistan was in March, during Operation Anaconda.

This past week, the 2,000 soldiers streamed out of CH-47 Chinooks, rushing into villages near Gardez, Khost, Zormat and Shah-e-Kot. Those areas near the Pakistan border are among Afghanistan's most insecure, populated mostly by the country's ethnic majority, the Pashtuns, many of whom resent the multi-ethnic coalition government.

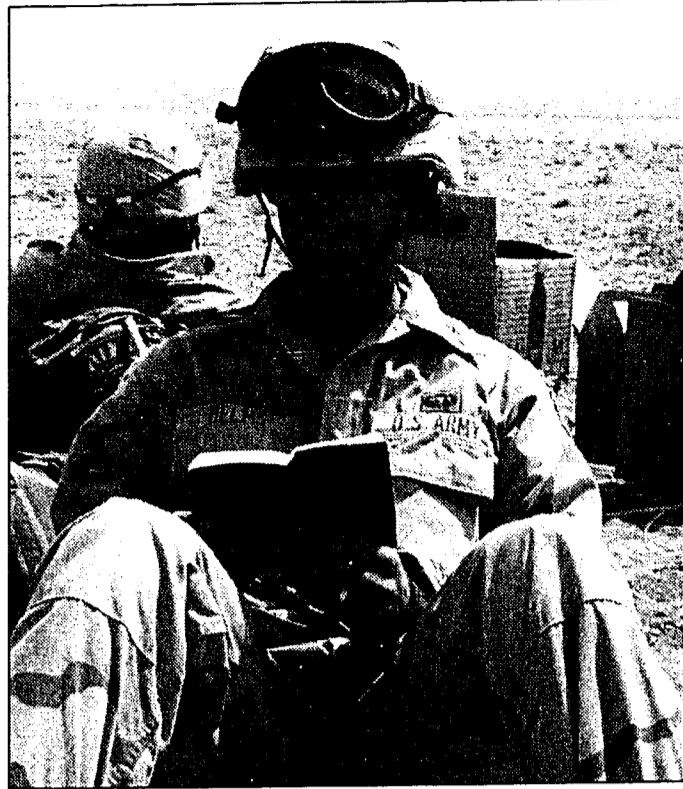
A small convoy of U.S. troops was ambushed near the border. Two of the

attackers were killed and eight wounded. No U.S. troops were hurt, but about two dozen soldiers suffered problems with the heat, elevation or twisted knees and ankles.

The troops discovered at least 2,000 pounds of weapons and ammunition, mainly rockets and mortars. They also interviewed dozens of suspects, bringing 11 to Kandahar for further questioning.

But several villages that should have been bustling were quiet when the Americans arrived. Soldiers braced for battle instead found only those curious about the prowling troops and buzzing helicopters. After infantrymen secured the towns, soldiers with civil affairs and psychological operations teams met with villagers, with some using bullhorns to address street crowds. The troops brought food and water, promising to help build wells, schools and hospitals if Afghans supported their new government and national army.

"I will do my very best to try and get some help in this area," Maj. David Young, a New York reservist working with Fort Bragg soldiers, told some villagers. "And it sounds like you will do your part, trying to get rid of the terrorists."



PETER SMOLOWITZ / CHARLOTTE OBSERVER

Tom Helms III, chaplain for the 82nd Airborne Division, reads the New Testament while waiting for a helicopter to pick him up and take him to the front lines in Zormat, Afghanistan.

Loopholes exist in Illinois underage drinking laws

BY LISA SCHENCKER
DAILY ILLINI

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (U-WIRE) — Some local politicians and police say the newest Illinois law to combat underage drinking includes some worrisome loopholes.

The legislation, which Gov. George Ryan signed into law Aug. 19, says those convicted of possessing, accepting or buying alcohol underage or possessing false identification in Illinois will have their driver's license or permit suspended for one year. The law

takes effect Jan. 1.

But under the current system for paying tickets in Champaign, Ill., not all those ticketed for underage drinking will have their licenses suspended, said Champaign Police Sgt. Scott Friedlein.

Champaign, Ill., is one of many cities in Illinois where offenders can pay fines through the mail. A ticket for underage drinking is not necessarily equal to a conviction, Friedlein said. Usually people must appear in court to be convicted.

People under the age of 21 caught buying, accepting, possessing or drinking alcohol can pay the fine on the ticket through the mail, thus avoiding a court appearance, conviction and license suspension.

"I think with the loophole of paying by mail not being considered a conviction, I don't see it being very effective," said Champaign Mayor Jerry Schweighart. "Now the law cre-

ates the problem of some will and some won't lose their licenses. I'm not sure it's not feel-good legislation."

Originally, the bill only required that police give sworn testimony about a person charged with underage drinking for the person's license to be suspended. The University of Illinois Student Government lobbied against the bill, saying that it denied people due process of law. The bill was amended to allow for hearings and to require that people be convicted before losing their licenses.

Schweighart said he worries that the legislation will target poorer people who must appear in court because they don't have enough money to pay fines right away. He also said he fears Champaign's pay-by-mail system will draw more underage drinkers, afraid of losing their licenses, to Champaign, Ill.

"I thought we were doing a pretty good job in our community of enforcement," Schweighart

said. "I'd rather enforcement be left in the hands of the local liquor commission."

Schweighart said the City Council might consider, at some point, making all those who receive underage drinking tickets appear in court to close the loophole.

Schweighart said the law might also lead to an increase in the number of house and apartment parties in Champaign, Ill. Although people under 21-years-old can be ticketed anywhere for possession of alcohol, under the new law, they can only lose their license if caught drinking on a premise licensed to serve alcohol, Schweighart said.

"It's so much more unsafe for underage drinkers at apartment parties where people are less likely to call police (if something goes wrong)," said Andrew Erskine, ISG government affairs chairman. "The law as a whole has good intentions, but it isn't going to solve the problem of underage drinking."

Erskine said he is afraid the law will create more problems than it will solve.

"What do you do with the thousands of young adults who will lose their licenses and won't be driving, but need to get to school, church, work, etc.?" Erskine said.

Under the new law, local liquor commissioners must report all convictions to the secretary of state, who will then suspend offenders' licenses and notify offenders of the license suspensions by mail, said Beth Kaufman, deputy press secretary for the Illinois Secretary of State.

Those whose licenses are suspended will be allowed hearings after the suspensions go into effect to possibly regain total or partial driving privileges, Kaufman said.

Ray Serati, Gov. Ryan's deputy press secretary, praised the law as important in the fight against drunk driving and called it "another tool against underage drinking."

Steve Riedl, executive director of the Illinois Licensed Beverage Association, said the law will help to protect bars from unfair fines.

"When police do bar checks, people hide their IDs, and if police card someone with a fake ID, the person either says they weren't carded or were carded but were allowed to buy alcohol anyway," Riedl said. "(Bars) were getting in a lot of trouble and paying a lot of money for others' wrongdoings. We were tired of being put in that position."

The association lobbied the Illinois General Assembly earlier this year for harsher underage drinking laws to better protect establishments licensed to sell alcohol, Riedl said. The association suggested drivers' license suspension as a punishment for underage drinking and possession of false identification.

UC-Berkeley clerical workers strike

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BERKELEY, Calif. (KRT) —

Picket lines greeted students at the University of California-Berkeley on Monday for the first day of fall classes, as lecturers and clerical employees went on strike to press for more pay.

The union, representing about 2,300 clerical workers, is being joined on the picket lines by an estimated 600 lecturers who are responsible for teaching nearly a quarter of the classes at the university.

Boisterous groups of picketers were assembled before 8 a.m. at the two main entrances to campus. The picketers asked students to stay away from their classes through Wednesday to support the job action.

The clerical workers are asking the university for a 15-percent wage increase over two years. The union accused the university system of "stonewalling" in a


recent round of contract negotiations by offering a "take-it-or-leave-it" offer of 2.5 percent over two years.

The lecturers also are striking for better pay, in addition to more job stability and the addition of a neutral party in labor negotiations.

Carol Hyman, a UC-Berkeley spokeswoman, said managers and supervisors have been able to keep up with most clerical tasks on campus.

The load has been minimized in large part due to the fact that most students registered for courses and paid their fees last week, before the official start of classes, Hyman said.

Most importantly, Hyman said, classes are meeting. She said students attending classes taught by striking lecturers are being notified of the job action before being sent on their way, "so it's not like the students are just floating out there with nowhere to go."



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Guide names 'hottest' colleges in America

BY DIANE SUCHETKA
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CHARLOTTE, N.C. — North Carolina has two of North America's hottest colleges, according to the annual "How to Get Into College" guide from Newsweek magazine and Kaplan Inc. that hit newsstands Monday. Davidson College and UNC Chapel Hill make North Carolina the only state in the country with more than one pick in the list of 12.

The schools, from across the U.S. and one in Canada, drew raves from the guidance counselors, admissions officers and students the magazine polled.

"We're not pretending this is scientific," says Seppy Basili, contributing editor of this year's 264-page edition. Instead of ranking the schools, it lists them alphabetically.

The list includes no high-demand Ivy League schools. Instead, it spotlights top public universities or private

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Mag poll hypes pretentious films

STAFF EDITORIAL:
THE DAILY VILETTE

(U-WIRE) NORMAL, Ill. — In 1952, Great Britain's Sight & Sound magazine polled the world's leading film critics to compile the definitive list of the greatest movies ever made. Since then, the magazine has repeated the poll every 10 years. Other best-of movie-list compilers have come and gone, but in the minds of film scholars and critics, S&S's picks remain kings.

But, is their kingdom a haven only for the film world's elite? Some argue the S&S poll's Top 10 are substantial only to cinema buffs. With "Citizen Kane" at number one and half the list dedicated to foreign films, the masses may wonder where the love was for "Happy Gilmore" and "Freddy Got Fingered."

Media moguls love movie lists. When a best-of list overflows with familiar titles selected for arguable reasons, readers can have fun nipping the list's nits to pick. Viewers can have a fun, heated debate over the merits of "Scarface" versus "Goodfellas" (two contemporary films making the rounds on other critical best-of lists).

Those same film fans may be hard-pressed, however, looking at the S&S list and trying to pronounce, let alone debate the merits of, Renior's "La Regle du jeu" (on the S&S list at number three).

The S&S poll does have positive value recognizable by both the "art film" and "blockbuster popcorn movie" crowds. Critics and established filmmakers polled by S&S made their selections based on a given film's influence on the medium, as well as a movie's quality.

It's possible average moviegoers may have scratched their confused heads watching "2001: A Space Odyssey" (S&S list pick number six), or been bored by the old-fashioned song and dance routines of "Singing In The Rain" (rounding out the S&S Top 10). Aided by the list, perhaps those same moviegoers could appreciate the inspiration both films lend to more popular, contemporary works, such as "Minority Report" and "Boogie Nights".

By listing exotic, historically important titles, S&S may sway the filmically unschooled to watch Murnau's "Sunrise" (polled at number eight) or Fellini's "8 1/2" (polled at number nine). The S&S poll is important as a movie archive, a snapshot of the ever-evolving film canon.

Other lists—like those supplied by the E! Network's popular television program "HANK"—poll contestable movie experts and serve merely as promotional devices.

Through their poll, S&S is out to sell nothing—except maybe magazines.

A lesson in economics, in politics and in bitterness

STAFF EDITORIAL:
DAILY NEBRASKAN

(U-WIRE) LINCOLN, Neb. — Thirty-one million dollars is a decent Powerball jackpot. A ho-hum five-year contract for an All-Star pitcher. It is also the obscene amount slashed from the University of Nebraska budget by short-sighted governor Mike Johanns and a half-foolish, half-hamstrung Legislature during this year's regular and special legislative sessions.

Thirty-one million dollars. It's a figure that could've been partially or totally raised by a slight increase in Nebraska's income tax. A simple solution, of course, until you consider the political ramifications of such a move.

See, for some reason, Nebraskans turn when you raise their taxes, even if the addition is less than the average cost of a meal for four at the Nebraska Union's Sbarro.

But ... how about crippling the three-school University of Nebraska system, forcing deep cuts into programs and another tuition hike? "Go right ahead, Mike," the state's populace says by its collective silence. "You've got our vote."

See, freshmen, all this silly behavior will eventually lead to the weakening of the majors and programs some of you are interested in. It may be architecture. It could be the continuing education program, or possibly a foreign language or two.

Our apologies if what you came to UNL for no longer exists in present fashion by year's end. Tough luck.

You have no idea how sad all of this is to us, your elders. Only a scant year ago, this university seemed headed in the right direction. Beautiful new buildings were under construction. Professors were slated for large, long-overdue raises. In Harvey Periman, UNL had a chancellor qualified and dedicated to lead it toward the upper echelon of state schools. More like Missouri. Less like Iowa State.

Now this, an ugly, little greeting present from our friendly governor.

In fact, Johanns' original plans had called for far deeper cuts into the university system, cuts that stood in stark contrast to his protection of early childhood and K-12 education (a good idea) and our state's roads (a terrible one).

Expect to hear a lot more about this from us in the coming months.

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UCC remains vacant, reminds UI of budget woes

While virtually every corner of UI was packed full of students, the University Classroom Center, in all its asbestos and leaky-roof glory, remained barren Monday during the first day of school. And so it will remain until the University can get funding to remodel, restore or renovate. The freeze on construction due to budgetary restrictions not only leaves students packed into other areas of campus, but also serves as a looming reminder of the budget restrictions imposed on UI despite the fact of higher student fees and more departmental cutbacks.

The 33 out-of-commission classrooms in the UCC have created a scheduling complication and led to the takeover of both the TV room in Wallace Complex and a ballroom in Upham during day-

time hours. There is a lower concentration of morning classes, an increase in night classes and more crowds in the busier areas of campus.

Furthermore, the construction problems with the UCC are numerous and to the layman seem particularly unfixable. Or at least increasingly expensive. Asbestos, roof repairs, door replacements and the establishment of a rear exit are all costly expenditures.

Additionally, the UCC is generally unpleasant. Most people dislike having classes there, it is cold year-round and it has a poor design for a school where snow is expected nearly seven months out of the school year. It's dark, castle-like and lacks any aesthetic value. But it is space, and it allows for more flexible class scheduling.

Furthermore, the UCC has

traditionally held a large number of general courses for freshmen, served as a central location and, with its new renovated attachment to the Commons, gives students easy access to some of UI's newest amenities.

For the students, the absence of the UCC as a classroom space is slightly inconvenient. For the administration, the UCC appears to be a silent protest to the under-funding UI has experienced for the coming year.

Despite the safety and architectural problems, the record-high attendance at UI would seem to call for an increase in space, not a decrease in classrooms. Coupled with the 12 percent increase in student fees, it seems there should be a greater effort to meet the facility needs of more students who are paying more

money to attend UI. The administration has shown acute problem-solving skills by creating classrooms out of ballrooms and basements, but one has to wonder if it would have made more long-term sense to make the basic repairs, lobby for funding and start cycling the students through the UCC's large classroom capacity once again.

