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## CANDIDATES ON CAMPUS

*University Place project will undergo criminal review*

BY ARGONAUT STAFF

Attorney General Lawrence Wasden announced that his office will conduct a criminal review of the University Place project.

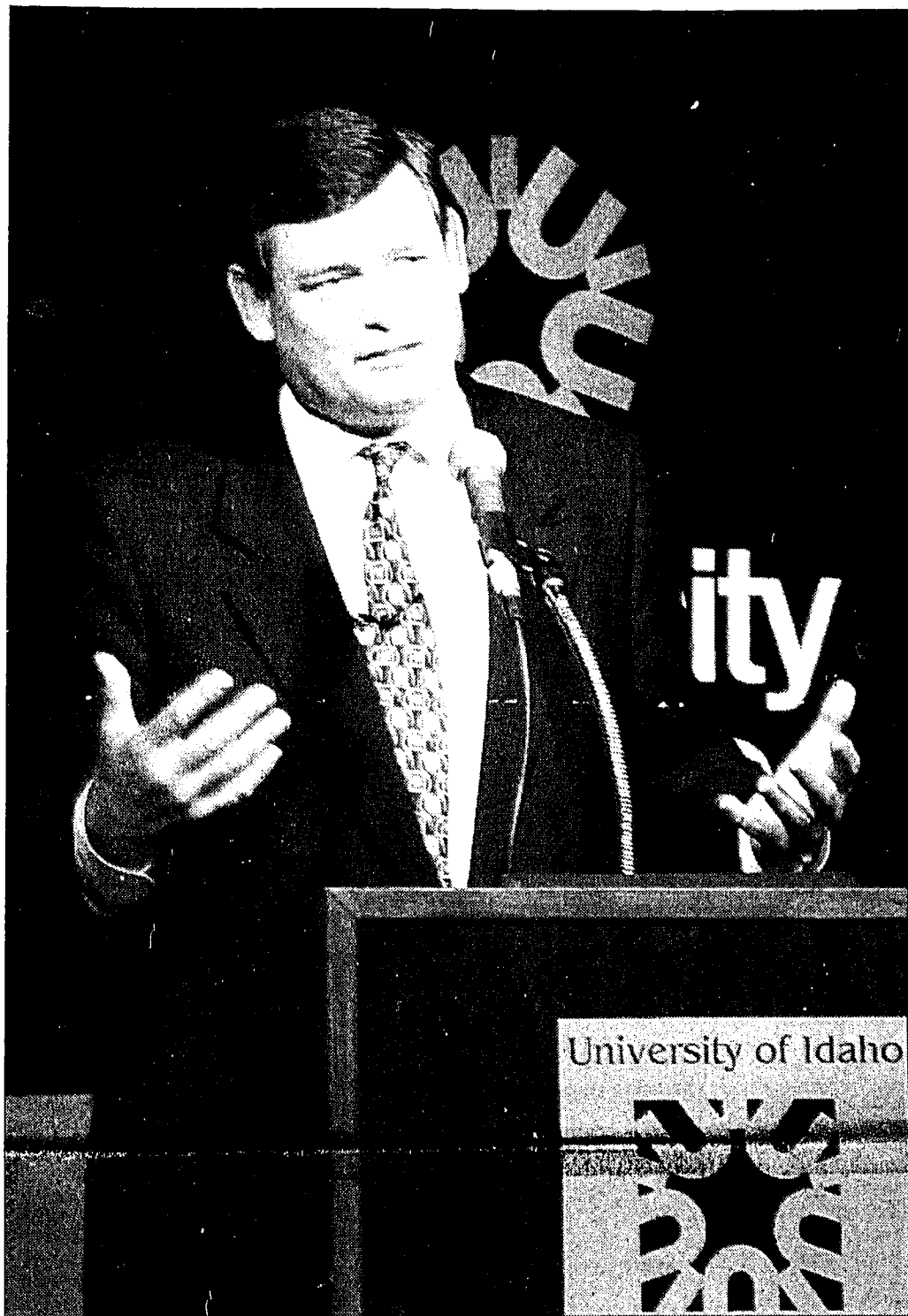
Thursday's announcement follows a Dec. 17, 2003, decision by Ada County prosecuting attorney Greg Bower to avoid action on the case, citing conflicts of interest in his office.

Bower asked Wasden to conduct a criminal review and progress with criminal prosecution, if necessary. Wasden performed an internal review to ensure his office has sufficient resources and does not have conflicts of interest before notifying Bower that he would accept the case.

"The University Place project involved multiple, highly complex financial transactions," Wasden said in a press release. "Our work on this matter will be equally complex. Using the Special Deputy Attorney General's Management Review as a starting point, we must first determine all of the relevant facts. We must then determine whether there were criminal violations of state laws. This is going to take considerable time and resources. I anticipate that our review will take, at a minimum, several months and possibly longer."



WASDEN



Timothy White answers a question during an open forum Thursday afternoon.

### White bids for the presidency

BY JESSIE BONNER  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

"There's much at stake here, and it's all good," said UI presidential candidate Timothy White at a press conference Thursday morning in the Idaho Commons. As one of two final candidates remaining in the university's search for a new president, White spent the week visiting UI campuses around the state.

Traveling from Oregon State University, where he serves as provost and executive vice president, White spent Thursday in several meetings with student leaders, faculty, the Faculty Council and the Staff Affairs Committee.

White said one aspect that attracted him to UI is its status as a predominant research institution. "I see a research university, and that's the only kind I've been associated with," White said.

In an open forum Thursday afternoon, White said the university needed to move past the failure of the University Place project, which resulted in the resignation of former president Robert Hoover and added a substantial debt to UI's budget.

"I know it has been a tough time for you who have been here," White said.

A recent investigation of the project was carried out by Boise lawyer Larry Prince. Several UI officials have been faulted in the Prince report for poor communication and mismanagement of loans made to the project. Attorney General Lawrence Wasden has also announced he will be beginning a criminal investigation.

White said he read only the summary of the report that was released by the state

board last month. "I did not read every word," White said. "To be honest, I spent my time looking forward."

Before traveling to Moscow this week, White said he studied Idaho's higher education budget and the State of the State address given by Governor Dirk Kempthorne earlier this month.

"The idea of doing less with more is not new to the University of Idaho," White said.

White said if he were chosen for the presidency he would focus on fundraising and building strong ties with state leaders. "Part of being a university president is building those relationships," White said. "There's a wealth of individuals out there waiting for the university to get back on track."

After the announcement of several interim appointments in UI administration, White said he thought it was a good decision for the changes in leadership to occur. "I think you're doing exactly the right thing with the change of leadership," White said. "With the turnover comes the opportunity for a better future."

Computer science professor James Foster asked White how he planned to stay optimistic as the university's leader with declines in state funding.

White said he will work hard to convince legislative leaders that students who earn degrees will put money back into the state. "There's a benefit to the public good when you have university-educated citizens."

Lisa Dillman, ASUI co-director of

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Steven Jones speaks with the media during a press conference Wednesday afternoon.

### Jones hopes to relate to students, faculty at UI

BY TARA KARR  
ARGONAUT STAFF

UI presidential candidate Stephen Jones said he envisions the university as a place that fully prepares students for a complex and dynamic world, and values student input in university decisions.

The face of the student body is changing, and the role of the university as a result, Jones said during an open forum Wednesday. Modern students are more likely to switch careers multiple times after graduation, he said, which makes education even more of a life-long venture. Since incoming students are increasingly prepared with technical skills, learning has become more interactive as well.

While education is changing, the world is changing too, Jones said.

"We have to prepare our students...to enter a real world that is characterized by diversity," he said. Not only do students have to be prepared for the world, but they have to become contributing members of it, he said.

Although all parts of a university are vital, Jones said students are first and foremost the reason for universities and should be treated that way. "If [the students] weren't here, there wouldn't be much reason for the rest of us to be here," he said.

If he becomes UI president, Jones said he will not "rule from the ivory tower." He said it is not enough to have student views interpreted to him through the administration. Instead, he'd like to be able to work directly with ASUI and student leadership to be sure the student voice is heard.

"I want to be able to say that I know the students of this campus," he said.

Throughout the forum, Jones said UI's identity as a residential campus is a vital part of creating a more complete identity for the university. At North Carolina State University, where Jones is currently vice chancellor of extension and engagement, Greek life is not nearly as central as it is at UI, though he does have experience working with the Greek system. He said he was impressed by the Greek life presence at UI and thought the Living Learning Center was a great concept to help the university grow as "the residential campus of choice."

Jones also said athletics are important for preparing "the entire student." He said he would like to see the Vandals move out of the Sun Belt Conference and join the Western Athletic Conference to save money and

become more competitive.

Christine Moffitt of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources reminded Jones that the arts are also very much a part of UI, and she asked what he would do to improve the arts.

"I guess I don't see the arts as very much of a problem," Jones said. He said he has noticed that the arts define Moscow and play a bigger role at UI than at other universities he has worked at.

"If I were going to prepare the whole student...having the opportunity to immerse them in [the arts] is a tremendous attribute," he said.

Although Jones emphasized the importance of students, he did not ignore the faculty and staff.

"Without the staff, the university can't function," he said. A majority of the people who attended the forum were UI employees, so Jones answered many questions regarding faculty situations.

Jones, who is also a forestry professor at NCS, said he empathizes with faculty for the past years' lack of salary increases. However, there are other ways to motivate a sense of community between the administration and staff besides salary, he said.

One way is to improve the power of faculty governance. "Faculty governance has to be more than a hollow term that we say and feel good about," Jones said. "Faculty governance has to be real."

Jones said that throughout his time at various universities he has experienced different types of administration-faculty relationships. At one university there was total animosity. At another university, "Every decision was informed by a faculty perspective." He said he saw UI as somewhere between the two, but leaning toward the latter.

Jones said he understands that many faculty members may feel betrayed and frustrated by the actions of the administration during last year's University Place situation and this year's controversial tenure decisions.

"Deliberation and open dialog will solve some of what may now be viewed as an us-and-them situation," Jones said. Although he knows there will never be full concurrence between administration and faculty, Jones said he would like to build as close a relationship with the faculty as he would with student leadership.

David Egolf of the electrical and computer engineering department told

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### Idaho farmers survey market damage after mad cow scare

BY JESSIE BONNER  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

2003 held great promise for Idaho farmers. As cattle sales topped more than \$1 billion, agriculturalists predicted record-breaking numbers.

Then the nation's eye focused on one Holstein cow.

It has been more than 30 days since the nation's first case of mad cow disease, or bovine spongiform encephalopathy, was discovered on a farm near Yakima, Wash. As the sixth-largest producer of beef products in the nation, Idaho is still trying to recover.

Becky Korn, a senior majoring in animal and veterinary science, said the mad cow scare had little effect on her family's dairy farm in Nampa. The 150-acre farm is home to more than 300 registered Brown Swiss and Holstein cows.

"In the cattle business, [mad cow] is just something you deal with," Korn said.

Although Korn's family purchased three cows from Canada during the same year the Holstein carrying the disease was transferred from an Alberta, Canada, farm, she said there is minimal risk any of their cows carrying the brain-wasting disease.

"The chances are extremely slim," Korn said.

Korn's family bought the cows through a cattle broker in Twin Falls in an effort to develop its livestock. "Canada has good cows," Korn said. "We're always trying to improve what we've got with new blood."

The Holstein carrying the disease traveled from Canada with more than 80 other cows. Federal investigators have managed to track down only 22 of the animals.

"Some of those animals have undoubtedly been slaughtered within the past couple of years," said UI economist C. Wilson Gray.

Gray, who works at the UI research and extension center in Twin Falls, said unless another case of BSE is found, he expects the agriculture business will proceed as usual.

Farmers are not the only ones who took precautionary

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#### Dr. Timothy White

AGE: 54

FAMILY: Wife (Karen) and three children with one on the way

CURRENT POSITION: Oregon State University in Corvallis, Ore.:  
—Provost and executive vice president  
—Professor, Department of Exercise and Sport Science

EDUCATION:  
—B.S. from California State University - Fresno



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—M.S. from California State University - Hayward  
—Ph.D. from the University of California - Berkeley

AREAS HE WOULD LIKE TO IMPROVE AT UI:  
—Increasing outside funding  
—Rebuilding strong ties with state leadership  
—Restoring confidence in UI administration  
—Encouraging discussion of concerns from UI faculty  
—Opening communication with student leaders

AREAS HE VIEWS AS SUPERIOR AT UI:  
—Strong research programs  
—Academic recognition and awards  
—Status as a land-grant institution  
—Dedication from alumni  
—Strong traditions

#### Dr. Stephen B. Jones

AGE: 52

FAMILY: Wife (Judy) and two children

CURRENT POSITION: North Carolina State University in Raleigh, N.C.:  
—Vice chancellor of extension and engagement  
—Professor, Department of Forestry

EDUCATION:  
—A.S. from Allegany Community College



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—B.S. in forestry and Ph.D. in resources management from State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry

AREAS HE WOULD LIKE TO IMPROVE AT UI:  
—Preparing the whole student  
—Strengthening administration relations with faculty, staff and students  
—Creating a definite and complete identity for the university  
—Finding ways to increase funding  
—Moving athletics out of the Sun Belt Conference

AREAS HE VIEWS AS SUPERIOR AT UI:  
—Involvement with the Moscow community  
—Strong Greek and residential life systems  
—Strong arts programs  
—The core curriculum redesign  
—Interdisciplinary programs and the relationship with WSU

OUTLOOK PALOUSE WEATHER FORECAST

TODAY Rain and snow Hi: 36° Lo: 18° SATURDAY Snow showers Hi: 30° Lo: 20° SUNDAY Snow showers Hi: 33° Lo: 18°

CAMPUSCALENDAR

- TODAY Red Cross blood drive Idaho Commons Clearwater Room 9 a.m. Farewell reception for Brian Farmer UI Alumni Lounge 1 p.m. Clarinet masterclass performance School of Music Recital Hall 3:30 p.m. Prichard Art Gallery opening Prichard Art Gallery 5 p.m. Lecture "Biomimicry in Architecture" Agricultural Science Building, main auditorium 5 p.m.

CAPSULE ARGONAUT ARCHIVES

From the Nov. 30, 1999, edition: It appears that sunshine on Joe Vandal's shoulders make him happy — and now it makes him play football. The University of Idaho officially accepted the invitation to join the Sun Belt Conference, Division I-A's new league, UI and Sun Belt officials announced Monday.

SENATEREPORT

BY KATIE WHITTIER ARGONAUT STAFF

Jan. 21, 2004

Open forum

Dan Schoenberg, director of auxiliary services at UI, first addressed the senate. He introduced the Moscow Valley Transit, the new public transportation system that began Tuesday, and distributed fliers with route information. The transit system came about through the efforts of UI, Moscow, the Idaho Transportation Department and Valley Transit of Lewiston.

ball game against Long Beach State. The chapter with the most members in attendance will win free pizza and two hours of bowling at Zeppoz. Residence hall and off-campus nights will soon follow.

Chris Dockery spoke on behalf of Faculty Council. He addressed the need to expand last week's resolutions to include faculty and staff concerns and support in the debate. He said faculty and staff support is high.

