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**ASUI** 

# Leftover Vandal Taxi funds tapped

#### Senators, executives to get pay increases

By David Grunke Argonaut

ASUI leaders are getting raises. Thanks to a series of finance bills passed Wednesday by the ASUI senate, \$23,750 was drawn from the safety board budget. The money was surplus dollars created by the cutting of Vandal Taxi in October, and some of the money will go to paying for salary increases for ASUI senators, executives and other positions.

Salary increases gained the most money after the Vandal Taxi funds were transferred, as \$13,750 was spent on across-the-board

"Salary disparity has been a problem in ASUI for some time. I have addressed this issue in the past and promised to propose it again," Hansen said. "I want salary restoration to attract competent, high quality leaders who are willing and able to take on the increase in workload we will see in the upcoming year. We fall far behind our top peer institutions in rewarding the value of our student leaders."

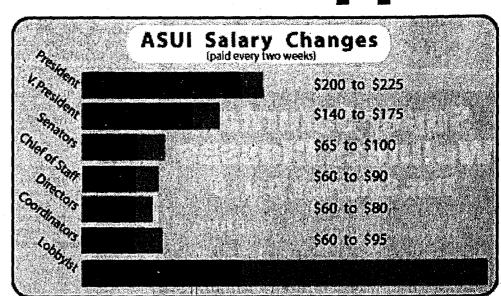
This is the first substantial salary increase for ASUI leadership since 1975. Student leaders argue salaries have fallen far behind inflation and fail to pro-

salary increases for ASUI leader-ship. ASUI President Autumn Hansen said the increases are well vide adequate incentives for those interested in ASUI positions. Besides the salary increases came

other budgetary changes.
Senate bills F05-56 through 60 utilize the Safety Board money to supplement various programs, and the most hotly contested legislation was a bill that gave \$2,500 to assist the university's new Alcohol Initiatives Task Force.

The AITF program was created by Vandal administrators, with help from ASUI leaders and other campus organizations, after alcohol-related vehicle crashes that resulted in the deaths of students Jack Shannon, Jason Yearout and Nicholas Curcuru during the fall

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## Reaching the 'Dream House'

Galindo defies American Indian stereotypes

By Jessica Mullins Argonaut

The acronym "NASA" is stitched on the front of Ed Galindo's baseball cap with golden thread.

The hat was a humorous gift from students in the University of Idaho Native American Student Association. For Galindo, a member of the Yaqua tribe in Arizona, "NASA" has two significant meanings. One is the American Indian student group at UI, and the other refers to the National Aeronautics and Administration, where he does research relating to urine - golden like the thread.

. A recent addition to the miniscule number of American Indian profesors at III Galindo incorporates his passion for the American Indian culture into most of his work and research. He is an adviser for the Native American Student Association, devoting the effort and time to accommodate American Indian students.

'Unfortunately, I don't see a lot of happy, round, brown faces," Galindo says. "That is why I am here, to look at the problem and make UI more user-

friendly."
, For American Indian students to succeed at a school, it needs to be a user-friendly and support-

ing place, Galindo says. The relationships native students make are critical to the students' success. He says they should be personal and caring relation-ships where the students feel wanted.

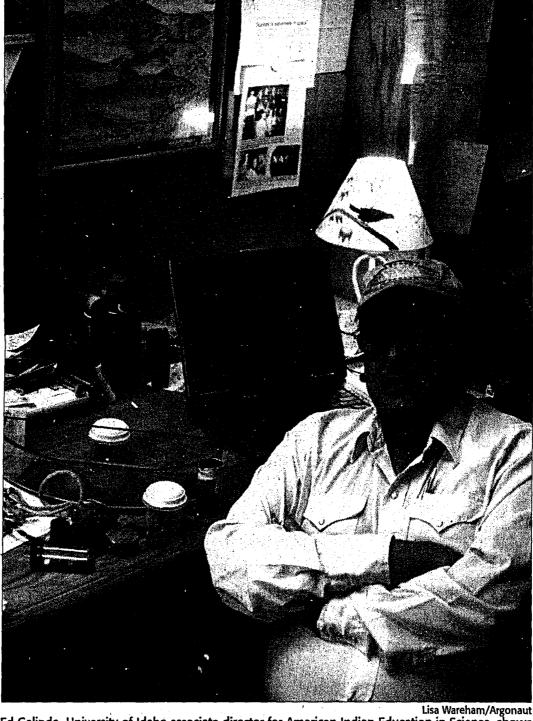
Galindo earned his undergraduate from UI in 1979. American Indian issues at UI have changed since his graduation, he says. He hopes the new Native American Center, an accomplishment he is happy about, will aid in creating a sense of home for the students. But students will need more than the center, Galindo says, emphasizing the impor-tance of support. Fellow adviser Yolanda

Bisbee described Galindo as a "breath of fresh air" because he is someone else to work with the American Indian students and issues

"Ed has been instrumental in the organization and American Indian community," Bisbee says. "He brought an awesome support mechanism to the university."

It is common for American Indian students to struggle with the cultural differences of tribal and university settings when going to college, Galindo says. He kept his American

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Ed Galindo, University of Idaho associate director for American Indian Education in Science, shows off his work for NASA in his office in the UI Aquaculture Building opposite the Kibbie Dome.

### University struggles to get students to leave reservations

#### Push continues to encourage American Indians to pursue higher education

By Jessica Mullins Argonaut

Freshman Calvin Allen, a Nez Perce tribal member, wanted to play Vandal foot-

He left his reservation near Pendleton, Ore., came to the University of Idaho and experienced a culture shock many students are spared

Getting to college is a struggle all in itself for many American Indian students. When they reach college they face yet another challenge: adjusting to the changes. The most obvious difference Allen faced was the value of cultural diversity at UI compared to his reservation.

"Cultural diversity is not an important aspect of people's lives here," Allen says.

These students go from being the majority on their reservation to the minority in a place with different beliefs and systems. They continue to struggle due to small numbers and limited support.

The low number of merican Indians has American become an issue students and faculty at UI are aware of; however, progress is at a standstill because of financial constraints. Only 118 undergraduate students, about 1.2 percent of the total undergraduate student population, declare themselves as themselves "American Indian/Alaskan Native." The graduate school 158 American Indian/Alaskan Native students, about 5 percent of its

Native American Heritage month came and went in

November with little campus buzz. The 7th Annual Tutxinmepu Powwow and Distinguished American Indian Speaker's Series at the end of October were the

month's only events. The university campus sits on former tribal land that was ceded to the federal government in 1855. Vandal land is less than fifty miles between the Coeur d'Alene Tribe to the north and Nez Perce Tribe to the south, and is close to other reservations to the east and west.

"We need our college campus to reflect our region. The more we do that the more prepared we are for the world we live in," says Margrit von Braun, dean of the College of Graduate Studies. "It is related to access and justice."

This year, UI opened the Native American/Migrant Education Center, home to College Assistance

### **GETTING INVOLVED**

●The Native American

**Student Association:** Meets at 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Native American Student Center

For more information contact Yolanda Bisbee at yobiz@uidaho.edu.

Native American **Graduate Association:** For more information contact Julian Matthews at

Matt7369@uidaho.edu.

Migrant Program and the Native Center. About 35 new students of Hispanic background are recruited every year through CAMP, which targets migrant/seasonal farm workers and children of migrant farm workers.

Yolanda Bisbee, director of CAMP, is the person UI administrators point to to recruit American Indians. Agreements were made to provide education for American Indian students with the Treaty of 1855, says Bisbee, who was raised on a Nez Perce reservation.

Recruitment programs focused toward low-income students and minorities include the McNair Program, Hoist, Northwest Nations math/science, extension programs and Upward Bound, the pre-col-

lege summer program.
Despite the programs,
only 26 first-time, first-year, American Indian Alaskan Native students have come to the school in the last two academic years. The total number of American Indian/Alaskan Native students has increased by two people from last year.

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## **Football** players get lesser charges

Rust, not initially charged, now accused of battery

> By Sam Taylor **Argonaut**

Vandal athletes involved in an altercation outside of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity have either had charges against them dropped or lessened after an agreement made with Moscow city attorneys, while another player has been

charged.

Moscow
Deputy
City
Attorney Rod Hall said Taylor Rust, a University of Idaho defensive end, was charged with battery after the city's investigation brought to light new findings in the case against other



players and a UI student. University of Idaho tight-end Luke Smith-Anderson has had two counts of battery and a charge of malicious injury to property dropped and now has plead guilty to disturbing the peace, Hall said. He also said left guard Jade Tadvick's charge of battery was dropped and he will also now face just a disturbing the peace

Charges of disturbing the peace against UI student Jeffrey Sarkisian and Vandal left tackle Hank Therien were dropped and they will face no penalties.

The charges against the other players changed because of an agreement that was approved by members of the fraternity, Hall said.

"They reached that with the defendants' attorney and when the victims usually agree to a punishment they think is appropriate, most of the time, I'll go with that," Hall

Hall said Rust was charged after the investigation brought to light the fact that Rust had lied to his teammates about being beaten up by a group of ATO members, when in fact it was a one-on-one

fight.

"His injuries could have been bad enough to look like it was more, bad enough to look like it was more, but it was one-on-one," Hall said.

Ron Ellison, ATO public relations chair, told The Argonaut after the fight that Rust had attempted to get into a party during the early morning hours of Oct. 15 posing as a member of the Delta Chi fraterni-

When D-Chi member Ryan Frey came forward to tell others Rust was not a member of his fraternity, Rust

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#### Inside

Arts&Culture Musical performances abound across Moscow, with university choirs and local bands preparing for concerts.

#### Sports&Rec

The women's basketball team advanced to 2-2 while the men's team dropped to 0-4 in back-to-back games Wednesday

### Today



Snow **Showers** Hi: 34° Lo: 24°

#### <u>Campus</u>CALENDAR

#### Today

Dissertation: Chia-Pei Wu, education College of Education, Room 1 p.m.

Opening reception: Faculty exhibition Prichard Gallery, Downtown Moscow

Student composers concert School of Music Recital Hall

'The 40-Year-Old Virgin' SUB Borah Theater J 7 and 9:30 p.m.

'UI Voices' 7:30 p.m.

#### **ASUI Senate** UITV-8 8 p.m.

Student recital: Michael Schwartz, piano School of Music Recital Hall 8 p.m.

#### Saturday

Student recital: Karla Kachelmier, piano School of Music Recital Hall

Men's basketball vs. Southern Sunday Utah Cowan Spectrum 2:05 p.m.

Graduate Student Recital: Elizabeth Tailleur, piano School of Music Recital Hall

'The 40-Year-Old Virgin' SUB Borah Theater 7 and 9:30 p.m.

Graduate student recital: Zach Harris, violin School of Music Recital Hall 1 p.m.

University Chorus Vandaleers Building Administration Auditorium 4 p.m.

Monday

Corrections

wrong in the Nov. 29 edition.

**WeatherFORECAST** 

Pool in the Nov. 29 issue.

Today

Snow

Hi: 34'

Lo: 24°

Showers

Dissertation: Nancy Deringer, education Education, Room 301 1 p.m.

Electrical and Computer Engineering Lecture Series: Dean Edwards, mechanical engineering Engineering Physics Building, Room 122

3:30 p.m.

Due to an Argonaut error, Paul Hamlett's name was spelled

Due to an editorial mistake, the Hamilton-Lowe Aquatics 2

Center was incorrectly referred to as the Moscow Community g

The Moscow Food Co-Op was wrongly termed the Moscow

Co-op in the Nov. 29 edition. The Argonaut regrets these errors.

Saturday

Few Show

Showers

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Bellwood Lecture — Justice Alan C. Page' UITV-8 8 p.m.