It's difficult to determine where the lines are drawn and how big of a deal the empty UCC actually is. Yes, it is an inconvenience for the students. Yes, the UCC will still cost \$20,000 as a vacant building. And yes, the administration has applied a short-term solution to a problem that will only grow with the increasing student population.

J.H.

Students pay for fewer teachers in small rooms

You're kidding me, right? I knew classes were going to be a bit tight. I'm no physics major, but I can do the math — about 80 fewer teachers and 30 fewer classrooms equal bigger classes in smaller classrooms. I knew it was coming. I was ready for it.

I forgot about the other factor — record enrollment. More students than ever before, fewer places to put them and fewer professors to teach them — something tells me it's just a big joke.

I'm taking some of the more obscure classes known to man, and there's standing room only. I can't imagine what the lower-level gen-

eral education classes are like.

Every blasted class is cross-listed with at least two other classes, so my professors are teaching three overcrowded classes at once, not one.

As though all of that isn't bad enough, the locations of the classes are atrocious. It's almost as though someone took inventory of all the closets on campus and scheduled classes in the ones that were only two-thirds full.

English classes are taught in the Engineering Lab. Communication classes are taught in the Student Rec Center. A variety of classes are held in the basement of Wallace.

Classes are everywhere — save the new Albertsons Building. Heaven forbid we should let anyone other than business students take advantage of the new high-tech classrooms with cushioned swivel chairs and Ethernet connections at every birdseye maple, hand-carved desk.

Nope, we reserve that kind of classroom for the elite business students. The rest of us are being crammed into every nook and cranny big enough to fit a desk.

I'm pretty sure a friend of mine has an aerobics class in the boiler room of some building I never even knew existed. I would be in that class, too, but I wasn't

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Gay marriage endorsed

Massachusetts gubernatorial candidate Robert Reich has openly endorsed the idea of gay marriage, according to a June 22 article in the Boston Globe. The key here is the word "marriage." That means we're talking not about Vermont-style civil unions, but full-fledged marriage. Such status is currently only available in the Netherlands.

While at first glance, this seems like a godsend to gay and lesbian couples everywhere, something more needs to be said. According to the same article, James Lafferty, an opponent of gay marriage, said, "It [gay marriage] is cultural. It's very religious ... It's not like some sort of tax policy where you can change a few numbers and everyone smiles and goes along. It's very passionate."

Lafferty has reached the central issue of this argument. Marriage is, and always has been, a religious institution. If a church or even a religious leader decides to condone or ever perform same-sex marriage, that's great. But it should not be up to the government to extend this institution to same-sex couples.



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However, that evidently creates a group of second-class citizens. Since the government and many companies use marital status as a factor in determining things like income taxes, estates and insurance, among other things, denying an entire group of citizens those benefits is wrong.

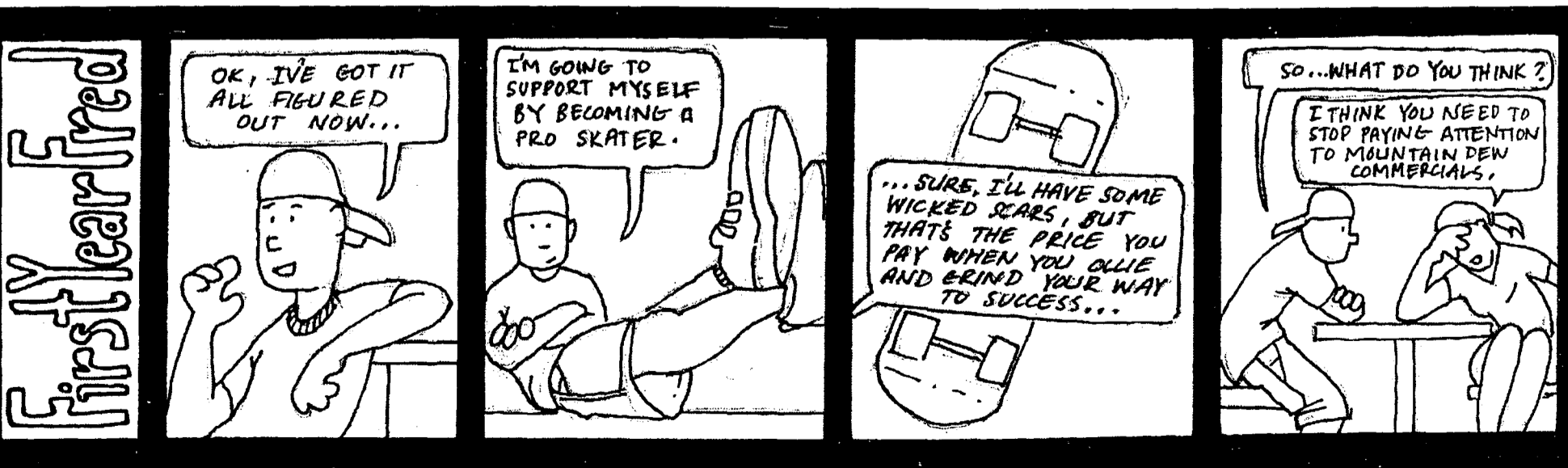
So along comes the Vermont-style idea of civil unions. That's a great idea, but it's not quite right. The first major hurdle is that it's valid only in Vermont. If, for example, I wanted to commit myself to a life-long relationship with my boyfriend, he and I could not do this in either of our home states (Idaho and Ohio.) Traveling to Vermont is not a very appealing action just to get a civil union.

One plausible option is to register with one of the handful of American cities that offer civil-union-like registration. Seattle is an example. Still, this is of no benefit to us when paying income taxes or for insurance purposes. This makes the need for a standardized and national same-sex union policy/program evident.

But marriage is not that option. Put quite simply, marriage is and should be a solely religious entity. The easy solution is that the government, federal and state, should abandon the recognition of marriage in favor of the recognition of official "partnerships," or something comparable. This blanket term could then apply to same-sex and opposite-sex couples.

This solution would have multiple effects. It would effectively eliminate the second-class status many same-sex couples now endure. It would create a national standard, thus making it easier for those corporations and cities that now register same-sex couples. It would also preserve the religious definition of marriage. After all, one of the cornerstones of our government is the separation of church and state.

And, just as it is unfair that religious groups currently impose their standards on American society by not recognizing same-sex unions, so too would it be unfair for the U.S. government to redefine marriage for those religious groups.



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one of the 150 lucky students allowed to enroll; I'm one of the 150 students on the waitlist.

Probably nothing can be done at this point. I'll go through the semester and the year and the rest of my higher education in overcrowded classrooms with overworked professors. I'm not exactly going to drop out because of it. I've already invested too much to give up now.

But if this is indeed how it's going to be, at the very least the university had better start coming up with ways to make it up to me.

I don't know much about business — I don't get to take classes in the Albertsons, after all — but I'm fairly familiar with the concept of customer service. There's a little rule that says the customer is always right. And if, for any reason, a customer is wronged, steps are taken immediately to right the situation. Normally this comes in the form of a refund or a gift.

I'm pretty sure no one is going to give me my student fees back, no matter how much I complain. That's fine, whatever. I can live with that.

So let's talk gifts. There has got to be something this university has a surplus of, other than incoming freshmen. There has to be something it can afford to give me so I feel like I'm actually getting my money's worth.

Up my limit of "free" copies or something. Let me do my laundry on campus for free for a month. Or give me a week's pass to Bob's Place in the Wallace Complex. Give me a punch card for the bookstore so my tenth book is free.

I'm not kidding — give me something back.

We're a university with no teachers, no classrooms and record enrollment. We're a university offering students less and charging more. Call me sentimental, but if the university doesn't do something, even something small, to try to make amends, I might get the impression it doesn't really care about its customer.

FBI to search Florida building for more clues in last year's anthrax attacks

BY KEVIN KRAUSE, KATHY BUSHOUSE AND RAFAEL LORENTE
SOUTH FLORIDA SUN-SENTINEL

BOCA RATON, Fla. (KRT) — Ten months after the first discovery of anthrax, the FBI said Monday it is going back into the quarantined American Media Inc. building to search for tainted mail that could provide more clues about the fatal bioterrorist attack.

Agents will have help from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry. They are expected to enter the building on Broken Sound Boulevard Tuesday or Wednesday and work for about two weeks. Robert Stevens, a photo editor for AMI tabloid The Sun, died from anthrax exposure on Oct. 5.

"No one in South Florida has forgotten that Robert Stevens is the first victim of the anthrax attack. We hope that the evidence collected during the course of this operation will help bring to justice the person or persons who committed this horrific act," said Hector Pesquera, special agent in charge of the FBI's Miami office.

New scientific methods will enable investigators to go beyond last October's tests that produced only positive or negative readings for anthrax.

"Since then, we've developed techniques that will allow us to determine the quantity and the distribution of the spores," Pesquera said.

However, he would not discuss in detail the scientific techniques to be used, saying it's part of the criminal investigation. He also stressed that the new search for evidence has nothing to do with Dr. Steven Hatfill, a Maryland bio-warfare expert who has been named a "person of interest" in the investigation by U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft.

After FBI officials conceded Monday that their initial work last year at AMI did not focus on who infected the building, some local and federal leaders questioned why it took so long for investigators to return.

"First of all, the search last October

was not as comprehensive as you may have imagined," said Dwight Adams, assistant director of the FBI's laboratory division. "It had a very high public health concern as opposed to the investigation."

Since that time, the government has developed new sampling methods that it says will allow them to better track spore contamination.

In October, anthrax was discovered in a mailroom and on Stevens' computer keyboard. Spores were later found in 84 locations throughout the building, including 35 areas such as desks, computers and keyboards, file cabinets and mail slots. But the FBI did not find any letters or packages that might have carried it.

"Now, because of the new techniques, we're going to be able to make a comprehensive search of the entire building," Adams said.

He said they will focus on AMI's mailroom, where another employee was infected but survived. A letter containing the disease could have left a trail that can be detected based on spore contamination in the building, officials said.

A similar mailroom search nine months ago allowed FBI agents to find an unopened anthrax letter sent to U.S. Sen. Patrick Leahy's office in Washington, D.C. After an anthrax-laden letter was delivered to Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle's office, all Capitol Hill mail was sealed in barrels and examined at a Northern Virginia site. The Leahy letter was then discovered among those barrels of unopened, quarantined mail.

"We're going to be utilizing those same techniques and technologies here in this building again in the hopes of pinpointing high concentrations of spores to lead us to a dissemination device presumed to be a letter or letters," Adams said.

Once they collect what might be thousands of samples from the AMI building, government scientists at a Miami lab will compare them with the anthrax strain found in letters addressed to Leahy and Daschle. Investigators believe that the anthrax found in the AMI building was the same strain used in Washington and

New York, although the spores may have been dispersed differently.

"We're looking for large quantities of spores in order to clinically characterize those spores and compare them against the spores" found in the senators' letters, Adams said. "The techniques and tools that were developed . . . will allow for thousands and thousands of samples to be taken that, back in October, would have overwhelmed any public health laboratory in the state or in the nation."

Investigative work done inside the building 10 months ago focused mainly on identifying the strain of anthrax and minimizing any potential public health hazard, FBI officials said.

"We had a person that had been exposed to anthrax, and at that point it became potentially a public health issue," Pesquera said.

Investigators learned last year that a news assistant opened a package that was addressed to pop singer Jennifer Lopez and sent to The Sun. The employee said it had no return address and contained an open box of laundry detergent and an inexpensive Star of David. It was thrown in the garbage and incinerated before investigators could examine it. The FBI previously called the package irrelevant to the investigation because it was destroyed.

Florida Health Secretary Dr. John O. Agwunobi said the current operation will not pose a public health threat to anyone living or working nearby.

Later Monday, some local and federal officials said they hoped the FBI's return wasn't because of Boca Raton being forgotten in the panic that followed the anthrax attacks on Congress and New York media outlets. The FBI's investigation also may help speed up efforts by Florida's U.S. senators to have the federal government take over the building in order to clean it thoroughly.

"Every American who is victimized by a terrorist attack should have the ultimate confidence that the federal government will come to their aid. For the last 10 months, as the AMI building has sat in isolation while contaminated with anthrax, the people of

South Florida have not had that assurance," said Rep. Robert Wexler, D-Fla. "I hope that this investigation by the FBI will help move that process along." U.S. Rep. Mark Foley, R-Fla., wonders why the FBI wasn't in the AMI building eight or nine months ago.

"It seems like the case may have grown cold after all these months," he said. "My suspicion is they've decided they didn't get all the evidence they needed."

Foley said the response to the anthrax attack in Washington was better than it was in Boca Raton, so it is time to catch up.

Boca Raton Mayor Steven Abrams wouldn't speculate on why it took so long.

"If it's because the Washington and New York samples went to the front of the line, then that would be a cause for concern. But if they're coming back in at this time because they've got new techniques and tools, then it's acceptable," Abrams said. "But the important thing is that they finish the job."

The FBI and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry initially wanted to return to the AMI building in May for about 10 days for further investigation, including an examination of how the air-handling system spread the bacteria. But AMI Chairman David J. Pecker refused to allow them in until his company received a proposal on what they planned to do. The quarantine of the AMI building is being temporarily lifted for the investigation, but it will remain an active crime scene, officials said.

Pecker recalled that the ordeal was a "nightmare" for his employees, but more so for Stevens' widow. He said the building, which underwent a \$7 million renovation prior to the attack, is "frozen in time" with coffee cups and family photographs still on desks. Even fish tanks remain, although they dried up long ago.

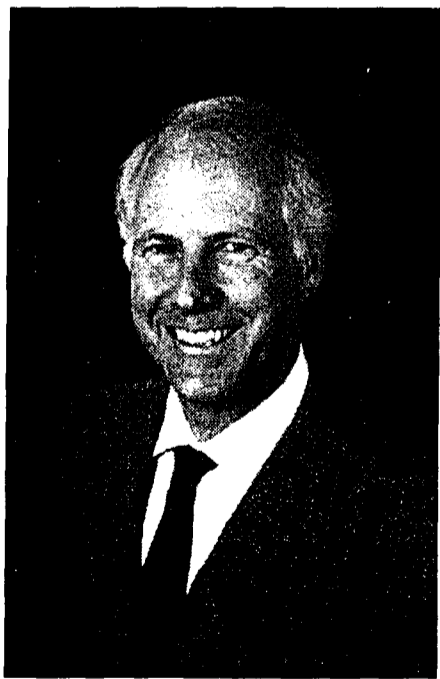
"It's almost the anniversary of Bob Stevens' death, and his widow wants to know who did this," Pecker said. "Based on the psychological mood of the staff, the terrorist accomplished what they intended to do."

