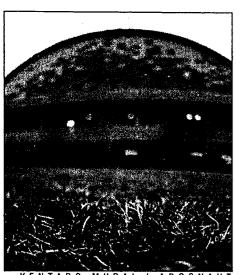


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KENTARO MURAI / ARGONAUT The practice field on the east side of the Kibbie Dome will not be remodeled because ASUI turned down the proposal.

Turf war over for now

ASUI votes to hold off on field remodeling

BY CAMERLY COX ARGONAUT STAFF

ore than a month of deliberation has brought ASUI to a decision not to support Kibbie Dome manager Tom McGann's proposal for synthetic turf

fields east of the Dome.

McGann presented the proposal to the ASUI senate Feb. 2, asking for student support to

go ahead with the project.

ASUI President Autumn

Hansen and members of the Associated Students Fee Committee agreed the project would be beneficial and an asset to UI students, but said they would oppose the project.

In a position paper from ASUI and the fee committee, Hansen said they have discussed student fees and how they should be spent to profit

students and other con-stituents. Hansen said there have been sacrifices made for the greater good to ensure UI is providing the best it can for everyone involved.

"In this light and for the following reasons, the ASUI will not be in support of the field turf project at this time," she

The proposal from McGann stated that the project would cost about \$1.6 million, with \$1.39 million of the funds already available in a Kibbie Dome Turf Replacement Fund. The Outdoor Recreation and Athletic Field Fund also contained \$330,000, but would be depleted by the project. A \$5 fee increase proposal had been instigated to re-establish the fund later.

Hansen said there had been several concerns raised about the plan.

One of those concerns is the timing of the project, she said. "We're having to make sacrifices, but the turf project is not a sacrifice," she said. "We fully support the project, and in a year it may be a better time."

Hansen said fee committee members were also concerned with the depletion of funds to construct the fields and the use of student fees to restore the

Hansen pointed to campus-wide cuts to budgets, programs and departments as a reason to hold off on the project.

'It would not be responsible to support a project like this while others are facing such fiscal turmoil," she said. Hansen said as chair of the

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Plus-minus OK'd

Vote moves to general faculty members

BY NATE POPPINO ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

emember those B-pluses and A-minuses from public school?

They're coming back. The University of Idaho Faculty Council voted Tuesday to approve changing UI to a plus-minus grading system.

The proposal, which passed 10-2, will add plus and minus categories to letter grades and will create new grade point average levels for those cate-

The council voted after member James Reid reported on what he found to be the general faculty and student opinions on the grading system. Faculty members were 70 percent in favor of the change, he said. Reid previously said students are almost completely against the idea.

"The main reason for liking it that faculty quoted was it allows greater precision in grad-

ing," Reid said.
Since the proposal first came up before the council last summer, Reid said, he has received input on it from faculty across the university and student groups such as ASUI and the Graduate Student Association.

Reid said the grading system is already in use at three Idaho universities: Idaho State University, Lewis-Clark State College and Albertson's College of Idaho. In addition,

Washington State University and UI's College of Law also use the system. The proposal will now be sent to the next general faculty meeting on May 4 for another

If the faculty votes in favor of it, it will then need to be

approved by UI President Tim White and the university's Board of Regents.

If approved, Reid said, the system will take one year to set up and will come into effect during the 2006-07 school year.

It will be applied to all students who attend UI at that time and faculty members will have a choice of whether or not to use the system.
"It would affect everyone

here from this point onward," Reid said.

In response to concerns about student grade point average levels falling because of the new system, Reid said he felt grades would balance themselves out.

"If you had grades that were falling in a normal range it would remain the same," Reid said. "Its (the proposal's) likely effect would be minimal." Council member Mickey

Gunter said he experienced a change to plus-minus grading when he was a student, and higher-achieving students may end up with a lower GPA.

"It lowers your GPA, but I

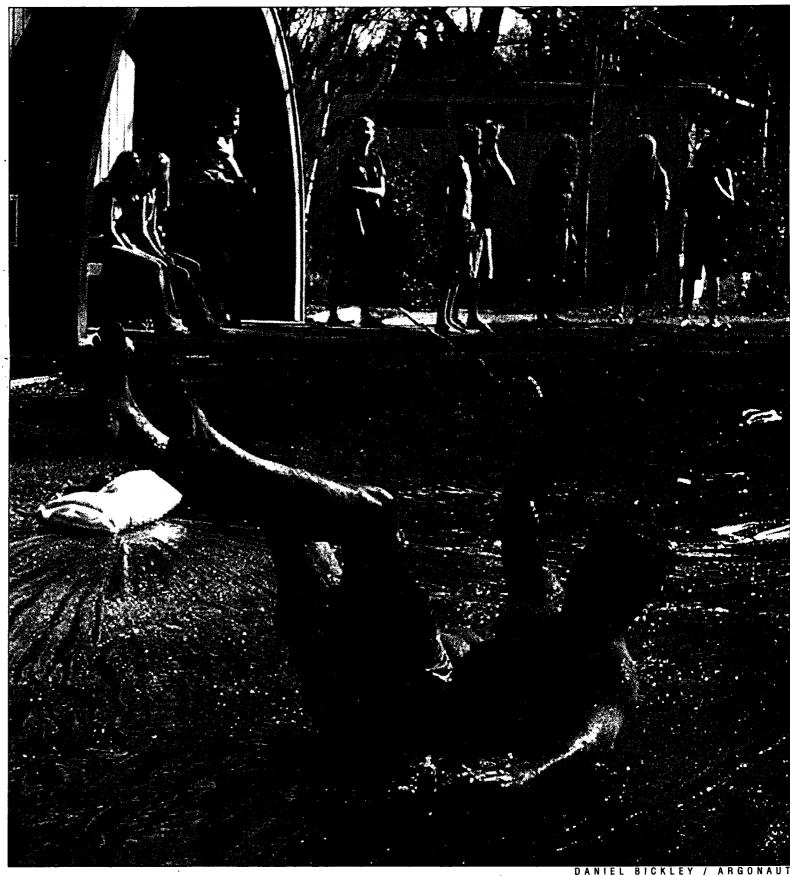
still kind of got a job I kind of like," Gunter said, joking. "I think it really will lower the students who are high achiev-

Council member Bechinski asked Reid whether C-minus students would face the same academic probation as other students who fall below a C-average GPA.

"Students know that going in, a C-minus is not a C," Reid

The grading system will have no A-plus or D-minus. Reid said that is because the proposal uses the same language as WSU's system, which lacks the two grades.

WET 'N WILD SPRING BREAK



Ul political science freshman lan Harpole slides down Phi Delta Theta's makeshift Slip 'n Slide Thursday afternoon while enjoying the nice spring weather.

Money 101: When shopping goes wrong

BY LISA WAREHAM

ndrea Meldrum did not need any shoes, but she bought three pairs of the same style anyway.

"I am an out-of-control shopping addict," said Meldrum, a freshman English major at University of Idaho. "I bought the pink and purple for less than I bought the tan, so that justified it. I still don't know what I'm going to wear them with, but I guess I'll figure that out later.

Meldrum said the tan pair was \$75 and the other two pairs were \$30 each.

People buy products for a variety of reasons, and most businesses base their marketing strategies on those reasons, said Kathy O'Malley, a UI busi-

ness professor. O'Malley said one technique is sale items like the shoes Meldrum bought. She said sometimes businesses lose money on these low prices in order to lure people into the businesses. The hope of the businesses is that people will

buy other items. Another technique is making people think they need an item, said assistant psychology pro-

fessor Traci Craig.

"They provide you with a problem you didn't think you had," she said. Craig said an example is a

cell phone commercial she saw in December. The commercial showed a family in a mall without cell phones. They realized they had a huge problem because they could not communicate with each other, Craig said. The family decided they needed cell phones, and after they bought cell phones for the family, their problems vanished.

Craig said water, food and shelter, rather than cellular phones and computers, are

O'Malley said marketing is also present in supermarkets. She said many supermarkets use store structure to sell more

products. When people enter WinCo Foods, they are forced to turn left into an aisle before they can reach any other aisle, O'Malley

pointed out. "It's inconvenient to go any

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Hansen fixes law student quarrel

BY CAMERLY COX ARGONAUT STAFF

ssues between members of the Student Bar Association and the Associated Students Fee Committee have finally been settled after SBA members complained about having to pay a dedicated student fee increase, ASUI

President Autumn Hansen said.

Hansen said she and ASUI leaders acted on concerns brought forward by SBA at the fee committee's open student forum last week. Members of SBA disagreed with having to pay a \$22.75 increase to the dedicated student fee, which is currently \$144.35.

While SBA members and law students will still pay full student fees, the dedicated student fee increase will be returned to them by the UI Law School.

The dedicated student fee pays for outdoor programs, student media and international programs for students, Hansen explained, and the programs are shared by all UI undergraduate, graduate and law students. These programs are referred to as "common goods," and

student leaders are trying to redefine which programs' costs should be shared by all students.

"What they're going to have to do is rebate their students \$22.75," Hansen

Hansen said before the change in the system, SBA paid fees as a part of ASUI's budget, but their portion of the fees was returned to them before the budget was

The only change, she said, is that the fees are rebated to the law students instead of kept by the law school.

Hansen said she hoped this change would not set a precedent. She said the decision was one they made quickly in an effort to solve the issues at hand.

"It was a procedural issue that I solved. We will continue collaborating after spring break," she said. "The goal was to figure out the issues with the SBA. It has all been done in the spirit of collaboration.

Mark Brainard, UI budget director,

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Fees announced

niversity of Idaho President Tim White issued his finalized request for a student fee increase from \$1,816 to \$1,984.

The 9.3 percent increase announced Tuesday was not unexpected and had been discussed for several weeks.

The majority of the \$168 full-time student fee (\$122.65) will once again go to matriculation, like last year's fee increase, which was requested and instituted by interim UI President Gary

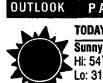
A significant increase made by ASUI leaders

to bolster their budget has also been approved and included in White's budget.

An additional \$22.75, a 50.1 percent increase, will be added to the ASUI budget, on top of the \$45.40 the student government already receives from each undergraduate student. The increase will add more than \$413,000 to the ASUI budg-

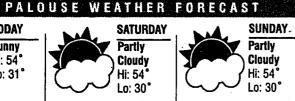
UI intercollegiate athletics will also receive an increase of \$5, which means students will go from paying \$95.50 to the athletic department each semester to \$100.50.

White's overall increase will add more than \$3 million to the UI budget for the 2006 fiscal year, which begins July 1.









SENATEREPORT

March 9, 2005

Open Forum

ASUI Faculty Council representative Kimberly Farnen spoke to the senate regarding a presentation at the Faculty Council meeting about the new TLC building. She said the original number of classrooms in the TLC was 29, but new funding has been pulled for a 30th classroom.

She also spoke concerning UI President Tim White's restructuring plan. She said the deadline for faculty cuts is today.

Shayna Gribo, a sales associate for the college division of Jostens, a company that specializes in celebration events, spoke concerning an official ring program for UI. She said it is a new program and hopes ASUI will get involved. She said the program is exclusive for juniors and seniors and includes sponsoring to "take dollars" off the price of the rings.

