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# Local religious leaders yearn for peace

#### BY JAKE ALGER ASSISTANT COPY CHIEF

The crowd slowly starts to grow. First five, but eventually about 15 people, huddle together at Friendship Square in downtown Moscow, braving the cold and the somber mood at a time when most people are eating dinner. People from many differ-ent religions, along with people without any particular religious beliefs, gather together, forming a first silent, then talkative group of concerned citizens.

Within about 15 minutes the people are spouting off references to various newspaper and magazine articles, Web sites and special television features. The tension and frustration slowly build up until someone could slice it with a chainsaw. And, although sometimes veiled by frustrated comments about the Republican party and the lack of effort by the Democratic party to stop them, that tension pretty much all boils down

to one issue: peace.

Every Friday for the past year, Emmanuel Lutheran Church Pastor Dean Stewart and several others have gathered to pray for peace and discuss gathered to pray for peace and discuss issues at the forefront of American poli-tics. For the small group, as well as many religious leaders in Moscow, the main topic of concern lately has been the possible war in Iraq. People who attend the vigil have also been quite concerned with the lack of attention President George W. Bush has paid to groups rallying for peace, such as the weekly peace

vigil in Moscow. "It's the strangest thing that alterna-traction," tive views are getting no traction," Stewart said. He said thousands of people in both the United States and other countries have been staging protests and vigils, yet the message hasn't seemed to make it through to the media or to the Bush administration.

Stewart is one of many pastors and religious leaders in Moscow who have

differing views on the ever-changing situation between Saddam Hussein-led Iraq, George W. Bush-led United States and the United Nations, and whether or and the officer various, and whether of not Hussein's regime has done anything bad enough to warrant a war waged against it. Currently, U.N. weapons inspectors are in Iraq, trying to find once and for all if there are any weapons of

mass destruction in Iraq. "I understand him (Hussein) and his regime to be brutal," Stewart said. However, he added that "everybody besides the United States knows that the United States also has done treach-

erous things." As a pastor, Stewart believes church is a great place for people to examine how war fits with the gospel and to discuss differing views on the subject. Mark S. Hanson, presiding bishop of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in America, made a statement Aug. 30

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RYAN SMITH / ARGONAU

Every Friday evening, local citizens gather in Friendship Square to hold a vigil for peace. The vigil is an open discussion that allows people the to come and speak about the state of world affairs or any other issue they feel the need to speak about.



### Accounting major fights her battles in classroom

#### BY MORGAN WINSOR ARGONAUT STAFF

maline Vance pours a Pepsi, relaxes onto a chair and tells how last week she and a about two dozen other UI students majoring in accounting held a "rejection letter burning narty" party."

But this time the group deserted their tradition of tossing rejection application let-ters into a fire. Instead Vance and the group "took the Enron approach and fed the letters into paper shredders," she said.

Vance plans to graduate in May 2003 with a degree in accounting and finance and a minor in Spanish. Until then the 26-year-old will send out resumes in hopes of getting a bite before graduation day.

Vance's apartment harmonizes with her attitude. On her walls are posters of Ansel

Adams, Sponge Bob, a piñata

and memorabilia taken from



CANDICE CARPENTER ARGONAUT Emaline Vance will graduate this spring with an accounting degree.

For Vance, having free time

Costa Rica – decor that also reflects her supple yet observant disposition. And for Vance, sustaining an optimistic outlook on SHAUNA GREENFIELD / ARGONAUT The UI Alumni Office and Student Alumni Relations Board, Moscow School District, the Moscow Mentors Program and Vandal Athletics held a campus toy drive

life as well as keeping busy is her key to vivacity.

Born and bred in Lewiston, while attending high school Vance was high planning how she would tackle her years to come. On her 18th birthday she boarded a bus and headed to basic training in the U.S.

"I was scared. I didn't know what I had gotten myself into, but as time went on I realized it was the best thing I ever did. It helped me grow up and become more self-sufficient, more independent. I'd recommend it to anyone," she said.

After basic training she was stationed in Korea for 18 months and then in Texas for two years. While in the military she worked supply, ordering repair parts for the now discontinued OV-1D Mohawk airplanes, which were used as enemy surveillance crafts.

With the G.I. Bill aiding her college tuition, in 1998 Vance enrolled at UI, during which time she continued military service in the Idaho National Guard.

Having studied Spanish for two years, in January Vance decided to study abroad in a Heredia, a town in Costa Rica about a half hour's drive from the capital, San Jose.

After a semester she decided, "I like it so much that I had to go back," she said.

She did just that. That summer she landed an internship with an accounting firm in Costa Rica. Because it was not a paid position, Vance translated letters, sometimes more than 100 per week, to make ends meet.

After returning to Moscow in August, Vance landed an apartment downtown and prepared for her last two semesters at UI.

"I'm so excited about this year. And I'm so busy," she said.

is rare. When not studying she keeps busy serving as an officer on the alumni chair for Beta Alpha Psi and a Web chair on the UI Financial Management Association. Free time also is eaten up by teach-

ing Spanish to preschoolers at a local day care and working in the Office of the Dean of Students. Also, for extra cash, she works as an assistant in the

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accounting lab. To shake stress, she belly dances, a hobby she took up two years ago at the YWCA. She also dances to Latino music on Friday nights at the Underground nightclub below

CJ's on Main Street. "Like I said, I make it a point to keep myself busy," she said.





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dous success this year," Mayer said. The growth of the mentor program was directly involved in "I mascot Joe Vandal traded in his weapons of plunthe success of the event and she der for a jolly red Santa said she looks forward to next

and provided new unwrapped toys to 95 needy children Saturday at the Best Western-University Inn.

year's. Toys were collected for the last few weeks in donation boxes placed around campus in the residence halls and Greek living groups. The women's living groups donated far more toys last year, however the men's showing was a little stronger, as they were enticed by the prospect of a competition to see who could donate the most toys, Mayer said. The winner receives an ice cream social.

The toys were placed on a large table at the back of the room, and children were allowed to select one apiece. The table included a large selection of playthings: art kits, foam footballs,

"The program was a tremen- teddy bears, light-sabers and even model cars were available for plunder.

Even though "Vandal" Claus was a few minutes late arriving, several young, aspiring football players tossed a foam football at everything imaginable, quickly turning the carpet into a makeshift gridiron. Parents around the room interpreted the elaborate toy's directions while the impatient kids looked for the real party to start.

"One of our members was able to dress as Joe Vandal," Mayer said of the missing mascot. "We kind of expected it to happen. We're always prepared to punt.'

The real party came in the form of a "duck, duck, goose" mimicking game of "elf, elf, Santa" which started soon after 11 a.m., and the children's supply of energy became apparent as they ran circles around the

SARB volunteers. A table filled with glasses and a large punch bowl were in jeopardy due to the

flailing bodies. Joe Vandal was able to pose for Santa pictures and take the body slams of a few precocious children.

Many opposing football teams would like to throw hooks at the taunting mascot, and some of the children got a chance to do just that on the "Sock 'em Robot" box-

ing game. "(The toy drive) is a wonderful event," said Julie Forsythe, a mother of two kids who are enrolled in the mentor program. "Somebody worked really hard to get all those presents.

Forsythe moved from Boise to Moscow, and the first thing she did was get her children involved in the mentor program.

"It's a wonderful thing for single parents," she said.

### Forum speakers focus on freedom of the press issues

SARB, UI Athletic Department provide toys, fun for area children

### BY GRANT MCCRACKEN ARGONAUT STAFF

BY JACOB DENBROOK

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hat to spend time with Moscow

children Saturday. The annual Christmas toy

drive took place at the

University Inn where the spon-

sors, including the Student

Alumni Relations Board and

Vandal athletics, entertained

Moscow children from 11 a.m.-2

About 95 children, most of

whom are involved in the

Moscow Mentor Program, were

invited to attend the three-hour

event of food, games and, of

course, toys. Forty children actu-

ally came to the event, twice as

many as last year's similar pro-gram, said Kristi Mayer of the

Student Alumni Office.

p.m.

The UI Martin Forum, in conjunction with the UI School of Communication, presented an open forum Thursday addressing the Balkan Media, its changes in the past 20 years and the Balkan perception of U.S. foreign policy.

Bringing together two speakers with expe-rience in the Balkans, the institute presented an array of media and commentary that encouraged open debate and deep reflection on the ideals of media.

Divna Karadjovska, a journalist from Bitola, Macedonia, and Matt Shelley, an independent new producer and television

consultant for several foreign countries, were the speakers in attendance, with UI assistant professor of communication, Kenton Bird moderating the discussion.

Karadjovska offered a unique perspective on the topic. As a Fulbright scholar-in-residence at UI for the fall term, she brought her experience to America with a different training of the journalist practice.

The Balkans are viewed as a synonym of war and genocide. What people do not realize is that we gained our independence 12 years ago and the media is dedicated to pluralization of ideas," she said. "We have one nation-al broadcasting system that broadcasts in all languages (Macedonian, Albanian, etc.)." Shelley agreed that they are on the way to

achieving quality journalism, but cited areas that needed progress.

"Journalists, specifically in Belgrade. Yugoslavia, do not have the training and have low professional standards. They are slaves to political topics, due to governments and régimes that have been in power. The idea of two sided storytelling is foreign.'

Clips from B92 News in Belgrade and a U.S. funded documentary, entitled "Balkan Bridges," were shown to give examples of journalism today. The general agreement between the speakers was that the accomplishments today were admirable, yet more was required and being worked for.

Organizations bring holiday cheer Army for six months.

### OUTLOOK PALOUSE WEATHER FORECAST



### CAPSULE FROM THE ARGONAUT ARCHIVES . From the Dec. 13, 1929, edition:

The lighting of the large fir trees in front of the Administration Building Sunday or Monday evening, a Christmas assembly Wednesday morning and an outdoor song festival Wednesday or Thursday evening will comprise the annual yuletide festivities .... The lighting of a large fir tree and singing of Christmas carols on some evening preceding the Christmas holiday was founded in 1923 by Dean French..



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### News

Gault hosts concert to benefit homeless, Moscow Food Bank

The residents of Gault Hall will hold a concert to benefit America's homeless Thursday from 8 - 10 p.m. in the Gault Upham Party Room. Local rock group Smoking Bill will be the featured guest.

Admission to the concert is free with a donation of a non-perishable food item

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1912 Center, 412 East 3rd St.

Roy Breckenridge, Idaho Geological Survey, has been on Idaho Public Television and is a leading expert on the Lake Missoula Floods and the resulting channeled scabland of eastern Washington. Those wanting additional information may contact Tom Weber at (509) 334-3817.



March 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Administration Auditorium. Barnes recently completed her first novel, "Finding Caruso."

