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## University Place review faults university officials

BY LEIF THOMPSON  
ARGONAUT STAFF

According to the "University Place Management Review" released Tuesday, an account created to manage funds between UI and the UI Foundation for the University Place project was used in violation of Idaho State Board of Education policies and possibly in violation of Idaho state law.

The review is a 603-page document prepared by Boise lawyer Larry Prince under the direction of the Idaho State Attorney General's Office and under the commission of the SBOE. It details the university's involvement in the mostly defunct University Place project.

It faults UI officials in charge of the project for not fully informing the SBOE in December 2002 that the

University Place project was exceeding its budget by a gross margin. UI and a branch of the UI Foundation, the Consolidated Investment Trust, also failed to inform the SBOE of \$13.9 million that had been loaned to the University Place project, and of approximately \$8 million that had been spent directly by UI on the project.

The \$8 million in funding came from the UI Foundation. Jerry Wallace, the former UI

vice president of finance and administration and the UI Foundation treasurer, was the principle player in charge of the University Place project. According to the report, he directed his staff to create a UI Foundation account for the University Place project without putting money in the account. The account carried a negative balance that Wallace used to cover University Place expenses.

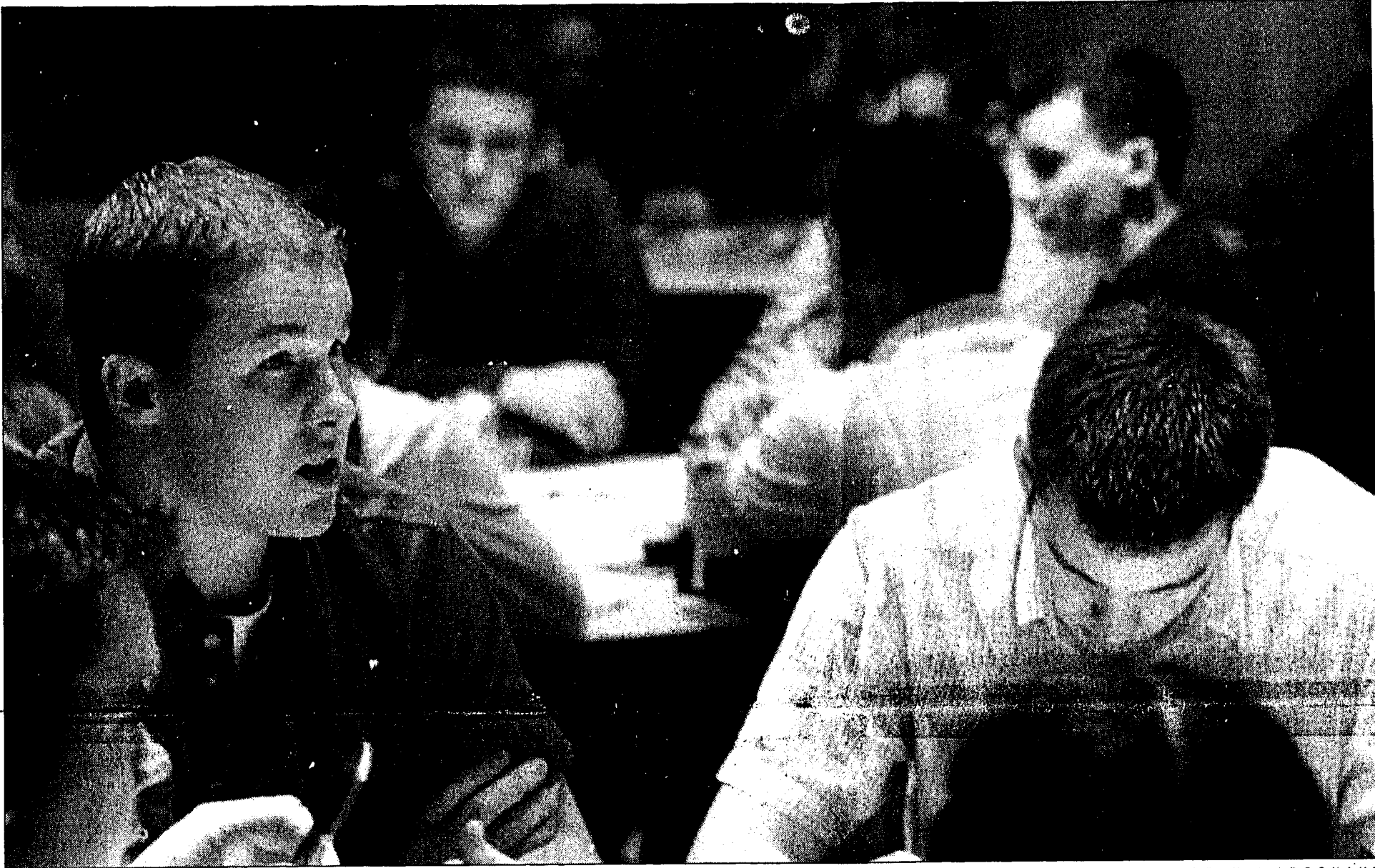
"Laura Hubbard (UI interim vice president of finance and administration) best explained the agency account when she said that it was supposed to act as a debit card, and not a charge card. Wallace and UI, however treated this agency account as a charge card," the review states.

When the account got too large, it was converted to be paid as a promissory note, the accounting version of an IOU, and then was only included as a

footnote on the UI financial statements for 2002. The review stated that many of the UI Foundation board members were in the dark about the account until January 2003.

"We believe that irrespective of how the use of the agency account is characterized, its use by the UI violated SBOE policies and possibly state law," according to the review.

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UI students Brad Walgamott and Brad Smith discuss a proposed student fee increase at a workshop Monday in the Idaho Commons.

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## ASUI challenges administration's fee hike

BY KATIE WHITTIER  
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ASUI is planning to battle the University of Idaho administration, endorsing a 7 percent increase and opposing a 9.9 percent increase in student fees.

ASUI representatives began working with the administrative fee committee in October, discussing the necessity of increasing student fees for the 2004-2005 academic year.

Together they decided on two proposals: a 7 percent increase and a 10 percent increase. The proposals were presented to interim President Gary Michael with an emphasis on the preferred proposal, alternative one (7 percent).

A notice was published Dec. 2 announcing the administration's support for a 9.9 percent increase. Michael decided to endorse alternative two (10 percent), or something very close to it.

Now ASUI plans to represent student concerns by going before the State Board of Education next month to lobby for alternative one. The board makes the final decision,

regardless of presidential endorsement.

"We'd like to see a solid student backing," ASUI Vice President Nate Tiegs said at a pre-fee workshop luncheon Monday.

ASUI representatives believe they have a good chance of gaining the board's approval for alternative one.

Anthony Georger, ASUI lobbyist, said the board is tired of continually ratifying proposals to raise student fees at two-digit rates. In the last four years student fees have jumped

35 percent. Georger said the board will more likely be in the mood for a "moderate" fee increase, similar to the ASUI-endorsed 7 percent increase.

"This is just a difference of opinion," Georger said, emphasizing that ASUI has maintained a good relationship with the administration.

The only difference between the two alternatives is the extra 3 percent in alternative two that will go toward matriculation. Yet students and faculty alike scratch their heads trying to figure out exactly what matriculation is.

"It's a black hole ... it pays power bills, auxiliary services ... it's a pool of money that cannot be followed," Georger said. "It's hard to define."

And matriculation, this hard-to-track fund, is the only fund that has benefited from the fee increases in the last four years. Students have not seen the results of the increased rates and tensions are rising.

This increase is different because it will benefit students directly through bonuses to the activities fund. Yet many students do not understand the scope of this fund. It covers far more than Dave Matthews concerts and in no way increases student representative salaries, Georger said.

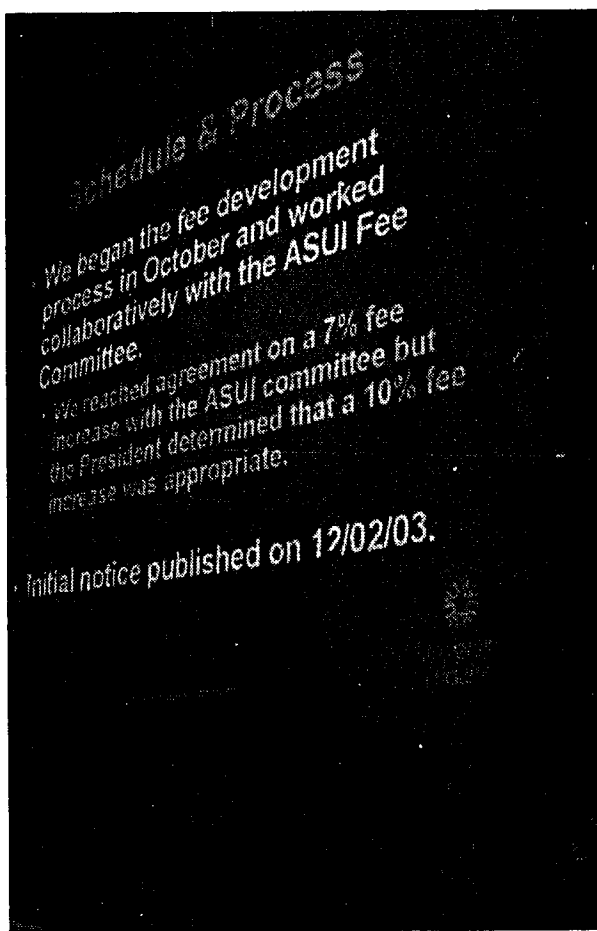
The activity fund is broken into many segments, including Commons-Union Operations, Fine Arts, Intercollegiate Athletics, Kibbie Center Operations, Student Media, advising and virtually every student organization on campus. Georger said students will benefit from a higher standard of living with increases to the neglected fund.

The two alternatives support the same amount of increase to the activities fund. But unlike matriculation, this fund can be line-itemed to the penny to allow for complete financial transparency, according to a press release issued Wednesday by the ASUI executive branch.

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**"[Matriculation is] a black hole ... it's a pool of money that cannot be followed."**

ANTHONY GEORGER  
ASUI LOBBYIST



A financial consultant to the university presents a workshop Monday in the Idaho Commons to discuss next year's student fee increases.

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## University makes preparations for reaccreditation

BY NATE POPPINO  
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In the midst of its search for a new president and its response to financial problems, the University of Idaho has another issue looming: reaccreditation.

The Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities will visit the campus in October to assess the university's programs and organization. This review, which takes place every 10 years, is required by the fed-

eral government of all universities that receive federal funds in order to ensure they remain viable.

UI is already preparing for the review, Provost Brian Pitcher said.

"We've had a committee and



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a broad set of volunteers involved for a year," Pitcher said. "Our program is currently being reviewed for accuracy to determine where its strengths and weaknesses are."

Among problems the committee plans to address are questions about planning, university finances and support for graduate programs.

While the committee just wants to be sure the university's strategic plan is up-to-date, the other two questions will be trickier.

UI's financial problems, resulting from various operating deficits and the University Place debacle, have been well-publicized for the past year. Graduate support problems were highlighted in the last accreditation review.

Freshman architecture major Aaron Dorn thinks UI will pass the accreditation process with little problem.

"It seems to me that for the most part my classes seem to be rigorous enough," Dorn said. "The only thing I see a problem

with is the deficit and budgeting. If we come up with a plan for that we will be all right."

The committee's study will be completed by May and will attempt to address all issues. Pitcher said he believes the university will be in a good position by October.

"A lot of change has occurred in the last 10 years such as the construction, research program growth and so on," Pitcher said. "We will never have all of the problems solved, but we will have a lot of progress made."

## Al-Hussayen supporters gather for Human Rights Day

BY LEIF THOMPSON  
ARGONAUT STAFF

Friends of Sami Omar al-Hussayen assembled to mobilize support as part of International Human Rights Day on Wednesday.

More than 100 people gathered in the University of Idaho College of Law Courtroom. Al-Hussayen has been jailed on charges of visa fraud since his arrest Feb. 26.



AL-HUSSAYEN

"I have not seen my husband in 10 months," said Maha Al-Hussayen, Sami's wife. "My life is upside down. If you lived with Sami for five minutes I think you would like him and you would make him your best friend. We need your support and your help as much as we can."

Al-Hussayen is a Saudi Arabian national. He was a computer science student seeking a doctorate in high-bandwidth software security when he was arrested as part of a sweeping raid. One hundred twenty federal agents from the FBI and the INS arrived in Moscow, interrogating international students.

Al-Hussayen was arrested because he was the webmaster for several Islamic Web sites that support terrorism, according to the FBI. The FBI said work on these Web sites constituted a breach of al-Hussayen's student visa.

John Dickinson, doctoral adviser for the UI Department of Computer Science, characterized the interrogations and al-Hussayen's subsequent arrest and detention as being unfounded and mean-spirited.

"The day of Sami's arrest I was interviewed by the FBI. They told me that the [visa fraud charges] were the tip of the iceberg and that there was overwhelming evidence (against al-Hussayen)," Dickinson said. He said the evidence has never materialized.

Dickinson is the former head of the department and a member of the Moscow City Council. He remains an academic adviser and close friend of al-Hussayen.

Dickinson visited al-Hussayen recently at the jail in Boise. He said al-Hussayen is being treated well by the jailers, who professed their joy at having a model prisoner such as al-Hussayen.

This gave Dickinson an idea. "We could improve the status of our prisons across the country by populating them with Ph.D. students," Dickinson said.

Al-Hussayen has achieved a substantial amount of media attention in the past week in response to the public filing of the court documents for al-Hussayen's case. An article titled "Access to lab part of UI terrorism case," published Dec. 7 in the Idaho Spokesman-Review and quoting court documents, reported that al-Hussayen had moved his desk from the basement of the computer science department to an engineering isotope lab "apparently without his adviser's knowledge."

The court documents indicate the FBI was afraid al-Hussayen

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OUTLOOK PALOUSE WEATHER FORECAST

Weather forecast for today, Saturday, and Sunday. Today: Rain and snow, Hi: 36, Lo: 34. Saturday: Morning rain and snow, Hi: 39, Lo: 34. Sunday: Rain and snow, Hi: 38, Lo: 25.

CAPSULE FROM THE ARGONAUT ARCHIVES

From the Aug. 31, 2001, edition: University of Idaho President Bob Hoover wants continued focus on enrollment, technology and expansion, he said during his State of the University address Tuesday. "Unless the world falls apart tomorrow, we seem to have a good future ahead of us in terms of where we're going," he said.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Clues include: 1. Cut into cubes, 6. Hounds, 10. Scoundrels, 14. Smell, 15. Woodwind instrument, 16. vera, 17. Jazz pianist Art, 18. National Park in Utah, 19. Anger, 20. Picnic invader, 21. Dashboard instrument, 24. Cousteau's milieu, 26. Regret bitterly, 27. Archives, 29. Greek letters, 34. Abrasive files, 35. Thin soup, 36. Homer Simpson's exclamation, 37. Drags behind, 38. Hooded reptile, 39. Clinton's veep, 40. Actress Thurman, 41. Simple necklace, 42. The Velvet Fog, 43. Beef entree, 45. Weakest in numbers, 46. East Coast cape, 47. Type of stage, 48. Harriet's hubby, 53. Tango team, 56. College bigwig, 57. Skater Heiden, 58. Just right, 60. Hamlet or Ophelia, 61. Stretch vehicle, 62. Chilling, 63. Huskies' burden, 64. Pants part, 65. Break times, DOWN: 1. Info, 2. Persia, now, 3. Q-Tip, for one, 4. Outback nester, 5. Maidens, 6. Score minus eight, 7. Theater award, 8. Well-behaved, 9. Single gal in Sororia, 10. Life's work, 11. Landed, 12. Pineapple brand, 13. Visionary, 22. Fathers, 23. Ado About Nothing, 25. Berets and beanies, 27. Pianist Schnabel, 28. Wynonna's mom, 29. Once around the sun, 30. Break of day, 31. Shoe inserts, 32. Typical patterns, 33. Thin layer, 35. Feathery scarves, 38. TV choices, 39. Formal frock, 41. Ice-cream container, 42. More minute, 44. Poured, 45. Partner of to, 47. Fancy tie, 48. Likelihood, 49. Enthusiasm, 50. Billy of "Titanic", 51. Cleveland's lake, 52. Succotash bean, 54. Stand by, 55. Bullring cheers, 59. One Tweedie.