Presidential communications

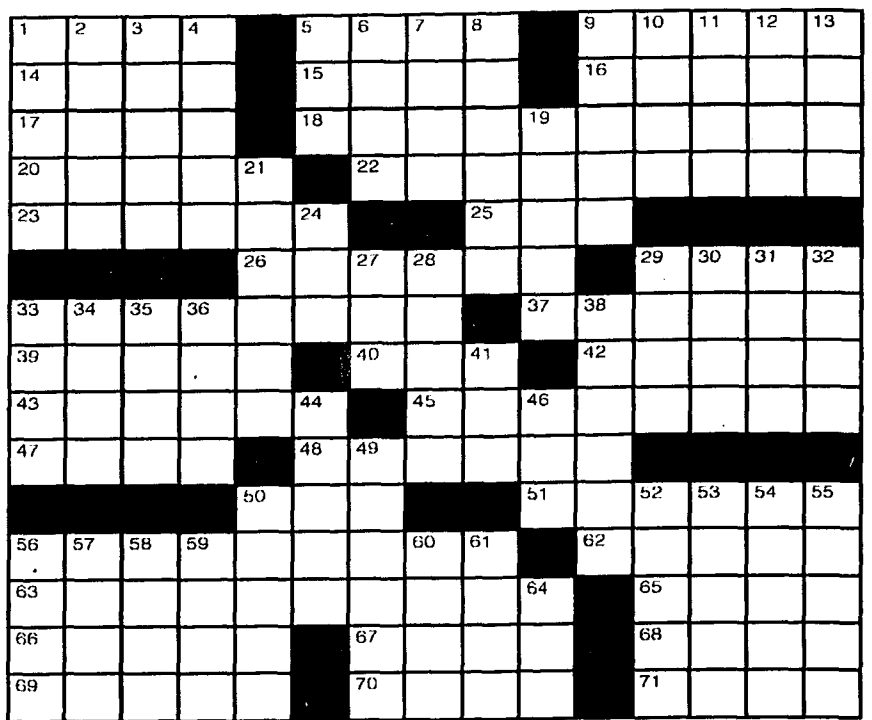
President Isaac Myhrum said the key component in the battle over the Student Recreation Center is the control of student fees. He said he acknowledges the need to consolidate other recreation and sports-oriented facilities that belong to the university, but the SRC and its associated fields belong to the students.

Senate business

Senate Bills S04-14 through S04-24 regarded the appointment of students to ASUI positions and boards. Bill S04-16, appointing Carrie Joslin to ASUI Activities Board leadership, was considered immediately and passed unanimously.

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See Jan. 27 Argonaut for solutions.

Solutions from Jan. 21

Grid of solutions for the crossword puzzle from Jan. 21, including words like BOMB, ASKS, AGAPE, ALOE, BAIT, GILLS, LISA, OLLA, ORGAN, ESENTA, ALLY, DATE, RESPOND, WORE, ODD, BAKERIES, OCULO, CARE, DRY, PARE, CASTS, MEAN, ESA, PORTS, TEASE, CHLORIDE, MOM, TONS, CARBINE, DRAT, SHORT, ORDER, IOTAS, ABOUT, ALSO, STOWE, ROSE, NETS, HEMAN, PETS, ESSE.

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NEWSBRIEFS

Burglary reported at SUB

A burglary has been reported at the Student Union Building. The initial theft occurred on either the evening of Jan. 11 or Jan. 12 of this, said Mark Miller, the assistant director of the Idaho Commons and the Student Union Building facilities.

the burglaries is welcome at 882-COPS.

UI faculty, staff, students win MLK Service Awards

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Distinguished Service Awards were given to four members of the UI community on Tuesday. Recipients included faculty member Debbie Storrs, staff member Francisco Salinas, student Evelina Arevalo and graduate student Dianne Mallory.

UI students design mural for local elementary school

The Martin Luther King Jr. Service Challenge will begin this Saturday in the gymnasium at West Park Elementary School. Students involved in the event will paint a mural inside the West Park Elementary gymnasium.

The event is sponsored by UI's Civic Education Project and the mural was designed by two UI art students to depict the diverse elementary school community with a storybook theme.

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Students have chance to offer feedback at accreditation forum

In October 2004, UI will undergo an accreditation site visit by the Northwest Council on Colleges and Universities. In preparation for this visit, an open forum on Standard III-Students will be held Monday in the Idaho Commons Summit Room.

Students will be able to review a self-study draft and offer feedback. Organizers hope for campus-wide participation so the self-study draft can be revised and amended to reflect a true and accurate picture of UI as it currently operates in terms of the NWCCU standards.

A draft is also available online at http://www.webs.uidaho.edu/IA/. Dates for all open sessions are available at http://www.webs.uidaho.edu/nasc/. For further information, contact Douglas Q. Adams at dqadams@uidaho.edu or Joan Jones at joan@uidaho.edu.

UI program offers Weight Watchers option

The UI Work and Life Program is offering an option for those wanting to shed unwanted pounds. A 14-week Weight Watchers program is being offered this semester for \$142.35, which includes one free session. Payroll deduction for university employees is also available. The first Weight Watchers session is scheduled for noon Thursday in the Student Recreation Center Classroom. Interested individuals can sign up at Campus Recreation Office, located in the SRC.

The Argonaut is now hiring page designers for this semester. Contact editor in chief Brian Passey at 885-7845 or email argonaut@uidaho.edu



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# MAD COW

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measures against the disease. Local supermarket chains began issuing voluntary recalls on all beef products the last week of December.

At WinCo Foods in Moscow, meat department managers said all questions regarding the mad cow discovery are being directed to the corporate office in Boise.

Mark Read, vice president of public and legal affairs for WinCo, said its stores issued voluntary recalls for a week in all Idaho stores after news of the mad cow discovery.

"All we know is we had 30 cases [of beef] subject to the recall," Read said. "Only 19 were distributed to our 42 stores." He said the remaining 11 cases were held at the stores before being put on shelves.

Read said the company also offered to refund meat products that were purchased during the dates of the recall. "We've seen a fair amount of that product come back," Read said.

After more than 30 countries issued bans on American beef, Idaho slaughterhouses and meatpackers also began to feel the effects of the mad cow discovery. Korn said a slaughterhouse near her family's farm was forced to lay off hundreds of workers last month.

"They had to send 750 employees

away because they had no work for them," Korn said.

Local slaughterhouses are also not buying cull animals, which are older and more likely to carry mad cow disease. "Virtually all the animals that have carried BSE have been over 30 months old," Gray said.

Gray said a national livestock identification system is inevitable and a meat-labeling system will likely become an essential step for local supermarkets.

"You probably won't have a market if you can't identify where it came from," Gray said.

A country-of-origin labeling system was introduced to Congress in 2002. The system, known as the 2002 Farm Act, allowed retailers to label beef, lamb, pork or fish if the animal was born, raised and slaughtered in the United States. A mandatory labeling system is scheduled to go into effect in September.

A system to label livestock that is currently being reviewed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture would come in the form of a microchip or electronic tag. The USDA has estimated the costs of implementing the program to be around \$500 million.

Gray said he expects most of the international bans on U.S. beef products to be lifted early this year, and beef prices are rising after a 20 percent drop last month.

Despite the almost nonexistent chances of contracting mad cow dis-

ease, Korn said her family is not taking any chances and plans on disposing of any cattle that show suspicious signs of illness.

She also does not plan on becoming a vegetarian any time soon.

"I'll never stop eating meat," Korn



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY DANIEL BICKLEY/ARGONAUT  
Mad cow disease grabbed the nation's attention in December.

# Veterans Party picks up steam

BY KATIE WHITTIER  
ARGONAUT STAFF

As the nation draws near the November presidential election, increasing numbers of citizens are turning their heads to politics.

And one distinct group of citizens is making an extra effort to speak out: the Veterans Party of America.

"The growth of the Veterans Party is phenomenal and tells us all, friend and foe alike, that we are coming ... and change is not just in the air but in every day and every step we take," states the political party's Web site, [www.veteransparty.us](http://www.veteransparty.us).

The Veterans Party

aims to give veterans across the nation a

stronger voice in

politics.

It also encour-

ages all who are

affiliated with

the armed

forces and who

have friends

and loved

ones serving,

as well as all others

who are interested,

to join it.

"The expressions

'Veterans First' and

'Veterans Preference' should actually

mean something," the Web site states.

Since the party was founded Aug. 24 in

Florida, seven states have become registered

with the Veterans Party. Another nine states

are beginning the registration process and Idaho

is in the formation process.

The Veterans Party is built on maxims

such as the following: "[The party] is

important to all decent law-abiding

Americans who are tired of the way they

get pushed aside so that criminals and

illegal aliens get better treatment than

true citizens of this great nation," and "To

ensure that ALL Americans are fed,

clothed, educated and cared for before we

send ONE American Dollar to feed,

clothe, educate and care for those of other

countries," according to the Web site.

Bob Stout, president of the UI Young

Democrats club, said, "[They] seem to be

a mix between disgruntled Democrats as

well as Republicans. They blame Democrats for not being as vigilant as they could have been when trying to protect veterans' benefits etc., and Republicans for recently cutting the funding for benefits."

Given the growth rate of the Veterans Party, selecting a candidate for the presidency is among its future aspirations. In speculating if the party would draw votes from the Republican pool, Stout said, "I'm not sure they would have a dramatic effect on the Republican votes because they are as much against Bush and the Republican Congress as anyone, for not supporting additional veterans' benefits."

Representatives from the College Republicans club were unavailable for comment.

However, Stout gave the Veterans Party credit, saying, "They probably are correct for forming their own political party because many items on their platform do not relate well to either major party. From the Republicans' attempts to limit veteran's benefits and the Democrats' belief in a sound environmental policy, based on protecting our country's natural resources, the founders of the Veterans Party would not be politically fulfilled in the Democrats or Republicans."

The Veterans Party has a rough road ahead because many veterans do not share its views on environmental and diversity issues. One letter to the party from Byron Varner reads, "In my judgment, after 80 years of life experience and observance in politics, it is a mistake to politicize this military movement."

Even the founding branch of the Veterans Party in Florida has splintered into two parts, according to the Web site. But Phillip Meskin of St. Petersburg, Fla., said there are more than 28 million party members across the nation.

"I like their message about respecting our veterans and standing up for their benefits, but most of their other concerns are a little 'out there' and would be difficult to sell to a majority of the American people," Stout said.



# Professor seeks to recognize record-breaking trees of Idaho

BY SAM TAYLOR  
ARGONAUT STAFF

Ron Mahoney wants people to care about the environment — and find a big tree.

As director of the Idaho Big Tree Program and an extension forester at UI, Mahoney said he believes that making an effort to recognize nature's beauty is a healthy way to see the impact humans have on the environment.

Started in 1972 by retired professor Fred Johnson, the IBTP was created to record the largest individual tree of each species in Idaho. Anyone who identifies a record-breaking tree can nominate it to the program, which also nominates its trees for the National Registry of Big

Trees of the American Forests Organization.

People who find a record-breaking tree receive a certificate signifying their discovery and encouraging them to protect and take care of the tree.

Now in his eighth year as director of the IBTP, Mahoney said participating in the program is not only a way to get a certificate of achievement, but it is also a way to understand and appreciate our natural surroundings.

"The underlying reason is educational, but also to sustain an appreciation for natural wonders before it becomes urban," Mahoney said. He regularly leads his sons' elementary classes on field trips to areas around Moscow to explore wildlife and measure

record-breaking trees.

"When you're looking at the biggest of something, it's kind of a thrill," Mahoney said.

Mahoney said it often takes effort to get to record-breaking trees. A 14-mile hike into the Sawtooth Mountain Range will bring a person to Idaho's record-breaking white bark pine tree, which is nearly 9 feet in diameter at 4.5 feet from the ground. Its seeds are critical to the wildlife of the area, including certain bear species; however, the white bark pine is having problems sustaining itself due to natural environmental competition. Mahoney said that because humans are not part of the problem, people can step in and help.

The IBTP and the National

Registry rely on citizens to volunteer their discoveries so experts can further examine the trees. Mahoney said that though he does not normally go on the prowl for big trees, he is often contacted by others around Idaho who would like help in identifying or recording their discoveries. Mahoney also relies on others to provide assistance to those who are in need of proper tools and recording help.

Mahoney said he is currently planning a trip with school classes to record trees on Arbor Day in April.

To find out more about the IBTP, identification help and other information visit [www.cnr.uidaho.edu/ext/forest](http://www.cnr.uidaho.edu/ext/forest), or the National Registry at [www.americanforests.org](http://www.americanforests.org).

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**February 6**

Presentation by **Mark Potok** of the Southern Poverty Law Center. Mr Potok's presentation will deal with the nature of modern hate and how the SPLC is currently combatting groups across the nation  
Admin. Auditorium: 7:00 p.m.

**February 12**

**The Color Orange** - In 1997, long-time friends Mohammed Bilal and Josh "Boac" Goldstein formed the underground hip hop group, Orange Flash. Their performance piece, "The Color Orange", follows in this vein by using their friendship to actively challenge the American notion of Black and White, Jew and Muslim, urban and suburban.  
SUB Ballroom, 7:30 p.m.

**February 18**

**Tim Wise** is one of the most prominent white anti-racist voices in the United States. Wise serves as Senior Advisor to the Fisk University Race Relations Institute in Nashville, and in the early '90s was Associate Director of the Louisiana Coalition Against Racism and Nazism, the group credited by many with the political defeat of neo-Nazi, David Duke. He is the recipient of the National Youth Advocacy Coalition's Social Justice Impact Award, in recognition of his contribution to the struggle for equality.  
SUB Ballroom, 5:30 p.m.

**February 22**

Associated Students of African Descent from both UI and WSU will present **"SHADES OF BLACK"** Students would present an evening of dance, music, spoken word and rap performances and poetry. Participating groups are:  
SUB Ballroom 6:00 p.m.

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**JONES**  
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Jones about recent dilemmas in his department. While enrollment is growing, the number of faculty has dropped because of the administration's unwillingness to hire replacements for faculty who retire, which Egolf said is due to UI's "misplaced priorities."

Although Jones said he didn't understand the situation well enough to pass judgment on it, it led him to the point that more money is needed in order for UI to provide quality education.

"We simply cannot squeeze any more blood out of the potato," he said. Jones said the university has to find a way to "retrench and recover" from financial difficulties.

Lack of funds has recently created increasing pressure to raise tuition and student fees, but Jones would like to rely on resources like gifts, grants and contracts rather than students to sup-

port the university.

Jones said one important way to increase funding is to elect legislators who are "advocates and champions" for the university. He also said UI needs to remind the people of Idaho that the university provides more than a private good, but a public benefit as well. For every \$1 of state appropriations, UI returns \$7 to the greater public good, Jones said.

Many local government and business leaders also attended the forum, and Jones stressed the importance of UI's involvement in the community. Rhonda Comstock, president of the Moscow Chamber of Commerce, asked Jones if he had worked with a chamber of commerce before, since UI and the Moscow Chamber have a close relationship. Jones said that when he first came

to N.C. State, he saw disconnection between the campus and the city, and he helped work to remedy that.

In Moscow, which is much smaller than the Raleigh, N.C., area that Jones is used to, he sees the university as fundamental and critical to the community.