Boise couple Alvin Greenberg and Janet Holmes will present their work April 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the College of Law

### UI course highlights 'Where 🚦 **Eagles Roost'**

A one-day University of Idaho course - aimed at increasing "eagle-eye" vision will take place Saturday on Lake Coeur d'Alene. "Where Eagles Roost" is sponsored by UI Community Programs.

The course, featuring a slide show, field trip and lunch, will run from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday. A UI van will transport participants from the Moscow \*\* campus to Coeur d'Alene. As part of the course, participants will have an opportunity to view eagles in their natural habitat.

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### Dropout returns and hits it big on campus with discount coupons

#### BY CHRISTINA HOAG KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

MIAMI (KRT) - When Rachel Spinka was on the verge of starting a business degree eight years ago, she suddenly decided she would rather sell to students than become one. Much to her parents' chagrin, she dropped out of college before she had even begun.

Today, Spinka heads her own college-marketing company, Best of Campus, in a rock 'n' roll-filled Hallandale Beach, Fla., office. She pulls in about \$800,000 in sales, she said, from her self-designed \*campus savings guides:" ad-filled booklets distrib-uted in 100 colleges across the country, from the University of Massachusetts-Boston to the University of California-San Diego.

Not bad for a 20-something entrepreneur who, when she couldn't get venture capitalists to back her idea, financed it all by running up her credit cards. Now, the investors come to her.

"I've had several offers to buy me out and take the company public," said Spinka, whose enthusi-asm flows as freely as her mane of blond curls. "One billionaire picked me up in a Bentley. He was-n't very happy when I turned him down."

Student-coupon booklets are nothing new on campuses, but Spinka, through painstaking trial and error, has come up with a formula to make hers stand out amid the clutter. For most of its free, pocket-size publications, Best of Campus gets permission to use the school

logo and distribute at key points on campus, such as the bookstore.

That also allows Best of Campus to sandwich useful information in between the ads, so students will keep the book lets and not pitch them in the garbage. Campus maps, sports schedules, academic calendars and even job-hunting tips do the trick, along with a slick, full-color cover.

For advertisers, these types of publications are key, as they directly hit a prime market: 18-to-24-year-olds, the age when brand loyalties that can last a lifetime are molded. "This is the first time that you have to make

purchases yourself, instead of asking mom to buy," said John Geraci, vice president of youth research for the Harris Interactive research firm. "But it's also one of the most price-sensitive groups. At that age, they're looking for price and have the time to

shop around." With marketers continually looking for new ways to tap young adults, Best of Campus has no shortage of competitors. Miami-based start-up Campus Connections announced in October plans to market a promotional booklet to be delivered to students inside bags at 380 university bookstores starting next fall.

Best of Campus advertisers — about 150 in each 100-page booklet — run the gamut from such nationally-known brands as Subway and Nantucket Nectars to those that aren't the most traditional of advertisers: infertility clinics seeking human egg donors, bail bondsmen, adoption serv-

athletic marketing director. "We thought it was a good way to promote sports, like tennis and crew, that most students don't follow."

Spinka, 30, started Best of Campus in 1994 after noticing a flier taped to a store's cash register offering a discount to students. "I thought: I should do this with a lot of stores,"

she said.

Ditching her college plans, she threw herself into selling \$200 ads to merchants around Florida Atlantic University. At Kinko's, she printed sheets with business cards on which she had typed each store's offer, such as "10 percent discount to students.

"I didn't even have a computer," she said. The College Express Card was a hit, and Spinka took her act on the road, as far as the University of Illinois-Champaign.

I would get a rental car and hotel in an ad trade and hang out for eight to 12 weeks in some college town," she said. "I was having a blast."

But then, in 1995, her father's unexpected death sent her into depression. She halted her fledgling business for a year before a friend persuaded her to start it up again.

It's been upward bound from that time on. In

the first year, she grossed \$250,000 in revenue, and sales have surged 30 percent a year since. "I would sell ads all day and make up the ads at night, doing everything myself," Spinka said. "Then it turned overnight from basically a hobby into a corporation." into a corporation.

When it came to getting financial backing, however, it was no go.

was no go. "Men don't take you serious-ly," Spinka said. "They see you as a young girl who doesn't know what she's doing. Even if you're running a successful business, they don't believe you." So she turned instead to her credit cards and kent going

credit cards and kept going, learning how to choose appropriate college markets and such

details as which colors don't work in print. "I did University of South Florida's in green and yellow, and when I got it from the printers, you couldn't even read the yellow print!" she said, laughing. "It's been a struggle, but, after six years, we've finally ironed out the kinks."

Her business - now with a staff of 19 and some 40 on-campus student representatives - has not gone unnoticed. She has entertained merger and acquisition bids and offers to take her company public.

Then there are the copycats.

"I had a competitor in here pretending to be an investor, but, really, he was stealing all my ideas," she said. "A few months later, I saw him trying to copy my product.

For the future, Spinka has her eye on opening a West Coast office, in the hope of tapping more Western colleges, and on promoting the Best of

Campus brand through college events. As is, sales for 2002 are on track to break \$1 million.

Still, Spinka said, she'll probably sell in a few years to try her hand at something new. It will like-



SHAUNA GREENFIELD ARGONAUT

The Delta Tau Delta fraternity is organizing a clothing/food/money donation for charity this holiday season. Some Alpha Phi members pose with Delta Tau Delta members as the Delts collect donations.

elts reach out to less fortunate

Do you have old clothes gathering dust in your closet or food sitting around in your cupboard that you want to get rid of before Christmas break?

The Delta Tau Delta fraternity offers a noble solution. They are working to help the Moscow community by gathering cloth-ing, food and money to donate to charity. The fraternity already has started collecting goods and is hoping to gather some more this week.

They encourage help from everyone.

"Most of us can look through our closets and find numerous items of clothes in good condition that we don't wear anymore or that we have outgrown," said Jared Stohner, the public relations chair for the Delts.

"Any campus groups who want to get involved are encouraged to donate clothing, money, and food, or their time to help promote the event and distribute the goods," he said.

"Our house wants to do this because we view this as a way for the Greek community at the U of I to give back to the Moscow community," said Matt Cantrell, Delt president.

"It would be nice if the Greek

"It would be nice if the Greek community could come together to give over \$1,000 in used cloth-ing or food," Cantrell said The fraternity has thrown in some incentive for all living groups, not just Greek houses, to participate by sponsoring a pizza participate by sponsoring a pizza party to whichever group donates the most goods to chari-

All of the donated clothing must be clean and in good condition. Clothing collections will be given to the Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse, and the food donations will be given to Sojourner's Alliance.

The Palouse Resource Guide on the Internet describes the Sojourner's Alliance as a source of transitional housing for men, women and children of the Palouse. This charity helps sup-port families through self-sufficiency programs, employment readiness programming and case management services. It also donates food to poor families.

The Alternatives to Violence on the Palouse is a nonprofit agency that provides assistance to victims and survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Stohner said the fraternity's goal is to help alleviate economic pressure for poor families in Moscow. "The economic downturn has had a lasting effect on people all over, including Moscow," he said.

The fraternity wants groups to work with them to make a differ-ence in the community. "We want to make the fund-raising work a fun and worthwhile experience for everyone involved," Stohner said. "We want to collect a number of different items in order to cover the wide range of necessities for those in need, he said.

Individuals or small groups who have items to donate can bring them to Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, 720 Idaho Ave. or call Stohner at 885-6676 to set up a collection time.



"I would sell ads all day and make up the ads at night, doing everything myself."

### **RACHEL SPINKA** ENTREPENUER



BY DIANA CRABTREE ARGONAUT STAFF

### Mayor admits swiping papers endorsing opponent

BY JOHN GELUARDI KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

BERKELEY, Calif. (KRT) Newly sworn-in Berkeley Mayor Tom Bates has admitted to removing approximately 1,000 copies of the University of California's Daily Californian newspaper from campus racks and throwing them in garbage cans one day before the Nov. 5 election

That edition of the paper carried an endorsement of Bates' opponent, two-term Mayor Shirley Dean. The next day, Bates routed Dean by taking 55 percent of the vote.

According to Bates, he was cam-paigning on campus Nov. 4 and was

so engulfed in the efforts to win that he made an error in judgment. "It was a mistake made in the heat of battle," Bates said. "It was absolutely inappropriate, and now I want to move past it and focus on all the positive things I talked about during my campaign.

Questioned shortly after the incident, Bates had denied any involvement.

Dean agreed it was a stressful campaign but is very concerned about the incident. 'We were both tired and worn out,'

said Dean, who engaged in over 30 with her challenger. debates

"However, I have to think this shows a fundamental character flaw.

According to University police Capt. Bill Cooper, a petty theft report was filed with the Alameda County District Attorney's Office on Nov. 27. He said the report contained at least three witness accounts that identified Bates as the person who took the newspapers from the racks and deposited them in various garbage cans around Sproul Plaza.

Cooper said the report also contained a statement from Bates' attorneys that said he accepted responsibility for the theft of the newspapers.

Assistant District Attorney John Adams said they are reviewing the case and will decide whether to go forward with charges sometime next week

Daily Californian editor Rong-Gong Lin II was stunned by the admission.

"I am absolutely appalled that a Berkeley mayoral candidate, a few feet from the birth place of the Free Speech Movement, would steal news-papers," he said. "I am shocked beyond belief."

Lin said there had been rumors Bates was involved in the trashing of newspapers that day, but Lin said when reporters questioned Bates, he denied any knowledge of the incident. The Daily Californian ran an editorial on Thursday calling for Bates' immediate resignation.

"Bates has proven he is more than capable of selfishly immoral and politically petty acts, first attempting to silence the Daily Cal's endorsements, then subsequently lying about his actions repeatedly," the editorial said.

Dean said a Bates resignation would be premature.

'We should wait and see what happens, but this is definitely not starting out on the right foot," she said.

Bates, a progressive, was a state Assemblyman for 20 years until leav-

ing due to term limits in 1996. The popular politician was re-elected by the largest margins in Assembly history, and has a reputation as a consensus builder.

As mayor he had given City Council members and staff hope that he could lessen the bitterness between the council's moderate and progressive factions.

Members of both council factions denounced the incident.

"It was a pretty absurd thing to do," said Council member Kriss Worthington, a strong Bates support-er. "It was immoral, possibly illegal and idiotic."

However, Worthington said he still supports the mayor and said a resignation would be a drastic response.

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expressing his concern and disapproval of the possible war. Hanson said that after Sept. 11, 2001, Americans should know and respect the effects that waging a war on a country can bring. "So, we (ELCA) continue to reject violent

action and are renewed in our resolve to find peaceful, nonviolent solutions," Hanson said in his statement, posted on the ELCA Web site. "In the final analysis, we must stand unequivocally for peace.