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Solutions from Dec. 9

Grid of solutions for the crossword puzzle from Dec. 9, including words like BOBE, ALDO, LETTIS, ROAM, SOUP, ODORS, etc.

NEWSBRIEFS

UI graduation features honors and awards

Event coordinators expect about 4,500 spectators to fill the University of Idaho Kibbie Activity Center at 1 p.m. Saturday as 431 UI students receive their degrees. Attendance to the ceremony is free and the Vandal Trolley will shuttle attendees from parking lots to the Dome beginning at 12:30 p.m. and will be available after the ceremony. UI interim President Gary Michael will confer the degrees at the midyear commencement. Don Sampson, executive director of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation and 1985 UI alum in fisheries management, will give the keynote address, "New Leaders For A Changing World." He will challenge the new generation of leaders to engage in grassroots, community-based coalitions to change America. A President's Medallion will be presented to Esther Becker Simplot, prominent Boise civic leader and patron of the arts. Duane A. Jacklin, Post Falls businessman and resident, Spokane native and one of the founders of Jacklin Seed Company, will receive a Doctor of Administrative Science Honorary Degree for partnering at the Riverbend Commerce Park and supporting UI's agricultural, science and business initiatives. The president's reception for graduates and their families will follow immediately after the ceremonies on the north concourse. For more information, call 885-6567.

Pritchard holds Faculty Exhibition beginning today

The University of Idaho Pritchard Art Gallery will be hosting the annual Faculty Exhibition beginning today. An opening reception will be held from 5-8 p.m. The exhibit, which will be on display through Jan. 14, features the work of 17 area artists and designers from the UI Departments of Art and Design, Architecture, and Landscape Architecture. The works represent a wide range of media and styles from Bill Bowler, Ryan Belnap, Shauna Corry, Glenn Grishkoff, David Giese, Lynne Haagensen, Delphine Keim-Campbell, John Larkin, Anjel Luna, Marilyn Lysohir, Sally Graves Machlis, Dan Mullin, Kurt Rathmann, Melissa Rockwood, George Roberts, Bill Woolston and George Wray. The gallery is open from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and will be closed Dec. 24-26. The gallery is open to the public and admission is free. For more information, call 885-3586.

FutureTruck team holds open house

The FutureTruck will be on display from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday next to Wholesale Hydraulics in Fountain's Business Park south of Palouse River Drive. The FutureTruck Team competes with 14 other universities from across the nation to modify a 2002 Ford Explorer. The goal is to significantly increase the fuel efficiency and decrease emissions without sacrificing any of the vehicle's performance, capabilities or amenities. For more information, call 882-0155 or 882-1767.

CAMPUSCALENDAR

- TODAY: ASUI Red Cross blood drive, Faculty exhibition opening, "UI: Idaho Gem and Other UI Stories", ASUI Senate telecast, "UI Voices", Holiday concert, SATURDAY: UI Bookstore Christmas celebration, UI graduation.

UI Bookstore hosts Christmas celebration

The University of Idaho Bookstore will celebrate the holiday season beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday with its annual event featuring free gift-wrapping, special discounts and refreshments. Participants can also receive free photographs with the jolly man himself, Santa Claus, from 9 a.m.-noon. A book-signing by Richard Scheuerman, author of "Palouse Country: A Land and its

Campus Christian Center offers food for finals

The Campus Christian Center will be offering sandwiches, chips, cookies, soda and coffee from 11 a.m.-midnight Dec. 15-19. The food is free for any college student. The Campus Christian Center is located at 822 Elm St. For more information, call 882-2536 or e-mail office@cccenter.org.

Restaurant Guide Moscow, Idaho

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**SENATE REPORT**

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Dec. 10, 2003

The senate met for the last time for the fall semester and for the first time for the spring semester. Due to the change in staff between semesters, there were two separate meetings.

**Open Forum, Fall 2003**

Kelsey Nunez, chief of staff, gave a synopsis of her years serving on ASUI. Her term is up at the end of the semester.

Nunez discussed the strategic plan for restructuring ASUI. She said the new format is valuable and she hopes to see more collaboration with the executive branch.

"Don't be discouraged by budget problems," she told her replacement, Caroline Miner.

Danielle Rainville, the new Athletics Board chair, said she is excited for her new position.

**Presidential Communications, Fall 2003**

President Mason Fuller addressed the senate for the last time with words of thanks to many, including Steve Janowiak, ASUI adviser, Nate Tieggs, vice president, Anthony Georger, lobbyist, and Nunez.

"I couldn't have done it without the people around me," Fuller said. "I'm done, guys."

**Senate Business, Fall 2003**

Senate Bills F03-55 and F03-56, changing specific rules and regulations of ASUI, came out of committee for the first time in a month. F03-55 passed unanimously. F03-56 was withdrawn from consideration.

In senate communications, Sen. Chris Worden reported that a Moscow bus system is supposed to start next semester.

Sen. Matt Thompson, in his final communication of his term, said, "I'll miss my living groups the most."

In vice presidential communications, Tieggs announced the resignations of parliamentarian Justin Eslinger and Sen. Nick Mazzie. The senate seat will need to be filled early next semester.

The meeting was adjourned and President Isaac Myhrum and the new senators were sworn in.

**Open Forum, Spring 2004**

Justin Eslinger, Centennial Celebration planning coordinator, outlined the budget for the Centennial Celebration of ASUI in February. He urged the senate to pass Senate Bills S04-08 and S04-09 to allot the requested funding, although the senators have not brought the bills before their living groups for approval. Eslinger said timing is crucial and there is no time to spare for public review.

Pro-Tem Melina Ronquillo and Sen. Julie Ihli recommended an alternative-funding plan until announcements of intent can occur, but Eslinger reiterated the timing issue.

**Senate Business, Spring 2004**

The following appointments were made: Caroline Miner, ASUI chief of staff (S04-01); Justin Eslinger, ASUI policy adviser (S04-02); Danielle Rainville, ASUI Athletics Board chair (S04-03); Natalia Besyatova, ASUI director of health and wellness (S04-04); Kwapi Vengesayi, ASUI director of diversity affairs (S04-05); Lisa Dillman and Stephanie Budge, ASUI directors of violence prevention (S04-06); Erin Manderville, ASUI director of environmental responsibility (S04-07); Damian Ball, ASUI facilities chair (S04-10).

Senate Bill S04-08, providing for the allocation of funds for the ASUI Centennial Celebration, passed. Senate Bill S04-09, providing another source of funding for the event, was sent to the Finance Committee.

Senate resolution S04-01, concerning the Moscow-Pullman Highway crosswalk, passed.

Senators were also assigned to committees, boards and living groups.

**Cost of textbooks spawns alternatives**

BY JESSIE BONNER  
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University of Idaho students might find themselves in shorter lines at the UI Bookstore next semester following the launch of several local Web sites dedicated to selling textbooks at lower rates.

One Web site, www.Moscowbooks.com, is growing in popularity. The student-run Web site currently lists more than 300 textbooks for sale by local students.

UI Bookstore officials said the sites are not necessarily the best way for students to save money. Manager Peg Godwin said students are at greater risk of losing money when they use these sites to buy books from other students.

"If you're not careful, [you] could be buying the wrong edition," Godwin said.

While students have been buying textbooks online for years, Godwin said employees working at the UI Bookstore became concerned when an e-mail announcing the launch of www.Moscowbooks.com was sent to UI students. Godwin said student employees did not agree with how the bookstore was portrayed in the e-mail.

"The tone was not particularly nice," Godwin said.

The e-mail referred to the UI Bookstore as an unnecessary "middle-man," and urged students to sell their books directly to each other by listing them on the site. Godwin said the site was made possible because of textbook information provided on the UI Bookstore site.

Amaia Kirtland, a junior majoring in political science, pays nearly \$600 each semester at the UI Bookstore. Kirtland said she would like to see more student organizations take part in helping students find cheaper textbooks.

"There's no reason why we shouldn't have a giant book swap," Kirtland said.

Kirtland recently registered with

www.Underground.org, another textbook exchange site organized by students from the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity. After paying \$2, students receive the contact information of the person listing the textbook they would like to buy.

Despite informative table discussions held by the fraternity in front of the Idaho Commons and advertisement through word of mouth, Kirtland was recently notified the site would be shut down due to lack of support.

As the cost of textbooks continues to rise, the buyback process held at the end of each semester is also a source of frustration for many students. The UI Bookstore is limited in the number of books it can buy back, and beginning this Saturday only 33 percent of books currently being used will be accepted. "We can only buy back as many as we're going to sell," Godwin said.

Godwin said she understands the frustration of students who spend a considerable amount of money at the UI Bookstore every six months and receive a small percentage when they sell their books back at the end of the semester.

Kirtland said the buyback process could be improved.

"When I pay \$500 for books and get back \$50, there's something wrong," Kirtland said. "I know what I pay for and what I get back is definitely not the same thing."

Although the number of students exchanging books online has not hurt the sale of books at the UI Bookstore, Godwin said the anger is misplaced.

"Students have to understand we're not choosing the books; the decision is up to faculty," Godwin said. In October UI faculty submitted a list of textbooks to order for the spring semester.

Students said professors should take the cost of textbooks into consideration when choosing course materials.

"I've had professors complain about the cost of textbooks," Kirtland said. "I

find it interesting because they're the ones selecting them."

Godwin said professors have little input in the price of a textbook, which is set by the book's publisher.

A significant number of textbooks are also turned away at each buyback because a newer edition has been released for the next semester. Godwin said professors are choosing the newer editions in order to keep the material in their courses updated. After working in the book business for 25 years, Godwin said publishers are releasing new editions of textbooks more frequently than ever.

Jamie Carmon, a UI senior, said she has been buying her books for the past two years through BookPeople, a local bookstore in Moscow. Carmon said she has saved a considerable amount of money by having the store order her books for her.

As students continue to look for outside sources to save money on textbooks, some have found a different solution. Verity Lectka, a junior majoring in fish and wildlife resources, took 18 credits this semester without buying any textbooks.

By sharing textbooks with a roommate and paying a small fee to borrow a friend's, Lectka's only purchase at the UI Bookstore was a \$20 lab manual.

Whether choosing to buy online or not to buy at all, Godwin said there is one place where she has seen textbook prices drop consistently.

In the United Kingdom students can save up to 50 percent on their books for next semester. Godwin said she has seen textbooks on www.amazon.uk listed at lower prices, including shipping costs.

Godwin said UI Bookstore officials have begun to discuss the possibility of purchasing textbooks overseas in order to save students money.

"That's the only place I've seen with consistent price drops," Godwin said.

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## FEES

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"We need to break the double-digit increase cycle," Georger said. "Seven percent does everything ... just saves [students] \$50 per semester."

Matriculation is not denied a boost by alternative one. A \$500,000 deficit must be covered, and student fees have been targeted as the solution. Under alternative one, this hole is filled. Alternative two fills it and adds some.

Sen. Matt Thompson asked about the possibility of a zero percent increase at the Monday luncheon.

"It's highly unlikely," Tiegs said.

"It's more likely the State Board will choose a 3-5 percent increase where activities will be cut," Georger said.

Others argue that students should bear the load now and get the university back on its feet financially, favoring alternative two. Georger said this is not possible. Even if student fees were to increase nearly 100 percent, the operating deficit of the university would not entirely disappear.

"We're stretched to a point of

breaking right now," Tiegs said. Increasing student fees by an additional 3 percent to boost matriculation resources would not make the difference necessary to justify alternative two, he said.

Many students voice concerns that student fees keep increasing while faculty are being laid off. Steve Janowiak, director of student activities, said matriculation cannot cover salaries, by law. The Legislature covers them.

Ultimately, students and faculty are interested in efficiency and financial accountability by the administration. Given the recent history of the university, many people struggle to trust administrative decisions.

"We're not convinced matriculation is being used efficiently," Tiegs said.

At the student fee workshop Monday evening, Wayland Winstead, executive director of institutional planning and budget, said matriculation is traceable, as it must be accounted for by the university's external auditor. He said he sees no problem in making the information public, upon request, sometime next semester.

For now ASUI is seeking strong student support for the 7 percent proposal, although ASUI President Isaac Myhrum said he had no set plan to recruit such support. Students not affiliated with ASUI could possibly have a substantial effect in making their voices heard through writing letters, etc.

"Students seem to be now the only entity working to fix this university," Tiegs said.

## Tensions are rising between Christians, gays

BY CADY ALLRED  
ARGONAUT STAFF

Christians and gays in Moscow are struggling to coexist as tensions rise locally and nationally.

Two UI student groups have clashed with accusations of discrimination. Dirk DeWinkle, Nathaniel Ealy, Richard Miltenberger and David Young, members of Collegiate Reformed Fellowship, were asked to leave a Gay Straight Alliance meeting earlier this semester.

Jerry Owen, a CRF staff member, said the four men felt discriminated against because they were not given a reason when they were asked to leave.

University guidelines do not restrict clubs from using race, creed or gender to determine who can attend club meetings. Student activities coordinator Amy Newcomb said the university supports student groups but the groups are independent entities. Many student organizations are formed based on race, creed or gender.

"It is important to note that while their membership may seem exclusive," Newcomb said, "the students in these organizations feel that there is a need on campus for their club: to meet the specific needs of its members."

Raul Sanchez, special assistant to the president for diversity and human rights, spoke with members of CRF and GSA, but not with the students who were

asked to leave.

"The CRF students reported to me that their friends were not given a reason for being asked to leave," he said. "The GSA students reported to me that they were asked to leave because the CRF students did not agree with the mission of the GSA and felt their presence to be disruptive and counterproductive to the work of the GSA. GSA students also felt threatened simply by their presence."

"I found it surprising just how uncomfortable they were with our presence, since we were only sitting there, listening," Miltenberger said.

CRF's affiliation with Christ Church and pastor Doug Wilson was a factor in the GSA's discomfort. GSA co-chair Selena Lloyd said when the four men attended the GSA meeting, she was apprehensive about their intentions.

"You have to consider the source," she said, "because there are a lot of churches in this community, and a lot of them are not anti-gay ... but these visitors came from Doug Wilson, and Doug Wilson has spoken openly against homosexuality many, many, many times."

The four men, however, said their intention was to get to know the GSA members, not upset them.

"Relationships between homosexuals and Bible-believing Christians definitely need to be improved," Ealy said. "That's why

we went to the GSA meeting in the first place. We really desired to establish contact and communication and get to know them as people, not as some stereotype."

"We disagree with the practice of homosexuality," De Winkle said. "But that doesn't mean that we shouldn't love people who identify themselves as homosexuals. They are our neighbors, too."

This incident reflects growing tensions between conservative Christians and gays throughout the country. Massachusetts' ruling on gay marriage has outraged conservative groups, and the Episcopal Church is deeply divided over the consecration of a gay bishop.

The issue of tensions between Christians and gays also rose during a World AIDS Day discussion panel last week.

Michael Locke, a Potlatch High School student, asked panelists what they thought of the philosophy that AIDS is God's punishment for gays. The panelists said they were opposed to such ideals.

Mary Ann Judge, a panelist who lost her brother to AIDS in 1998, encouraged Locke to read "The Good Book," by Peter Gomes. The book offers a review of controversial Bible passages dealing with sexuality and race.

"You just need to hear these loving messages, because they're out there," Judge said.

Jenny Beegle, a panelist and District II HIV prevention advo-

cate, shared insight on the Biblical story of Sodom, a story often cited as evidence that homosexuality is a sin.

Beegle said the sin of Sodom was not homosexuality, but hostility toward strangers. She told Locke that if people tell him being a certain way is wrong, he should ask if they know what the sin of Sodom was.

"If they don't know the answer, or if they're standing so firmly on the pages of that Bible that they can't read it because their feet are in the way, talk about that, because that becomes the issue," she said.

"I think conservative Christians have a hard time with homosexuality because they've either never been around people who are gay or they don't want to understand that point of view," said Britni Blacketter, a Christian UI student at the panel.

