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Greek Tech: Fraternities go online for Rush

By Kevin Wickersham Argonaut

The Interfraternity Council is trying out a new method of fra-ternity recruitment this year. The change gives prospective recruits the power to accept or decline online a fraternity's offer to house them during Rush Week, said Ben Kinnas, the Recruitment Chair for IFC.

Rather than saying yes or no on the spot, as in years past, stu-dents can now go online to request the chapter houses they want to stay in during Rush Week and accept or decline the offers of individual chapters, he said.

Previously, chapter recruiters extended invitations to prospec-tive recruits by handing out "first night cards" requesting that they stay at their fraternity during Rush and potentially join the chapter. The recruits then filled out the cards stating their decisions to either stay with the fraternity or go elsewhere

Under the new system, the process is conducted online, giving potential fraternity recruits the ability to choose where they want to stay during Rush without the pressure of one-on-one interaction, Kinnas said. He said the change was implemented by IFC to eliminate the peer pressure from having to decide, on the spot, whether or not to stay with a specific fraternity during Rush Week.

"This is a decision I wanted to get implemented to give incom-ing freshmen the independence of (deciding) where they want to stay without worrying about offending the fraternity," he said. He added that choosing where to stay online is much easier than



Freshman Jake Dyson dives for the volleyball during a game in front of Delta Chi during the fraternity's rush on Thursday afternoon.

declining an invitation in person.

"There is a lot of pressure to join a specific house," he said. "This gives (the potential recruits) a lot more independence, more freedom and choice so they do not feel as much pressure."

In addition to the changes in the recruitment process, IFC has also streamlined the system in which potential recruits are divided amongst the fraternities during Rush Week.

Under the new system, those seeking to stay at full chapter houses could be routed to other fraternities hosting fewer potential recruits, Kinnas said. This change was implemented to prevent "a huge number of guys from staying at a house," and to also ensure that all the chapters meet their individual recruitment goals, Kinnas said.

"If a house needs fifteen guys, we do not need to send thirty," he said. "This is a way to regulate how many people go to (stay) at each house."

For incoming freshman Keuper Stark from Boise, the process of recruitment has been a positive experience. Specifically, he said the online registration process was "quick and easy" and the Rush process was "relaxed."

Stark spoke from the steps of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity Wednesday, the first night of Rush. Overall, he said he has had a good experience with recruitment. "Everyone is really friendly," he said. "They (the fraternities) really want you to be in their houses. You feel very welcome."

UI proposes new events pavillion

Catch-15: Students, faculty speak out on ways to avoid the 'freshman 15'

By Jessica Mullins Argonaut

ter, Hamlett said. And not everyone will fall victim to the "freshman 15." She esti-Everyone hears about it, mated that a quarter or a

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week, Dir said.

The Student Recreation Center offers many resources for students, including well-

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By Cynthia Reynaud Argonaut

A proposal for a new multiuse "Performance and Events Pavilion" at the University of Idaho is moving forward after being given the go-ahead by the State Board of Education last week.

The facility would support activities from general education to outdoor recreation and athletics to major university events, according to a univerpress

sity release.

Basketball games, the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival, large lectures and performance events are a few of the that events could be moved to the facility, said' spokes-UI woman

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The cost of such a facility is

currently unknown, but is

expected to be in the millions,

Shattuck said. The facility would be privately funded.

Currently the idea is in the

pre-planning stages. A feasibil-

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UI president

Hastings Chivetta and Architects of St. Louis, Mo., have been hired to conduct the study.

Along with looking into a new facility, Shattuck said improvements to the Kibbie Dome are also being considered.

The feasibility study comes as a response to the university's 1995 Sports/Recreation/ Áthletics/Special Events master plan which is updated every 10 years, Shattuck said. "We want to explore the

viability of making some greatly needed improvements to our athletics facilities,' President Tim White said. "We don't yet know what a solution could be. This feasibility study will tell us

what may be possible. This work needs to happen before

any kind of planning begins, and well before we raise funds which will come overwhelmingly from private sources — for any new con-struction."

It is unknown as to where the structure would be located on campus, although areas around the Kibbie Dome are being looked at.

If the study is approved, the university will then be called to make a decision whether or not to go forward with the plan, Shattuck said. If they do decide to continue with the plans, the facility would become a university project and fundraising would begin. "I am excited for this feasi-

bility study to be underway," Athletic Director Rob Spear said. "The results will provide us (with) a clear direction for the future facility enhance-ments, which will be of benefit to the entire campus."

college.

The "freshman 15" is reality, not just a rumor or myth, freshman Katherine St. John said. Teachers and others warned St. John and peers of the "freshman 15" before she came to college, she said.

There is a lot of reality to it," said fitness director for recreation Peg campus Hamlett. "We see it every year."

Student Health Center medical director Rayme Dir said the "freshman 15" is a little bit of both a rumor and reality.

Certainly it is common for students to gain weight but the amount is a little bit off," Dir said.

Many students may gain weight, but it may be closer to a range of four to six pounds instead of 15, Dir said.

Females and males gain the weight pretty equally, but sometimes males hide it bet-

cent or less of incoming freshmen are gaining the whole 15 pounds, and 50 percent of all freshmen will gain a smaller amount of weight.

To avoid gaining weight, Dir said students should be aware that the "freshman 15" is something that is common and students need to have a plan to incorporate regular exercise, plan out meals and choose food wisely. Students need to also get enough sleep and check in with themselves once in a while by getting on a scale. Not drinking too much will also reduce a student's chance of gaining weight, Dir said.

To avoid gaining weight, freshman Kristen Seiler plans to keep the "freshman 15" in mind throughout this year. 'It is definitely a concern,"

Seiler said.

Lack of exercise, change in diet and drinking are the main

university they become so busy they forget about having physical activity, Hamlett said.

They need to get exercise .. on a regular schedule," she said.

Many students come from being active in high school. When they get to college they don't substitute exercise and keep eating the same amount, Dir said.

Seiler and St. John plan to stay active. St. John hopes to participate in intramurals, use the Student Recreation Center often and attend work-out classes.

'I always encourage students to take one fitness class for fun or credit. The classes help the students stay active," Hamlett said. "You have to make it a priority.

Students should exercise vigorously at least 30 minutes for most days of the

It is also important that students eat before they work out or they won't burn stored fat, Hamlett said. Instead energy is taken from muscles, resulting in fatigue and effects far from what students search for.

Hamlett recommended not eating a lot before exercise, but instead eating snacks such as a banana or yogurt. Students also should wait about a half hour before eating after working out.

(The 'freshman 15') mostly has to do with students leaving home and changing eating habits," Hamlett said.

In college, students change what they eat and the hours they eat, Hamlett said.

They are used to eating at home and understand the food at home," she said. "Then they are eating in the dorms, fraternities, sororities

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Moscow construction continues

Argonaut Staff

Summer has come to an end but construction season will continue for another month

The Idaho Transportation Department project to reconstruct Washington Street is not expected to be complete until Sept. 25, said Ken Olesen, supervisor of the Moscow Street Department.

The construction on Washington Street from Eighth to First Street began at the end of July.

Saturday, construction will begin on the east side of the street and traffic will be moved to the west side. East-west traffic is scheduled to resume through the Third and Sixth Street intersections around Sept. 1. Repaving will begin about this time, Olesen said.

Until the construction is complete, Olesen advised that students plan for short delays. Finding alternate routes would also help, he said.

A detour system does allow traffic en route to other streets to cross Washington Street and get back onto Third or Sixth Street.



Melissa Davlin/Argonaut Road work on Washington Street causes detours for downtown Moscow traffic. Construction will continue through Sept. 25th.

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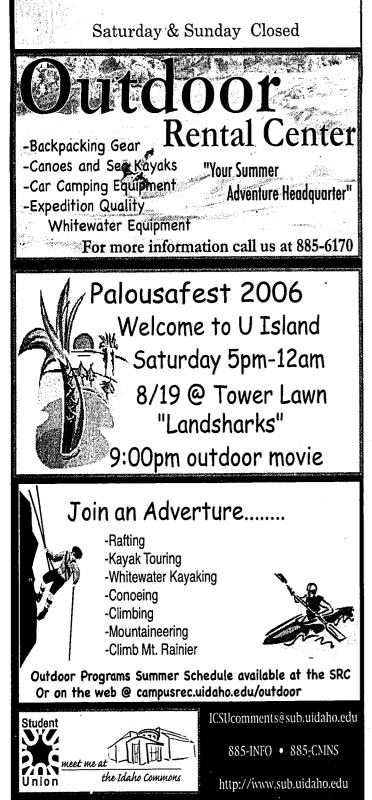
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Campus Christian Center Barbecue

The Campus Christian Center will be holding a fall barbecue and raffle Monday. The event will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on the lawn of the Campus Christian Center located at 822 Elm St.

Prizes including parking spaces, thumb drives and bookstore gift cards will be given away. There will also be free food and music.

"Last Comic Standing" winner Josh Blue coming to UI

The University of Idaho will host the nationally recognized comedian and winner of NBC's "Last Comic Standing: Season 4" Josh Blue. He will perform at 8 p.m. on Aug. 27 at the University of Idaho Student Union Building Ballroom. The show is open to the public.

Tickets go on sale today at the SUB information desk. They are \$3 for UI undergraduates and \$9 for all others. Seating is limited. Tickets are sold on a first come, first serve basis.

For more information, contact the ASUI Vandal Entertainment Board at (208)885-6485 or entertainment@ sub.uidaho.edu.

Bellwood lecture speakers announced

The University of Idaho College of Law's 2006 Sherman J. Bellwood program, "National Security and the Constitution," will address these issues in an engaging dialogue between former U.S. Senators Gary Hart and Alan Simpson.

The Bellwood Lecture will take place at 4 p.m. on Thurs. Oct. 12 in the UI

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Monday **Classes** begin

Dissertation defense: Josh Branen, MMBB Ag Science Room 62

Student Union Building Ballroom. Doors open at 3 p.m. The event traditionally attracts an overflow crowd, so seating is on a first-come, first serve basis. A public reception will follow. In addition to the keynote event, two

panel discussions are planned. The first, "Democracy and National Security: Contemporary Issues," will be held at 3 p.m. on Oct. 11 in the College of Law Courtroom. Moderated by UI Law Professor Elizabeth Brandt, it will include panelists Sen. Simpson, Idaho State University Professor of Political Science David Adler, and UI professors Alan Williams, Michael Greenlee, Monica Schurtman and Russell Miller.