**"We simply cannot squeeze any more blood out of the potato."**

**STEPHEN JONES**  
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

Being part of the community extends to strengthening the good relationship with Washington State University. Malcolm Renfrew, a UI alumnus and former faculty member for whom Renfrew Hall is named, asked Jones if he had given any thought to how to improve UI/WSU relationships, particularly in scientific research.

Jones said he did not initially know how close UI was to WSU, but now that he knows the proximity, he sees tremendous opportunity for both universities. If he becomes president,

Jones said he would like to meet with WSU's president, as well as presidents of other Idaho universities, as soon as he gets a feel for the area.

Many people who attended the forum were generally impressed with Jones. Deb Stenkamp from the neurology department said Jones was "highly personable and likeable." She said she appreciated that Jones took time to consider his responses to questions, and that she would like to compare him to the other candidate, Timothy White.

Amalia Kirtland, a junior political science major and vice president of the Panhellenic Council, said she was impressed that Jones was willing not only to come to UI, but to answer students' questions as well.

Kimberly Farnen, a freshman finance major and ASUI senator, said she liked that Jones had studied the university, and even if he didn't know exact details of some subjects, he was very open for input. "He understands our vision and wants to expand on it," Farnen said.

**WHITE**  
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violence prevention, asked White how he would support safety programs at the UI after several female students reported assaults on campus last semester.

White said campus safety would have his priority as president. "I need to be able to look a parent in the eye and tell them that it is safe here," White said.

When White was asked if he thought UI should move out of the Sun Belt Conference in order to save money, he hesitated to give a definite answer.

"I don't know what the right league is," White said. "But it has to be one we can compete in."

ASUI President Isaac Myhrum met with White on Thursday morning during a meeting with student leaders. "He seemed to be very up front and open and in a way maybe even a little more aggressive than Dr. Jones when it came to speaking on issues," Myhrum said.

Myhrum said he recently called the student leaders at OSU to discuss how White interacted with students. "The best way to assess a presidential candidate is to ask the

students themselves," Myhrum said.

Myhrum said the OSU student body president praised White for being open and working well with student leadership.

While ASUI leaders are trying to keep a student fee increase at seven percent, Myhrum said he noticed that students were at OSU were also dealing with financial difficulties. "Their budget picture is a lot worse than Idaho's," Myhrum said. "Their students pick up around 65 percent of the overall education budget."

Myhrum said administrators and faculty will be looking for the candidate that can restore faith to the university. "They're going to need to build a relationship with the legislature and with the state board and that's one thing they'll be looking for," Myhrum said. "But we're looking for someone who'll make student affairs a more stronger branch of our university."

Faculty council member Robert Rinker said he was impressed with what White had to say. "He appeared to know how to deal with all of these issues," Rinker said. "I think he has a good approach for all of them."

**"I'm not looking for a job; I don't need a job. But I'll also say if I were to become the president of this university, I'll make you proud."**

**TIMOTHY WHITE**  
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

White encouraged faculty to endorse the candidate who would be the best leader for the university, even if it was not him. "The only way this search could fail is if you picked someone that wasn't the right fit," White said.

White is married and has three children. White said his wife Karen, an associate professor at OSU, was unable to come because "she is very pregnant," and expecting a baby boy next month.

White will be traveling Idaho Falls today and is scheduled to meet with the state board in three weeks for additional interviews. The state board is scheduled to appoint a new president in late February.

"I'm not looking for a job; I don't need a job," White said. "But I'll also say if I were to become the president of this university, I'll make you proud."



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Citizens speak with UI presidential candidate Timothy White on Thursday night at a public forum.

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OURVIEW

## White is the candidate for students

Two candidates are left in the running for our university's top official. The fact that there are two qualified people who actually want the job of running our troubled school is impressive in itself, but which of these candidates is best for the university?

That question was addressed Thursday by candidate Tim White. He even said if he is not "the right fit" that he was not the best person for the job.

That sense of reality and his genuine concern for students are why White is the best person for the job. He is a real person, with real outlooks and real concerns. And in a university troubled by the past, he is looking to the future.

Both White and the other candidate, Stephen Jones, had their high moments and low moments during open forums Wednesday and Thursday. White, however, had significantly fewer low moments. Both seemed to be down to earth, personable and even funny men. But the major difference was that White seemed more real.

White was dressed in a black suit and yellow shirt as a cheesy, albeit genuine, homage to our school colors (though they are officially silver and gold). But that was the extent of his sucking up to the audience. Jones seemed to overdo things by sucking up to prominent alumnus and building namesake Malcolm Renfrew, and making potato references (apparently someone never told him most Idahoans are sick of potato references).

Both candidates did mention their concern for students and acknowledged the reason they had jobs was because of students, but Jones' references were few.

White mentioned the importance of students in nearly every answer he gave and talked about them with almost fatherly concern. While Jones said student input was important, White said students were important.

The candidates were also faced with difficult questions that would have been impossible to answer without knowing the particulars of the situations. While Jones tried his best to answer and talk about all the things he did know about the university, White was realistic enough to admit he did not have the proper information and did not try to talk his way around the questions. Overall he was more direct in answering the questions or admitting he did not know the answers, while Jones tried to give the impression of answering without really saying anything of substance.

One instance in which they both gave fairly direct answers was in regard to athletics divisions. Jones was actually a little more direct in this question, but White had the better answer. Jones said we are not doing well as a Division 1-A school and we need to get out of the Sun Belt Conference, but he suggested moving to the Western Athletic Conference, where competition is likely to be harder.

White, however, talked of how athletics are a way for others around the nation to learn of the university and how the pride that comes from successful athletics events contributes positively to the university's environment. But "It's hard to be prideful when you're in a league where you can't be competitive," he said.

White didn't claim to know which league

was right for the university, but he did say we should be in one where we can do well and achieve that sense of pride. "Why would you aspire to be lousy?" he asked, seeming to echo Jones' remarks that Division 1-A is not right for UI.

White said that even though a successful athletics program contributes to school pride, it has to be done with integrity. He said athletes must also be students and have the academic support to be good students. He formerly had aspirations to be a coach himself, and in his current position as Oregon State provost he included a stipulation in the contract of the new football coach to be responsible for the academic abilities of his players. The crowd erupted with applause at this comment.

When asked about campus safety, White was again realistic and said we have to plan for when violent crimes happen, not if they happen. He said things like blue lights, safety phones, van escorts and good lighting — all things the university either does not have or has problems with — can be very helpful to increasing campus safety.

So it is because of White's sense of reality, his genuine concern for the welfare of students and his ability to lead that the Argonaut endorses White as our next president. He is the type of leader we need in order to put the last administration's indiscretions in the past and help us look forward to a brighter future. We encourage all students to voice their opinions on who the next president will be. As far as a president for the students, Tim White is the right one for the job.

MAILBOX

### Students shouldn't bear administration's mistakes

Dear editor,

I am an ASUI senator concerned with the over-the-winter-break administrative restructuring. My worries are that the administration believes that they are the No. 1 priority at this university. It is evident that they believe their judgment is best, especially when it involves student-owned, student-funded and student-used buildings, specifically the Student Recreation Center. Even worse, this was all done without student insight or opinion, even when it was offered.

I realize that finances at the UI are not the best, but students should not be carrying this financial load anymore. Over the past years students have been helping the budget through student fee increases, none of which has come back to the students through student activities, which is what student fees are intended for. We should not be the victims of administrative mistakes anymore. This pattern of budgets falling short and having students make the difference needs to stop. Now is our time to let the administration know that this burden shall not be fixed at the students' expense.

Humberto M. Cerrillo II  
ASUI senator

### Let your voice be heard

Dear editor,

As a new ASUI senator and fifth-year senior, I thought that I had seen it all by now. To my surprise I learned current members of the UI administration sought to trim an estimated \$200,000 from the already bulging budget. The restructuring that occurred, however, transferred all recreational facilities — including the SRC — to the control of UI Athletics. In so doing they took from students a \$15 million building that day in and day out exists to serve the needs of the students who paid for it.

The administration supports its actions and contends that students can expect to be included in future restructuring. Considering the history of the past few years, I contend that students must expect much more than that from future university leadership.

Now that the changes are made, students must be vigilant to prevent any more lapses of judgment or shady dealings on the part of the administration that could result in further limitations in how and when we use our facilities.

To all the students of the University of Idaho, I would like to personally ask that you spend a few minutes of your time to send your thoughts on the current restructuring to President Gary Michael at president@uidaho.edu. Times are changing here at the University of Idaho. Make sure that your voice is really heard!

Jonathan Teeters  
ASUI senator

CAMPUSTALK

### State of the Union reveals flaws in plan

STAFF EDITORIAL  
DAILY TEXAN

AUSTIN, Texas (U-WIRE) — President George W. Bush made a bold defense of his decisions in the war on terror and declared the state of the union "confident and strong." Bush also cited improvements in the economy, an expansion of health care and closed by appealing to his conservative base in the State of the Union address Tuesday night.

President Bush conveyed the message that America was moving on the right path Tuesday night — a path led by a belief in hawkish defense policies, social conservatism and fiscal liberalism.

Bush began by updating Americans on the war on terror and urging legislators to renew the Patriot Act, to the noticeable disgust of some Democrats. Bush defended the controversial legislation by noting that similar policies have been used to capture drug dealers and embezzlers for years. By claiming that the Patriot Act plays an important role in protecting the country from terror attacks, he effectively puts those who are against the bill as those willing to weaken America's defense.

Bush then focused on Afghanistan and Iraq. The president highlighted the success of rebuilding efforts in Afghanistan, where a constitution was recently adopted and Iraq, noting the capture of Saddam Hussein and that 45 of the 55 top Iraqi officials from the former regime were either in prison or dead. While those accomplishments deserve recognition, Bush failed to emphasize the size of the task that lies before America in rebuilding the two nations — including the vast sums of money and manpower necessary to do

the job correctly.

Bush remarked that the United States was working with the United Nations to turn full sovereignty over to the Iraqis by June and promised that the United States "would not be intimidated by thugs and assassins," who are trying to disrupt the rebuilding effort. Staying the course is, of course, our only option in Iraq. Leaving too early would bring disaster to Iraq and shame to the United States.

Defending his decisions to engage Iraq against the wishes of some members of the global community, Bush said, "America would never seek a permission slip to defend the security of our people," and listed a number of countries who supported the Iraq war.

Speaking about the economy, Bush credited the record third-quarter growth of 2003 to his tax cut plan and urged Congress to make the various tax cuts permanent. While cutting taxes surely played a major role in stimulating the economy, the current Republican trend of cutting taxes and increasing spending cannot last. Under Bush and a Republican-controlled Congress, domestic discretionary spending has increased 8.2 percent, more than under any other President since Lyndon Johnson, a statistic that should frighten any fiscal conservative.

Bush complimented Congress for passing one such domestic program, the prescription drug benefit for seniors that he said cuts the elderly's drug bills in half. The children of the baby boomer generation will pay a heavy price, either through tax increases or spending cuts, for the program. Hopefully young America was watching and recognized that while seniors are seeing their drug bills shrink, college tuition continues to rise — a sign that 18 to 25-year-olds need to get to the polls.

The final elements of the speech appealed to social conservatives. Bush preached the need for STD prevention through the teaching of abstinence, the need to prevent homosexuals from gaining marriage rights and the need for the federal government to end the practice of preventing federal dollars from going to faith-based charities. Surely these remarks delighted social conservatives and the religious right — both groups that will play integral roles in the president's re-election bid.

But Bush will need more than the support of those groups in November, when Americans will decide if they like the direction the country is headed, and whether or not they want four more years of George W. Bush.

### Morning-after pill should be available over the counter

STAFF EDITORIAL  
THE DAILY ATHENAEUM

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (U-WIRE) — The morning-after pill, which has spurred debate since its debut, may be on its way to over-the-counter availability.

As it should be. The Food and Drug Administration is considering the change since two FDA advisory committees recommended Plan B, or the morning-after pill, become an OTC emergency contraceptive.

By making the pill easily accessible, individuals (especially teenagers) could prevent unwanted pregnancies, which are all too common in the United States.

It could also cut down on the number of traditional abortions. Don't get us wrong — we strongly believe preventive measures should be taken prior to sexual activity if people choose to not abstain. Condoms, birth control regimens and other methods are readily available and free at health clinics.

Ideally, most women would never have the need for the morning-after pill. But since all situations aren't ideal, a woman should be able to go to a drug store to get the pill.

It's also important for the sake of rape victims. While women should always go to the hospital after being raped, they could immediately ease any worries about pregnancy by taking the morning-after pill.

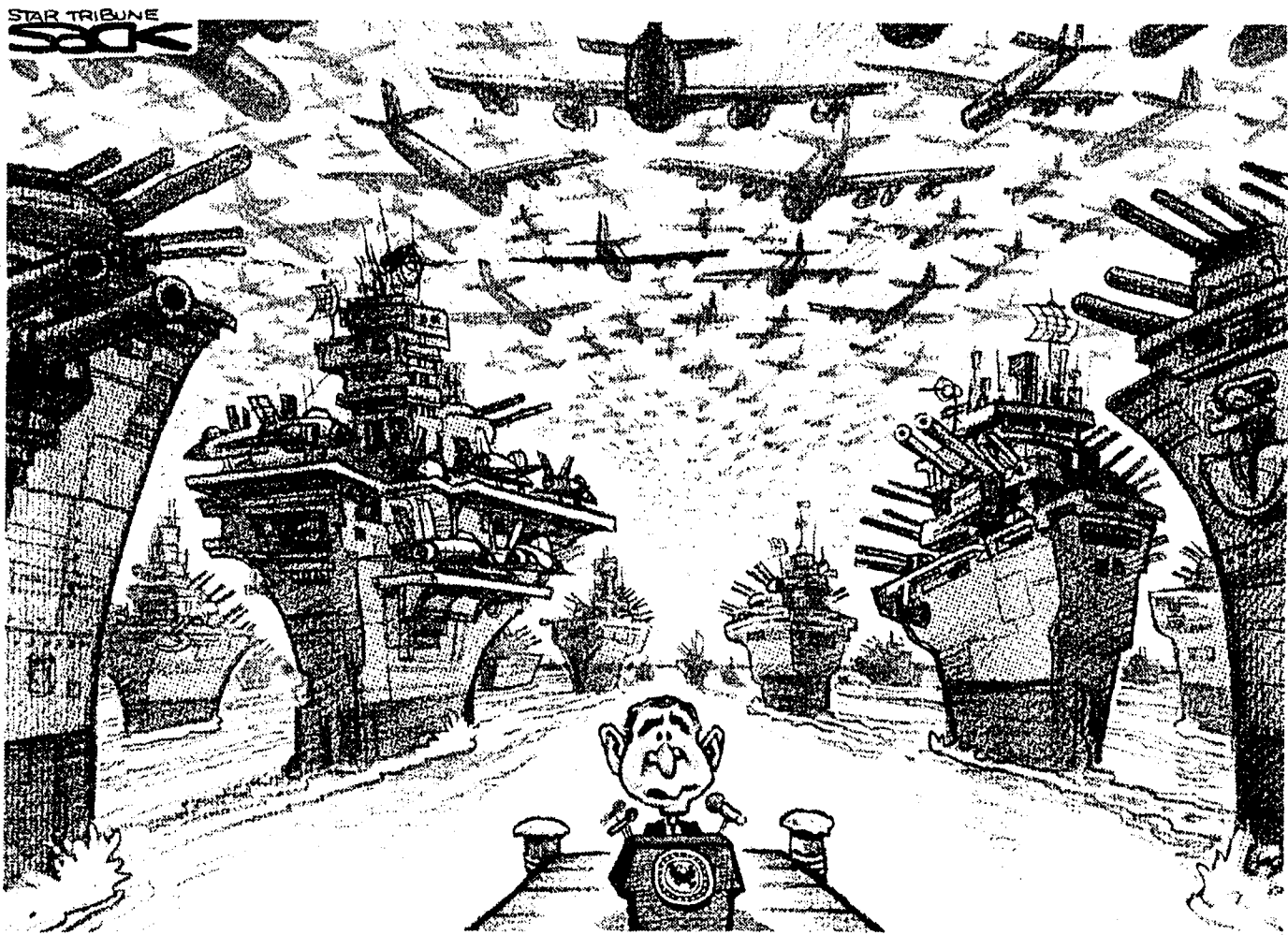
The same goes for victims of incest. Women in such unfortunate situations as rape and incest should have means to preventing pregnancy, especially if they are too ashamed or scared to visit a hospital, although they shouldn't be.