"I don't believe that homosexuality is right as a Christian, but I also believe that as a Christian I am called to love gay people the same as anyone else, and I have no right to judge them."

Tension between gays and Christians can stem from debate over whether homosexuality is inherent or a choice. GSA co-chair Remington Hanson dismisses the idea that it is a choice.

"What I believe is that it's genetic and inherent, and even if it's not entirely genetic, then whatever environmental issues cause the development of homosexuality ... are really irreversible by the time that you're homosexual," Hanson said.

Gay Christian Aimee Stormo said after difficulties reconciling her beliefs with her sexuality, she came to look at homosexuality in a new way.

"If you want to insist that there is a choice ... I look at the choice being you can either choose to recognize the fact that you're gay, or you can choose to ignore it," Stormo said. But she said she often feels hurt and frustrated by conflict between the two groups.

"I've been torn between those two things, sides that are just kind of warring at each other all the time it seems like," Stormo said. "I think both sides have kind of suffered, and I don't think it needs to be that way. I just think people need to learn to step back from what they were taught and look at things with an open mind and with empathy, with just the fact in mind that not everyone is like you. People are different; that's not a bad thing."

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**REVIEW**

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"It was, in our opinion, an unauthorized use of UI funds," the review also stated.

The review stated improper business practices made it difficult to assess the full cost of the project. The review stated its assessment of costs is incomplete because Wallace erased all files pertaining to the University Place project from a UI-owned laptop and UI desktop computers entrusted to him.

The attorney general's office recovered all documents from Wallace's desktop but only had a few months to review these documents. None of the laptop files were recovered.

"The total cost of the project may never be known with certainty,"

according to the review. "One thing is certain, however, the project will fiscally impact both the UI and the UIF for many years to come."

The review also faulted the relationship between UI and the SBOE, calling it an "adversarial" one. The report stated, "It was reported that UI leaders were suspicious of whether the SBOE's true motivation in raising questions about the viability of the Project was an effort to ensure that the Project did not succeed. This could possibly have been a result of what was described to us as the 'Vandal effect,' namely the culture of 'if you are not with us, you must be against us.'"

On Oct. 9, Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne was asked by the Argonaut to give a general comment on the financial indiscretions involved with the

University Place project. Kempthorne gave this response:

"First of all what you said (regarding financial indiscretions), I would not say that. The University Place project is a great idea that happened at the wrong time."

University Place was intended as a UI-Idaho State University educational complex located in downtown Boise that would include the Idaho Water Center, a research facility for master's students in hydrology, the Thomas Wright Learning Center, a general study building and an auditorium complex.

The Idaho Water Center will be largely empty when it is finished. Only one UI department, the Idaho Department of Water Resources, has committed to moving into the building. The review stated original projections for the

University Place project were that it would be filled to capacity.

The scope of the project proved to be beyond the fiscal means of UI. It was supposed to cost \$136 million with \$88 million being used for the Thomas Wright Learning Center and the auditorium complex, and \$48 million being used for the Idaho Water Center.

UI ran out of money for the project. The learning center and the auditorium complex were never built. The Idaho Water Center will be completed in 2004. It has placed the UI Foundation, the fund-raising arm of UI, approximately \$25,300,000 in debt as of Sept. 30.

UI is paying off this debt and funding the total cost of the project by selling \$54,725,000 in bonds that UI will pay back from now until 2043. The bonds were sold in June.

**SAMI**

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would construct a dirty bomb that could be used to pollute the environment with radioactive material.

Dickinson discounted these claims. He said al-Hussayen had moved his desk to an upstairs computer lab, while the isotope radioactive material was locked on the basement level.

"I don't think there's any validity to that accusation," Dickinson said.

Elizabeth Brandt is a professor in the UI College of Law and a board member of the American Civil Liberties Union of Idaho. She has been an active supporter for al-Hussayen. She also commented on the al-Hussayen desk move during an interview Tuesday afternoon.

"So what?" Brandt said. "Students are always looking for quiet places to study. It doesn't strike me as unusual. There are other locked buildings on campus where students have 24-hour access."

Any UI student can gain 24-hour access to the Administration Building and the SUB basement by asking ITS to grant access. Brandt said the UI College of Law

has 24-hour access for all UI law students.

Monica Schurtman, a UI law professor and lawyer for Maha al-Hussayen, said the federal government has used underhanded tactics to undermine both Sami's and Maha's civil liberties. Schurtman said Maha was scheduled for deportation proceedings during Sami's hearing, at which she was supposed to testify on his behalf.

"Processing took five hours. It was conveniently timed with the duration of Sami's hearing," Schurtman said.

She also said Maha's deportation may be illegal. Schurtman acquired an authenticated diplomatic note from the U.S. embassy in Riyadh to the government of Saudi Arabia. The message was dated Oct. 27. The note stated Maha would be deported Nov. 10 and listed her flight number and arrival time. Schurtman said Maha's deportation hearing was not scheduled until Nov. 27 and every person is guaranteed 30 days to appeal a deportation order.

Schurtman said scheduling a deportation before the deportation hearing takes place and before the 30-day appeal may be a violation of Maha's right to appeal.

Maha voluntarily agreed Nov. 7 to be deported. She has 120 days to leave the country and must leave before March 6. Sami's trial is scheduled for Jan. 13.

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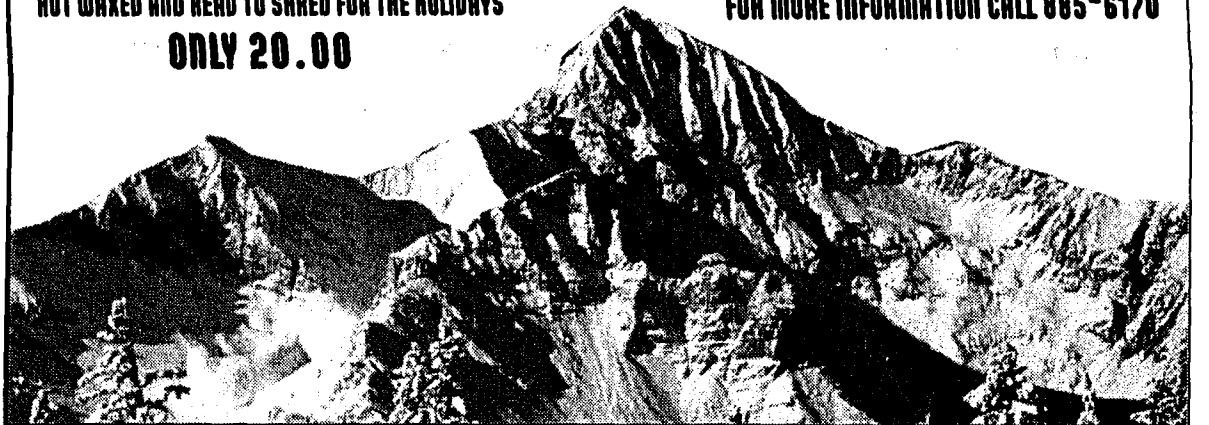
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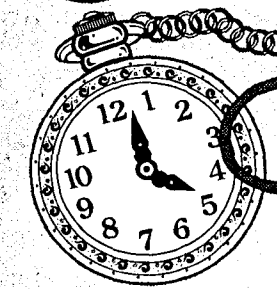
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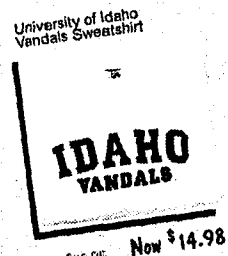
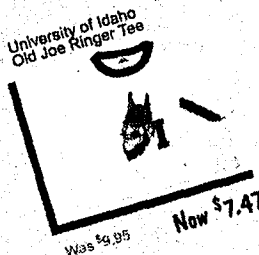
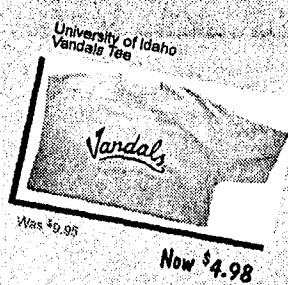
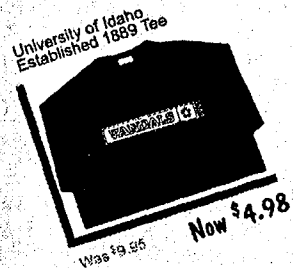


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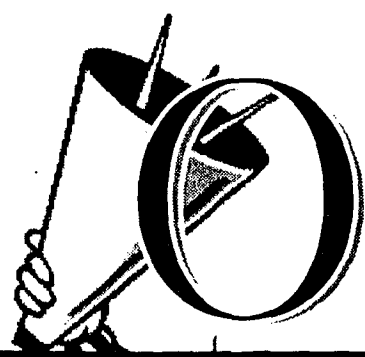
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## MAILBOX

### The bloodier the better

Dear editor,  
Vandals have helped save nearly 850 lives by donating blood at American Red Cross blood drives this semester. I would like to thank everyone who donated and volunteered at this semester's drives. They have been a tremendous success and are helping make this the "Bloodiest Campus" in Idaho.

That number of 850 lives is remarkable, especially considering that most units donated to the Red Cross stay local to help patients at our community hospitals including Gritman Medical Center and Pullman Memorial Hospital.

Our effort is far from over and your help is needed now as much as ever. There are nine American Red Cross blood drives scheduled for Spring 2004 and one drive with the Inland Northwest Blood Center.

Please give blood if you can. You help save the lives of as many as three people each time you do. If you are unable to donate, please volunteer to work at a drive.

The need for blood in our community is constantly growing and donations from the UI community are vital to filling that need. Thank you for helping save a life.

Justin Eslinger  
ASUI blood drive coordinator

### Christianity finally gets its props

Dear editor,  
Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!! I just finished reading Joy's 12/5 column and I love it. I have often said the same thing in conversations with others. Why is it all right for the Argonaut to promote Islamism or Hinduism, or any other ism, but Christianity can only be mentioned negatively?

The Bible does not tell us to hate sinners; if we did we would hate ourselves. The Bible tells us to hate sin but love the sinner. Jesus was a perfect example of this.

Thank you again. I hope you will continue to present a similar views in next semester's Argonauts.

Dennis Lincks  
Student Records Services specialist

### Christ Church members can work for me

Dear editor,  
Response to Christ Church ad in Argonaut: I am grateful to learn from you Christ Church folks that my friends, community and I are humorless dullards. It is surely because we are all overworked and far too busy. But, praise be, there is a way to our salvation! Slaves could carry our burdens and lift us out of drudgery. Who could be better than you to fill that important role? In fact, I'm sure you must consider it your Christian duty to become our slaves. After all, reverend, you proclaim slavery is consistent with the Bible and all.

Rev, that is one hell, er, heck of an idea you came up with. By the way, when are you going to start? I have a lot of chores that need doing.

Gary Macfarlane  
Moscow

### Support Alternative One fee proposal

Dear editor,  
Throughout this semester, ASUI has worked closely with university administrators in the student fee process. This process resulted in two plans that were submitted to President Michael before Thanksgiving: Alternative One calling for a 7.05 percent student fee increase and Alternative Two calling for a 9.9 percent increase. President Michael chose to endorse Alternative Two.

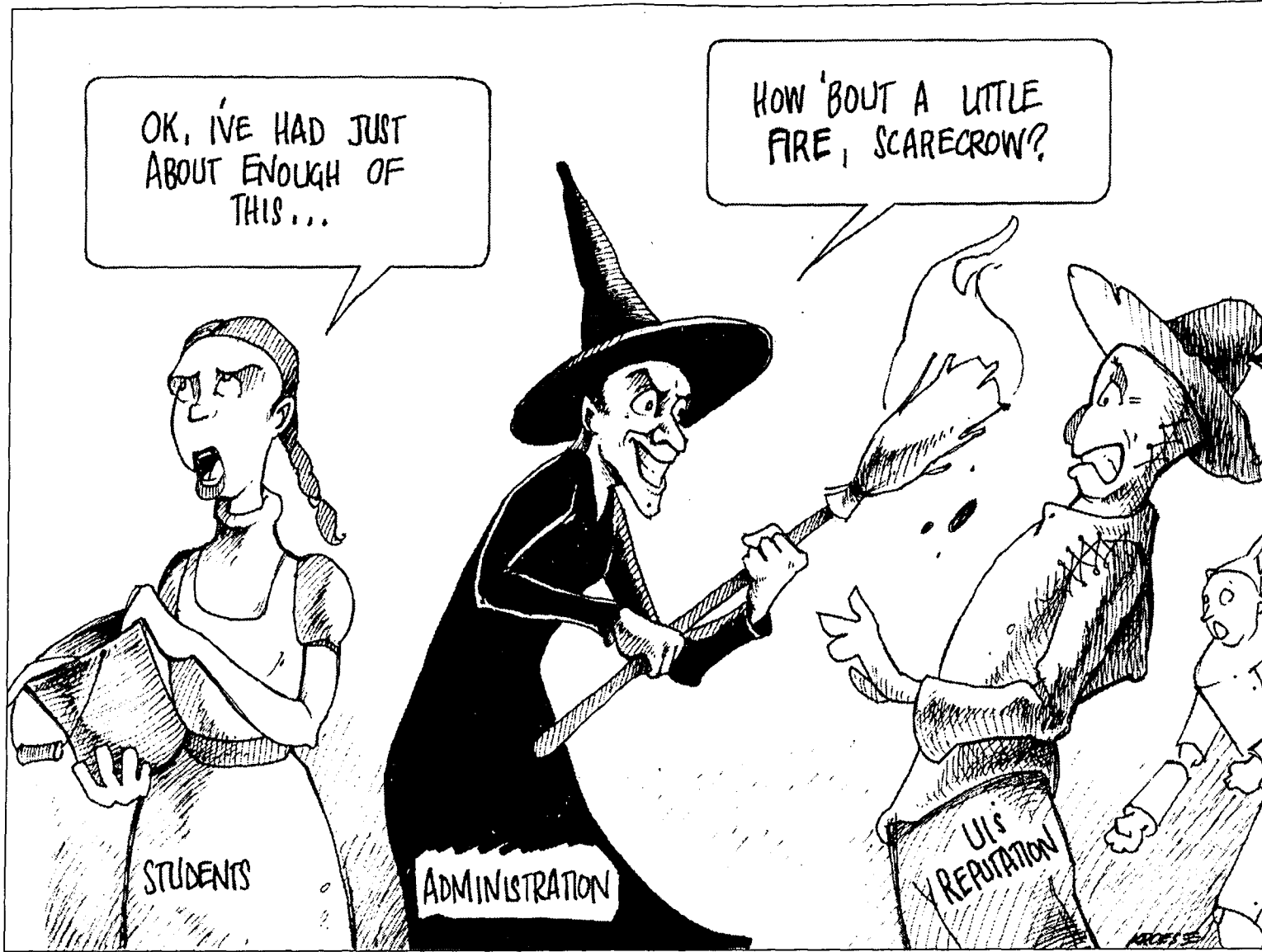
ASUI endorses Alternative One and will argue for this plan before the State Board of Education in January.

For nine of the past 10 years, UI students have seen annual student fee increases of at least 9 percent. Most of the fee increases that students have endured have been used for matriculation, backfilling mounting deficits at UI instead of supporting much needed student activities and programs.

Matriculation is the only difference between the 7.05 and 9.9 percent plans. This is the amount of student fee that goes towards the maintenance of continuing operations at the university. It also forms the largest portion of our student fee (nearly \$1,000 of our \$1,674 for in-state fees in 2002-03 went to this fund). Matriculation dollars lack accountability and are nearly

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## OURVIEW



## Students rise above administration woes

Many of you undoubtedly saw the big headline Wednesday: "UI may have broken law."

It's another black eye for the university, another tick mark on a long list of shady mishaps over the past year. The mistakes of a few have cast a long shadow on the whole of UI, and everyone is taking notice. It's an unfortunate turn of events that takes away from what college should really be about: the students.

We did not mishandle any funds or make any under-the-table deals, yet we share a reputation with our administration, whether it's fair or not. If they look bad, we look bad.