"The Idaho Connection: The Church Committee and Its Relevance Today," the second panel discussion, will take place at 9:30 a.m. on Oct. 12 in the College of Law courtroom Moderated by UI Law Professor Russell Miller, pan-elists will include: Sen. Hart; LeRoy Ashby, a Regent's professor of history from Washington State University; Loch Johnson, Regent's professor from the School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Georgia; Frederick A. O. Schwarz Jr. from the New York University School of Law's Brennan Center for Justice; and Kathy Aiken, interim dean of the University of Idaho's College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences.

University of Idaho's **Transportation Institute Receives \$860,000**

Idaho Sen. Mike Crapo announced early this month the University of Idaho's National Institute for Advanced Transportation Technology has received an \$860,000 award from the U.S. Department of Transportation to support transportation research and educational programs as part of the DOT's University Transportation Centers program,

The funding, of which nearly 50 percent will support graduate and under-

UITV-8 8 p.m. graduate research students, resulted from the program's success in a 2002

competition that made the research institute eligible for four additional years of funding. The National Institute for Advanced

Transportation Technology was created at the University of Idaho in 1991 as one of four national centers established under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act. The research center is tasked with developing, testing and marketing new tech-nologies to help meet society's changing transportation needs.

Palousafest Sets Sail for the "UIsland" at the **University of Idaho**

This year the University of Idaho Theophilus Tower lawn will be transformed into a tropical island paradise for the annual back-to-school event, Palousafest, from 5 p.m. to midnight on Saturday.

The free event will feature a water slide, live music from Jimmy Buffet tribute band, The Landsharks, a pig roast, car tournament, watermelon eating contest, free outdoor movie, pictures with pirates, prizes and more.

Numerous information tables featuring local businesses along with campus organizations and university departments will also be at the event.

Following the information fair, Disney's "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest," will be shown at 10 p.m. on the Tower Lawn on the university's outdoor movie screen.

The annual event is sponsored by ASUI, the Idaho Commons and Student Union and the Office of the Dean of Students.

For more information, call (208) 885-6331, or contact Travis Shofner, ASUI vice president and event co-organizer at (208) 885-7030 or travisearl@sub. uidaho.edu.

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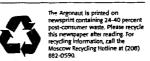
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Years of transition end in celebration for College of Art and Architecture

By Caitlin Rice Argonaut

The College of Art and Architecture has something to celebrate. Budget cuts, protests, rallies and years of transition are coming to an end as the college gets back to the way things used to be.

The college officially reopened this summer after a four-year absence while it was part of the College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences.

A dedication celebration will be held Sept. 7 and 8 to signify the re-opening of the college.

The Architecture Department will still be located in the Art and Architecture building - the same place as when it was part of CLASS but upgrades are being considered, said William Woolston, interim dean and professor at the college.

"The remodel is being designed, and a bid will be put out next spring," he said. "The state is giving \$900,000 for that and other ongoing renovations. Construction will most likely start in summer 2007."

A search for a dean is being conducted over fall 2006 but Woolston is expected to continue as interim dean until at least June 2007.

All budgets were intact and are simply being transferred, Woolston said. No additional money is coming from the state.

"We have ample funding to run the college, that is a statement," he said. "We could use additional funding and we are seeking that from the alumni and stakeholders."

All departments but interior — which does not have design full accreditation is a goal for the

design is fully accredited, as of the successful National Association of Schools of Art and Design consult in November, and landscape architecture was successfully re-accredited in December.

Some mentality changes within the departments may take more time to

adjust to, Woolston said. "We are struggling with coming back together again. Once it joined CLASS there was a 'fend for yourself' mentality, and now that we are all together again, there is room for improvement in the unity between departments.'

The College of Art and Architecture, first formed in 1981, was merged into the College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences in 2002. The enough faculty — are accredited. But change was one of six made for financial reasons by former university

department, Woolston said. Art and President Bob Hoover, including the dissolution of the College of Mines and Earth Resources.

"It was a hot topic for the universi-"Woolston said. "Budget reductions were taking place all over the university and the department had to tighten their belt. This was one way they decided they could cut costs.'

"I was here under the old college and then was gone for two years," said Robert Tonks, a graduate student working on his Master's in art and architecture. "During that time the college was, well, it depends on who you talk to, some would say illegally dissolved, some say re-aligned, or disbanded."

Whatever the correct term, changes were made that affected students and faculty alike.

"It is kind of in the past but there dedication dinner.

are still hurt feelings about the decision made ... about whether it was legal or not," said Tonks.

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The Idaho State Board of Education made the decision in October 2005 that the College of Art and Architecture must be re-established as a response to a perceived violation of state board policy made when the college was dissolved.

But now with much of their work behind them, the plans and management of the College of Art and Architecture have been laid out.

The September College of Art and Architecture dedication celebration will include an open house at Prichard Gallery, a student social open to all students, a college open house and dedication ceremony open to the public, and an invitation only

Judge strikes down the warrantless eavesdropping program

By Ron Hutcheson and **Margaret Talev** McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — In a scathing rebuke, a federal judge ruled Thursday that the Bush administration's warrantless eavesdropping program is unconstitutional and should be shut down, but legal scholars said the administration has a good chance of reversing the decision on appeal.

"There are no hereditary kings in America and no power not created by the Constitution," U.S. District Judge Anna Diggs Taylor of Detroit said in a 43-page opin-ion blocting the processor ion blasting the program.

Taylor said that the program, which President Bush secretly approved after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, violated the rights of free speech and pri-vacy and went far beyond the president's authority.

Administration officials sav the surveillance program targets telephone calls and e-mails between the United States and suspected terrorists overseas.

The Justice Department immediately appealed the rul-ing, and all the parties agreed that the Bush administration is free to keep eavesdropping without warrants pending the Sept. 7 appeals-court hearing.

While the ruling was a clear victory for Bush's critics, it didn't end the legal battle over the government's secret eaves-dropping. Legal scholars said the administration had a good chance of winning its appeal to the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati, which handles cases from Michigan, Kentucky, Ohio and Tennessee.

"This isn't the definitive word," said Bruce Fein, a Washington lawyer who agreed with Taylor's conclu-sions. "This is going to the 6th Circuit. If the 6th Circuit goes against the government, it's going to the Supreme Court."

Carl Tobias, a constitutional scholar at the University of Richmond's law school, said the 6th Circuit tended to be sympathetic to the government's national-security concerns.

"There are more judges on that court who come down on the national security end of the spectrum than the civil liberties end," he said. "The majority probably would reverse this decision.

Administration officials suggested that the ruling, if it stands, will increase the risk of a terrorist attack.

"We couldn't disagree more with this opinion," White House spokesman Tony Snow said in a statement. "The whole point is to detect and prevent terrorist attacks before they can be carried out. That's what the American people expect from their government."

Snow noted that the ruling came a week after the alleged aircraft-bombing plot in London offered "a stark reminder that terrorists are still plotting to attack our country."

Government lawyers called the surveillance program "a

critical tool" in the war on terrorism and "an early warning system" against attacks.

"We're going to do everything that we can in the courts to allow this program to continue," Attorney General Alberto Gonzales said.

Civil The American Liberties Union, which filed the Detroit lawsuit on behalf of plaintiffs, called the decision "a landmark victory against the abuse of power that has become the hallmark of the Bush administration."

The ACLU sued on behalf of a group of journalists, lawyers and researchers, including several from Detroit, who suspected that government eavesdroppers had targeted their international calls. Bush's decision to establish

the warrantless surveillance program lets government agents bypass the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, which requires court approval

for domestic surveillance. The law, enacted in 1978 in response to illegal wiretaps dur-

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ing the Nixon administration, includes emergency provisions that let investigators seek court approval up to 72 hours after the surveillance starts. Bush and his advisers say the law is too cumbersome when dealing with possible terrorist attacks.

The president contends that his constitutional power as commander in chief and the congressional resolution authorizing the use of military force against terrorists empowered him to establish the eavesdropping program. The New York Times revealed the secret surveillance late last year.

Taylor, a liberal Democrat whom President Jimmy Carter appointed to the court, concluded that Bush had overstepped his authority. She also rejected the government's argument that the case should be tossed out to avoid the risk of exposing government secrets.

"Plaintiffs have prevailed, and the public interest is clear, in this matter. It is the upholding of our Constitution," she wrote.

The ruling complicates efforts in Congress to come up with a compromise that could satisfy both sides in the dispute. Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Arlen Specter, R-Pa., is pushing legislation that's intended to put the surveillance program under the jurisdiction of a special court established by the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act.

Democrats blocked a vote on Specter's bill before the August recess, saying it wouldn't guarantee sufficient court oversight. They appeared unlikely to back down now that a federal judge essentially has endorsed their views.

"We can and should wiretap terrorists under the current FISA law," Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont, the ranking Democrat on the Senate Judiciary Committee, said after Taylor's ruling. "The problem has been the Bush-Cheney administration's insistence on doing it illegally, without checks and balances to prevent abusing the rights of Americans.'



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Key to success for freshman is finding college niche

By Cheryl Truman McClatchy Newspapers

What happens when a child leaves home for college?

Does the child get the benefit of being sans parents? Will the empty-nested parents be traumatized?

Or does everybody suffer a little and gain a little?

Betty Drew has had kids in her house for 35 years.

But soon, Drew, 53, will have an empty nest. Her youngest child, Charlene Leigh Drew, who recently graduated from Harlan's Cawood High School, will move to start life as a freshman at Eastern Kentucky University.

After five kids, Drew is worried about the empty house.

Charlene is excited to be starting college. She'll be rooming with her hometown best friend and, she says, there will be about half a dozen other buddies on campus. That's one of the reasons she chose Eastern, she says: She knew she would have a community of familiar faces on site.

It's that annual rite of late summer: Thousands of parents realize their homes are going to be emptier as their kids troop off to the mixed pleasures of college and dormitory life. Meanwhile, thousands of teens realize that Mom and Dad are no longer just around the corner. (That's true in most cases, but not all: Some parents who want to give their offspring the benefits of on-campus life will put them into dormitories even if the school is in the same city. However, we do still expect them to do their own laundry.

But most students are going to feel at least a twinge of homesickness at some point.

"We certainly hear that from students: 'Oh my gosh, I really miss being at home,'" said Mary Bolin-Reece, director said Mary Bolin-Reece, director of the University of Kentucky counseling and testing center.

For some students, homesickness hits early -- triggered by, say, missing the family dog, a birthday or a valued event like the high school homecoming football game and vanishes quickly. Says Bolin-Reece: "For others, they'll have a very different experience. They'll start out gangbusters. Then it's not until later in the semester that they'll have that experience."

Some students, for example, can't make their first home visit until Thanksgiving.