We're not saying Plan B is a cure-all to unwanted pregnancies. According to the FDA, Plan B isn't as effective as regular birth control methods. And women need to know the morning-after pill cannot safeguard against sexually transmitted diseases.

Education is imperative when it comes to Plan B. Women need to be aware of its intended uses.

For instance, Plan B in no way should become a woman's main form of birth control.

The morning-after pill should be used in dire circumstances only, but women deserve the chance to use it.



"NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE..."

## Keeping cool provides solution to budget shortfall

We owe people money. I'm not sure who, but the university has a \$5.6 million operating deficit, not to mention a four-year \$30 million shortfall.

Everyone's feeling the crunch: teachers without phones, students without hard copies of assignments, deans without Ferraris. Seriously, if the UI bigwigs can't drive nice cars, the whole state is going to pot.

But this is old news. However, there are things we can do. This calls for drastic measures, and I have a new one: Turn all the heat off.

The electricity bill for this place has got to be enormous. With the money we would save, we could get rid of some of the deficit and pay the bookstore not to screw us over. In some places this is known as "bribing," but I prefer to call it "good policy."

With this kind of incentive, the students wouldn't mind freezing much. And, actually,

turning the heat off would be good for them. It would promote faster calorie burning, which is always good at a party school.

Heat is being wasted all the time. In every classroom I've ever been in on the third floor of the Admin building, the windows have been ajar. The warmth of the heater rises and shimmers against the cold air coming in just above it, from the window open to help the perspiring students who have just hiked up those long flights of stairs.

Wallace Complex is likewise one big furnace with counterproductive open spaces in the walls. The students can't turn the heat down, so they let it escape to the outdoors.

Then there's Shoup 101. That place could incinerate itself someday. Between the comput-

ers and the close-packed bodies, there's enough heat to fuel the Matrix.

And, really, if we're going to crowd classes like we've been doing in the budget crunch, there's heat there already. Our core temperatures are 98.6 degrees. That's way hotter than it needs to be in any classroom.

And even if we can't heat the classrooms ourselves, we have coats. We go to all the trouble of taking them off once we're indoors. For what? So that when class is over we can put them back on again?

This is pure folly. It's better to leave the coat on altogether — and anyway, that way you're prepared in case of emergency evacuation into a downpour of freezing rain. Also, if you wear your coat all the time, you could get away with owning only one winter shirt. The economy of this

would provide one with enough funds to travel Europe.

No, really. Assuming you own 20 winter shirts at the average of \$15 each, that's \$300. Then assume you save money by handwashing your one shirt every night in the sink instead of going to the laundromat, where you now spend maybe \$2.50 per week on shirt washing. Winter lasts from about October to April in this state. That's about \$100 more you would save in accumulated weekly washes. Do this for four winters and you would have more than enough to paint the towns in Europe red.

So turning off the heat would make us all better people, and probably multilingual to boot. What are we waiting for? I'm sure communists would do it.

Just leave the heat on in this one particular computer lab, because if my fingers get frostbite and fall off, I won't be able to type.



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# ARTS & CULTURE

## Prichard exhibit celebrates Black History Month

BY ASHLEIGH HEBERT  
ARGONAUT STAFF

The countdown to the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival has begun. As a supplement to Jazz Fest as well as the nationally celebrated Black History Month, the University of Idaho Prichard Art Gallery will unveil its timely exhibit, "Living With Art: Modern & Contemporary African American Art from the collection of Alitash Kebede" today.

Possibly most renowned is the Harlem Renaissance of the 1920s, which included writers such as Langston Hughes and Nella Larsen. Harlem Renaissance artists Norman Lewis, Charles Alston, Palmer Hayden and Louis Mailou Jones are all part of Kebede's collection. The Works Progress Administration, instituted in 1935 for relief from the Great Depression, also marked a period of artistic and architectural progress. The WPA was divided into four sections: Federal art, writers, theater and music projects, and the Historical Records Survey. A few Louisiana State

University buildings bear some notable murals from this time, along with 1930s buildings from all over the country. Kebede has amassed art from this period as well, including the creations of Romare Bearden, Jacob Lawrence, Alma Thomas and Elizabeth Catlett. Charles White's portraits of an African-American child's face surrounded by cubist chaos — one the "photo-negative" of the other — are some of the most remarkable images in the exhibit. Kebede's collection shows no traces of chronological snobbery. She also has gathered the work of contemporary

artists such as Herbert Gentry, Richard Mayhew, Ed Clark, Mel Edwards, Al Loving, Bill Hutson and Emilio Cruz. Cruz apparently knew Kebede, because along with his haunting painting of an anthropomorphized umbrella, part of the exhibit is a vivid portrait of Kebede. Other highlights of the show are the boldly colored still life by Lovelace O'Neal and Richmond Barthe's graceful sculpture of a mother holding her child. A native Ethiopian, Kebede was exposed to fine art at in her secondary school years when the painter Skunder Boghossian — whose art is featured in

her collection — exhibited his art at the University of Addis Ababa. She has proceeded to collect art since her college days here in the United States. Often different in style but complementing in theme to the main story, the upper balcony of the Prichard Gallery will be housing an exhibit titled "Jazz and Design: Album Covers of the '40s and '50s." The digitally reproduced album covers are the most remarkable selections from the recording archives of

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Andy Warhol's "Chairman Mao" hangs on the wall for art-hungry patrons. "3 Degrees of Cool," the Virginia and Bagley Wright Collection, is currently being exhibited at Washington State University's Museum of Art gallery.

DANIEL BICKLEY / ARGONAUT

## Traditional Rap Tour brings old-school hip-hop to the Alley

Group will make 11th stop on 38-city tour

BY CHRIS MARTIN  
ARGONAUT STAFF

John's Alley is going to bump, scratch, rap, break-dance and represent when the Traditional Rap Tour makes a stop from 9 p.m.-2 a.m. tonight.

They plan to be putting the "hip" back in hip-hop at the Alley on 6th Street in Moscow in the tour's 11th stop of its 38-stop tour. The cover charge is \$8 presale and \$10 at the door.

Many artists will be playing the three-hour set, including Camp Lo, Tajai from Hieroglyphics (pronounced Tah-jay), Grand Agent, Spaztik Emcee and others. The Traditional Rap Tour is also paying tribute to the originators of the culture: Grand Wizard Theodore, Pete DJ Jones, Kool DJ Herc, DJ Hollywood, Eddie Cheeba, "Love Bug" Starski, Grand Master Flash and Afrika Bambaataa.

Group members DJ Teeko and DJ Trunks will not be participating Friday at John's Alley.

"Our Deejays aren't going to be there," said Mark Di Viti, public relations for the tour. "It'll be interesting. We'll have to find a replacement, but until I confirm I cannot say." Di Viti mentioned that they were currently looking into a replacement.

The tour showcases the hip-hop culture and traditional rap from incarnation to its golden days of the mid-'90s, Mark Di Viti said. Or, more specifically, re-establishing roots and reintroducing the hip-hop culture across the nation.

It's important not to confuse rap and hip-hop. To quote Kurtis Blow, "Rap is talking in rhyme, to the rhythm of a beat. Hip-hop is a culture, a way of life for a society of people who identify, love and cherish rap, break-dancing, DJing and graffiti." At John's Alley this Friday, the Traditional Rap Tour will bring traditional rap and also allow one to witness the hip-hop culture firsthand.

It's no secret that rap music has changed drastically since its incarnation as hip-hop in the mid-'70s. Now the names Kool Herc, DJ Hollywood and Afrika Bambaataa — some of the front-running practitioners of hip-hop — have been replaced systematically with the styles of DMX, Outkast or 50 Cent. The musical leap from, let's say, Kool Herc to 50 Cent is as dramatic as the leap from jazz to rock 'n' roll.

The newer artists have "commercialized" themselves, Mark Di Viti said. The "tradition" is staying true to the hip-hop culture.

### JOHN'S ALLEY

The Traditional Rap Tour will make a stop at John's Alley tonight.

Time: 9 p.m.-2 a.m.

Prices: \$8 presale  
\$10 at the door

## WSU art gallery stays 'cool'

BY JON ROSS  
ARGONAUT STAFF

It's cool to live in Pullman, or at least that's what the art world thinks. "3 Degrees of Cool," an exhibition dedicated to the last 45 years of art, will be at the Washington State University Museum of Art until Feb. 29.

The show's focus is on cool, hip art and features examples from the Pop and Minimalist genres. More than 80 works from the Seattle collections of Virginia and Bagley Wright, Oliver Cobb and Mark Groudine represent 23 acclaimed artists. A large portion of the artists are household names, and this exhibit marks a chance to see pieces that would never normal-

ly be shown outside major metropolitan areas. Some of the more celebrated works include Andy Warhol's 1980 depiction of female footwear, "Diamond Dust Shoes," and David Hammons' "High Degree of Cat," a collage from the late 1990s.

Most of the pieces in the exhibit may not seem like art in the classical sense of the word. A few compositions glorify ordinary household products in an homage to working-class life while others create an image with a few drops of paint placed carefully on a blank canvas. These pieces may not stir up as much emotion as Michelangelo's "Pieta" or Goya's "The Shootings of May 3," but they can be just as moving if the viewer seeks out an inner meaning.

The opening Jan. 15 included a concert of jazz by WSU professor Greg Yasinitzky. This inclusion of music reminds visitors that the word "cool" does not only apply to art. Compositions such as Miles Davis' "Kind Of Blue" and Paul Desmond's "Take Five" help tie in other forms of media, as do works by Richard Brautigan and other writers of the 1960s.

In the true spirit of minimalism, the gallery does not include labels or information with the compositions. This encourages visitors to drift from one piece to the next without being bogged down by words. For the information-deprived, the exhibit includes a room with biographical and analytical materials that works as a window into the artists' lives.

## LHS sheds "up and coming" label

BY SEAN OLSON  
A&C EDITOR

Left Hand Smoke's newest album, "Nonsense Parade," leads off with the new single "Fame's Around the Corner," and nothing could be closer to the truth.

The Seattle-based band is gaining notoriety in venues covering the Northwest, based partly on an extensive touring schedule and partly on a rock 'n' roll-jazz fusion that keeps packing in the crowds.

The band recently sold out a New Year's celebration show at Pier 66 in Seattle, playing alongside The Clumsy Lovers. The crowd numbered 3,000. The group's new album has singles in play at Seattle radio station 103.7 KMTT. Even the NBC staple "ER" has featured a Left Hand Smoke song during the show.

Keyboardist and lead singer Ben Mish said in a phone interview Tuesday

that record labels are beginning to sniff around for a Left Hand Smoke record deal.

"We're looking for someone to come along and throw a bunch of money behind this band," he said. Mish said the band wouldn't lie down and beg for just any offer, however.

"We would have to have a good sense that a record label would really stick with us," he said.

As the band's manager handles all the trench work in the recording industry, the band focuses on the music. Critics have compared it to everything from the Rolling Stones and the Allman Brothers to Ryan Adams and the Counting Crows. Comparisons to such greats in a new musical world filled with former Mouseketeers and bubblegum pop don't daunt Mish.

"If you are doing something compelling as a band it doesn't matter what era you do it in," he said. "We kind of take the stance that we do what we do

and whoever likes it, likes it, and whoever doesn't, doesn't."

Left Hand Smoke has built its reputation as a band with high-energy performances. Mish said the band has always found that its frenzied shows come naturally, and after its first few shows the band members learned to raise the intensity right at the beginning of their set.

"Some people are more born to put on a high-energy show than others," he said.

The band hasn't always had it as easy as its last performance in Moscow, which featured a packed John's Alley dance floor and screaming fans from beginning to end. Mish said Left Hand Smoke has encountered crowds that weren't into what the band was playing and sometimes almost no crowd at all.

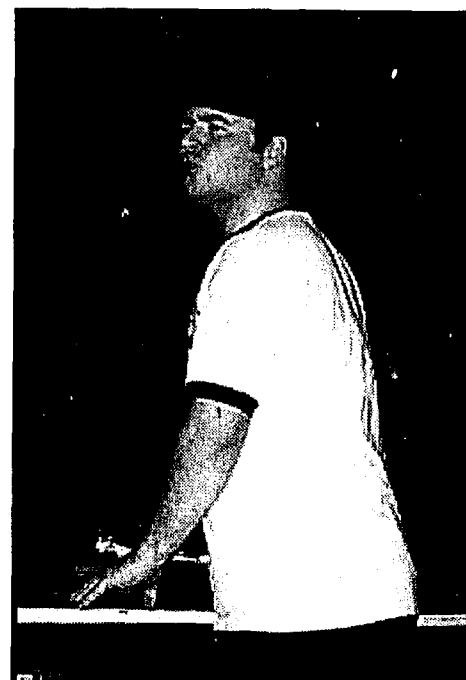
Those shows were fun for the band anyway, Mish said. It gave the band the opportunity to cause a little mischief onstage with humorous covers and

making up songs on the spot. He said ignorant people, or even folks just not perceptive to music, can sometimes make a show just as entertaining for the band as a packed bar with nothing but fans.

Left Hand Smoke will often go for months doing nothing but working with music. But the guys still have to work like regular Joes when the band takes a little down time. Mish said band members just take what's available at the time. Some members will play gigs with a side project to make sure ends meet, rather than enter the standard job market.

Sooner or later — and fans can usually bet on sooner — Left Hand Smoke will be back touring. Mish said the hectic touring schedules don't often stress the band too much. He said that on a longer tour — they have gone from San Diego all the way to Bellingham — in the past the band often tries to have a good

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COURTESY PHOTO

Left Hand Smoke frontman Ben Mish sings while on tour.

# Disneyland enchants 21-year-old

BY CHRIS KORNELIS  
ASSISTANT A&C EDITOR

Disneyland is Las Vegas for little kids. There are lots of lights, plenty of things to spend money on and lots of people dressed up in costumes.

But as it turns out, Disneyland has some appeal to kids who far more than exceed the height requirements. After all, who really wants to grow up, besides kids? Visiting Disneyland in your 20s makes you want to be Peter Pan again, or Cinderella, whatever the case may be.