Gribo also said the "Grand Finale." where graduating students can pick up their cap and gown and announcements would take place March 29-30.

Presidential Communications

ASUI President Autumn Hansen was not available for comment. She, along with ASUI Vice President Jessica Helsley and presidential policy adviser Humberto Cerrillo are spending the rest of the week

in Boise Senate Business

ASUI Sen. Alex Stegner said Senate Bill S05-41, providing for the appointment of ASUI Sen. Eric Everett to the position of ASUI senate parliamentarian, would be heid.

Everett said Senate Bill S05-42, providing for the revision of term limits for all ASUI-appointed officials would be held in the Ways and Means Committee until the next senate meeting.

Senate Bill S05-43, providing for the establishment of rules of accountability to the ASUI Governing Documents for elected and appointed officials, was sent to the Ways and Means Committee.

Senate Resolution S05-04, which states that a move to tuition will be a hindrance for the students in the state of Idaho and also moves the state legislature away from its commitment to higher education, was passed unanimously. Copies of the resolution shall be forwarded to the Idaho State Legislature and Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

Senate Bill S05-44, providing for service to Moscow community by philanthropy, was passed unanimously.

Senate Bill S05-46, providing for the suspension of the Section 1010,010 of the ASUI Rules and Regulations, was passed unanimously

Camerly Cox

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Master class: Anthony Padilla, plano School of Music Recital Hall 3:30-5:30 p.m.

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NATIONALBRIEFS

Congress to take up growing problem of identity theft

WASHINGTON - A growing outcry over security breaches at giant information brokers - coupled with the growing sophistication of scammers - is joiting consumers with a grim threat: They're more vulnerable than ever to identity theft.

Congress begins a series of hearings Thursday into how data-collection companies with huge databases collect, handle and sell personal information, and whether new federal regulations are needed to improve security and privacy.

Capitol Hill is responding to growing consumer anxiety fueled by two serious security breaches at large data brokers, much of whose business is unregulated.

ChoicePoint, the largest information broker, warned 145,000 people last month that criminals posing as small businesses had accessed their personal data. The firm, which is headquartered in suburban Atlanta, compiles data on millions of Americans and sells it to companies and government agencies.

At least 750 people were defrauded, but California officials who are investigating the breach estimate that more than 400,000 consumers may have had their data compromised.

And on Wednesday, Lexis Nexis announced that intruders using identification from legitimate businesses were able to get access to information on as many as 32,000 U.S. citizens in a database of Seisnet, its subsidiary.

Seisnet, based in Boca Raton, Fla., and recently acquired by Lexis Nexis' corporate parent, Reed Elsevier Group, supplies data to a crime and terrorism database, called Matrix, for the U.S. government.

An FTC survey in 2003 found that 9.9 million Americans had their personal data

One of those victims, Ruth Wilburn of Cocoa, Fla., discovered that someone had opened 15 credit card accounts in her name and her mother's name. Hundreds of miles from her home, a "Ruth Wilburn" was charging high-priced clothes, jewelry and electronics.

Personal accounts could hasten Social Security shortfall, GAO finds

WASHINGTON - Private investment accounts such as those President Bush endorses not only will not save Social Security, but they also could accelerate the retirement system's financial problems, a nonpartisan government official told Congress Wednesday.

The testimony by Comptroller General David Walker, head of the Government Accountability Office - a congressional watchdog agency - encouraged Democrats, who want Bush to drop his proposal for new personal accounts before they negotiate any plan to fix Social Security's long-term solvency shortfall.

But Walker also said that the impact that private accounts would have on Social Security would depend entirely on how they're funded and what other steps are taken - such as pension-benefit cuts or tax increases - to shore up the system's long-term solvency. The GAO chief also said that action is needed soon to address the system's solvency problem before it worsens.

"Social Security does not face an immediate crisis, but it does face a large and growing problem," Walker told the House Ways and Means Committee in its first hearing this year on problems facing the national pension system.

Bush has made changing Social Security his highest second-term domestic priority and is campaigning hard to sell his vision of new private investment accounts to a skeptical country. Polls show public opinion turning away from Bush's approach, and in Congress, Democrats are virtually united in opposition while Republicans are split.

Rutgers calls off censorship

It turned out to be a lesson in freedom of the press - for none other than the people who run Rutgers University's journalism department.

The chairman of the department said Tuesday that he is reversing his edict that on-campus topics would be off-limits to students in the investigative reporting class. The change of heart came after a squall of media coverage and objections from faculty, including professors in his own department.

"We've been going around on this discussing it with colleagues in the media, faculty and ... the general public," said John V. Pavlik, chairman of the journalism and media studies department. "I don't know if I'd say it was pressure. Really it was kind of just finding out what's going to work the best for the class and the students.

At the beginning of the semester in January, Pavlik had prescribed that students in the class, taught once a week by veteran newsman Guy T. Baehr, could no longer cover Rutgers. The change, he said, was an effort to get students off campus and out covering "real world"

The move came on the heels of a flap

over a piece done by a student in the previous semester's class involving the perks given to Rutgers athletes. As part of her coursework, Fraidy Reiss had detailed some of the programs and services available only to those who played sports for the university, including preferential scheduling and one-on-one tutoring.

Reiss got an A-plus from Baehr. But the Rutgers student newspaper, The Daily Targum, declined to run the article, saying it lacked balance.

The paper also refused to run the piece as an advertisement. On Monday, the Targum ran an editorial written by editor in chief Nick Sevilis defending the decision not to print the article or the ad, and challenging suggestions that the independent newspaper was influenced by pressure from the athletic department.

"The only group on campus we are beholden to is our very own readership," Sevilis wrote.

Future could mean use of smart cards, tokens, 'Passfaces' for passwords

What's your computer password? Don't want to tell? Good for you. When office workers were asked the same question outside a London subway station last year, 71 percent were willing to give up their password - just for a free chocolate bar.

So maybe you're more careful than the average London office worker. But you're not off the hook just vet.

Do you write down your password and keep it someplace "safe" - like under your keyboard?

Do you use the same password for different accounts? Is your password the name of a family member, pet or favorite team? Is it simply

a word? if you do any of these things, you've helped make a joke out of passwords.

It's been a dirty little secret in the tech world for years: Passwords have outlived their usefulness. But how else are people to prove their identities when logging on to their office computer, their online banking site or their Amazon or eBay accounts? Typing in "Yankees" may soon be

passe. Instead, you might have to carry something with you if you want to log on. Or you might have to get a body part scanned. Or you might have to get to know some strangers' faces. The problem with passwords boils

down to this: The stronger they are, the harder they are to remember. If people are forced to use a difficult password, they will write it down and keep it handy. If

allowed to choose, many will opt for one that can be easily guessed using "cracking" programs.

When information security firm Neohapsis tries to crack the passwords of its Fortune 500 clients, "we usually have several dozen within the first five minutes at least," said Greg Shipley, the firm's chief technology officer.

Those would be the easy passwords. But even hard passwords, such as nonwords with numbers or symbols thrown in, can be deciphered within a day using special cracking programs.

"Unless you're talking 14-character passwords, almost everything out there is crackable," Shipley said.

Democracy spreading across Middle East, Bush says

WASHINGTON - President Bush on Tuesday kept pressure on Syria, demanding anew that it withdraw its 14,000 troops from Lebanon and telling the Damascus government and Iran to stop meddling in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

In a speech on terrorism that was more a "State of the Middle East" address, Bush said democracy was expanding in the region - from Baghdad to Beirut to Rivadh - making it less of a recruiting ground for terrorists bent on attacking the United States.

"Across the Middle East, a critical mass of events is taking that region in a hopeful direction," the president said at the National Defense University. "By now it should be clear that authoritarian rule is not the wave of the future; it is the last gasp of a discredited past."

Some Middle East analysts, while acknowledging that change is clearly under way in the region, suggest that Bush is overreaching about its scope and underestimating the danger that events could spin out of control.

"What bothers me about this speech is the euphoria, that 'Golly, all this is going to be great," said former State Department official David Mack, the vice president of the Middle East Institute, a Washington nonprofit that tends to be sympathetic to Arab views. "It's well to be 'careful about what you wish for, because you may get it - and it may come back to haunt you later."

Many human rights advocates celebrated the shah of Iran's overthrow in 1979, Mack noted, only to see a hard-line Islamic theocracy replace him. While the change in Iran may prove positive in the long term, "it's turning out to be a very, very long term," he said.

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other way," O'Malley said.

She said this aisle has cheaply priced foods that were probably bought in bulk. People are likely to buy the items and later remember the store for its cheap

prices, even if other prices are not, she said.

O'Malley said after people walk through the sale aisle they land in the produce section. She said many stores are set up so consumers walk by the produce, deli and bakery sections. She said stores make more profit by selling from their deli than from already packaged meat.

O'Malley said businesses also tend to sell more if they have these sections, because people like the

Some supermarkets, like Safeway, bring in customers by offering their Safeway Club cards for dis-

counts on items.

She said Safeway receives information from the card members such as age, address and driver's license number. She said Safeway can keep track of everything card members buy, and then figure out which marketing strategies work the best for different

age groups.
O'Malley said while these tactics are legal, others

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She said there is another illegal marketing strategy called psychological discounting. This is when a business raises the prices on items with the intent to lower the prices and call them sale items.

O'Malley said she was shopping in a toy store and bought some toys for her children. She said the items showed the higher price tag and the lower price tag. O'Malley said when she was removing the tags she found different original prices under the marked-up

She said the "marked-down" prices were about the same as the original prices at other stores.

"It sounded like I was getting a good deal on toys, but I wasn't," O'Malley said.

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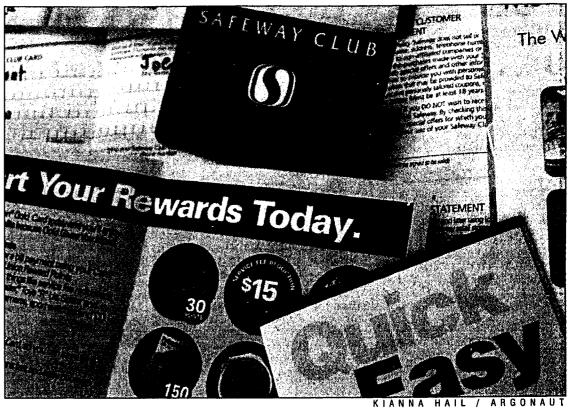
•Bring only cash into stores, rather than credit cards and checks. Bring in only what you can afford to spend.

•Go into stores with a list of what you need and stick to the list.

 Look at price tags before buying products and trying on clothing.

•Do not walk into a store just because it says "sale." Be sure you need something in that store

•Realize that just because something is cheap does not mean you need it or will use it.



Many stores offer special cards which are used by marketing departments to track information about the consumer's purchasing behavior.

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fee committee, she placed the option of a fee increase for the project up for a vote.