Not that three months on a college campus is a bad thing. While the time estimated to acclimate to college life varies, most agree that students should plan to be on campus without a home visit for at least the first month. (Others say six to eight weeks to grow fully acclimated to college life without resorting to the comforts of home cooking, unlimited cable TV, sibling spats and having your laundry delivered and folded by a parental unit.) Different students might take various amounts of time to figure out their way around, master schedules, start organizing a study routine, and learn that there are lots of other people and activities available for campus interaction.

For parents, the key is to be sympathetic but not smothering, or as Bolin-Reece puts it, "for parents to allow students to know that the support is there, but to challenge the student to be independent." There's a safety net available, but college students need to make and take responsibility for their own decisions. Parents can, however, ask students what they would do differently in the future whenever a particularly rotten decision --- bad grade, disciplinary misstep, overspending --- hits home.

This is a good news/bad news scenario for both sides. Parents don't lose their kids, but they have to learn to pick their opportunities. Students don't lose a home; they just learn it's no longer their primary residence. Says Charlene Drew, "My mom's kind of taking it hard. ... They're freaked out, but they know I have to go to college."

What every new freshman should know:

These tips for incoming college stu-dents and their parents come from Mary Bolin-Reece, director of UK's counseling and testing center:

Top priority: Get plugged in someplace. College is your new home.

Get involved in a living/learning community, a residence hall or a faith-based community. Some students will find a set of friends with fraternity and sorority rush; some might take longer to find a niche.

The important thing is not to fall into the routine of dorm-to-class. A university is its own small town. Take advantage of its opportunities.

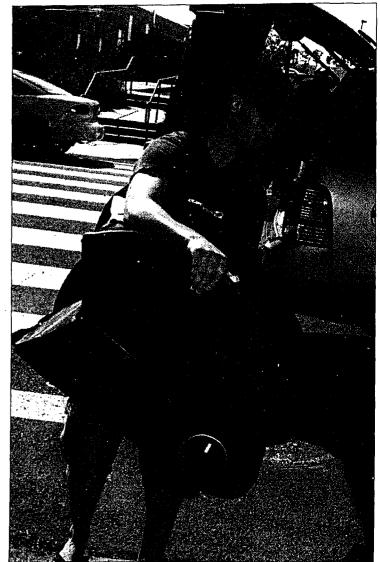
- Look at college as your job, and learn time-management skills.

As a first-time college student, you have an unprecedented degree of autonomy over what classes you select, whether you even show up for class, and how well you manage your time and effort.

But you also have a much higher reading load, more challenging courses, and no parent or high school counselor as a backop when you don't get the work done.

What does your average work week include? Budget time for going to class, writing papers, putting in time with your adviser, keeping up with reading and work. Even plan when you're going to bed because most dorms have students coming and going 24/7 (and no parent yelling at you that 3 a.m. means lights out or else).

- E-mail. Most parents will have gone through college with the phone as their only lifeline home. Today's students have e-mail, cell phones with text messaging and MySpace.com.



Melissa Davlin/Argonaut Freshman Chris Eby of Moscow juggles his belongings as he moves into Wallace Thursday afternoon.

Panel to redefine planet, call for 3 more in solar system

By Jeremy Manier Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO - Astronomers, hold on to your telescopes. The solar system has 12

planets, not nine. That's the earthshaking conclusion of an influential international committee, which on Wednesday will recommend a

new definition of what quali-

fies as a planet. • The move is necessary, experts say, because of discoveries in the past decade that have revealed a glut of Plutosized bodies beyond the orbit of Pluto - until now considered the farthest planet from the sun.

Those findings sparked an intense debate among planetwatchers: Should the new

worlds be welcomed as planets, or was it a mistake to call tiny Pluto a planet in the first place?

Now there's an answer that just might satisfy Pluto-boosters and Pluto-phobes alike.

A seven-member panel of astronomers, historians and one science writer gathered in Paris last month under the auspices of the International

Astronomical Union to settle the question. After a sleepless night, they agreed on a simple yet revolutionary approach to the problem.

A planet, they decreed, is any star-orbiting object so large that its own gravity pulls in its rough edges, producing a nearperfect sphere.

That definition excludes some 200,000 small, oddshaped rocks, comets and asteroids that wander around the sun.

It also means Pluto gets to remain a planet.

But the new definition also includes three other big space rocks, including one currently considered an asteroid and another long described as a moon of Pluto.

Also to be included is an icy

body beyond Pluto, which would belong to a class of planets to be known as "plutons.'

"In a day and a half of hammering it out, we came up with this unanimous recommendation," said Owen Gingerich, chairman of the IAU's "planet definition committee" and an

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On a health kick? Try coffee

Evidence of coffee's benefits is drip-dripping out of the research

By Marie McCullough The Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — Over the centuries, coffee has been cursed for making soldiers undependable, women infertile, peasants rebellious and worse.

In England in 1674, for example, the anonymous authors of the Women's Petition Against Coffee complained that they were suffering in the bedroom because men were constantly in coffeehouses, slurping that "nauseous Puddle-water":

"That newfangled, abominable, heathenish liquor called coffee ... has ... eunucht our husbands ... that they are become as impotent as age."

Makes you wonder what those guys were putting in their daily grind besides cream and sugar.

The point is, coffee has always been more than a beverage, and its health effects have always been controversial. After all, coffee is chockfull o' the drug 1,3,7trimethylxanthine -– better known as caffeine (even decaf has caffeine) — plus a whole lot of other chemicals and additives.

Recently, the buzz on brew has been good. Glug enough of it, research suggests, and you'll lower your risk of diabetes, liver cirrhosis, Parkinson's disease, gallstones and suicide. You'll also sprint better.

But not long ago, in the 1970s and `80s, coffee's name was mud. It was connected --tenuously or incorrectly, experts now say - to pancreatic cancer, heart attacks, birth

defects, miscarriage, osteo-porosis and other ill effects.

The surprising thing is that even after a thousand years, this ubiquitous liquid remains quite mysterious. So sit back, sip some drip, and ponder the latest research:

Java junkies rejoiced a year ago when University of Scranton researchers concluded that for Americans, coffee is the number-one source of antioxidants --- those marvelous molecules that neutralize harmful oxygen renegades. The scientists reported that the typical American drinks 1.6 cups of joe a day, containing 1,299 milligrams of antioxi-dants called flavonoids. The runners-up weren't even close: tea (294 mg), bananas, (76 mg),

and dry beans (72 mg). But this research was done

in test tubes, not in the human body, which much prefers to get antioxidants from vitamins. If vitamins are the Prada of antioxidants, flavonoids are clothes picked off a curb.

"By and large, flavonoids are recognized by the body as foreign substances. That's why they're extensively metabolized to make them more water-soluble so they can be excreted," said Balz Frei, a biochemist at Oregon State University's Linus Pauling Institute. "I have my doubts that these compounds are really making a difference in terms of antioxidant protection." Seven out of 10 studies that

followed huge groups of people for many years, including Finnish twins and American nurses, have linked coffee to a reduced risk of type 2 diabetes. Last month in the Archives of Internal Medicine, an 11-year

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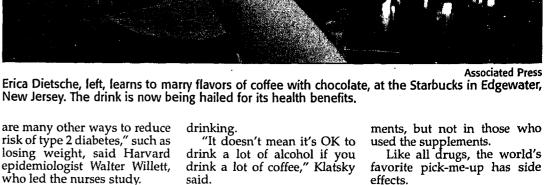
Women's Petition Against Coffee England, 1674

study of 28,000 postmenopausal women in Iowa found that coffee drinkers had less type two diabetes than nondrinkers.

This doesn't prove perk is protective. Eating lots of nuts was linked to just as much diabetes-risk reduction in another analysis of the nurses' diets.

cumstantial evidence is abundant, it's confusing. A smallish 20 percent decrease in diabetes risk turned up among the nurses who drank only one cup a day, while the Iowans had to guzzle six or more to see such a benefit. It's also unclear what ingredient is at work, since decaf appears more protective than caffeinated coffee in some studies, but not others.

Even if coffee is beneficial, "I don't think it would be the basis for urging changes in coffee consumption because there



Population studies from the United States, Japan, Europe and Norway suggest coffee protects the liver from the effects of alcohol.

The first report of a strong link, published in 1992, was updated last month in the Archives of Internal Medicine. Among 125,500 members of the Kaiser Permanente health plan, heavy alcohol drinkers cut their chance of cirrhosis by 20 percent per cup of coffee a day; four cups correlated with an 80 percent risk reduction. Liver enzyme levels also were healthier in imbibers of both coffee and alcohol.

Some researchers speculate that when the liver metabolizes coffee, this somehow inhibits the chronic liver inflammation involved in metabolizing lots of alcohol. (Fans of coffee enemas claim it helps the liver cleanse itself of toxins.)

In any case, physician Arthur Klatsky, who led the Kaiser research, hopes the inconclusive link will not be used to rationalize immoderate drink a lot of alcohol if you drink a lot of coffee," Klatsky said.

While not technically addictive, caffeine increases the production of dopamine, a brain chemical crucial to pleasure and motivation.

The brain cells that make dopamine stop working in Parkinson's disease, and studies using animal models suggest caffeine wards off Parkinson's by protecting these cells.

The dopamine connection may explain why both the Kaiser Permanente study and the Nurses Health Study found that coffee drinkers were significantly less likely to commit suicide.

And it may explain why several population studies found coffee drinkers had less Parkinson's disease — if they were male.

In yet another coffee conundrum, several studies found no such benefit for females.

Why? One guess is that estrogen interferes with coffee's protective effect. In several studies, coffee drinking correlated with reduced Parkinson's risk in postmenopausal women never who had taken menopausal estrogen supple-

ments, but not in those who used the supplements.

Associated Press

Like all drugs, the world's favorite pick-me-up has side effects.

Caffeine increases blood pressure and heart rate. It can cause palpitations, insomnia, tremors, diarrhea and increased urination. Caffeine withdrawal can cause headaches, drowsiness, depression and grumpiness. Unfiltered coffee, popular in countries, Scandinavian increases bad LDL cholesterol. A study this year found high levels of various inflammatory substances in the blood of coffee drinkers in Greece.

Plus, coffee drinkers tend to be smokers.

No wonder the beverage's effects, particularly on the cardiovascular system, continue to be deciphered and debated.

Frei and colleagues at the Pauling Institute reviewed the vast, ever-growing coffee research and concluded that people who have high blood pressure, insomnia, or other sensible reasons to eschew brew should do so.

But for most adults, "there is little evidence of health risk and some evidence of health bene-fits" for up to four cups a day.

Game Geeks Rejoice: UC Santa Cruz launches computer-gaming major

By James Hohmann San Jose Mercury News

SAN JOSE, Calif. - New at computer games, they can

the University of California-Santa Cruz: Not only can students spend gobs of time on

major in them, too.

The school — known for its laid-back, frisbee-playing ambience is quite serious

about its new major in computer game design, the first in the University of California system.