The first time I went to Disneyland I was 20 and by myself. I was in Anaheim for a convention last year and decided I would give the fabled park a try. It was fun, but it wasn't exactly the happiest place on earth when you're riding "Pirates of the Caribbean" and you're the only one in your party. Last week I had another chance to experience the hysteria and this time I didn't travel alone. It's nice to go to Disneyland with friends — you can make

one of them sit in the front on Splash Mountain — minimizing your chances of getting soaked. Sorry, Bill.

For many, Disneyland was a thing we did as little kids. But many things have changed since the '80s, some good and some bad. The "Indiana Jones" ride is one of the good. It's a good hodgepodge of all three of the movies and it actually made "Temple of Doom" seem like less of the mistake it was.

You may have heard about California Adventure, the new park Disney built right next to Disneyland. I think Homer Simpson said it best with, "Let's go someplace where there's nobody around for miles: Disney's California Adventure." The park could use some work and I wouldn't suggest spending the \$47 it takes to get in for a day. Of course, multi-day "Park Hopper" passes are available that would make it possible to experi-

ence the high points of the park without shelling out too much extra coin.

The rollercoaster is something to write home about. Unlike carnival rollercoasters, you don't feel ripped off for waiting in line for 45 minutes and getting a disappointing ride.

California Adventure feels like a carnival — without the trash. Both parks are certainly some of the cleanest places on earth.

So if stationary carnivals are your bag and smelling like cotton candy isn't an issue, then this park may not rub you the wrong way.

If Disney had simply connected Disneyland with the new park, making it one monstrosity of humanity and commercialism, the new addition would be an appropriate augmentation to the already beloved park. Because for one day, choosing between the parks is a no-brainer.

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## ARTS&CULTURE BRIEFS

### Music duo Chvatal and Kritzer perform at WSU

Janet Chvatal and Scott Kritzer will bring their brand of updated vocal-and-strings chamber music to the WSU campus at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Bryan Hall Theater.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 12 and under; they can be purchased at all TicketsWest outlets, by phone at (800) 325-SEAT or online at [www.beasley.wsu.edu](http://www.beasley.wsu.edu).

Since their 1996 debut, Chvatal and Kritzer have stepped away from the traditional stiffness of a classical voice recital with an original repertoire.

The duo's first CD, "Songs of the Americas," came just three years after touring within the United States.

Since then Chvatal and Kritzer's popularity has extended to Canada and Europe, including performances with the stars from the Cirque du Soleil and the award-winning musical "Riverdance." They played in front of audiences of more than 8,000 each in Frankfurt and Mainz, Germany.

This season will see the release of their second CD, "Arias and Lullabies," which features new arrangements of operatic favorites like Gershwin's "Summertime" and Carmen's "Habanera," backed by the Munich Radio Symphony Orchestra.

### M.A.C. to exhibit Mardi Gras posters

Moscow Arts Commission will open "25 Years of Mardi Gras: An Exhibit of Poster Art" in the Third Street Gallery today. The opening

reception will be from 5-7:30 p.m. The exhibit runs through Feb. 27.

The exhibit, which is a collaboration between the Arts Commission and the Mardi Gras Committee, will kick off a celebration of the 25th anniversary of this community event. The first Mardi Gras was organized by local business owner Cope Gale, who wanted an activity to liven up otherwise dreary Palouse winters. It has developed over the years into one of the most popular events of the year. Music at various venues is the highlight of the evening.

Funds raised go to support the activities of local nonprofit organizations. Mardi Gras in Moscow is scheduled for March 6.

### Tickets on sale for Trapt in Concert Jan. 28

Tickets are on sale to see California rockers Trapt perform at 8 p.m. Wednesday on the Washington State University campus in Pullman. The performance will be in the Compton Union Building Ballroom.

Tickets are \$15 through Tuesday. Remaining tickets will be \$20 at the door. They can be purchased at all TicketsWest outlets, by phone at (800) 325-SEAT or online at [www.beasley.wsu.edu](http://www.beasley.wsu.edu). Only 1,000 tickets will be sold. The show is open to all ages.

The four-man band is best known for its single "Headstrong" from its self-titled debut album. Its all-or-nothing philosophy has sustained the foursome through a number of false starts, dashed hopes and dues-paying setbacks.

Trapt has opened for a number of acts, including Papa Roach, Dredg and Spike 1000, and is scheduled to appear with Nickelback later this month.

The Associated Students of WSU Student Entertainment Board is sponsoring the event.

### Schedule for Eastside Cinemas

Showtimes in ( ) are for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday only.

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- "Butterfly Effect" — R (12:10), (2:35), 5, 7:25 and 9:50 p.m.
- "Cheaper By the Dozen" — PG (12:40), (2:50), 5, 7:10 and 9:20 p.m.
- "Cold Mountain" — R (12:40), (3:40), 6:40 and 9:40 p.m.
- "Something's Gotta Give" — PG-13, 6:50 and 9:30 p.m.

### U4 Cinema Schedule

- "Return of the King" — PG-13 (2:45) and 7 p.m.
- "Big Fish" — PG-13 (1), 4, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m.
- "Torque" — PG-13 (1), (4), 7:30 and 9:30 p.m.
- "Along Came Polly" — PG-13 (1), 4, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m.

## PRITCHARD

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the UI Lionel Hampton Center's International Jazz Collections. The group includes old Lionel Hampton, Glen Miller, Doris Day, Duke Ellington and Fats Walker album covers, along with many more.

The opening reception for the shows will be today from 5-8 p.m. The Pritchard Art Gallery is at 414 Main Street. Admission is free.

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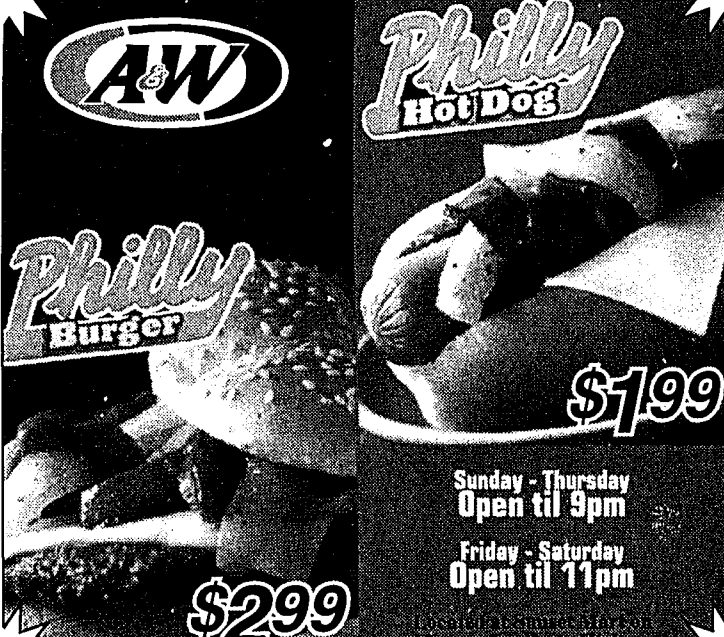
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# Pop culture cracks college curricula

BY JAMES M. O'NEILL  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

(KRT) — These days, when college students say they're studying Homer, they as likely mean the Simpsons character as the ancient Greek author of "The Iliad."

As a field for serious research, popular culture has come of age. It's been a long, slow road to academic acceptance.

The subject, once dismissed by professors, was later taken hostage by those with political agendas, on both sides of the 1990s Culture Wars, when debate raged as college curricula shifted away from a Western, classical focus.

Today, though it gives some tuition-paying parents heart palpitations, pop culture has taken its place as a mainstream subject for study — not only in sociology, but in disciplines from history to philosophy.

Professors promote the trend on several fronts. "Popular-culture courses help us teach liberal-arts skills using subject matter that's more accessible to students," said Jeffrey Hyson, a St. Joseph's University history professor who will edit an American history textbook devoted to popular culture.

Timothy Burke, a cultural history professor at Swarthmore College, put it this way: "Anything that lots of people do is worth studying. It opens an endless series of questions about what it is to be human."

Michael Aaron Rockland, a professor of American studies at Rutgers University, defended pop culture studies for another reason. "When I give students classics to read, they're afraid to speak up. They don't engage their critical faculties," Rockland said. "Look, one or two of Shakespeare's plays actually stink."

"Pop culture is useful if you want students to be brave enough to be critical. It's wonderful to have students raising their hands every two minutes instead of sitting like stones."

His jab at Shakespeare conjures another defense of pop culture studies. Academics argue that many classics were the pop culture of their era, from Shakespeare to opera or Mozart.

"Today's popular culture is tomorrow's elite culture," Rockland said. "I don't want to just teach dead stuff that's already been acclaimed."

He said jazz started in New Orleans brothels. As it moved up the Mississippi River, it grew more respectable. "Music that had been played in whorehouses was ultimately being played in conservatories of music," Rockland said. "We invest things with value once they stick around."

Though the novel was invented in the 1600s, Rutgers did not teach the genre until 1900. "Novels were considered mere entertainment," Rockland said.

Then the movies, a new genre, arrived; novels were promoted to dignified academic status. In the 1950s, movies became acceptable fodder for study — TV had arrived.

Pop culture courses are now ubiquitous. Lebanon Valley College professor Eric Bain-Selbo taught a course this semester on two Homers — the Greek author and TV's Homer Simpson — in order to parse "high" versus "low" culture and the moral and philosophical lessons offered up by each. The writing course was designed to get freshmen

thinking early about what is worth studying and how to think critically. "I know The Simpsons has no standing against 'The Iliad,' but studying 'The Simpsons' does reveal a lot about our society," Bain-Selbo said. "Why does it enthrall?"

Muhlenberg College professor Susan Schwartz teaches a course on the religions of "Star Trek" to introduce students to the critical study of religion. She uses the show as a lens to illustrate how culture and religion interact — and to let students discuss an often touchy topic. "It makes religion more accessible," she said.

Next semester, Elizabethtown College professor Kevin Scott will teach on the images of women in comic books and video games. An English professor, Scott found researching comic books "more interesting than writing one more book about the whiteness of the whale" — a reference to the more unending scholarly theorizing over what Ahab's whale symbolizes in a classic of American literature — Herman Melville's "Moby Dick." "The high-end arts are potentially less helpful to understand what is going on in a culture," Scott said.

Rutgers' Rockland has taught post-World War II America using best-selling, often trashy, novels. He explained the popularity of Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer books in 1950s America, while Ian Fleming's James Bond character took another decade to catch on.

The Spillane books emphasized values of vigilantism and individualism, while Bond worked in an organization and his scope was international, Rockland said. In the 1950s, Americans tried to forget World War II by retreating to the suburbs, making group endeavors anathema.

In the 1960s, with President John F. Kennedy's "ask what you can do for your country" still ringing and Vietnam on the radar, the nation grew more outward-looking and Bond became more popular.

"By focusing on these novels I'm not trying to say Mickey Spillane is great — he's awful," Rockland said. But the focus on pop culture provided a window into broader issues influencing American life at that time.

Academics note the potential danger in all this — class discussion can quickly degenerate into a bull session about students' favorite TV shows. The professors must guide students back to the question at hand.

"You have to ensure they talk with the same rigor they'd use with the Civil War," Hyson said.

Over the last decade, even doctoral dissertations are focusing on pop culture, unheard of a generation ago. Some examples: "Baseball Card Collection and the Politics of Sports;" "Music and Meaning Among Springsteen Fans;" "The Cultural Legacy of Marilyn Monroe;" and others on

body piercing, hip hop and how "Flashdance" and the Rocky movies reflected the values of 1980s Reaganomics.

Still, given the field's long struggle for acceptance, it carries heavy baggage, and even those who embrace the concept squirm when they sense a colleague treating the subject matter too seriously.

This taint exists even among students. When Laura Napolitano, a senior at St. Joseph's, took Hyson's course, someone asked her if it was an easy, "gut" course.

Anything but. A recent class discussion on Hollywood's movie-rating system fostered electric debate on freedom of speech, how cultural values are portrayed, and who wields power to shape cultural opinion.

The pop studies trend exists abroad, too. Last year, the University of East Anglia in England held an academic conference titled "Blood, Text and Fears: Reading Around 'Buffy the Vampire Slayer.'" "Academics read scholarly papers on Buffy, but given the popular subject, organizers felt obliged to stress that the event was "not a fan convention ... and costumes are not encouraged."

Those who attended could hear papers on "From Metropolis to 'Melrose Place': Morphic Resonance in 'Buffy the Vampire Slayer,'" or "You Hold Your Gun Like a Sissy Girl" — Firearms and Anxious Masculinity in 'Buffy the Vampire Slayer,'" among others.

Already, professors are turning their gaze to computer games — even starting Game Studies, an academic journal. The board of reviewers includes academics from the University of Pennsylvania, Swarthmore, and elsewhere.

One paper that Game Studies published was an analysis of Lara Croft, the computer-generated archaeologist: "Lara Croft: Feminist Icon or Cyberbimbo? On the Limits of Textual Analysis."

For many, pop culture is still a side interest, something they can do because they have a traditional body of work to authenticate their scholarship.

For instance, Bruce Kuklick, a Penn professor who specializes in U.S. political and diplomatic history, later in his career published a book on Shibe Park (later Connie Mack Stadium).

Burke argues that insecurity and snobbery among academics studying pop culture caused some to use overly scholarly language about subjects that did not merit it — and provided easy targets for the political right during the 1990s Culture Wars.

"They're so concerned with the suggestion that to write about, say, 'The Simpsons' means you're not really smart that it causes a lot of academics to overcompensate, unintentionally making parodies of their own work," Burke said.

He said scholars overlooked the fact of their own academic training, which lets them take a popular subject and ask the kind of questions that produce legitimate new insight.

"Pop culture," Burke said, "is the raw material to ask more focused questions." As Homer Simpson would say: "Doh!"



# Clay's Aiken for actin'

BY DANIEL FIENBERG  
ZAP2IT.COM

(KRT) — Last spring FOX's ratings behemoth "American Idol" helped force NBC to move "Ed" from its comfortable Wednesday night digs to the Friday night exile that nearly sealed the show's fate.

Today, in what can best be described as an act of repentance, "American Idol" runner-up Clay Aiken will make a guest appearance on "Ed." Playing himself, Aiken comes not to bury the small-town dramedy, but to boost its ratings.

"I kinda played myself and it seemed like a one-time thing that worked into the script, but maybe I'll become a Stuckeyville resident," Aiken said hopefully.

The "Ed" visit, in which he shares scenes with star Tom Cavanagh and Daryl "Chill" Mitchell, is the latest piece in Aiken's attempt to diversify his professional portfolio. This cameo follows an appearance on "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" earlier in the week and the momentum will continue with Aiken's musical appearance (and possible skit duties) on a February episode of "Saturday Night Live."

While Aiken is slowly dipping his toes into the acting waters, he is wary about following in the footsteps of Kelly Clarkson and Justin Guarini, who literally stormed the acting beaches in the disastrous "From Justin to Kelly."

While Aiken won't admit to being one of that film's dozen paying customers, he seems to have learned a lesson or two.

"Part of what made that movie a little bit more difficult to swallow was the fact that it happened so fast," he said. "Justin and Kelly went from being very successful on the show to trying to parlay that into something so quickly and what ... I've been try-

ing to do is trying to do things more slowly."