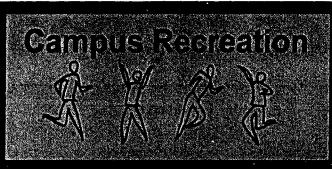
Sunday

Snow

**Showers** 

Hi: 34°

Lo: 26°



### **Super Saturday** Wellness Classes

This Saturday, Dec. 3

Check out the UI Wellness website for the schedule!

www.campusrec.uidaho.edu/wellness

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Tues., Dec. 13: 12-1:30 pm **SRC Classroom** More info at www.webs.uidaho.edu/worklife

## SRC Giving Tree

The Student Recreation Center is sponsoring 10 local children for the Christmas for Kids Organization Please stop by the SRC and choose a gift tag before Dec.12th. Wrapped gifts must be returned by Dec. 13th. Please help the SRC make this holiday special for local children!

The SRC is now accepting applications for Spring Semester.

Desired applicants are hard-working, motivated, outgoing, & customer service oriented individuals.

Pick up an application at the SRC Info Desk!

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### <u>Today's HOROSCOPE</u>

#### Today's Birthday

Investigate the things beyond your safety zone this year. Conditions indicate there'll be a change in how you see yourself.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

#### Aries

(March 21-April 19) Today is a 9. The more you push, the more likely you are to break through to the next level. Persistence and determination are required. Show them you can.

#### **Taurus**

(April 20-May 20) Today is 6. You can earn extra dividends by shopping carefully. Look at things differently to get more out of what you

#### Gemini

(May 21-June 21) Today is a 7. You'll get farther following a person who's intent on breaking through. Let somebody else do the hard part.

#### Cancer

(June 22-July 22) Today is a Just when you think you have it all figured out, life throws you a curve. Do the best you can and this will work to your advantage.

(July 23-Aug. 22) Today is a 10. Don't even try to figure it out. That's likely to take you off course. Trust a hunch, your intuition and somebody you love.

#### Virgo

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today is

a 5. Don't throw the treasures away with the trash. Dig through, to make sure you don't. If you toss out the thing you need, you'll hate yourself in the morning.

#### Libra

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Today is an 8. You're even smarter than usual, so ask the really tough questions. Then, watch. You may get the real answers through body language.

#### Scorpio

(Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is a Don't throw out any envelopes without checking for checks and cash. Odds are good you're in for a valuable surprise.

#### **Sagittarius**

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is a 9. All of a sudden, you see things from another point of view. You're not losing your mind you're broadening your perspective.

#### Capricorn

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today is a 5. An amazing development resolves an issue you'd just about given up on. Don't bask in your glory; take control, while you can.

#### **Aquarius**

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Today is an 8. You set the objectives and the budget. Let the others brainstorm everything else. You'll be amazed.

#### **Pisces**

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(Feb. 19-March 20) Today is a 5. Keep pushing. You'll find a sometimes intimidating figure has just been waiting for you to speak up. It'll be a good thing.

By Linda C. Black

Some 860 students graduate from the University of Idaho this fall, more than half of whom will walk in the Dec.10 commencement ceremony. This includes eight law, 52 doctorate, 12 specialist, 245 master's and 543 baccalaureate degrees.

**DID YOU KNOW** 

Local newspaper publisher A.L. "Butch" Alford Jr. will be the keynote speaker and the university also will confer on Alford an 65 honorary doctoral degree in humane letters.

#### <u>CrosswordPUZZLE</u>

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17 Flashy outfit
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46 Go bad

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#### Senate REPORT

#### Senate Business

The senate approved six new members of the Activities Board: April Oler, Lincoln Smith, Kendi Lesley, Philip Matos, Abby VanderPlaat and Brad Watson.

Senate Bill F05-56, which increases the salary of the ASUI lobbyist from \$3,600 to \$7,000 a

year, passed unanimously. The used its \$18,000 budget to provide lobbyist represents UI and ASUI

at the state Legislature.
Senate Bill F05-57, providing for the transfer of \$2,500 from the safety board budget to the Alcohol Initiatives Task Force, passed with one no vote and one abstention.

Senators amended the original bill granting \$5,000 to AITF. A reoccurring concern was AITF has not yet shown ASUI how it has a safer atmosphere on campus. Senate Bill F05-58, providing

for the transfer of \$3,000 from the Safety Board budget to the ASUI Vandal Entertainment Board's large concerts budget, passed unanimously. The funds will be used to bring a large venue concert, as of yet unspecified, to the Kibbie Dome.

Senate Bill F05-59, providing for the transfer of \$4,000 from the

Safety Board budget to the student activities Alternative Spring Break trip fund, passed unani-

Senate Bill F05-60, providing for the transfer of \$13,750 from the Safety Board budget to raise ASUI leaders' salaries, passed unanimously.

Senate Resolution F05-07, expressing support for the International Experience Grant, was passed unanimously.

### **EDUCATION**

The three-year-old McNair program is a federally funded TRIO program preparing undergraduate students from lowunderrepresented groups or first-generation backgrounds for doctoral degrees.

Vicki Trier, coordinator of the McNair Program, says there are three American Indians active out of about 45 students in the program. Much of the program is learned about through word of mouth, Trier

#### Spreading the word

Junior Amber Thomas, an Eskimo from a native town in Alaska, says — like Allen — that she had trouble adjusting to the lack of cultural diversity at the school. The UI American Indian Studies faculty and the Native American Student Association helped Thomas adjust, along with keeping in touch with her old friends through instant messaging and free night and week-end minutes on her cell phone,

Thomas says she is concerned about how other students can learn about the facilities and organizations available to students. She learned about the student association through professors. The association's member-

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Indian identity alive through his educational process.

Galindo was a first-generation high school and college graduate. He realized early he didn't have the skills to be in the ranching industry, which was common in the rural Idaho area he grew up in, he says.

"Hay bales were too heavy and horses bucked me off," he

Driven by currosity he motivated himself to pursue his education, a feat difficult for many tribal members. Galindo called universities colleges and "dream houses" because they were places where a lot of thinking and dreaming happened. He knew he wanted to go to these "dream houses." Galindo attenaea tne Southern Idaho, UI, Idaho State University and Utah State

University. The reason many American Indian students aren't at UI is a ship includes about half of the total number of American Indian students at UI.

Support for the students administrators hasn't been really structured, Bisbee says.

'An American Indian coordinator is needed to work to get word out on and off campus," Bisbee says. "We have to have more than a center in place to help students succeed.

Francisco Salinas, director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs, sits on the Native American Advisory Board. Campus administrators, tribal representatives and students participate in the discussions during a once-a-semester meeting. At the gathering for fall 2005, the lack of program funding and staff at the Native Center was made a concern. Salinas says he does not know when the center will have staff and funding, but the sooner the better to respond to students' plans and needs.

There is work to get a budget A valued viewpoint within the university and grant funding is being sought, Bisbee

There are several programs that work with American Indian tribes to boost recruitment within individual colleges, but the efforts for recruitment and retention of students are not visible on campus, Bisbee says.

'The programs are so internal no one sees them," she says. "We need a support mechanism

highest high school and college drop-out rates, Galindo says. In many tribal settings family members haven't gone to college resulting in little support and encouragement for youth to pursue a higher education. Galindo, on the other hand, said he had great support from his family and others. He refers to people who have helped him along his journey as "spirit

One of Galindo's "spirit helpers" was a man he met at a conference in Alaska. The American Indianamans told Galindo of "two-eyed seeing,"

that is structured and with fund-

ing."
Graduate student and Nez Perce tribal member Julian American Indian, Matthews started the Native American Graduate Student Association this year to recruit American Indians to graduate and undergraduate schools. He says he has noticed the scarcity of diversity within the UI faculty and problems with retention of American Indian students.

A mentoring program with graduate American Indian students mentoring undergraduates could help with recruitment and retention by creating a trickle-down effect, Matthews says.

Lack of student recruitment ties into the lack of diversity in faculty and staff, Von Braun

says.
"If we can improve those demographics it will help improve those of the student von Braun says. "Personally, I think we can do

American Indians are beneficial to the university in several ways, including adding creativity to research, Trier says.

"American Indians add a unique perspective to their field. It is important to span the knowledge base," Trier says. "They do research in a different way and approach it from differ-

American Indian history

is integrated with science.

"There are multiple ways of looking at the world," Galindo

"Two-eyed seeing" is what Galindo had done his entire life. He revealed native stories and ideas when studying science. Galindo compared the molecule Carbon to a compass because it has four ways things can build on it, creating a symbol pointing in the four directions.

Galindo continues to incorporate native principles in his work. In his work at NASA, one of his projects is "fund with unine". His research involves removing urea where basic knowledge of tribes the end product of nitrogen metab-

should have a part in the core curriculum at UI, Thomas says, to increase awareness of cultural

Matthews would also like to see American Indian issues have bigger role in the curriculum.

The university has an American Indian Studies program, but for the spring 2005 semester there is only one class offered through the program, along with internships and directed studies.

"Tribal members aren't graduating, but not because they are intellectually inferior, which is how they have been portrayed in the past," Matthews says.

#### Reaching out

Nez Perce tribal member and education specialist Solo Greene says pursuing his education was his way of proving American Indians can succeed in a contemporary world.

Greene says he has been a statistic in almost every category. He withdrew his first year of college, but later returned to complete his education. He lives in Lapwai and takes online classes through UI.

"I think we need to get a little more creative in our efforts at a recruitment process," Greene says, of UI trying to bring in American Indians.

"For me it seems like we are always degraded, put down and talked about that we couldn't make it."

olism - from urine to make it recyclable on a space shuttle. He also is working to make paint from urea, providing an activity for combating homesickness and depression when living on Mars. Other projects Galindo is working on involve analyzing the soil on Mars and how to grow lunar food and recycle working with limited water on Mars. He uses principles and ideas based off the American Indian cul-

Integrating traditional knowledge into the science curriculum will be beneficial to UL Gallido says, a reason more American Indian students need to be recruited to UI.

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2004 semester. The program aims to address underage drinking and alcohol abuse by University of Idaho students.

AITF draws an operating budget of \$18,000 from dedicated student activity fees, aside from the funds just given by ASUI.

Hansen and sup-porters of AITF believe the program helps to fill the gap in safety programs left over from the elimination of Vandal Taxi. "With the elimination of Vandal Taxi, we still have a responsibility to continue supporting efforts that will change the culture of high-risk drinking on this cam-pus and hopefully make campus more safe," Hansen said.

Members of the senate finance committee, however, were less supportive of the initial proposal to grant the AITF \$5,000. The bill was amended on the senate floor, and cut the

amount in half. Finance committee chair Brady Lang spoke on behalf of the committee on Wednesday.

'We wanted to wait and see what they did with the money they had, and see what they do with it," Lang said.
"But we did want to give them some."

This was the only bill to utilize funds from the Safety Board budget directly for safety programs. Two other bills, F05-58 and and a safety programs. 59 granted \$3,000 and ASUI programs. The amounts will go to sup-plement the Vandal Entertainment Board and the Alternative Spring Break program.

#### **CHARGES** from page 1

allegedly punched Frey in the face twice and choked him before hopping over the back fence of the house.

ATO President Matt Green said when Rust tried to jump over the fence he attempted an "aerial kick move" into a member of the fraternity, who caught him in midair and the two began to fight. Rust, after allegedly losing the fight and sustaining significant injuries, was escorted from the party and later driven to the hospital by a friend. Becky Paull, UI Becky

Athletic Department assistant director, said Rust had suffered a minor concussion from the incident.

Paull said the players will not be punished fur-

Smith-Anderson and Tadvick had been suspended indefinitely, but a week later they were reinstated and Tadvick played in the team's game against New Mexico State. Smith-Anderson has been out for the season due to health issues, but Paull said he is eligible to play for another

year and should be healthy by next season.