Administrators said in July that the interdisciplinary program, coordinated by the Computer Science department, will prepare students for hightech jobs by exposing them to both the technical and the artis-

As might be expected, students like the new program.

"The major is a great idea, and it's probably going to get tons and tons of new students to come to Santa Cruz," said sophomore Chris Carlsson, who is majoring in economics.

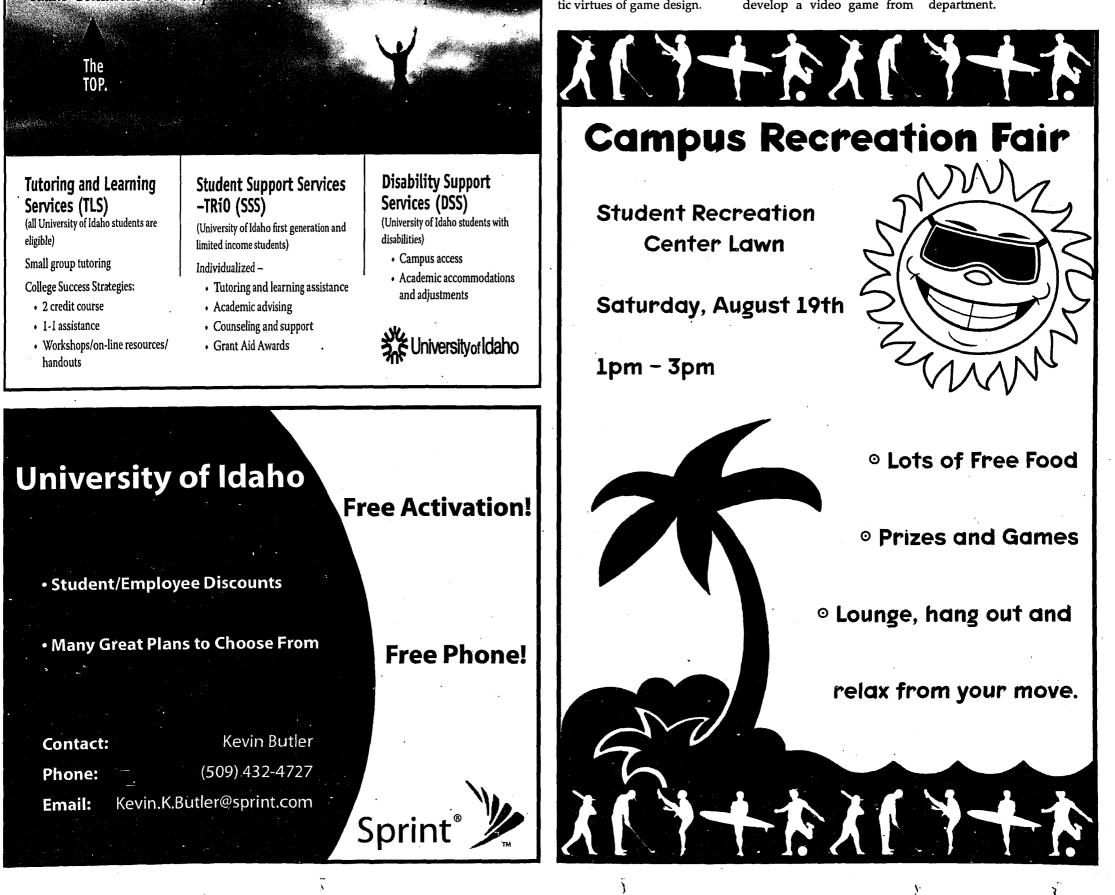
The capstone of the major will be a yearlong project for seniors. Student teams will develop a video game from

start to finish. Pohl said the new program will capitalize on the school's proximity to Silicon Valley and the opportunities available in the multi-billion video game industry.

"The Santa Cruz culture all along has been a culture of experimentation and interdisciplinary work," said Ira Pohl, chair of the Computer Science

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Campaign seeks to curb DUIs

By Ely Portillo McClatchy Newspapers

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ROCKVILLE, Md. -- If you're used to having a few beers and getting behind the wheel, the next three weeks will be especially dangerous for you.

Automobile safety leaders announced Wednesday that they're starting a double-barreled police and advertising campaign between now and Labor Day to combat drunk driving.

The move follows new numbers that show almost no decline in the number of highway deaths involving alcohol last year — in fact, almost none in a decade — despite a toughening of the legal definition of intoxication and increased policing. some

Nicole Nason, administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration,

said she thinks that's because Nason said. drunk driving still is seen as "a social crime" rather than "a deadly crime."

This new campaign will emphasize that drinking and driving can get you arrested, Nason said.

That's in contrast to previous campaigns that focused on responsible drinking and designated drivers.

More than 11,000 state and local police forces across the country have agreed to increase patrols and sobriety checkpoints between now and Labor Day, according to Nason. In addition, NHTSA will air \$11 million in television and radio ads targeting males ages 21 to 34, the likeliest to drink and drive.

The combination of a big ad campaign and increased enforcement makes this "the largest ever national crackdown on drunk driving,"

Alcohol-caused car crash deaths were down in 23 states and up in 27 states last year, according to statistics released Wednesday.

The biggest successes were in Utah (down 50 percent), Maryland (down 34 percent), Rhode Island (down 24 percent), Massachusetts (down 21 percent) and Oregon (down 19 percent).

Drunk-driving deaths increased most in Hawaii (up 21 percent), the District of Columbia (up 31 percent), North Dakota (up 33 percent), Delaware (up 36 percent) and Vermont (up 40 percent). "It's time for this country

to stop just saying, 'Oh, that's old Joe down at the bar, he had one too many gins," said Lt. Col. Jim Champagne, Chairman of the Governors Highway Safety Association, a nonprofit group focused on

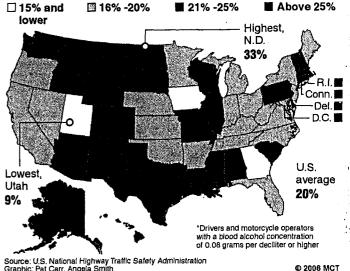
promoting safety programs. Champagne, a lieutenant colonel in the Louisiana State Police, promised that the upcoming crackdown would involve the "highest concentration of law enforcement officers focused on this problem ever."

The ad campaign will help, too, said Pennsylvania State Trooper Dave Andrascik, who was on hand for Nason's announcement at a police training facility in suburban Washington, D.C. "It's kind of like a rejuvenation, not just for the police officers, but for the community," he said. "There gets to be a complacency" when the public hears old messages.

Nason said that her agency will decide whether to continue the campaign once the first results are in. "We'll see how successful we were and take it from there," she said.

Mapping drunk driving fatalities

Percentage of total U.S. fatal crashes that involved legally drunk drivers,* by state, 2005:



Source: U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Graphic: Pat Carr, Angela Smith

Travel industry wants U.S. to delay new passport regulations

By Lesley Clark **McClatchy Newspapers**

WASHINGTON - The travel industry is pressing the Bush administration to delay a security measure that would require all cruise passengers and air travelers taking trips beyond U.S. borders to carry passports starting Jan. 8.

The measure — part of a larger federal anti-terrorism effort -- eventually would require all travelers, including citizens, traveling U.Ŝ. between the United States, Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean and Bermuda to have a passport or "other accepted document" to enter or re-enter the United States.

The proposal, which has been published in the Federal Register and is under review, would be phased in over two years.

But Travel Industry Association President Roger Dow said Thursday that the cruise industry, in particular, was ill-equipped to meet the proposed 2007 target date because few people who booked cruises had passports.

The requirement would be imposed on airline passengers at the same time, but Dow said the airlines began asking travelers to Canada and Mexico for passports several years ago.

He noted that many air travelers, unlike occasional cruise-line passengers, already carry passports.

"We're concerned about the potential for chaos" in the cruise industry, Dow said, adding that the industry is asking the administration for a "modest extension" to June 2009

The requirement for pass-

ports would be extended to land border crossings with Canada and Mexico in January 2008. Travel experts fear that it could put a damper on travel from Canada, which is the United States' largest international travel market.

The industry also is press-ing its case with Congress, and measures calling for a delay have advanced in the Senate, sponsored by Sens. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, and Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., who warned that federal agencies are ill prepared to carry out the program. A spokesman for Leahy

said a 17-month delay was contained in two spending bills and that there was no known opposition to postponing the requirement in the House of Representatives or the Senate.

"Momentum has been building since the effort began," David Carle said.

Leahy has warned that the effort could cause "major disruptions in commerce, tourism and travel," particularly in Canada, because Canadians now can cross the border with only driver's licenses.

The industry says the delay

also would give the United on States time to develop a "pass- 11 port card," a driver's-license ;; type of identification that the government says would be less expensive than a \$100 passport but would require the same identification to secure.

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Department of The Homeland Security didn't return phone calls asking for comment, but Rick Webster of Travel the Industry Association said the group in thought it was "pretty clear" that the administration wouldn't ask for a delay in carrying out the changes.

Health 101 — How to avoid homesickness when starting school

MyStudentHealthZone.com

For many people, starting college is the first step toward a life on their own. But homesickness can happen at any time. The first semester of college is a much longer separation from parents and friends than many people are used to, and the idea of being away from home for a while can take some adjustment.

WHAT DOES IT FEEL LIKE TO BE HOMESICK? Homesickness can make a

erson feel lonely, sad, and

you are. ■ Get involved on campus. Look for activities or organizations to join and invite new friends to come along with you.

Invite an old friend, parent, or sibling to visit. Spend a weekend showing your friend or family member around campus. If a friend is at a different college, make plans to visit his or her school.

Learn more about the area. Get a book about the local area, or see whether student services has any information for new students about the Take advantage of the many ways to stay in touch. Call family and friends, send email or text messages, write

forward to can help.

Talk to other students or your dorm's RA about how you feel. You may find that they're also homesick and looking for ways to deal with it, just as you are.

An occasional visit home can help - and even remind you of how great your new life is at college. But try not to hold onto your old life too closely. If you find yourself driving home every weekend, it might make it harder to acclimate to college.

WHAT IF IT DOESN'T GO AWAY?

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feelings of hopelessness, guilt, or worthlessness sadness or a depressed mood most of the time, for apparently no reason

■ irritability or anxiety lack of energy, tiredness loss of interest in activities you usually enjoy 📕 withdrawal



changes in eating habits, and such as a loss of appetite and weight loss or overeating and

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empty. It can also affect the way some people feel physically and cause someone to lose his or her appetite, have an upset stomach, or get headaches.

Homesickness should gradually disappear as you begin to adapt to college life and as the new classes, surroundings, and people become more familiar. But for some people, it can build into depression. It's important to monitor how you feel and get help if your feelings start to become overwhelming.