But all this negative attention doesn't have to be what people associate with UI. We the students must take the initiative

for the sake of this institution.

No matter what those in authority do, we have always had the power to make the University of Idaho great. It has historically been a first-rate school because of the exceptional students it attracts and turns out.

As you all head home for the holidays, remember that a new year is just around the corner. The year 2004 can be one for the books if we all do our part.

Get involved in your living communities, find out about ASUI, go to sporting events, join a club or simply study hard. Be the best student-athlete, researcher or artist you can be.

Make the University of Idaho about students once again. Don't give the public any more reason to doubt our capabilities.

It's time to prove the naysayers wrong.

The headlines shouldn't get us down. The Argonaut recognizes the potential for greatness on this campus and encourages all of its readers to step up to the plate.

UI boasts dozens of registered student organizations, excellent facilities, competitive academics, a strong heritage and a beautiful campus. The student body has nothing to be ashamed of and everything to be proud of.

We can't change the past or undo the wrongs committed by some of our trusted leaders. What we can do is let our reputation as students at UI speak for itself.

Merry Christmas from the Argonaut and go Vandals!

J.B.

## My 'soul' purpose

Editor reveals the meaning of life before her departure from college

I'm graduating Saturday and leaving my Argonaut stomping grounds. I have no job lined up after the new year, more than \$15,000 in school loans to repay, no health insurance whatsoever, my parents just separated and 90 percent of my clothes are from Goodwill.

Yet each day of my life I feel completely spoiled. My favorite author, C.S. Lewis, once said, "You don't have a soul, you are a soul. You have a body." If you get that, then you'll understand a little of why I'm so hopelessly happy every day.

I believe if more people were taught to embrace this concept as a mantra for life, we'd all be better off.

Why should you care what I think? No particular reason. I'm just a college student like most of you, with all sorts of thoughts swimming through my head at any given time. Perhaps if I properly introduced myself, my opinion might carry more weight.

My name is Joy Elizabeth Barbour and I am 23 years old, about to get my bachelor's in journalism and mass communication with a political science

minor. For more than three years, I've had two interesting jobs at this university. If you've attended any of the Borah Blockbuster movies since the fall of 2000, I've sold you your ticket. If you've gone since the fall of last year, as ASUI film chair I picked out the film you saw. Thanks for coming, by the way.

My bigger commitment has been here, at the Argonaut. I've designed many of the Argonaut pages you've read over the past two-and-a-half years. I've gone from paginator to copy desk chief to managing editor, and loved every minute of it. Thanks for reading.

Random side note: To Mr. Feldman, Mr. Morse et al (RE: my tolerance column) — I appreciate your thoughts. "They believe..." should have read "The Bible teaches..." Respectfully, see Romans 1:27, 1 Corinthians 6:9 and Webster's definition of "phobia."

So I was born in Boise and spent my younger years in a trailer with little money, but lots of love. I always liked Mister Rogers better than Sesame Street. The first time I remember the feeling of compassion was at 4 years of age, watching "The Elephant Man."

I have smart and loving parents, three beautiful sisters, an amazing big brother, a perfect baby nephew, wonderful extended family, an exceptional circle of friends and (sorry for ruining your chances, ladies) the best boyfriend on earth.

Random side note: To my faithful readers (RE: my "Friends" column) — My dream of seeing the show live will be realized next month, because of that column. A special thank you to a certain producer's sister.

Anyway, I was home-schooled through eighth grade before joining the ranks of the public school system and value both experiences equally. I tried Gonzaga for a year, but couldn't afford to stay.

I love that I'm graduating from the University of Idaho.

My heritage is mostly Scottish and I'm a textbook middle child. Autumn's my favorite season, I think Bono is the coolest cat around and there are really only two super "girly" things about me: I think spiders are minions from hell sent to torment me and I have an unhealthy fascination with weddings.

I also have some paradoxical qualities in that I'm a chill, laidback person, but I feed off busy stress in the work place. And I avoid studying at all costs but love to learn in class.

I wear my emotions on my sleeve because I'm a very open person, probably too open at times.

But the most important thing to know about me is that for my first three years of college, I lived in a self-made emotional prison. I had rejected many of the principles my parents instilled in exchange for overindulgence in what our generation has termed "living

it up" and "being young."

I was less healthy and less happy than I'd ever been. My life was made up of one hollow, temporarily satisfying experience after another.

Last fall God woke me up and literally pulled me out of my jumbled existence. I started making good decisions and found that as I limited my actions, life suddenly seemed limitless. It's by His grace that I'm who I am today.

Then I was blessed unbelievably when a guy named Jake came into my life. I know his love is a direct result of the changes I went through.

You see, life is not about how many ways you can gratify or beautify your body. It's about nourishing your soul.

It's about ignoring our world's preoccupation with outward appearances and physical pleasures to grasp the unbridled potential of your whole being.

It's about not seeing the glass as half empty or half full, but being so grateful you have a glass.

Faith is what causes my soul to thrive.

So feed your soul. Don't suffocate it, don't drown it out. Learn, love, experience, search, feel, believe, imagine, dare... live.

Thank you fellow Argonauts for adding to one of my greatest growing experiences.

This, friends, is my parting thought:

God created souls to be sponges for life. Soak it up.

## Writer says so long, farewell

Traditionally, the last article an opinion columnist writes is a sort of goodbye with more than a healthy dose of advice thrown in. I am generally not one for doing things simply because they have been done before, but this time of

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year often fills me with a desire to connect to the past.

This year, my condition is compounded by the memory-gathering that accompanies graduation. So in the great tradition of those who have opined in the Arg long

before I, let the goodbyes begin.

Thank goodness I'm finally done. While my time here has been important to my formation as an adult (at least, I'm told I'm now an adult), it's time to gather up my diploma and make way for others.

I loved going to school. I'm a nerd, as I've proudly declared on many occasions. However, when I say I loved school, please don't think I'm a masochist who derives giddy pleasure from penning 10-page papers comparing and contrasting various theories on the role of explicit grammar instruction. Don't think I haven't been bored senseless by lectures.

However, the moment when a nebulous theory suddenly becomes clear, when all the connections suddenly make sense, when the mind begins to buzz, thinking of new ways to apply these ideas, these are the moments of true learning that make sitting through all those lectures, taking all those notes, reading all those pages and cramming for all those tests truly worthwhile.

To the professors and instructors — good, mediocre and awful — thank you. Happily, the good vastly outnumber the rest. I gained something from even my most hated professors, even if it was merely a reminder that knowledge can be a burden if one uses it only to demonstrate his or her intelligence.

Thanks to my friends, past and present, who helped form memories that will last far beyond my knowledge of the Latin supine. I figured out who I was and who I wanted to become in large part because of such friends.

Thanks cannot express my gratitude toward my loved ones — stretching from Idaho to Kansas to Germany and Kuwait — for all that they've done in helping me be the opinionated, strong adult that I am today. Though I don't say it nearly as often as I should, I love you all.

Finally, thanks to those who read my articles with an open mind. I never set out to offend or annoy anyone, though this is a by product of the job. My hope is that my articles gave you something to think about, or helped you form your own opinion about an issue.

And so, we come to the end, once again, this time for good. Congratulations and best of luck to the class of 2003, and best wishes to all the rest.

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impossible to follow. They are spent as a part of the university's general education fund.  
 In the 7.05 percent plan, approximately 65 percent of the increase in student fees would be spent on student life improvements such as wireless technology, fields, concerts, lectures and student advising services. Each of these spending items can be line itemed to the penny, allowing for complete financial transparency. All of these items make the University of Idaho a unique residential campus. By focusing on enhancements to student services, we

can improve the quality of life at this campus and help maintain the value of a University of Idaho degree.

In the 7.05 percent plan, the remaining 35 percent of the increase will go to matriculation. Student fee dollars can only be part of the solution to all of the financial troubles currently plaguing the university. This year alone, UI has to find an additional \$6 million to continue to operate. A portion of this deficit (\$2.5 million) will come in the form of cuts to programs, faculty and operations. This is part of the five-year plan enacted by former President Hoover to help deal with the \$11 million shortfall caused by legislative cuts to higher education in 2002.

The largest part of this operating deficit (approximately \$3 million) will be covered if the State

Legislature passes a Maintenance of Continuing Operations budget (MCO) during the 2004 session. An MCO will provide UI with a budgetary increase of 2.5 percent. ASUI will lobby hard for an MCO in the State Legislature this winter in Boise.

This leaves \$500,000 in deficit that must be covered by some other source of income to the university. Student fees have been targeted as that source. The 7.05 percent plan endorsed by ASUI covers this portion of the deficit — no more and no less. In the best interests of our education, we as UI students do unfortunately have to pay for some of the fiscal mess left at this university from mistakes made in previous years by former administrators.

However, it is impossible to solve the financial problems at UI through student fees alone. Even if student fees were raised 30 percent this year, and

every dollar went to matriculation, we could not fill this university's budget holes.

The 9.9 percent plan endorsed by President Michael puts all of the additional increases into matriculation. We do not believe it is necessary to tax UI students an additional 3 percent. These additional matriculation dollars would only act as a mere drop in the bucket regarding UI financial difficulties.

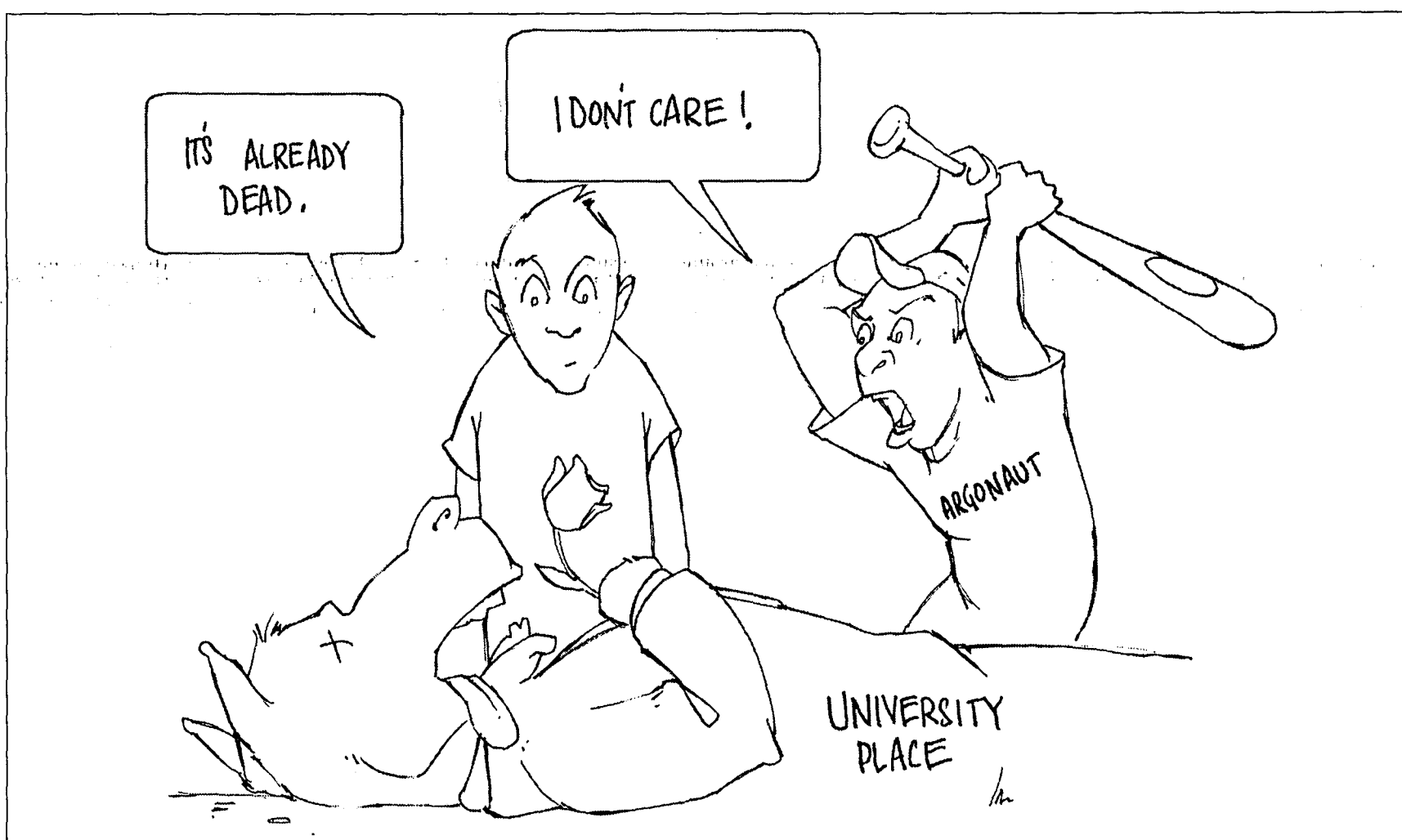
The 7.05 percent plan is the only feasible option for UI students. It is the smallest fee increase in recent history, it benefits student activities and programs predominantly, and is more accountable to students than a large increase to matriculation.

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OUR VIEW'S ALTERNATE ART



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Many death penalty supporters lack cause

They deserve to die, don't they? Those monsters who take people's lives for what seems to be no good reason are sick and have no place in the world. Anyone who thinks its OK to shoot random people from a sniper rifle or kill 48 women just because, needs to die — or do they?

JOSH STUDDOR  
 Argonaut staff



With the recent high-profile cases involving mass murderers Gary Leon Ridgway, the Green River Killer and John Allen Muhammad, the D.C. sniper, the issue of the death penalty seems to be a topic that should again be addressed. Their deplorable acts are mind-blowing and seem as though, if nothing else, they should be punishable by death. Anyone who can kill 48 women just grates on our moral fiber.

But is it right? What is the point of the death penalty and why is it so broadly banded across the globe if it is a justifiable thing? The answer is it's not right — especially for any nation that claims to be civilized.

Regardless of how equitably the punishment is handed out or whether or not innocent people can be put to death, capitol punishment is wrong.

First is the reason capitol punishment exists. It exists because of human's animalistic desire for revenge. Proponents claim capitol punishment is a deterrent, but that is just not the case.

According to Amnesty International's home page, "Scientific studies have consistently failed to find convincing evidence that the death penalty deters crime more effectively than other punishments." They go on to quote study after study as well as United Nations findings.

On a more practical level, did the existence of the death penalty keep Ridgway or Muhammad from their mass killings? Does a killer in a crime of passion stop to think about the results of his actions? The answer is no. Specifically in the Ridgway case, Washington has and uses the death penalty, but he continued killing for something like 20 years. There is not a legitimate claim that the death penalty is any sort of real deterrent.

The death penalty also is not cheap. True, if the convicted were taken out and shot immediately following his sentence it would be cheaper, but that doesn't happen. The convicted is allowed to appeal his case and is made to sit on death row for years before he is actually put to death.

Ultimately it comes down to the fact that the death penalty is used simply for the sake of the victims' families. The revenge factor is what drives the penalty, and that is not a good enough reason for it to exist.

I find it ironic that the main proponents of the death penalty in the United States seem to be conservative Christians. I'm not saying all Christians are for the death penalty, but it is true that the Religious Right tends to be more for capitol punishment than other groups.

I find this ironic for a few reasons. First, most of the Religious Right is pro-life because taking a life of a baby is murder. Yet for some reason these same people think taking the life of a murderer or an enemy combatant is fine. This does not logically follow.

Second, Jesus was a pacifist. He did not advocate violence against anyone. Instead he told his followers to turn the other cheek. Now, I'm not saying we should let people get away with murder — a life sentence is fine — but I am saying Jesus would not have condoned killing anyone.

Admittedly, The Bible does condone the death penalty. Deuteronomy 19:21 reads, "Sho no pity: Life for life, eye for eye..." However, in Matthew 5:38 Jesus teaches, "You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' But I tell you, do not resist an evil person..." Basically, Jesus revamped the law and told people to not use the eye for an eye standard.

Christians should be among those opposed to the death penalty; that's one of the many reasons I am one. As a nation we should follow the example of the 112 countries that have abolished the death penalty. It is barbaric and even in appalling cases like the Green River Killer should never be used.