Despite Hanson's firm stance, Stewart said the church hasn't really formed a simple and unified stance about the war, and some people in his congregation have nothing against the possible war.

"I think it's important for the church to continue to be a place where alternative views can be aired ...," Stewart said. Sharon Kehoe, who regularly attends the

weekly peace vigil, agrees. Kehoe, director of the University of Idaho Campus Christian Center and instructor of a UI world religions class, said one of her major concerns is that no one seems to be discussing the issue, especially students.

"I haven't noticed that students are very concerned about it at all," she said, "which is disappointing because I care a lot." Kehoe

said Christian teaching goes against war. "I would say, as the director (of the Campus Christian Center), the Christian perspective would be to love your enemy." she said. Kehoe said that when ultra-conservative Christians such as Jerry Falwell talk about how Jesus Christ taught about peace and love, that doesn't jive with war.

"If Christ taught peace and love, then why would we go and bomb a country?" she said. "We're saying 'we should go first (first strike).' I'm just opposed to that as a Christian.'

Joan Montagnes, pastor of the Unitarian Universalist Church of the Palouse, said her personal concern would be if the United States were entering the fray for economic or power reasons. "Catholics and Bahá'is have called it an unjust war, and I am very comfortable in agreeing with that," she said.

Father Mark Schumacher, a priest at St. Augustine's Catholic Center, concurred that political and economical issues sometimes come into play when decisions about war are made. However, when dealing with the "Just War Theory," moral reasons, not political and economic ones, should be stressed, he said. "Just War Theory" is an idea that many people from both the anti- and prowar sides of the issue have used to back up their views.

Schumacher said there are several circumstances that would justify war under the "Just War Theory," including the following: there is a clear wrong act of aggression that the victims are trying to right; all other means have been exhausted; there is a clear objective of what needs to be done and what wrong needs to be righted; means will be used to minimize casualties; and there is no

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attempt to proceed beyond the point of righting the wrong in order to maintain superior dominance. Schumacher said that once war is declared and waged, that country or group of people is then bound to go through with it all the way in order for it to qualify as a "Just War."

"It would be morally wrong to stop short of that," Schumacher said.

Schumacher said that currently the United States doesn't appear to have a clear objective. He also wonders if all means have been exhausted.

In terms of whether or not Iraq has done enough to the United States to deserve a war against it, Christian Life Center Pastor Greg Daulton said that by looking back at records of bad regimes throughout history, including Nazi Germany and Japan around the time of World War II, one will find that people back then were saying similar things to the present about how those countries hadn't done enough to deserve war. He said people kept saying such things then until it was too late and many horrible things had already happened.

Daulton said, however, that he certainly would rather not see the United States go to war at all.

"I wish we didn't have to have a war, and I wish there was a way we could stop it," he said. But Daulton said he supports the leaders of the U.S. government in the decisions they are making regarding the war. He said the Bible teaches that government makes the decisions and citizens need to abide by that. He also said the Bible teaches very plainly that if threatened countries should Bear the sword.

Ralph Cooley, UI's director of Campus Crusade for Christ, said he also trusts the .S. leaders to make the right decision.

"I trust our president and would pray that he will have wisdom in making this decision," Cooley said.

"I don't think the public has all the information," Cooley said regarding public knowledge of whether Saddam Hussein and his administration have done anything wrong lately. "I'm sure our intelligence agencies have a vast amount of information at we don't have.'

Kehoe thinks people have jumped to conclusions about Hussein and what he has done.

"People seem to be confused," Kehoe said. "They think Saddam Hussein has attacked us. That's not the case." Due in large part to propaganda, a lot of people have even been viewing Hussein and Bin Laden as interchangeable, which is wrong, she said. If the war becomes a reality, Daulton said

he hopes the United States makes efforts to go in and help the country afterward, much like it did in the aftermath of WWII in Germany. "I hope we can make it short and sweet, get it over with and go in there and rebuild the country," Daulton said.

Meanwhile, a group of concerned citizens, some religious and some not, stand together amidst the holiday buzz of downtown Moscow. They're standing and praying for peace, standing and praying in hopes that the group's tiny voice might reach the leaders of this country.

2002 But Karadjovska maintained the change was hard. "I have worked on stories where I have Graduating Engineers called and called and just been shuffled around from person to the next without ever having my question answered," she said. "It is hard for us (American journalists and readers) to imagine a world without a public information system," Shelley said. He referred to the fact there are no open records and no accountability of the government to the people. The forum then turned to the Balkan view of America, which sparked plenty of audience participation and captivating perspectives. "Macedonians view Americans as anti-Arab, and we do not think Bush is enlightened or The Order of the Engineer smart. Macedonians also believe that major for-**Ring Ceremony** eign policy decisions are made by the corporations of America," Karadjovska said. December 13th 5:00 pm Shelley also had a grim report on Yugoslavian thoughts on America. "After the JEB 104 Auditorium NATO bombings, America is not a favorite topic," he said. <u>NININININININININI</u> The forum concluded with some food for thought for audience members and journalists. For more informtion about the Order "When I return to Macedonia, I will go back to work, and everyday is a gamble. I don't know see Hillary in the College of Engineering Office JEB 125 which political party I will be working for Phone 885-6479 tomorrow," Karadjovska said.

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### <u>Campus</u>Talk

### An 82-year-old mistake

HARVARD CRIMSON

(U-WIRE) CAMBRIDGE, Mass. ----In late May of 1920, a secret court was created by Harvard's president to investigate and discipline homosexual students and those who associated with them. The group of five Harvard administrators, created to investigate the suicide of Cyril B. Wilcox, Class of 1922, was called "The Court." The ad hoc tribunal spent the next two weeks investigating students from the College and some graduate schools - essentially prosecuting them for homosexuality.

By early June, the court expelled seven college students and told them not only to leave campus, but .Cambridge as well. Three other University-affiliated men were deemed "guilty" by the court, two were expelled from their graduate school programs, and all were blacklisted by the University's employment office. While three of the college students - those who had only associated with homosexuals --- were allowed to v return to Harvard to complete their undergraduate degrees, others were not. One committed suicide soon after v his expulsion.

Such blatant homophobia and discrimination by Harvard, even in 1920, is deplorable. The existence of such a Court and the prosecution of students on the basis of sexual orientation are appalling. The events that transpired in the 1920s are not excusable because the atmosphere at Harvard and in society was less understanding 'at the time; they should not have happened then, and they should not happen anywhere today. In a statement to The Crimson,

University President Lawrence H. Summers said: "These reports of events long ago are extremely disturbing. They are part of a past that we have rightly left behind ... I want to express our deep regret for the way this situation was handled, as well as the anguish the students and their families must have experienced eight

decades ago. While it is encouraging that Summers expressed Harvard's regret, the University should offer a more full apology by granting posthumous hon-orary diplomas to the students who were not allowed to complete earning their Harvard degrees. In many cases, -; these students could not complete

to their schooling elsewhere because of -c the University's blacklist. The University still refuses to e-release the names of the students, se making it difficult to grant them diplomas. But this position ignores the crucial issue ---- that the students in 1920 had done no wrong and that they were victims of a witch-hunt. By not revealing the students' names, the University implies that they were

accused of some legitimate transgression; nothing could be further from the truth. The University can never compen-

sate these students for their cruel persecution. Granting the students honorary diplomas is the best way Harvard can make amends today for

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### OURVIEW



### NOAH KROESE / ARGONAUT

# Students have a chance to say their piece

is the season for course and instructor evaluations. This year the online format of the evaluations saves time and money.

Previously, paper surveys ate up valuable class time, and then had to be sorted and recorded by hand. Students can fill out the online evaluations at their leisure. Also, because the online evaluation results do not have to be recorded by hand and no paper is used, the university saves money.

The university has implemented a catchy campaign, which includes prizes for students who fill out their evaluations. A free palm pilot isn't a bad incentive to go online for just a few minutes. But even college students not looking for a freebie (should such a variety of student exist) should be

just that. And don't be afraid to explain exactly why.

The university puts a considerable amount of weight on these evaluations. All's well that ends well, and evaluations are the end. Complacent responses from students will allow the higher-ups to assume that despite the heinous budget cuts and obscene classroom situations, students at UI feel they're getting a fair shake at education.

Honest and critical evaluations are the best way to let the university know what is and is not deemed acceptable in terms of our education.

If you can't think of anything to comment about, we have a few suggestions. • Student fees have gone up, but so has the

instructor-student ratio. • Many sections were combined this semester in

• On top of being crowded, classrooms themselves were creative, sometimes to the point of ridiculous. In order to better utilize classroom space, classes were held in virtually every nook and cran-

• To save money, more responsibility was handed over to lecturers, who are cheaper to keep around than tenured faculty. These lecturers for the most part are more inexperienced and less qualified to teach college courses. • Even the most skilled lecturer may have found

it hard to teach to the best of his or her abilities when benefits were withheld and job security was non-existent.

Because instructors did not have time to score

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one of the darkest moments in its history.

### Liberty versus health

#### DAILY TARGUM

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. (U-WIRE) Which is more important: the freedom to do as you please or the safety of being supervised when you may not be able to do so yourself?

Such is the topic of a heated debate between a judge and the district attorney's office as they battle over whether or not criminal charges can be pressed against a Pennsylvania group home for letting a seizure-prone handicapped man bathe alone --- and drown. While the report states the man's seizures were what largely led to his death, he should not have been so neglected in an institution based on personal care.

A man prone to seizures should not be left alone in a bathtub. Period. If a seizure-prone man requests privacy whilst taking a bath, as is understandable, staff personnel should remain close by and should pay attention — sounds of thrashing or sudden quiet are danger signs.

Not to restate the obvious, but if a person is in an assisted living home, it is most likely because they need the attention. While it is certainly a tough decision to deny individuals the privacy they ask for, when it is a matter of their health — especially life and death - it must be done, no matter how difficult it may seem.

The job of an employee in such a group home is to take care of the residents. If employees are not supervising, they are not doing their job. Patients are there because they need to be, and personnel need to be more vigilant in their lobs.

Whether homes are understaffed, poorly staffed or in need of payroll increases is unclear. However, according to this and a myriad of other recent reports, assisted living homes are in poor repair these days. We recognize the tough job that employees in such places have us hope a way can be found to improve both the quality of their work and appreciation for it.

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motivated to fill out the course and instructor evaluations.

Students should use these evaluations to make a statement. If a class was overcrowded, say so. If an instructor is incompetent, biased or unfair, blast him or her.