HOW CAN YOU COPE WITH HOMESICKNESS?

The best way to deal with homesickness is to make your life in your new surroundings enjoyable:

Make your new space your new home. Mix mementos from back home — photos, stuffed animals, etc. — with other things that reflect who

letters, or send cards. Make plans for a visit home. Even if you live far away, just having a visit to look

For most people, homesick-ness gradually fades, but sometimes people don't get over their homesickness and may start to feel depressed. Symptoms of depression include:

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In Israel, politicians begin review of war's conduct

By Carol Rosenberg McClatchy Newspapers

JERUSALEM - The guns had barely fallen silent Monday when a bitter Israeli postmortem began on the month long conflict with Hezbollah, with politicians on the right protesting that the military had stopped too soon and left-wingers complaining that the fight-

ing had gone on too long. Prime Minister Ehud Olmert declared a victory of sorts in a speech before the Knesset, Israel's parliament. He acknowledged shortcomings in how the conflict had been managed and assigned his defense minister to investigate. "We won't hide or sweep anything under the rug," he pledged, but said "we don't have the luxury" to engage in endless bickering. Bicker they did, however. Left-wing

opposition parliamentarian Zahava Gal-On was ejected from the chamber during the prime minister's speech for demanding Olmert's resignation. "What kind of victory are you talking about?" she shouted. "You are about?" she shouted. a failure."

On the right, parliamentarian Effie Eytam said that once the soldiers were home, both political and military decision-makers should be investigated.

Likely topics include how successive Israeli governments allowed Hezbollah to become so mighty on the northern border, whether Israeli forces were hobbled by logistical snafus in Lebanon and whether reservists were ill-prepared for the fight.

The shooting war is over; now the political war begins," said Israeli historian Michael Oren, an army major who was called up for duty as military spokesman.

In terms of military management, he said, Israelis no doubt would clamor for an examination of whether the reserves were properly prepared. While Israel waged a mostly air battle against Hezbollah for two weeks, thousands of reserve soldiers underwent three to four days of refresher training before being dispatched to fight in Lebanon. For some it was the first training in more than two years.

Debate is also likely to focus on logistical failures, which were the subject of Israeli newspaper reports throughout the fighting. One account described how

reservists from the storied Alexandroni battalion — led by a young Ariel Sharon in the 1948 War of Independence — went without food and water for 36 hours. To survive, they chewed sugarcane and sucked the juice from watermelons they found in Lebanese fields.

'That is one of the scandals of this war — one of many," wrote Nahum Barnea, senior political analyst at the Yediot Ahronot newspaper, who traveled with the reserve unit in Lebanon.

Barnea also wrote that the military failed to transport the reservists to the front.

'When the soldiers arrived after their call-up orders there were no buses to pick them up," he wrote, so they drove their own cars north "to not miss the war."

When they reached their supply lockers, where their equipment was supposed to be prepositioned, the reservists found that their dust goggles had been sent to active-duty troops in Gaza, Barnea wrote.

Labor parliament member Dani Yatom, a former chief of Israel's Mossad intelligence service, said the problems would have to be investigated because, if true, they were unacceptable.

"I participated in every Israeli war since 1963 and never, not even in the Yom Kippur war, did we lack food, lack water," said Yatom, a retired general who served in Israel's special forces.

Yatom, whose Labor party is a partner in Olmert's government, also raised questions about the government's response to civilians, who were subjected to weeks of Hezbollah rocket fire.

There were many mistakes done, concerning the handling of the war, and concerning the attitude toward the citizens of Israel who had to stay in shelters," he said. The discussion was especially point-

ed in parliament, where many mem-bers are military veterans. Gal-On, a member of the opposition party Meretz, which had supported the aerial war but opposed the ground offensive, was among three opposition

parliamentarians who were ejected from the chamber for jeering at the prime minister during his speech.

Later, the 50-year-old former army sergeant complained that the fighting had gone on too long, didn't rescue the two reservists that Hezbollah captured in Israel on July 12 to trigger the conflict and, at latest count, cost the country 118 dead and 450 wounded soldiers.

"They promised to bring back the soldiers. They promised to break the Hezbollah, and they did neither," she said. "They should have left after the first week.

On the right, Eytam, who commanded a company during the Yom Kippur war in 1973 and led an elite commando unit in the 1976 Entebbe rescue mission in Uganda, said the military left before the mission was accomplished.

"Everybody in this country understands that this cease-fire will not hold for a long time," he said. Then, echoing Gal-On's complaints, he added, 'Hezbollah hasn't been disarmed. The hostages didn't come back."

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or finding food on their own. The cycle of food changes dramatically."

Seiler said she usually eats pretty healthy and doesn't dieț will think her change drastically.

But students tend to make less healthy food choices at college, Dir said.

"It is more expensive to eat super healthy foods," she said. "Convenience and what is speedy isn't necessarily what is good for you."

Students need to also remember not to eat when they are stressed, Hamlett said. Students may use food to procrastinate from assignments.

Drinking can also make students gain additional weight because it leads to getting the munchies, Seiler said. If students do snack, they

should get a small serving of the snack and put the rest away, instead of eating out of a

bag or container. "If you put out a serving size it makes you more aware of how much you have eaten,"

Hamlett said. Water intake is an important part of diet, Hamlett said. She

encourages students to carry a small water bottle to stay hydrated. If students don't have water they may substitute it with higher calorie drinks.

"If they don't have it then they will stop and think, maybe I'll have a mocha frappacino or a soda," she said.

Stress impacts students' scale readings in another way. Some students hold all the stress in their body and don't lose weight because the body is in a mode of protection, Hamlett said.

"You are so stressed your body doesn't lose weight, even you are not eating," if Hamlet said.

Keeping off the extra weight the first year will help students in later years as well, Dir said.

"It is not just fitting into your jeans and looking good. It is preventing health problems further down the road," she said. "We know that if people maintain a normal body weight ... they have less chance in developing high blood pressure and diabetes."

ALL CAMPUS REC FAIR

When: 1-3 p.m. Saturday Where: Front lawn of the **Student Recreation Center** The annual All Campus Rec Fair has a new focus for its sophomore year, changing from exclusively for freshman to the entire UI community.

"We want all the different students and even faculty and staff to come down and check it out," operations manager John Dunn said.

The pre-Palousafest fair is an event where students can have fun, hang out and relax, facility manager Gordon Gresh said. There will be free snacks and giveaways. Prizes include beach chairs, hats and T-shirts. Activities include a shuffle board and a golf chippin' pot.

There will be information about campus recreation sport clubs, intramurals, SRC hours and Wellness Programs.

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emeritus historian of astronomy at Harvard University.

Because planet-seekers are finding new worlds beyond Pluto at a steady clip, the list of newly defined planets could grow well beyond 12 — perhaps dozens more worlds await,

Astronomers from around the world are scheduled to vote on the new definition on Aug. 24 at the IAU's meeting in Prague. It would constitute the first official recognition of new planets since Pluto's dis-

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weight loss or overeating and weight gain n changes in sleep patterns,

such as suddenly sleeping all the time or difficulty sleeping much at all n trouble concentrating n thoughts of suicide or

of death

covery in 1930.

Gingerich said Tuesday he has already received backing from 10 of the group's division chairmen. Although there's nothing binding about the upcoming vote, the IAU is considered the world's authoritative source on the naming of heavenly bodies.

The proposed planet definition got an endorsement Tuesday from an unlikely source — Neil deGrasse Tyson, director of the Hayden Planetarium in New York, who has argued that Pluto is not in the same class as the other eight "classical" planets. He said although there were other good definitions that

If you have some of these

symptoms, or if you can't

shake your feelings of home-

sickness, get help from the

student counseling center or a

doctor. The counselors at the

center have experience deal-

ing with homesickness and

depression and can offer you

advice on coping with your

feelings. There may even be

some support groups on cam-

pus where you can meet and

talk to other students dealing

would have left Pluto out, he supports the new proposal because it offers the first clear standard of planethood.

"What a planet is has never been defined, not since 2,500 years ago in ancient Greece," Tyson said. "Provided this definition is unambiguous, I'll take it."

Tyson said the requirement of roundness gives a tidy standard. Objects typically do not have enough mass for gravity to pull them into spheres unless they are at least 500 miles across.

"By and large, these things are either round or not round they're not sort of round," Tyson said.

with the same issues.

After a couple of months away at school, you'll probably wonder why you ever thought the transition to college life was difficult. You may even discover that you experience a different variation when you head home for vacations or the long summer break: missing your new friends and your new college life.





OPINION

OurVIEW

Like riding a bike

I am living proof that you never forget how to ride a bike. I highly doubted the saying when I decided to purchase a bike this summer after more than five years of using other means of transportation. With gas prices ridiculously high, I figured it was a good investment. I waited until it was dark to test my skills out in the parking lot, because I was sure I was going to make a fool of myself. But much to my amazement, I was just as good as when I was 10. Now the only thing that will get me off my bike is if gas prices ever get down to less than a dollar again!

-Cynthia

Captain Planet

I'm fascinated with the International Astronomical Union's proposal to redefine planet and increase our solar system's size to 12 planets for now, potentially much higher. I've been following the story's developments, from the current vote on the proposal to textbook maker's dilemmas in having to write and rewrite space chapters in their books. But my biggest worry: Whatever will happen to the "My Very Educated Mother Just Served Us Nine Pizzas" acronym? -Tara

Bras, bras, bras!

It was bras galore for everyone else who had the chance to go see the Embellished Brassiere exhibit this summer. It was on display at the Above the Rim Gallery on Main Street in June, where I stood in amazement. Some of the artwork was incredible, and very creative. Brassieres donned river rocks and took on names like "Rocky Mountains" and others that were not all too original. Others were more creative, such as the one made completely out of bicycle parts (credit is probably due to the bike shop that lies beneath the gallery). My favorite was a beautiful fabric of mountains and lakes made into a brassiere smaller than a training bra, entitled "Not all Tetons are Grand." The brassieres will be auctioned off at the end of August and profits go to women who cannot afford mammograms. So those of you brave enough (like me) to whip up an entry in the next week or two, submit it to Quilt Something in Moscow. Put a bra to good - err, another good - use -Teresa

Let's still be friends

Dear Floyd,

OurVIEW No common sense

Timing is everything. Tearing up the road and setting up pretty orange detour signs on Washington Street in downtown Moscow during possibly the busiest and most confusing time at the University of Idaho is not good timing. Self-explanatory.

To most of you, the fact that the construction in Moscow came at a bad time is pretty obvious. As of yet, a good reason to schedule the construction now has not magically appeared. Oh Idaho Transportation Department, why did you time the demolition of the roads to coincide with the migration of scared and possibly directionally-challenged freshmen into Moscow?