**CAMPUSTALK**

**Snow can be beautiful but problematic**

BY BEN HAWKEN  
 DAILY EVERGREEN

PULLMAN, Wash. (U-WIRE) — As I drove out of town for Thanksgiving break, I witnessed the always magical first snow of the year.

Once upon a time I spent two years living in Philadelphia, and in the "City of Brotherly Love" the onset of the snowy season was always welcomed because it meant all the garbage would be hidden for a couple weeks.

This deceiving layer of purity never lasted very long.

Within a few days the rain would come and mix the blanket of white snow with the indigenous motor oil and empty 40-ounce containers that lie just beneath the surface.

It never took long for entire oceans of slush to accumulate everywhere, and most of inner-Philly would be turned into a big, dirty margarita — complete with rock salt around the edges.

For someone who grew up in Western Washington, the blizzards we would get in Pennsylvania seemed like the end of the world.

In my entire life I had seen two feet of accumulated snow in my front yard — total. In Pennsylvania I would wake up and find three feet on top of my car every other day.

Just to make the snow more fun, Mother Nature would also provide an East Coast specialty that I had never conceived of: ice storms.

These would occur whenever the temperature dipped below zero while it was

raining. I've never been a scientist, but I do know that that defies every law of nature known to man.

Let me restate the phenomenon: It was raining while the temperature was below freezing.

I have filled enough ice cube trays to know that water stops being water when you freeze it and it should therefore fall to the ground as easily manageable flakes of snow — not as a substance that creates a layer of ice on whatever it happens to touch.

But it happened. I watched it. This menacing layer of ice just covered everything in sight.

The next morning you'd find your car cemented to the ground by a three-inch coating of ice.

There are a lot of ways to get the day off to a bad start, but in my estimation the worst way is by getting down on your hands and knees and chipping off the layer of ice on your tires with a rock from the driveway.

After you had freed your tires from the pavement, you only had to wait for the ice that had frozen inside all the cracks on your door to thaw.

As soon as you were in your car you could finally go wherever you were headed.

But when I say "go wherever you were headed," I mean slide down the road diagonally, and often backwards, because no one else had the decency to break all the ice off the roads with rocks from their driveway.

I will use space in some other column to recount the three hours I spent digging my car out of a snow drift thanks to the forces of an ice storm and a gentle curve in the road.

In the meantime, take it easy on those roads.

And, just in case, bring along a rock.

**This isn't 'the holiday' — it's Christmas!**

BY JEFF MORRISON  
 IOWA STATE DAILY (IOWA STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) AMES, Iowa — There has been a disturbing trend going on at this time every year. Last year and in years past, it had only lurked in the background, by and large being correctly generic. But this year, it seems many of the pretenses have been ignored, and the conspicuous absence of the correct term is both disturbing and annoying.

By what seems to be a mutual agreement, everyone in the media is walking around afraid to say the C-word.

Christmas. In the past, in attempts to be inclusive, there was the referral to "the holidays" or "the holiday season," implying more than one. That's OK. But in a variety of places, when the packaging, Santa and all, indicates a referral to one of those specific holidays, it is being referred to as just "Holiday."

The lead to an article in Tuesday's USA Today is a perfect example of this awkward construction:

"Expect Santa's sleigh to be heavy with DVDs this season. With DVD players now in 50 million U.S. homes, retailers are aiming at the family market this holiday."

"This holiday," the phrase grates on the ears. In the five paragraphs of the short article, reference is made to "season," "holiday," "holiday season," and "seasonal product." The only appearance of "Christmas" is in the titles of the various DVDs—all of which had to do with Christmas.

Could this be written off as a simple synonym replacement? Perhaps, but that

would require the word to be a good synonym in the first place, and the strange way it rolls off the tongue in this sentence doesn't make it one.

It would be easier to ignore if it were the only example. However, there is plenty of the same around. Consider the following:

A commercial for PetSmart starts out with a couple decorating a tree, which is quite obviously a Christmas tree, and the wife says it's their pet's "first holiday." What, the dog wasn't around for Thanksgiving?

Two Cedar Rapids radio stations duking it out for seasonal song supremacy, WMT-FM (96.5) and KDAT-FM (104.5), run tags saying they're "your holiday music station." So does KLT-FM (104.1) in Des Moines. No, I'm sorry, but the three different renditions of "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" and the rest of the playlist, without reference to any other holiday, make them Christmas music stations.

An ad for Kay Jewelers in USA Today a few weeks back started out with the words "This Holiday" with the H capitalized, as if it were a proper noun. When it looks like that, it's not just a simple typographical error.

One of the trailers on the "Santa Clause 2" DVD was for a new Disney video based on "Lilo and Stitch." For the release date, it said "Holiday 2003."

That's it. Any one of those above items might not be serious, but taken together, it has all the signs of an epidemic. They aren't talking about "the holidays," plural. They aren't talking about "the holiday season." They are consciously substituting a bland non-specific word and passing it off as attempting to be inclusive, or at least inoffensive.

No, Virginia, there is no "Christmas."

The baby Jesus has been sacrificed not only to the deity of commercialism but to that of political correctness. At the rate things are going, we'll be lucky if the worst editing done to "A Charlie Brown Christmas" is the current hack job ABC does by putting commercials where they were never meant to be.

If the animators wanted to begin creating that show now, and have Linus tell us what Christmas is all about, would the project ever get off the ground, or would we have to endure "A Charlie Brown Holiday"?

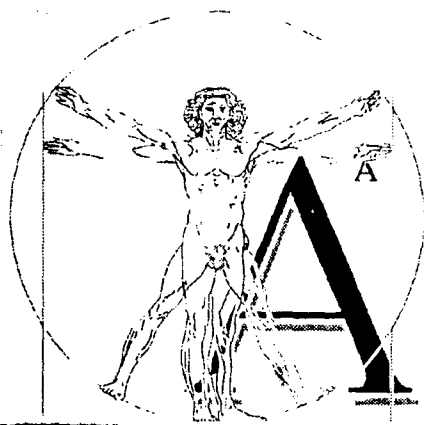
There is a fine line between inclusiveness and political correctness for political correctness' sake, and it has been crossed this year. It was one thing for places like Iowa State to substitute long-held Christmas celebrations to names like "Festival of Lights" and to call those decorated evergreens "holiday trees."

It is another for the media to deck the halls with red and green, to have all the trimmings and trappings associated with the Christmas celebration, and then call it "holiday."

Yes, there are other religions holding celebrations around this time. Yes, those celebrations deserve to be recognized. But at no other time are those names being corrupted or completely axed in favor of a word that carries multiple connotations.

With the illustrations above, and myriad others that point to one celebration and one only, incorporation of that word into both news and advertising is nothing more than a politically correct maneuver to evict the name of Christ from the holiday that celebrates his birth.

When talking about preparing for Dec. 25, call it like it is. It has its own name. Don't backtrack and go bland for fear of someone singling you out for saying the C-word.



# ARTS & CULTURE



Choirs from Moscow schools practice together Wednesday afternoon for the coming Christmas Choir Concert.

DANIEL BICKLEY / ARGONAUT

## Holiday Concert lets school choirs shine

BY JON ROSS  
ARGONAUT STAFF

Local high school and elementary school music programs will display their talent at the annual Holiday Concert at 8 p.m. tonight in the Kibbie Dome.

The concert is billed as the Lionel Hampton School of Music's gift to the community and will feature more than 600 singers and instrumentalists from the surrounding area.

Schools from as far away as Coeur d'Alene participate in the concert, which grows bigger each year. Professor Dan Bukvich says it has become the "holiday event of the Palouse."

"It's a celebration of what the area and regional schools are accomplishing," said Terry Evans, director of conferences and events.

In addition to the 16 choirs that sing in the concert, including the Moscow Arts Commission Youth Choir and choirs from Russell and West Park Elementary Schools, there are also a number of instrumental performances. A percussion ensemble and a woodwind choir will provide accompaniment to the songs.

University Jazz Band IV, an ensemble consisting of students and faculty from the Lionel Hampton School of Music, and the Alpine Carillon community bell choir will also perform.

"It's fun to see the kids who want to come sing," said Spencer Martin, assistant professor of percussion. Martin said he believes the concert provides a relaxing, enjoyable night that serves as a break before finals week. Bukvich agreed, saying it's nice to have children on campus at Christmas time.

Dan Hunt, a journalism major, has been singing in various choirs since the third grade and remembers singing with the Arts Commission Choir as a kid. "I thought (the concert) was bigger than anything I would ever know," Hunt said. He said people come to the concert mainly to hear the youth choirs.

The majority of the program consists of classic holiday music, and all of the arrangements, some written by university students, give the holiday spirit a certain swing. Each choir has a feature piece in addition to involvement in four songs that include all participants.

Bukvich arranged a good portion of the music that will be heard tonight. All of the combined choir songs, including the holiday medleys, have passed through his hands.

Bukvich said he gets ideas for the medleys by asking children what they would like to sing. By going up to different choirs at the Friday afternoon rehearsal and asking for input he gets a variety of answers. A fusion "of The Music Man and The Little Mermaid" is just one example of the responses he has heard through the years.

This fusion of popular songs extends past the Christmas medleys and surfaces in some of Jazz Choir I's main numbers. "Blackbird," a song for women's choir, draws material from the Paul McCartney song, and "Soolaimón" is an idiosyncratic take on a Neil Diamond classic.

The 180-person Jazz Choir I ensemble includes majors that represent every college department on campus, Bukvich said. The choir rehearses in the music school, but only 20-25 percent of the members are music majors.

Bill Cole, university productions assistant, is responsible for figuring out how to usher 600 kids on and off risers without making too much of a racket.

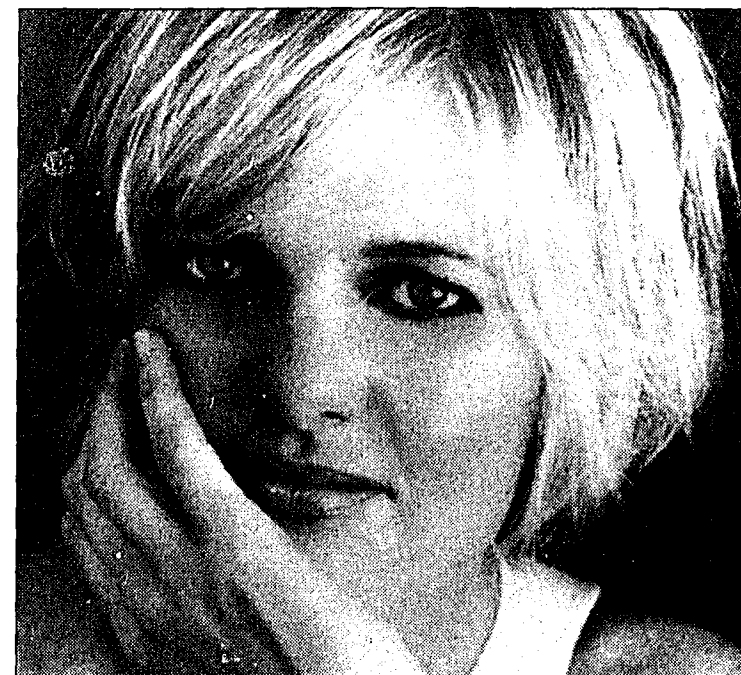
He has designed schematic drawings of the whole concert, one for each song, and will provide choir directors with a personalized list of instructions. This highly orchestrated process insures that everything goes smoothly and that every choir ends up in the right place at the right time.

One way to ease through some of the transitions is with the use of musical interludes played by a string ensemble between pieces. These musical snippets provide the audience with the key and mood of the next piece and make the concert flow. Once the concert starts the music doesn't stop until the end, Cole said. The interludes, composed by Bukvich, are modeled on the first page of each song.

The Holiday Concert was conceived in the mid-1980s by Bukvich and former director of the Arts Commission Choir Melissa Kleinert. It was previously held in the 437-seat Administration Auditorium, Evans said. At that time three shows were produced and that wasn't even enough to accommodate demand.

"We would turn away about 200 people per show," Evans said. Now the audience has grown to about 5,000 people.

The only area on campus that could safely house that many people is the Kibbie Dome. Preparations for the concert began Tuesday night after the basketball game and lasted through Thursday afternoon. After the concert the staff will start setting up for Saturday's commencement.



COURTESY PHOTO

Carol Welsman's singing will be added to the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival next spring.

## Jazz Fest announces next spring's lineup

BY CHRIS KORNELIS  
ARGONAUT STAFF

Carol Welsman caught the ear of Lynn Skinner, Skinner, director of the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival, a UI staple each February, is excited to bring Welsman to Moscow for her first appearance at the festival.

"She is just an outstanding and powerful vocalist," Skinner said as he played a track from her album, "The Language of Love." "We were really hunting to find something very special for that Friday night (of the festival). We wanted another to go with Jane Monheit."

Welsman is just one of dozens of performers he has stockpiled for next semester's festival. Those familiar with the festival will recognize performers from last year, including Monheit, Roy Hargrove, Lou Rawls, Freddy Cole and Russell Malone.

Skinner said he plans at least a year in advance and has already begun making plans for LHJF 2005. As most performers are backed by the house band, it's important for the band to be on the same page musically, Skinner said.

"If people don't mesh well together musically, you could buy some bad cake in a hurry," he said.

Every year artists give Skinner welcome suggestions on who to bring to the festival. In addition to artists' ideas, he has a stack of CDs on his desks, all of artists hoping to land at his Jazz Festival.

Skinner said the toughest acts to book are the big-name vocalists who book far in advance. Artists like Diana Krall and Diana Reeves, who got their break at the festival, would like to play it again but cannot always fit it into their schedules.

"When these people are busy and doing well and being here helped bring them there, it brings joy to our hearts," Skinner said.

Dealing with budget cuts, Skinner said artists have been generous and the festival has done well with what it has. He said some artists have agreed to lower fees to help stay under budget — especially players who have been figureheads at the festival.

In response to the sentiment that the festival brings too many of the same artists each year, Skinner said there's nothing monotonous about the performances.

"If you bring the best drummer, why switch?" Skinner said. "Nobody here has heard everything that Jeff (Hamilton) can do yet. He's different every night."

Skinner said that when he is luring an artist to come to the festival, sometimes all it takes is dropping the names playing in his house band to seal the deal.

"If we had no-names in the band and I was having to explain to people who they were, artists would only play if they could bring their own band," Skinner said. "The house band's goal is to make everybody playing sound better."

As for the short sets, by headlining acts who could play a two-hour show, Skinner said the focus of the festival is and always will be on education.

"With headlining sets you only get to hear one performer, not five or six or seven," Skinner said. "Your understanding of how the music might be is much greater with varied experiences with music."



CHRIS KORNELIS / ARGONAUT

Gerardo Alvarez rings up a customer at Patty's Mexican Kitchen on Sixth Street. The restaurant has added a heated dome behind the store front, that is equipped with tables, chairs, Mexican coffee and a chips and salsa bar.

## Getting fresh: Mexican eatery expands dining area

BY CHRIS KORNELIS  
ARGONAUT STAFF

Sixth Street has suddenly become the easiest place to find a taco this side of Tijuana. Gerardo Alvarez, the proprietor of Patty's Mexican Kitchen, doesn't worry about the other guys.

"They told me Taco Del Mar was coming before I started. They can do their thing and I can do mine," Alvarez said of Sixth Street's newest taco vendor.

Patty's started selling salsa at Moscow's Farmer's Market in 2001. Eventually Alvarez and his wife, Patty, started selling tamales and other Mexican staples. What started out as a way to pay the bills has turned into more than what Alvarez ever expected.

"It has exceeded all my expectations," Alvarez said. "We were planning on enough business for bills and tuition. Now there's no time for school."

Alvarez hopes to go back to studying architecture soon, but has had his hands full developing the dome behind Patty's. Making the winter a little more comfortable for his clientele, which he said is 75 percent students, the dome is insulated and heated and includes tables and chairs. He is also planning an

espresso, desserts, chips and salsa bar, and he wants to provide small meals that can be made fast. Alvarez has also applied for a liquor license to sell beer.