In no unclear language, let the university know what you think about the quality of your courses, your instructors and your education as a whole. If the message you want to send is "I got screwed," say

order to get the most work out of instructors while using the least amount of resources, including classroom space.

•Beyond combining sections, many courses were cross-listed. Some instructors taught one courseas many as three or four different course numbers at once, making individual attention to student needs even more impossible.

All of the above led to overcrowded classrooms.

assignments due to the increase in students per class, more classes put heightened weight on midterm and final tests. As though finals week isn't stressful enough, when it counts as 50 percent of the grade, it can be a poor-testing student's worst nightmare.

Please, take the time to actually say something with your online evaluations. It's your education; if you aren't happy with it, now's the chance to say so. J.J.

### **Campus** Talk

### Electoral results could go either way in 2004

#### TUFTS DAILY

MEDFORD, Mass. (U-WIRE) --- The Republican Party won the 2002 midterm elections. They did not win every race, but managed to pick up seats in both the House and the Senate. Many political analysts have attributed their success to the clear, comprehensive message broadcast by Republican candidates. The same analysts cited the Democrats' lack of a clear message and vision for government as the cause of their failure.

The Republican Party has greater ideologi-cal cleavages than the Democratic Party, yet they delivered a better message than the Democrats did. Two years from now, Americans will again decide who should control our government. Both parties have an excellent chance of electoral success in 2004.

The War on Terror was likely the major cause of this year's Republican electoral victories. Americans everywhere recognized the ever-growing threat posed by terrorism, and responded by electing candidates who promised to support President George W. Bush's fight against terror. In 2004, the War on Terror will still be a rallying issue. Terrorists are an elusive enemy, and they will still be waging a war against America in 2004

However, the Republican Party needs to broaden its focus. The economy had better pick up under President Bush's leadership, or the Republicans will be vulnerable on economic issues. The political party that prides itself on economic policy needs to focus more on the economy. If President Bush can show

viable victories in the War on Terror, beyond the creation of new government agencies and departments while simultaneously achieving economic improvements, the Republican Party will sweep the 2004 elections.

The 2002 elections were difficult for the Democratic Party. Wartime elections pose serious problems for candidates challenging the President's party. Americans do not support massive political attacks on wartime Presidents, so Democratic candidates had trouble highlighting errors made by the Republicans. Without substantially differentiating themselves from the Republicans, Democrats could not attract enough voters.

By 2004, the Democrats will be able to attack President Bush's conduct in the war if he has not shown any progress. While attacking the President at the beginning of a war is unpatriotic, if the President is not successful after three years he will be vulnerable.

The economy should also be a rallying point for the Democrats. The state of the American economy will still be an issue, and the Democrats, who have fewer ties to corporations, can attack the President's response to widespread corporate fraud. There are plenty of issues for the Democrats to focus on; they just need to agree on a platform and create a clear message.

Many new issues will arise before the 2004 elections. Both parties' responses to these issues will also determine their electoral success. The Democrats have a better chance of regaining the Senate and possibly the House. By continuously challenging the President on the same issues, the Democrats can choose the main issues in the 2004 elections

The Republican Party, with more incumbents and a popular President, has an electoral edge. The Democratic Party has clear issues to attack with, and a bitter sense of defeat. With the proper leadership, either party could succeed. The battle has already begun.

### Parking woes deserve another look, a condemning one

arking on this campus is a grave problem. Someday it may, in fact, send someone to his grave. The grave of sanity, or the grave of fiscal responsibility.

We paid for the parking lots to be built, after all. Why should we also pay to use them? It's double taxation.

However, I'm in favor of raising parking permits sky high and ticketing violators heavily. This would solve smog problems and both the budget crises and the health insurance dilemma. Students would be forced to walk to school (unless they were endowed with disgusting amounts of filthy lucre) and thus forced

to keep healthy by means of exercise. Imagine this: Student A, a female living off campus, wants to avoid gaining the freshman 15, but hates going to the gym and watching sweaty men flex their muscles

Student B, on the other hand, enjoys driving around and around searching for unoccupied spaces of asphalt. Unfortunately, when he finds nothing unoccupied, he has a bad habit of pouring maple syrup on the offending vehicles. Artistic, but not tasty. In frustration, he ends up chugging his syrup, and gains the feared weight of Student A.

Both scenarios obviously point to the decision to walk to school instead of driving. The parking laws will be a tax on the lazy. People with handicaps are of course exempt from this statement, but what prevents able-bodied people from walking a mile to school every day? So



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think about your life. What am I doing, walking? What did Plato mean, virtue is ours for the choosing? Can I please just determine to

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never be bad again? Cold slaps like footsteps on concrete, but is entirely endurable with a good coat (or with a brisk sprint to get the blood flowing) Slush, on the other hand, is not. My advice: learn to hurdle snowdrifts.

Perhaps more disconcerting than slush is the early dark that falls at the end of classes, especially to females. But actually a good portion of attacks happen in parking lots. And maybe I'm just an idiot, but Moscow at 6 p.m. doesn't feel that threatening to me, even if it is dark.

A pox on parking. Its evil frustrations shall not suck me in.

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### Artist's reception held Wednesday in Commons

Street scenes from Palermo to Bovill and Venice to Havana are the focus of an exhibition of black and white photographs by Bill Voxman currently appearing in the Reflections Gallery of the Commons. UI students, staff and faculty are invited to the artist's reception in the Gallery Wednesday from 4-6 p.m.

### Moscow Community **Theater auditions**

Moscow Community Theater will be auditioning their next play at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Center tonight at 6 p.m.

"The Government Inspector," (c. 1835) is a classic Russian satire by Nikolai Gogol set in a small town near Moscow, Russia.

Director Nike Imoru is looking for a cast of 15 to 30, ages 18 and up. The production requires ensemble and character actors and anyone interested as part of a strong team with comic timing, improvisation and lots of energy. To audition, come with a prepared two-threeminute contemporary monologue or be prepared to read from the text.

Rehearsals begin Jan. 11 with performances in February and March. For more information, call Cathy Brinkerhoff at 882-5230.

### Ben Harper film in Pullman this weekend

Musician Ben Harper comes to WSU on tour in a new medium film. ASWSU films is proud to present "Ben Harper, Pleasure and Pain," a new 90-minute documentary that looks at the life of the musician on the road in an up close and personal film by rock photographer Danny Clinch.

Clinch and Harper toured through the United States and Canada last year while working with a \$300,000 budget for the film. "Most music videos cost more than \$300,000. We did it guerilla style, said Clinch.

The show is at 8 and 10 p.m. at the CUB auditorium Friday and Saturday with a Sunday matinee at 2 p.m. Tickets for the show are free with two canned food items. All donations for the film will be donated to a local food bank.

### McManus comes to UI

Author Patrick McManus is coming to UI Saturday. He will hold a book signing from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the University of Idaho Bookstore

A free photo session with Santa will be held from 9 a.m.-noon, also at the bookstore.



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# Harrison saved some of his best for last

In the posthumous release of 'Brainwashed,' the '60s guitarist reveals elements of his personality before kept private

#### BY CHRIS KORNELIS ARTS&ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

he life of George Harrison was that of mystery, faith and unlimited devotion to answering life's most important questions.

Harrison died before his last album was completed. He entrusted Jeff Lynne, good friend and long-time musical collaborator, to complete the recordings of "Brainwashed." Harrison's son, Dhani Harrison, supervised the posthumous completion of the album.

This music matters. Each song tells a story, a picture from Harrison's life and a positive message not easily overlooked. Harrison was not a highly public man, but in "Brainwashed" he lets the world into his life and without reservation gives a glimpse at his soul. Such a transparent final recording is fitting as his way of saying, "Goodbye, here's what you have been waiting for." Harrison left behind more than a look at his personal life; he left wisdom, insight and 12

ne felt wisdom, insight and 12 songs that are among his best work to date. "Looking For My Life" is a not-so-uncommon look at Harrison's spirituality. "I never know that things exploded / I only found it when I was down upon my knees / Looking for my life.

Harrison's spirituality echoes through the entire album, just as it did in his life, climaxing with the album's title track. "God God God / Your nature is eternity / God God God / You are Existence, Knowledge, Bliss."

Harrison's guitar playing on this album is as good a he has ever sounded. On the slide guitar, Harrison shines, telling stories without words and painting pictures of scenes that come alive in his music.

"Marwa Blues," the album's lone instrumental track, features Harrison singing on the guitar in a way that is eerily reminiscent of a track he wrote on an untitled album from his

previous band's catalogue. Harrison wanted these songs to be released raw, in the form of demos. Lynne was not satisfied with releasing the work unrefined.

"I'd been talking to George for the past couple or three years about finishing these songs," Lynne said. "He said, 'I'd like you to finish them for me.' We talked about it, and he me.' We talked about it, and he said the he didn't want the album to be posh. What he wanted, really, was kind of like demos. But these songs deserved more than that, because they were great, as far as I was concerned," Lynne said

as I was concerned, Lynne said in a press release. The result of Harrison's wish, combined with Lynne's personal agenda, is an album that sounds nothing like a collection of demos, yet it still sounds underproduced. The music is kept simple enough that it is not difficult to listen to, and the lyrics are pushed center stage.

Lynne may have over-stepped his ground, not honoring Harrison's desire for his own music, but some consider Lynne's decision a classic example of the pair's differences in the studio that they would have

the studio that they would have hashed out again and again. "So, sorry George," Lynne said. "I made them a little bit posher than you may have wanted. But I felt I was only doing them justice."

"The album was always going to be finished this way, with Jeff helping my dad and me with the final production," Dhani Harrison said in a press release. "We just stuck to the plan, except that my dad died, which made our job more difficult."



George Harrison's last album was released posthumously by his son Dhani Harrison and long-time friend and collaborator Jeff Lynne.

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### Coming soon to THE KENWORTHY

Friday and Saturday "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" with Jim Carrey (PG)

Sunday "The Last Waltz" (NR)

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Dec. 20 and 21 "Miracle on 34th Street" - original (NR)

### Billboard TOP FIVE ALBUMS

1. "Up!" Shania Twain 2. "Tim McGraw and the Dancehall Doctors," Tim McGraw

3. "8 Mile," Sountrack

4. "Now 11," Various Artists

5. "Better Dayz," 2Pac

### **Top Box Office** LAST WEEKEND

1. "Die Another Day"

2. "Analyze That"

3. "Harry Potter and the Chamber of

Secrets" 4. "Empire"

5. "Treasure Planet"

### **Top DVD Sales** LAST WEEKEND

- 1. "Star Wars Episode 2: Attack of
- the Clones' 2. "Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron."
- "Reign of Fire' 3.
- "Spider-man" 4
- 5. "The Lord of the Rings: The
- Fellowship of the Ring.