First off, the crumbly remains of First through Eighth Street do not make a great first impression. It's safe to assume that freshman hope to see green rolling hills and cheery undergrads sipping their coffees crowding Main Street as they pass the "Welcome To Moscow" sign. At least, that's what they advertise in those terribly cliché UI pamphlets.

Instead, the hundreds of people driving into Moscow see a dead town. Welcome to Moscow, kiddies. (Insert evil cackle here.)

Second, if any of the freshmen have trouble navigating without the colorful maps the lovely people at the Student Union Building stuff into the welcome packets, the detours will possibly drive them to tears. This construction is like an oversized maze that we have to navigate through. No one should waste time winding through Washington Street on the way to Baker Street.

Ken Olesen, supervisor of the Moscow Street Department, said students should expect short delays until Sept. 25.

Short delays? The average college student leaves his apartment five minutes before his class starts, so a short delay could be disastrous. Anyone in his right mind will refuse to wake up earlier. And of course, he will also refuse to scrounge up the motivation to

brush his teeth and drive to campus 15 minutes before class. (This is also applicable to lazy females.)

The only good thing about the construction is that you can blame your tardiness to class on the lack of paved roads. Prediction: "The construction held me up" will be the next "the dog ate my homework." Finally, college students don't

make the best drivers. Construction is just a green light to cut people off and drift between lanes because "the construction signs were confusing." Here's a big thumbs up to you, Idaho Department of Transportation!

So students, feel free to blame your bad days and altered schedules on the construction.

Repairing a busy stretch of U.S. 95 is probably a good thing. But it would be even wiser to do so in the summer, before the herds of students who use the road show up. Maybe next time ITD can keep that in mind. -S.B.

A new way to read the news

Every new school year brings some changes.

New housing. New classes. For some, the new experience of college. And new ways for The Argonaut to provide useful and

thought-provoking information to you, the reading public.

Over the next semester, we will be adding new content and features to our Web site, http://argonaut. uidaho.edu. The changes began last spring with blogs on topics ranging

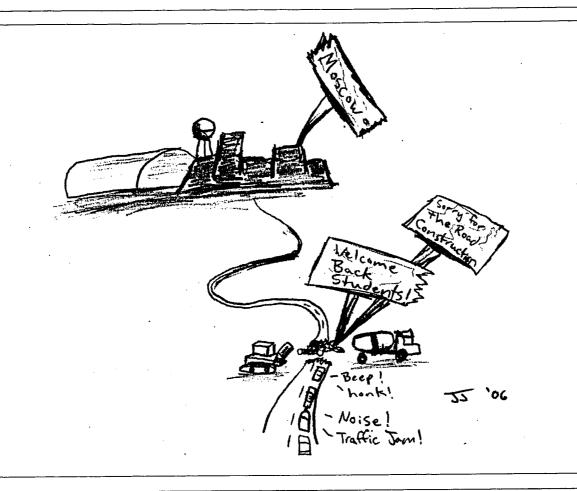
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politics. Our blog section will continue to expand, bringing you the best your peers have to offer.

One blog to watch for in the future will be The Argonaut's own. Written by the editors, it will be the place to go to learn how the paper is produced and to leave feedback on ways we can improve. Some of the comments left on it and the online version of our stories will be reprinted in our paper edition so everyone can read them.

Blogs aren't the only reason to visit the Web. In the coming months, the site will be host to special stories and reports not printed in the paper version. And breaking campus news will be posted as it occurs, meaning you don't have to wait two days to find out what that commotion was the other night or what new programs your money will go to. Simply com address.

Don't let any of this keep you from picking up The Argonaut at the news racks across campus. It'll continue to have the same fine coverage as before. But drop in online now and then, and let us know what you want to see. After all, our paper is made with you in mind.



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We've done our best to believe in you since the beginning. Those were big, cancer-survivin', yellow wrist band sellin', Sheryl Crow lovin' shoes to fill, but after a rough start, you really came through. We laughed, we cried and we drank Jack Daniels with you. Well, maybe not quite as much Jack as you, because our testosterone levels were fine the next morning. The point is, we had a good run, but The Tour, the doctors and Phonak can't all be wrong. And we know this hurts, but Lance rocked that jersey harder than you ever could. So goodbye good friend, we'll always remember you. Luv,

-The Argonaut Sports Staff

Fair warning

Rising gas prices have inspired me to dust off my rusty twelve-year-old bike. The once brilliant magenta paint has faded to a very light pink and the brakes don't really work, but it's a bike and it's mine, so I love it. But riding my bike has brought some-thing to my attention — Moscow has a lot of hills. Like, a LOT. I wouldn't mind so much if I had working brakes, but since I don't, I feel I should warn everyone. If you see me on a magenta bike coming downhill at you, you might want to dodge. -Melissa

I hate cockroaches

The cockroach has never been my favorite insect. I don't even like the word cockroach. So, excuse me if I can't fathom why anyone would want a bejeweled cockroach pinned to her shirt. You think this is a joke? Think again. Utah fashion designer Jared Gold is selling the studded vermin for \$40 a roach.

If I really wanted a sparkly bug attached to my jacket, I would catch a roach myself (while stifling my vomit) and hot glue purple glitter to it. Then I'd squash it.

Seriously, I hate cockroaches. -Sarrah

Intelligent design not designed intelligently

The race between Sally Cauble and Connie Morris is going to be close. Chill out a little though, we have to remember not to get too distracted by the glamour of just one of the heats. Cauble and Morris

aren't the only ones running. There are five seats on the Kansas State Board of Education up for grabs this year.

Why am I pretending to be clued-up to the Kansas SBE race when I can't even tell you who's running in Idaho? I'm (semi)-familiar with this obscure bit of heartland political arcana, because the outcome of those elections may unfortunately be consequential to the future of national social policy. If enough of the seats are won by people with the sagacity to appreciate our Constitution, Supreme Court rulings and make use of a little bit of logical historical perspective, the board would win the power to reverse a ridicu-

lous ruling. Kansas' current board is the one that drew much national, though particularly international, condemnation by promoting Intelligent design in public schools as a (some feel more) legitimate accompaniment to evolution.

That this has to be addressed in the 21st century is frustrating, but it's been a frustrating time for opponents of the encroachment of religion into the public sphere. So here it is: Intelligent design does not belong in public schools. Period. This is not an issue of religious freedom or something because religion simply has no place in the science class. Science does.

Based on the scientific method, an idea must meet most, if not all. of the following criteria to be considered a viable theory. To qualify it must be: consistent, parsimonious, useful, empirically testable and falsifiable, based on multiple observations, correctable and dynamic, progressive, and provisional or tenta-

tive. The final criterion resolves that the theory's proponents acknowledge. their assertion may not be correct, rather than conclusively insisting that it is. Intelligent design just

doesn't stack up. It lacks internal and external consistency. ID defies Occam's razor and therefore parsi-

mony. It is entirely untestable. The ID idea (it cannot be called a "theory" in the scientific sense of the

word) is neither correctable nor dynamic as it asserts a static and un-provable supernatural designer. It intrinsically violates the conditions of being provisional (tentative) as the proposal defines itself by its own insistent righteousness.

For the United States federal judiciary to declare a theory scientifically sound, the pertinent doctrine must meet the four following criteria of the Daubert Standard. They are as follows: The theoretical underpinnings of the methods must yield testable predictions by means of which the theory could be falsified, the methods should preferably be published in a peer-reviewed journal, there should be a known rate of error that can be used in evaluating results and the methods should be generally accepted within the relevant scientific community.

Here too, ID fails on all counts. The first and third criteria have already been shown to be incompatible with ID's scientific legitimacy as they correlate to the scientific method. As for the other two; to this day, not a single pro-ID article

has ever been published in any peer-reviewed journal. William A. Dembski, one of ID's leading and most outspoken promoters, said that he won't submit any articles because it takes too long for them to get published and he makes more money writing books.

Concerning "general acceptance within the relevant scientific community," there is essentially no acceptance of ID, much less general. The suggestion that an Intelligent Design vs. Evolution debate is being waged between scientific camps is a myth. The only debate existent is between those attempting to promote ID as science and the whole of the established scientifically educated world insisting that it is not.

Basically, the only arguments assigned to promote the veracity of ID that are even superficially glazed with a veneer of pseudo-science and are the concepts of reducible complexity and specified complexity. Science-y sounding designations aside the argument is that nature, biological systems in particular, are so complex they couldn't possibly be the result of any natural processes and, therefore, must have been created by an intelligent designer.

In most cases, the intelligent

designer is the Christian God. Although there are a few of them, you won't find too many ID campaigners advocating for aliens or anything. Scientifically, this contention is iffy because it's based exclusively on ignorance. The line of though being: "Since we have yet

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to explain precisely how this complexity came about, we won't ever be able to, so it must be the result of a creator." Unfortunately for

ID, feasible theories are built on evidence rather than the lack of it. The declaration that because something is as of yet unknown, that thing is therefore unknowable and must have some supernatural precursor is fallacious at best. Confusion and ignorance, historically, have not made the most stable foundations for the support of a hypothesis. The theory of

evolution, like life itself, is a dynamic, changing and continually... well, evolving concept. Although its total scope has yet to be realized, the fundamentals are nearly universally accepted and its applications regularly reinforced, provable and proven. However people choose to reconcile this reality with their (and their children's) faith is their business, but creationism, under whatever fashionable euphemism, has no more justification being pushed in science classes than evolution does in Sunday school.

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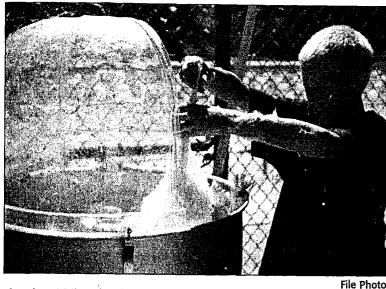
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Lincoln Middle School sixth grader Kyle Davis helps out at the Simpson United Methodist, Pullman Presbyterian and Colfax United Methodist booth by making cotton candy at last year's Lentil Festival.

Lentils are good for your town

By Christina Navarro Argonaut

Celebrating 8,500 years of lentil exis-tence, the Lentil Festival gives the land in which it is cultivated a chance to shine while welcoming new visitors and students this weekend.

With a two-day lineup of events, Pullman puts a twist on the traditional chili cook-off by showcasing its favorite legume with its 18th annual Lentil Festival.

Although it may seem unusual to celebrate something commonly overlooked in the dry food aisle, this lens-shaped bean cousin is a prized crop in the region. The Palouse has even been accredited to growing 70 percent of the nation's lentils.

Festival director and third-year contributor Nicole Flansburg said that the itinerary of events was designed to keep everyone happy, from children to adults.