"Beer and tacos, they just go together," Alvarez said. "I want to have beer and taco specials — a bucket of beer and a bucket of tacos. But I don't want to follow what everyone else does."

For Alvarez, breaking the mold means making everything to order and ensuring that all ingredients are made fresh: they shred their own chicken, barbeque their own beef and make salsa fresh every morning.

"We could buy salsa in a can and it would taste like everybody else's," Alvarez said. "We have thousands of recipes for salsa. Most people think tomato. We use Tomatillo: green tomatoes with different flavor. Ours is different."

Alvarez's quality control is simple: Eat the food every day. He said they cook the food at Patty's the same way they do at home, and there's no reason not to eat it every day.

"My customers understand the quality," he said. "We don't get high school students or young kids."

Alvarez said his customers are almost all return customers, so consequently he knows nearly everybody he

serves. Hardly a minute goes by without Alvarez spotting a familiar face. Personal touch is another one of Patty's selling points.

"Customer service is huge with me," Alvarez said.

Alvarez said their recipes come from his father, who died when he was

very young. Patty Alvarez later learned some of the recipes from her husband's sister.

"He used to make these really good tacos for special occasions," Alvarez said of his father. "He would marinate the meat a certain way. That's our Patty's Special."



CHRIS KORNELIS / ARGONAUT

Gerardo Alvarez discusses his new dining room at Patty's Mexican Kitchen.



# 'Samurai' emerges victorious despite obvious imitation

## TAG-TEAM TAKES

BY CHRIS MARTIN  
AND JACOB DENBROOK  
ARGONAUT STAFF

**T**he Last Samurai is the story of a United States cavalryman, Captain Nathan Algren, who is commissioned to go abroad to teach the Japanese army of His Holiness the

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In theaters

Emperor to be soldiers. Once there his men are forced into battle prematurely with Katsumoto, the last samurai warlord who is fighting to retain the "old ways." Captured, Algren begins to learn the ways of the samurai in the mountains.

### The Good

C.M. One cannot help but admire what Edward Zwick's "The Last Samurai" does with narrative. It compares the butchering of Americans Indians by the U.S. Cavalry to the slaughtering of the samurai

played by Ken Watanabe, the leader of a samurai rebellion against the emperor. Surprisingly, Watanabe often overshadows Cruise's acting so much that any scene with Watanabe ranks among the most memorable of "The Last Samurai."

However, Ujio, played wonderfully by Hiroyuki Sanada, one of Katsumoto's right-hand men, was the greatest screen presence.

There are some fantastic scenes in "The Last Samurai" that require mentioning. First, the swordplay is amazing, and one scene in particular has Algren fighting in the rain with practice swords against Ujio, providing possibly the finest moment in the film.

It's also notable that, although following many Hollywood standards — violence, tension, excitement and a happy ending (sort of) — the film doesn't commit itself to sleeping with the cast. That is, although we'd expect Zwick to throw in a little sex between Algren and his hostess, the glowing Koyuki, he doesn't give in to Hollywood pressures, thus maintaining the honor of host and guest.

The action in the movie is fantastic and one of the best reasons to watch it. The samurai vs. the emperor's army toward the end of the third act is intense and involving.

J.D. "The Last Samurai" can't be explained more concisely than this: it is very well-done, but not the best picture of the year. Some have also made the off-hand comment that the film was much better before its makers changed its first title, "Dances with Wolves."

While there may be some merit in this scrutiny, we can't ignore the film's

tasteful epic conventions. First, an epic needs sprawling shots of beautiful landscape. "The Last Samurai" has loads of rotating shots of the jagged landscape of Japan (filmed in New Zealand). Indeed, there is a pervasive moody appeal to the film; the Samurai stronghold is like the Garden of Eden with its pronounced greens. When Algren is in jeopardy, we get dense rain. When the mysterious samurai attack, we see a blanket of mist in the trees.

At its best, "The Last Samurai" gives us everything we expect as audience members who are tired of seeing Leonardo DiCaprio perish in the Atlantic on our DVD copies of "Titanic." There's no pretense in the film, just convention.

The script is solidly composed by "Gladiator's" Steve Logan, although we miss the screen presence Russell Crowe gave to his honorable general. If nothing else, we can break things down to the basics: any Kevin Costner movie without Kevin Costner in it is a good one.

### The Bad

C.M. As much as I wanted to like "The Last Samurai" (and I did to a point), there are far too many glaring problems to be accepted. Algren's cohort and Englishman narrator Simon Graham, played by Timothy Spall, feels like an unnecessary voice that wouldn't have hindered the story had he not been there at all.

There are also terrible computer effects in "The Last Samurai" that look like video-game effects. One scene has Nobutada, Katsumoto's son, shooting arrows at militant Japanese; what is problematic is that the computer-generated arrows he pulls from his back lack



Tom Cruise, right, and Ken Watanabe star in "The Last Samurai," an epic action drama set in 19th century Japan.

a quiver from which to be taken. Does Zwick think us daft? Perhaps he hoped we wouldn't notice.

There is also some terrible dialogue, mostly from the English narrator, but occasionally from Algren. The emperor says to him, "Tell me how he died." Algren replies, "I'll tell you how he lived." It's as if Zwick stole the final monologue of "Gladiator," summarized

it, repackaged it and sold it to us with Tom Cruise.

The biggest problem, however, is the distinct parallel between Zwick's "Last Samurai" and Costner's "Dances with Wolves." It's not even a subtle similarity as the premises of both are the same. While in "Wolves" we see Lt. Dunbar

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This work of art is located in the Memorial gym between the Kiva theatre and PEB Building. It takes on many different forms as one changes perspective.

SAMURAI

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teaching the Indians how to shoot rifles, we see — gasp — Capt. Algren teaching Japanese how to shoot rifles. In "Wolves" Dunbar is outcast by the Indians but soon learns their ways and language, and decides to stay. In "The Last Samurai" Algren becomes an outcast to the Japanese but soon learns their ancient ways and language, and decides to stay. Anyone familiar with "Dances with Wolves" already knows the story of "The Last Samurai."

J.D.: "The Last Samurai" is essentially an American story that happens to have Japanese in it.

The film gives us the feel-good melodrama we expect, and it employs a heightened sense of honor, courage and all the virtues of a hero.

However, the film cannot be completely admired if it merely replaces the persecuted Indians from "Dances with Wolves" with its own persecuted Samurai. Indeed, Cruise's character is merely out-Samurai-ing the Samurai.

In "Braveheart" we see a man willing to die for his freedom and his country. In "The Last Samurai" we see a man willing to die for the culture he just picked up like a stock asset. We surely love to watch Cruise's arrogant officer redeem himself; we just don't like to watch him become a super-Samurai warrior so easily.

Unfortunately, the opposite of this would be an unchanging character, and where's the drama in that? Therefore, we must be content and watch this eloquently directed, solidly acted, predictable story without too much complaining.

The Final Say

C.M.: Entertaining, predictable and problematic to the last drop, "The Last Samurai" probably isn't the last cheesy epic we'll see anytime soon, what with "Troy" just around the corner. You'll like it, you'll dislike it, but it's a damn fine American action flick that just goes a bit too far in the way of drama. It screams "Like me! Like me!"; it's up to you whether you'll pet it or put it down.

J.D.: This movie is solidly entrenched in its convention. Die-hard epic fans will surely want to catch this one as a seat-warmer for next week's "Lord of the Rings" finale. The movie is like Tom Cruise's face; you want to fix parts, like the nose, but the overall product is pretty enough to woo most of us.

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## Vandals romp Great Falls despite slimmer roster

BY MARK WILLIAMS  
ARGONAUT STAFF

While there wasn't much drama in the outcome of the University of Idaho men's basketball team's 81-46 blowout of Great Falls University on Tuesday at Cowan Spectrum, there has been more than enough off the court to make up for it.

Playing for the first time since it was announced that senior post Jon Tinnon and senior guard Zach White had left the team, the remaining players had a much harder time getting used to their teammates' absence than they did in disposing of GFU (4-9).

Tinnon's departure was announced

Monday, and a press release cited physical fatigue as his reason for leaving. Tinnon started all 28 games last year and he appeared in four games this season, averaging 2.2 points and 3.2 rebounds in 15.5 minutes of play.

White followed suit on Tuesday, stating his desire to focus on academics. The finance and accounting major walked on the team last year after transferring from Columbia Basin Junior College and had seen limited action this season, averaging just 0.6 points a game.

"I think our kids want to get down to the bottom of this team," coach Leonard Perry said. "They want to cut the fat. When things aren't going well in terms of wins, things like that happen and

guys decide to go in a different direction ... I know I was extremely focused coming into this game and I thought our team was as well."

"After seeing Jon Tinnon and Zach White leave, that hurt a lot because we felt like they were a part of us," senior forward Tyrone Hayes said. "It kind of took a lot out of us but we knew we had to go on. As far as everything else we've got to focus. ... We're going to do whatever it takes to win no matter who's with us and who's not."

After losing four straight games, as well as the two players, the Vandals appeared overanxious at the start of the first half in anticipation that they could possibly dominate the NAIA-affiliated

Argonauts. The overzealousness led to shakiness and the Vandals found themselves only up 11-9 at the 14:35 mark in the first half.

That would be as close as the Argonauts would come, however, as UI held GSU scoreless for 5:34 and stretched the lead to 21-9. UI never once relinquished the lead, and the Argonauts could only pull to within six one more time before the rout was officially on.

"We felt like we've got to prove a lot," Hayes said. "After the first game we haven't won any, and it's been really hard adjusting to losing."

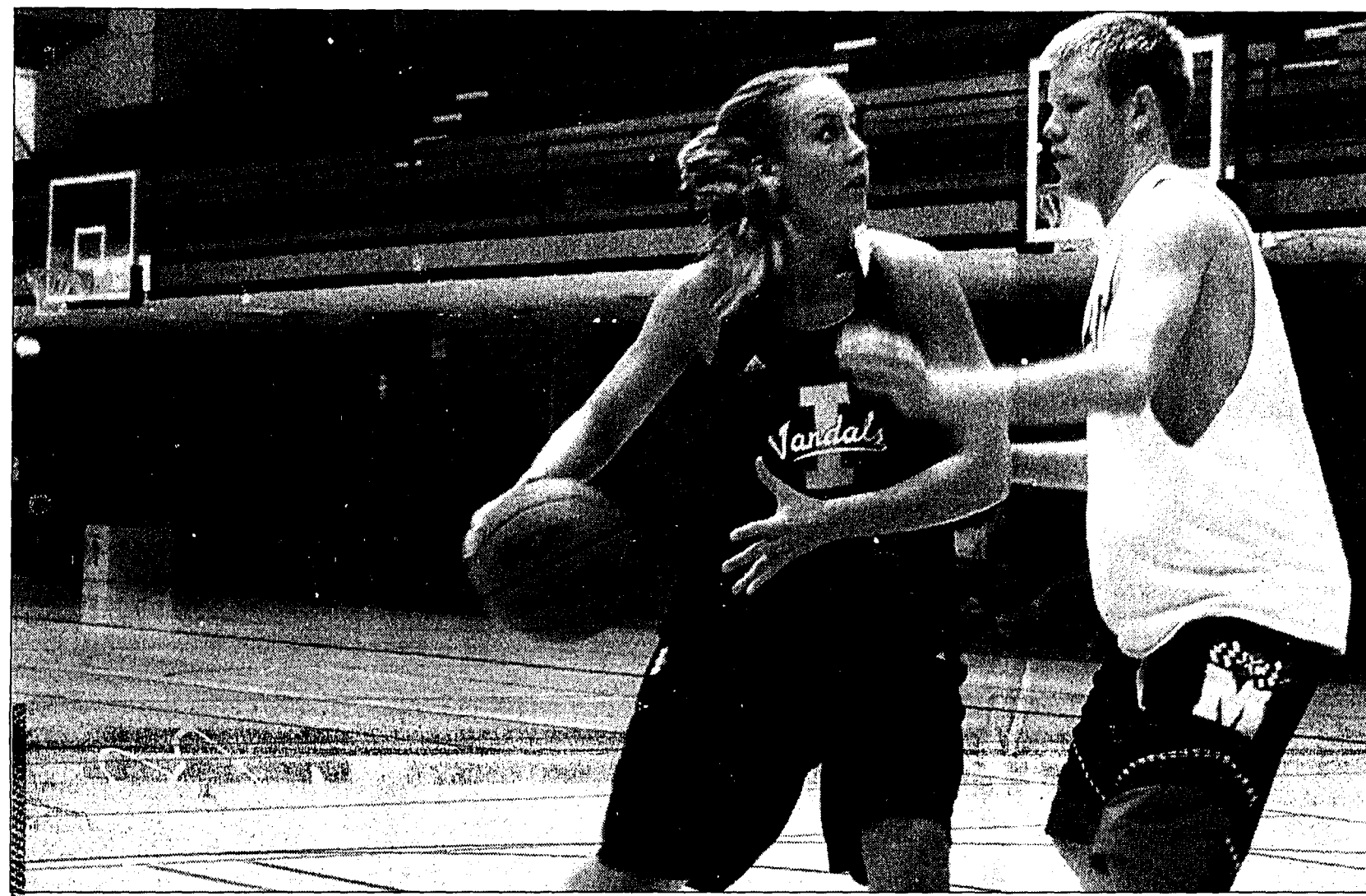
The 45-point win was the largest margin of victory for the Vandals under

Perry, with the previous high of 28 coming against Montana-Western in November 2002.

Hayes led all scorers with 20 points on 9 of 13 shooting and junior swingman Armend Kahrmanovic came off the bench to add 16 points in 21 minutes of play. For the game the Vandals shot 51 percent while holding GFU to just 39 percent.

Kahrmanovic's production (5 of 10 shooting from the field, 2 of 4 from 3-point range) was an important sign for the Vandals as he, along with freshman swingman Dillon Higdon and sophomore

**BASKETBALL, see Page A14**



Sophomore Emily Faurholt practices with Dylan Amundson on Thursday in Memorial Gym.

DANIEL BICKLEY / ARGONAUT

## Holt brings in new staff

BY NATHAN JERKE  
SPORTS&REC EDITOR

New University of Idaho head football coach Nick Holt isn't wasting any time in filling up his coaching roster. That's because he doesn't have much time to spare as preparations for next season are already an important part of his schedule.

After formally being introduced Monday as the replacement for Tom Cable, Holt announced that he already had much of his staff in mind. Much of the staff will formally be introduced today.

As Holt wasted no time in recruiting a staff, they did the same as it was rumored Wednesday that Holt already had new secondary coach Jeff Mills recruiting en route to Moscow.

Mills was defensive coordinator at Nevada-Reno under former UI coach Chris Tormey and assistant coach for the Vandals with Holt in the 1990s. He will serve as the right-hand man for Holt on the defensive side of the ball.

"He's going to be very close with our daily operations and I really trust Jeff a lot," Holt said. "He's a high-quality person and an excellent football coach."

For offensive coordinator, Holt dug a little deeper to find Nate Kaczor, who held the position at the University of Nebraska-Kearney. Over the past three years there, Kaczor has led the Lopers to 35 points per game and 422 yards per game. UNK also broke or tied 21 school records in that time.

Kaczor began his coaching career at Missouri Western, then served as an assistant at Utah State for eight years before moving to UNK.

"He was just getting it done being the offensive coordinator at Nebraska-Kearney, where he's been in the top 10, top 5 in total offense the last three years," Holt said. "He's a really phenomenal football coach, real good people person. I'm fired up about having him."

Serving as co-offensive coordinator and running backs coach will be former UI football great Joel Thomas, who played for the Vandals from 1993-98 and still owns three career rushing records for carries (765), net yards (3,929) and touchdowns (51).

Thomas returns to UI after two years as running backs coach at Louisville: one year under former UI coach John L. Smith and two years at Purdue as a graduate assistant. Thomas was a position coach at UI under Tom Cable in the spring of 2002 before taking the job at UL.

"(He was) a great running back here (at UI) and has developed into a great football coach," Holt said. "He's going to be an excellent value to our program, kind of a real captain, so to speak, that I can call upon to do things for us within the Vandal family."