## 'A Christmas Story' has become a new classic

he quintessential Christmas movie has to be 1983's "A Christmas Story, which has nothing to do with the real Christmas story.

This family flick has everything: tons of humor, pathos, seduction (of the father by the lamp) and a bumbling main character, Ralphie Parker (Peter Billingsley), who lacks any sort of superhuman power that could help him get out of his miserable circumstances which include his run-ins with the bully, his Old Man and the gentle wrath of his protective moth-

er. The great thing is that it's a normal, red-blooded American story set in the



in the plot, but it's Katie's column appears questionregularly on A&E pages of the Argonaut. Her e-mail able if the address is writers arg\_a&e@sub.uidaho.edu intended

for them to be there. This is no "look inside yourself to find the true meaning of Christmas" bosh. This is about a kid who gets what he wants for Christmas beyond all odds. Truly, a reflection of the American Christmas: triumph and materialism.

But it works, because the thing the kid wants is so un-P.C. Can you imagine this movie if Ralphie wanted a yo-yo or scrabble? It wouldn't be funny. Nobody plots so seriously to get something androgynous or mundane.

But he wants a Red Ryder BB gun. His mother, being the wise mother that she is, points out that it could shoot him blind. Does this deter his desire? Well, when you were a kid and your mother told you something you wanted was dangerous, did that increase or dampen your wanting?

Of course he wants it all

the more, to be a hero and kill/scare away the unjust, namely the bully. With all the negative connotations this might hold, playing the warrior is a nearly unavoidable part of male existence (as I know from my own experience growing up with three brothers).

He rejects a more acceptable form of male aggression: football. Why? Probably because he's horrible at it. The slightly dumpy, short kid with glasses hates football. But he still wants to be a reckless, grown man: one to be feared, one capable of hunting small beasts like his ancestors before him.

This theme of masculinity is dominant in the plot, and

makes us laugh with the ridiculous Can-Can dancer'sleg lamp his father brings in to the house, an idol to overdone sexuality. Like the rest of the elements of the story, this isn't delved into; it seems innocent and dumb.

That's the charm of the movie. Everything is innocent and dumb. Watching it is like being a kid again, with only vague understandings of the larger world. Nothing is that shocking. That's just how it is. You get in trouble for mimicking the language of your father, and Santa Claus hates you.

And the most important thing in this mad world is to get what you want for Christmas.

# Christmas movies deplorable rather than adorable

**7** ou are all guilty — guilty of a massacre of the Christmas season. While it may seem like a touching gesture to misconstrue life in the name of "the giving season," the results are devastating to many of us.

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The most prime Sean's column appears example is the barregularly on A&E pages of the rage of horrific Argonaut. His e-mail Christmas movies address is arg\_a&e@sub.uidaho.edu we as a society are required to like by an unwritten Christmas code.

Has anyone thought of the less fortunate in society? Let's take a look from their point of view for just a second. Take "Miracle on 34th Street," a Christmas classic.

We are supposed to feel sorry for this silver spoon-fed upper middle class brat and her workaholic mother who just aren't in the Christmas spirit. After some loony claims he really is Santa Claus, they are inspired to find love. happiness and a brand new house that

Santa himself delivers. How does this kind of cruelty affect the homeless? It inspires them to ask a few questions I imagine. Namely, "Where the #@\$% is my house?" It also would inspire a good deal of empathy. They'd be really torn up that someone with a job is working too much and her daughter is sad they only live in a well-to-do apartment building. They'd say, "Boy, if I could give up any of the items in my cold and dismal existence to help that tragic family out, I sure would.'

Perhaps the worst travesty of the Christmas movie world is "It's a Wonderful Life." No movie on the planet has done more to hurt the cause to fight depression. In a truthful and way more helpful version, Jimmy Stewart's character George Bailey never would have made it. Sad? Definitely; but here is why it is necessary.

Poor George is thinking about ending his life. A common dilemma, especially during the Christmas season. Now what if a man in reality were pondering the same decision? His family suspects something, but then watches the movie. Instead of stepping in with an intervention to help, they sit around and wait for some half-wit angel to show him why life really is great. Three days later he

winds up at the bottom of a bridge because half-wit angels don't stop depression during any season. "It's a Wonderful Life" takes the

responsibility away from those who can truly help.

When we look at the unrealistic view Christmas movies adopt to make our holiday season more inspiring, we lie to ourselves. The wholesome values expressed couldn't be farther from our real attitudes. Has anyone heard more horn-honking and cursing than during Christmas shopping traffic? It's open game to the youngest kid with a letter to Santa to his grandmother delivering cookies to a local church.

That brings us to the claymation movies featuring Rudolph, Frosty and Santa; Heartwarming pieces with super-happy endings. Could we pervert the vision of life to youngsters any more? We might as well say, "Things will work out always and no matter what. Never worry." What seems like family entertainment is more harmful to kids than violence in video games and most experimental crack-use.

The last contemptable piece of cinema we'll cover is "A Christmas Carol." This movie has been made more than any other film in history. Cartoons,

Muppets, Bill Murray and numerous others have had their turn at exploiting the rich and watching Tiny Tim nearly die.

Some kid out there has the same disease as Tiny Tim. Every year he sits without money for a cure and watches "A Christmas Carol." Every year he goes into a fit of uncontrollable rage when he sees Tiny Tim dancing around and all he's got is a jar full of pennies in the supermarket. Has the planet no feel-FRIDAY

ings for others? My personal

Look for the 'She recommendation said' counterpart to for the holidays is this column in the "Silent Night, Friday's edition. Deadly Night" series. A psycho

axe-murderer in a Santa suit is far more likely to happen than the "beloved" Christmas stories of old. Educational also, kids won't be running up to some strange Santa who turns out to be a pedophile and giving him their unquestioned trust.

Next time you settle in by a Christmas fire to watch a Christmas movie, remember the pain and suffering you are inflicting to the less fortunate. Then bow your heads in shame.

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# <sup>3</sup>J.Lo and behold: Lopez has biggest CD debut yet

### BY JIM FARBER

NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

(KRT) — She may draw hisses from critics, but commercially J.Lo just hit a new high.

Her fourth album, "This Is Me ... Then," sold 314,132 copies in its debut week, giving the star her biggest opening ever.

That's nearly double the starting stats for Lopez's last CD, "J to the Lo," which began with 156,049 in sales in February (that album collected remixes rather

than fresh tracks, accounting for its smaller numbers). Lopez's previous top seller was "J Lo," which bolted out of the gate with 272,252 copies two years ago.

"If you scratch the surface of her records (there's) not much of anything there," Blender magazine's music editor Craig Marks said. "But there's no reason to do that. The surface of her music is dazzling.

The singer, who touts herself in her new single as just "Jenny From the Block," and has a movie, "Maid in Manhattan," opening next week, will celebrate her success with a homecoming performance Friday at her old after-school hangout in the Bronx, the Kips Bay Boys and Girls Club. It will be televised by the "Today" show

While Lopez's new figures would easily take the No. 1 slot on the Billboard Top 200 Album chart during many weeks of the year, in this super-competitive pre-Christmas season, they landed her at only No. 6. And as this week's debuts go, she was bested by a

pop cowboy and a deceased rapper. The top debut of the week went to country singer Tim McGraw for "Tim McGraw and the Dancehall Doctors," which took the No. 2 spot. Even sales of 601,516 copies couldn't unseat another country biggie, Shania Twain, who retains her crown for the second week with 625,580 sales of "Up!"

Opening just above Lopez, at No. 5, is "Better Days," the latest of many posthumous releases from Tupac Shakur, even though Shakur's mother has tried to discourage fans from buying the album due to her battles with the record company, Interscope, over royalties.

Lopez's new numbers fall within the traditional range racked up by top pop divas like Mariah Carey, Whitney Houston and Celine Dion. All tend to open in the 200,000 to 300,000 range, rather than hitting the high six-figure numbers enjoyed by some top male stars. The women typically make up for the lack of a huge opening by selling steadily in large numbers over a long period.

Paul McCartney also had a strong week. His "Back in the U.S." album, culled from his recent American tour, opened at No. 8 with sales of 224,245. That more than tripled the first figures for McCartney's "Driving Rain," which started with only 70,000 copies in November 2001.

The news isn't so good for Snoop Dogg. While his latest album, "Paid Tha Cost to Be Tha Boss," started at No. 12 with 173,564 sales, that won't set his tail wagging. The rapper's previous release exploded with first-week figures of 400,000. Snoop's updated sound may be the culprit. Perhaps core fans are unwilling to

see this hip-hop icon change. It's even worse for Busta Rhymes. His "It Ain't Safe No More," starts down at No. 43 with sales of 62,064. The rapper's last one moved 190,000 copies in its first blush.

Things look sunnier for the R&B crooner group Dru Hill. Their reunion album opened at No. 21 with sales of 122,341. That's in the same range as their last work, before Sisqo left for a solo jaunt. That singer's inabili-ty to follow up his initial "Thong" hit accounts for his sudden retaking of the Hill.



Presenter Jennifer Lopez applauds on stage during the 74th Annual Academy Awards at the new Kodak Theater in Hollywood, Calif., March 24.

### Ron Jeremy discovers vast emptiness of porn

BY DAVID FULCO THE DAILY IOWAN

IOWA CITY, Iowa (U-WIRE) - In the opening shots of "Pornstar: The Legend of Ron Jeremy," Jeremy practically weeps into the camera, saying that it is 4:20 a.m. and he doesn't want to go home to an empty house.

His eyes brimming with tears, he says that sometimes he really hates himself.

But how could this be? For this is the famous Ron Jeremy – the pornstar legend who despite his obesity, handle-barred mus-tache and back hair, has bedded (by his own admission) more than 4,000 women and has been in more then 1,600 adult films over his quarter-of-a-century career

Is it really true that this man, the idol of men across America, could be uninterested in his line of work?

This question is at the heart of Scott J. Gill's documentary. Like a great Shakespearean tragedy, "Pornstar: The Legend of Ron Jeremy" centers on the paradoxical nature of the life of

mentaries and feature films about the adult-movie industry,

the most notable being Paul Thomas Anderson's "Boogie Nights." These recent additions to the growing library on the public's views on pornography all seem to revolve around a similar theme: sex, like money, brings happiness. Most of the characters are unsure of their place in the world, and they seem to be pawns in an industry that cares only about how they look and how well they can per-

form under the hot lights. But "Pornstar" takes the opposite stance. The porn indus-try has been good to Jeremy — too good. It is the reason that he is not able to pursue a career outside the realm of silicone and sex. Jeremy, in fact, does not seem to indulge in any of the vices that living in his type of world would present. He does not drink or do drugs. All of his 'acting" work goes towards putting him into a position to one day make a worthwhile movie

away from the world of sleaze. But Jeremy isn't interesting outside the world of porn. "Pornstar" portrays him not as a world-renowned star, but rather

### Concerts make worthy holiday roadtrips

BY KAYA BLAUVELT FSVIEW & FLORIDA FLAMBEAU

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (U-WIRE) — Once that last exam finishes, everyone is going to rush home for some high quality relaxation. But not so fast, kids, the holidays are an obstacle course in themselves, full of present-buying for the wacky relatives, cleaning up rooftop reindeer droppings and hours upon hours spent in close quarters with the very same family one fled from for college in the first place.