In fact, Aiken weighed many potential acting offers before deciding that "Ed" had the qualities he was looking for.

"I talked to a lot of people back home who were familiar with the show and the thing that resonated with every single person I spoke to was how family-oriented it was, something that everybody could sit down and watch together," Aiken said.

While Aiken's life has been turned upside down in the past 12 months, to some extent, he maintains the veneer of the innocent boy-next-door who drove "American Idol" viewers to their phones all spring. He's humble to a fault, and he minds his language to the extreme of referring to "damn" as "The D-Word."

Suddenly, though, after months of being endlessly open with the press, he has started to become guarded about certain aspects of his personal life. Aiken's handlers are quick to shut down a variety of questions and the singer himself becomes aggressively terse when discussion turns to his estranged biological father. He admits that his schedule and the pressures of being constantly recognized have made him into something of a hermit.

Aiken isn't ready to distance himself from his reality-show background. He's about to begin a lengthy tour with the show's first-season winner, Kelly Clarkson. However, he said, "To some extent it would be nice to not be known as the runner-up for the rest of my life."

Having shifted to a string of NBC shows, Aiken doesn't want to slow his roll with the network. "I don't know how it would work out, but I want to be on 'The West Wing,'" he said innocently. "I don't think that politics and entertainment really mesh together too well."

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time on Mondays and Tuesdays, wherever they are, before preparing for gigs later in the week. Following — and during — shows, Mish and his bandmates drink up long enough to sleep in their van until the next destination, unless, of course, it happens to be his turn to drive.

Their current four-show stint in the Northwest parades through Moscow tomorrow night at John's Alley. Mish rates Moscow and the Alley as one of the band's favorite venues, along

with the likes of the Wild Buffalo in Bellingham and the Tractor Tavern and the Showbox, both of Seattle.

John's Alley is fondly remembered by the band as the place with the really tall beers. The size is actually known as "the Tall" on the Alley menu board. Mish likes Moscow for other reasons as well.

"It always seems to be fun the whole night there. It might have something to do with 'the Tall,'" he said. Well, maybe not other reasons.

The cost is \$5 for the 21-and-over show at the Alley tomorrow night. The band will take the stage around 9:30 p.m.

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# ARGONAUT SPORTS & REC

## New Vandal Athletic Center nears completion

BY JAKE ROBLEE  
ARGONAUT STAFF

The moment many student-athletes and coaches have been waiting for is nearing as the Vandal Athletic Center, the expansion to the east-end addition of the Kibbie Dome, is nearly finished. Walking into the VAC next fall will be a treat to the average person. The \$3 million extension will feature state-of-the-art weightlifting equipment, trained strength and conditioning instructors and top-of-the-line athletic training equipment for not only fast and effective recovery, but for improved injury prevention.

Visitors will be greeted at the front desk and directed to their destinations. Going straight will lead into a hallway that will soon be decorated with pictures of past University of Idaho teams and will eventually hold a Vandal Hall of Fame. To the left in the hallway will be a 120-person classroom that will be used for various student-athlete services.

Turning left at the main entrance will take a visitor to the Vandal ticket office and the Vandal scholarship donation office. While this area is currently being used for offices, it will soon be engulfed by the new structure.

Turning right at the main entrance will lead directly into the weightlifting area, where athletes and students will be using brand-new equipment including squat racks, bench presses, clean platforms and plyometric stations. The bottom floor is roughly double the size of the current weight room that the athletes use. Going up the far stairs will lead people directly into a cardio work area and a training room for rehabilitation and injury prevention.

Going out the back doors of the training and cardio area, visitors will run into one of the most impressive parts of the VAC: a state-of-the-art rehab and training pool.

The bottom of the pool is lined with a treadmill, which helps rehab by cutting down on buoyancy. In addition, there are four cameras in the pool that Kibbie Dome manager Tom McGann said could fulfill the university's hope to produce at least one master's degree thesis per year because of the ability to see and fully document the recovery processes on knee injuries.

Finally, the current weight room on the first floor of the east-end addition will be turned into a top-of-the-line locker room for the football team.

The VAC will be open to all UI students, but there is a catch; whereas the Student Rec Center is a place of social gathering and physical fitness, the VAC is a place for students to come lift and work out with a serious frame of mind.

"This (the VAC) will be for people who are into this kind of lifting," McGann said. "What it won't be is a drop in and lift whenever you want. If you take the proper course you can have a workout and time set up. You know when you are coming to workout and you are serious about it ... this is not a social weightroom. It is a get-down-to-business weight room. It is not going to be open rec, but it is not going to be closed rec, either."

As for the rest of the second floor of the VAC, McGann said offices will be moved around to make everything more accessible and less burdensome for coaches and the Athletic Department administration.

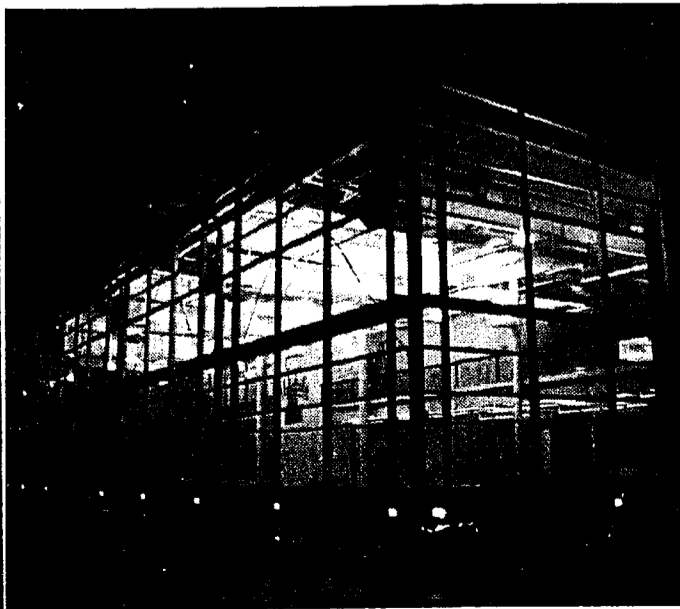
The most impressive part of this project is that all the funding came from private donations by alumni and athletic supporters.

"The majority of the money was donated by Norm and Wilma Iverson," McGann said. "They gave us the money to do this long ago."

Probably one of the biggest benefits the UI will see is in its recruitment of athletes, both transfer students and incoming freshmen. The new facility has the potential to make or break a young athlete's opinion on whether or not to attend a university.

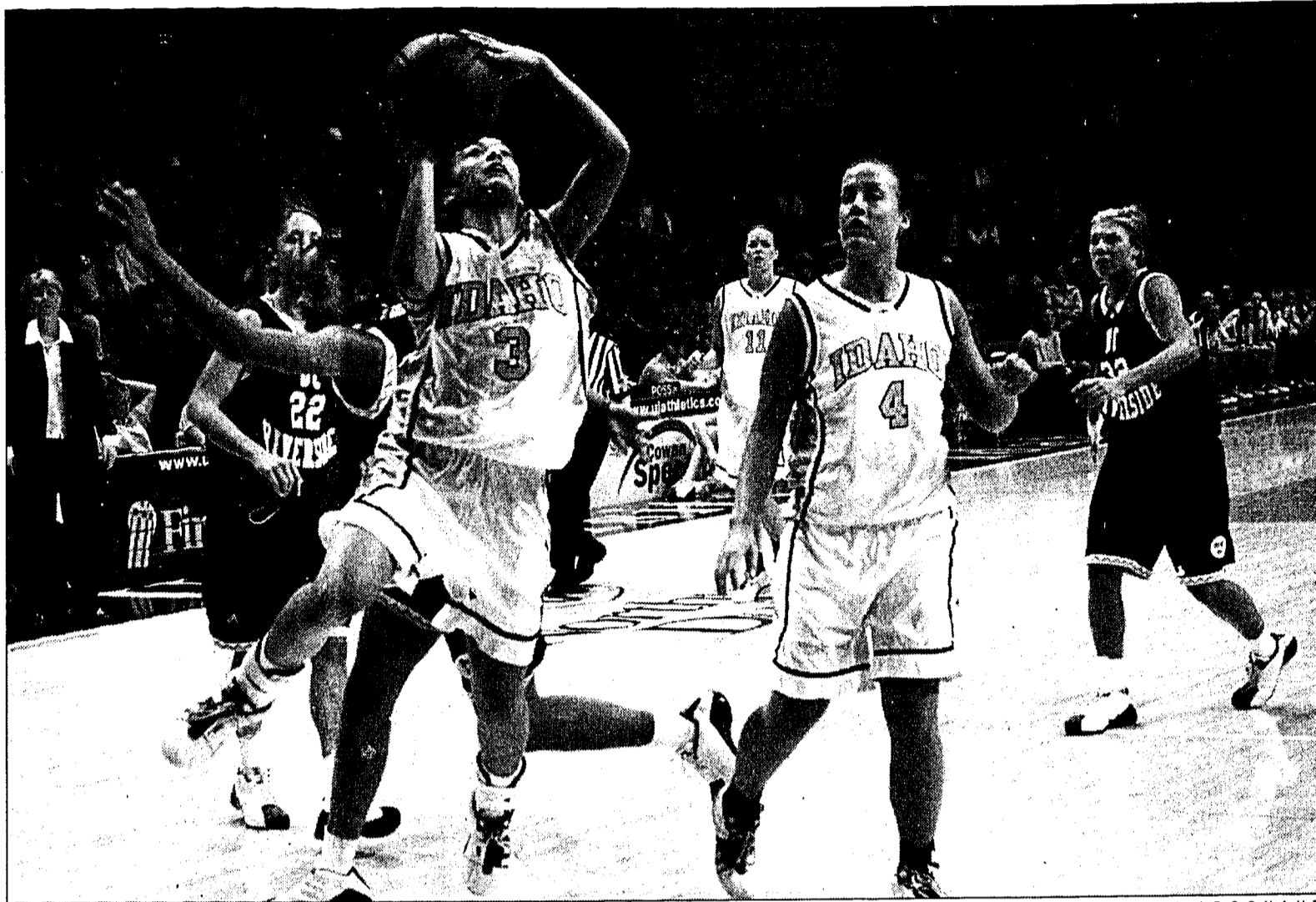
"Any time you have new state-of-the-art facilities ... it attracts kids," UI assistant football coach Chad Brown said. "The University of Idaho is putting the right foot forward to succeed in attracting the best talent out there; that's why we are so excited to be there. Any athlete who is evaluating where they are going to college is not going to listen to what you have to say over the phone. They have to come to the campus."

Sections of the VAC will be finished at different times throughout the spring, but the facility will not be entirely up and running until the summer.



JOSH DEAN / ARGONAUT

The Vandal Athletic Center nears completion with the final touches being put on the weight room and mezzanine level aerobic area. The expansion to the east-end addition of the Kibbie Dome is targeted to be completed later this spring and includes a new training facility and administration offices.



SARAH QUINT / ARGONAUT

UI guard Leilani Mitchell goes for the layup as post Emily Faurholt awaits for a possible rebound Thursday against UC Riverside at Cowan Spectrum.

## Vandals wear down Highlanders

BY MARK WILLIAMS  
ARGONAUT STAFF

Led by Emily Faurholt's 29 points and nine rebounds, the University of Idaho women's basketball team defeated UC Riverside 75-59 in a Big West conference game on Thursday night in the Cowan Spectrum.

Despite the 16-point margin of victory, the game was anything but easy for the Vandals, who struggled at times to find a rhythm against the Highlanders' zone defense.

"That's what the zone does," UI coach Mike Divilbiss said. "The zone makes the game a very methodical plod-along game ... you really have to make a concerted effort to push and run on the zone."

Up only seven midway through the second half, the Vandals finally took control of the game at the 8:49 mark beginning a 10-0 run to give themselves a comfortable 66-49 lead with 4:57 remaining.

Faurholt was one of four Vandals to reach double figures. Freshman Leilani Mitchell finished with 15 points in addition to her nine assists and six rebounds. Junior Heather Thoeke added 14 points, while senior Taylor Benson had 11.

The scoring balance is something UI has been striving for all season.

"We had four girls in double digits and I think that's a good way to win a game," Faurholt said. "If we could have five girls in double digits by the end of the year I think that would be a great accomplishment."

Faurholt hit all 13 of her free throw attempts, which was more than the entire Riverside team combined. The game wasn't all roses for the sophomore post, however, as she committed eight of the team's 16 turnovers.

Defensively, the Vandals played stellar basketball all night, holding the Highlanders to 36 percent shooting while connecting on 51 percent of their own shots, including 40 percent

from behind the 3-point stripe.

But unlike most of UI's recent games, the 3-point shot was not a crucial factor in the final outcome, with the team hitting just one of only six attempted in the second half.

UI was up by three heading into the intermission, and even after the Vandals pulled away from Riverside it didn't seem like the type of dominant performance that the team has often turned in this season.

"Coach told us not to look at the scoreboard," Thoeke said. "I didn't care about the scoreboard in the second half, so I didn't really think about how much we were winning by the whole game. We just needed to come out in the second half and work on intensity."

The win improves UI to 13-2 overall and 5-1 in the Big West, which is currently good enough for second place. The Vandals will continue to play at home as they host the Cal State Fullerton Titans at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Cowan Spectrum.

## UI hopes to start off on right track

BY BRENNAN GAUSE  
ARGONAUT STAFF

It may not get as much attention as the outdoor season, but to the University of Idaho track and field teams the indoor season will be a nice starting point for a women's squad that looks to defend last spring's conference title and a men's team that hopes to get back to its championship ways of a couple years ago.

Kicking off their indoor season at the WSU Open on Saturday in Pullman, the Vandal track and field teams will be taking reduced squads to their first meet of the year.

"We're taking like, 22 guys over," co-head coach Wayne Phipps said. "So a pretty good-sized team, but we won't run really anything over 60 meters. We're going to run guys in the 60 hurdles and then pretty much all the field events, except probably the long jump."

"It's nice having an early meet that's low key like this just to see where we're at. We've been training for so long with no competition and it's kind of nice to break up the monotony of the training with a competition like this."

After losing 12 seniors, including Angela Whyte, who placed 12th in the 100-meter hurdles at the World Track and Field Championships last summer, the women's team will be anxious to see how its new recruits are looking.

"[We have] a lot of kids that are really young, and it's tough to rely on freshmen because you just never know how that first year's going to go, but so far it's looking really good," Teevens said. "We lost Angela Whyte and 11 seniors and we signed several athletes, mainly long-distance runners, that are all going to ... automatically come in and score in the Big West Conference judging from their cross country performance."

They did really, really well."

While the young long-distance runners have already shown their talent, it should be exciting to see what a couple of other new members will do. Foremost of these is junior Ina Reiber, who just came to UI from Germany. Teevens said Reiber threw 188 feet in the discus, which would have taken first at the NCAA championships last year. Two others that should generate some interest are Melinda Owen, who was in the top 15 in high school in both the javelin and the pole vault, and Emily Kling, who finished runner-up in the state of Washington in the triple jump.

The men's team is hoping to see a couple of freshmen help UI regain the conference championship after a fourth-place finish last year.

Phipps said he believes Russell Winger and Marcus Mattox will contribute significantly to the team. He also said the coaches are pretty interested in seeing how a couple of new sprinters and hurdlers do.