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Vandals center Outland finalist

MOSCOW, Idaho — University of Idaho center Matt Martinez, a junior from Wenatchee, Wash., is one of 63 players on the initial watch list for the Outland Trophy, which is given annually to players regarded as college football's top interior lineman.

Martinez started 10 games as a sophomore last season (he missed one because of injury) and is expected to be a key figure in the Vandals' offensive line this fall.

He is a graduate of Wenatchee High School, where he was an all-state selection as a junior and as a senior.

Three finalists for the award — the third oldest in college football — will be chosen in late November. The winner will be announced Dec. 12 on the ESPN College Football Awards Show. The award, named to honor one-time

Penn great John Outland, first was presented in 1946.

Sun Belt gains new TV contract with ESPN

NEW ORLEANS — The Sun Belt Conference has entered into a six-year agreement with ESPN to televise regular-season college football and basketball games, the league announced Tuesday afternoon.

The deal, which begins during the 2002-03 academic year and continues through 2007-08, features a combination of regional telecasts of football and basketball produced through ESPN Regional Television, as well as national football exposures on ESPN and ESPN2 beginning with the 2003 season.

Working with ESPN Regional Television (ERT), the Sun Belt will continue a 23-year relationship with the World Wide Leader in Sports. In 1979, ESPN signed the Sun Belt to the network's first long-term contract with a collegiate conference.

"We are excited to both extend and expand our relationship with the Sun Belt Conference," said Chuck Gerber, ESPN Regional Television executive vice president and general manager. "The extension recognizes the growth and development Sun Belt athletics has experienced, thanks to outstanding leadership from Commissioner Wright Waters and the presidents, athletics directors and coaches."

The upcoming Sun Belt football season begins the first year of the agreement, with ESPN Regional Television producing a minimum of five games on a network of regional cable networks, local over-the-air stations and local cable systems under the ESPN Plus banner. Clearances are currently being negotiated, and it is expected that the Sun Belt games will be shown in each league market. In addition, select games will be available on ESPN GamePlan™, ESPN's out-of-market college football pay-per-view package.

Two Sun Belt players on Butkus watchlist

ORLANDO — The Downtown Athletic Club of Orlando, Inc. (DACO), the organization which annually presents the prestigious Butkus Award to the nation's best collegiate linebacker has announced the preliminary list of 67 candidates for this year's award. Included on the national list were two Sun Belt Conference players, Ross Brupbacher of Louisiana-Lafayette and Michael Woods of Middle Tennessee.

The Butkus Award Watch List will be trimmed to 10 semi-finalists on Thursday, October 17. That list will be cut down to three finalists, who will be announced via a national teleconference with players, coaches, media members and Butkus Award officials on Thursday, November 14. The winner will be announced Friday, December 13, 2002. The Butkus Award will be presented to the winner by the award's namesake, former University of Illinois and Chicago Bear NFL Hall of Fame member, Dick Butkus. The finalists, their coaches and families are invited to attend the Butkus Award. Gala festivities including a welcome reception, golf tournament and silent auction.

This year's Watch List includes 67 noteworthy candidates who represent schools and conferences from across the nation. The independent selection committee for the 2002 Butkus Award, comprised of 29 of the nation's foremost national media members, is solely responsible for all voting in the selection process. Selection Committee members have already started evaluating the candidates and will continue their review throughout the entire football season. Additional Watch List candidates may be added in the coming weeks. Voting for the three Butkus Award finalists and the Butkus Award winner will be conducted by confidential ballots of the selection committee.

Brupbacher, a senior from Lafayette, La., was a second-team all Sun Belt selection in 2001, and is the Ragin' Cajuns' leading returning tackler after making 78 stops last year. Woods, a junior from Valdosta, Ga., was actually selected as a second-team all Sun Belt defensive back last year after switching from linebacker to free safety. He recorded 80 tackles and picked off two passes last season.

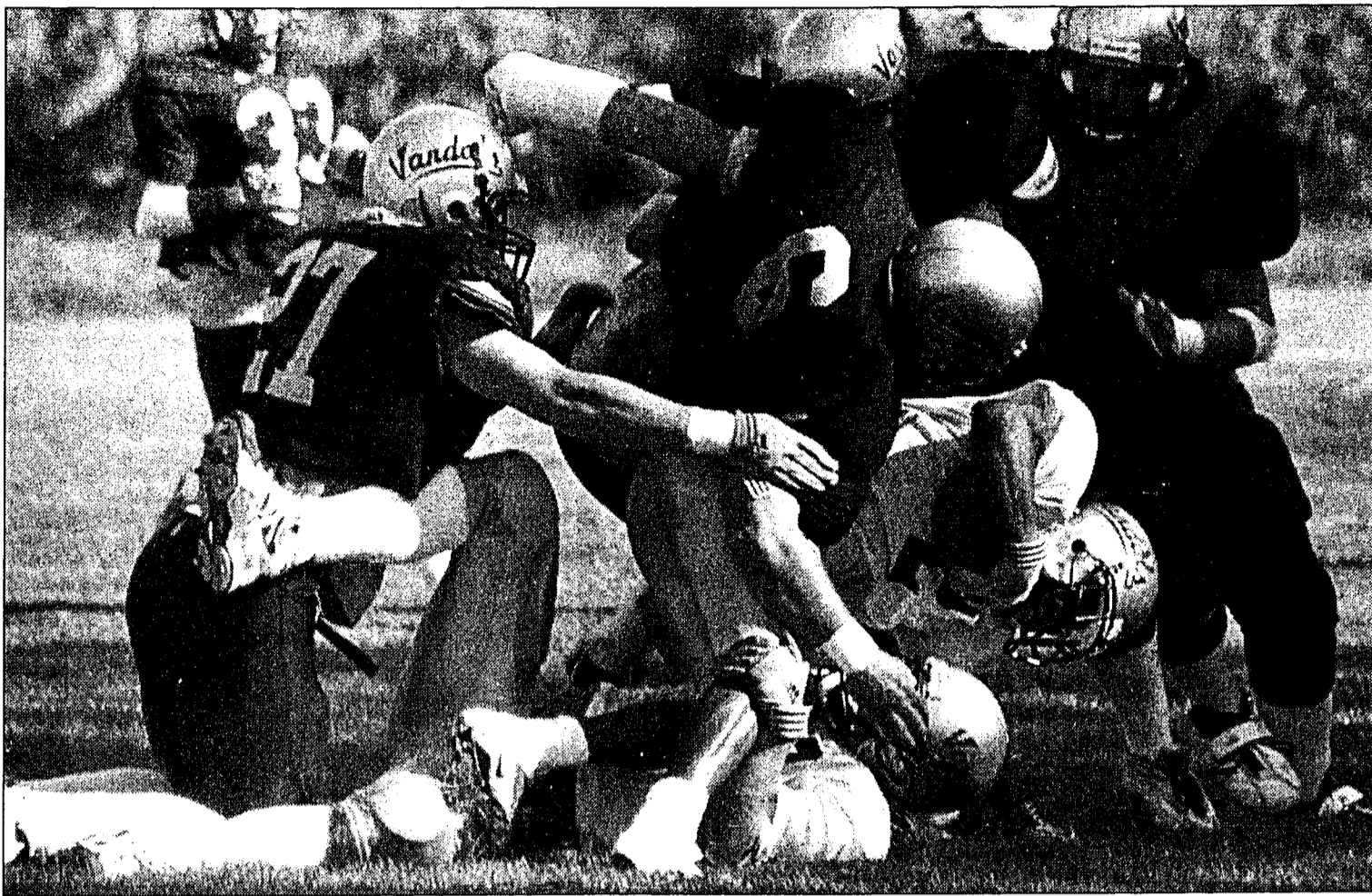
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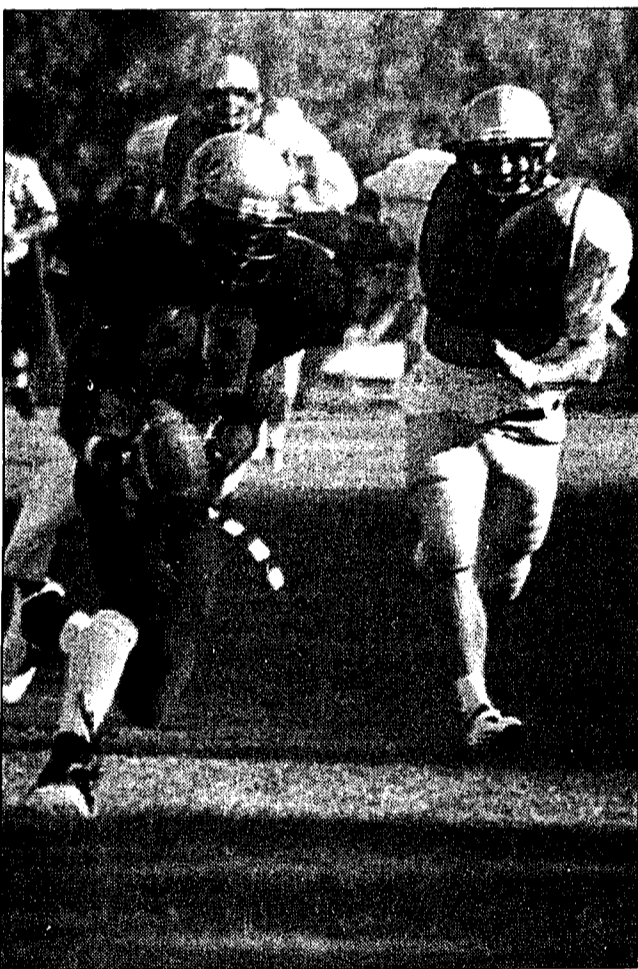
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The defense piles up on Cedric Thompson at football practice Friday at the Kibbie Dome.

Vandals get defensive



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Rod Bryant (No.29) is one transfer looking to make a difference in the defensive backfield this season.

New coach wants big things from defenders

BY NATHAN JERKE
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Last February UI head football coach Tom Cable emphasized the need for renewed ability that would bring the Vandals back to the days of defensive dominance.

With one of the weakest defenses in the country last season, that need was more than a cry for help. That need raised its ugly head and screamed.

"The guys we're counting on to go out and be successful are the same guys that are associated with the unsuccessful season last year," said first year defensive coordinator Ed Lamb.

Cable and company believe this year's squad is basically improved across the board. The greatest strides have been on the defensive side of the ball, however, and with a new defensive coordinator in Lamb, the Vandals seem to have cured some of the ailing problems suffered last season.

"In general, it's been a mad dash for these guys for them to learn," Lamb said. "Their main focus right now coming in is quickly to become Vandals. These new guys are trying to figure out everything from what kind of defense we run to what kind of techniques we ask them to use, to simple things like their locker combination."

UI's junior college transfer stu-

dents make up the group of impact players that have come into the system and are showing their prowess as defenders.

Last season Brian Howard and Brandon Kania burst onto the scene as the most dependable defensive linemen for the Vandals. One goal for UI was to find more players to accompany them.

Defensive ends Kody Kraus and Kelly Nead from BYU-Idaho and tackles Ryan Atoe, from College of the Redwoods, and Jason Jones, from Pasadena City College, will line up with the incumbent defenders. Freshman Kelly Talavou, a native of Los Angeles, has also been making waves on the defensive side of the ball.

"The good thing is we have some competition," Lamb said. "Now we have guys competing. We have options now to play more than just two good guys. We have sometimes five guys that are capable."

The second place the Vandals had to find help was at the cornerback position. All too often the UI secondary got beat on the deep pass and ultimately was cut apart by the opposition's passing game. Four athletes have been called upon to add what they can: Robert Ortega, Darryl Murphy, Rod Bryant and Ben Allen are expected to keep up with some of the best passing teams in the nation.

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Vandals standing on uncertain ground

The University of Idaho football team is looking to make some major improvements this year, but after a 1-10 season the motivation will have to be just to make believers out of their fans once again.

The Vandals evaded their first winless season since 1899 by squeezing out a 42-38 victory against the Louisiana-Monroe Indians last November. However, the win gave the Vandals their first one-win season since 1960 and secured a spot among worst teams in country.

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The Vandals have always been committed to excellence on the football field, posting a 33-24 record in Division I-A, including the 1998 Humanitarian Bowl Championship before last year's slide. But a lack of defensive prowess last year greatly diminished chances of more victories.

Tom Cable and company has set a team goal to be better than last year. As far as I'm concerned that will not be hard to accomplish, and it is not good enough to get back some of the Vandal pride once known.

During Cable's playing days back in the '80s, the Vandals never finished lower than third in their conference. With the exception of last year, UI had never finished below third since making the jump to Div. I-A, either.

Vandal fans and UI students have lost

much of the faith once known during the tenure of these successful teams of the 20th century. The Vandals have only had three losing seasons in the last 20 years, two of which have been in the past two years.

Needless to say, the Vandals of today do not know the love of a screaming crowd, a crowd that is in their corner and not the kind that will leave at the drop of a hat.

Some may argue that the fans have vanished and left for good; I say the fans are just hibernating until sunnier days reappear. Fans and alumni are not the only people guilty of this; students are included and make up one of the largest portions that go to games.

Last year, as I sat in the press box at both Martin Stadium and at the Kibbie

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Volleyball underclassmen thrown into leadership role

BY BRIAN ARMSTRONG
ARGONAUT STAFF

With no seniors on the Vandal volleyball team this fall, some might think the team is in for a down year.

Don't count them out yet.

With two juniors, five sophomores, a red-shirt freshman and five true freshmen, the Vandals are a youthful yet experienced team.

"We're going to be a very good team," Vandal assistant coach Ken Murphy said. "It's just a matter of when we get to that point. We have a very tough schedule early on, so we'll be way better at the end of the year than we will at the beginning."

The Vandals' own conference is one of the toughest in the country. Long Beach

State and UC Santa Barbara were in the national tournament last season, and Murphy expects Utah State and Cal Poly to be in and out of the top 25 all season.

Despite the tough preseason schedule that includes Missouri, Oregon State and Washington State, all of which were NCAA tournament teams last season, Murphy feels the team will be strong and very fun to watch.

"We've become a really athletic and exciting team to watch," Murphy said. "We play really hard and at a fast pace. If we don't win a match, it's because we're young, not because we're boring. Our athletes match up with anyone we play against."

The youthful Vandals have a solid triumvirate of leadership in Anna-Marie Hammond, Mandy Becker and Brooke

Haeberle. Hammond is a 6-foot-2-inch junior

middle hitter who has been in the top two or three in blocks in both of her first two years as a Vandal.

"We're looking for her to improve even more," Murphy said of Hammond.

Becker is a 5-foot-9-inch sophomore setter. "She's one of our main leaders, and one of the best players we have," Murphy said. Haeberle red-shirted her first season two years ago, and comes into this season as a 5-foot-10-inch outside hitter. "She's just coming into her own," Murphy said. "She is really becoming an outstanding player."