"When this initially happened we were proactive in punishing them immediately," Paull said. "We're just glad we can

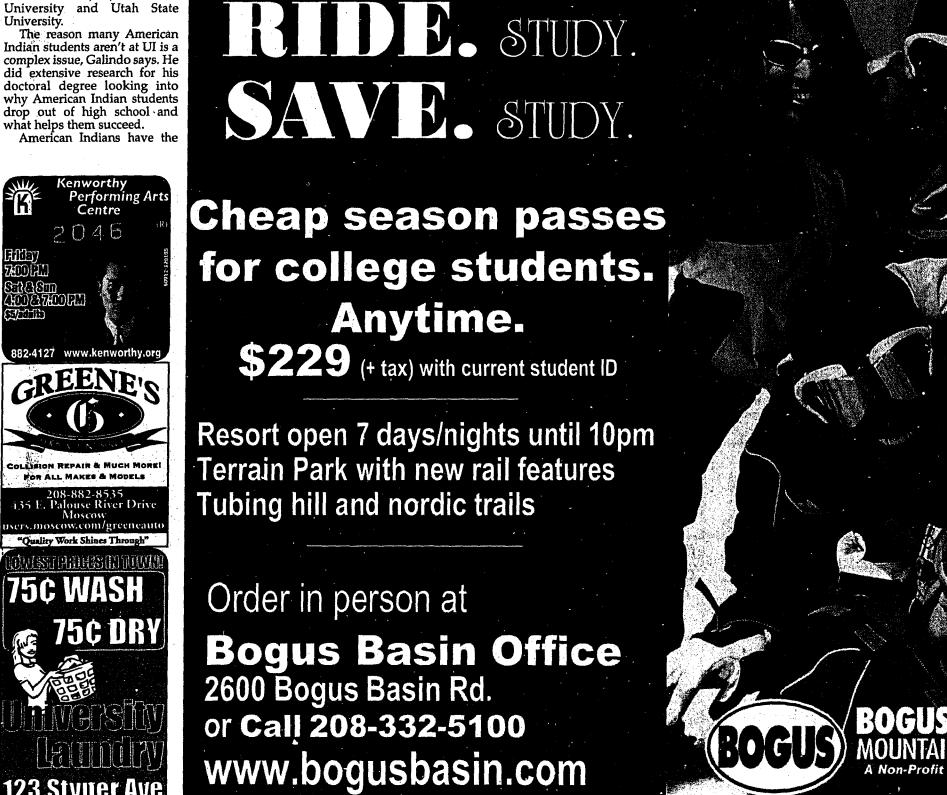
finally put this to rest," said Ellison, who was also hit in the face during the altercation by Smith-"We also Anderson. asked for a public apology, but I don't think we'll get that. I don't know."

As part of the agreement, Smith-Anderson also agreed to pay costs to fix the ATO door, which he kicked in, and any medical bills of ATO members injured in the

Dean of Students Bruce Pitman said in light of recent events, university officials will review their proceedings against the football players and members of the fraternity.

He said while the fraternity had agreed to the criminal punishment from the city, the university had a right to "take independent action what has despite occurred in the criminal

"Willingness (of ATO; members) to testify will play a part in our investigation," he said.



## Health center says no more free condoms

By Sarrah Benoit Argonaut

Sex may have just become more awkward.

'Guys hover around the front door, swoop in, take a handful and leave," said Lysa Salsbury, administrative assistant at the Women's Center, regarding free condoms. "It can be awkward (for guys to get condoms here), because it can be intim-

This semester marked the end of a free condom program at the University of Idaho Student Health Center. The Women's Center is one alternate place to find them.

Salsbury said she does not understand why the Student Health Center does not provide free condoms for students anymore, describing it as the obvious place to go to get contraceptives.

"We had a surplus a couple years back, but when we called to get more, we couldn't get any," Beth Papineau, nursing supervisor at the Student Health Center. "You go from 10,000 condoms to none in such a short time."

The condoms were provided by the state health district, she said. Almost two years ago, the Student Health Center stopped receiving funds for the free condom

It seems like they are saving more for the HIV centers and clinics in Idaho," she said. "I think the last time we offered free condoms was spring semester last year."

The Women's Center in Memorial Gym has offered free condoms for more than seven years, program adviser Amy Sharp said. The Office of Multicultural Affairs in the Teaching and Learning Center is now offering free condoms too. There are more than 8,000 free condoms available for student use between the two

"I don't think people should have to pay for any type of birth control," Salsbury said. "All contraception should be free."

It is nice to have free condoms available, Papineau said, but buying a condom is affordable. The average cost of a single condom is less than 50 cents, she said.

"Condoms aren't going to make or break a student's bank account," she said. "I guess the health services are leaving more responsibility to the individual to cover the cost of their health care."

Freshman Billy Bates did not hesitate to get condoms from the Women's Center, but he said he felt uncomfortable.

'Condoms are condoms. I walked in and asked where the condoms were," he said. "She gave me a small baggy with condoms and some pamphlets. And then she gave me some personal lubricant too."

As he was leaving, he said he got stares from women that made him feel like he was doing something wrong. Questions do arise but we

can't say much because they are still using safe sex," Sharp said. "And you can't look down on that." The Student Health Center

should focus more on student

Salsbury Condoms and HIV and AIDS tests should always be accessible to students. The Student Health Center administers HIV and AIDS

tests and prices the care

health,

according to the level of testing. Papineau said the staff assesses a student's potentially high-risk behavior before ordering tests.

Student Health The Insurance Program does not cover these tests.

"HIV tests are not so popular at UI," she said. "When people make appointments for STD tests, we counsel them first to see how far the testing should go."

Determining how many tests a student can have based on a high-risk assessment is not right, Sharp said. The Student Health Center should test for every type of STD regardless of promiscuity.

(HIV and AIDS tests) need to be done," she said. Studies have shown that HIV and AIDS are usually passed on between the ages of 18 and 25. Those are college years for most people."

Sharp said the Student Health Center should not be the ones to determine highrisk sexual behavior. If a student feels like he or she needs an HIV test, no counseling should be involved. A standard group of tests is what **TESTING** 

To learn more about free HIV and AIDS tests, call the Community Partnership at 882-3535. For a listing of safe sex programs at the Women's Center, www.uidaho.edu/womenscenter.

students need, she added.

"Don't say, 'You aren't at high risk, so we won't bother to test you for HIV or AIDS," she said. "Then, the person would walk away and not bother to think about it. And they could spread it to his or her partners.

For free HIV and AIDS tests, a student can make an appointment Community Action Partnership, Papineau said. The group offers tests the first Fridays of every other month from 1-3 p.m. The next sched-

uled testing date is Jan. 6. She said she urges people to consider donating blood to the Red Cross, because they will do HIV and AIDS testing for free as well.

### **Proposals** begin month-long evaluation

Argonaut staff

process

In a sign of growing involvement in President Tin White's reinvestment pro gram, administrators report ed 43 pre-proposals turned is by Thursday's noon deadline

Titles and lead authors c the proposals will be dis played online sometime new week, said Margrit vo Braun, dean of the College c Graduate Studies and head c the eight-member blue ribbo committee evaluating the pro posals. The committee fire has to get permission from each proposal group.

"The intent of this is reall to keep openly showing infor mation," von Braun said.

The number is 50 percer more than the 28 presented a the Nov. 17 open forum meant to allow similar pro posals to merge. Von Brau said a few of the proposal did join forces, but many c the earlier ones still remai: along with many new ones.

Some people found each other," she said. "We go some new ones from othe campuses not at the forum."

The pre-proposals wil now be judged, and in January the committee wil select several proposals to be resubmitted in full in February. Final proposals wil be reviewed by the committee and peer groups before being passed to White and U Provost Doug Baker.

The proposals, part of White's Plan for Renewal of People, Programs and Place will compete for up to \$500,000 each annually for five years. There has been \$1 million set aside this year for the proposals, and the money will likely be divided between three of them, Baker

### Vandal parents may want new license plates

By Brian Rich Argonaut

Whether in Boise, Idaho Falls or Coeur d'Alene, it's hard to miss the Vandal license plates on the bumpers of proud parents across the

But what most students don't realize is that they benefit from every one of those plates because of a 1998.scholarship idea that has turned into almost \$100,000 in student financial aid, including almost \$20,000 in each of the past two years.

The sharp increase of UI license plate sales means more students get scholarships for more money, and not only students who already receive from \$500 to \$1,000.

scholarships.

Vandal "Our Pride Scholarship Program helps us recognize students who are very deserving, but don't qualify for other restricted scholarship funds," said Shawna Lindquist, associate director of UI Scholarships. "This program allows supporters to help our students while showing off their Vandal pride."

For drivers, the plates cost an extra \$35 more than normal plates, \$25 of which goes to UI. Renewal fees are an extra \$25 annually, \$15 of which goes to UI.

Since the scholarship program began, 161 students have received awards ranging

with a scholarship like this. Boise State University, the College of Southern Idaho, Idaho State University, Lewis and Clark State College and Northern Idaho College also offer similar scholarships. Rosalie Cramer, production

specialist for the Idaho Transportation Department, said ITD doesn't track plate sales by individual college, though they do track collegiate plates as a whole.

"I've written a program to start breaking apart specialty plates by university," she said. But that doesn't start until

Collegiate plate sales have been steadily increasing since 2003, which is as far back as

UI is not the only school ITD keeps statistics. However, since UI's scholarship has increased dramatically in the past two years, a larger portion of collegiate plate sales are coming from UI parents and alumni than from other colleges and universities.

Lindquist said since the program is relatively new, a system to track plate sales hasn't yet been established at

"We just get a check from the state that goes to our trust department and those funds are deposited into the scholarship account," she said. "All we ever see is what we're actually getting from the

She said the plates are already fairly popular, but she thinks the program still has a lot of growing to do since most people don't know the sales actually benefit students.

"I think it'll continue to grow. I don't think a lot of people know it's out there," she said.

Lindquist said many people in the financial aid office have the specialty plates, most likely because they know about the program.

"From our perspective, it's been a great source of unrestricted scholarship funds," she said. "We're able to target students who aren't able to get money from other scholarship areas. The flexibility it gives us ... is probably its most valuable characteristic."

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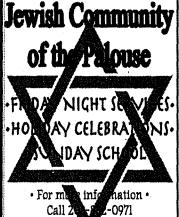
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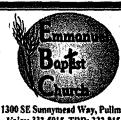
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# OPINION

# Premature holiday cheer

Frank McGovern

Columnist

Before I blow loads of dudes' minds with this week's torn-straight-from-the-headlines, edge-of-your-seat thriller of an explosive issue, I'd like to recognize the work of someone who's meant a lot to me this year: me. Unfortunately for me, this isn't the compli-mentary, fawning sort of recognition I enjoy

and merit but a sober, insightful, noble and humble series of apologies for hurt feelings during the

Though I adhere to a strict policy of showing slack-jawed, mouth-breathing, right-wing inbreds the respect they deserve, occasionally my use of absurdity to mock those who disagree with me is

taken the wrong way. Anyway, all ad hominem silliness aside, there are three things I'd like to clear up in hopes that 2005 will pass into history (not unlike our president's majority approval rating) a little less antagonistically. Here they are:

In a Pat Robertson column ("Killer coot or noble Christian," Aug. 26) I affixed the word "Jew" to the beginning of media outlets to ridicule Robertson's past underhanded suggestions that the media was run by Jews. However, as I didn't make that clear, it appeared bizarre. I myself am part Jewish, with a "Kitzman" on my mother's side, and not an anti-Semite.