The committee voted against beginning the project at this

However we favor the allocate the state of t that can adequately support the project at a later date," Hansen

said.
ASUI Sen. Tom Callery, a member of the fee committee, said he supported the proposal and wished the committee had more time to consider the issue. He said he abstained from the

"I really wanted a collective forum," he said. "But the committee felt that wasn't possible. It is too bad. I wish we could have rallied more support and had more time because it is a

good project."

Callery said he thinks the proposal should go through in the future.

"We'll try to keep it in the spotlight," he said. "We'll continue to talk to students and move forward until the next fee

McGann said the project was waiting only for student approval. He said it would not move forward without an OK from the senate.

The project would include two 80-yard fields to be remodeled with a Generation 2 infill turf system and lighting that would allow activities after dark and year-round.

"The ASUI senate is the voice of the students," he said. "If they don't want to begin this

project right now, we won't."

McGann said he thought there was a lot of confusion sur-

rounding the proposal.
"I don't think people understand it enough.

McGann said he has seen how much a project like this could benefit the student body and he had contacted several universities who use synthetic turf on their practice fields.

"Everyone said we'd be crazy

not to do it," he said. McGann said he has been working on this project for three years because he thinks it

will be a benefit to students. "I will pursue it until I'm told to cease," he said.

Hansen encouraged further discussion of the project.

"Again, I would like to com-

mend the efforts of the field turf project constituents in making this a well known issue and gathering as much information from departments on campus as possible," she said. "The field turf project can and will offer much to the University of Idaho, but it makes more sense to pursue at a future detail. to pursue at a future date."

McGann said if they were to get a "thumbs up" from the student body, they could have had the project done before or soon after students returned from summer break in late August.

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said he is happy the decision

was "reached amiably." "It's probably the best outcome," he said. "They're really

doing what they feel is best." He said while he had little involvement in the decision, he did speak with Hansen on the

issue. "I'm very impressed with Autumn and how she handled it," he said. "I don't foresee any problems with their conclusion."

SBA President Suzanne Fegelein said overall she was happy with the changes.
"I didn't get to go to the meet-

ing, and our communications were primarily through e-mail, but Autumn did her best for the SBA," she said. "The students will pay the fee and the SBA will get back 100 percent. Essentially there is a pay increase, but then it gets returned to them."

Fegelein said while SBA's initial goal was not to pay the increase at all, she is pleased it committee. She said, however,

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will receive a rebate.

"We were still opposed to paying the fee at the very end. We voiced those concerns to (UI College of Law) Dean (Don) Burnett, but the goal at this point is to maintain and improve relationships," she said.

Hansen said she was glad SBA's concerns had been brought into the open and

changes could be made.
But Fegelein said SBA's initial concern had not yet been remedied. She said the reason it opposed ASUI's fee proposal was because law students were included in the fee increases discussed by the fee committee, but no longer had representation on the committee or were a part of the deliberation for the fee proposal.

Fegelein said until the night before the forum, neither she nor any other members of SBA were aware the fee committee existed. Fegelein said SBA did some quick research and found legislation stating SBA should be included on the committee, but at the forum was informed

since the committee's decisions affect SBA, they should have representation on the commit-

"If the AS Fee Committee is making decisions, the SBA should have representation that is meaningful so the vote counts," she said.

Fegelein said SBA's goal now is to either pass a bill that will include them in the committee or to come up with a new committee for SBA separate from the fee committee.

Hansen said she was concerned with SBA's objective to gain equal representation on the committee. "There are 8,000 students

represented by ASUI and 300 by the SBA," she said. "It'd be a California-Idaho situation."

She said this issue has not been touched on yet.

"The process is broken. I'm not sure if it can be solved by everyone at the table or by everyone separately," Hansen said.

Fegelein said SBA's final concern were the common goods their fees, as well as undergraduate and graduate fees, pay for. She said while they are still unclear and undefined, many students are worried they are paying for programs they do not use and do not benefit from.

"If it's something I use, I will be happy to pay for it," she said.
"But I don't know if all students should have a fee increase to pay

for the common goods."

Fegelein said SBA is not trying to get out of paying for these programs, but members believe ASUI can't mandate a fee increase without a set budget.

Brainard agreed with Fegelein and said he hopes the one issue the groups will continue to consider is the common

"They're very important and I hope the groups will work together on this matter," he said. Fegelein said since the con-

cerns have been identified, she believes the groups can work cooperatively for a better sys-

"We've seen the flaws, and all we could do was to react," she said. "The rebate is the solution for now, but we're going to keep working on it."

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Police say don't be a victim of the work-at-home scams

ARGONAUT STAFF

If it sounds too good to be true, then it's too good to be true.

That is the advice University of Idaho campus division com-mander Lt. Paul Kwiatkowski gave about the notorious workat-home scams students often receive in e-mails or see posted around town.

Kwiatkowski said he has never personally dealt with a student who has fallen victim to one of these scams, but has read many articles in police journals and magazines about people who

"People do fall for it," he said. Tammy Renfrow, interim coor-dinator of UI's Job Location and Development office, said they try to list only legitimate jobs, tossing any that look suspicious. She said she can't remember any time she has heard a student complain about the authenticity of any of the jobs provided through the UI service.

"We definitely want to know if the students get led astray from a job we listed," Renfrow said.

Classic work-at-home scams include envelope stuffing, product assembly or craft work, and medical billing, according to the postal inspection branch of the United States Postal Service. The newest scam is reshipping fraud.

"Work-at-home shippers are promised substantial amounts of money. All they have to do is receive, repackage and then mail merchandise to a foreign address. What they don't know is that the merchandise was paid for with stolen credit cards. In effect, the work-at-home shipper becomes part of a fencing operation by receiving and mailing stolen goods," states the postal inspection Web site.

Cpl. Carl Wommack, the crime prevention officer at the Moscow Police Department, said the best form of protection is getting educated on the matter.

A press release sent out by the

police department last week listed several ways to avoid becoming a victim of work-at-home scams

· Closely examine the ad or

Don't give out personal information to a person or company you don't know

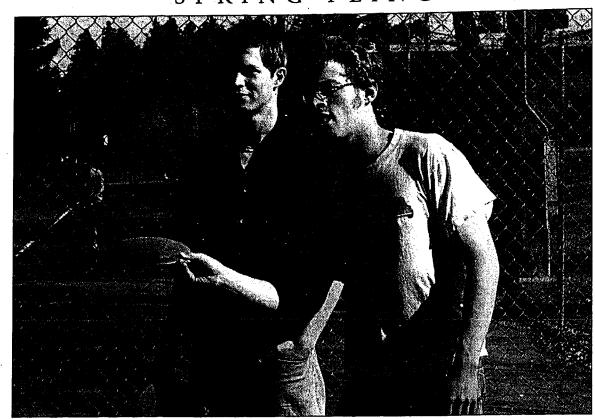
• Be suspicious of any offer that doesn't pay a regular salary or involves an overseas company

 Check out the company with the FTC, Better Business Bureau, state attorney general or your local consumer protection

"And any time you have to pay to be employed, it should send up a red flag," Wommack said. Kwiatkowski said in a lot of

cases, students just need to use common sense. If people are offering to pay \$100,000 a year for stuffing envelopes, it's probably a scam. He said if it was that easy for anyone to make such a large sum of money in a year, everyone would be quitting their current jobs and signing up.

SPRING FLING



KENTARO MURAI / ARGONAUT

Local restaurateur Grahm Lilly (left) and math education senior and KUOI radio personality Eric Saueracker (right) play frisbee golf on the administration lawn on Wednesday.

New UI dance floor will benefit students, community

BY KIMBERLY HIRAI

ARGONALIT STAFF

Slippered feet will soon be pointing, tapping, hopping and stepping to a new beat when a new dance floor is installed

in the physical education building.

The new floor will be purchased with the help of a \$10,000 grant the University of Idaho Dance program was awarded by the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation in November, after College of Education development director Kathy Belknap applied for the grant about a year ago.

"She's the one that convinced us that we had a project that was worthy of a Paul G. Allen Family Foundation grant," said Dennis Dolny, director of the division of Health, Physical Education, Recreation

The dance floor is the largest in the Moscow-Pullman area, and provides a performance and practice space for many local entities.

Greg Halloran, coordinator of dance for UI's Dance Theatre program, also helped in gathering information for the grant application.

The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation was created in 1986, and now helps support and fund nonprofit organizations in the Pacific Northwest, according to the foundation's Web site.

The grant will not only mark the contruction of a new floor, but a milestone in Ul's history as well,

We are the first University of Idaho

foundation," Dolny said.

UI's dance program has seen an outreach of support from the community as well. Halloran said that along with the 10,000 grant, they have received about \$10,000 from the public. He also said UI has raised an additional \$5,000 from alumni and supporters of the dance pro-

Installment of the \$25,000 floor is scheduled for May. The process should be completed within two weeks, according to organizations that design the floor. Installation will coincide with summer camps and programs in the studio.

Dolny said a wood-sprung sub floor will be laid over the pre-existing floor, with a foam material underneath. A program to receive a grant from that Marley floor rubberized finish will be

placed on top of the 3,500 square-foot floor in order to create a small amount of traction for pointe shoes, such as those used in ballet, but create a generally nonstick surface for ease when dancing.

Swing Devils also uses the space periodically to hold conferences or daylong workshops, while Northwest Dance and Spectrum II Arts Schools often use it for

Halloran said the school's dancers, teachers and directors say the replacement of the floor will come at a time when it is needed most.

"It was a state-of-the-art dance floor, but it's 30 years old, and it no longer springs," he said.

Used by more than 300 UI students in dance classes ranging from hip-hop and jazz to modern dance and ballet, the floor has seen a lot of foot traffic.

Halloran said the studio is used by local schools and the Festival Dance Performing Arts Academy for classes dur-

performances.

Dolny said they hope to hold a grand opening performance in the studio early in the fall semester to display the new

"It's been a collaborative effort between the center for dance, the dance organizations in the surrounding community, and the private donors to really make this project happen," Dolny said. In spite of the tight financial times the university's experiencing, a lot of groups and individuals stepped forward to make this happen."





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MAILBOX

Phil Roderick needs a clue

Dear Editor,

When I read the article, "CJ's owner upset with possible campus pub," in Tuesday's issue of the Argonaut, I thought CJ's owner Phil Roderick's comments were highly dramatic, and out of line. I don't understand how Roderick thinks he is going to make people want to stop a pub from coming to campus by making Argonaut readers feel guilty for wanting to broaden opportunities on their campus, or by making threats,

Saying, "If the university takes away our business and starts selling beer ... I'll shut down CJ's and take away the fun," is a threat. Comments that accuse the university of being "greedy" are harsh. I wouldn't hesitate to remind Roderick that if this "greedy" university were not in Moscow, his bar might not even exist.

I didn't know there were any plans to place a pub on campus, but I feel safe to guess that if a pub were to open on campus it wouldn't have the same dance club atmosphere that CJ's has, and therefore should not interfere with the amount of money Roderick's bar is making. If CJ's is a "top-notch, classy" establishment, as Roderick claims, it should not fail just because of one new pub opening on campus. It should be able to stand on its

I don't want to seem unsympathetic toward a local business owner. I support local business, however, I don't like Roderick's comments about my university, nor do I care for his complaining about the seasonal business that comes with owning a business in Moscow. If you open a bar in a college town, you should know that there are going to be off seasons, and if Roderick doesn't like the amount of money he has to put into his business, then maybe he should consider a different business.