Along with the already established core of players, the Vandals expect incoming freshman Meghan Brown to make an

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New coaches prowl the UI sidelines

BY NATHAN JERKE
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

After last season's 1-10 harrowing record, UI head football coach Tom Cable cleaned house of some long time coaches to find a new system to bring success once again to the halls of the University of Idaho.

Cable inserted new personnel into key coaching positions.

Cable believes he found the answer to the Vandals problems with the hiring of Ed Lamb as defensive coordinator, George Booker as defensive line coach and Gary Coston as special teams coordinator.

Ed Lamb
Defensive coordinator

Despite being one of the youngest coordinators in the country, Ed Lamb has the credentials to back up Cable's choice.

Lamb comes to the Vandals with only a short coaching career to draw from. He spent three years as defensive coordinator at the University of Redlands, during which time the Bulldogs grabbed two NCAA Div. III championships and a 21-6 record.

He continued at BYU as an assistant coach for one year before heading to the University of Idaho.

Lamb graduated from Amador Valley High School at Pleasanton, Ca. in 1992. He received his bachelor's degree in English from BYU in 1996 and earned his master's degree in education from the University of Redlands in 1998.

"My basic philosophy is that when players are confused they play timid and unsure. When they know exactly what's going on they play aggressive and sound. That's what I'm trying to encourage them to do, try to get them into a system that's sound yet simple."

BOOKER
Defensive line coachGeorge Booker
Defensive line coach

George Booker has more than enough experience as a defensive line coach, including nine years of playing the position himself. Booker played his college football at Western Washington University, where he was a four-year letterman and was

an all-Columbia Football Association selection in 1992.

Booker began his career in coaching as an assistant defensive line coach at Montana State University from 1993-96, when he was hired by Cal Poly as the defensive line coach. After one year at Cal Poly, Booker returned to Montana State for three years, where he also worked as a defensive line intern with the Minnesota Vikings. He comes to Idaho after two seasons at San Diego State University as the defensive line coach.

Booker is a 1985 graduate of Saint Monica Catholic High School at Santa Monica, Calif. He received his bachelor's in physical education and recreation from Western Washington University in 1993.

Gary Coston
Special teams coordinator

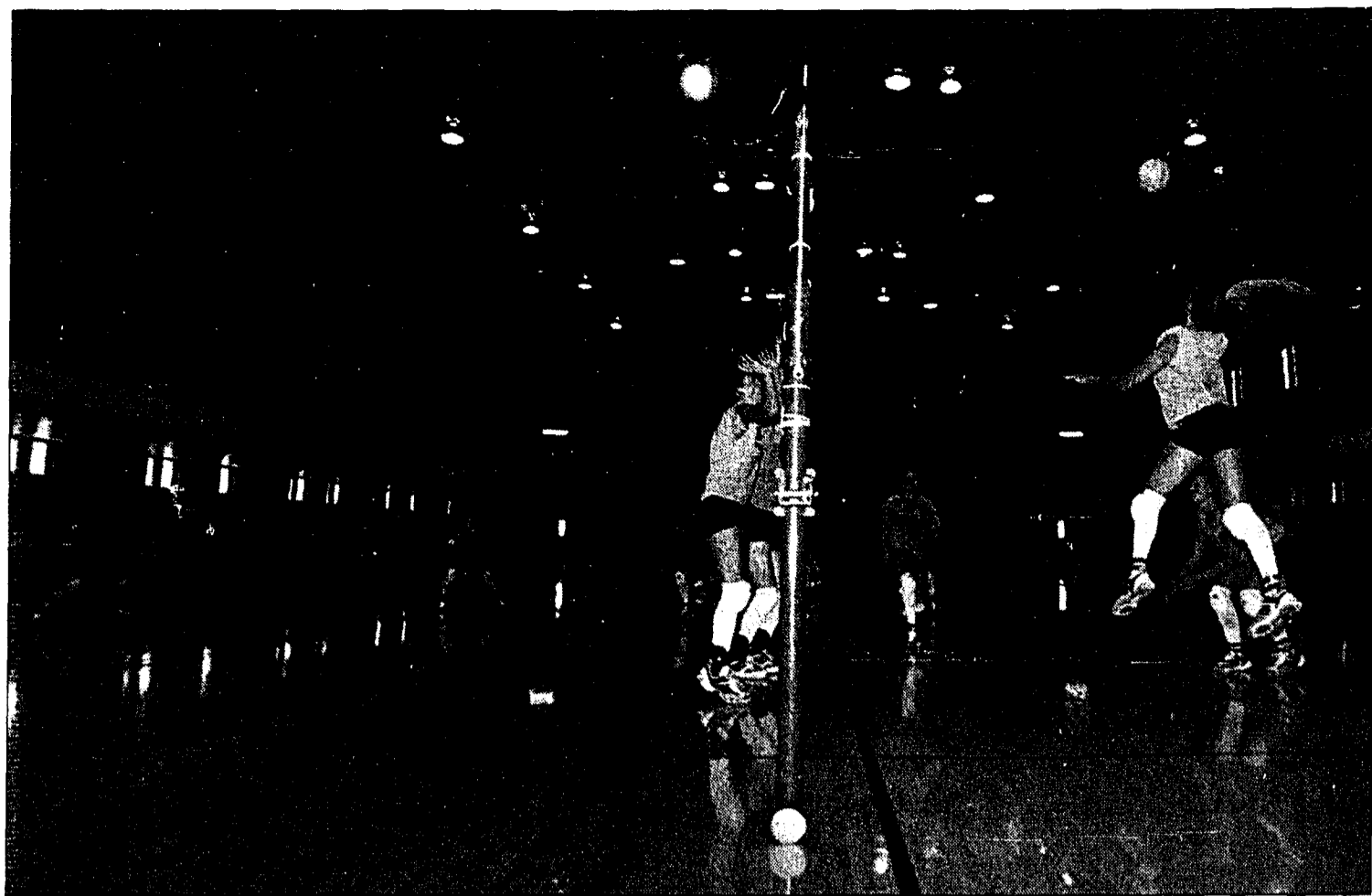
Coston, like Booker, is a seasoned veteran whose prior experience should prove invaluable to the UI squad.

His past six seasons have been spent at Southern Utah University, where he worked with linebackers and defensive backs, as well as with special teams. But his expertise as a special teams player impressed Cable the most.

Coston played for the University of Arizona and was a second-team All-American in 1985 as a kicker. The special teams were used as a scoring weapon in Southern Utah's attack while Coston was there. Cable hopes the same will be true for the Vandals.

Coston earned his bachelor's degree in communications from the University of Arizona in 1991.

COSTON
Special teams coordinator



The University of Idaho women's volleyball team practices in Memorial Gym Friday afternoon.

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immediate impact.

"She is really an exceptional passer and defender," Murphy said. "And, of course, at 6-foot-1 she's also a force at the net. She's one of the more polished players we've recruited in the three years we've been here."

In preparation for the season, the Vandal coaching staff has tried to set up as many game-like situations as possible.

The players are being put through drills that simulate game situations to help them learn to deal with pressure. Murphy said the team is very skilled and talented; they just lack collegiate playing experience.

"We have set a lot of ambitious goals," Murphy said. "But our main focus is to take each match and get better as we progress. Our schedule is tough. We're striving to be one of the top four or five teams in our conference, which would probably put us in the top-25 in the country."

The Vandal coaching staff feels that

their team chemistry will be one of the driving forces for the squad this season.

"Our team chemistry right now is exceptional," Murphy said. "This is really the closest unit we've had, and it's part of the reason we're optimistic, because our kids play hard together and they trust each other. It really takes a lot of the pressure off of them."

The Vandals begin preseason play Friday at the Oregon State tournament in Corvallis, Ore., against the host team, the OSU Beavers. Their first home game will be at Memorial Gym against UC Irvine Sept. 13.

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"We have strength on our team right now. It's the hunger," Lamb said. "I'd say that's definitely so on defense, where their pride is hurt and every day as coaches we use that hunger to motivate them."

Some players have come from very successful programs to help this struggling squad. Kraus, Allen and Nead all come from BYU-Idaho, where they enjoyed success in football as well as other sports. The jump to the Vandals will leave these players and others like them in good position to take leadership positions on the team and remain productive players.

"The thing about those guys is they're coming in from a winning program who take pride in being part of a unit," Lamb said. "Right now we're trying to focus on trying as hard as we can and taking care of things that

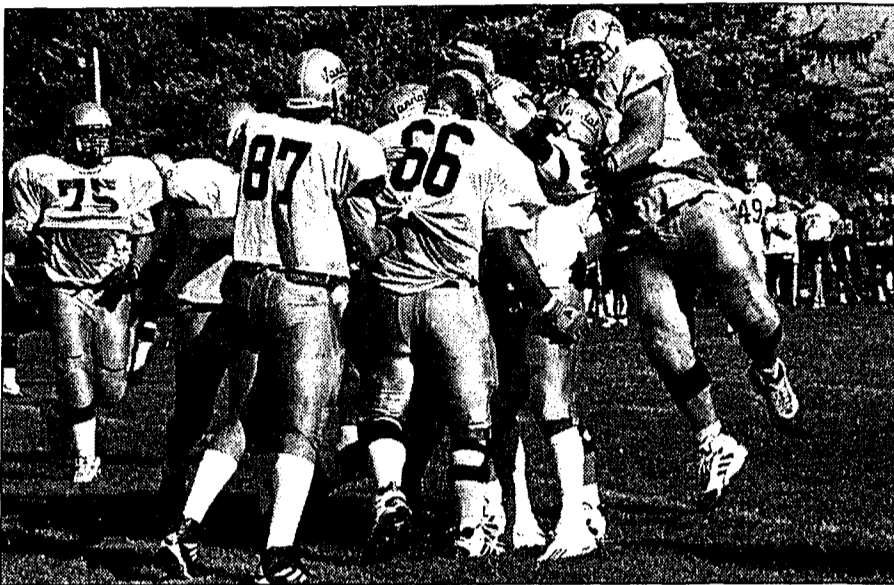
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ED LAMB
DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

are the same no matter what team you're playing on."

For the first-year coach, the move to Idaho and becoming a Vandal has been a seamless transition. Though his defensive system and coaching philosophies are different from what the Vandals are used to, the players and coaches have made strides to conform to the new ways.

"My basic philosophy is that when players are confused they play timid and unsure. When they know exactly what's going on they play aggressive and sound," Lamb said. "That's what I'm trying to encourage them to do, try to get them into a system that's sound, yet simple."



The offense celebrates after scoring a touchdown during football practice Friday at the Kibbie Dome.

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Dome, I found myself utterly disappointed by the turnout and the enthusiasm level of the student section.

But why? It's not like they had an over-abundance of things to cheer for. For the most part the Vandals were behind and showed little resolve to get back into the game. And when a lead was held by UI, the defense would falter and the momentum would quickly fall back into the hands of the opposition, except for one time.

The UI coaches and administration have a long road to travel before they will see improvements in the screaming from the stands.

The games UI plays also

have to do with the success of the team. After the Vandals get done with their difficult non-conference schedule, often with few or no victories, the outlook for the rest of the season usually looks bleak.

I realize that UI has to schedule bigger schools to match all the NCAA regulations, but the Vandals start the season with three straight road games at Boise State, Washington State and Oregon, all of which are long shots at best. Then comes a return to the Kibbie Dome to take on San Diego State, which also looks to be a difficult game to win.

I hate to be the pessimistic one, but UI football needs to get unidealistic and get back to its winning ways if for no other reason than to give some Vandal pride back to its fans.

Syracuse football recruit shot to death this summer

BY PETE IORIZZO
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(U-WIRE) SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Less than 20 miles from a run-down portion of Philadelphia where a cold-blooded murder terminated the life of a young man sits Glen Mills High School.

It's a place no family wants to see its son attend, but it's also an oasis of hope and rebirth. The school, a home where judges send troubled boys, was founded on two mandates:

- "To change behavior from anti-social to pro-social."
- "To develop skills that will help sustain that change."

This is where Omain Gullette went to school.

About 260 miles north on the Pennsylvania Turnpike and Interstate 81 is Syracuse University. One mile from the main campus is Manley Field

House and the adjoining fields, where the SU football team practices.

That is where Gullette wanted to be.

But those plans, along with all of his other hopes and dreams, evaporated when three still-identified gunmen riddled Gullette's chest with 13 bullets on June 29 in southwest Philadelphia.

Gullette, 19, was walking along Glenmore Avenue near 62nd Street when three men approached him. Reports vary as to what happened next. According to the police report, the incident may have stemmed from an argument over drug sales on the block. It's unclear what Gullette was doing in the area.

Sometime between 2 and 2:15 that afternoon, the three men, wielding two handguns and a rifle, opened fire, killing Gullette and critically wounding 25-year-old bystander Ikeem Johnson.

But before Gullette's life ended, he inspired those who knew him best at Glen Mills and those who hoped to know him at Syracuse. Here are their perspectives on a life turned around, only to be abruptly cut short.

Trouble seemed to find Gullette. He was arrested for dealing drugs and was involved in fights at his previous high school.

After his final arrest in 1999, a

judge sent Gullette to Glen Mills, where head football coach Ken Banks met a confused young man with remarkable talent and a lackluster work ethic.

"He didn't have a whole lot of confidence," Banks said. "He was pretty apprehensive about the whole experience. He had to be pushed a little bit to work, but that had a lot to do with his apprehensions."

Gullette quickly became a force on the football field. At 310 pounds, the neighborhood kids called him "Fats" — Gullette developed into a dominant offensive and defensive lineman.

Early in 2000, Gullette left the school, having finished his court-appointed program. But before the year ended, he re-enrolled at the behest of his mother, Pamela Reynolds. According to faculty at Glen Mills, she felt Gullette was on the cusp of returning to trouble.

When he returned, Gullette impressed the faculty and football staff with his emotional growth.

"You could definitely see the growth and maturity in him," Banks said. "In the last three to six months of his life, you really saw a dramatic change in the way he was looking at things and dealing with things. He had obviously become more goal- and future-oriented. It showed on the field."

When Gullette returned to

Glen Mills, he was placed in the dormitory headed by defensive coordinator Steve Walsh, who also witnessed a dramatic turn in Gullette's attitude.

"His second placement, the second time, you could see that he was more focused," Walsh said. "You could see that it was time to stay out of trouble. He became a leader, was more self-disciplined. He was moving in the right direction."

Gullette became so well-respected among his peers that they voted him student government president his senior year. Jay Halverson, Glen Mills' student government faculty advisor, worked closely with Gullette in his final year at the school.

"He was a big, fun kid to work with," Halverson said. "He appreciated people giving him advice, and he took that advice."

By June, Gullette's anticipation for college swelled so much, "all he ever talked about was what he was going to do after school," Halverson said.

After passing his GED and final exams and signing a letter of intent, Gullette participated in the Glen Mills graduation ceremonies June 20.