In another column I made a series of absurd assertions including the irresponsible, though hilarious, declarations that drinking mercury would give one superpowers, fluoride makes people undead and that Senator Larry Craig ment with most of the country made a pass at me. The capper Cheney similarly suggested he joke, presented in the same was cowardly and had lost his style as the zombie, mercury and gay Republican fashion ones, was that Mormons have horns. I'm from Idaho Falls, which hosts a majority LDS population. Half or so of my friends back home were Mormon and we all joked about the horn thing, which was some weird archaic superstition. Anyhow, adherents to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints are simply members of a religion, not a separate species. This being the case, they do not have horns. The separate species are Irish Catholics; if you've ever seen "Gangs of New York," you know what those drunken, poetic savages are capable of. They are also rumored to be tremendous in bed.

Lastly, I suggested in one of those "This week at the bar" columns that The Plantation

bar was an actual plantation and that blacks should avoid it at all costs. This is not the case; The Plant is just a bar. I can give you my rock-solid assurance that it is not an actual southern cotton plantation disguised as a bar. Black Muscovite visitors to The

Plantation will not be kidnapped into slavery. I have been to The Plantation and could identify no particular social or political motif. This despite some reader asser-tions that it was a hangout for "good ol' boys," which seems to me to be re-enforcing stereotypes more than my ridiculousness.

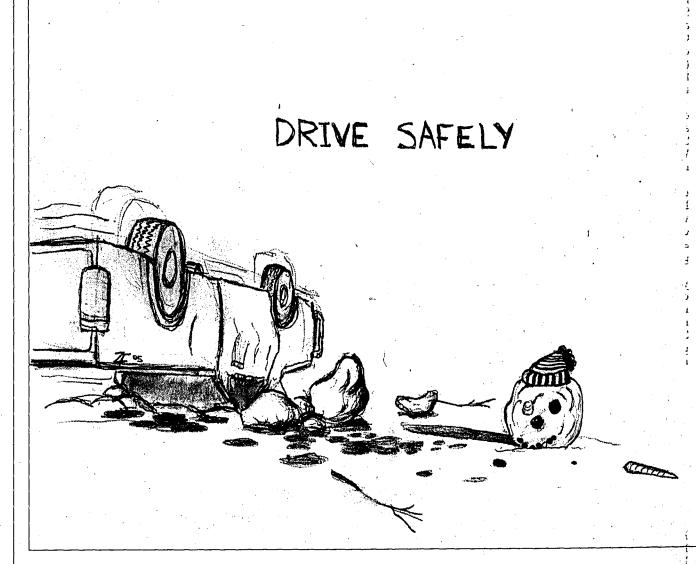
So that's it. I hope anybody who was stung by that stuff feels better; politics and opinion writing should be constructive and not

So check out what that stupid, evil, reeking scumbag Dick Cheney did. In 2004 he said, "One of my strongest allies in Congress when I was secretary of defense was Jack Murtha, a Democrat who is chairman of the Defense Appropriation
Subcommittee." Congressman
Murtha is a decorated 37-year

member of the Marine Corps who volunteered for Vietnam and went on to accrue medals for bravery. Anyway, Murtha recently traitored-out with the following radical sentiment: "The U.S. cannot accomplish anything further in Iraq militarily. It is time to bring (the troops) home." In response, Republican Congresswoman Jean Schmidt read a letter which called Murtha a "c ard" as revenge fo

"backbone."

In lieu of beating this one to death and screaming "hypocrite" until I'm red in the face, I suggest the following piece of legislation. From now on, every single jingoistic chicken-hawk politician or pundit who shoots his or her mouth off about the glory and necessity of this war, the cowardice of the opposition, undermining the war on terror by damaging troop morale with pleas to bring them home alive or anything similar, has to get off his smug ass, pick up a rifle and fight on the front lines. This just might make for a different world, not to mention a hilarious documentary. By the way, my full name is Francis Michael McGovern; I am an Irish Catholic, so nobody can get mad at that. OK? Cool.



**OUR VIEW** 

# Drive with caution

The story is always the same. With the first true snowstorm of every year, countless drivers find themselves sliding into fire hydrants, telephone poles and other cars. It seems as if something psychological
— something that makes people who brave the roads incapable of driving with the cor

rect amount of caution — takes root on the first snowy day. Icy roads are not something to be dreaded, obsessed about or even hated with a passion. A bit of education is all the people of Moscow (trust us, winter driving stupidity is not limited to the university) need to become masters of the snow

Some Vandals come from far-off lands where snow is not an issue. They get to speed around in their Dodge Stratuses and not worry about the temperature. If these people plan on driving during a Moscow winter, they should find an abandoned, icy parking lot somewhere and practice. This may seem a liftle remedial to those champions

of automotive accomplishment who populate the university, but knowing when to let off the brake could save a stop sign's life, or a person's

Practicing in empty park-ing lots will also force out the reckless driving streak that resides in everyone. It is much more fun to spin and slide when the possibility of hitting something is remote. Remember, getting in a wreck is never fun.

After practicing donuts and other maneuvers, head over to a cheap tire center to get snow tires installed. This expenditure may prove prohibitive for most college students, but it is important to have good tires during the winter. If parents can't be convinced to spring for snow tires, go for all-weather radials or an equivalent. According to the Federal **Emergency Management** Agency's winter driving fact sheet, tires are one of the most important things to consider

when snow-pimping a ride. FEMA also suggests pre-

cautions like putting extra warm clothes and sleeping bags in the car and loading up on bottled water and food incase of a breakdown. This advice should be taken into account when prepping for the trip home over break. The

Argonaut's main concern is not with long trips, but with the short jaunts around town that cause the most accidents.

First off, realize that when there is snow on the ground, the roads may be icy. Ice on the roads means that slamming on the brakes will throw even the best car into a skid. With this in mind, it is best to drive with caution. This added care snowballs into a longer travel time, which might necessitate leaving for class earlier than usual. Remember that the speed limit is only a suggested number to be followed in the best possible conditions.

A bag of cat box litter, cement, Vandal football hel-

mets or dictionaries is a good addition to the trunk of a car. According to the guys at Car Talk, this extra weight over the rear axle gives added trac-tion to cars with rear-wheel drive. ந்து Drivers are not the only

who need to be wary of the roads. When walking to class, consider the fact that it takes more time for a car to stop on ice. This means crossing the street without paying attention to traffic will not cut it. Always cross at the crosswalk and look before entering the street; this should be a

For those still worried about driving, the Internet is a valuable resource. At www.cartalk.com, the Tappet brothers give hints on how to prep a car for winter, and www.wsdot.wa.gov/winter and www.otd.idaho.gov have driving regulations for Washington and Idaho.

given.

### **Rights and wrongs** of web file sharing

By Amie Davis Daily O'Collegian

Most people seem to think that the fight over file sharing is really about being able to download free music, when in fact it is actually a far deeper battle between copyright law and civil rights.

The real problem is that companies are using online file sharing as an excuse to take away our rights to privacy and ownership.

However, I am going to say that browsing people's computer for files, making written legal threats that avoid courtrooms and denying individuals their right to use their legally purchased property

should be completely illegal. These are all techniques currently being employed to stop the threat of online file sharing.

For example, according to www.boycott-riaa.com/ education/analysis, between 2000 and 2002 the RIAA claims to have lost more than \$4 billion to piracy, but their records only show a real loss of \$2 billion.

The bad part about this is

that we would have to assume that these losses are actually due to piracy and not due to bad business practices or poor

Granted, I do believe the RIAA has lost some money to piracy, but not because people aren't purchasing. The real problem for the RIAA is that people get to listen to a whole album before purchasing.

However, I see worse things coming on the horizon.
According to

www.ciocentral.com's story "Sony's Digital Rights Management : It Just Keeps Getting Worse," Sony's software installs hidden drivers (before you accept their license), altering the way your computer operates.

If I paid for something, I should be allowed to privately use it as I see fit without an organization like the RIAA dictating terms to me.

Let's get some perspective. File sharers aren't threatening people's lives. They are creating copies of non-physical data and that is no reason for copyright holders to damage our computers or invade our

# Playing some 'Madden' pigskin might help you ace your finals

By Titilola Bakare **Daily Pennsylvanian** 

I've always been pretty hostile toward video games. As a child, they robbed me of my otherwise captive audience. Despite my many valiant attempts to divert their attention from the television screen, my older brother and cousins remained locked away in the brotherhood of gaming, a secret covenant of which I could never be a part. "I want to play too, Ade!" I whined. "Why can't I

In a desperate attempt to silence my pleas, my brother resorted to deception.
"Fine!" he said. "Here's a controller." It took me about a week to realize that

my controller was never actually connected to the gaming console. So wrong. Years later, my attitude toward video games retained the bitterness I felt at that moment. How could young adults, even those deep into their 20s, engage in such idle silliness? What was the point? I just didn't get it — otherwise intelligent young men, and yes, women too, spending so much of their time manipulating imaginary characters in an imaginary

world? It just didn't make sense. Then I encountered cultural critic Steven Johnson's "Everything Bad is Good For You." In the book, Johnson presents a theory he calls the Sleeper Curve. According to this theory, "the most debased forms of mass diversion video games and violent television dramas and juvenile sitcoms — turn out to be nutritional after all."

I thought back to the hours upon

hours of game playing that were invested every time a new version of "The Legend of Zelda" came out. The intensity in Ade's face was more like that of someone deciphering complex mathematical equations than of someone trying to save a fictional princess in distress.

Johnson postulates that figuring out how to solve such a complex game utilizes more analytical ability than nongamers may assume. In order to be successful, a player must actively navigate the virtual world in a system similar to the scientific method by "probing, hypothesizing, reprobing and rethink-

At the same time, a player must engage in what Johnson defines as telescoping or "constructing the proper hierarchy of tasks and moving through the tasks in the correct sequence-perceiving relationships and determining priori-

As it turns out, there is more to gaming than pressing buttons.

But what about games that don't involve such complex puzzles? Games like the ever-popular "Madden 2006?" Penn has a vibrant community of "Madden" junkies in its midst. I asked a card-carrying member, senior Nick Okoro, to share his feelings about the

"It's almost reached a point where it's like an addiction. Every couple of days when I don't play, I have to just drop what I'm doing and get my quick fix. 'Madden' is like a religion because it's that serious, it's that fun. The most realistic sporting game ever conceived,

'Madden' brings 45 minutes of pure excitement, drama and strategy with every game. There's nothing like the jubilation you feel when you win. Conversely, there are very few things as

gut-wrenching and frustrating as losing."
Though "Madden" is not an adventure game per se, the same elements of probing and telescoping come into play. It takes a certain level of expertise that can only be gained by continuous exploration to become a master at the game. Nick's love for the game also touches upon the reward mechanism that is an intrinsic part of most leisure activities.

Johnson explains that "games offer a fictional world where rewards are larger, and more vivid, and more clearly defined, than life." That's what keeps game players coming back for more. Climbing levels and ultimately conquering a video game triggers an increase in dopamine levels. For the non-scientifically inclined, dopamine is a feel-good chemical. The more your body releases, the better you feel. That's how people get addicted to opiates like cocaine and

So what's a little gaming addiction going to hurt? If you agree with Johnson, it won't hurt at all, and it may actually make you smarter. Who knows, the next generation might be listing video game conquests on their resumes as analytical

Maybe we should all do a little experiment. Make it a point to do a little video game playing this finals period inbetween studying. Just make sure your controller is plugged in.

Friday, December 2, 2005

# Singing a Vandal christmas carol



Kentaro Murai/Argonaut Choral director Rager Moore conducts the Vandaleers at rehearsal on Tuesday at the Administration Building Auditorium. The Vandaleers and University Chorus will perform in concert on Sunday at 4 p.m. in the Administration Building Auditorium.

By Abby Anderson Argonaut

With stacks of literature covering the large black piano sitting in the middle of the room, it's hard to imagine that Rager Moore has room to teach voice lessons in his

"It's kind of home," says Moore, the Lionel Hampton School of Music director of choral activities. "Like anyone's room, it's messy."