Other additions to the staff will include former Oregon State quarterback Jonathan Smith as the quarterbacks coach and Johnny Nansen as the linebackers coach. Nansen formerly held that position at Idaho State and was a linebacker at Washington State University before that.

Both were talented players and are quickly becoming good coaches and recruiters, Holt said.

"My staff is getting filled up. All guys I know, that know me, know what we're all about, and it was really important to me to get guys that have a passion about football and a passion about coaching with me and a passion about the University of Idaho," Holt said. "All these guys are fired up to be here and ready to get the ball rolling."

Holt said the coaches he has picked so far all have a requisite passion for the game.

Other position coaches under Holt, such as defensive line coach, probably will not be filled until after the NCAA postseason.

## Rise of the machine

### Faurholt's scoring prowess leads 5-0 women's basketball squad

BY JAKE ROBLEE  
ARGONAUT STAFF

On Sunday the Boise State women's basketball team's starting five combined for 32 points against the University of Idaho Vandals. Emily Faurholt, the Vandals' sophomore post, scored 29 as her squad squashed the Broncos by 14 points.

Performances such as these have been the norm rather than the exception for Faurholt, the NCAA's second-leading scorer with 25.2 points per game.

A rare hybrid of quickness and power, Faurholt has been prolific to say the least as she's led the Vandals to a 5-0 record, their best start to a season since 1985. She has shot 47 of 83 from the floor, which is good for a .566 percentage, second best in the conference. Her most impressive perform-

ance of the season may have been her 29-point, career-high-tying effort against BSU, but she set the tone for the season when she poured in 29 in the first game of season, a 79-66 drubbing of Portland State. And the impressive stats have just kept coming.

"I've been fortunate this season that the girls have gotten me the ball in places where I can be successful," Faurholt said.

Her steady output has probably been the driving force behind the Vandals' offense this season.

"She is a great scorer and she has a great scorer's mentality; that's what you got to have to put up the numbers that she does," UI coach Mike Divilbiss said. "She finds whatever way to be a contributor and to help the team."

Faurholt transferred to UI after her freshman year at perennial Division II powerhouse Seattle

Pacific, in big part because her high school coach, Debbie Roueche, relocated to UI in 2001.

While at Kennewick High School, Faurholt was the 4A Washington female basketball player of the year. She guided her team to the 2000 state title and a state-record 56 wins. Another reason for her move may have been that Faurholt is joined at UI by fellow KHS alumnae Lailani Mitchell, Heather Thoele and former Vandal player Autumn Fielding.

"I've known Emily for along time, since she was a freshman in high school," Divilbiss said. "We know what Emily is good at doing and I think that our system utilizes her skill really well. It is not that she has improved since she got here; she has been able to do that all along. Debbie did a great job coaching her."

Faurholt does not look like the quintessential post player, measuring in at 5-foot-11-inches tall, but her stature can be deceiving to those who don't know any better. Even though she is playing against some women that are 4-5 inches taller than her.

"Emily's playing both the 4 and the 5 spot," Divilbiss said. "She is an undersized, big-hearted post player and one of the things that I learned a long time ago was that we have made a living off the undersized, big-hearted post players and really believe that it is not the size of the dog in the fight in the low post, but the size of the fight in the dog."

Faurholt's contributions aren't just confined to scoring, however. She is in seventh place for

**FAURHOLT, see Page A14**

## Putting Holt in the hot seat: Q&A with Nick Holt

BY BRENNAN GAUSE  
ARGONAUT STAFF

The Argonaut sat down with new University of Idaho football coach Nick Holt in his first week on the job in Moscow. Holt, a former defensive coordinator for the Vandals from 1994-1997, returned to take the top spot at the program after spending time at Louisville and the University of Southern California.

*How does it feel to come back to Moscow? (Holt was an assistant at UI from 1990-97)*

It feels great. I loved it here, and coming back I'm excited; the people are great and they're excited about having a new staff and [getting] things rolling here. My family really liked it here and my two kids loved it here. They came up on Monday to be with me at the interview and they're really excited to get back here.

*In the past three years UI has won six football games. What's a realistic goal for next season?*

You know, we want to win them all. That's our goal: to win every game. Realistically that's what we shoot for, that's our goal, and right now I'm not thinking about that. We're going to take one game at a time to get this program back, and recruiting is paramount right now and getting to know the players that are in our program right now. Our philosophy is we go into every game and try to win them ... Right now our focus is on getting to know our players, getting my staff intact and getting out on the road and getting some new Vandals signed.

*Your 17 years of coaching has always been on the defensive side of the ball. What's your role going to be in the offense?*

I'm going to take a really important role in

the offense. I'm going to sit in on the meetings, and I've got some good ideas on offense. I've been around some great offenses, here at the University of Idaho, at the University of Louisville and at USC. Everywhere I've been, the offensive side of the ball has been just tremendous and I have some thoughts (about the offense). As a defensive coach I know what concepts cause defenses problems and we will get through this, and I'm going to help those guys out in any way I can. I'm going to be a hands-on guy in every facet of our football program: recruiting, offense, defense and kicking game. So my expertise is on defense, but my expertise is with people, with kids, and I'm a great teacher. Whatever side of the ball that is, I can get my message across and get things going, but I'm going to spend time on both sides of the ball. It's very important to me that my character and what I'm all about, my personality, comes through on all

**HOLT, see Page A13**



JOSH DEAN / ARGONAUT

UI's new football coach, Nick Holt, was announced Monday afternoon in Cowan Spectrum. Holt took time to field questions and express his enthusiasm for being selected.

**SPORTSBRIEFS**

**Hammond garners spot on All-West Region Team**

UI senior middle blocker Anna-Marie Hammond has been named to the AVCA All-West Region Team for volleyball. Hammond led UI in kills and hitting percentage this season and was second in blocks. Her .324 hitting percentage ranked sixth in the Big West and her 4.58 kills per game ranked fourth. She averaged 1.31 blocks per game, which ranked third in the conference. Hammond ends her four-year career at UI fourth on the UI career kills list (1,438), second on the career double-figure kills match list (76), fifth on the career hitting percentage list (.284),

seventh on the solo blocks list (90), and second on the all-time career block assists list (481). Hammond is a two-time Big West All-Conference First Team honoree and a three-time winner of the Big West Athlete of the Week award. All-Region selections from each of the eight regions are now eligible for All-American honors. The AVCA will announce the first, second, third and honorable mention All-America teams Dec. 17.

**Women's basketball moves to Cowan**

Saturday's women's basketball game vs. Idaho State will see a change

of venue. The game, which was originally scheduled to take place in Memorial Gym, has been moved to the Cowan Spectrum inside the Kibbie Dome. The game time of 7 p.m. PST will remain the same. The UI Athletics Department is sponsoring a food drive for Saturday's game. Bring a can of food and receive a \$6 general admission ticket for \$1. All donated food goes to the Moscow Food Bank.

**Fullerton's Brown goes on 3-point frenzy**

Freshman Bobby Brown was named the Big West Player of the Week after

his sharp shooting helped Cal State Fullerton to a 2-0 performance. The 6-foot-1-inch guard spurred the Titans to wins over Pepperdine (78-74) and Northern Arizona (82-67), shooting 61.9 percent (13 for 21) from the field and 57.1 percent (8 for 14) behind the three-point line. Brown averaged 19.0 points, 4.0 assists and 2.5 rebounds per game for the week. Against Pepperdine, Brown came off the bench to score a game-high 22 points on 7 of 11 shooting. He hit five three-pointers and added three rebounds, five assists and a steal in 28 minutes of action. Through five games Brown has racked up 64 points, which is more than any previous Titan true freshman since 1980-81.

**SPORTS CALENDAR**

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UI women's basketball vs. Idaho State, Memorial Gym, 7 p.m.; Outdoor Program: avalanche workshop field session, 7 p.m.; UI men's basketball vs. Boise State, Boise, 6:30 p.m. PST

**DEC. 20**

UI men's basketball vs. Washington State, Pullman, 2 p.m.; UI women's basketball vs. Washington State, Kibbie Dome, 7 p.m.

**DEC. 27**

UI men's basketball vs. Eastern Washington, Kibbie Dome, 7 p.m.

**DEC. 28**

UI women's basketball vs. Memphis, Holiday Classic, Missoula, Mont., 3 p.m.

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UI women's basketball vs.

Princeton/Montana, Holiday Classic, Missoula, Mont., 3/5 p.m.

**JAN. 3**

UI women's basketball vs. Utah State, Cowan Spectrum, 7 p.m. UI men's basketball vs. Utah State, Logan, Utah, 6 p.m.

**JAN. 8**

UI women's basketball vs. Cal Poly, Cowan Spectrum, 7 p.m.; UI men's basketball vs. Cal Poly, San Luis, Calif., 7 p.m.

**JAN. 10**

UI women's basketball vs. UC Santa Barbara, Cowan Spectrum, 7 p.m.; UI men's basketball vs. UC Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, Calif. 7 p.m.

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**Basketball squads prepare for busy winter break game schedule**

BY BETSY DALESSIO ASSISTANT S&R EDITOR

For those sports enthusiasts who are sticking around Moscow throughout the winter break, the men's and women's basketball teams will be playing quite a few intense home games.

The women's team will challenge Idaho State University at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Cowan Spectrum in the Kibbie Dome and will end finals week by hosting Washington State at 7 p.m. Dec. 20. The two games will wrap up the non-conference season for the women, who are undefeated with a 5-0 record.

"Idaho State will be a really tough game for us," coach Mike Divilbiss said. "We are really focusing on it as well as the WSU game."

Divilbiss said the team is using this time to get some practice in, which has been tough over the past weeks.

"We've played five games in three weeks," he said. "We'll use the time to improve and get better at some things."

The women will have five days off to spend time with family and to recover from the intensity of the first month of play after the WSU game.

They will come back from their short break to travel to Missoula for the University of Montana Holiday Tournament on Dec. 28-29.

The Vandals will open the tournament against the University of Memphis, followed by a game against either Princeton or Montana.

"We haven't really thought about the tournament yet," Divilbiss said. "We are focusing more on this week's games."

UI returns to home action Jan. 3 in its first conference match vs. Utah State. The game will begin at 7 p.m. in the Cowan Spectrum.

The Vandals also will play Cal Poly on Jan. 8 and UC Santa Barbara at home Jan. 10.

Both games are at 7 p.m. in Cowan Spectrum.

The men's team (2-4) is going to try to rebound from its early season woes by beginning finals week against Boise State on Saturday on the Broncos' home court and will travel to WSU on Dec. 20 to challenge the Cougars at 2 p.m. in Beasley Coliseum.

The Vandal men return home to take on Eastern Washington at 7 p.m. Dec. 28 at the Cowan Spectrum.

Then they will take a week off before beginning a three-game conference road trip, starting at Utah State, followed by games against Cal Poly and UC Santa Barbara.

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# HOLT

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facets of our football program.

*What's your role going to be in the defense; are you going to be the defensive coordinator?*

I feel really comfortable being the defensive coordinator, but I'm not sure I'm going to do that role yet. Jeff Mills can certainly be an outstanding defensive coordinator; he has been. Jeff's coached with me and I truly respect what he has done and have confidence in what he has done.

But I think I can help this program out the quickest and get my signature on this defense the quickest if maybe I'm the coordinator the first year and then see how things go after that.

I'll cross that bridge when it needs to be crossed. Right now we're just going to go; I'm not going to name anybody quite yet. But this defense will definitely have my stamp on it, no question.

*How has working with Pete Carroll (USC coach) for the last three years made you better for this job?*

Pete is definitely the best football coach I've ever been around. He's a great person and kids love playing for him. He's a master motivator and I've been around John L. Smith, who's an excellent coach himself, but, and I've said this before, in the last three years I really think I've earned or had

the opportunity to earn a Ph.D. in football, so to speak. I've learned a great system.

I've learned a tremendous amount of schemes in detail and Pete's a great teacher and he really taught us to be great teachers. My last three years at the University of Southern California have been just tremendous and the won-loss record really shows that.

*Since the last time you were at UI the Vandals have switched conferences. What do you think about the Sun Belt Conference and the teams in it?*

I respect everyone in that conference. I think North Texas, who won the conference, is extremely well-coached. I know they have good players. North Texas was in the Big West when I was here and they always played hard. I respect all those guys.

I know Middle Tennessee and all those other schools have good athletes and good coaches and it's a very competitive conference. It's the conference we're in right now and we're happy to be in it.

We can't do anything about any other conferences right now, so that's not even an issue to talk about right yet. So we're in the Sun Belt Conference and right now that's our goal: to win the Sun Belt Conference.

*What's your favorite moment from the time you spent here in the '90s?*

You know what my favorite stuff is? Really it's my relationships I had with my players and with the coaches. When I was

here we had some great coaches here and that's what we're going to get here now. The relationships with the coaches and then No. 2, the relationships I had with the players I coached and dealt with on a daily basis. It was awesome. We had great players.

*Talk about the Nick Holt football program and what it's all about.*

You know what our program and our philosophy is; it's all about the ball. On offense we've got to protect that football, we've got to keep the football, we've got to get first downs and we've got to have that football until we get into the end zone.

On defense it's not about stopping people; that's not the issue. The issue is getting the ball back. So, as far as our philosophy, it's all about the football.

On offense we protect that thing with our life. On defense we're going to get that thing out and back for the offense so we can score. That's what the issue is and that's what the issue will

always be about: the football.

Secondly it's about great effort and playing with great intensity, and that's what it's all about also. So that's what we'll focus on. If we can take care of the football and if we can play with great intensity and great effort we'll have a competitive football team. All the other stuff will fall into place.

You know all the nice coaching cliché stuff, but what we did at Louisville and what we did at USC is you can't turn over the ball, you got to score touchdowns and you got to create turnovers. And you got to play with a high level of intensity and play hard.

That's what this program is going to be built on. The rules and regulations, that will come. I'm not a big rules and regulations guy. You do things right and all that kind of stuff, but there are a couple principles that I really believe in and that's, No. 1. Our guys have to protect our team; we have to protect our teammates and our school. That means we're not

embarrassing the program out in the community. I want you guys to be proud of us.

No. 2, I don't put up with any whining. No complaining, no excuses. I don't want to hear that. I don't want us to have excuses for everything.

And the last one is we have to be early. I want our guys early for everything. And that covers a big range of the spectrum. It means we're organized. It means we're taking care of our daily lives and we're thinking about what we need to do tomorrow or what we need to do tomorrow.

So we're having a plan and we're organized. I want our guys taking care of their teammates, I don't want excuses in this program and I want our guys to be organized and be early.

And that's what we're all about, the football, playing with great effort and those other three things.

*Last question. BSU: Do you have anything to say about them that people might want to hear?*

I think it's one of the — it used to be and I want to get it back to what it was — most underrated rivalries in college football. They don't like us and we don't like them. And there's a great passion because of that.

**"I want our guys taking care of their teammates, I don't want excuses in this program ..."**


**NICK HOLT**  
UI FOOTBALL COACH

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# UNM students struggle to pay back loans

BY RYAN FLOERSHEIM  
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(U-WIRE) ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Economic uncertainties, a diminishing job market and rising tuition costs are being blamed for the second student loan default rate in 10 years this year, according to the U.S. Department of Education.

Default rates — the proportion of students failing to repay their college loans on time — rose nationally to 5.4 percent for students who took out their loans in 1998, compared to last year's rate of 5.1 percent.

UNM is reporting a higher than average 7.8 percent student default average, though Ron Martinez, director of financial aid at the university, said most students are educated about the loan payment system and punctual when it comes to repaying debt.

He could not provide an average student loan debt for UNM students, but said it is well below the national average of \$19,000.

Martinez said students are considered in default of their loans a year to the day after they either graduate or leave UNM. Everyone who takes out a loan is given a 6-month grace period to get on their feet before having to begin thinking about payment options, he said.

Most students, Martinez said, are unable to repay their loans because they are either unemployed or underemployed within the first year of leaving college.

"There are always those who have no intention of repaying their loans, but for the most part the system works very well and the students do their part," he said.

Martinez said another factor contributing to many students not being able to pay back their stu-

dent loans is credit card debt.