"We try to keep the interest levels as balanced as we can," Flansburg said.

While the program of activities remains objective to the community's range of interests, the heart of the festival is in its legendary lentil cook-off. Attracting visitors from across the country, recipes from lentil tacos to lentil ice cream are submitted for this renowned competition.

Flansburg said more visitors come each year and the event hosted over 20,000 guests in 2005.

She said the increasing attendance becomes more noticeable when it comes down to the free lentil chili tasting.

"Even with a 250-gallon pot of chili, we run out every year," Flansburg said. Fritz Hughes, executive director of

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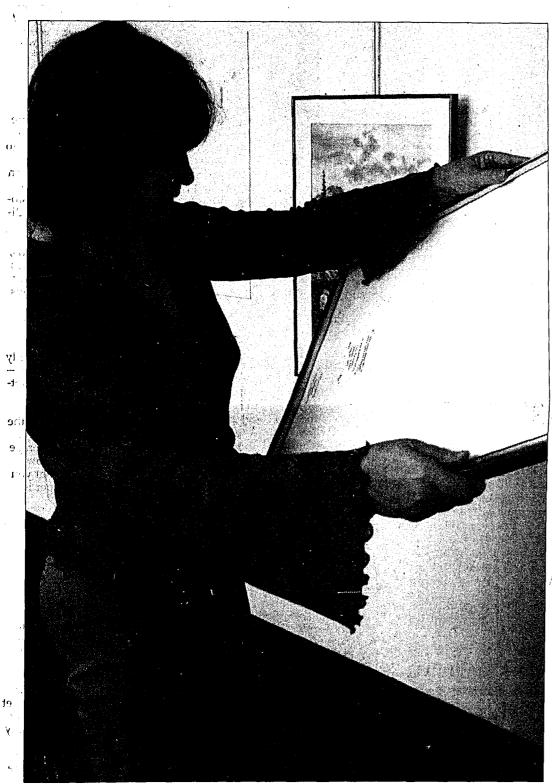
the Pullman Chamber of Commerce, said visitors and over 80 of the submitted recipes have come from all over the South and the East Coast, with one of the top six recipes hailing from Michigan.

Flansburg said she believes this year's increase in prize money has acted as an incentive for people to enter the competition.

This year the USA Dry Pea & Lentil Council, one of the many sponsors of the event, increased the prize money to \$1,000 for first place, \$750 for second, \$500 for third and \$100 for each of fourth

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Merging the Arts



By Ryli Hennessey Argonaut

The Moscow Arts Commission and Bridging the Arts are collaborating for the exhibit "Lewis and Clark Passed this Way" at the Third Street Gallery.

Bridging the Arts is an organization based in the Lewiston Clarkston Valley that, for the past two years, has been working to pro-mote local artists and elevate awareness of the arts in the community.

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how the trail may have looked when Lewis and Clark passed through, as well as how the trail looks today.

An opening reception will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. today and the show will run through Sept. 29. The Third

Snake and the Clearwater Rivers where Lewis and Clark spent one night. Chapman's paintings are landscapes but not all the paintings in the show are.

"Even though we have a very confined theme there is diversity in the paint-

ings," Chapman said. Judy Brand of Bridging the Arts said the pieces in the show include land-scapes, wildlife paintings and pyrography, or wood burning.

"I was really pleased to The exhibit will be the see that a lot of artists put a lot of

> work into historical pieces," Brand said. Judv Mousseau has three paintings -İn tĥe show. One of

them, done in Orofino along the river, includes her fellow artists who were painting with her

along the river. Mousseau said she had been painting from photo-

'Inside Man' puts a new face on an old set-up

By Ryli Hennessey Argonaut

While "Inside Man" may not be a classic in the making, it still manages to breathe new life into the heist film.

Clive Owen plays Dalton Russell, a man who says he is going to pull off the perfect bank robbery. Denzel Washington plays Detective Keith Frazier, an unseasoned yet cocky detective who wants to end the hostage situation without incident. He's smart, but

always one step

behind the bank



"Inside Man" ★★★ (of 5) Clive Owen, **Denzel Washington**

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robbers Spike Lee pulled off the hostage situation plot by not forgetting its roots. For filmmakers to forget that they owe their inspiration to those that came before them is rude and makes them look like they are simping others off. They are careful to make nods to the 1975 film "Dog Day Afternoon" starring Al Pacino, from which the filmmakers obviously drew heavily. They even went as far as to include Miriam Douglas, an actress who played a tired hostage in "Dog Day Afternoon.' Though influenced by what others have done in the past, the film maintains plenty of originality. The robbery plan is unexpected and the plot twists grab the audience's attention. The plan seems simple at first. Rob the bank wearing painting clothes and have the bank patrons strip down and change into the same outfits so the police will not be able to tell them apart from the hostages. Soon the film reveals a more complicated and brilliant plan than anyone expects. It's rare that a film actually keeps an audience guessing. Plots are so used up and tired that it's becoming painfully simple to know what will happen next. Though the film has a few cliché moments that lead you to the right conclusions, all the major plot points remain un-foreshadowed until the right moment. In "Inside Man" Jodi Foster plays Madeline White, a woman who solves problems. She knows all the right people and all the right secrets but has all the wrong dialogue. The tedious banter between Foster and any man she comes in contact with is enough to make anyone ill. Every one of her conversations is so forced that none of the actors in the scene can stay believable. Foster does what she can with the role but ultimately the character's bad chat outweighs any acting skills she may possess. Owen manages, for the most part, to keep control of his character, Dalton. It can be hard to get an audience to like cocky, straightfaced characters like this. Owen stays cool, only going over the top a few times. He forces the audience to be on his side and even to begin to like him, though they may also want to strangle his smug behind. "Inside Man" gives a refreshing twist in the cop and robber scenario. With an urban edge and a bit of Spike Lee's social commentary, the film manages to offer the audience something new in a very crowded genre.

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Kylie Pfeifer/Argonaut

Moscow Arts Commission head Deena Heath sets up the Lewis and Clark-themed show at the Third Street Gallery Tuesday. The show will run through Sept. 29, with an opening reception being held from 5-8 p.m. today. The show is part of a collaboration between the Moscow Arts Commission and Bridging the Arts, a Lewiston/Clarkston-based organization.

Street Gallery is located in Moscow City Hall, 206 East Third Street. Visiting hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Every Saturday Bridging the Arts has a paint-out and

for the last four months they have been visiting historical locations relating to the Lewis and Clark expedition. Activities Director Chris Chapman said she did a terrific amount of reading on Lewis and Clark when choosing locations for the group. "I did a lot of looking up

where they came through in just this area here," Chapman said.

Chapman has three paintings in the show. One is of the confluence of the

graphs all her life before she joined the group. Bridging the Arts gave her the opportunity to draw life, whether it was in a class with a model or viewing the trail where Lewis and Clark passed.

The group affords her the opportunity to get together with other artists of different skill levels and experiences and explore the possibilities.

"We all like to sell and we all like to show our work but it's really the camaraderie," Mousseau said.

This is the first collaboration between MAC and Bridging the Arts, and Mousseau thinks it's a great opportunity for the group.

"It's really nice of the Third Street Gallery to invite us up to do that," Mousseau said.

Snakes on a cell phone

Last week, I spent a good portion of my time hiding out in the mountains surrounding the Saint Joe River. That meant no checking e-mail, no watching TV

and absolutely no cell phones. But after a long and complicated situation

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involving chocolate milkshakes and a flat tire, I found myself in St. Maries with the opportunity to check my voicemail.

The first two messages were normal, but the third one was an immediate mystery. The message started

sub.uidaho.edu mid-sentence, with an unfamiliar male voice: "..so listen up! On Aug. 18, forget about your regular job, studying all those brain-busting school books."

The voice went on to insist that I stop gambling and "quit trying to pump up those muscles!" What on earth was this?

Then the punch line that explained it all: "Walk out that door, go get your coworker and go see 'Snakes on a Plane,' the one

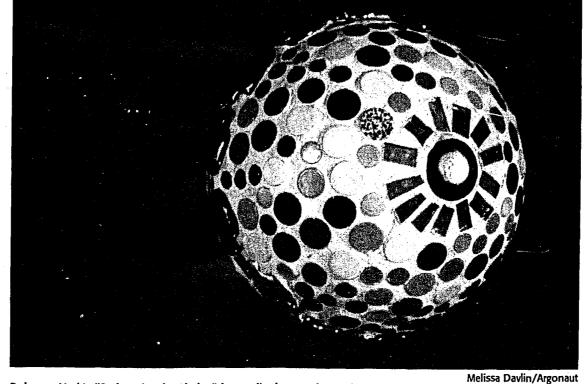
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Tara Roberts

Editor in chief

SWIMMING IN CIRCLES



Rebecca York's "Swimming in Circles" is on display at Above the Rim Gallery through Sunday. A closing reception for the exhibit, featuring York, photographer Cleo Fleming and painter Dana Magnuson, will be from 5 to 7 p.m. today at Above the Rim Gallery.

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'Regarding the Bathrooms' a light and pun-filled read

By Tara Roberts Argonaut

Before you break open that molecular physics book or start analyzing the classics,

take a break with a book that indulges in silly puns, ridiculous situations and all that good stuff you don't often find in a textbook.

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"Regarding the Bathrooms: A Privy to the Past" is the latest in author Kate Klise and illustrator M. Sarah Klise's "Regarding the ... " series. Like Dav Pilkey's "Captain Underpants" books, these middle-grade novels are just as much fun for adults as kids.

"Bathrooms" follows a group of students going into seventh grade at Geyser Creek Middle School. Their school needs renovations once again - this time it's the vile basement bathrooms - so they call on eccentric designer Florence Waters, who created a fountain, refurbished a sink and trimmed the school's trees in previous "Regarding the... installments. Meanwhile, the villains from the series' first book, "Regarding the Fountain," escape from prison and starting causing trouble all over again.

As the students juggle their summer-school jobs around town, planning the remodel and keeping their teacher Sam N.'s marriage afloat, they solve the mystery of just why, exactly, the bathrooms are so gross.

The Klises' unconventional story is written almost entirely in letters, newspaper articles, postcards, memos and more passed between various

characters in the story. M. Sarah Klise's illustrations are vital to making this work there's far more on each page than just the writing. Her pictures sneak in extra jokes and funny moments that

build on Kate's kooky story.

There are moments, however, in which the Klises drop the multimedia strategy, writing pas-sages like transcribed dialogue. The texture and life of the story fade at these points, which are often vital to the plot.