Needless to say, a break from the break will surely be desired, so hop in the car/Greyhound/Leer jet and check out these musical acts performing across the grand country over the merry holidays.

Vanilla Ice, Friday in

Brooklyn, N.Y. The "Ice Man" has already attempted the metal version of "Ice, Ice Baby," so if the world is lucky, maybe Dec. 14 will debut a holiday version of the classic



### Norah Jones, Monday in Atlanta, Ga.

In an era when the music world is disgustingly saturated with young trampy girls who are in it more for the stardom than the music, Norah Jones is a blessing. This piano-playing songstress, most notable for her first single "Don't Know Why," fuses jazz, folk and pop with a beautiful, classic voice to create some of the best tunes around

today Andrew W.K., Dec. 20 in Towson, Md.

This concert is for people who like to have fun and get crazy while screaming catchy pop metal anthems at obscene vol-

umes. It's also for those who hold lifetime membership in the bad hygiene club, as Andrew W.K. is greasier than Colonel Sanders' fingers and grimier than Christina Aguilera's mattress.

### Dave Matthews Band, Dec. 20 and 21 in N.Y.

The DMB is still on the prowl so two-step on over and go crash its holiday party, because Dave has so much to say to his proudest of monkey followers.

Black Eyed Peas, Dec. 20

in Hollywood, Calif. Secure Dr. Pepper rations and head out to Cali to check out these breakdancing, totally awesome hip-hoppers who pride themselves in their positive message.

### Aerosmith, Dec. 21 in Washington, D.C.

Any time enormous lips and a microphone scarf combine, the rock will come, so don't miss out

when these fogies bring the heat. B.B. King, Dec. 27 in Pompano Beach, Fla.

This king of blues guitar has

won 18 Grammys and revolutionized the blues world. He's also influenced a million other geniuses such as Eric Clapton and Jimi Hendrix so go see why his majesty is still going strong. Dismemberment Plan, Dec. 27 and 28 in Washington, D.C.

For those who didn't catch

this noisy funk punk quartet earlier this year in Florida, Dismemberment Plan is "following through" with its "super pow-ers" and playing in its home-

### town. Creed, Dec. 29 in Rosemont, Ill.

Marvel at the ungodly moans only tight leather pants can summon while joining Scott Stapp and his disciples as they descend upon Illinois to preach their otherworldly (as in, the underworld) rock sermon.



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Jeremy, a king in his own right who many love but who can't seem to love himself.

The documentary focuses its full attention on Jeremy who, despite his reputation, is a reasonably modest man looking for his own slice of the American dream. Although he has made a career in the adult-movie business, Jeremy sees that this career choice is merely a stepping stone into a life and a career in the mainstream markets of film. The problem of course is that Jeremy is a worldfamous porn actor, and any headway that he might make in the realm of mainstream movies is usually left on the editing floor by the studios, who feel his inclusion in their pictures means an endorsement of the porno industry.

Pornstar follows recent docu-

as an autograph-collecting, starstruck regular Joe just trying, like so many others, to make it in Hollywood. His story, outside of pornography, isn't any more interesting then any up-andcoming actor.

Gill had the perfect opportu-nity, especially with a recogniza-ble name such as Jeremy, to really explore the inner workings of the porno industry and its major star.

But "Pornstar" resounds as a dissatisfying documentary about the life and times of the king of porn. At only 75 minutes, "Pornstar" hardly gives itself enough time to discuss anything of much importance and only gazes briefly at Jeremy's real issues. Gill didn't find the story in this documentary, and this legend falls flat.



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# Is Division I-A too much for Vandals?

BY NATHAN JERKE / ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

thletic department officials at the University of Idaho say the Vandal football team will remain in the NCAA's Division I-A, but some UI supporters aren't sure that is where the Vandals belong.

After three consecutive losing seasons the fans and alumni have begun to question the reason the Vandals remain in Division I-A and are asking to become all-sports members of the Sun Belt Conference. The result has been an underground movement to convince UI officials to move back to where the Vandals came from the Big Sky Conference at the Division I-AA level.

"The record kind of speaks for said the 1995 decision to move to itself," Idaho Statesman editorial writer and UI alum Chuck Malloy said. "There's feeling from the people I've talked to that Division I-A hasn't worked out like people have hoped for it to work.

The simple answer as to why the Vandals are at Division I-A and will stay there is money, according to UI Athletic Director Mike Bohn.

### Movin' on up to the Big West

The University of Idaho moved the football program from the Big Sky in 1996 and had almost instant success with the institution's first bowl game in 1998. The Vandals were 27-18 after their first four years in the Big West Conference, and expectations of continued success were flying high. Then the balloon burst.

The departure of head coach Chris Tormey, followed by an unexpected change from the Big West to the Sun Belt Conference a year later, left the Vandals falling helplessly. The years of success in the Big Sky and near instant success of the Vandals in the Big West not only took a bad turn it fell off the radar completely. "The University of Idaho has been

spoiled for many, many years with teams that have overachieved teams that have made some neat things happen," Bohn said. "The '98 Humanitarian Bowl championship team is an example ... Our kids did a great job and our coaches and our fans in supporting our program made some special things happen for that team.

"Right now we're down, but athletics is ebb and flow, and we expect Division I-A was tied to the athletic program's ability to raise more money through the conference affiliation. He said former Athletic Director Pete Liske, then University of Idaho President Elisabeth Zinser and others hoped television and

"Right now we're down, but athletics is ebb and flow, and we expect to come back." MIKE BOHN

**UI ATHLETIC DIRECTOR** 

expenses associated with playing Division I-A football and moving from the  $\mathbf{Sky}$ Big Conference to the Big West

Senter believes that Division I-AA football is the right choice for

many universities and was for the University of Idaho for a lot of years, but it isn't what the institution wants now.

"I think the potential exposure that's available as a Division I-A institution in football far outweighs that what happens at the division I-AA level," Senter said.

### All about the Benjamins

In short, money was a major reason in deciding to move up to the Big West Conference, and now the Vandals find themselves caught in a trap: run with the big boys and face discord among many of its support-



radio revenues, along with support from the V a n d a l Boosters, would fund the added

Conference.

to come back. Jim Senter, associate athletic director in charge of development,

ers or move down and lose many **DIVISION.** See Page 9

# Avoids case of the Mondays, loses weekend

# **Vandals allow** only Spartan scoring, 73-57

#### BY NATHAN JERKE ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

o the relief of the entire UI women's basketball team, the first win of the season came before their confidence was completely gone. The Vandals beat the San Jose State Spartans 73-57 Monday night in the Cowan Spectrum.

The Vandals (1-5) shifted the offense slightly and benefited from the change, as all five starters recorded double-digits in scoring and the Vandals shot 51 percent from the field. "When you have five people in double fig-ures it's hard not to win," UI post Taylor

Benson said. "It means you're distributing the ball really well and everyone is taking good shots. We're not relying on one person to do all the scoring for us." Keisha Moore led UI with 20 points, includ-

ing 8 of 9 from the free throw line. She added 10 rebounds in the winning effort.

"The last few games I felt like I haven't been finishing and I figured that it was time to put the ball in the hole," Moore said.

UI started slowly but never lost sight of the Spartans through the first three-quarters of the first half. UI jumped out to a 10-point lead by halftime and never gave San Jose a second chance to get back into the game. "Well, we changed our offense a little bit ....

so we set a lot of screens and moved and made them play some zone for a while," Benson said. "Our motion was so good and we just worked the ball really well and got open shots.

Benson finished the game with 14 points and six rebounds for the Vandals.

The first four minutes of the second half were no less spectacular for the Vandals as they went on a 12-2 run. They led by as many as 20 points twice in the half. San Jose was not completely without

offense, however. They came to within six points twice, the last at 57-51 with four minutes left to play, but that was the last time the until Dec. 28 against St. Martin's.



THERESA PALMGREN / ARGONAUT Autumn Fielding goes for a layup while a San Jose player tries to stop her in the Cowan Spectrum Monday. The Vandals won 73-57.

Spartans had a chance of getting back into the game. Back-to-back 3-pointers by Benson and 14 of 16 free throw shooting down the stretch

14 of 10 free throw shooting down the stretch put the game out of reach. "These kids have been asked to do quite a bit; that 10-day road trip was just a son of a gun — it was tough," UI coach Mike Divilbiss said. "And it made us tougher. You just don't like to go through that.'

The Vandals shot 87 percent from the free throw line and hit 9 of 19 from beyond the 3point line.

The Vandals are off for finals week but return to action on the road at Portland State and Southern Utah. UI doesn't return home

## Broncos saddle UI with another tough loss

"I thought our offense

was off: we had some

stupid turnovers."

**HEATHER THOELKE** 

**UI WING** 

### BY NATHAN JERKE ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

he UI women's basketball team gave up the lead with **L** 5:52 left and never regained it as the Vandals lost 58-51 against in-state rival Boise State Saturday night at the Cowan Spectrum. The Broncos scored nine straight

on the Vandals with less than six minutes to play, including a 3pointer by freshman Lynnette Grondin that put the Broncos up by five, 44-39. Grondin led the Broncos with 16 points, including 8-for-8 from the free

throw line. BSU never the gave Vandals another chance in the final minutes and hit 14 16 free of down throws the stretch to seal the win over the

Vandals. 'I thought our offense was off; we had some stupid turnovers," UI wing Heather Thoelke said. "Offensively we didn't answer. We wing had a big letdown." The Vandals held the lead from

the beginning and only once let the Broncos within two points in the first half. UI continued its success against through the second half, until exhaustion took over and the Vandals failed to find the basket as easily as in the early going. "Our offense is called a motion,

but when you don't move it's hard to have a motion offense," head coach Mike Divilbiss said. "We've got to get better offensively, obvi-

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ously." The Broncos' first lead of the game came midway through the second half when Mandy Welch hit back-to-back shots to give BSU a one-point lead. Welch finished the game with 12 points, hitting 2 of 3 from beyond the arc.

The Broncos hit 42 percent of their shots in the second half, compared to only 35 percent in the opening half.