> Erin Bissegger Grad student

CAMPUSTALK

It's running of the bull

New York Daily News (KRT) - With his career ending in a crash, and on his last day of anchoring the "CBS Evening News," Dan Rather ought to benefit from the tradition of kind, decent words being said about the dearly departed. But Rather has made sympathy or even silence impossible by adopting an exit strategy that is as unseemly as it is bizarre. Silly me for expecting anything else.

In a string of interviews, Rather has inadvertently revealed the raging ego that took him to the top of his business, and then took him over the cliff, "I'm a bigjame hunter," he told my colleague Richard Huff. "And I'll continue to hunt big

He also told Huff that "after 43 years, I've got a lot of scars. They're all from the front. I didn't get it in the back because I

Analogies to hunting and running and battles and bravery - who talks about himself like that? No journalist I know. Real journalists don't regard them-

selves as heroes or macho veterans. They don't think about their stories as "game" to be shot and hung on the wall like some trophy. Even after lots of beer, they don't boast about their battles because experience has taught them to be wary of those who thump their chests. For real journalists, the story is the story.

Lights, camera, journalism? He also sounds like he's locked in a time warp, for there is a 1970s quality to Rather's boasts. Bringing down Richard Nixon was the ultimate "gotcha" story, and it unleashed a generation of investigative reporters who fantasized about nailing

Rather, who covered Watergate, seems to have lived his life looking to repeat the

That quest is relevant, of course, to his demise. The story he and his team did on President Bush's National Guard service would no doubt qualify as one of his "biggame" hunts. Perhaps it could have brought down a president, or at least shifted an election. Indeed, the probe into the fiasco uncovered some chatter among the participants along those very lines.

All that was missing were the facts. But that didn't stop Rather from plunging ahead. What do facts matter when you're Dan Rather, star reporter?

There is much talk that Rather has a liberal bias. The evidence is a long record of adversarial, even hostile incidents with Republicans and instances of fawning praise for Democrats, especially Bill

Yet I don't think bias is Rather's great-

No, what is really destructive, especially for young people, is the very notion that Rather is a journalist at all. He's a performer, a stunt man, a celebrity who makes \$7 million a year for role-playing.

He's not a journalist, you see, he just plays one on TV.

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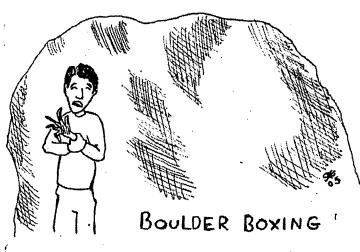
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SEAN GARMIRE / ARGONAUT

Be careful this Spring Break

Safety, responsibility wisely encouraged

f you are one of the unlucky students who has not yet left the University of Idaho, it likely means you have one more midterm exam Good luck with that.

As for the rest of you, you likely are already on Spring Break. And the Argonaut has 10 tips to make sure you enjoy your Spring Break.

10. No studying allowed. You do not need to know how to diagram a sentence or differentiate a calculus equation to lie on a beach. Thinking will only make your head hurt (as if it didn't hurt enough already from the hangover).

Tanning oil is not sunscreen. Everyone wants a golden glow. Unfortunately, that golden glow is more often a painful, red burn. And it can cause skin cancer, which unfortunately is

often fatal. If you need to be brown, use sunless tan-

vivarins do not equal one night's sleep. Your body may be awake, but your mind will not be. And a fully functioning brain is fully functioning brain is important when driving. Do not leave after pulling two all-nighters just because you want to start

partying. Do not drive drunk. This s no explanation. could cite statistics and give examples, but everyone knows it is a poor and often fatal decision. It is worth the \$20 to call a taxi. Or - heaven forbid - you could walk.

There is no need for chugging contests; you already know who will win – the beer. Binge drinking is another poor and occasionally fatal decision. Know your limits and do not

your friends dare you to do so. Generally, these decisions also relate to having too much to drink. But Spring Break is not an excuse to make decisions

that will land you in jail. Kemember that permanent marker is hard to wash off. Again, it is an incident that relates to having too much to drink. But you should not drink enough that you pass out and end up the victim of a random punk-

ing. Do not run with a straw in your mouth. And one more reason to not drink too much. Alcohol has the abili-

ty to turn "adults" into 3year-olds. And we all know what happens when you run with something in your mouth.

2 He is not as cute as you

think he is, so don't sleep with him. Beer goggles can turn the sleazy guy from the bar into an Abercrombie model. And do you really want to wake up

next to that in the morn-Wear a "helmet." What nappens in Mexico does not always stay in Mexico. Specifically, the sexually transmitted diseases from a one-night stand will fol-low you the rest of your

Remember, if you don't survive Spring Break, you won't be able to enjoy summer vacation. Have fun!

KAMMEYER

"Stayin' at home and watching Aquateen and Sealab. Safe ... I'll try not to eat too many taquitos."

Christifer

's owner needs to come back to Earth usiness rule No. 1: Do not alienate

your customers. Apparently Phil Roderick, owner of CJ's, didn't get that memo, because that's just what he did earlier this week. **JOSHSTUDOR** Roderick left

University of Idaho students crying when he was quoted in Tuesday's Argonaut saying, "If the university takes away our business and starts selling beer ... I'll shut down CJ's and take away the fun." Not because they were sad, but because of they couldn't stop laughing.

regularly on the pages of the Argonaut. His e-mail Is he really serious? Apparently he is. Due to his own inability to keep his mouth shut, the arti-

arg opinion@sub.uidaho.edu cle used quote after quote that left Roderick looking absolutely ridiculous. He said things like, "People want to walk, and "It (CJ's) teaches them (students) how to act in a classy place." He went on to blame students for his business problems. Is it possible Roderick is that divorced from reality?

Josh's column appears

address is

In an effort to help the owner of the cheesiest club in town get a grip, I asked members of the business school to help me offer 10 ways CJ's could become a better

10. First, realize that the campus pub would be student-run - no university involvement. A large difference exists between a university pub and a student-

owned and operated campus pub. Roderick is just off the mark when he says UI is greedy. The pub has nothing to do with funding the university, so learn about something before you spout off about it. 9. Play some good music and tell your DJs to stop talking over the top of it. Granted, CJ's is a Top-40 club, but people want variety and do not want to hear the same

songs over and over. DJs should be paid to

play music and shut up. 8. Expect lulls in the market. CJ's is in a college town. If it weren't for the university, this town would be about the size of Palouse or Troy. The university is the only reason CJ's even exists. With that in mind, plan for most of the people to be gone in the summer and holidays. Adapt to this instead of complaining about it. Give reasons for students to stay in Moscow for the weekend. Nobody forced Roderick to open

a bar in a college town. 7. Don't try stupid ideas like a CJ's Bus. Vandal Taxi works because it is so well. advertised and it is related to the university. People don't want to walk, but they also don't want to take some privately owned, and possibly shady, transport service when they are drunk.

6. Use your niche. CJ's is the only 21-andolder dance club in town. Its competition is not with John's Alley, The Garden or a campus pub. People want to go dance. Just use that.

5. Don't delude yourself into thinking CJ's is a "class act" or a "home for fraternities and sororities." When people think of a "class act" they do not think of keg cups, overpriced drinks, stripper poles, cheesy

decorations and people grinding on each other. That sounds more like a bad frat party. Doing without the weird abstract visuals on the big screen would help too.
4. Don't piss off the media. Calling news reporters and telling them they need to "wake up" and start "taking care of business" just makes the media even more unfriendly.

3. Don't alienate your clientele. When peo ple start saying crazy things like "Greed kills, and the university is getting greedy. It will kill bars and end up killing students," it starts making patrons think you've gone off the deep end. Business owners can't blame clientele for poor busi-

2. Stop charging a cover. There is no way the number of cover charges can make up for the lack of drink sales from people who just won't pay. I don't care if it's 50 cents, it's not worth it. Last year, CJ's was where everyone ended up after getting drunk. Now, tons of people just go somewhere else because they don't want to pay a stupid cover charge.

1. Stop whining about problems with your business. Roderick's quotes in the Argonaut made him sound like Cartman from South Park when he tells his friends, Screw you guys, I'm going home." Nobody likes Cartman.

The likelihood of Roderick changing his tune is pretty low, but why care?

If he really wants to "take away the fun," I say, let's get to work on the campus pub. I'm sure the ex-owner of Shakers would love to take CJ's off Roderick's

SPEAKOUT

What are you doing for Spring Break and how are you going to make it safe?



"Going to Puerto $\frac{w}{\alpha t}$ Villarta. I'll try not $\frac{w}{\alpha t}$ to drink too much."

Ryan Atkins; &, Junior, Secondary education : Anchorage, Alaska



AVILA

"I am going home 🚡 to spend time with my family. Also to 🏅 relax, and be prepared for the other half of the semester."

Maria Avila Freshman General studies, Pasco, Wash.



"I am going to Arizona to kick it "A" with some friends. Driving safe especially by not 🚟 drinking and driving. Just keeping it cool."

Hugo Garcia Freshman Criminal justice and communications Pasco, Wash.



"Sitting around. I Will make it safe by staying close to the couch."

Jason Hathorn Freshman General studies Homedale



Kammeyer Senior Theater and Film Salmon



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'Hanging out in Moscow and Twin (Falls), Ya! Not drinking."

> Kathryn Litke Senior Justice studies and psychology Twin Falls



"I am going to

Rachel Santoro Senior Theatre arts Boise

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DANIEL BICKLEY / ARGONAUT

Pullman High School's Sean Anderson tears up the dance floor of the "Dance Dance Revolution" game at Bumpers video arcade Thursday evening in the

Palouse Mall.

"Dance Dance Revolution" sweeps arcades and dorm rooms alike.

BY HILLARY FLOWERS ARGONAUT STAFF

La Carrier Committee

s Robbie Krishner walks into Bumpers arcade in the Palouse Mall, he exchanges his \$2 worth of rolled nickels for \$2 in quarters at the front counter. He isn't there to play just any game. He walks up to a machine, puts in his 50 cents and starts to dance. He's playing "Dance Dance Revolution."

"DDR" was released in Japan in 1998. The game came to the United States in 2000, and is now available as an arcade game and in Xbox, PlayStation, PlayStation 2 and PC versions. The mastermind behind the game is Konami Digital Entertainment, a Japanese corporation. Bemani provides the music for the

game.
The arcade revolution

The nearest arcade version of "DDR" is located inside Bumpers in Moscow's Palouse

Sam manager Store Whipple, a senior broadcast journalism major at the University of Idaho, said he has seen groups of people surrounding the game waiting for their turn to play. On a typical weekday, about 10-20 people play "DDR" every hour, Whipple said. On weekends, ne said, the game is played nonstop during business hours. While some college students play the game, Whipple said it is most popular among junior high and young

high school students.
"Our 'DDR' machine rakes in about \$200 a week," Whipple said. "Considering that all of that is in quarters or tokens, it's a pretty popular game."