Nine days, three gunmen and 13 bullets later, his life was over. News of Gullette's death spread quickly through the Syracuse athletic department.

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NBA, NFL find a way, but baseball won't play by their rules

BY DON WALKER
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MILWAUKEE (KRT) — As Major League Baseball hurtles toward a player-imposed strike deadline Friday, there is relative labor peace in the National Basketball Association and the National Football League.

Which raises a question many sports fans might be tempted to ask: Why can't baseball be more like those two sports, where management and labor have found a way to share the pot of gold?

Both leagues have labor unions and are working under existing collective-bargaining agreements. And both contracts have mechanisms in place that are designed to keep a lid on player salaries.

Baseball's situation is different. Commissioner Bud Selig says baseball's economic system is broken. From the owners' point of view, there are no effective methods in place to level the playing field so that more teams have a chance to succeed.

"MLB's economic condition has not improved significantly in the past two years, and in some ways may have worsened, despite continued robust revenue growth," notes baseball's own Blue Ribbon report in an updated version released last winter. "Structural flaws in MLB's economic system identified by the Blue Ribbon panel remain, and the revenue and payroll disparities, competitive imbalance and operating losses these flaws foster have generally continued."

Without a contract, the players union is fighting for the right to preserve the status quo, which provides them an average salary of nearly \$2.4 million. The players portray themselves as free-market advocates, while the owners, some of whom are their own worst enemies because they have overspent, now want to put the brakes on runaway payrolls.

It's not as if baseball hasn't tried to right its economic wrongs. That same study concluded that a limited form of revenue sharing — plus a flirtation with a form of luxury tax during the 1997-99 seasons — did not have much of an effect.

The outcome has not been pretty. According to Major League Baseball, the average club payroll increased by 17 percent in 2000 and 13.1 percent in 2001. The average club payroll has grown 98.4 percent from 1995 (\$33.1 million) to 2001 (\$65.7 million). The Milwaukee Brewers are around \$50 million this year.

With that as a backdrop, negotiators for the union and management have been trying to find a middle ground on the right level of revenue sharing, and on a proposal for a luxury tax on payrolls over \$102 million.

It is those two issues that are the key to a new collective-bargaining agreement.

Matthew Mitten, director of Marquette University's National Sports Law Institute, says it's obvious basketball and football don't have the kind of

problems baseball does.

"Salary restrictions have helped," he says of the two sports that have implemented ways to hold the line. "If you look at the diversity of teams that have made it to the post-season in the NBA and NFL vs. baseball, you can see it impacts fan interest. If there isn't a diversity of teams, it hurts the sport."

Yet, Mitten concedes the salary restrictions in basketball and football are not always perfectly correlated. The Portland Trail Blazers, he notes, spent \$40 million more than the NBA champion Los Angeles Lakers, for instance. The New York Knicks outspent the runner-up New Jersey Nets. Both the Trail Blazers and Knicks went nowhere last season.

"Both football and basketball have salary caps," adds Rick Burton, director of the Warsaw Sports Marketing Center at the University of Oregon. "They are either real caps, or an essential cap, which is what the NBA has."

In the NBA, Commissioner David Stern was able "to put a cap on capitalism in the '80s," Burton said. "He kept the market from paying out to a player what the market would bear."

The imposition of a salary cap was a big reason for the league's turnaround in the early '80s, said Stephen R. Ross, a University of Illinois law professor who has studied sports salaries.

"That was because they were in a situation where the NBA was operating at a level way below their revenue potential. The players agreed that, in return

"At this point, anything that results in a collective bargaining agreement is a positive."

DR. STEPHEN ROSS
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS LAW SCHOOL

for 53 percent of an expanding revenue pie, they would agree to a cap," Ross said.

Today, the NBA cap is not what it used to be in terms of making the league more competitive. "The salary cap, by freezing the market, makes it difficult for lousy teams to get better," Ross said.

The NFL, Burton said, took a different approach. It has a fixed salary cap and all 31 teams share national TV revenue equally. And the NFL's salary cap is riddled with exceptions, Ross said.

"The primary constraint on teams and the primary source of parity is the fact that almost everything, except local taxpayer subsidies, are shared, so that the New York Giants have no significant advantage over the Green Bay Packers."

The result is, according to Ross: "The Giants know that if they go to the Super Bowl, they will make the same amount of money as the Packers, so the Giants have no financial incentive to spend twice as much as the Packers."

But can some kind of salary restraint help baseball in its hour of need? Ross

isn't so sure.

"We had Bud Selig testifying in Washington that the whole league is going broke," Ross said. "But then somebody buys the Red Sox for \$660 million. There is no serious claim that salary restraint is necessary to attract viable investors to the game of baseball."

Nevertheless, some kind of revenue sharing is probably needed to provide more of a competitive balance in baseball and give teams like the Milwaukee Brewers and Kansas City Royals a chance to compete, Ross said.

At the same time, however, a minimum team payroll ought to be included, and teams would be required to use that revenue sharing on players, not paying off debt, Ross said.

Robert Lanza, a New York sports attorney who was a former counsel to the players association in the NBA, says a salary cap is an effective way to limit salaries if you're an owner. The players have a different opinion.

But Lanza argues that a salary cap in baseball might not necessarily accomplish baseball's goal of fostering competitive balance.

"I think increased revenue sharing could help the game," he says. "A luxury tax, well that depends on what it is. You don't want to make the tax so oppressive that it's going to chill spending."

Ross, perhaps, has the best perspective as time runs out on baseball. "At this point, anything that results in a collective bargaining agreement is a positive," Ross said.

Penn State's hopes rest on Zack Mills

BY RAY PARRILLO
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (KRT) — Taken by itself, Zack Mills' comment about the widely held perception that he is the young man who will resurrect Penn State football seemed dangerously bold.

Yet, like just about everything else the Nittany Lions' baby-faced, 20-year-old quarterback says, the words were spoken with a rare combination of humility and self-assuredness, with a nonchalance that made one wonder: Did he really say that?

"If it takes me to turn this program around, then I'm going to do it," Mills said. "But it won't take that. We're going to do it as a team."

A year ago at this time, there was no reason to expect anything from Mills. He was a redshirt freshman, one of the quarterbacks filling out the depth chart beneath the name of the anointed starter, senior Matt Senneca. Whatever his talents, they were hidden in the privacy of coach Joe Paterno's closed practice sessions. In Paterno's world, freshmen are afflicted with a disease called youth and, he hopes, the cure will come later.

A few things have happened since then, things that have Penn State's vast legion of followers believing the darkest days of the Paterno era — back-to-back losing seasons — will soon be forgotten. Mills holds that much promise for them.

Injury-prone and ineffective, Senneca eventually relinquished most of the playing time to the kid from Urbana High in Ijamsville, Md. The Nittany Lions of 2001, who finished 5-6, couldn't block or run the ball very well. On defense, they did more waving than tackling. They started 0-4 and played as if they were quite deserving of the worst start in 105 seasons of Penn State football. Paterno's pursuit of Bear Bryant's career record for Division I-A victories had almost become an afterthought. Traditionally, the legendary coach hadn't relied on big-play quarterbacks to build successful teams. Freshman quarterbacks? Out of the question.

Then Mills came along and blew away all the stereotypes about football the Paterno way. He proved that youth might be someone else's disease, not his. He made big plays with his arm and with his legs.

"He has an air about him, a look in his eyes that makes people believe in him."

MATT SCHMITT
PENN STATE SENIOR TACKLE

More important, Mills' joyous performances in the clutch reminded teammates that playing the game should be fun, that there was no reason to become enveloped by the pressure. There was the time he came off the bench late in the game at Northwestern, sensed the tension in the huddle, and said, "What's up, fellas? You ready to take this in?" He completed five passes in the final minute and a half to pull out a 38-35 win, ending the 0-4 skid, raising hopes for the future.

"He has an air about him, a look in his eyes that makes people believe in him. He commands respect," senior offensive tackle Matt Schmitt said. "There's something about him. He has a presence about him that's hard to explain unless you're in the huddle. He's a winner."

There are questions about this year's Nittany Lions, who open the season next Saturday at Beaver Stadium against Central Florida, but none is leadership on offense.

"When you see him walk around campus, you wouldn't know he's a football player," senior tailback Larry Johnson said. "But when you get him in a football atmosphere, it's like he's destined to lead, destined to do something great. He draws you closer to him. He's going to lead us back, and we're going to be his little soldiers who help him get there."

It's what coaches call the intangibles that seem to separate Mills from most quarterbacks. Poise. Quiet confidence. Command of the huddle, and the playbook. He has added 15 pounds since last season but still appears far from imposing at 6-foot-2, 220 pounds. The lefthander doesn't have a bazooka for an arm, but his passes are precise and well-timed, and he has the ability to scan the field in an instant.

"He sees things we don't even see," associate head coach Fran Ganter said.

As a runner, Mills is surprisingly fast and elusive. He led Penn State in rushing in three games, and ignited a

comeback against Ohio State with a 69-yard touchdown run. The Buckeyes were up by 27-9 before Mills led the Lions to a 29-27 win, setting a school record with 418 total yards. The irony was obvious: A freshman quarterback had handed Paterno his record-breaking 324th victory.

Mills' value was never more evident than in the game at Illinois. Penn State led, 14-0, when Mills left the game in the first quarter with an ankle injury. The Nittany Lions lost, 33-28, and the Illini went on to win the Big Ten Conference championship.

Starting only four games, and sharing time in six others, Mills nonetheless finished eighth in the conference in total offense per game (185.6 yards) and set four school records for freshmen, surpassing Todd Blackledge's record of 1,037 passing yards established in 1980. He enters this season as one of just six sophomores among 32 players on the Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award watch list. In its preseason college football issue, *Lindy's* magazine picked Mills to be the MVP of the Big Ten.

Rarely, if ever, has a season begun with such anticipation about a young quarterback.

"Last year at this time, I was just trying to be ready if I needed to play," Mills said as he tried to put his sudden rise into perspective. "This year, I have to be the guy who makes plays. So you approach the game a lot different, mentally. I definitely agree that things happened way too fast for me, especially for a freshman to get thrown in there like that. But you can't live in the past. You have to move on. Otherwise, the only thing that's different is all the attention I'm getting."

Of course, the hullabaloo surrounding Mills makes Paterno nervous.

"He's good, but he's not Moses," Paterno said. "He's not going to lead us out of the desert by himself."

To make sure Mills keeps his feet on the ground, Paterno told him during the off-season: "Publicity is like poison. It'll only hurt you if you swallow it."

"Good advice at a good time," Mills said with a smile. "I'd never heard that one before."

"The thing is," he added, "I put more pressure on myself than anyone else. I'm my harshest critic. I'm ready."

Washington recruiting under scrutiny

BY BUD WITHERS
THE SEATTLE TIMES

SEATTLE (KRT) — Coaches at the Division I basketball programs in eastern Washington were to be interviewed Monday by NCAA officials regarding allegations of recruiting violations by Lorenzo Romar's new staff at Washington.

Gonzaga Coach Mark Few was to meet with two NCAA officials Monday morning in Spokane, followed several hours later by a meeting between the officials and Ray Giacoletti of Eastern Washington. As time permits, the NCAA staffers will gather with Paul Graham of Washington State.

All three coaches are upset over what they allege to be multi-

ple instances of illegal contacts by Romar's staff, particularly assistant coach Cameron Dollar, during "quiet" or "dead" recruiting periods.

Romar, the former Huskies guard hired in April to succeed the fired Bob Bender, told ESPN.com Sunday, "This is unbelievable."

Later, Washington released a statement quoting Romar as saying, "We look forward to telling our side of the story. We're going to cooperate with the NCAA enforcement staff as they look into these allegations."

Among several specific allegations of misconduct by the Huskies is that the Huskies attended practices at Seattle's Rainier Beach High School in June during a quiet period, in

which coaches cannot recruit off campus.

Rainier Beach is the home of the highly regarded Stewart twins, Lodrick and Rodrick, who told the Seattle Times on Saturday night they planned to attend Washington as freshmen in the fall of 2003, before reversing their decision last night and announcing for USC. The NCAA will likely be looking into whether there were irregularities in Washington's recruitment of the twins.

For the Huskies, it's a bit of distasteful *deja vu* that they experienced some 3 years ago. A month after football coach Rick Neuheisel took the job, several members of his staff were found violating an NCAA "quiet" period.

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Williams Sisters need a challenge

BY MICHELLE KAUFMAN
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPER

MIAMI (KRT) — Wanted: A woman who can beat a Williams sister — or, at least, take a set off one of tennis' nearly invincible siblings. Must possess power and speed. Must be willing to smash balls from corner to corner and face 110 mph serves. Must not be intimidated. Height a plus. Send resume to Women's Tennis Association.

Is there anyone in the world qualified to answer that ad? Maybe not.

As we approach the U.S. Open, there is No. 1 Serena Williams and her older sister, No. 2 Venus Williams. And then there is everyone else, wondering how (or if) they can close the gap. It's probably a good thing the three eldest Williams sisters — Yetunde, 29, Isha, 28, and Lyndrea, 24 — didn't take up the game. Otherwise, nobody else would get past the quarterfinals.

The Williams sisters have faced each other in the finals of three of the past four Grand Slam tournaments.

Venus won last year's U.S. Open. Serena, who took the French Open and Wimbledon, is favored in this year's Open, which begins Monday, despite tendinitis that flared up in her left knee and a quarterfinal loss to Chanda Rubin earlier this month at Manhattan Beach, Calif. It isn't just that the Williamses are winning, it's how.

They have been virtually unchallenged by anyone but each other in recent months. Serena didn't lose a set on the way to the Wimbledon final. Venus lost one.

Amelie Mauresmo, no wisp of a woman, was feeling powerful after knocking off Jennifer Capriati fairly easily in the Wimbledon quarterfinals. She predicted she would give Serena a game. She was pummeled 6-2, 6-1 in 52 minutes, a quarter of the time it takes Serena to braid her hair. Mauresmo said afterward the Williams' domination was "a little sad for women's tennis."

Justine Henin, the then-sixth-ranked Belgian, shrugged her shoulders after losing 6-3, 6-2 to Venus in a Wimbledon semifinal. "What could I do?" she asked, looking doomed.

No one has a good answer. "I'm not sure there is a recipe for beating them because I am of the belief that the Williams sisters are a notch above everyone else," said Mary Joe Fernandez, a retired tennis player and TV commentator. "When they're at their best, nobody out there can beat them. They have everything. They have speed, power, mental toughness. There are a few players who can challenge them, but none have the whole package. The only way to beat them is if they are having an off day."

The players with the best chance, Fernandez said, are Capriati and Lindsay Davenport, though neither is fully equipped for the challenge. Davenport is

coming off a nine-month layoff after knee surgery. Capriati is ranked No. 3, but her game of late is nowhere near the Williamses. She lost in the quarterfinals at Carlsbad, Calif., and Manhattan Beach, and looked out of shape in her loss to Mauresmo at Montreal on Aug. 19.