Although the coaches will have their first chance to see some new athletes in competition, some veterans will look to use the meet to kick their season off with a bang. The men's team is returning three NCAA qualifiers from last season: Jereme Richardson in the decathlon, Hugh Henry in the 110 hurdles and Jan Eitel in the steeplechase.

Phipps expects these three to return to the NCAA meet this year, but said that with Eitel they will be focusing more on the outdoor season since the steeplechase isn't offered indoors. Phipps said Eitel has a chance to go to the NCAA championship in the indoor 3,000.

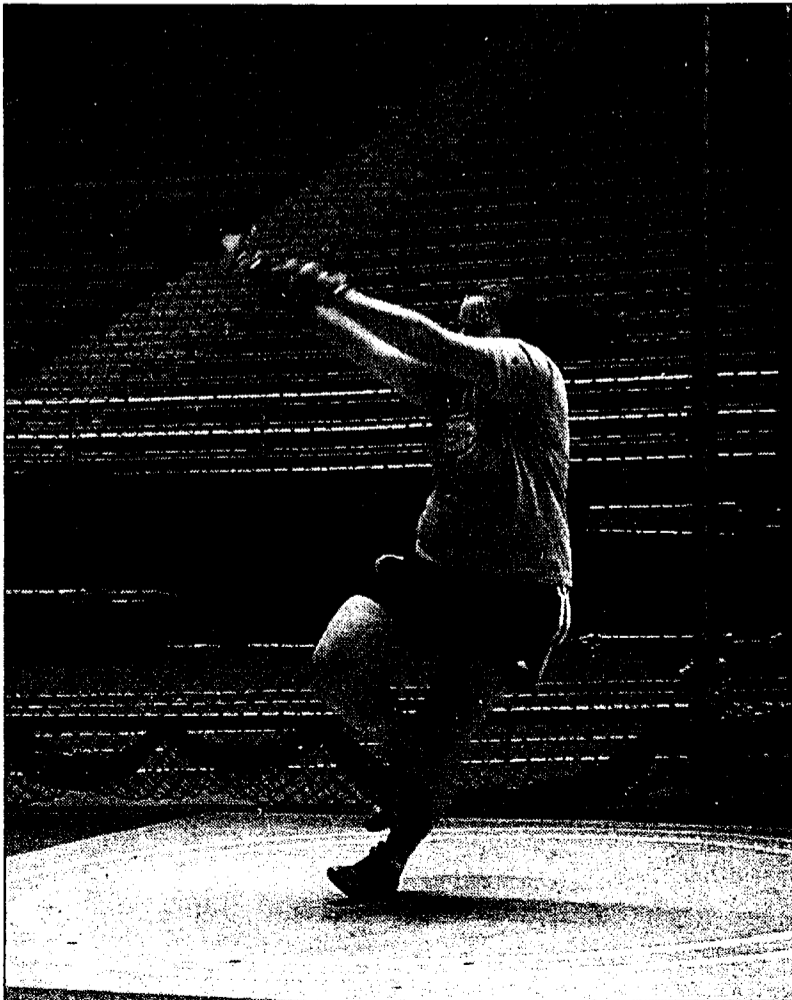
Teevens mentioned several women to watch as the season gets under way.

"Katie Tuttle, who we redshirted two years ago, is going to have

her fifth year. She's thrown over 170 in the discus, and should be one of the top 10 in the NCAAAs coming in. Tammy Stowe, who won the triple jump in the conference last year and qualified for regionals, we think she'll go to the NCAA championship. And then Letiwe Marakurwa, who finished fourth in the NCAA champi-

onships in the steeple, she's worth like 30-40 points for us in the conference championship," Teevens said. "Those are our main people, but there's several others [to keep an eye on]."

The Vandals will race at WSU for two weeks before their first meet in the Kibbie Dome on Feb. 6-7 in the McDonald's Collegiate.



DANIEL BICKLEY / ARGONAUT

Senior Heidi Lambley practices the weight throw Tuesday night at the Kibbie Dome. Lambley is a political science and philosophy major.

# Past tragedy driving force behind UCLA freshman

BY DIAMOND LEUNG  
DAILY BRUIN

LOS ANGELES (U-WIRE) — Before every basketball game he plays, Trevor Ariza closes his eyes, bows his head, and prays for Tajh.

Ariza knows his brother, in turn, prays for him. It says so on Ariza's right arm in a tattoo of hands in prayer, his brother's name and the years 1990-1996.

"My little brother that passed — he's my motivation to play the game," Ariza said.

This desire can be sensed with every rim-rattling dunk and paranormal pass Ariza makes. But long before UCLA's freshman forward ever became a fan favorite for marking the rebirth of hope in Westwood, Calif., it was he, along with the rest of his family, doing the cheering while his father, former Florida wing Kenny McClary, played professionally in Venezuela.

After one particular game had just tipped off, it was suddenly stopped, and Ariza watched from the stands as McClary was pulled off the court.

Ariza became separated from his parents, and since he didn't understand Spanish, he couldn't figure out what was going on until a translator broke the news to him.

Tajh, his youngest brother, had died. He was 5.

A pudgy kid who Ariza was close enough to share a bed with, Tajh had been playing back at the family's hotel residence on the 32nd floor balcony when he slipped and fell. When Ariza arrived on the scene, he saw the ambulances, the police cars, and Tajh's body on the first floor.

"There was blood everywhere," said Ariza, who was 10 at the time. "It's hard seeing

someone you love lying on the floor dead. Like I was in a tunnel, I couldn't feel."

Ariza did, however, manage to take a painful lesson out of the tragedy.

"I realized that life is really short, and you have to take advantage of everything you get and not take it for granted. Just do everything to your maximum, to your fullest potential."

In one of their last moments together, Tajh watched Ariza shooting hoops. It was only when McClary and Ariza's mother, former Miss Universe candidate Lolita Ariza, separated soon after the death and Trevor moved out to California with Lolita that he began playing organized basketball.

Ariza ended up winning two state titles at Westchester High School in Los Angeles,

where he played all five positions and averaged nearly a triple-double per game during his senior year. He clearly had potential.

Recruiters across the nation came calling, and Ariza leaned

toward attending Florida at first, but ultimately chose to stay home. Then he watched as UCLA suffered through a 10-19 season, the Bruins' worst over in a half century.

"They weren't happy out there on the court," Ariza said. "That was their problem. I just thought next year when I come here, this can't happen."

Following the season, Steve Lavin was fired, and Ariza anxiously awaited the hiring of a new coach. After Ben Howland got the job, Howland told Ariza that nothing other than a scholarship would be promised to him.

"That's honesty," Ariza said. "If you're going to be honest with me, I'm going to be honest with

you and play hard."

So he did, playing in pickup games over the summer with the likes of NBA stars Kobe Bryant and Kevin Garnett, and then leading UCLA in scoring and rebounding in the pre-season.

Even after missing the first three games of the season due to a collapsed lung, Ariza has become the team's second-leading scorer with 13.7 points per game. In the Pac-10 opener against Oregon State, he scored 20 of his career-high 24 points in the second half, leading a come-from-behind victory with a flurry of dunks and 3-pointers and prompting the UCLA student section to chant his name.

Ariza is athletic enough to take the opening tip-off, run the break, go baseline, and dunk over defenders. Changing the game without the ball also comes naturally to the freshman who doesn't play like one.

"He automatically makes people want to cut," forward T.J. Cummings said. "You know he's going to see you. You know if you move and you find an open spot, Trevor's going to find you."

Ariza also does the dirty work, currently ranking as one of the conference's leaders in steals and rebounding, which he notes as his best skill.

What's scary about Ariza is that he has yet to even develop a consistent jump shot and at the same time remains a tweener at 6-foot-7 and 194 pounds.

"He's got to put on 20 pounds before he'll really be close to reaching his potential," said Howland, who prefers bulkier, Big East-type frames. "He has no fat on that body. For fat people like me, I'm jealous, but for a basketball player, he needs to get a little beefier."

"He's got a bright future ahead of him."

With a rare combination of size and skill to build on, the sky's the limit. It's also from where he happens to draw his strength so that he can realize his potential.

"My brother's watching over me," Ariza said. "He's praying for me."

## SPORTSBRIEFS

### Big West men's standings

|               | Big West |   | Overall |    |
|---------------|----------|---|---------|----|
|               | W        | L | W       | L  |
| Utah State    | 6        | 0 | 14      | 1  |
| Pacific       | 6        | 1 | 11      | 7  |
| UC Irvine     | 4        | 2 | 9       | 6  |
| Santa Barbara | 4        | 2 | 10      | 5  |
| Riverside     | 3        | 3 | 6       | 8  |
| Northridge    | 2        | 5 | 6       | 9  |
| Long Beach    | 2        | 4 | 4       | 11 |
| Cal Poly      | 1        | 5 | 5       | 10 |
| Fullerton     | 1        | 5 | 5       | 10 |
| Idaho         | 2        | 4 | 5       | 10 |

### Big West women's standings

|            | Big West |   | Overall |    |
|------------|----------|---|---------|----|
|            | W        | L | W       | L  |
| Pacific    | 6        | 1 | 7       | 9  |
| Idaho      | 5        | 1 | 13      | 2  |
| Santa B.   | 5        | 1 | 11      | 5  |
| Cal Poly   | 3        | 3 | 7       | 8  |
| Riverside  | 2        | 4 | 3       | 12 |
| Utah State | 2        | 4 | 2       | 12 |
| Fullerton  | 3        | 3 | 3       | 12 |
| Long Beach | 2        | 4 | 6       | 9  |
| Northridge | 2        | 5 | 3       | 12 |
| UC Irvine  | 1        | 5 | 2       | 12 |

### Outdoor program offers discount lift tickets and trips

The UI outdoor program is offering an easier opportunity for UI students to get out and be active this winter with discounted lift tickets and ski trips.

Lift tickets to Silver Mountain are available for \$24.50 for students and \$33 for adults, as well as 49 Degrees North for \$24 for students and \$27 for adults.

Along with the discounted prices, the Outdoor Program offers a van to Silver Mountain a total of six Saturdays: Jan. 24 and 31 and Feb. 7, 14, 21 and 28. Lift tickets will cost \$35 for students and \$40 for all others. Tickets are limited.

Watch for other opportunities through the Outdoor Program in the Argonaut.

### SRC climbing wall hours

The Student Rec Center climbing wall will continue special climbing hours for the spring semester. Open climbing hours include Monday-Friday from noon-9 p.m.

and weekends from 2-8 p.m. A basic clinic will be offered at 4 p.m. every Tuesday and 4 and 6 p.m. Wednesdays. The clinic will cost \$5 for students and \$10 for non-students.

A Thursday night skills clinic is for those looking to expand skills and will begin at 5:30 p.m. All clinics are \$5 (includes equipment) and \$5.30 for non-SRC members.

Women's night is from 6-9 p.m. every Monday with a basics clinic at 6 p.m.

Youth open climbing is 9 a.m.-2 p.m. every Saturday with a basics clinic at 9:30 a.m. All participants are required to attend a one-time clinic and parents or guardian must complete an assumption of risk form.

### UI track indoor schedule

|                          | Saturday | Pullman            |
|--------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Jan. 31                  |          | Pullman            |
| Feb. 6-7                 |          | Kibbie Dome        |
| Feb. 14                  |          | Boise              |
| Feb. 14                  |          | Seattle            |
| Feb. 20                  |          | Kibbie Dome        |
| Feb. 21                  |          | Kibbie Dome        |
| Feb. 27-28               |          | Seattle            |
| March 5-6                |          | Kibbie Dome        |
| March 12-13              |          |                    |
| NCAA Indoor Championship |          | Fayetteville, Ark. |

### Tennis starts season with a win

The UI women's tennis team kicked off its 2004 spring season with a close win against familiar foe Lewis-Clark State College with a score of 4-3 Wednesday.

UI took singles wins from five of the seven spots. Freshman Mariel Tinnirello pulled off the narrow victory from Eleanor Specht, 6-4, 7-5.

Fellow freshman Jessica Hubbard made her debut for the Vandals by easily beating Hephzi Segura, 6-2, 6-3.

Monica Martin cruised to the win against Khalium Enkhjargal, 6-0, 6-1. Karen Konishi's victory began by shutting out Ana Cornea, 6-0. In the second match, Cornea kept it close, but Konishi held off in the second set as well, 7-6.

Tara Fielding picked up another Vandal win against Sonam Yangchen, 7-6, 6-1.

For doubles, UI's only win came from the No. 2 spot as Konishi and Hubbard teamed up to defeat Specht and Enkhjargal, 8-5. Both No. 1 and No. 3 spots lost 8-4, giving LCSC the

doubles point. The women's squad travels Seattle to take on host University of Washington and University of Portland today and Saturday.

**Singles**  
Pei Yun Keng (LCSC) def. Sunel Nieuwoudt (UI), 6-3, 6-2  
Mariel Tinnirello (UI) def. Eleanor Specht (LCSC), 6-4, 7-5  
Jessica Hubbard (UI) def. Hephzi Segura (LCSC), 6-2, 6-3  
Monica Martin (UI) def. Khalium Enkhjargal (LCSC), 6-0, 6-1  
Karen Konishi (UI) def. Ana Cornea (LCSC), 6-0, 7-5  
Carla Jones (LCSC) def. Patricia Ruman (UI), 6-3, 7-5  
Tara Fielding (UI) def. Sonam Yangchen (LCSC), 7-6, 6-1

**Doubles**  
Hephzi Segura and Pei Yun Keng (LCSC) def. Sunel Nieuwoudt and Mariel Tinnirello (UI), 8-4  
Karen Konishi and Jessica Hubbard (UI) def. Eleanor Specht and Khalium Enkhjargal (LCSC), 8-5  
Carla Jones and Sonam Yangchen (LCSC) def. Monica Martin and Tara Fielding (UI), 8-4

## SPORTS CALENDAR

### Saturday

UI men's basketball vs. Cal State Fullerton, Cowan Spectrum, 7 p.m.; Outdoor Program: Silver Mountain day trip

### Monday

Outdoor Program: Best of Banff Mountain Film Festival, CUB Auditorium, WSU campus, 7 p.m.

### Thursday

UI men's basketball vs. Long Beach State, Cowan Spectrum, 7 p.m.; Intramurals: men's and women's double racquetball entry deadline; managers meeting, Rec Center, 4 p.m.; Outdoor Program: Telemark instructional clinic, Silver Mountain.

**Note: Intramurals** — Entries for team sports will open one week before entry deadline. For more information call Campus Recreation Office at 885-6381.

**Outdoor Program** — For more information call office at 885-6810.

*Sports calendar items must be submitted in writing or e-mailed to arg\_sports@sub.uidaho.edu by Sunday or Wednesday before publication. Items must include a date, deadline or some other kind of time element.*

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TREVOR AZIRA  
UCLA FRESHMAN

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# More skin in women's soccer? Why stop there?

BY LINDA ROBERTSON  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

(KRT) — You can call Sepp Blatter a troglodyte for saying women soccer players could attract more fans if they wore tighter shorts.

Or you can acknowledge that the man running the most popular sport on earth did not rise to such a powerful position by being stupid.