At 50 cents a game, this means the game is played about 400 times a week. Whipple said Bumpers makes about 20 percent of its revenue on the game.

Whipple said people are drawn to music, and "DDR" is one of few games that incorporate music as a centerpiece.

They're doing more than just using their thumbs or moving a joystick," Whipple said.
"They have to use hand-eye coordination."

Whipple said one particular woman comes in to play the game just to exercise. He said if

a person wanted to go on a diet, "DDR" would be a reasonable form of exercise to go along with the diet. He said "DDR" was mentioned in a health jour-

"It's good for the mind and body," Whipple said. "Mostly just wasting time, but it can be Krishner, a sophomore com-

puter science major, plays the game about once a week. He said he used to play "DDR"

more, but now he only spends about a dollar a week on it.

"I just like the music,"

Krishner said. "It's easy to do and it's something that I seemed to have picked up naturally."

Krishner said the game is convenient for this school-based community, and agrees that it's a good form of exercise. He said he prefers to play "DDR" at the arcade rather than the version. that is played at home, because, the pads and arrows are more responsive. He said the home version wears out quicker and shifts around while being played.

Dancing in the dorm room

Junior psychology major Mike Larsen has owned the PS2 version of "DDR" for about six months. He first discovered "DDR" a year ago when he was: at a friend's house. He played, and was instantly nooked on it. He said he thought it was a blast, and it's not so hard oncethe player gets used to the game's unique style.

Larsen said he usually plays.

it in the family room where he lives in the LLC Engineering. dorm, because if he played in his room he would disturb the students below with all the jumping and stepping that goes with playing "DDR." He plays once a week for about three hours.

He said "DDR" includes many motions and rigorous exercise. He likes it because unlike other video games, the player is actually moving around, and not just sitting

playing with a controller.

"I just think it's really fun,"

Larsen said. "It actually gets" my heart going.'

Larsen spent about \$300 or the game and foam dance pad He said he would spend more

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Blues legend to play Spokane Opera House

BY TOM BANKS ARGONAUT STAFF

he King of the Blues is back. and ready to bring Spokane to its knees. B.B. King, along with his beloved

guitar "Lucille,"

COMMENTARY will be playing at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Spokane Opera House. Tickets are \$39.50 and

"Aside from being a legend, B.B. King is the defining character in the entire blues genre," said Matt Gibson, marketing director for the Opera House. "He just is the music. He's one of those guys who you absolutely have to go see at least

once in your life, just so you can say, Yeah, I saw B.B. King do a show one King is also one of the few original electric bluesmen still alive, let

alone touring and recording. He turns 80 this year.

His age does not affect his musical abilities on stage at all. His singing and guitar playing are as strong as ever," tour producer Brian Martin said.

King's capabilities on stage have put him into an elite category of musicians of the last half-century. He stands as one of the most influential and gifted guitarists of all time. He has a unique touch on the instrument, and is widely known for Lucille's polished tone and his instantly recognized vibrato.

"His unique style has influenced everyone from Eric Clapton to Steve

Miller," Martin said. King's style has remained unmistakably his own through a 50-year career. His quavering, emotive guitar licks anchor tracks such as "The Thrill is Gone," and "Payin' the Cost to be the Boss."

King is still one of the most avid

touring musicians out there. He averages about 250 live sets every year, and continues to record on a regular basis.

King will be busy in 2005. In addition to his seemingly nonstop touring, he is being honored with a museum built in his name.

Construction of the B.B. King Museum will begin in June in his original hometown of Indianola, Miss. The state of Mississippi has also declared "B.B. King Day" a state holiday. Bulfinch Press is also publishing "B.B. King's Treasures," a collection of memorabilia, photos, and letters.

King's most recent tour kicked off this month and will continue

through the end of the year. "He's very much like Ray Charles, one of those guys who is just an amazing live performer and defines the genre he's a part of," Gibson

Student life caught in Web

BY JON ROSS ASSISTANT ARTS&CULTURE EDITOR

he University of Idaho is now on the cyber-map. UI, along with 60 other campuses across the country, was added to thefacebook.com on March 1. Thefacebook is a national online service that allows college students to stay connected with high school buddies and make new

friends. "I think the site is popular because it's versatile," said Chris Hughes, co-founder of the Web site. "Different students use thefacebook in different ways, but in general, college students return to the site to find information on their peers, to make connections with friends and acquaintances, and to communicate with one another."

Once registered on the Web site, students can create a profile listing such things as class schedule and high school. Users may also start groups, like "Beer Pongers Anonymous" and esoteric factions such as "Committee To Get Sharon Hutchinson Α

Wardrobe." "It's a reference tool and a means for communication," Hughes said. "I think that combination - and the fact that it's fun to use - keeps people coming back."

Though the UI portion of the site has grown to more than 1,000 users, word is still spreading slowly on

campus.

Jamie Hastler, a sophormore majoring in international studies, first logged on on Saturday. She uses the site mainly to get if touch with high school friends, but doesn't spend a lot of time surfing the direct tory.
"I actually don't think it?

that cool," she said. "It's

Hastler notes that there are other sites on the Internet that offer a compa rable service. Web sites that seem to be direct competition with

thefacebook are Catch 27 and IdahoFacebook. IdahoFacebook, which serves as a more compact version of thefaceboook,

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Northwest bands descend on Mikey's Gyros March 22

Three bands will be featured at Mikey's Gyros March 22. Heroes and Villains, from Portland, and Thomas Paul, an electric folk band from Boise, will play. T-dub and Junkyard Bandstand will also perform. The show is all ages and there is a \$3 cover.

Participants needed for second annual Artwalk

The Moscow Arts Commission is asking for artists for Moscow's Artwalk 2005. The event, which was launched last year with 28 participating businesses and dozens of artists, is a collaboration between the City of Moscow, Moscow Downtown Association and the Chamber of Commerce.

Original work less than two years old

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will be considered. Artists may submit a range of different media, including painting, drawing, photography and sculp-ture. Artists must be able to provide three to six pieces framed and ready for

Folklore society announces March dance March 9

The Palouse Folklore Society will have a Contra Dance March 19. The dance will be from 7:30-11 p.m. at the 1912 Center on East Third Street. Cost is \$7 for members, \$5 for newcomers. Dance instruction starts at 7:30 p.m.

Folkin' it up at the Unitarian church April 10

Ginny Reilly and David Maloney, a folk duo, return to the Inland Northwest in their first appearance here since the late 1980s. The musicians will play a

concert at 7 p.m. April 10 at the Unitarian Universalist Church of the Palouse. The Palouse Folklore Society sponsors the group's visit.

The musicians recently released "Together Again," their first studio recording in 15 years. Wes Weddell will

be accompanying the duo on mandolin. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at the door.

Val Kilmer not invited to **Mystical Tatto concert**

D.P. Productions will be hosting a wide-ranging group of musicians at 7 p.m. Friday at Mystical Tattoo in Pullman. The "Everyone Invited But Val Kilmer Show" will bring five area bands to Pullman. Corner Stone, Chuck Lush, Elusive, Sick As I and 867-RKO will all

Tickets are \$4 and \$3 with a can of

money in an arcade over time than he spent buy-

ing the home version. Junior psychology major Guy Anderson owns the PS2 version and plays it about one hour a day. His mother bought him the game for exercise

around the end of January.
"When you start off, you're really bad," Anderson said. He said he got better after about

a week, and now gets above-average scores. Playing "DDR" gives Anderson a sense of pride. He gets to exercise and have fun at the

same time, he said. "You feel physically fit afterward," he said. "At

least when you do the songs right." He said owning the system is beneficial to him because it doesn't cost as much as playing at the arcade. He said the game that was released in the United States doesn't include some of the arcade songs, but that still doesn't take away from the excitement.

"Seeing that you improve every time, that's

real encouraging," Anderson said. Join the obsession

DDR Games at ddrgame.com is the nation's leading distributor of the game. To play at home, a player needs a TV or game projector, PlayStation, PS2 or Xbox console, game software

The PS2 games are "Konamix DDR," "DDR-MAX," "DDRMAX 2" or "Extreme." "Konamix DDR" is the preferred version. The Xbox games include "Ultramix" and "Ultramix 2.

A variety of dance pads are available, in materials such as acrylic and metal.

Price lists and places to buy "DDR" can be found at ddrfreak.com. "DDR" console games range from \$30-\$40. Pad prices range from \$9-\$580, depending on quality. Bundles can be bought that include the game, pad and pad cov-

ers.

There are 10 locations with "DDR" machines in Idaho, including Boise State University. Washington State University and Zeppo's in Pullman also have machines.

Bumpers is open 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday and noon-8 p.m. Sunday.

HOW TO PLAY "DDR"

To play "Dance Dance Revolution," a gamer steps on four "dance pad" arrows to the beat of techno-pop music. Arrows stream up the game screen, and when they reach the top, the player is supposed to step on the corresponding arrow. The player earns points for getting the right steps with the right beat.

A Dance Gauge appears on-screen to show the player's progress. The game shouts "Perfect," "Great," "Good," "Boo" or "Miss," depending on how well the player is doing. If a player misses so many steps that he fails, the game stops. Players earn a grade of "SS," meaning all steps perfect, to "E," meaning failure. Players choose the game's difficulty level, ranging from "light" to "challenge."

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limits users to the college community. According to the Web site, IdahoFacebook allows peo-ple to "check out the six degrees of Idaho and meet students you wouldn't otherwise meet."

While not affiliated with thefacebook, IdahoFacebook boasts membership from a significant portion of campus. By sending out a mass e-mail to VandalMail accounts, the site was able to get a jump on thefacebook, which did not solicit interest.

Catch 27 touts the slogan "your social life is a game," and allows students to trade friends the way children exchange baseball cards. Creator E. Jean Carroll envisioned the site as an alternative to thefacebook.

"Everybody behaves like a bunch of old ladies on thefacebook. I wanted a site for unruly people," Carroll said. "Catch 27 is the anti-facebook.

Interested users log on and write personal information on trading cards. then be Acquaintances can invited to the site and the trading and buying of friends begins.

Carroll, a former writer for ight Live the idea for the site after reading numerous relationship let-

"I receive thousands and thousands of letters from people in college. I am perfectly aware that you spend all day trading

FIND THESE SITES

Thefacebook: www.thefacebook.com IdahoFacebook: www.idahofacebook.com Catch 27: www.catch27.com

your boyfriends and girlfriends in for hotter, smarter boyfriends and girlfriends," she said.

These Web sites have all popped up within the last year, but updates are still being made. Hughes has many plans for the future of thefacebook.

"We'll continue to expand to as many schools as possible," he said. "We're interested in keeping the site as efficient and useful for college students as possi-

'I Heart Huckabees' treat for philosophy-loving minds

BY TYLER WILSON ARGONAUT STAFF

"I Heart Huckabees," either one of the most bewildering or

genius comedies in years, asks viewers a few unusual questions. Have you ever had existential issues? Is the entire universe connected, or are we individuals moving through life without a

purpose?