"It makes it hard, because we need to go in with a winning atti-tude and we don't have that right now," UI post Taylor Benson said.

Overall, the Vandals' shooting dove from 45 per-cent in the first half to 25 percent in the second. Thoelke, in her

first game back from suspension, led the Vandals with 22 points on 7 of 23 shooting

from the floor. She was 6-for-9 from the free throw line and led the team with eight

rebounds. "I thought I got into it pretty fast. It was good to get back out there," Thoelke said. "

Post Keisha Moore scored 10 points, but also piled up a teamhigh nine turnovers. Benson added

seven points and six rebounds in the losing effort. "This is a year where you don't measure wins and losses, you real-ly don't think you do," Divilbiss said. "You measure development, and we're going to continue to improve as the year goes along with a great effort, and we're doing that.'

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### VANDALIZE 'EM



EMET WARD / ARGONAUT The Vandalizers call a WSU player's airball during Wednesday's game in the Cowan Spectrum.

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of the benefits of Division I-A.

Guaranteed paychecks for playing football games is one of those benefits. In 1995 the athletic department earned \$65,000 in game guarantees, which was less than 2 percent of its overall revenue. In fiscal year 2002 the department earned more than \$1.2 million for football games played, which accounted for nearly 16 percent of the revenue budget.

A study conducted by the NCAA and published in the Sept. 2, issue of The NCAA News shows that Division I-AA schools have begun to run in the red more often than not. The article says that the average institution at the I-AA level loses \$3.4 million per year, an increase of 55

percent from 1999. The UI Athletic Department has seen a 76 percent increase in revenue since 1999, compared to a 73 percent increase in overall expenses in the same period. But the department has posted a positive profit in only two of the six years in Division I-A and last year ran up a \$158,000 debt.

"It was expensive to get to I-A. Once you're at I-A it's

expensive to stay there by overall revenue and overall expenses both going up," Associate Athletic Director Matt Kleffner said. "But it is way more expen-sive to go back."

The NCAA study also shows that while revenues of Division I-AA schools went up about 6.3 percent, average expenses have

gone up nearly 26 percent.

er park, the Sun Belt is a hobo jungle," he wrote. "But at least it is a hobo jungle that's standing and not a trailer park which has been wiped out by a tornado." Now, after two seasons in the

conference, Bohn thinks the Sun Belt is growing in strength and stature among the NCAA's old guard.

"To stay at the I-A level we need to be in a I-A league, and the only one that is viable at this time is the Sun Belt," Bohn said. "Those are the things that we want to be a part of and we need to grow on. It's not simply about a league. It's a league that's on the move and making things happen that will benefit our alumni and our institution.

At this time, the Sun Belt is the only I-A conference that wants the University of Idaho among its members, and the UI athletic department is responding to that. In December the UI A t h l e t i c Department will

send a recom-

mendation to the State Board

of Education to

move into that

conference for

all sports. The depart-ment's hope is that the Sun Polt will

restructure and

form three divi-

will

"When things are going good, everyone wants to be a part of it. When things are going tough, everyone wants to bail off." JIM SENTER

sions (east, central and west) ASSOCIATE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR among its ranks. After this

season there will be only six foot-ball-playing schools. A new NCAA rule states that a conference must have eight all-sports members to remain at the Division I-A level.

Belt

The addition of Utah State to the Sun Belt, joining in 2003, together with UI already there, will increase the membership to the required number and make the possibilities of a western division with Utah State, New Mexico State and the University of Denver, a non-football playing member, more likely. "Our goal is to stay I-A and work toward a western division in order to do what we need to stay at the I-A level," Bohn said. "And having a western division of four institutions in the Sun Belt provides some viability for beginning to build that western alliance that is important to us." The biggest problem for the athletic department is not if the State Board will go along with the idea, but whether its supporters will. "It's just far away; it's so far away to play games," Malloy said of the Sun Belt's rivals in Arkansas, Texas and Louisiana. "To me it just goes against what the nature of college athletics should be about, which is playing schools of similar size, which includes playing regional competition rather than playing competition that is two, maybe even three time zones away.'

### Alumni Support

Support from the alumni was a key part of the equation when the University of Idaho decided to move up a class; now some of that support seems to be waning. In fact, there is a large con-stituency that would love to see the Vandals move back down for the simple fact of competition.

"Those people don't generally understand our goal and understand our challenges and understand our challenges and under stand why I-A is the right choice for us and why we're going to continue to make it work," Bohn

The majority of the alumni support comes via Vandal Boosters', whose goal is supporting scholarships. The group is working toward raising money for 400 student-athletes, but it faces the challenge of having to raise money through one of the toughest stretches in Vandal

football history. "I don't think there's any question that people are more excited to give us money when you're winning and when you have a successful program; that's just the nature of the business," Senter said. "When things are going good, everyone wants to be part of it. When things are oing tough, everyone wants to bail off.

The organization started a new campaign in the last year to help meet its goals. The Vandal Victory campaign's goal is to double the number of season tickets sold from 2,500 to 5,000, to increase the number of donors from 2,500 to 5,000, and to boost the level of giving from current donors. In the last year, the organization raised about \$1 mil-lion, short of the \$1.6 million scholarship bill.

"If we can accomplish these goals when we're struggling and having some challenges, we're going to be a lot better when we take off and start winning," Senter said.

# Sizing up Heisman contenders

BY RAY PARRILLO KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSFAPERS

PHILADELPHIA (KRT) -Almost daily, Christine Johnson peruses Web sites, scanning for information about the race for college football's most coveted and prestigious award: the Heisman Trophy.

who's saying — or writing — what? How do the contenders rank on the various "watch" lists? What does it all mean?

And while perusing, she more than likely has her fingers crossed.

You see, Christine Johnson has a vested interest. It just so happens her son is Larry Johnson, the quiet, somber sen-ior tailback from Penn State who is in the thick of the running for the stately bronze statue that's been molded in the same corny pose since it was first awarded in 1935 to Jay

first awarded in 1935 to Jay Berwanger, a halfback for the University of Chicago Maroons who was nicknamed "One-Man Gang." "My mom is like the Heisman secretary," Johnson said the other day during a teleconfer-ence from State College, Pa. "It's Web sites upon Web sites. She won't let me be in the dark won't let me be in the dark about this thing. My mom keeps me updated on this stuff."

But like almost everyone else who will tune in to watch the Heisman Trophy show Saturday night, when the winner will be announced from the Yale Club in Manhattan shortly before 9 p.m., the Johnson family will be held in suspense because the voting is expected to be among the closest ever. At least they will be part of the show, because when the finalists are contacted Wednesday by the Downtown Athletic Club, which awards the trophy, Johnson will certainly be among those invited.

Johnson, a student of the game, said "I always watched to see who won. I was in high school (State College High) when Ricky Williams won it (in 1998). I never thought it could happen to me."

happen to me. By now, most of the 921 Heisman electors — 870 mem-bers of the media, 50 living winners, and one fan vote — have sent their ballots to the independent accounting firm that tabulates them. Votes must be

in by Wednesday. Who will win? Realistically,

it's down to five players. Like Christine Johnson, Internet surfers learned that ESPN.com's most recent polling of 11 "experts" from its network and ABC has Iowa quarterback Brad Banks with 35 points, Johnson with 34, Miami's Willis McGahee with 31, Miami's Ken

order by McGahee, Banks,

Johnson and Dorsey. Typically, the voting is influ-enced by regional bias. For example, Penn State quarterback Kerry Collins finished No. 7 among voters from the South in 1994 behind an ordinary quarterback from Alabama, Jay Barker. Collins finished No. 4 overall.

Also, a player's performance in previous seasons often affects the voting, even though the Heisman is supposed to be given to the outstanding college football player of the season. It is not intended to be a career achievement award. It is not a most valuable player award.

Among the top five contenders, only Dorsey had a resume worthy of previous Heisman consideration. Banks, Johnson and McGahee came from nowhere. A highly publi-cized high-school star, Palmer was considered disappointing until now.

And although a player at any position is eligible for the award, it almost always goes to a quarterback or running back. Oh, yes, exposure helps. The proliferation of television games and the Internet have made the accomplished players quite visible to anyone with an interest, lessening the effect of the many publicity campaigns generated by university sports information departments.

In alphabetical order, here's an evaluation of the four top

contenders: Banks. The 6-foot-1, 200-pound senior quarterback led Iowa to an 11-1 record, an 8-0 mark in the Big Ten Conference, and a likely berth in a Bowl Championship Series game. His quarterback rating of 166.1, derived from a combination of statistics, is the best in the country. He completed 155 of 258 passes (60.1 percent) for 2,369 yards. He tossed 25 TD passes and was intercepted only four times. Banks also ran for 387 yards and five TDs, averaging 5.3 yards per carry. In the Hawkeyes' 34-9 rout of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Banks

threw four TD passes. Banks won the "People's Heisman" poll conducted by CNNSI.com.

Downside: Iowa finished its season three weeks ago. Out of sight, out of mind?

Dorsey. The poise and leadership of the 6-foot-5, 200-pound senior quarterback are as impressive as his numbers.

Dorsey with 30, and Southern Cal quarterback Carson Palmer with 29. They learned that CNNSI.com's latest "watch" list has Palmer in front, followed in order by McGahee, Banks, (55.4 percent) for 3,073 yards and 26 TDs. He was intercepted 10 times.

Downside: Dorsey had subpar performances against Florida, Florida State and Boston College. His teammate McGahee will probably takes votes away from him. In 94, when Penn State went undefeated, Collins lost votes to teammate Ki-Jana Carter, a running back.

Johnson. Statistically, Johnson outperformed every other running back. He became the ninth Division I-A player to rush for more than 2,000 yards in a season, finishing with 2,015. His average of 8.03 yards per carry is best among the nine runners who have gained 2,000 yards in a season.

He led the nation in rushing and all-purpose yards (214.5 per game) and is second in scoring (11.7 points per game). His numbers weren't padded: Johnson sat out long stretches of five games, and played with a pulled hamstring at Michigan, yet had 124 all-purpose yards. His 20 rushing TDs averaged 22 yards.

And he had four of the nation's top 12 rushing performances, including a school-record ances, including a school-record 316 yards against Indiana. He broke the school record for receptions by a running back (39, for 341 yards and three TDs). Five of the previous eight running backs who gained more than 2,000 yards in a season won the award.

Downside: Johnson did not rush for 100 yards in Penn State's most-watched games, against Michigan and Ohio State, and he didn't get 100 against Iowa. He was a latecomer to the Heisman race.

McGahee. The 6-foot-1, 224pound sophomore had 1,686 yards on 262 carries (6.4 yards a carry) with 27 TDs – six in his regular-season finale vs. Virgina Tech. He'd caught 24 passes for 350 yards, none for TDs. He ran for 204 yards against Florida and 205 vs. the Hokies.