Sepp knows: Sex sells. Will spectators watch an athlete sheerly on the basis of how attractive she is? Silly question. Anna Kournikova has never won a tournament, yet she remains one of the most celebrated and lusted-after players in tennis.

Brandi Chastain is known more for stripping off her soccer jersey than for scoring the winning goal in the 1999 World Cup on a penalty kick.

With that in mind, let's forget about

why the objectification of women's bodies makes how they look more important than what they do. Let's forget about how reducing women to titillating terms encourages sexist attitudes in the workplace and in relationships. Let's forget about the gender politics that suppress the status of more than half the world's population. Let's forget that women's beach volleyball with suntan lotion ads stretched across bikini bottoms hasn't exactly supplanted the NFL. Let's not be uptight on this issue. Let's follow Sepp's suggestive suggestion and Blatterize other fringe sports. Hey, let's make all sports more sexy!

**BOOST SOME RATINGS**  
Women's wrestling will be the only new sport at the Athens Olympics. Incredibly fit women entangled in a physical game of chess? Well, men's wrestling hasn't hit prime time despite those creeping singlets. So if they really

want to pack the arena for the women's matches, they ought to fill the ring with mud or jello. Forget NBC. Put it on the Playboy Channel.

Bowling needs help. Lots of help. One word for those backside TV angles: thongs.

LPGA commissioners have often encouraged female golfers to show more leg, wear more makeup and in general look more feminine. Come on, gals. If you really want fans to flock to your tournaments, put on high-heeled spikes.

Men's golf — dull as a divot — could use a hunk now that Tiger Woods is engaged. Shed those conservative duds and sign Abercrombie & Fitch as fashion consultant.

Water polo players wear two swimming suits because all the grabbing and yanking results in torn lycra and dangling anatomy. Water polo deserves a boost. Wear tear-away suits instead.

## WHO NEEDS CLOTHES?

And the advent of bodysuits in swimming — although they do hug the contours of the body — has created a longing for the teeny-weeny Speedos of yesterday. We want pees!

End the ban on sleeveless shirts on the men's tennis tour. Give James Blake more exposure. In fact, allow midriff tops. We want abs!

The WNBA is struggling. If only women's basketball could somehow Christina Aguilera-ize its look. Chaps and bikini underwear may slow the fast break, but the league needs viewers.

Figure skating has hit a lull. Ditch the classical music. Play Lil' Kim tunes. And get her costume designer working with Michelle Kwan, Sasha Cohen and Michael Weiss.

An immodest proposal for men's basketball: Go retro. Go back to the hot pants Magic and Pete Maravich used to

wear. NASCAR sure has an earthy appeal, but, boy, could it use some sex appeal. That's problematic due to the need for fireproof jumpsuits. Perhaps amid the champagne spraying in victory lane the drivers could take it off. Take it all off, including the frumpy sponsor caps.

In fact, the ancient Greeks had it right. Sports in the nude. Why not? We're living in puritanical times, and sports can take us back to our sensual roots.

That's unrealistic in this country. Maybe the answer lies in the Lingerie Bowl concept. Women in underwear, lacy bras and helmets will play tackle football during halftime of the Feb. 1 Super Bowl on pay-per-view TV.

Next thing you know, the LFL. Talk about a fantasy league.

# Division I teams fail to make the grade on academics

BY DON WALKER  
MILWAUKEE JOURNAL SENTINEL

MILWAUKEE (KRT) — More than 2,000 athletic teams in Division I potentially fall short of the NCAA's proposed guidelines on academic performance, an NCAA official said Wednesday.

The new proposals, expected to be given final approval in the spring after a two-year effort, are part of a larger academic reform program for NCAA member schools in Division I.

For months NCAA officials have promoted the reforms as a way of prodding colleges and universities to improve students' academic performance.

On Wednesday, Todd Petr, the NCAA's managing director of research, said a pilot study of the new measures indicated that, of the 6,138 sports teams in the NCAA, more than 2,000 would fall short of the new academic guidelines.

But Todd Turner, the former athletic director at Vanderbilt University who chaired a key committee

that put together the new rules, said the number was an estimate based on available statistics and didn't necessarily mean all of the teams would be subject to penalty.

The new system essentially ties a team's academic record to its ability to award scholarships and recruit and, perhaps, exclude the team from participating in post-season NCAA championships.

Specifically, the NCAA is setting up two ways to measure academic progress. One is called the Graduation Success Rate, which for the first time would include student transfers. It would replace the old graduation rate, which many coaches felt provided an inaccurate picture of graduation rates because it did not include student transfers.

The second measure will be called the Academic Progress Rate. Beginning with this academic year, schools will be required to compile — term-by-term — the athletic eligibility and retention rates for each of their teams.

After each year the information is collected,

sports teams at each school will be notified of their APR. After two years of gathering the information, the NCAA will set specific standards that sports teams must meet.

It is contemplated that, beginning in the fall of 2007, warning or probationary letters will be sent to teams. If teams still do not comply, penalties will be imposed incrementally, beginning with scholarships being lost and recruiting opportunities being cut back.

According to Petr and other NCAA officials, because it will take several years to set up the program, the NCAA intends to set up a system of what it calls contemporaneous penalties.

"That will provide for more immediate accountability to change the academic culture right away," Turner said.

Turner said the penalty being contemplated in the short term would forbid a school from re-awarding a scholarship to replace an athlete who fails to meet eligibility requirements and leaves the school.

That penalty would begin in 2005.

"The hope is that some things will change and that some schools will respond to this," Petr said.

On two other fronts the academic reform effort is already in place for freshman athletes. Last fall athletes who were headed to college had to meet stronger eligibility requirements by maintaining at least 12 credits per semester.

Incoming athletes also had to have completed 14 core courses in high school, an increase of one course from the year before.

By 2008, high school athletes must take 16 core courses to be eligible for college athletic competition.

Kevin Lennon, NCAA vice president for membership services, said the changes for incoming athletes were consistent with the new demands being made of all high school students.

"They are expecting their students to challenge themselves to take academic courses," Lennon said of high school counselors and administrators.

# Win or lose, Feb. 2 is a Super day for a holiday

BY TOM SORESENSEN  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (KRT) — As a columnist for the largest newspaper in all of Pantherland, I hereby decree Feb. 2, the day after Super Bowl XXXVIII, a holiday.

Absolute power corrupts absolutely. I wish I had enough power to be absolutely corrupted.

Alas, I need a little help. As serious as I am about the holiday — and I am absolutely serious — assistance from two governors, several mayors and thousands of employers will be required to make it work.

I guarantee you I would give my people the day off if I owned a business. What do I lose? It's not as if they're going to wake up Feb. 2 and roll up their sleeves, charge through the door and boost the Gross National Product.

If Carolina beats New England, employees will float into work. Rather than build, sell and serve, they'll talk about the Steve Smith catch, DeShaun Foster run, Kevin Donnalley block, Jake Delhomme pass, Mike Rucker sack, Dan Morgan tackle, Mike Minter hit or Reggie Howard, yes Reggie Howard, pick.

If the Patriots beat the Panthers, employees will be worthless. The finality of a Super Bowl loss is crushing. A team goes to work in the spring mini-camps, practices twice a day in training camp, plays 16 regular-season games, three playoff games and one Super Bowl game and then — it ends.

The boost the team conferred all season stops with a suddenness neither fan nor player expects. Even the new fans, the ones who last summer believed Peppers, Julius, was an orange drink or a condiment will be in no mood for labor. It is possible a few could be hung over.

If you, Ms. and Mr. Employer, Mayor and Governor, force your citizens to work as if Feb. 2 is like any other Monday, you'd better have counselors standing by.

The Super Bowl is always humongous, and in the Carolinas this year it is whatever comes after humongous.

## COMMENTARY

The Super Bowl is the country's biggest unsanctioned holiday, and since it falls on Sunday, should we not get Monday off, too?

Some of you will say that you're not a fan of the Panthers or of football and have no interest in the game or the event. That's fine. What to do with you? Let me think. Hey, I know. WORK!

Others will claim the United States is made up of lazy people and this country schedules too many holidays already. If so, you don't understand economics.

Working all the time, at a steady pace, is comparable to running four miles at a steady pace. You'll get there. Eventually. Perhaps by dark. Additional days off actually enhance productivity. I can prove it.

Many of you run, walk or use cardio machines. Instead of moving at your usual pace today, I want you to try interval training.

Let's say you run four miles

and it takes you 35 minutes. Today, I want you to run at 80 percent of your top speed from one end of a football field to the other, and jog back.

Repeat. Repeat for 35 minutes. The benefits will be considerably greater. Any drawbacks? You'll be exhausted Thursday and unable to walk Friday.

Holidays are interval training for life. Do you, Mr. and Ms. Employer, realize how hard your people will work Tuesday if you let them off Monday? They will storm through your doors ready to create, take over and attain. Properly rested, they will rattle and hum like machines. Lunch break? Not for them, thanks. Plus, they'll like you more.

What a great time to live in Charlotte and the Carolinas. Do you realize we've been anticipating the next playoff game since Dec. 28, when the regular season ended and the postseason schedule was determined?

By the time the Super Bowl arrives, we will have been involved with the playoffs 35 days. That's a long time, 35 days.

But it's not long enough. Let's go for 36.

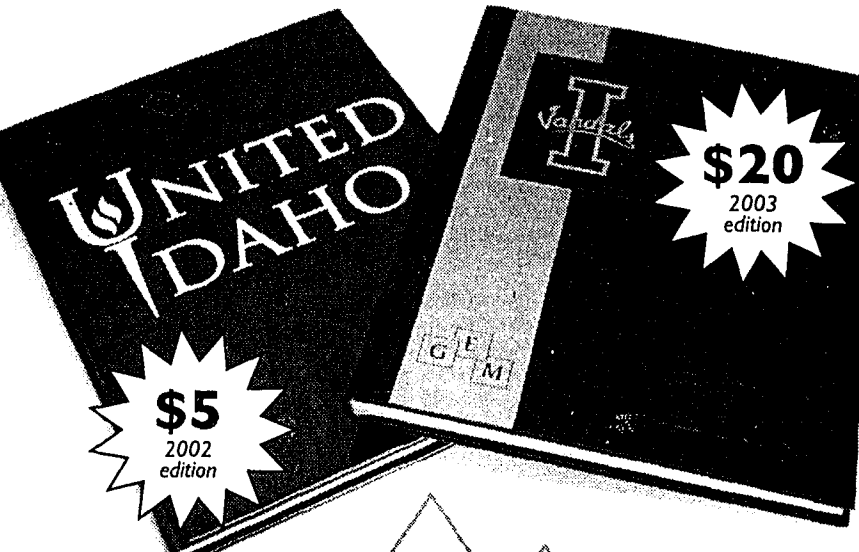
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# Transfers work well for coaches

BY JAY HEATER  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

(KRT) — It's the closest thing that the NCAA can offer to the trade. It's the transfer.

Sure, Division I men's and women's programs don't have front offices that meet in tropical climates to swap flesh. But it's apparent that head coaches keep their eyes open for unhappy campers who find themselves buried on the bench or in a setting that leaves them wanting.

In many ways, it's more of a sure bet than recruiting a high school player. A coach has a chance to evaluate the player on the Division I level. He or she also can see how that player will fit into the current roster.

Consider the case of former Arizona guard Will Bynum, whose only job at Arizona was to hold towels for coach Lute Olson. Now at Georgia Tech,

Bynum scored 25 points Saturday in an 81-71 win over Maryland. Tech is 14-2.

The junior guard was the university's Wendy's Player of the Week, which for him has to be preferable to leading the Wildcats' scout team.

How about Oregon State guard Shannon Howell? She transferred from Nebraska, where she averaged 9 points a game in 2001-02. In seven games since becoming eligible at OSU, she is averaging 22.6 points and is the leading scorer in the Pac-10. After Nebraska changed coaches following her sophomore season, Howell decided she wanted to be closer to her Los Angeles home. Think she is happy?

Former Cal guard Shantay Legans left Berkeley in order to play one season for Fresno State coach Ray Lopes, a close family friend. Legans had a starring role with the Bears, but he was never completely happy.

# Doctors try to trace disease that killed Cal basketball player

BY MARTIN SNAPP  
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

BERKELEY, Calif. (KRT) — The disease that killed University of California Berkeley basketball player Alisa Lewis on Monday probably is not a risk to those who had contact with her, but university health officials who don't know where or how she was exposed aren't taking any chances.

As a precautionary measure, the antibiotic Cipro has been given to her boyfriend, teammates, coaches, roommates, family — even players on the Stanford squad, which Cal played Friday.

"She didn't play, but she shook hands with them after the game," said Dr. Peter Dietrich, medical director of University Health Services. "It seemed like the prudent thing to do."

That players may have been sweaty after the game contributed to the decision.

Lewis, a 20-year-old reserve forward, felt fine during the game.

But over the weekend she experienced the sudden onset of what Dietrich called "classic symptoms of bacterial meningitis": headache, skin rash, high fever, stiff neck and vomiting.

Her boyfriend took her to Kaiser Medical Center in Oakland, Calif., early Monday morning. She died a few hours later.

About 5 percent of the general population carries the bacteria without showing symptoms and will never get sick, said

infectious diseases expert Dr. Arthur Reingold, chairman of epidemiology at University of California Berkeley's School of Public Health. But the carriers can spread it to others, usually by sneezing, coughing, kissing, or sharing cups and eating utensils.

Both doctors said the public has little to fear. "This bacterium can't last outside the body longer than two minutes," Reingold said. "It doesn't get spread by casual contact."

"Only a tiny fraction of those who are exposed ever get sick," he said. "Most of us have antibodies that protect us. But if you're that rare individual who doesn't have those antibodies, as this young lady apparently didn't, you're definitely at risk."

Dietrich said he wished "we had a test to determine who has the antibodies and who doesn't, but we don't," Dietrich said. "There's so much we don't know about why some people who are exposed get sick and others don't."

"Unfortunately, 10 percent of meningitis cases are fatal even under the best of circumstances," Reingold said. "The disease progresses so rapidly, by the time the doctor can start treatment it's already done its damage."

University health officials are tracing Lewis' recent contacts to determine how she caught the disease and who she might have exposed. But at this early stage they're operating largely on guesswork. Dietrich cautioned that they may never know for sure.

"We can't even determine the definite cause of her illness and death, not until we get the cultures back," he said. "But we're presumptively treating it as a case of bacterial meningitis because she presented all the classic symptoms."

He said those who have been given Cipro probably don't need it because their exposure was minimal: "Their actual risk of exposure was quite low, but we want to err on the side of caution. When you're not sure, it's wise to use a worst-case scenario."

"This is definitely not cause for a general health panic," Dietrich said.

Women's basketball coach Caren Horstmeyer said the team is taking Lewis' death "very, very hard." A rabbi, priest, minister and several grief counselors have been called in to help them.

Still up in the air is whether this Friday's game against the University of Southern California will go on as scheduled.

"I don't know what we'll decide," said Horstmeyer. "We have the support of the Pac-10 and USC to do whatever we have to do."

Also undecided is when and where a memorial service will be held.

Horstmeyer called Lewis an exceptionally kind person who planned to be a social worker. "The ones I feel sorry for are all the people she would have helped."

"She was the nicest kid I ever coached. And I've coached a lot of good, good people."

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