"Davenport has the power and serve but doesn't move around the court as well, so she has trouble on defense," Fernandez said. "Capriati has enough power and speed, but her serve's not there." Daniela Hantuchova, the 11th-ranked Slovakian, might be able to beat a Williams sister "in a couple of years," Fernandez said.

Former player Pam Shriver believes the Williams sisters are beatable, though she feels they have distanced themselves from the rest of the pack. She said Capriati, Davenport, Mauresmo, Henin and Kim Clijsters have enough power and speed to give the Williamses trouble. A healthy Martina Hingis, though short and more of a finesse player, is also a capable opponent. What they lack, Shriver said, is a killer instinct.

"When Mauresmo said the Williams sisters were bad for tennis, that bothered me," Shriver said. "I want to hear the players ranked three through 12 say, 'The Williams sisters have rolled out a challenge, and we have to figure out a way to close the gap.' I want to hear upbeat. Instead, I hear defeatist talk."

"What those sisters have done

isn't boring. I'm fascinated when the bar is raised in a sport. All these players have enough talent to get better, and they should want to get better.

"Chrissy Evert wasn't the same type of athlete as Martina Navratilova, but she found a way to close the gap. She wasn't intimidated. The gap can be closed. Chrissy did it, and these women can, too."

Navratilova agrees. Yes, the Williams sisters are better than everyone else, but the rest of women's tennis doesn't have to sit by and watch. And, she said, other players certainly shouldn't criticize the siblings for their success.

"If they had been boys, they would be No. 1 and 2 in the men's rankings because they're just the best and biggest athletes," Navratilova told The London Times during Wimbledon. "People always look for the negative. They said Bjorn Borg was unemotional, that John McEnroe was a brat, that Evert was a metronome, that I won too easily, that Steffi Graf just had a big forehead."

"Now the Williams sisters are criticized for being too strong. All they've done is move the game on. People should admire the virtues and the excellence."

"They have the combination of strength and speed, and that's what the others have to match."

In the meantime, it's Williams and Williams. Get used to it.

Lots of points to ponder in the Pac-10

BY JAY HEATER
KNIGHT RIDDER TRIBUNE

Washington State quarterback Jason Gesser isn't the biggest guy in the Pac-10 at 6-foot, 190 pounds.

But when it comes to striking fear into the hearts of opponents, listen to Arizona State defensive end Terrell Suggs, an All-America candidate who had 18 tackles for loss last season and is 50 pounds heavier than Gesser.

"He is so elusive and so good at getting out of tackles," Suggs said. "He is athletic and he can make you miss. You're thinking 'Poor little guy.' But he has the heart of a lion."

Gesser is one of many gifted, high-profile offensive players in the Pac-10 this season. Arizona tailback Clarence Farmer had 1,229 yards rushing last season as a sophomore. Oregon tailback Onterio Smith had 1,058 yards rushing despite splitting time with Maurice Morris, who since has moved to the NFL.

Washington sophomore wide receiver Reggie Williams, who had 55 catches for 973 yards as a freshman, has a legitimate shot at first-team All-America honors. Stanford sophomore wide receiver Teyo Johnson is a 6-foot-7, 240-pounder who is an impossible matchup for defensive backs.

And the list goes on. USC senior quarterback Carson Palmer is considered prime NFL draft material. Cal senior quarterback Kyle Boller could join him with a big 2002 campaign.

It all begs the question: "Can anybody stop these guys?" "I think the team that wins this conference will be the one that plays the best defense," Washington coach Rick Neuheisel said. "It might come down to who can stop somebody."

All the conference favorites — Washington State, Oregon, Washington, UCLA, Stanford and USC — have some rebuilding to do defensively. In some cases, it is major rebuilding.

Stanford, for instance, lost eight starters. Washington went 8-4 last season but gave up 162.6 yards a game rushing. Six starters from that defensive unit are gone.

"We have to work to regain our defensive reputation," Neuheisel said. "A year ago we were a mess, playing with kids who — God bless them — shouldn't have been playing. At line-backer this season, we have as good a group as I've ever been around, especially in terms of speed."

Leading the Huskies linebacker corps is Ben Mahdavi, a senior who recovered four fumbles and had 10 tackles for loss in 2001.

The league's top defensive player along with Suggs and Oregon State cornerback Dennis Weathersby — is USC senior safety Troy Polamalu, who is considered a candidate for the Jim Thorpe Award that goes to the nation's top defensive back.

Trojans coach Pete Carroll compares Polamalu to former USC greats such as Tim McDonald and Ronnie Lott. Unfortunately for Polamalu, he is the only returning starter USC has in the defensive backfield.

At Oregon State, Weathersby has been selected as a first-team preseason All-American by The Sporting News. Unlike some of the more heralded Pac-10 teams, Oregon State has eight starters returning on defense.

All of those quality defenders will be gunning for players such as Gesser, who loves the challenge of making them miss. "Jason has to learn to slide," Washington State coach Mike Price said. "I had a baseball coach come in two years ago to teach him and we also have had a Slip 'N Slide out there. That's the truth."

The truth is that a lot of points will be rung up in the Pac-10 this season unless some major defensive talents develop in a hurry.

U.S. bid cities for 2012 will be cut to two

BY MERI-JO BORZILLERI
THE GAZETTE

COLORADO SPRING, Colo. (KRT) — On Tuesday, a set of scorecards could mean billions of dollars for one United States city.

Four — Houston, New York, San Francisco and Washington — are in the running as U.S. host city for the 2012 Summer Olympics.

A 13-member U.S. Olympic Committee task force that has visited each city will meet in a Chicago airport hotel and compare golf-like scorecards for the first time and then cut the field in half.

Then, the lone U.S. bid city for 2012 will be named in Colorado Springs on Nov. 3. Both finalists will make a one-hour presentation before the USOC board of directors here

before the vote.

It's like a Miss America pageant dragged out for years. But instead of roses and a tiara, a pot of gold will be waiting.

That would come in 2005, when the International Olympic Committee picks its host city for the 2012 Olympics.

To the winning city, it will mean an economic windfall of about \$2.5 billion in non-tax revenues from TV, sponsorships, tickets and licensing alone.

That doesn't even count the construction projects pumping millions more into the local economy, or the immeasurable value of seven years of worldwide exposure and anticipation.

"It's a huge benefit to a city these days," said Richard Pound, former International Olympic Committee vice president.

The Olympic aura is so great it encompasses even the losing cities, some of which will parlay that interest into another bid, say, for the 2016 Games.

Pound, whose hometown Toronto lost to Beijing for the 2008 Olympics and is in the running for 2012, won't discount that strategy with the U.S. bid.

"The real plan may be to put on a good show, and if you don't win in 2012, you've laid down your markers for 2016," he said.

Some insiders insist New York and San Francisco are the front-runners. Both have international appeal.

Neither carry the stigma of Houston (sweltering summers, little international recognition) or Washington (power symbol of an arrogant nation).

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Reggae Angels to perform at the Kenworthy

Wednesday the Reggae Angels will perform two shows at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Centre. The first show is at 7 p.m. and the cost is \$8. The second show begins at 9 p.m. tickets cost \$10. All tickets are available at the door the night of the show.

Currently based in San Francisco, Calif., the Reggae Angels have established themselves as a conscious roots act. The Reggae Angels play regularly around the greater SF Bay area, and have been touring regularly from San Diego to British Columbia, Canada and east into Wyoming, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Montana and New Mexico. They have played at numerous festivals including Reggae in the River in Humboldt, Calif., The Roots Mountain Reggae Festival in Washington, Kauai Splash in Hawaii, and many others. They currently have eight CD's and are working on their 9th.

The Reggae Angels music brings a message of love and wisdom. Their live shows are high-energy performances featuring vocal harmonies and live horns. The Reggae Angels keep a seriousness in their music, seeing this as Jah works-music to bring people to righteousness. Their's is an uplifting sound, full of love and happiness with a direction of good for all people.

Dana Carvey tickets went on sale Monday at WSU

PULLMAN, Wash. — Tickets went on sale Monday to see Emmy-award winning comedian Dana Carvey perform during Dad's Weekend at Washington State University.

Beasley Coliseum will host the comic "in the round" on Nov. 2 at 8:30 p.m. There will be four video screens so all who attend can see every expression, movement and detail of his performance.

Carvey, a Missoula, Mont., native, was a regular cast member on the NBC television program "Saturday Night Live" from 1986 to 1992. He is best known for his characters the Church Lady, Garth of "Wayne's World" and Hans of the Hans and Franz bodybuilding duo.

He is also praised for his exaggerated impersonations of such political figures as ex-President George Bush, H. Ross Perot and Bob Dole.

All seats are reserved. Tickets are \$28 and \$31 and can be purchased at all TicketsWest outlets or by phone at 1-800-325-SEAT.

For more information, call Beasley Coliseum at (509) 335-3525 or check its Web site at www.wsu.edu/beasley.

Get connected: Help build the Latah Trail.

The Latah Trail Foundation's Latah Trail auction and silent auction will be Saturday Sept. 14 at the University Inn Best Western in Moscow. The social hour and silent auction start at 6 PM with a no-host bar and entertainment by Makin Island Music.

The full-service dinner begins at 7 and includes a wide variety of Hawaiian style foods and complimentary wine. A live auction of getaway, recreation, travel-related items, and artwork follows. Proceeds of the fundraiser will help build the Latah Trail, a paved path for non-motorized transportation and recreation along the abandoned rail bed between Moscow and Troy.

Tickets went on sale Wednesday at bookpeople in Moscow, the Daily Grind coffee house on Main St. in Pullman, Sunset Mart in Troy, and also will be available at the Latah Trail Foundation's shirt table at the Farmer's Market in Moscow. Tickets are \$35 each, or tables of eight may be purchased for \$240. Fresh flower leis from Hawaii may be ordered by Sept. 1 for \$20. Dress is Island casual.

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Rock 'n' roll trivia

What is the first David Bowie album produced by Brian Eno?

What is the name of Pink Floyd's original lead vocalist?

Albums released today

Verse, Patricia Barber (Premonition/Blue Note)
Live, The Black Crowes (V2)
A Rush of Blood to the Head, Coldplay (Capitol)
The Bathroom Wall, Jimmy Fallon (DreamWorks)
Soup for the Deaf, Queens of the Stone Age (Interscope)
Diorama, Silverchair (Atlantic)

KUOI upcoming shows

Mike Walker and his band will perform Sept. 3, 7 p.m. in the Borah Theater. Mike Walker has worked with groups such as The Furies, Graham Ord, Phil Steir and Ernie C.

Mates of State, Dear Nora, Pellet Gun, and Mine 32 will perform Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. in the Borah Theater.

Friday 9/30

Jennifer Bresnahan will be playing the Daily Grind in Downtown Pullman on Mainstreet. The show is from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. and there is no cover charge.

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Jewel climbs back in the saddle

BY CHRIS KORNELIS
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Jewel continues to spread her music of folk-pop, bringing her "New Wild West" tour to the Spokane Opera House on Thursday, Aug. 29.

This solo acoustic tour is Jewel's first time back on the road after sustaining a horse-back riding injury in April that kept her off the road. Touring in support of her latest Atlantic release "This Way," the solo tour is an intimate look at the artist that has been in the public eye since her 1995 debut, "Pieces of You."

"Pieces of You" launched Jewel into the mainstream eye with the singles "Foolish Games," "Who Will Save Your Soul" and "You Were Meant For Me." Three years and 10 million albums later, Jewel released "Spirit," an album Jewel feels was too much about the music industry.

"It became about hits and being famous, and it was really hard for me to stay impassioned about it," Jewel told livedaily.com concerning the promotion of "Spirit."

Releasing "This Way," Jewel feels there is more emphasis on the art than the business.

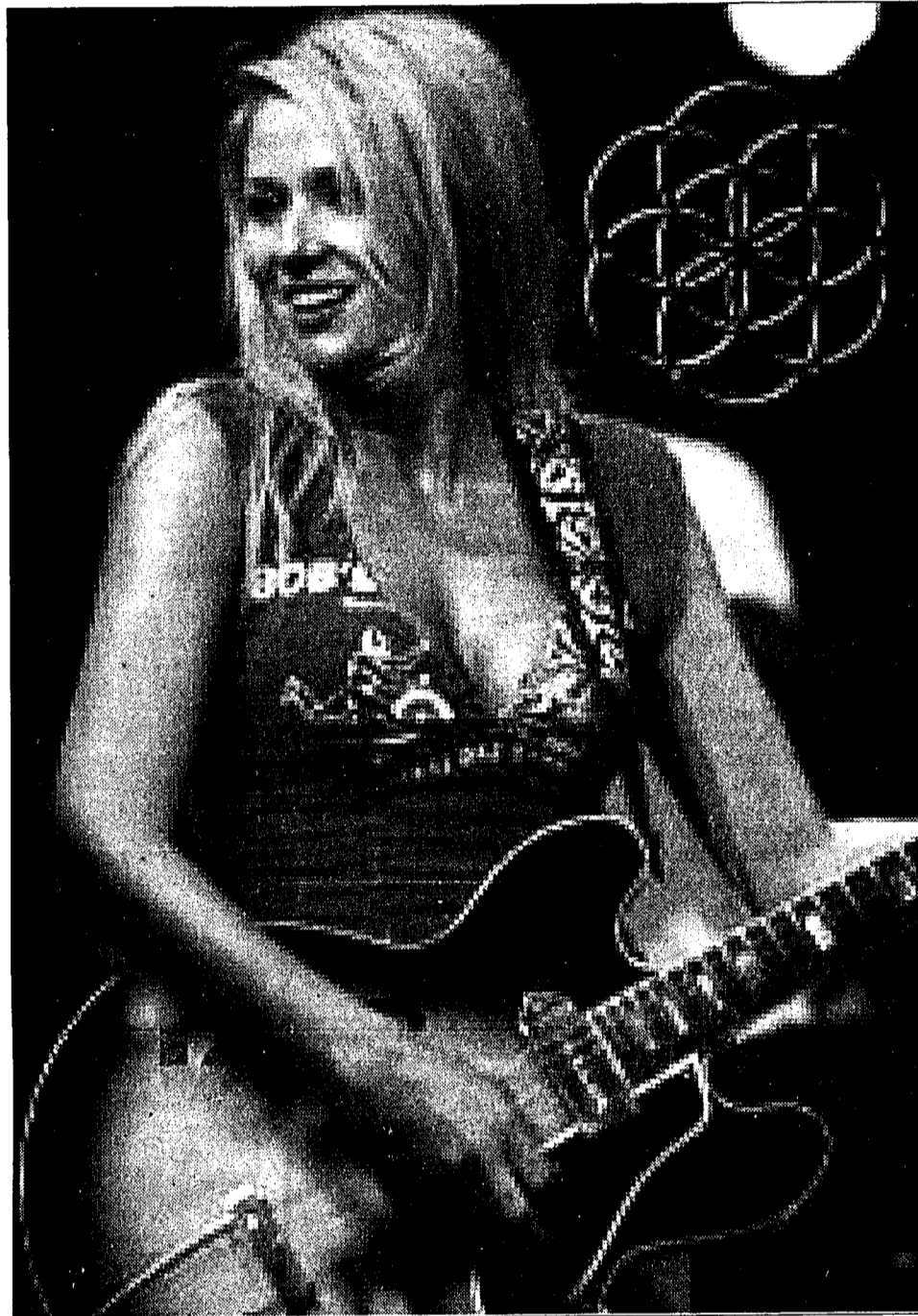
"More than anything, stepping back allowed me to get back to why I really like what I do."