'HUCKABEES'

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Albert. played by 'Rushmore" star Jason Schwartzman, is questioning his purpose in life. He calls upon a couple of "existential detectives," played gloriously by Lily Tomlin and Dustin Hoffman, to clarify the coincidences in his troubled life. Albert battles a cocky executive of Huckabees Department Store (Jude Law) and befriends Tommy, (Mark Wahlberg), a firefighter facing his own exis-tential issues. If the plot sounds a bit vague, that's because it is.

The movie itself could be considered a great mystery of existentialism. Many things happen, characters do crazy things, but for what purpose? Some viewers may find relevant, lifealtering issues at the heart of "I Heart Huckabees." Others probably won't have the patience to

look. Despite the divisive premise, the film is often laugh-out-loud hilarious. Wahlberg, never really considered a quality actor, manages to steal every scene he's in, and brings a surprising poignancy to an otherwise

comic-relief-type character.

The rest of the cast is also a blast to watch, especially when their characters begin to question the very premise of the movie. Albert seems to be as confused as the viewer, which results in many funny explosions of bewilderment. Jude Law hams it up as Albert's dastardly nemesis, and Hoffman and Tomlin are on cruise control, playing the detectives with such panache it hardly seems

like they're acting. Writer/director David O. Russell ("Three Kings") keeps "I Heart Huckabees" brisk, and he relies on his quirky characters to entertain viewers that may be uninterested in the existential debate. He also uses a terrific score by Jon Brion, arguably the best "indie" composer around, to enhance the film's ultimate purpose, whatever that is.

"I Heart Huckabees" is one of those "love it or hate it" kind of movies. But if strange, outsidethe-realm-of-traditional storytelling is your cup o' tea, a head trip into existentialism may at least have you reconsider Marky Mark's place in the acting universe.

NEW DVDs THIS WEEK

"Ladder 49": John Travolta, Joaquin Phoenix

Travolta continues his long, annoying quest for a comeback.

"Friends: The Complete Ninth

Probably better than trying to sit through an entire episode of "Joey."

"Felicity: The Complete Fourth

Season" There were four seasons of this

show? Wow. Gives "Joey" a bit of hope doesn't it?

"Barbie Fairytopia"

Join Barbie in this delightful directto-video adventure. OK, so the choices are slim this week.

'The Whole' is a whole lot of something

BY TARA KARR ARTS&CULTURE EDITOR

There are hilarious books, inspirational books and terrifying books. And then there's

John Reed's "The Whole."
"The Whole" is something.

Ask again later.
The book's central character, Thing, is a former MTV VJ who is rehired after her replacement is sucked into a mysterious hole. The hole devours the Peterson family's house, the town of Prairie Dog, neighboring Groupersville and most of the Midwest Thing decides she's fated to discover the meaning of the hole, and the ensuing adventure is a sloppy mishmash of giant talking bunnies, pink cocktails and Santaworshipping cults.

The cover of the book trumpets itself as "a subversive satire of modern culture," which it certainly is. Reed does a decent job of mocking every-thing from MTV to the Mormon church in highly bizarre ways. Thing is a stereotypically stupid celebrity, whose frequent malapropisms and verbal misunderstandings are one of the humorous high points of the book (Example: "You've buttered your bread, now sleep in

Reed attempts to drive this satire into the world of the surreal, but it doesn't come off well. Rather than reaching the hilarious heights of strange writers such as Douglas Adams ("The

REVIEW

'THE WHOLE'

★★★ (of 5)

John Reed

Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy") or Jasper Fforde ("The Eyre Affair"), "The Whole" flounders in a confusing, often

disturbing # muck of plot. The book starts out fresh, but grows less appealing as it grows

Now Available stranger. It even occasionally feels boring, as the same things happen repetitively. Thing and her camera crew go somewhere, funky stuff happens, Thing giggles and gets laid, there are a couple of aliens, they leave, and it starts

over again. The most difficult thing about the book is finding the point. Not the "theme," per se, but the reason it exists at all. "The Whole" might be about fate, but it might not. It might be about celebrity culture, or the wild-ride effects of alcohol, or lobsters. It's next to impossible to tell.

The end only makes things worse. There are some mindbending twists, but they fail to be clever or interesting at that point because the entire book is stuffed full of twists and complications.

"The Whole" promises a mental adventure, but the result is a strong urge to find a wall somewhere and repeatedly

smash skull to brick. But on the other hand, it is slightly intriguing. Reed makes Thing a complex-if-shallow character (paradoxes like this are perfectly acceptable in the book's world), and the hook of the book, the hole, is curiosity-

inducing.

Most horrible of all, the book is impossible to figure out, so it's nearly impossible to give a solid rating to. Four stars. No, one star. Can book reviews have "?" stars? Fine. Three stars. Happy medium. Read it if you want. Or don't.





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Mitchell, Faurholt carry Vandals into semis

ly evident in the stats of Irvine's second-team All-Big West

member Angie Ned. Ned, who'd averaged

16.3 points per game

BY BRENNAN GAUSE SPORTS&REC EDITOR

daho's two All-Big West first-teamers, Leilani Mitchell and Emily Faurholt, combined for 48 points as the Vandals advanced to the semifinals of the Big West Conference Tournament with a 63-50 win over UC Irvine Thursday afternoon.

Thursday afternoon.

The Vandals will play second-seed Long Beach State at 2:30 p.m. today.

Playing with only a six-player rotation due to an injury to freshman post Jessica Summers, the Vandals used a staunch defense to pull out to an 11-point halftime lead and then weathered a second-half charge by the Anteaters to grab the victory. grab the victory.

"Our players were outstanding on defense," Idaho coach Divilbiss said. "It was a tremendous effort. With (Jessica) Summers out, we are undersized. Emily

sized. Emily
(Faurholt) and
(Karly) Felton were
outstanding with
their post defense.
We have a lot of
respect for Irvine's
post play. ... They
absolutely abused us at their place."

The Vandals' defense was particul

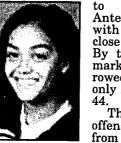
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

during the season, finished with 10 points on 3-of-17 shooting from the · Long Beach State Mitchell, who finished with a gamehigh 27 points, and Faurholt (21) scored 2:30 p.m. Today

Idaho's first 25 points as Idaho went into the locker room with a 32-21 lead. Mitchell scored the first four points after halftime to push the Vandals' lead



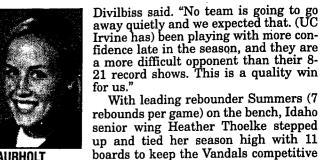
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Anteaters responded with a 10-3 run to close the gap to eight. By the seven-minute mark Irvine had narrowed Idaho's lead to only five points at 49-

Vandals' offense picked it up from there, rolling off an 8-1 run of their own to stretch their lead back into double

digits, and from there they coasted on to an easy win.

"We weren't pretty, but we grinded it out and found a way to get it done,"



FAURHOLT

aged to outrebound Idaho, but only by a narrow 35-32 margin. Mitchell added seven assists and

seven steals to go along with her 27

on the glass. The Anteaters still man-

Disappointing season ends with firstround loss

BY JASON LEIBLER ARGONAUT STAFF

he Idaho men's basketball team suffered a disappointing 80-67 first-round loss to UC Irvine to put an end to a disappoint-

The story of the game for Idaho (8-22) was rebounding, or the lack thereof. The Vandals, who have prided themselves on rebounding all season, were outrebounded 50-25 by Irvine.

"We got pounded on the glass," Idaho coach Leonard Perry said. "We give up 15 offensive rebounds. In my eyes, that's the story of the game. It seemed like they were a little more determined to go get the shots they missed. When you get a team to miss, you have to go get the ball."

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LEONARD PERRY

IDAHO COACH

The Vandals were unable to contain junior guard Aaron Fitzgerald, who exploded for 30 points to lead Irvine. including 6 of 11 from 3-point range. Jeff Gloger had 12 f points, Greg Ethington had 10, and Darren Fells had 10 off

the bench for

The Vandals were sparked by a career-

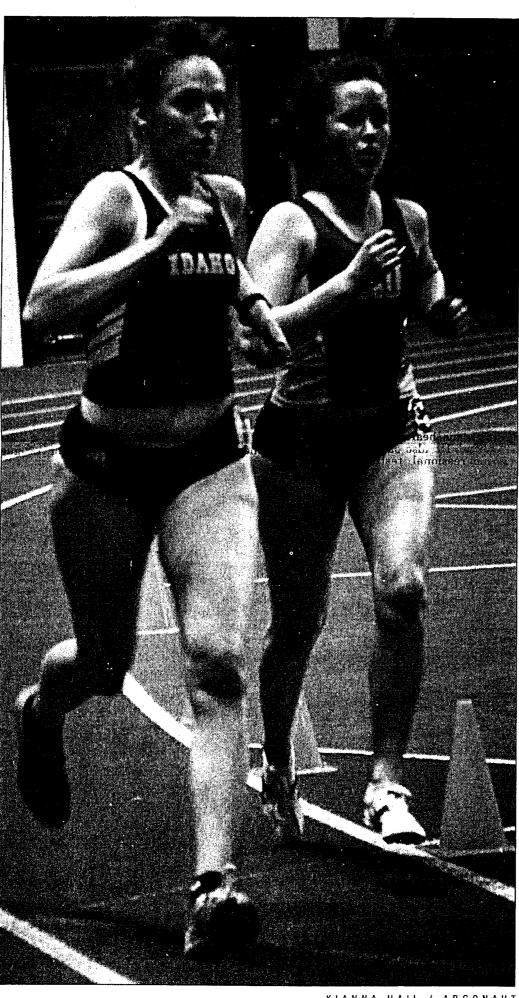
high 19 points from sophomore guard Dillion Higdon, who hit 5 out 7 3-pointers. Dandrick Jones, who received Second-Team All Big West honors this year, also scored 19 in his final game as a Vandal, and Tanoris Shepard added another 16.

Besides those three, Idaho really had no help offensively, as they were outscored 18-3 in bench scoring. Jerod Haynes, who finished with three points, was the only nonstarter to

Senior post Anton Lyons, the Vandals' leading rebounder with seven per game, managed to pull in only one board on the night.

This was the last game for Lyons and fellow Idaho seniors Dandrick Jones, Lionel Davis, Matt Anderson and Armend Kahrimanovic.

"I was proud of our team's effort," Perry said. "We really tried to execute. We fought hard. This group, for whatever reason, has not been equipped enough to fight through any type of adversity. I could never really put my finger on it this year, but whatever happened on the offensive end affected us defensively.



KIANNA HAIL / ARGONAUT

Idaho's Kendra Colyar (left) keeps a couple steps ahead of WSU's Grace Coulter during the women's 3k

at the McDonald's Last Chance track meet in the Kibbie Dome on Saturday.

Kurrat and Kamau off to championships

BY MACKENZIE STONE ASSISTANT SPORTS&REC EDITOR

wo University of Idaho track and field athletes will advance to the NCAA Indoor Championships, but for most Vandals, last weekend was their final indoor meet of

Athletes competed March 4-5 in the UI Last Chance and the University of Washington Last Chance in Seattle in a final attempt to qualify for the championships. Multi-event athlete Manuela Kurrat was the only Vandal to previously secure her spot in the NCAA Championships with

her mark in the pentathlon at the WAC Indoor Championships in Boise. Tuesday it was announced that Mary Kamau received a berth in the mile with her provisionally qualified time from her performance on her performance Saturday.