According to the Chronicle of Higher Education, more than 55 percent of college students are in credit card debt. The average debt for college students is \$3,500.

"Most students leave college with very moderate amounts of loan debt," Martinez said. "But when you couple that with a large amount of credit card debt, it's easy to see how things can get out of hand."

Many students realize the importance of student loans as a way of financing their college careers, but are aware of the dangers associated with them.

UNM freshman Jennifer Hunt said she feels trapped, having to inevitably rely on loans to pay her tuition only to work for several years after graduation to repay the debt.

"It's kind of depressing knowing that I'm going to be putting myself in debt," Hunt said. "I know it is worth it in the end, but it just seems like a daunting process."

Direct student loans, the uni-

versity's most popular student loan, allows the Financial Aid office to track students who are nearing the year limit to begin repaying their debt.

When this happens, he said, the office attempts to contact the person to let them know about the dangers associated with becoming default on their loan and ways to avoid it.

"Having to deal with credit agencies and bad credit is not fun and can have serious impacts on a person's future," Martinez said.

He said before students graduate the office offers them exit counseling to educate them about their individual situation and offer helpful advice about repaying their loans.

While the program is "an invaluable tool," Martinez said many students don't take advantage of the opportunity.

"The best advice I can offer is to take advantage of these programs while they are available to you," he said. "They really can make your life easier in the future."

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Here are tips to help you with your search:

- Some businesses perennially hire holiday workers: retail stores, Christmas tree

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- When you interview, focus on highlighting your communication skills, customer service skills and trustworthiness.

- Use every encounter during your day as a networking opportunity.

- Apply for jobs with companies that do work in your area of interest, even if the job opening is in another department. If you get the job and do it well, you'll be positioned to land a job in the department you're most interested in.

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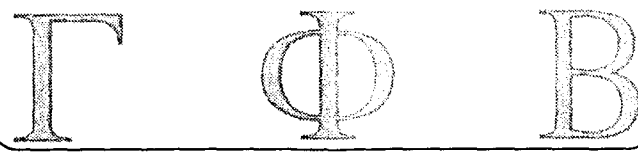
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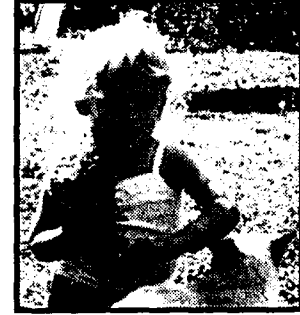


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### Congratulations to our graduates:

Amy Daugherty, BFA  
Kathy Mitchell, BFA  
Sergio Robleto, BFA  
Josh Wells, BFA  
Ashley Horrall, MFA  
Kristen Haberman, B.S. Art Ed  
Tatum Bolinger, B.S. Art Ed

From the Faculty of the Department of Art and Design.  
(Don't forget us when you're rich and famous!)

### The Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering would like to congratulate the following graduates

**Nicholas Frei**  
ASM

**Colin McCoy**  
BSYE

**Congratulations!**

### The Psychology Department

Courtney Ade	B.S.	Rebekah Hathaway	B.S.
Gary L. Barth	M.S.	Brian Dean Mitchell	B.S.
Stewart Michael Cathrae	B.S.	Molly Anne Myers	B.S.
Jessica Lynne Chilcott	B.S.	Keith Robert Ober	M.S.
Sharlene J. Christiansen	B.S.	Heidi Opheim	B.S.
Dave Clancey	B.S.	Rachael Marie Parker	B.S.
Emilee Patreace Coleman	B.S.	Melanie A. L. Person	B.S.
Sarah Whitney DeBoer	B.S.	Carrie A. Reese	B.S.
Megumi Endo	B.S.	Page S. Rich	B.S.
Christina Renée Erlandson	B.S.	Morgan D. Risenhoover	B.S.
Joy Carol Jurgens	B.S.	William Andrew Schaudt	M.S.
Sheila Marie Karst	B.S.	Christopher Leo Scott	B.S.
Jessica Lynn Kniola	B.S.	Hannah Ruth Smart	B.S.
Jordan Carl Lampos	B.S.	Jacob Ray Sprute	B.S.
Sarah C. Lindsay	B.S.	Pamela Jean Stith	B.S.
Heather Lindsey	B.S.	Catherine Marie Swarat	B.S.
Tanya Kai Marrazzo	M.S.	Eri Tanabe	B.S.
Kelily Ann McDowell	B.S.	Luke Michael Wilcomb	B.S.

**Congratulates Graduates!**

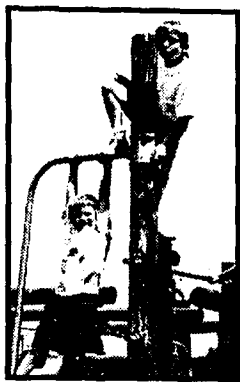
### Department of Plant, Soil & Entomological Sciences congratulates the following graduates:

Melissa Carol Bertram	M.S.	Plant Science
Brett Stanley Bingham	M.S.	Plant Science
Arron Hyrum Carter	B.S.Pl.Sc.	Plant Science- Sci. Opt.
Joshua Sage Drown	B.S.Pl.Sc.	Horticulture
Thomas Michael Ireland	M.S.	Plant Science
Randy Charles Lawrence	M.S.	Plant Science
Katie Anne Orr	M.S.	Soil Science
Sara Kathryn Pfeiffer	B.S.Pl.Sc.	Plant Science- Mgmt. Opt.
Curtis Ray Rainbolt	Ph.D.	Plant Science
Brian Wayne Rhoades	B.S. Ent.	Entomology
Katie L. Sailor	B.S.Pl.Sc.	Horticulture
Bryant Chad Scharenbroch	M.S.	Plant Science
Sean Robert Vargas	B.S.Pl.Sc.	Horticulture
Humphrey Wainaina Wanjugi	M.S.	Plant Science
Jack Dell Robertson	B.S.Pl.Sc.	Crop Science



**Good Luck!**

## UI Class of 2003



**Vince Moore  
&  
Ben Wilson**

You're still hanging together after all these years. We're so proud of both of you!

Love, from both Your Families.

## UI Class of 2003



**Crystal  
Reed**

Congratulations on all your "super" successes. You have opened yet another door to your exciting future.

Love you,  
Mom

## UI Class of 2003



**Brad  
Poe**

Early years listening to "Bob Curtis, the Voice of the Vandals". You're a true Vandal!

Congratulations,  
Mom and Pops

## UI Class of 2003



**Angie  
Fisch**

How the years fly by. We are so proud of you!

Love you,  
Mom & Dad

## UI Class of 2003



**Brian  
Auer**

You have accomplished so much, your family wishes you the best in the future.

Love,  
Mom & Dad

## UI Class of 2003



**Timothy  
James  
Hagen**

As you slide down the banister of life, may the splinters never point the wrong way. Congratulations!

We love you,  
Mom, Dad, Kristen & Heather

## Congratulations To:

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| <u>BSME</u><br>Mohammad Ahsan<br>Brian Auer<br>Jason Boyd<br>Sam Golbuff<br>Kristopher Henna<br>Scott Huff<br>Stephen Lyda<br>Megan McLean | <u>BSME</u><br>Adam Minatre<br>James Perez<br>Briar Schumacher<br>Forrest Seymour<br>Kit Spellman<br>James Stewart<br>Luke Thompson<br>Robert Wiegers | <u>MSME</u><br>Jeremy L. Freeman<br>Michael K. Klein<br><u>MEME</u><br>Clint D. Forrest<br>Ronald C. Johansen<br><u>PH.D.</u><br>Stephen R. Novascone |
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From the **Department of Mechanical Engineering!**  
May your accomplishments enable you in all your pursuits!

## Idaho Commons & Student Union Congratulates our Graduating Seniors

- Alex Sprague (SPL)*  
*Subit Chandran (SIB Building Services)*  
*Nathan Jerke (Argonaut)*  
*Joy Barbour (Argonaut)*  
*Emet Ward (Argonaut)*  
*Christina Brink (Commons and Info Desk)*  
*Chris Gandolfo (Commons and Info Desk)*  
*Joe Kimble (Outdoor Programs)*  
*Nomusa Ndebele (ASUI)*  
*Annette Henke (Commons and Info Desk)*



## Congratulations Fall 2003 Graduates:

- Kimberly Dawn Anderson  
Donovan James Arnold  
Claire Ann Becker  
Athena M. Jordan  
Laura N. Lapinaki  
David Edwin Olson  
Benjamin Richner Wilson  
Megan Nicole Yeates  
Joanna M. Paszczynska  
Dennis Maher

From the Department of Political Science

The Department of Microbiology, Molecular Biology and Biochemistry would like to congratulate the following

- Bachelor of Science**  
Richard B. Knight  
Morgan D. Risenhoover  
Joshua Joseph Smith  
Taryn Sue Winegardner  
Scott D. Swanson
- Doctor of Philosophy**  
Carina Michelle Jung  
Sang-Un Lee  
Ranjeet Kumar Tokala

**CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!**

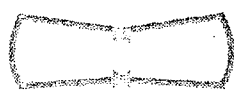
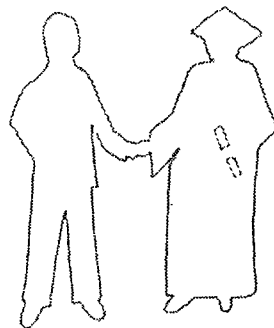
## Congratulations

### Lionel Hampton School of Music Fall 2003 Graduates

- Holly Akersten  
Annie Chalmers  
Heidi Cook  
Josh Forke  
Joyce Rudeen  
Sarah Windisch  
Taryn Winegardner

The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering  
wants to congratulate the Fall 2003 graduates:

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| <b>B.S. Electrical Eng.</b><br>Jay R. Abo<br>Joel A. Alberts<br>Brian W. Augdahl<br>Richard C. Bearg<br>Casey T. Eitel<br>Ken C. Krisher<br>Mark P. Pigman | <b>M.S. Electrical Eng.</b><br>Mangapathirao Rao V. Mynam<br>Satish Samineni<br>Amit D. Somani<br>Jonathan C. Stiff<br>Fadi R. Nessir Zghoul |
| <b>B.S. Computer Eng.</b><br>Scott M. Couch<br>Kristopher M. Gellings  | <b>M.E. Electrical Eng.</b><br>James P. Diluca<br>Michael E. Rourke  |
| <b>M.S. Computer Eng.</b><br>Aghogho Ekpruke   | <b>P.H.D. Electrical Eng.</b><br>Scott F. Smith  |



## Congratulations!

The Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources  
Proudly Announces Fall 2003 Graduates

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| <b>Bachelor of Science<br/>Fishery Resources</b><br>Christopher Conklin<br>Craig Holmberg<br>Nathan Jensen               | <b>Bachelor of Science<br/>Wildlife Resources</b><br>Brandon Miller<br>Christina Goates<br>Heidi Hall<br>Craig Holmberg<br>Marc Hammond<br>Seth Harju |
| <b>Master of Science<br/>Fishery Resources</b><br>Wade Cavender<br>Genevieve Hoyle<br>Eric Johnson<br>Jeffrey Stephenson | <b>Master of Science<br/>Wildlife Resources</b><br>Michelle Kissling<br>Robyn Vasterling  |
| <b>Doctor of Philosophy<br/>Natural Resources</b><br>Lance Clarke<br>Kathleen McGrath<br>Craig Miller                    | <b>Doctor of Philosophy<br/>Forestry, Wildlife &amp;<br/>Range Sciences</b><br>Jeffrey Beck   |

## UI Class of 2003



**Nathaniel  
Allan  
Jerke**

Who would have guessed a "Bad Toad" could have made it so far. Congratulations!

Lots of Love,  
Your Family

## UI Class of 2003



**Jacob  
Benjamin  
Corder**

May you sense God's will as you seek His guidance for your future. We're blessed!

Love you,  
Mom & Dad

## UI Class of 2003



**Joseph  
Wayne  
Petrie**

All Forward. Congrats on a job well done!

Love,  
Dad, Mom, J&R, B&L and Teej

## UI Class of 2003



**Wesley  
Carl  
Romberg**

We are all so proud of you and your accomplishments! Now your life begins!

We love you,  
Mom, Dad and Grant

## UI Class of 2003



**Robyn  
Parsons-  
Paffendorf**

Congratulations mom on all your accomplishments!

Love,  
Mom, Dad, John, Annie & Tini

## UI Class of 2003



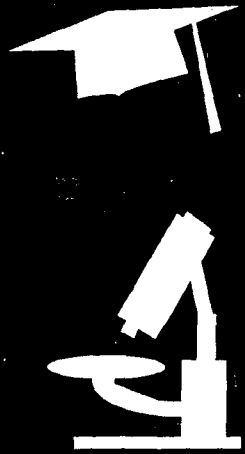
**Joy  
Barbour**

Congratulations for always standing up for what you believe, and for brightening UI's campus.

Love,  
Jake and your Family

The Department of Biological Sciences wishes the following graduating seniors the best of luck!

Teresa K. Akin  
Loren Anthony Ballanti  
Stanley Brian Caudle  
Lisa M. Eberhard  
Christina L. Grigg  
Andrew Tyson Haworth  
Dane A Kaster  
Arisa Kobe  
Kelsey Jae Nunez  
Todd Pankratz  
Christine Elizabeth Robertson



The Department of  
**Architecture**  
Proudly announces its Fall 2003 Graduates:

- Mathew Sueuga, BS Arch
- Tara George, BFA
- Brian Lathrop, BS, M. Arch
- Andrea Moyer, BS
- Nomusa Ndebele, BFA

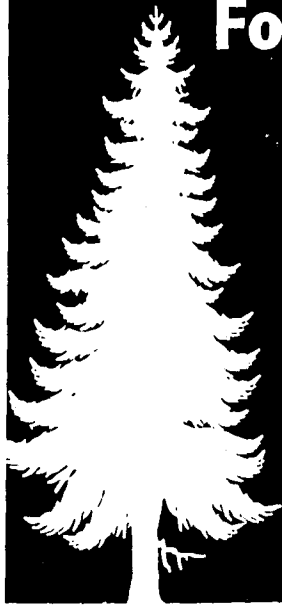
*Congratulations and good luck everyone!*

**Congratulations to graduating members of the Student Alumni Relations Board!**

- **Brandon Betty**
- **Janelle Baillie**
- **Jacob Church**
- **Stephanie Schnider**

**GOOD LUCK!**

Congratulations to our December 2003  
**Forest Resources**  
Graduating Seniors!




**Bonnie Fernandez**  
**Wesley Romberg**  
**Steve Clezie**  
**Jan Eitel**

**UI Athletics Recognizes Their  
Fall 2003 Graduates**

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|---|---|
| <b>Football</b><br>Jason Cobb<br>Jordan Lamos<br>Robert Mitchell<br>Sergio Robledo<br>Jake Scott<br>Kyle Stewart<br>Chad Troxel | <b>Soccer</b><br>Christa Hornbeck<br>Jennifer Kiebel                          |
| <b>Tennis</b><br>Leslie Banks   | <b>Women's Basketball</b><br>Jamie Coldren                                    |
|   | <b>Women's Track</b><br>Sarah DeBoer<br>Dacia Fernandez<br>Alohalani Santiago |

The Computer Science Department would like to congratulate their Fall 2003 graduates

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|---|---|--|
| <b>Bachelor of Science:</b><br>Shane Corgatelli<br>Mitchell Freed<br>Tim Hagen<br>Taylor Hollandsworth<br>Keith Jeffery<br>Peter Novotny<br>Jianping Yuan |  | <b>Master of Science:</b><br>Madhuri Chintalapati<br>John Hall<br>Patrick O'Connell<br>Joseph Richards<br>Shishir Tejpal<br>Vamshi Venapally |
|   |   | <b>Ph.D.</b><br>Milos Manic  |

## College of Natural Resources

**Bachelor of Science  
in Natural Resource Ecology  
& Conservation Biology**

Jenifer E. Clawson  
Kristen L. Williams

**Congratulations Fall 2003 Graduates**

## Congratulations To Our Fall Graduates



**From The College of  
Agricultural & Life Sciences**