But Moore's excuse is understandable — for the past six weeks, he's been busy preparing the Vandaleers and University Chorus for their upcoming concert.

University Chorus and Vandaleers will take the stage at 4 p.m. Sunday in the Administration Building Auditorium. The groups will This causes some students to

including Christmas carol, a Hanukkah song, a medieval gathering song, a Mexican birthday song, a Celtic carol and other traditional carols.

Despite its holiday timeliness, Moore says the concert is not necessarily religious.

"These songs are geared towards the season. I'm not intending to show religiosity. ... At this time of year, we tend to gravitate to the (songs) of the season."

Though the two groups perform together, there are some major differences between University Chorus and Vandaleers.

Adults from the community or university students can join University Chorus, but perform several pieces, shy away from Vandaleers,

Brazilian Moore says.

George Kerrick, a senior voice performance and French major and member of the Vandaleers, says the choir's music is more difficult and diverse than many choirs.

"You're still making music and that's the most important thing," Kerrick says. "The most important aspect of singing is being musical — because if you're not musical you're boring."

The Vandaleers also get opportunities to sing across the country and at high-pro-file events. In 2004 the choir sang before a John Deere promotional video, and in 2003 it performed at the celebration for the Idaho Christmas tree

sent to the White House lawn. Despite the fact that University Chorus is open to

#### **Vandaleers**

The Vandaleers and University Chorus concert is at 4 p.m. Sunday in the Administration Building Auditorium. Tickets are available at the door for \$5 for the general public and \$3 for students.

For more information on Vandaleers or University Chorus, go to www. class.uidaho.edu/music/ content/somens.html.

For a concert schedule, go to www.class.uidaho. edu/music/events.html.

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### CULTURAL REMIX



Charlie Olsen/Argonaut Alex Arthur (left), representing American Indians, faces two modern dancers, part of the "Enduring Spirit" dance that showed the intertwining of mod-

ern dance and culture with American Indian dance and culture. The dance took place Wednesday evening in the Dance Studio in the P.E. Building.

### {Awkwardsilence} teams up with local bands

By Caitlin Rice **Argonaut** 

(Awkwardsilence) got a slow

"The band has been together for two years, but the first year doesn't count," says Jesse Anglen, lead guitarist of the band.

"All we did was go to movies. We didn't practice ... and after a year we hadn't written any songs and couldn't play together.

Jesse says the band members did accomplish one thing in their first

During practice and before their usual movie, they sat down to think of a name for the band.

"After half an hour we didn't have anything. We were coming up with stupid names like The Pissed-Off Penguins," Jesse says. "Finally, we said nobody could talk until we came up with a good name."

It got really quiet and uncomfortable, and so (awkwardsilence) was

Its members are Jesse on lead guitar, Nathan Anglen on guitar and vocals, Micah Wendt on bass and Jon Allen on drums.

The band will host two CD release parties and free concerts at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and 7 p.m. Dec. 10 at the NuArt Theatre on Main Street in downtown Moscow.

Since creating its name, the local rock band has gotten down to business, performing locally at various gigs in Idaho and recently releasing its first CD.

#### See {awkwardsilence}

{Awkwardsilence} will host two CD release parties and free concerts at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and 7 p.m. Dec. 10 at the NuArt Theatre on Main Street in downtown Moscow. Admission is Commonplace will open Dec. 3 and EdwardBugg will open

All 11 tracks on {awkwardsilence)'s new .CD are originals. Anglen says they haven't had time to learn any covers because they are too busy with their own writing.

"Nathan comes up with awesome lyrics. He has a whole book of them that we haven't even learned yet," he says.

The CD is a good example of the band's style in general, with a range of soft to hard rock and a bit of punk mixed in, Anglen says.

Opening bands at the concerts will be Commonplace on Dec. 3 and 10 with EdwardBugg headlining

Shyla Weber, Commonplace's leader, says even though the group hasn't been together long, they are already melding into a great band. Commonplace features Weber on guitar and lead vocals, JT Manning on bass and Esteban Roybal on per-

"Our goal is not only to sound good but to get our message across," Weber says, "We want to leave people curious and wondering what we are all about."

EdwardBugg's Luke Ryan says the band's clean-cut image goes against the stereotyped hard-core rock look. They are living proof you

don't need long hair to play rock. EdwardBugg features Luke Kyan on bass, Daniel Ryan on guitar, Jeremiah Grauke on percussion and

Samuel Dickison on lead guitar. All band members contribute to vocals. The band has been together for two years and does all live performanc-

"Hard-core classic rock best defines us," Luke says. "Some of the music is really original so you think, 'Wow! Where did that come from?'"

The band's best music is done when it is written collaboratively and played with an easy, relaxed attitude, Luke says.



Local rock band (awkwardsilence) will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and 7 p.m. Dec. 10 with other local bands at the NuArt Theatre.

### Squabbling assassins and penguins

By Tyler Wilson Argonaut Staff

#### **New Releases This Week:**

"Mr. and Mrs. Smith"

With all the annoying media coverage of the off-screen romance between Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt, it's shocking "Mr. and Mrs. Smith" is as entertaining as it is. Pitt and Jolie play a married couple struggling to rekindle the spark in their relationship. When

each finds out the other works as an assassin for a rival company, sparks and bullets fly as they try to resolve their business' and marital relationships.

The first half of the Brad Pitt film plays more like a Angelina Jolie comedy, using spousal Now showing conventions such as picking out curtains to offset

Mr. and Mrs. Smith's violent professional lifestyles. Following a brutal hand-to-hand fistfight between the couple, the remainder of the film unravels into a more conventional thriller. The action sequences are well-staged, but the plotline disintegrates with all the onscreen explosions. The result is a movie that spends time on a plot, only to abandon it in the last 30 minutes. Still, there are many moments in "Mr. and Mrs. Smith" that deliver pure popcorn entertainment.

"March of the Penguins"

Narrated by Morgan Freeman, "March of the Penguins" is a National Geographic-like documentary about the extraordinary perils emperor penguins face in order to successfully hand in Antarctica. The breed in Antarctica. The film itself is not much better than other television nature documentaries, but there is some spectacular footage worthy of a major theatrical release. The underwater footage of the penguins feeding is especially incredible, with many "how'd they film that?"



"Mr. and Mrs.

**★★★ (of 5)** 

Smith"

"March of the Penguins" \*\*\*\* (of 5) Now showing

moments. What sets the film apart is the strong narration provided by Freeman. The penguins' journey is depicted like a love story, displaying the great lengths these creatures will go to care for their offspring. Audiences should be warned, however, that "March of the Penguins" isn't a cute and cuddly story. There is some rather unpleasant footage of baby penguins freezing to death. Still, the species' fight for survival is an amazing depiction of nature working its magic.

"Murderball"

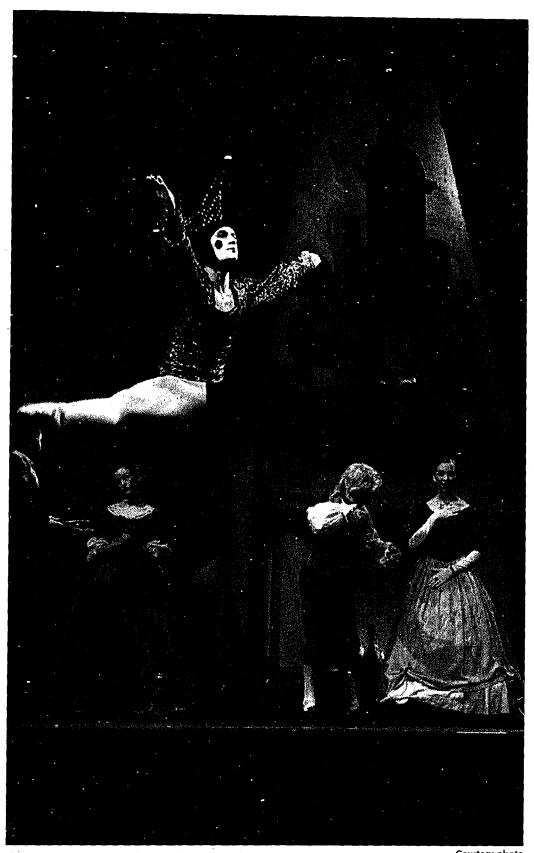
Directors Henry Alex Rubin and Dana Adam Shapiro craft one of the most exhilarating sports stories in years with their documentary about the little-known world of quad-riplegic rugby. The sport itself is surprisingly brutal, with players smashing into each other using specialized wheelchairs designed to take a beating. The film sets up a



\*\*\*\*/4 (of 5) Now showing

See **DVD**, page 8

### FULL OF THE SPIRIT



A jester leaps across the stage in a showing of "The Nutcracker." Washington State University will host two performances of the ballet by the Eugene (Ore.) Ballet at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday at Beasley Coliseum. Tickets are \$26, \$24 and \$14, with discounts available for groups. The performance is sponsored by Festival Dance of Moscow.

## **'Waiting For Godot'** too bizarre to miss

By Ryli Hennessey Argonaut

"Waiting for Godot" is a strange, fast-paced, slapstick play that is sure to entertain students.

The play doesn't have a very clear plot. It is mostly

about waiting — waiting for someone who never comes. The "Waiting for

Godot" characters, Vladimir and Estragon, or Di Di and Go Go as they call each other, seem as though they could have been waiting for Godot for 50 years.

two main

They burst on the stage dressed in hobo attire, kind of like a clown would wear, with unkempt beards covering their faces. The play revolves around their search

for the answers to two questions: "What should we do?" and "Can we go?" The answer to "What should we do?" ranges from hanging themselves to relaxation exercises. The answer to 'Can we go?" is simply no. Why? Because they are wait-

ing for Godot. Luke Daigle as Go Go and David Hathaway as Di Di work together as if they have been slapstick comedy partners for years. Their ability to keep up with the fast-paced, offbeat dialogue while moving like silent comedy stars is brilliant.

While they wait, two of the strangest characters come upon them, Pozzo and Lucky, Pozzo's slave. John Bagaglio plays Pozzo as if he is absolutely losing his mind. His performance as

the selfish, loony Pozzo is killer. Because the character is so outrageous, Bagaglio could have easily missed the mark by playing him too over-the-top, but his timing and outrageous acting are just right to make an audience laugh.

Trinity Wallace was almost too believable as Lucky, Pozzo's worn-out slave. It's painful to watch him hunched over on stage, holding Pozzo's bags.

The play's downfall is it is a little long (two hours with a 15-minute intermission). Other than that, "Waiting for Godot" is incredibly funny and entertaining. Its a unique story and hilarious actors are enough to keep an audience laughing — as well as thinking — throughout the play.

## 'Geisha' sparks anger

By Tim Johnson and Emi Doi Knight Ridder Newspapers

BEIJING — China and Japan, which are at each other's throats over any number of issues, finally seem to one Hollywood's latest release is a cultural dud.

The Hollywood movie "Memoirs of a Geisha," which had its world premiere in Tokyo on Tuesday, has triggered consternation in Japan because none of the three lead actresses are Japanese; two of them are Chinese and another is an ethnic Chinese from Malaysia.

Citizens polled about the matter in Tokyo questioned why Hollywood chose Chinese actresses to portray geishas, quintessentially Japanese women trained in traditional arts of singing, dancing and

accompanying wealthy men.
If there's dismay in Japan, there's outrage in China, but for a different reason: Many Chinese are beside themselves that the film's star, Zhang Ziyi, China's best-known actress, is depicted in the movie as having sexual relations with a Japanese man.