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YOGI TEEVENS

IDAHO COACH

Sophomore Dee Olsen had a provisionally qualified time of 4:45.97 in the mile, but it was not fast enough to compete in the

enough to compete in the NCAA championships.

Kurrat and Kamau are the only Vandals who qualified for the championships, which are today and Saturday in Fayetteville, Ark. Last year no athletes from Idaho qualified for the

Championships.

"She (Kurrat) is ranked in the top five, and if everything goes as planned she will finish at

the top," co-head coach Yogi Teevens said. "She is very focused ... not extremely nervous and she is a good competitor."

Kamau and Olsen did not automatically qualify, like Kurrat, but were eligible to compete based on how their times compare

to the rest of the nation.

The automatic qualifying time is 4:39.10, which only two athletes had reached as of March 4. Kamau finished second and

broke her own school record in the UW Last Chance with a time of 4:40.79. She is ranked seventh in the nation for her time in the mile going into the championships.

"Both Mary and Manuela are capable of finishing all-

American," Teevens said. Olsen was in the running for her time in the mile, 4:45.97 when she finished fourth at the UW Last Chance.

"They both break the school record and they both ran great," head coach Yogi Teevens said. Both Kurrat and Kamau will go into rest mode until they leave for Arkansas.

"They will be in rest mode and will be finishing technical work," Teevens said. "We want them to be fast and fresh."

Multi-event athlete Melinda Owen finished fourth in Seattle

in the pole vault, barely missing the qualifying mark on her third attempt. She made it over the bar at the provisional qualifying mark but knocked it off on the way down, Teevens said The provisional qualifying mark for the pole vault is 12-11 1/2, and Owen cleared 12-5 3/4.

"It was amazing she jumped that high," Teevens said.

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KIANNA HAIL / ARGONAUT

Efrat Leopold returns the ball during practice Friday.

Tennis teams prep for road trip and nationally ranked foes

BY MACKENZIE STONE ASSISTANT SPORTS&REC EDITOR

The Idaho tennis team is going back on the road again this weekend to go up against several nationally ranked teams

The women's team will compete today and Saturday in the Boise Tournament against Boise State and Montana State.

The men's team will compete against the University of Washington today in Seattle and then get back on the court Saturday to compete against Pacific Lutheran University in

The Huskies (10-3) are ranked 14th and are 4-0 against unranked oppo-

"They (UW) are tough and it will be

good experience for us, but we can compete with anyone," coach Katrina Perlman said. "There is more excitement than anything to play Washington to see where we are and to see where they are."

The No. 1 seed for Idaho in singles

and doubles is sophomore Michael Suttner (11-9).

"He (Suttner) is going to have a tough match because his opponent is probably highly ranked," Perlman said. "But we are decent too." The Vandal men haven't had an

official match since they were shut out by Lewis-Clark State College on The No. 1 doubles spot, Suttner and Terence Nugent, had the only win

Since then, they have been focusing

practice on errors from the matches against LCSC to prepare for their competitions against UW and PLU.

"We will go up against Pacific Lutheran the second day, and their level of play has gone up quite a bit this year," Perlman said. "They beat (LCSC) earlier this year."

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petition of the season Jan. 29. PLU has finished second for the past three years in the Northwest Conference

The Idaho men's team's only win so far was a 7-0 victory against Linfield College, which it played Feb. 13. Prior

to that win, the team lost 1-6 to No. 42 Boise State Jan. 17. Next it will be the women's turn to take on Boise State, which they will go up against tomorrow. The team

plays Montana State Sunday.

"It will be tough in both competitions, but Boise is more competitive." than Montana," Perlman said. "Bois playing at home is always tough because they get a lot of supporters out there, and they can get kind of

The women have had two wins this season against LCSC, but fell t Washington State and No. 5 University of Denver earlier this year But just because their last competit tion was on Feb. 27 doesn't mean the Vandals have been resting. Rather they have been gearing up for their matches this weekend.

"Practice is always intense because we want to practice like we compete," Perlman said.

Vandal Wrap-Up

Women's golf breaks UI record at Bobcat Desert Classic

laying in the last round of a coach Brad Rickel said. "To shoot 888 three-round tournament and holding the slimmest of leads over a rival school, the Idaho women's golf team excelled under pressure Wednesday and clinched first place at the Bobcat Desert Classic.

The Vandals shot 291 at the Palm Valley Golf Course, thus setting a school record with a three-round score of 888

They entered the day with a threestroke lead over second place Boise State. By the end of the round, the Vandals' lead was 15 strokes.

"The entire team played great. Everyone competed well, and every-one contributed great scores," Idaho

is phenomenal in women's college golf

Freshman Renee Skidmore took the individual title from BSU's Katie Street by shooting 70 for the second consecutive round. Skidmore, who shot 215 for the tournament, has finished in the top three five times in her first seven tournaments. This was her third tournament champi-

The Vandals finished ahead of 19 other teams.

Junior Jennifer Tucker shot 72 in the third round and tied for third with 221 overall. Sophomore Cassie Castleman tied for sixth with 224.

"We're real happy to have the spring season underway," Rickel said. Hopefully this is a sign of things to

Team Standings: 1. Idaho 888, 2. Boise State 903, 3. tie, Montana State and North Texas 912, 5. Western Michigan 918, 6. Northern Arizona 921, 7. Montana 922, 8. Portland 929, 9. Gonzaga 933, 10. Eastern Washington 937, 11. Cal Poly 945, 12. tie, UC Riverside and Western New Mexico 947, 14. Sacramento State 949, 15. Grand Canyon 954, 16. Weber State 956, 17. Wyoming 965, 18. Idaho State 1010, 19. North Dakota State 1032.

Vandal Scorers: 1. Renee Skidmore 75-70-70-215; T3. Jennifer Tucker 72-77-72-221; T6. Cassie Castleman 74-76-74-224; T23. Kelly Nakashima 73-81-75-229; T54. Jill Phillips 82-80-76-238.

Disappointing finish for men's golf team

The Idaho men's golf team followed two outstanding rounds Monday with one disappointing round Tuesday to finish eighth at the Braveheart Classic.

The Vandals posted 310 in the third round and finished with 882 overall.

"We definitely showed what we're capable of in the first two rounds," head coach Brad Rickel said. "We went back a little today."
Pete Williams, who posted a 67 in the

second round, shot 75 on the final day to tie for 10th with 214.

UC-Riverside won the tournament with 850. Brendan Steele led the Highlanders by shooting below 70 three times en route to a 203 total.

"Hopefully we'll find good things to build on," Rickel said. "Next time I hope we'll react a little better."

Team standings: 1. UC Riverside 850, 2. Cal Poly 858, 3. UC Santa Barbara 869, 4. UCLA 873, 5. St. Mary's 875, 6. Utah 876, 7. Boise State 878, 8. Idaho 882, 9. Loyola Marymount 883, 10, tie, San Diego and Portland 889, 12. Weber State 898, 13. New Mexico State 901, 14. Southern Utah 904, 15. tie, Santa Clara and Utah State 907, 17. Sacramento State 914, 18. Cal State Northridge 919, 19. Pennsylvania 936.

Vandal scorers: T10. Pete Williams 72-67-75-214; T35. Jason Huff 71-73-79-223; T40. Dylan Hill 70-75-79-224; T45. Christian Akau 72-76-77-225; T78. Bill Witte 82-72-79-233.

Non-scoring individual: T68. Gabe Wilson 75-76-

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UI track and field at the NCAA Indoor Championships Fayetteville, Ark.

UI men's tennis at University of Washington Seattle

Saturday

UI track and field at the NCAA **Indoor Championships** Fayetteville, Ark.

UI men's tennis at Pacific Lutheran University Tacoma, Wash.

UI women's tennis at Boise State

Boise

Sunday

Note: Intramurals - Entries for team

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SPORTSBRIEFS

Fencing club president wins tournament

UI Fencing Club president Byron Wong won the men's foil event and secured a spot in the Fencing Summer National Championships in the Inland

in Spokane in the West Central Community Center. Also in the tournament, Rose Keller finished fourth in the women's foil event. There were two other

Leilani Mitchell, a guard for the Idaho women's basketball team, was hon-

The award, which is voted on by Big West Conference players, is the first

around scoring, stealing, assisting and all-out covering of the court. She kept the Vandal offense running at a quick clip with conference highs in assists per

UC Riverside's Kemie Nkeie, who wrapped up 2005 Freshman of the Year honors, added Big West Defensive Player of the Year honors to her resume while Cal State Fullerton's Amber Pruitt was honored with the Big West Best

UI women's tennis at Boise State

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Empire Divisional Tournament.

The United States Fencing Association sanctioned the March 5 tournament club members who finished second and third in the novice foil event.

The fencing club meets from 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays in PEB 111, inviting all students and faculty to join regardless of their level of experience. Also, students may enroll for one credit in the advanced fencing class, which is taught by Norman Pendegraft and Robert Behal.

Idaho women's basketball player awarded 'Best Hustle'

ored with the Big West Conference "Best Hustle" Award.

specialty award given to a member of the Vandal women's team. Mitchell, a sophomore from Kennewick, Wash., was rewarded for her all-

game (5.74), steals per game (3.78) and assist-turnover ratio (2.31). She averages just 2.5 turnovers per game.

Congressman defends subpoenas, warns MLB

BY JIM PUZZANGHERA KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

(KRT) - Rep. Tom Davis, R-Va., said he'd hold any of seven baseball players in contempt of Congress should they fail to appear for March 17 congressional committee hearings where they've been subpoenaed to testi-

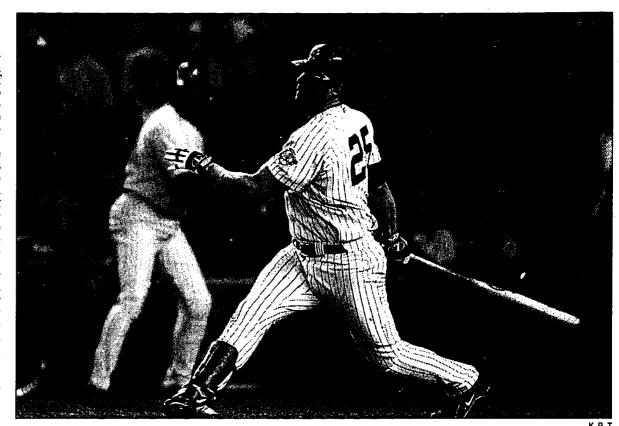
fy about steroid use.