"This Way" is more rock 'n' roll focused than her singer/songwriter days surrounding "Pieces of You." The majority of the album features her band as a principal voice creating a sound crossing over from pop to country, while maintaining her folk background.

Jewel, born Jewel Kilcher in Payson, Utah, was raised in Homer, Alaska by her singer/songwriter parents. By the time she was six she was performing regularly with her parents in local villages and tourist attractions. After graduating from Michigan's Interlochen Fine Arts Academy, she moved in with her mother in San Diego.

After the 9-to-5 job became a bore, Jewel lived out of her van, concentrating on her music.

In 1993 her steady gig at a local coffeehouse earned her a local cult following and eventually a deal with Atlantic records. 14 months after her debut "Pieces of You" was released, the single "Who Will Save Your Soul" became a



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major hit, and Jewel became the new face of female-driven rock 'n' roll. Tickets to Jewel's Spokane stop,

with Stuart Mathis opening, are \$39.50 and are available through ticketswest.com or 1-800-325-SEAT.

Blue Crush rides easy

With summer ending all too quickly and school starting up again, most of us are out buying books, going to class and becoming too busy with homework to enjoy the last sweet days of warmth, sunlight and fun summer movies.

On Aug. 16, Universal Studios released an engaging movie called Blue Crush. Rated PG-13 for sexual content, teen partying, language and a fight, it presents an exciting sports drama about surfer girls and reaching for your goals.

Always wanting to be a professional surfer, Anne Marie (Kate Bosworth) will do anything to get ready to hit the big time as the days count down to the big Pipe Masters competition.

That is, until she meets hotty pro quarterback Matt Tollman (Matthew Davis) and starts to fall for him. With

BLUE CRUSH

PG-13

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friends like

hot-shot

Eden

(Michelle

Rodriguez),

laid back

Lena

(Sanoë Lake), and a small sister named Penny (Mika Boorem), Anne Marie has her hands full with work, surfing, and her love-life.

Trying to do everything at once and still stay on top never sounded easy, but this movie makes you want to hit the beach and surf those waves like there is no tomorrow.

Starring Bosworth, Davis, Rodriguez, Lake, Boorem and Chris Taloa, this movie is a must see for surfer lovers, beach bums and action seekers.

Catch this flick at Carmike University 4Cinema.

Show times are at 7 p.m. and 9:20 p.m. The movie lasts one hour and 43 minutes.



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Honey Tongue offers sweet alternative

Not unlike other big-name Seattle rock bands, Honey Tongue is quality. Their music is fun, insightful and loud. But unlike Pearl Jam, Soundgarden and Nirvana, Honey Tongue breaks the mold by featuring a woman on lead vocals.

It's rare to find a quality female rock musician. Courtney Love and her band Hole is just about the only true rock band to release more than one single that does well (not that it matters, now that Hole is no more). The rest of the women's music world consists of



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over-produced hip-hop like J.Lo. and Destiny's Child and the empty bubble-gum pop like Britney Spears and Pink.

When Honey Tongue returned to Moscow Saturday for its sixth time to perform at Palousafest, it became apparent that lead singer Jen Ayers is not Tori or Britney or, thank god, Courtney Love. Honey Tongue is a fresh new attempt at bringing women into rock. It is an indie band that was recently named Touring Band of the Year at the Seattle Area Music Awards. It is putting out its first full-length LP next month. But most of all, Honey Tongue is a Pearl Jam clone, with a female voice.

Like Pearl Jam, Honey Tongue is



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from Seattle and has a sound reminiscent of the grunge era of the early '90s. Its songs attempt to comment in one way or another about social issues. It has started out touring and getting an audience based solely on word-of-mouth. Brett Eliason, one of Pearl Jam's producers, is even pro-

ducing Honey Tongue's new album.

But it is different. Unlike Pearl Jam, Ayers is fun to watch. She doesn't just scream into a microphone and rage on a guitar. Instead, she actually sings her lyrics so the audience can hear them. The petite, blonde Leo flirts with the crowd with

a gorgeous smile and "get over here" eyes, which is far more engaging than Eddie Vedder, who doesn't really even look at the crowd.

Her music is more soulful and her voice is more clear than Vedder's. It's more melodic and rich. Honey Tongue even sounds more polished than Pearl Jam's "Ten," and a lot of other bands, for that matter. At the concert the music was clear and on. The vocals were sharp and lyrics poignant. Even their four-track promotional single, which sold for \$6 next to the stage, sounded more like a studio album than an indie single. This band has everything it takes to make it big.

At the two sets at Palousafest last week and performance at John's Alley Friday night, the most impressive part were the lyrics. Songs like "Senator" touch on social issues with lyrics like "T.V. stares and souls that don't shine/The kid will put a bullet through your life/Who's really to blame?"

Another song was simply directed at a certain weekly newspaper in Seattle, which Ayers said has grown a little too big for its britches. Her song bit with lines like "I'm sleeping with The Stranger/Now I'm gonna be a rock star."

Honey Tongue has been together for two years, mostly performing at small venues and on college campuses. It's made up of Ayers, lead vocals and keyboard; Graham McNeill, guitar; Darnton Lewis, drummer; and Same Larson, bassist.

The band is touring to promote its first studio album, which can be ordered at www.honeytongue.net next month. Tour dates and band info can also be found at the site.

Take two

This summer needs a sequel

Summertime carries a few absolutes that never, ever are left to chance. In the summer there will be a barbecue. You will at least walk by a picnic. You cannot avoid swimming. And in the theater, there will be sequels. So many sequels.

In fact, if current levels of sequel production hold, the summer of 2032 will consist of nothing but sequels to the 2031 summer blockbusters. Until then the rest of us will just have to deal with the annoyance of original material squashed into our sequel viewing schedules.

For the benefit of the large movie studios (who will inevitably read this column), I have viewed and selected the blockbuster "films" from the 2002 summer which ought to get their very own sequels for next year. This includes sequels that need a trilogy and trilogies which could use another three movies, if everyone follows.

"Star Wars" kicked off the summer with a special effects budget disturbing close to the national deficit. George Lucas wowed audiences with the most elaborate Jedi battles yet and a love story which could be called lacking (by someone being really nice about it). Jar-Jar Binks was hardly seen onscreen, answering the unanimous prayer of movie-goers everywhere. Keep it up George, I'll see at least one more.

Buddies Matt Damon and Ben Affleck both gave a go at the CIA action extravaganzas "The Sum of All Fears" and "The Bourne Identity." In "Fears," Affleck plays Jack Ryan, novelist Tom Clancy's CIA hero with a conscience. The character of Ryan has mysteriously dropped his age about 30 years and was demoted to an analyst for his latest outing. Ryan was formerly played by Harrison Ford and Alec Baldwin.

Morgan Freeman costars as the likable director of the CIA. Luckily, for those of you who feel international terrorism, neo-fascism and nuclear weapons are boring, there is a love story. This movie was better than I expected, and they could make another just so long as they don't try to make a Jack Ryan movie without Tom

Clancy.

"The Bourne Identity," also based on a novel (by Robert Ludlum), stars Damon as Jason Bourne, a CIA operative without a memory. Luckily, for those of you who think car chases, hand-to-hand combat and gunplay are boring, there is a love story. "Identity" is a series of spy movie clichés wound together to form this finished, thoroughly ripped-off product. Please don't make another. Damon can always make a troubled youth movie again.

I'm told comedy is the hardest thing to pull off in a movie. This justifies the existence of a few people that should never be allowed in front of the camera again.

Steve Irwin, better known as the crocodile hunter, debuted his first crocodile hunter movie entitled "Collision Course." I would like to give a capsule review of this film saying "I would delightfully take the producers of this film and serve them as dinner for the whole of the mafia's pig farming business," but I won't. I won't because my review on the "Collision Course" VHS cover would read: "delightful... for the whole... 'family'."

Other comedies this summer included "Austin Powers 3" and "Mr. Deeds." I am convinced these movies will be shown together as a double feature in hell.

"Powers" is the brainchild of Mike Myers, formerly of Saturday Night Live. The first five minutes is rather funny, with an impressive list of cameos from superstars like Steven Spielberg, Tom Cruise and Britney Spears.

Immediately after the opening sequence "Powers" dives head first back into the rehashed jokes from the first two installments. The new "Goldmember" character is a pointless gag fest with no redeemable results. My recommendation is to never even discuss making another Austin Powers picture.

"Mr. Deeds" stars Adam Sandler in a remake of a Frank Capra film. While Sandler has a good track record thus far, Mr. Deeds lacks certain things present in former Sandler movies; such as funny jokes. Sandler should be placed on sudden death movie probation: one more flick like "Deeds" and its over for him.

The funny films in the summer were utter surprises for this writer. "Men in Black 2" was a welcome and enjoyable sequel. Tommy Lee



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Jones stole the show again playing the straight-faced man in black opposite Will Smith.

The real star in the MIB series is director Barry Sonnenfeld, who once pitched the original comedy to executives as "like Terms of Endearment," but sadder.

The biggest surprise came from the campy horror flick "Eight Legged Freaks." I admit I should have known it was good, after all gigantic spiders ravaging a poor mining town is a superb premise. The best part of "Freaks" is its refusal to take itself seriously. I'll watch another one if they change the spiders to another humongous radioactive beast.

"K-19: The Widowmaker," the true story of a Russian submarine crew dealing with a leak in their nuclear core, claimed to be a thriller beyond other thrillers because it was true. Harrison Ford starred with Liam Neeson as the leaders of the vessel. I'm sure Russia has other morbidly depressing and involved dramas about the horrors of the cold war, but I'm not positive they need to be made into other morbidly depressing and involved movies starring men with bad Russian accents. Fans of long and awkward grimacing may want to check this one out.

The only other atrocity thrown at moviegoers this summer was "Reign of Fire." If someone

had asked me five months ago how it was possible to destroy a movie about fire-breathing dragons laying waste to the world while American Marines (led by a growling Matthew McConaughey no less) used modern technology to fight back, I would have said impossible. However, I underestimate people. "Reign of Fire" doesn't even deserve a special edition DVD, let alone another movie.

Crime dramas hit right on the money, especially later in the summer. "Road to Perdition" was an excellent period drama about a gangster hitman in the depression era. Tom Hanks and Paul Newman starred for director Sam Mendes in his first film since "American Beauty."

My only complaint is the blatant pleas for Oscars from random monologues given in the film. Tom Hanks shouldn't have to beg. But all in all, the movie was adapted well from a popular graphic novel.

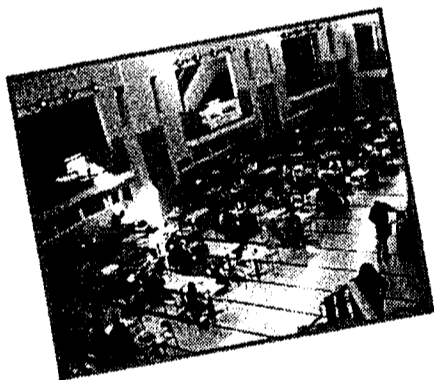
Clint Eastwood's "Blood Work" is a cat and mouse thriller about a serial killer who is unusually fond of Eastwood.

Conveniently enough, Eastwood plays a retired FBI profiler. He tracks the killer using a complex system of squinting and scowling over and over again.

"Blood Work" is predictable at times but well enough made to be enjoyable.

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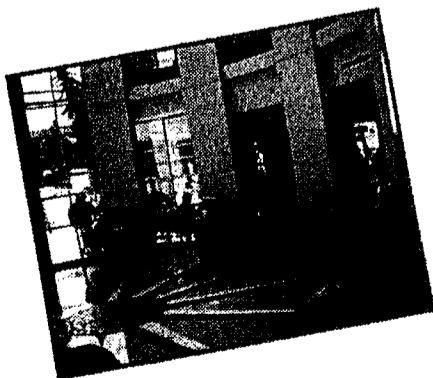
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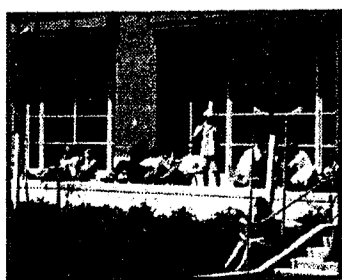


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Taiwanese take fashion to extreme

Taiwanese women will sometimes wear coats in 100-degree heat so the sun doesn't tan their skin. That's how serious they are about fashion.

"They call me 'African' already," said a 19-year-old named Catherina as sweat soaked through her jean jacket on a 6-mile bike ride, in upper-90s heat with considerable humidity thrown in as well. The tan westerners with her (my party) tried to get her to remove this item, but she solemnly refused.

Besides this obvious difference of skin-color-preference, Taiwanese fashion is charming. Men don't always look so charming (their trendy long fingernails look like talons), but women, in general, appear to be models sporting their own lines — only their "lines" are all about the same.

Their palettes are their frames, their brush strokes their clothes. Most of them are genetically predisposed to be tiny, and their steady diet of mostly fried food doesn't seem to deter them. Perhaps that's one reason everything looks so cute — the same way baby's clothes look cute.

However, there are a lot of things in Taiwanese fashion that are cute in their own right. Ruffled tops almost hippie style, are paired with eyelet or funky-patterned skirts. Denim is big. One popular denim skirt that would have been easy to make was everywhere. It was a pair of jeans with seams detached, sewn overlapping into a skirt and



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cut off to be fringed and short.

It was the shoes that stood out the most, though. Tennis shoes are seldom done, except by teenagers. Boxy-toed street shoes, Mary Jane shoes, high heels, and more high heels. The women went everywhere in high heels, and never seemed to go crazy with foot pain.

It would be glaring and slimy with humidity, and they'd buzz down the street on their scooters, wearing tiny high-heeled sandals and white pants, and holding an umbrella over their heads to keep the dreaded sun off.

The not-quite-so-chic fashion was cheaper. For \$3 one could buy fake name-brand shirts. I purchased one that said "Prada" on the front, while the tag declared "Abercrombie & Fitch." Night markets are prime for such things—otherwise, nothing really costs less than in the states. It's probably good everything was so small (Large was about a size 7) or else I'd be bankrupt. And I hate shopping.