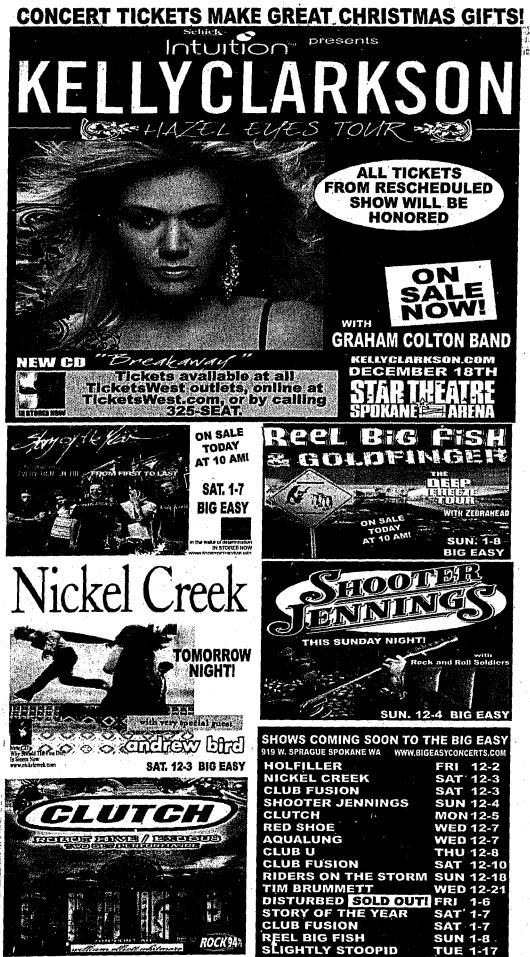
Relations between China and Japan, the two powerhouses of East Asia, are at a low ebb. Despite deepening economic ties with Japan, China still harbors bitter feelings toward Japan dating to the period before and during World War II, when Japan invaded large parts of China and dealt brutally with the Chinese people.

The film, which will be released Dec. 9 in the United States, is an international production. Its American director, Rob Marshall, is known for 2002 Oscar-winning

movie "Chicago." In addition. to Zhang Ziyi, the movie stars Japanese actor Ken Watanabe ("The Last Samurai"), Chinese actress Gong Li and Malaysian martial-arts star Michelle Yeoh, an ethnic Chinese who's playing the role of mentor to the movie's protagonist.

One of China's best-known film directors, Chen Kaige, who did the 1993 "Farewell, My Concubine," questioned in a speech in the Japanese city of Kobe on Nov. 9 why Japanese actresses weren't found for the leading roles.

"I just don't understand why," Chen said. "Geisha is a centuries-old Japanese tradition and cannot possibly be portrayed by Chinese actresses. The geisha have a sophisticated way of walking, holding a fan, smiling and looking at



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## 'Lost' in an obsession

I'll admit it: I'm a total geek. Not even a closet geek, but an out-in-theopen, shameless nerd.

Like most geeks, I get a little caught up in certain pop-culture phenomena. There's "Harry Potter" (yes, I wore a costume

to the fourth movie), "The Simpsons," karaoke video games, theonion.com, People magazine, Mel Brooks films and basically every reality show on VH1

**Tara Roberts** (with the excep-A&C editor tion of "My Fair Brady" and the one with Danny Partridge. Those are crimes against humanity). But I'm afraid my latest obsession has eclipsed them all: I am officially addicted to "Lost."

Like heroin-addicted character Charlie on the hit ABC drama, I can't go long without a fix of my new favorite show.

It all started over Thanksgiving break — a geek love story of sorts. My brother-in-law recently purchased the first season of "Lost" on DVD. Anticipating the long days hanging out around our

families' houses, my husband and I thought it would be a good idea to borrow the season, watch a couple of shows, allow ourselves a little brainless entertain-

Having never seen the show (do you have any idea how much cable costs?) I did not anticipate what awaited me. Drama! Adventure! Mystery! Densely layered character studies set in an exotic and freakybeyond-all-reason location! About eight minutes in, I was irre-

versibly hooked. This led, of course, to marathon viewing. Between visits to my grandma and walking the dog, we managed to watch 18 episodes the day after Thanksgiving. While I have

heard of people doing such things before, I had never envisioned myself that sucked in. "Lost" came before sleep. "Lost" came before talking. "Lost" came before food — and for me, things rarely take precedence over a good meal.

And now I am an addict. I watched my first episode of the second season Wednesday night, thanks to an awesome friend who

makes "Lost" episodes sacred time in her dorm room. My husband and I are catching up on episodes we've missed via the Internet (legally, I assure you), and I find myself enthusiastically explaining my love of the show to anyone who will listen, sometimes repeatedly. I analyze the storyline when I space out in class. I dream about "Lost." Seriously. It's kind of pathetic, but I've embraced that.

Wonderfully, I have discovered I am not the only person who is this unhinged about a silly (and yet so seriously fascinating) TV show. To the people on thefacebook.com's "Lost" groups, I salute you. To the people who dissect each episode on their blogs, I commend you — but even I'm not that obsessed.

My theory behind all this, though, excuses the extreme geekiness of myself and the others who just can't get enough "Lost." You see, during that trippy opening sequence (if you haven't seen it, you won't understand), network executives have slipped in subliminal messages encourag-ing watching obsessively. Either that, or it's just that good of a show.

#### **CHOIR** from page 6

community members, it largely consists of younger students

and some graduate students. "When I came here, the University Chorus met in the evening, which enabled more

community members to be involved," Moore says. "Now we meet during the day in order to not take out of students' nighttime schedules. ... The diversity comes in the styles of music and texts they

Meeting three days a week, the University Chorus has about 80 participants. When

compared to the 200-plus number of jazz choir members, it's hard not to agree with Moore when he says the jazz choir is better known on cam-

"When people ask, 'Do you sing in choir?' most people think of the jazz choir," he says. "Our goal is to make all four (choirs) well-known."

#### DVD from page 6

classic rivalry between the United States and Canadian teams competing for Olympic gold. Almost too epic to be true, a former star U.S. player "betrays" his country to coach the Canadian team. Though there is an obvious U.S. bias, Canadian coach Joe Soares does get a fair and honest Hudson, Peter Sarsgaard depiction.

What sets the film apart is the juxtaposition between the players' personal lives and experiences, including the tragic stories of how they became disabled. These quieter scenes are immensely powerful and the players' work ethic and will to win is nothing short of inspira-

Recent Releases:

A so-so horror thriller that moments.

unravels too slowly to sustain any dramatic resonance. The ending of the film, however, does make you want to watch earlier scenes more closely.

Unleashed: Jet Li, Morgan Freeman

The action sequences are fun, but Jet Li also shows off his dramatic chops, playing an imprisoned warrior learning how to live a normal life. The presence of Morgan The Skeleton Key: Kate Freeman helps to swallow udson, Peter Sarsgaard: some of the saccharine

### Nurse-staffing firm creates reality show to draw more to profession?

By Greg Hardesty The Orange County Register

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. — Nobody's been fired.

Some hunk isn't handing out red roses. And the only island around is Catalina, which on a clear day can be seen from the sun-kissed balcony of the \$10million mansion.

Since September, six "traveling nurses" from around the country have been living in a Mediterranean-style estate in Pelican Point in Corona del Mar, a camera crew shadowing them for - you guessed it - a reality

But "13 Weeks," which pre-miered Nov. 23 on the Internet, doesn't feature "Baywatch" extras in white uniforms and sensible shoes who eat insects and hang from helicopters.

Rather, "13 Weeks," which chronicles the professional and personal lives of a diverse group of traveling nurses, is more of a documentary aimed at goosing recruitment in the chronically understaffed nursing industry.

Which doesn't mean the show will be boring.

Wednesday nights on a computer near you and possibly airing on cable TV next year, the series captures the blood-andguts of nursing with healthy doses of SoCal glamour, as six singles save lives and share a 7,000-square-foot home overlooking the 11th fairway of Pelican Hill Golf Course.

"After 'L.A. Law,' everyone wanted to be a lawyer," said Alan Braynin, chief executive of Access Nurses, a San Diego nurse-staffing company that created what is believed to be the first Web-based reality show.

"Hopefully, after this, more people will want to be nurses," Braynin said.

For years, hospitals around the country — and especially in Southern California — have been turning to traveling nurses to plug crucial holes in their ER and other units as they struggle to hire more full-time profes-

An aging population, declining enrollment in nursing schools and a perception that nursing is too hard and doesn't pay enough all are factors behind the shortage.

have Traveling nurses



MICHAEL GOULDING/ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER Emily Seay has lunch and chats with housemates under the ever present video camera of "13 Weeks," an online reality show.

moved in to fill some of the staffing gaps. These nurses typically work for 13 weeks before moving on to their next assignment, earning between \$40,000 to \$70,000 a year and as much as \$100,000 with overtime — with the staffing agency paying for housing and health insurance.

So while "13 Weeks" is, at its roots, a job-recruitment tool, it's also about the marketing of Orange County — the latest variation on TV shows like the reality series "Laguna Beach" and the soap "The OC."

Emily Seay, 32, an ER specialist from Baltimore, immediately said yes when offered one of the roles from hundreds of appli-

"The person on the phone said, Would you be needing any special accommodations at the mansion?" Seay said. "I said, 'Can you say that again? Because it's probably the last time I'll hear anybody say

Said Ron Coronado, 36, one of the show's two male nurses: "Reality Show' implies game show, and '13 Weeks' is not a game show. ... But there has been a lot of drama in the house.

When a promotional Web site went up this summer, applications to Access Nurses shot up 20 percent, Braynin said.

Each "13 Weeks" cast-member has been working three 12-hour shifts per week — some of them on graveyard duty, which has tested their stamina as they try to pack in daytime activities. As Seay put it: "Who wants

to sleep on a typical day in Newport Beach?" On a recent morning, five

cast members sat in the formal

dining room of the mansion — a rarity, since their schedules are

Once a week, the nurses get together for a group outing like skydiving or kayaking. On a recent visit to the Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach, Angel Johnson, 44, broke her right leg in two places when she fell off an electric scooter.

Getting used to the cameramen who followed them around

took about a week.
"At first it was challenging," but eventually you learn to be yourself," said Amy Morrison, 32, jokingly referred to as the show's obligatory "vixen." The farm girl from Ohio specializes in labor and delivery, and loves ballroom dancing and roller-

Alycen Skorvonek, 48, a former park ranger from Ohio, once was accidentally shot by a gang member looking for a rival

But the four-year nurse loves her profession, especially the teaching aspect patients listen, that is.

For the show, each nurse has a personal goal.

For Seay and Johnson, it is learning Spanish. For Coronado, the only cast member to admit to having an acting bug, it's reading news on a TV station.

Nick Shields, 24, knows

"reality" is a misnomer; of the roughly 180 hours of footage captured on film so far, only a fraction will be broadcast. Filming is scheduled to stop

"But reality shows are a great way to entertain, create mes-sages and reach the public.

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#### **ArtsBRIEFS**

#### Night of music benefits institute

One World Cafe is teaming with the Palouse Clearwater nvironmental Institute to host night of music featuring local bands at 6:30 p.m. tonight. The event is free and open to the community to help raise funds and awareness for PCEI.

UI professor Tom Drake will pen with his acoustic set, followed by local bands Smooth Old-Fashioned High, Clearview and Stripe and Yellow.

Local businesses and restaucants have donated gift certifigates and prizes for a raffle.

For more information, contact Melissa Slama at (208) 484-6065 or slam5361@uidaho.edu.

#### The Nutcracker returns to Pullman

After a two-year absence, WSU will host two performances of "The Nutcracker" ballet at the Beasley Coliseum. The performances are at 3 and 7 p.m.

The Eugene (Ore.) Ballet Co. will perform "The Nutcracker," which is brought to WSU by Festival Dance and Performing Arts of Moscow.

The ballet is based on the story "The Nutcracker and the King of Mice" by E.T.A. Hoffman. The story follows a young girl who dreams of a nutcracker prince and a fierce

battle with a mouse king.