Davis, chairman of the House
Committee on Government Reform, also reacted sharply to plans by Major League Baseball to fight the subpoenas, likening league officials and players to former Enron head Ken Lay, who balked at congressional investigations into his company's finan-

The committee on Wednesday subpoenaed some of the biggest names in baseball, including sluggers Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa, Jason Giambi and Jose Canseco, whose recent book "Juiced" alleges rampant steroid use by players over the past 20

But Davis baffled many by not issuing a subpoena to Barry Bonds, the single-season home run record-holder who's at the center of the controversy. He said he didn't summon the San Francisco Giants outfielder because he feared that would turn his hearing into "a Bonds show." He also said that Bonds' congressional testimony could affect a federal grand jury investigation of steroids produced by a San Francisco Bay area laboratory and noted that Bonds wasn't implicated in Canseco's book, as several other players were.

"The hearing's not about Barry Bonds," Davis said. "It's about steroid-use policy, and I'm afraid if Bonds gets here it's going to be hearing about Barry Bonds. We're not interested in witchhunting ... we're interested in getting to the bottom of this."



The Yankees' Jason Giambi strikes out in the ninth inning as the Red Sox win game six of the American League Championship Series at Yankee Stadium Oct. 15, 2003. Giambi is one of several MLB players being subpoenaed by Congress.

Bonds might be called to a future hearing, Davis said.
Baseball officials have vowed

to challenge the subpoenas, charging that Davis's committee has no authority to investigate the issue. But in a four-page letter Thursday to Major League Baseball, Davis and Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., the commit-tee's top Democrat, cited a provision in the rules of the House of epresentatives that gives the committee the authority "to conduct investigations of any mat-

ter" at "any time.' Canseco has agreed to testify.
The committee also subpoenaed three baseball officials, including commissioner Bud Selig, and Donald Fehr, the head of the

Major League Baseball Players Commissioner's Association. office attorney Stanley Brand said in a letter to Davis and Waxman that the league would fight the subpoenas for all the players except Canseco, as well as those for documents related to baseball's steroid-testing pro-

Fehr will testify next week, along with Robert Manfred, baseball's vice president for labor relations, who's offered to appear on Selig's behalf, Brand wrote.

Davis vowed to pursue contempt of Congress charges against anyone who doesn't show

up.
"There are a lot of these peo-

ple, they make millions of dollars, they don't intermix with the public, they don't understand what the world is like. There is a series of laws. It's like Ken Lay saying, You don't need to investigate me. There's already an investigation going on. My company's investigating me," Davis said.

"That's not the way this business works," he continued. Whether it's the president of the United States or whether it's a Major League Baseball player, everybody's subject to the law in this case, and some of these people may not understand this. But I think they will by the time we're through.'



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Busch's Truex is one junior on upswing

BY MIKE BRUDENELL KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

(KRT) - The next NASCAR Nextel Cup champion at Dale Earnhardt Inc. probably will have a Jr." attached to his name, but the question is,

Right now, Dale Earnhardt Jr. is the undisputed No. 1 at DEI. But Martin Truex Jr. is red-hot. Truex drives for Chance 2 Motorsports, which is owned by Teresa Earnhardt and Dale Jr. He won the Busch Grand National race at Mexico City on Sunday and finished second in the seasonopening International Race of Champions event at Daytona Beach, Fla.. In the Daytona 500, Truex

qualified 10th and finished 34th.

Michael Waltrip is fighting to keep his ride at DEI, but Truex, the 2004 Busch champion, could take his spot in 2006, or at least be added as the team's No. 3 driver.

Truex, 24, was born in Mayetta, N.J., and began racing go-karts at age 11. By 1998, he was running modifieds and moved to the Busch North

After a couple of part-time seasons in Busch, Truex found a permanent home at Chance 2 last year. On the way to the championship, he won six races and seven poles.

This year, Truex will compete in about eight Cup races in the No. 1 Bass Pro Shops Chevrolet for DEI. He is fourth in points in the Busch series, led by Kevin Harvick.

In winning on a road course in Mexico, Truex showed his versatility. In pressuring Mark Martin to the finish line in the IROC race he displayed a special coolness.

If somehow Truex misses a shot with DEI in Cup next season, lots of teams will be knocking at

Unbelievable as it seems, seven-time Formula One champion Michael Schumacher wasn't in the points at Sunday's Australian Grand Prix in Melbourne.

Schumacher, a four-time winner of the event, failed to finish the race after tangling with Nick Heidfeld on Lap 43.

Schumacher, who won 13 of 18 races last season, had his own version of the incident, which sidelined his Ferrari.

"With this type of thing, there are always different options," said Schumacher, who had qualified 19th for the season-opening race. "And mine is that it is impossible to blame either one of us. I saw him behind me as I came out of the pits, and

I made it clear I was defending my position.

"At one point, I lost sight of him in the mirrors and went into the corner when I felt I'd been hit. I have seen the incident on film. Heidfeld was on the grass and so was not in full control of the car."

Heidfeld, who was also forced out of the race, replied: "With regards to the incident with Michael, I think that I made a good move. Michael just came out of the pits and obviously had a bad exit from the first chicane because he wasn't on the ideal line.

"I went alongside him and I could have outbraked him, but he didn't leave any space and pushed me onto the grass, where braking is obviously impossible."

While Schumacher and Heidfeld were making contact, Giancarlo Fisichella was roaring away to victory in his Renault, crossing the finish line 5.5 seconds ahead of Schumacher's teammate, Rubens Barrichello.

She's Alright We thought Danica Patrick, the sole woman driver in the IRL this year, might have a rough time in her debut Sunday at Homestead-Miami

Patrick was sailing along nicely in 10th place when Kosuke Matsuura of Japan took out seven cars, including Patrick's, while trying to pass pole winner Tomas Scheckter on the outside.

Patrick, who drives for Rahal Letterman Racing, suffered a concussion and spent time in a hospital. She is expected to race in the next IRL event, in two weeks at Phoenix.

Vandals competing in the UI Last Chance had several firstplace finishes, but none of the marks qualified for the champi-

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Pat Ray was just shy of hitting the provisional qualifying mark of 21.23 in the 200-meter dash by winning the event with a time of 21.44. His time also gave him a personal best, beating an earlier time of 21.47. Junior Kevin Potter shattered

his personal best by 13 seconds in the mile. He won the event with a time of 4:32.68.

Vandals who did not qualify for the indoor championships now have their focus on meets for the outdoor season, which will begin March 25. The ath-

letes will compete in the LSU Tiger Relays in Baton Rouge, La., and the Stanford Invitational in Palo Alto, Calif., for the first weekend of the outdoor season.

We (Vandals in the UI Last Chance) were training through this meet and filling lanes for those trying to qualify," Teevens said. "We looked at it as practice because we are focusing in gearing up for the outdoor season."

Many college coaches face tough road in NBA

By Marc Narducci KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

(KRT) - Mike Montgomery of the Golden State Warriors is the latest coach looking to prove that college success can carry over to the NBA. But based on his first season, and NBA history, he has a lot of work to do.

Montgomery's rookie season has been filled with growing pains, for him and his team. The Warriors ate 19-41 heading into tonight's game at Indiana. They are in last place in the Pacific Division, 28-games behind the Phoenix Suns.

Not many coaches have succeeded in making the transition from college to professional basketball. For every Cotton Fitzsimmons and John MacLeod, who succeeded on both levels, there are plenty of Rick Pitinos, John Caliparis and Jerry Tarkanians, who didn't have nearly the results in the pro game that they had in college.

Montgomery is the only cur-rent NBA head coach to come directly from the college game.
The 58-year-old coached The 58-year-old coached Montana for eight seasons and Stanford for 18; his career coache ing record at the schools is 547-244. Montgomery said the jump to the NBA has been an eye-

opening experience.

"It is really different,"
Montgomery said before the visiting Warriors fell, 115-99,
Sunday to the New York Knicks. "Just the routine, the people you are dealing with on a day-to-day

Drawing X's and O's is the same at just about any level of coaching. But the interpersonal relationships are drastically different in the NBA from the way they are in college, 76ers coach Jim O'Brien said.

O'Brien is a former college head coach at Wheeling (W.Va.) Jesuit and the University of Dayton; he also was an assistant at the University of Kentucky. He was an assistant with the Knicks and the Celtics before he earned his first NBA head-coaching job; he replaced Pitino on the Boston bench.
"You have to, in a sense, part-

ner up with players at the pro

level more than at the college level," O'Brien said. "You have to make that adjustment in your managerial style and how you lead guys.'

In college, what the coach says usually goes; there is little debate. In the NBA, there is much more give and take, with the emphasis on giving for coach-

"In college, you are kind of in arge of everything," charge of everything,"
Montgomery said. "You are in charge of recruiting, fund-raising, the booster club. And you are clearly in charge of your team."

Then, laughing, he added:
"I'm not sure what you are in

I'm not sure what you are in charge of here."

College coaches jumping to the NBA learn quickly that they have to do more adjusting than the players.
"You realize you are coming

into their game and it's your responsibility to adjust to this, rather than try to get everybody to adjust to what I'm used to," Montgomery said. "That is something you hind of have to live thing you kind of have to live

With an 82-game NBA schedule, coaches realize quickly that a dictatorial style that may have worked in college won't necessarily cut it in the NBA.

Washington Wizards assistant Tom Young is in his second NBA season. He serves under Eddie Jordan, whom Young once coached at Rutgers.

"The route to go is being in the league as an assistant," Young said. "Three or four years ... then if you want to be a head coach, you have a better chance because you understand the league. That is important.'

In many instances, coaches success has little to do with basketball acumen but much to do with the team they inherit. Many of those teams lack the talent to compete every night.
Tim Floyd took over the

Chicago Bulls after the 1997-98 season, when they won their sixth NBA title in eight years. But the Bulls were dismantled, and Floyd was left with roster of CBA-caliber players.

He went 49-190 in less than four seasons. Floyd returned to the NBA last season, went 41-41 with New Orleans, and earned a playoff berth. But he was dis-

missed after the season. Lon Kruger compiled a 318-223 record in 18 seasons coaching Pan American, Kansas State, Florida and Illinois before taking over as the head coach of the Atlanta Hawks before the 2000-01 season.

Kruger was fired after posting 69-122 record in two years. After taking an assistant's job with the New York Knicks, he is in his first season as head coach

at UNLV. "It was kind of humbling to not turn it around, but it's healthy, a reminder that a lot of circumstances go into winning," Kruger said in a recent phone interview.

When a new coach comes directly from the college ranks, players usually take a wait-andsee approach to see what his

style is like.
"I don't think there is that automatic disrespect because a coach is from college," Golden State guard Derek Fisher said. But I do think there is a level of respect that has to be earned."

Fisher said Montgomery has held up well during this trying

"The fact that he has so many years of success as coach, even on the college level, allows him to carry himself with confidence and some belief in what he is capable of doing in terms of running the team," Fisher said.

Coaches often learn how to handle the losing – which they didn't experience much in col-

"You do beat yourself up a little bit when you lose, but you can't spend too much time doing it, or you will wear yourself com-pletely out," Montgomery said.

Whether it is college basket-ball or the NBA - or even junior high - coaches realize that precious little replaces having better players than their opponents.
"In the NBA, you are remind-

ed right off the bat even more, it's a player's league," Kruger

"Teams with the (Tim) Duncans and Michael Jordans, the great players, are going to win."

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