Another popular item was shirts with "English" on them. "Enwrapped (sic) with joy to let the mind and body dance," one said. Some phrases seemed more like random words thrown together for appealing letter shape than real English. Most took a stab at being poetic, unless they were trying to be vulgar.

I saw a 13-year-old wearing a shirt advertising Viagra. I asked her if she knew what it was. She said no. I decided I didn't want to try to tell her.

It seemed humorous to us, but I'm sure our pathetic stabs at coolness would make a lot of other cultures laugh. After all, why would you pay mega bucks for a shirt that says "Abercrombie & Fitch" when you can buy the same thing (fake) for cheap? They're only words, with this weird thing called trademark attached to them.

Dirty Vegas makes for dirty pleasure

Usually musicians who allow their music to be used in a TV commercial are considered sell-outs. Music critics and hipsters alike accuse these musicians of forgetting what the music is all about. After a while some listeners even skip tracks on their favorite albums, just because now they can only think about a joyride on a sunny beach in California when Bobby McFerrin sings.



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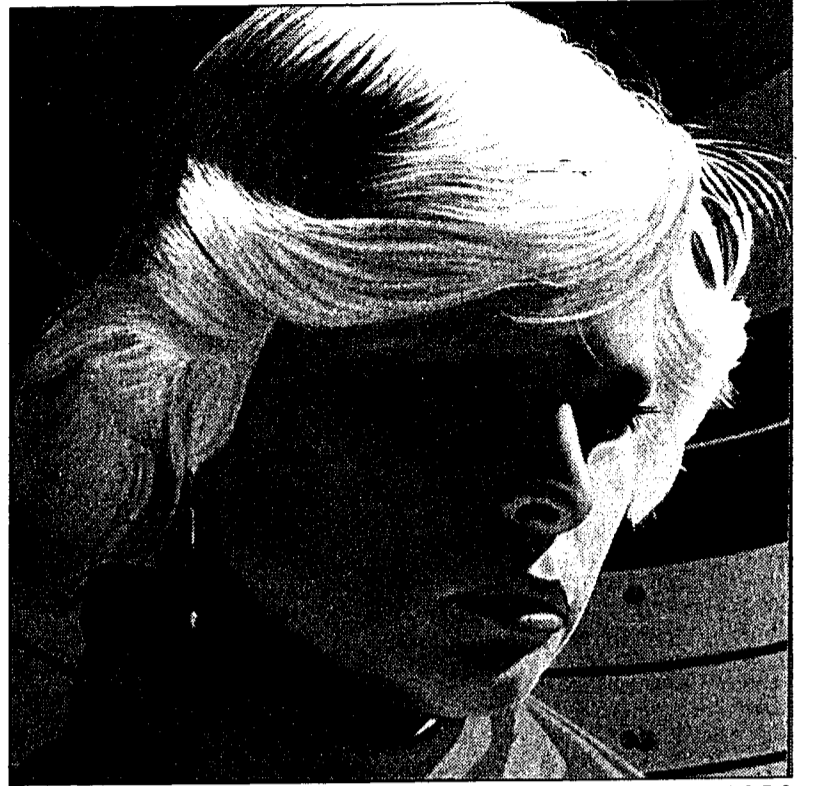
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Now imagine if this process was reversed. Take musicians who "forgot what music is about," who made a song for a commercial that then becomes a number-one single in the U.K., and then began recording the full-length album.

That's right, Dirty Vegas has released an eponymous album that is like listening to an hour-and-32-seconds-long Mitsubishi commercial.

The interesting thing about this album is the songwriting process. Apparently, Steve Smith wrote most of the songs the traditional way, with just him and an acoustic guitar. The bonus track is a lo-fi acoustic version of "Days Go By," the song from the commercial. More than a diamond in the rough, Smith is like one Photek being surrounded by 100 Fatboy Slims when Astralwerks is looking for an easy moneymaker. Luckily, two brothers, Paul and Ben Harris, altered Smith's musical flight in a chance airport meeting (or so the story goes).

Paul and Ben must have known that another nasally-sounding British singer/song-



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writer would not make it far in England. It seems they also didn't know that the London club scene didn't need another throwaway house album.

"Dirty Vegas" draws from both songwriting traditions, and forges nothing new in either. It is not until "Candles," the sixth track, that it leaves the straight 4/4 thumping that Europe loves for some god-awful reason.

As for the songwriting, it is fairly undeveloped. Dirty Vegas falls into the same kind of cheap rhyming that killed Air's "10,000 Hertz." Smith painfully repeats "Never know what the future will bring/cuz' it don't mean a thing" in the outro to "All or Nothing."

On top of the bad rhymes is a really watered down Pink Floyd cover during the second half of "Simple Things Part 2."

It's easy to poke fun at its creativity, but Dirty Vegas must

be revered for one thing: aesthetic. It is a complete masters of its style. The music is crisp and upbeat. What it lacks in soul it makes up with cold hard cool. In short, this album is a good choice for the background of a chill, euro-chic cocktail party.

Dirty Vegas completes its half-sarcastic hip in its album art. Every other page is an air-brushed portrait of some faces that clearly have a late-seventies kind of flair. A couple are even reminiscent of Abba.

Dirty Vegas fits right in with these faces. The late '70s was all about screwing good taste over for a better image, and a discerning listener might do the same and find a guilty pleasure in this album.

DIRTY VEGAS

Dirty Vegas
★★½ (of 5)

'Fast Food Toys' brings back memories

BY MATTHEW R. WEAVER
DAILY EVERGREEN

(U-Wire) Pullman — Keep an eye out next time you're rooting around in your attic. If you come across one of those old toys you'd get with a Happy Meal, it could be a collector's item. Or so says "Fast Food Toys," by Gail Pope and Keith Hammond.

This is an interesting and unique book that is sure to send college students across the nation into fits of nostalgia.

Remember the McDonald's mainstay food offerings that would transform into robots?

Or, better yet, the ones that would turn into dinosaurs?

I haven't thought of Quarter Pounder Cheese O-Saur or Mac-O-Saurus Rex in years. And now collectors are offering \$3 to \$5 for them.

My younger brother, Steven, obtained six toy aliens from Wendy's years ago, in 1990, that he carried around with him forever. We never knew one of the characters' names, but finally, after a decade of wondering, we know the answer: Crimson-oid. Yello-boid. Spotta-zoid. Lime-oid. Blu-zoid. Purpa-oid.

They're all in the book.

Just not where we put them. But if they ever turn up, and Steven's willing to part with them, he can get \$3 to \$5 dollars for each one.

But even if you're not interested in selling, the book is worth it just to see some old friends again.

"Fast Food Toys" is like a trip back into time, as movie and television promotions abound. Shows like "Chip N' Dale Rescue Rangers," "Kisseyfur," "Dinosaurs" ("Not the momma!"), "Tiny Toons" and so much more will suddenly re-enter your consciousness like a bolt of lightning.



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'Sopranos,' 'E.T.' phone home this fall

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(U-WIRE) HOUSTON — The advent of the DVD has changed the way we develop our home entertainment. Gone are the analog visuals displayed on videotape; digital images, extra features and custom setups are slowly becoming the norm. Wide-screen display, clear color, crisp audio... There's nothing better in home entertainment than achieving the feel of a real movie theater in your own living room.

And with that, here are more goodies to add to your DVD collection:

Tuesday — What are you gonna do? You're gonna get "The Sopranos" Complete Third Season, and watch Tony deal with the ups and downs of family. Also being released this week are "High Crimes," "The Rookie" and "Queen of the Damned."

Finally, the hilarious British series "Are You Being Served?" will be released in its entirety, as will the 10th anniversary edition of the classic "Reservoir Dogs."

Sept. 7 — The second full season of the popular sitcom "Friends" will be released this week, as will the Wesley Snipes sequel "Blade II." Also, "Janet Jackson Live in Hawaii," a DVD worth buying just for its cover, will be released.

Sept. 10 — To commemorate the one-year anniversary of Sept. 11, a new documentary, "9/11: The Filmmakers Commemorative Edition," will be released on this date.

Sept. 17 — Disney's latest hilarious triumph "Monsters Inc.," along with "Panic Room" and "Fruity," will be released this week. Two collections will be released as well: "24: Season 1" and the five-disc documentary "The Civil War."

Sept. 24 — A handful of subtle classics will find their way to DVD shelves on the 24th, including

the Eddie Murphy-Dan Akroyd comedy "Trading Places," the John Favreau-Vince Vaughn comedy "Swingers" (Special Edition), the Beatles' first film "A Hard Day's Night," directed by Richard Lester, and (finally) "Grease," starring John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John.

Oct. 1 — The Rock will be cookin' up some DVD sales as "The Scorpion King" will be released this week. Also being released is a collection of classic "I Love Lucy" episodes.

Oct. 8 — Shoppers will be dancing down the DVD aisles to pick up such classics as "Flashdance," "Footloose" and "Saturday Night Fever."

Oct. 22 — "E.T. Extra-Terrestrial" will be released for the first time on DVD in two separate packages: a two-disc limited edition and a three-disc ultimate edition. Also available on the 22nd will be a James Bond collection featuring "The Spy Who Loved Me," "The Man With The Golden Gun," "Dr. No," "Tomorrow Never Dies," "Goldeneye," "License To Kill" and "Goldfinger."

Nov. 12 — The most successful DVD to be released so far has been George Lucas' "Star Wars Episode I: The Phantom Menace." That record could be broken with the release of "Star Wars Episode II: Attack of the Clones," the latest prequel will be released on the 12th, as will two new special-edition packages of "Lord of the Rings: Fellowship of the Ring."

Dec. 17 — One of the most highly anticipated DVD releases will hit stores just in time for Christmas. The "Back To The Future" trilogy, starring Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd and Lea Thompson, will be released as a three-disc package, complete with wide-screen format, commentary, original trailers, featurettes, deleted scenes and a photo gallery.

The delay of this release was blamed on the desire to make it a major DVD event.

'Simpsons' enjoyable despite weak character voices, personalities

BY CHRIS WEISHAAR
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(U-WIRE) AMES, Iowa — Despite not arriving on DVD in the timely fashion Fox had originally planned, the four-disc set of the second season of "The Simpsons" has been worth the wait.

Packed with 22 episodes and some great extras, this set is a 'Simpsons' fan's dream come true.

Although the second season is not within the time period many fans feel is the prime of the show, it is still filled with great episodes. Not only does the season expand on the characters and world, but also continues to push recurring jokes and establish new ones.

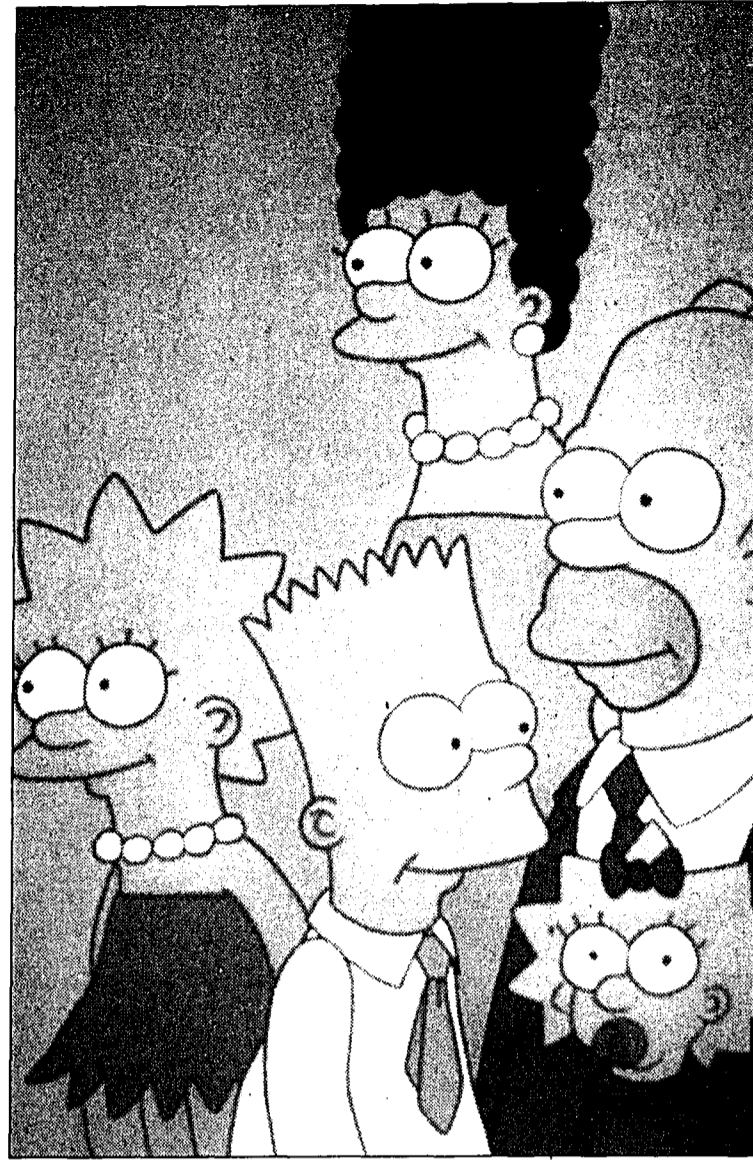
The second season also sees the first appearances of many fan favorites, such as the now annual "Treehouse of Horror" specials and characters such as Comic Book Guy. With both the new and recurring material, season two is where the show begins to gain much of its strength.

Sadly, there are still things missing from the season. Voices are not all developed yet, and neither are some character personalities. This can be distracting to long-time viewers, but most of the season is on track with the "Simpsons" staple.

Some of the animation is not up to par with current episodes, but it is still well done. With the DVD you get a great-looking version as well, and all the rich colors of the series really stand out. This crisp presentation makes the occasional flaws of the animation stand out more, though.

The sound for the episodes is well done and these episodes sound better than they ever did on TV. Fox has included a Dolby 5.1 track that, although not strong, adds to the enjoyment of some of the episodes.

As mentioned, this set includes a lot of interesting extras. Most focus on the boom of the show's popularity, including music videos for two "Simpsons" songs and clips from TV appearances. There are interviews included from



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the time, including one with Matt Groening discussing the show, and another short documentary about the creation of an episode. The DVD set also includes the usual assortment of art, such as storyboards and magazine covers.

While enjoyable, none of these extras compare to the wonderful commentary tracks included with each episode. Each commentary has a mixture of the show's creators discussing not just the episode, but the world of "The Simpsons" as well. Many of these commentaries are just as entertaining as some of the

episodes, as they are filled with both excellent information about the series and plenty of good-natured fun with the commentators.

It was a long wait for this second DVD set, but in the end, it was worthwhile.

Although you will definitely find favorites among the episodes, all are well worth watching now and in repeat viewings. The commentaries are very enjoyable and really a great bonus for fans. The rest of the extras are icing on the cake and round out an already perfect "Simpsons" purchase.

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