Tickets are \$26, \$24 and \$14 for adults, with discounts available for students and children under 12. Tickets are on sale at all TicketsWest outlets, by phone at (800) 325-SEAT and online

www.beasley.wsu.edu.

#### **Concert benefits** local families

"Alternative Fix," a benefit concert for Moscow families, will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the SUB Ballroom. Tickets are \$2 with student ID and \$3 for the general public.

Bands featured are The Murrs, Josh Anonymous, If David Were a Thug, Fleshold and Armchair Cartel

Profits from the concert will be given to the Community Action Partnership, an organization that makes funds available to local families in need.

There will be an iPod giveaway at the concert.

#### **Tapestry sings** across Palouse

Tapestry, a women's vocal ensemble, will present "A

The 20-member group, under the direction of Dale Forrey of Colfax, Wash., will sing both traditional Christmas carols and new music during the concerts.

All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. The series includes performances today at Moscow's First Presbyterian Church, Saturday at the Federated Church in Palouse, Wash., Monday at the Methodist Church in Colfax and Tuesday at St. James Episcopal Church in

Admission is by donation.

#### 'Insurrection' at Mikey's Saturday

"The Quad-Cities Rock and Roll Insurrection" concert will take over Mikey's Gyros at 9 p.m. Saturday.

The concert features performances by Host and Nanomansion.

It is open to all ages and drinks will be available for those 21 and older.

#### 'The King and I' auditions open

Pullman Civic Theatre is having auditions for its upcoming musical "The King and I" Wednesday and Thursday at the Nye Street Theatre in Pullman.

Auditions for children's roles will be from 4-6:30 p.m. Wednesday and from 4-5 p.m. Thursday.

Auditions for non-principal male and female singing roles will be from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday. Principal and speaking roles will audition from 5:30-9 p.m. Thursday.

Those auditioning for a singing role should come prepared with a musical selection. An accompanist will be provided. Callbacks will be announced following auditions.

Rehearsal for "The King and I" will begin in January. The show will run March 17-19 at the Beasley Coliseum.

For additional information and a list of roles, visit PCT's Web site a www.pullmancivictheatre.com.

#### IRT showcases 'SantaLand Diaries'

The Idaho Repertory Theatre will present David Sedaris' "The SantaLand Diaries" this month.

This whacked-out look at the holiday season will run for 10 performances at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 8-10 and 15-17, at 2 p.m. Dec. 11 and 18, and at 10 p.m. Dec. 9 and 16 in the Kiva Theatre. Tickets

Sedaris' one-man show chronicles how an out-of-work actor takes a job as an elf at Macy's at Christmastime and

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will be performed by veteran New York stage actor Craig Bentley, who toured the show nationally. Idaho Repertory Theatre's new artistic director, Jere Hodgin, will direct the

Due to some adult language and content, the show is not appropriate for young children.

Tickets are available at the UI Ticket Office, 885-7212 or www.uitheatre.com, TicketsWest and at the door.

#### Orozco awarded **NEA fellowship**

Assistant professor of English Daniel Orozco has been awarded a Literature Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts for his work as a writer of fiction.

For more than three decades, the NEA has been offering fellowships to individual writers of exceptional promise. The endowment awards approximately 40 fellowships annually, and applications number in the thousands.

The newest member of the UI creative writing faculty, Orozco has compiled successes in writing and publishing at a remarkable pace.

#### **Faculty works on** display at Prichard

The Prichard Art Gallery will host the annual UI Faculty Exhibition from today to Jan. 21. The exhibit features work by faculty members in the departments of art and design and architecture. The work includes photography, drawing, painting, film, sculpture, product design and performance.

#### **Festival Dance** tickets on sale

Tickets are now on sale for a "A Celtic Christmas," which features music by Craicmore, a Celtic ensemble, and Irish dance by the Festival Dance Youth Celtic Company. Performances are 7 p.m. Dec. 10 at Clarkston High School and Dec. 11 at UI's Hartung Theatre. The event is sponsored by Festival Dance.

For more information, visit www.festivaldance.org or call 883-3267.

#### **Smoke returns to** the Alley Saturday

Seattle rockers Left Hand Smoke return to perform at 10 p.m. Saturday at John's Alley.

There is no opening act. The band will perform music from its newest CD.

#### Market offers music, art, food

Heart of the Arts, Inc. will sponsor Winter Market from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the 1912 Center.

Phil and Jan Anders will provide Celtic, old-time and Christmas music.

Vendors' wares will include pottery, baskets, wreaths, tamales and other food items.

#### **Winter Circus at** the Alley Thursday

Chubbs Toga presents "The Winter Circus of Constant Amazement" at 10 p.m. Thursday at John's Alley.

The show will feature Bearheart's Magical Medicine Show and poetry and spoken

Cover charge for the show is word masters. There is no cover charge.

#### 'Movin' On' with dance Thursday

The University of Idaho Dance Theatre's main fall concert, "Movin' On," will offer patrons a taste of ballet, jazz, hip-hop and modern dance choreographed and per-formed by students of dance and dance professionals.

The concert will be at 7:30 o.m. Thursday and Dec. 10 in the Hartung Theatre. Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$7 for students and children under

The shows will feature the work of nationally known choreographers Amy O'Neal and Victoria Uris, local choreographer Crystal Fullmer, UI and Festival Dance faculty member Kerry Parker and UI dance program graduate student Shelly Werner.

A number of undergraduate choreography students will also debut their work.

Tickets can be purchased at the UI Ticket Office at 885-7212, or at the door.

#### Women's art exhibit opens

A new mixed media exhibit; "Three Women — 100 Views," opens today at the Above the Rim Gallery in Moscow. The public is invited to attend an artists' reception from 5-7 p.m. Refreshments will be served and Phil and Janet Anders will provide music.

The exhibit, which runs through Feb. 10, will feature photography by Heather D. S. Anderson, sculptures and drawings by Carol Bradford and paintings by Melanie

The gallery is located at 513 S. Main in Moscow (upstairs in Paradise Creek Bicycles). Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m Sundays. For more information, visit the gallery's Web site, www.abovetherimgallery.com.



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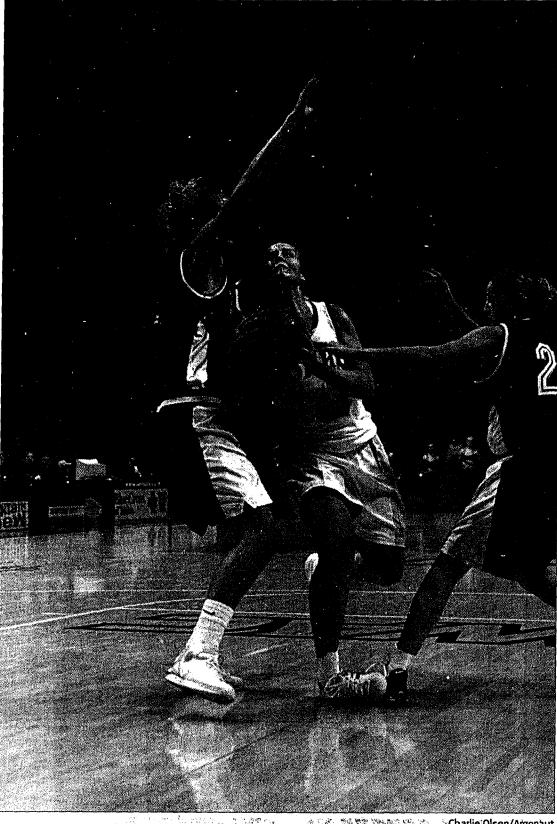






# SPORTS& RECREATION

Friday, December 2, 2005



Emily Faurholt breaks through two Gonzaga defenders Wednesday evening in Cowan Spectrum.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** 

# Idaho wins over Gonzaga

team we have

played this year,

no question."

Mike Divilbiss

By Alisa Hart

After losing two tough games on the road, the women's basketball team returned to the Cowan Spectrum for a 69-62 victory over Gonzaga on Wednesday night. Emily Faurholt and Leilani Mitchell combined for 50 of the team's points, and Faurholt scored a seasonhigh 30 points.

"This is a local game. Gonzaga is a great team and we lost bad to them last year, so this was a big game for us," Faurholt said.

The Vandals opened the game with three quick 3-pointers. In the past two games, Idaho was forced to play catch-up

after slow starts, but the team set the tempo early on against After Idaho took a 17-14 lead with 12:39 remaining,

Gonzaga went on a 12-2 run to steal the lead with a score of 26-19. The Vandals fought back and went into halftime with a one-point advantage, 33-32. The teams had four ties and

two lead changes before the Vandals sealed it for good toward the end of the second half. Mitchell sunk a free throw, making the score 57-56 with 3:51 remaining. Idaho made three more baskets and Gonzaga was forced to foul as time ran down. The Vandals made six of nine free throws to win the game.

More than 1,800 fans showed up to cheer on the Vandals, the 10th-highest attendance mark for an Idaho's women's basketball game.

"Being home is a huge advantage. We had some shots falling tonight, our defense was good and we are really confident when we play at home and that helps us," Faurholt said. They are a great team that is really well

Idaho improved its record to 2-2 and Gonzaga, which finished first in the West Coast Conference last year with a 28-4 overall Southern on Sund record, dropped to 1-5 for the season:

"They are the best team we have played this in the fournament.

year, no question," coach Mike Divilbiss said.
"Even though Leilani and Emily put up 20 and 30, we still had a lot of other players contributing and being aggressive and playing in their roles. Karly (Felton) was outstanding playing within her role as a perimeter defender, and (Emily) Halliday was making open shots and had a really good understanding of the

Felton added eight points, a team-high five assists and six rebounds. In addition to scoring her season high, Mitchell also had five rebounds, four assists and four steals.

Faurholt, who has scored 22, 12 and 18 points in the first three games of the season,

had her first breakout game of the year with her 30-point night. Faurholt averaged 23.3 "They are the best points per game last season to make her the second-highest scorer in the nation.

Faurholt attributed her successful night to her team-"I got 30 points because

my team got me the ball in situations where I could be successful. The other four people on the floor had to be guarded and that makes everything much easier for me," she

Divilbiss said he was pleased with the

entire team's play.

"Everybody just being in their role and doing what they do best forced them to have to guard others," he said. "They couldn't leave Karly alone or MacKenzie (Flynn) alone. Other players were doing their own thing and that was the difference.

The Vandals were 22 of 45 (.489) from the floor, including a 4-11 (.364) effort from the 3point line.

Idaho will travel this weekend to the Lady Pirate Invitational tournament at Greenville, N.C. The Vandals will play Drexel on Saturday, followed by either East Carolina or Southern on Sunday. These will be the first meetings between Idaho and the teams it faces

# Leading rebounder returns after injury

By Mackenzie Stone Argonaut

Jessica Summers, a forward for the Idaho women's basketball team, had a roller coaster season last year. She started 17 of 27 games as a true freshman and was Idaho's top rebounder, averaging seven per game. Yet, at the last practice before leaving for the Big West Conference championships, she tore her MCL on the court.

After months of therapy, Summers is back in practice and ready for the season. She led the Vandals with eight rebounds in a recent loss to Marist in Albuquerque, N.M. This weekend, Summers will join her team in two games in Greenville, N.C., against Drexel and East Carolina or Southern.

1. How did you get started in basketball? In fifth grade, I started play-

2. Explain more about your

injury last season. I tore my MCL before conference tournament last year. I was staying on the base line, looking left, and I got ran into

Recovering took me a while, but by the last two weeks school I was running again. I did it with a trainer campus and she got me

back fast.

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because it made it easier for

ing for Blaine Middle School. my parents to pay for school. 7. Any nicknames? I wasn't going there, but they It's something I did on my Stretch. It started in knew I was moving there and I was like six feet tall.

from the

> JESSICA SUMMERS **DOB:** April 6, 1986 Hometown: Blaine, Wash. Year: Sophomore Major: Elementary education Position: Forward

3. What has been your biggest

Probably getting a scholarship

own to help pay for school.