Downside: In Miami's highest-profile game, McGahee ran for 95 yards on 26 carries against Florida State. He'll lose votes to teammate Dorsey. He's a sophomore.

Take your pick. If you did your homework, your choice came amid much uncertainty. No doubt, there will be dispute over the winner, but he will be deserving nonetheless.

Kleffner said the saving that would come to the department by going back to a Division I-AA conference like the Big Sky would include such things as a reduction in the number of schol-"arships that the school would have to offer, fewer coaches and staff members and smaller travexpenses associated with Division I-A and the Sun Belt Conference.

He said that nearly \$1 million would be lost in game guarantees alone from moving down. But the amount lost in fund-raising dollars and what is made in advertising, radio and television deals far exceeds any savings the program would have by moving to the lower division.

"It's a financial pitfall for a football program. There's just not the revenue there to support it," Bohn said. "For example, the national champion (Montana) had almost an \$800,000 budget deficit last year ... We've evalu-•ated it and it's clearly fiscally the wrong way for us to consider

"going." "Long term, the University of 'Idaho needs to continue to be a I-A institution," Bohn said. "That's •our first priority.

### The Sun Belt Experiment

UI became a football-only member in Sun Belt Conference in 2001 and has had anything 'but success in the division I-A Steague. The Vandals have recorded a 2-10 record in conference 'games and are 3-20 overall since joining the group of small schools, a group some call a sub-<sup>1</sup>par league.

John Blanchette, a sports volumnist for the Spokane Spokesman-Review, wrote about the Vandals' switch to the Sun EBelt in a November 1999 com-'mentary, after the Big West folded its support of football. "If the Big West Conference was a trail-



So far Senter is seeing some great response from current members, with 48 percent of members increasing their donation. But he is meeting resistance recruiting new members.

"The biggest misnomer that I hear is from people that say 'If we just go back to the Big Sky Conference we would solve all of our problems,'" Senter said. "Let me tell you the fallacy in that. The majority of those people that call or write and say those things did not support us when we were a Division I-AA institution in football, and they're not supporting us now either. Their own personal history does not validate what their stance is.'

Bohn relates that to a sense of pride in the school and in the program.

'It's about the entire university, and about the entire universi-ty's sense of pride," Bohn said. "And being able to build the program and being able to build this to the point where we can make everybody proud of what we're doing.'

### on the budget

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# **Ridnour leads Oregon in every** way in big win over Kansas

#### BY PETER HOCKADAY OREGON DAILY EMERALD

PORTLAND, Ore. (U-WIRE) When Luke Ridnour was in high school, he was small. He was skinny. He was talented. But he wasn't going to be a toplevel player for a top-level team. Or so Roy Williams thought.

Williams, the head coach at Kansas, passed on Ridnour, and Saturday, Ridnour passed back, dishing out nine assists in Oregon's win over Kansas. He also shot in bunches, scoring 25 points, including the gameclinching 3-pointer with less than a minute remaining.

And as the Ducks made a statement in front of a national CBS television audience about the legitimacy of their No. 7 ranking, Ridnour also made a statement. Perhaps Williams could best describe it.

"That kid has made himself into a big time, big time player," Williams said.

Luke Jackson led all scorers with 26 points Saturday, but Ridnour's baskets were a mirror for the Ducks' progress. When he was hot, the Ducks were hot. When he faltered, the Ducks slipped. And in the end, it was Ridnour who hit the biggest shots when they mattered most.

It wasn't just the 3-pointer that Ridnour hit. It was the fastbreak layup he made seconds before that. And the play with three minutes left, when Ridnour snuck up on Kansas guard Kirk Hinrich and blocked Hinrich's jumper from behind. Ridnour missed a 3-pointer on the ensuing fastbreak, but Jackson tipped in the rebound. And the play served to rattle Hinrich, who, after scoring 24

points in the first 37 minutes of game time, went the last three without a point.

"There are some intangibles there that you look at, outside of his playing ability, with his character, that have just given this basketball team an oppor-

tunity to grow and get to another level," Oregon head Ernie coach Kent said about Ridnour. the After Kent game, kept trying to quesdeflect about tions **Ridnour's** effort

answers into about the Ducks as a team, but it was Ridnour who ran the team like a general all afternoon. He started with four assists in the game's first seven minutes, the last on one of the most bizarre

plays of the game. With the Ducks setting up a play on the offensive end of the floor, forward Ian Crosswhite was frantically tying his shoe on the other end. He motioned to Kent to call a timeout, but Kent instead called a play. Ridnour waited for Crosswhite, who finally jogged up the floor, hung out at the top of the key, waited for the pass from Ridnour, and promptly drained a 3-pointer to

put Oregon ahead 17-8 Then Ridnour started getting in on the scoring act, hitting back-to-back 3-pointers to increase Oregon's lead to 14, the Ducks' largest lead of the game, with 5:09 left in the first half.

Williams said Ridnour has come a long way from the

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scrawny high school phenom he once was.

"He's stronger, but he still has that same quickness that I saw in high school," Williams said. "He's a classic gym rat. I don't think I could picture anybody being a bigger gym rat than he is.

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"He makes everyone on the team that much better. I'm just happy to have him on my team." LUKE JACKSON

uation, when it's too early to mention the words "Player of the Year," the talk was about Ridnour has lifted the Ducks to be a top-tier bas-**UO BASKETBALL PLAYER** 

ketball program. 'You can't say enough about Luke Ridnour, Jackson said. "He makes everyone on the team that much better. I'm just happy to have him on my team.

As the players were introduced before the game, spotlights scanned the players and the crowd.

But during the game, the spotlight was directly on Ridnour. With the national cameras pointed at him, he stepped into it easily.

And how did Ridnour himself handle it when he was bombarded with questions about his talent?

"I just love to play basket-ball," Ridnour said. "We have a lot of guys on this team that are like that, and we all kind of rub off on each other.

For Ridnour, it seems, not much has changed since high school. Even with all the hype and all the spotlights, it's still just about the basketball.

### Irish vault to 10th in media ratings

#### BY AVANI PATEL CHICAGO TRIBUNE

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (KRT) — All of a sudden it is part of the "in" crowd.

After spending the early part of the season largely ignored in the college basketball world, Notre Dame jumped into the national consciousness in dramatic fashion Monday when it was ranked No. 10 in the Associated Press media poll and No. 15 in the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll.

The Irish earned that status by knocking off three Top 15 teams in a week, beginning Dec. 2 with a 92-71 rout of then-No. 13 Marquette at the Joyce Center.

They topped defending national champion Maryland 79-67 Saturday and previously unbeaten Texas 98-92 in the championship game of the BB&T Classic tournament Sunday in Washington. Their next game is Saturday against regional

rival DePaul in South Bend, Ind. It was the AP ranking that turned heads because Notre Dame's 10th spot was the third-

highest entry ever by a previously unranked team. Coach Mike Brey informed his players of the

news Monday afternoon. The team's achievements in the last week, Brey said, will serve as a solid foundation for the rest of the season.

"It gives us confidence," he said. Now in his third season with the Irish, Brey has stepped up the nonconference schedule each year. "We've cranked it up and made it more competi-

tive," he said. Most encouraging for the Irish, the three victo-ries were not built on a temporary hot streak by a

single player. Four starters — Dan Miller, Matt Carroll, Chris Thomas and Torin Francis — scored in double figures in each of the three games.

Francis, a freshman forward, was particularly impressive, with 20 points against Maryland and 21 against Texas.

Even as he delivered the good news Monday,

Brey simultaneously sounded a cautionary note. "I told them I just want you to remember what got us to this point," he said. "Don't change. Don't get out of character.'

In the first two years of Brey's tenure, the Irish generally have dealt better with skepticism than access.

Last season the Irish lost their first game after cracking the Top 10, to eventual NCAA tournament runner-up Indiana.

After falling from the rankings, they knocked off No. 11 Syracuse and No. 10 Georgetown in consecutive games later in the season.

### Redskins' Lewis ponders Michigan State

BY JEMELE HILL KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

EAST LANSING, Mich. (KRT) Washington Redskins defen-

sive coordinator Marvin Lewis was deciding Monday whether to take a five-year deal worth about \$7.5 million to become Michigan State's next football coach, a source told the Detroit Free Press.

Lewis, 44, interviewed with MSU president M. Peter McPherson and athletic director Ron Mason in East Lansing, and when he left, university officials were confident he would take the

job. His indecision led to a series of conflicting reports that made headlines on television and Internet sites much of Monday. ESPN and other news organizations initially reported that Lewis was virtually certain to become the Spartans' coach. Then ESPN recanted and said. Lewis had turned down MSU.

When Lewis returned to Washington, he denied he had turned down the offer and told a television show host that he needed more time to think about

"That's good for ESPN," Lewis said. "I haven't made a decision."

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Money apparently is not at issue because Michigan State is prepared to give Lewis a hefty pay raise. Lewis, the NFL's highest-paid coordinator, earns \$800,000 a year.

Should the Spartans hire Lewis, he would give the football program instant identity. He is one of the most respected assistant coaches in the NFL. When Lewis was defensive coordinator at Baltimore, the Ravens set an NFL record in 2000 for fewest points allowed in a 16-game season — 165 — and went on to win

the Super Bowl. That defense is considered one of the best in NFL history. This is  $\mathbf{first}$ Lewis' season at Washington.

Lewis also would become the fourth black head coach in major college football and would succeed a black coach, Bobby Williams.

Michigan State fired Williams last month with three games left on its schedule. Williams was 16-17 in less than three full seasons. Offensive coordinator Morris Watts served as interim coach

the last three games, and MSU finished 4-8.

Before he went to Baltimore in 1996, Lewis was linebackers coach for the Pittsburgh Steelers. He has been an assistant coach at four colleges — Idaho State, his alma mater; Long Beach State, New Mexico and Pittsburgh.

If Lewis doesn't go to MSU, the school must return to its can-didates list, which sources say includes Jimmy Raye, a senior offensive assistant with the New York Jets and a former Spartans quarterback; Boston College coach Tom O'Brien; Southern California offensive coordinator Norm Chow; and University of Pittsburgh coach Walt Harris.

Sources say the Spartans interviewed Raye, 55, last Friday. Raye has 25 years of NFL experience and has been a coordinator six times — most recent-ly with the Redskins last season. Raye played on two of MSU's national championship teams.

The Los Angeles Daily News reported Sunday that an MSU official - likely the headhunter hired by the university — already has contacted Chow, whose offense has propelled Southern Cal to an Orange Bowl berth against Iowa.



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