4. What is your favorite class this semester?

History 111. The professor, Dick Wilson, is in love with history and he keeps you involved throughout the class. He always has a story.

> 5. Where do you see yourself in five years? Back in my

hometown, teaching kindergarten or first grade. Or maybe exotic in an place.

6. What is a typical Friday night like for you?

Well, I live with four other basketball girls, so we go hang out with the team or see a movie.

Stretch. It started in fifth grade and stuck with me through high

8. Who is your biggest role model?

My mom, because she had a really hard life and made it through things on her own.

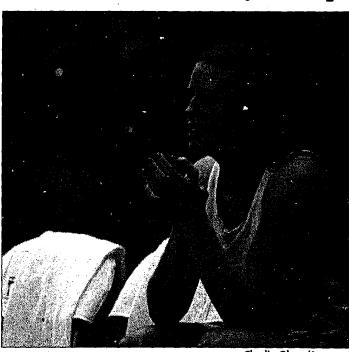
9. What is the one temptation you can't resist? Ice cream. Phish Food by Ben & Jerry's is my favorite; it's terrible

but it's true.

10. If you could go to dinner with any person from the past or present who would it be and why? My boyfriend, because he's my best friend and a great person tobe around. He makes me laugh all the time.

11. What other sports do you enjoy?

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Charlie Olsen/Argonaut

Sophomore Jessica Summers supports her team from the sidelines during the Vandals' win against the Gonzaga Bulldogs Wednesday in Cowan Spectrum.

#### MEN'S BASKETBALL

## Eagles drop Vandals in home opener

By Keanan Lamb Argonaut

The scoring drought continued for the men's basketball Vandals as they fell to the Eastern Washington Eagles in their home opener Wednesday night at Cowan Spectrum.

"I was surprised at how flat we started," Idaho coach Idaho coach Leonard Perry said. "From that point on, we were in a catch-up situation."

The 68-55 loss drops Idaho to 0-4 for the season.

Perry had hinted at a lineup change during Tuesday's news conference, but was not prepared for the type of lineup shuffling that occurred in Wednesday's game.

Sophomore guard Jerod Haynes, who started 20 games last year but saw only limited action this season, left the team earlier in the day Wednesday, citing personal reasons for his departure.

When senior guard Tanoris

Shepard was benched early in the first half due to foul trouble, possible minutes for Haynes were delegated elsewhere. On his two quick fouls

guarding Eagle freshman standout Rodney Stuckey, Shepard said, "He's a good player. ... It was me, more so than him, not being ready to "Anytime I come out like

that, being the senior leader on this team, it trickles down to the rest of my teammates. ... I just got to do a better job of coming out better."

Shepard finished with 10

The Eagles (2-3) had hot shooting early in the first half, starting the game by making eight of their first 11 shots. Perry's new — and smaller starting lineup, inserting guard Nebojsa Jakovljevic for freshman wing David Dubois, was tested with most of the Eagles' buckets coming from inside.



Vandal Keoni Watson drives the ball toward the Idaho basket during the game against the Eastern Washington Eagles Wednesday at Cowan Spectrum. Idaho fell 68-55.

"We have to take a hard look at ourselves," Perry said. "There may be some more

changes to come.' Despite everything that seemed to go wrong for the

Vandals, they were able to scrap back toward the latter end of the half and entered halftime down just three

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### Same soldiers, different battlefield

By Dan Fenstermacher Argonaut

While Army and Navy football teams do battle Saturday on the Philadelphia turf, a similar war will be waged by ROTC students on the Palouse.

There is a lot riding on the outcome of the game, as the two branches have split the series the past two years.

'It's fun, but definitely for bragging rights around school," said Joshua Overn, Navy team captain and a third-year player.

Coming off last year's 12-0 victory in the snow and having won four of the last five meetings between the teams, the Navy is looking to capitalize on its speed and agility to achieve a similar outcome.

"Our type of game is more of a speed and passing game," Overn said. "The Army is known to grind it

out and sort of run the ball down your throat."

The game will be at 9 a.m. Saturday on the Sprinturf outside the east entrance of the Kibbie Dome. The teams will later watch the official Army/Navy game.

'It gets pretty heated during the game, but afterwards the respect is still there," Overn said.

That is because the Army/Navy rivalry is one of the longest-running in the country.

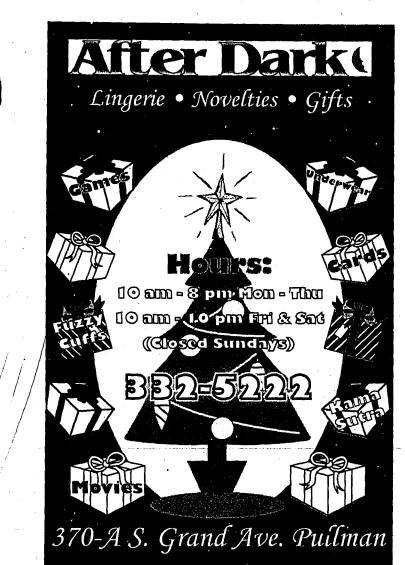
"We're looking pretty good. We've got a solid quar-terback and a real good defense," said Robbie McQueen, Army team cap-tain and second-year wide receiver.

This year the Army has a more balanced team with a strategy tailored to the rules laid out for the game, a leap

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#### **B-BALL** from page 10

points, 31-28.

"I think Keoni (Watson) did an excellent job covering Stuckey," Perry said. "His defense really kept us in the game in the first half."

Perry was looking for more of a scoring presence at the beginning of the second half, going with transfer sharpshooter Brett Ledbetter over Jakovljevic. A pair of 3-pointers by Ledbetter and Shepard put the Vandals up for the first time in the game early in the final frame, but the team was ice-cold from then on.

The Eagles tied the game at 47 apiece midway through the half, and then proceeded to go on a 21-3 run. The Vandals went more than nine minutes without making a field goal during the Eagles' run, until Igor Vrzina made a running hook with 1:10 left.

"I don't know the exact numbers of point-blank shots we missed in this game," Perry said. "But we try to get our offense moving to get players in the right position for easy shots, and we just keep missing them."

Perry compared the loss to the Nov. 26 game against Washington State, when the Vandals had a scoring drought of more than 12 minutes and missed several lay-ins.

The Eagles' Stuckey led all scorers with 18 points and Ledbetter led four Vandal players in double-digit scoring with

The win-less Vandals now head into Saturday's home game against Southern Utah.

NOTES: Perry confirmed in the post-game interview that Haynes left the team due to his lack of playing time. ... Post Desmond Nwoke saw minimal minutes for the second straight game, still nursing sore knees. ... The Vandals have not won a home opener since 2002 when they defeated Oregon State in overtime. ... Eastern's Matt Penoncello attended Moscow High School, and had five points in 23 minutes. ... The home opener was the first of six consecutive home games for the Vandals, culminating Dec. 30 against Portland State.

15. What animal is most like 18. What is it like traveling with the team?

20. You have a tough schedule this year. Which game are forward to playing in? Gonzaga and Boise because it means a lot to our seniors. They are big games for Emily Faurholt and it rubs off on

UI men's basketball vs. **Idaho State** 

Thursday

**SOLDIERS** from page 10

ahead of last year. "Last year we found out the day of the game what the rules were going to be," McQueen

This year the teams got together to make sure the rules were set ahead of time. There

will be contact and blocking at the line of scrimmage, but no tackling will be allowed.

"It's real competitive," McQueen said. "No one wants to lose."

"I'm looking forward to seeing how this year's game plays out," Overn said.

Whoever wins, the game still "shows a good side of the military by showing there is a lot of brotherhood which is a good thing to focus on," McQueen said.

#### 20 Q from page 10

I did volleyball and track in high school, but I don't have any time now.

12. What book is on your night table? Cosmopolitan magazine.

13. If you were the mayor of Moscow for one day, what proclamation would you make?

Pedestrians have to wait for cars rather than cars waiting for pedestrians. A lot of times they walk in front of your car on Sixth Street and it drives me crazy.

14. Any hidden talents? I can pick up a pencil with my

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Bouvier — that's my dog. He loves to run around and then get lazy. He has a lot of character to him. He is like me because I like to go out and have fun and I love making people laugh. I like to have a good time and then be lazy.

16. What will you remember most about Idaho?

All the people I've met and the girls I've gotten a chance to play with. They are pretty much my family right now and it's been fun to get to know everyone.

17. Do you have any pre-game rituals? Make sure I get a nap; that's all

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there is.

Sometimes really fun on the way there, but usually on the way back we get delayed or something happens. It's stressful because you want to get home and sleep in your own bed and you can't.

19. Favorite post-game meal? Winger's. I get chicken strips and a strawberry lemonade.

#### Wednesday

Cowan Spectrum 7 p.m.

' UI women's basketball at UI women's basketball at **Utah Valley State** Orem, Utah 6 p.m.

#### **NationalSPORTS**

#### Konerko signs five-year deal with White Sox

Baseball's top free agent has decided to stay with the world champion Chicago White Sox, signing a five-year deal with the club Wednesday.

The deal is worth \$60 million dollars, but it is believed Konerko was offered more money and a longer contract by the Anaheim Angels and Baltimore Orioles.

Konerko helped lead the White Sox to the World Championship last year by hitting 283, with 40 home runs and 100 runs batted in.

His postseason was equally strong as he hit five home runs and drove in 15 runs during the White Sox's dominant playoff performance.

The signing comes on the heels of Chicago's recent blockbuster trade for Phillies slugger Jim Thome, who will join Konerko in a powerful lineup.

#### Loaiza signs on with Oakland **Athletics**

In a surprising move onday, the Oakland Monday, Athletics signed starting pitcher Esteban Loaiza to a three-year deal.

The low-budget Athletics will give Loaiza \$21 million dollars over three years, and the signing had many experts scratching their

Loaiza pitched well last year for the Nationals, posting a 12-10 record with a 3.77 earned-run average, but lead the Big-12 at 7-4 overall Oakland already boasts a and will likely be appearing in Make a service and the service of th

strong starting rotation and has limited money to spend.

The Athletics now have six starting pitchers in Barry Zito, Rich Harden, Dan Haren, Joe Blanton, Kirk Saarloos and Loaiza.

Whether that means one is going to be dealt away has vet to be seen, but many believe that will indeed be the case.

The move strengthens an already-strong pitching staff, but whether Oakland will be able to sign an offensive force is now in question.

#### **USC and Texas** face tough final tests

With the national-title game within reach for the top two teams in the country, both USC and the University of Texas face tough challenges on the final weekend of the regular season of college foot-

UCLA, which is ranked twelfth in the BCS standings, will travel across town to play its Los Angeles rival.

It is senior day for the Trojans, and the biggest name on their list of seniors is certainly quarterback Matt Leinart. It is unclear whether running back Reggie Bush will declare for the NFL draft after the season, but all signs point towards the speedy Bush leaving USC with his pal Leinart. UCLA has lost just once

this season and was ranked in the top 10 for much of the year; a win over USC would vault them there once again. Texas faces an easier test,

but it is one the Longhorns

must not take lightly.
The Colorado Buffaloes

the Fiesta Bowl as their conference representative.

It is unclear what the ramifications would be if either of the top two teams fell this

With November in the its first month of its season, and it has been a month of

The teams expected to contend, including the Pistons, Heat and Spurs, are all looking strong so far, and stars such as Kobe Bryant, Allen Iverson, Lebron James and Steve Nash are all performing at the top of their

There also are surprises throughout the league, including Nuggets center Marcus Camby, who leads the league in rebounding, and Heat center Alonzo Mourning, who leads the league in blocks after filling in for Shaquille O'Neal in Miami.

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