For the most part, though, the Klises retain in

"Bathrooms" the silliness and creativi-

ty of "Regarding the Fountain." Some of the potty humor (which can only be expected in a book about bathrooms) will annoy adults, but it's done with more taste than most things in kids' cartoons. As in the series' early installments, there is also plenty of unconventional educational content. Feng shui, geneology, and political corruption have been covered before — this time around, it's Latin in everyday life, relaxation techniques and ancient Roman baths. The Klises' next book,

"Regarding the Bees," is already in motion, so fans of the series will only need to wait a bit longer for another fix. Here's hoping the Klises don't string this concept out much longer, though — they run the risk of hurting the series as a whole if they stretch it too far. While they're still innovative in book No. 4, things are starting to wane and no book in the series can truly compete with "Regarding the Fountain."

Give geeks a chance: Graphic novels that are worth your time

The Argonaut's resident comics guy takes a look at some graphic novels that will change your view on the whole genre.

By Michael Howell Argonaut

The coming of a new school year brings a fresh new bunch of faces to replace the old faces that left last year. Each year that I come back to the University of Idaho I hope to see more people wearing shirts with superheroes on them like myself. I hope to stop being the minority and start being the majority

Well, this year I've decided to start putting my dream in motion by giving the student body a small list of great graphic novels that I have read and letting everyone know why they're great. Here you have it. Three different

graphic novels, each of which contains a great story to go along with cool artwork. There are more of course, but I can't be expected to do all of your comic book thinking for you. Otherwise my dream would be pointless.

"Ultimate Iron Man"

I picked this little gem up at the end of last semester. I wanted the series back when it was released as a regular monthly

issue, but was not lucky enough to be one of the six people who were able to find a copy. The book surprised me from the start. It

wasn't because there was great art or an awesome superhero action story. It was because there was almost no appearance of Iron Man. Marvel comics should've called this book "Ultimate Tony Stark."

Despite that, this book was awesome. Marvel called upon four-time Hugo Award-winning sci-fi novelist Orson Scott Card to recreate Iron Man's origin. What Card ended up doing is creating a story that is both fantastic and realistic at the same time. The origin of Iron Man is like something out of a sci-fi novel, but at the same time there is a sub-plot of big business corruption that seems as realistic as an Enron howto guide.

In the end, Card manages to write a comic book story that has almost nothing to do with the hero, but still manages to entertain even the biggest comic book fan.

'Batman: Year One"

One of the graphic novels in the Batman collection that needs to be noticed is

Frank Miller's recreation of the Batman origin. Frank Miller did with this series in 1986 what nobody thought could be done. He reinvented Batman and made him

better than he had been. Miller made Batman dark, showing why he is called "the great detective," and proved that Batman is cooler without Robin around.

But that is not the biggest appeal of the comic. Miller made Batman realistic. No longer is Batman a superhero, he is a man in a costume. In "Year One," Batman is not good at being a crime fighter. Why should he be? He's new to it.

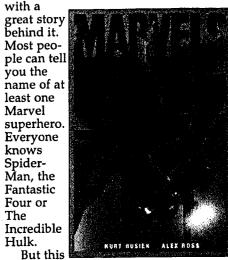
For example, there is a part in the story where Bruce Wayne gets his butt kicked by two ordinary prostitutes. He also manages to get shot during the same night. Bleeding and driving down the highways in a Ferrari, anyone can realize this is going to be a different story

As with the movie "Batman Begins," the idea of the Gotham City Police being corrupt is also a big factor in Batman's quest to become a hero. Many of the scenes and ideas from the movie are taken from this particular story.

"Marvels"

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The book "Marvels" by Kurt Busiek is another example of a graphic novel



novel immerses readers into the world of the Marvel Universe. Busiek was able to take almost seventy years of Marvel Comics, and put the big events into a timeline.

The result is a story of a newspaper writer who sees the evolution of superheroes from the beginning of World

War II to the modern day. A true selling point of the novel is the fact that Alex Ross does all the artwork for the series. If anyone is unsure who that is, just Google his name. "Marvels" is a novel that is both pretty to look at and fun to read more than once.

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Arts BRIEFS

Weekend music at local venues

Seigmund Jazz will play 8-11 p.m. tonight, while Gill will play 8-11 p.m. Saturday. Both bands will play at Bucer's Coffeehouse and Pub.

Marshall Mclean will play o.m. tonigni World Cafe. Parallax, Simian Deathmatch, Ian Fodor-Davis, and Travis Hasko-Young will play at 8:30 p.m. Saturday at One World Cafe. At John's Alley this weekend, On the One will play at 9 p.m. tonight and Face Down will play at 10 p.m. Saturday.

10 minutes to throw a pot. The clay will be centered, opened and ready to go so participants get to do the easy part. The fundraiser will help bring activities to the Palouse such as the annual "empty bowls" project and classes and workshops taught or hosted by the guild.

Exhibits changing

to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Short film series hits the Palouse

The Second Annual International Short Film Festival hosted by the Palouse Arts Council will be at the Palouse Arts Council Building at 120 East Bluff in Palouse, Wash. Admission is \$5, doors



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The Palouse Studio Potters Guild will hold a fundraiser 8 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Farmers Market. For a \$5 donation participants will get

Above the Rim Gallery will hold a closing reception from 5 to 7 p.m. tonight. The exhibit features photography by Cleo Fleming, oil paintings by Dana Magnuson and glass mosaic and art furniture by Rebecca York. The works will be on display through Sunday.

The gallery will hold an opening reception 5 to 7 p.m. Friday. The exhibit will feature pastels by Sunny Cook, drawings by Elaine Green and sculpture and mixed media by Scott Plummer.

Above the Rim Gallery is located at 513 South Main in Moscow and is open 9:30 a.m.

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Tie-dyed icons of the '60s try to define 'hippie'

By Len Righi The Morning Call (Allentown, Pa.)

ALLENTOWN, Pa. - Consider the hippie, that 1960s media counterculture darling who once was so cool and now, four decades later, is often portrayed as a benign, slightly silly loser.

But not everyone blushes at being identified with the word. In fact, 11 musical acts from the 1960s - four of whom played at the original Woodstock - are touring together under the banner of Hippiefest, each playing three or four of the songs that made them famous.

In separate telephone interviews. Hippiefest participants Country Joe McDonald, Joey Molland of Badfinger, Gil Bridges of Rare Earth and Felix Cavaliere of The Rascals all spoke about what the "h" word means to them.

Even Wavy Gravy, the Woodstock personality and longtime activist, offered a definition.

"First of all, I think a hippie is a human being," says the 70-year-old Gravy, who was born Hugh Romney, "somebody to be activated and stirred by music, not judged by the length of their hair or the size of their love beads, but the size of their heart.' After a pause, he asks, "How's that?"

Not waiting for an answer, he pushes on. "I'm looking for hippies; they're out there," he says. "A lot of people don't wear the costume, but they're out there."

To be emcee for Hippiefest, Gravy had to temporarily quit his day job, running Camp Winnarainbow, a northern California summer camp for youths he operates with his wife of 40 years, Jahanara. So why did he take the gig?

"I'm earning a bio-diesel shuttle so we can get from downtown Camp Winnarainbow to Lake Veronica, where we swim," Gravy replies. "It's a wonderful thing to have your work do something you believe in and even

get paid." Gravy's Berkeley, Calif., neighbor, fellow activist and Woodstock alum Country Joe McDonald, says that in the 1960s being a hippie meant "dropping out, wearing secondhand clothing and listening to rock n' roll.

"I still think there are people around the globe who do not want to be part of the establishment in traditional ways," notes the 64-year-old performer, famous for his Fish cheer and the scathingly funny anti-war tune "I Feel Like I'm Fixing to Die Rag."

"I still like to believe that there are people who have a live-and-let-live attitude, want to be free and are nonmaterialistic. ... Nowadays, you can have a combination of lifestyles. You really can be a hippie on the weekends

After finishing the Hippiefest tour, which McDonald characterizes as "a hippie pot-luck dinner," he plans to finish his new album, "Country Joe, Waddya Protesting Now?" and make it available on eTunes and on his Web site, www.countryjoe.com, in the next few months.

Joey Molland, one of two native Brits on the Hippiefest bill (the other is Denny Laine of Moody Blues and Wings renown), says he equates the word hippie with "concerned citizen."

(Badfinger) came on at the end of the '60s and that generation," says the 59-year-old guitarist, who now lives in Minneapolis. "We got involved

with some of the sit-ins, and tried to put some of the '60s ethic into our songs.

He points specifically to the song "Give It Up," which he wrote for Badfinger's 1974 self-titled disc. "The lyric was about all the stuff that gets in the way of soulfulness — TVs and motor cars and cigarette lighters," he says. "We were thinking in those kind of terms."

Molland expects Badfinger will grab a bit of the spotlight in the com-ing months. "Clay Aiken has just recorded `Without You,'" he says, referring to the 1970s Harry Nilsson hit written by Badfinger members Pete Ham and Tom Evans, "and I'm told Rod Stewart has recorded `Day After Day' for his new album.'

Molland also will be heading to England in two weeks for the re-release of "Gary Walker and the Rain," a psychedelic record he played on in 1968.

And like McDonald, Molland is preparing to release new material, "hopefully by the end of the year," on his Web site. "I've got about 24 or 25 new songs in the demo stage," he says. "But I'm not really thinking about releasing a new CD. I've done that a couple of times. You sell a few thousand copies, and nothing really happens. It's frustrating."

And the title of his latest work?

"The Hippie's Epitaph." When Gil Bridges of Rare Earth hears the word hippie, he flashes back to the '60s and early '70s, "the time of the sexual revolution and protests against the Vietnam War."

The picture that comes to my mind is somebody dressed a little 'out there,' tie-dye bandanas, giving the peace sign, generally involved with

the drug culture," says the 65-year-old saxophonist, flutist and lead singer.

Rare Earth was an unusual commodity in those days, a Detroit soul band that was white — and signed to Motown.

"Motown even created a (subsidiary of the company) to entice us to sign," recalls Bridges. "They didn't have a name for the new division, so I jokingly (suggested) Rare Earth. When they went for it, I knew we had an excellent chance of making it."

And make it they did in the early 1970s, with extended renditions of The Temptations "Get Ready" and "(I Know) I'm Losing You" and the originals "I Just Want to Celebrate" and "Hey Big Brother."

"When we started having hit records, the people who came to our concerts were all black, because they thought we were black," says Bridges. "They didn't know we had spent eight years in clubs playing Motown music. ... So they were shocked when we came out on stage. ... It wasn't until we started getting radio play that we got a crossover audience and they became mixed, about half and half."

Rare Earth, which now includes bassist-vocalist Randy Burghdoff (a band member for 22 years), drummer and lead vocalist Floyd Stokes (a 12year vet), keyboardist Mike Bruner (an eight-year member) and guitaristvocalist Ivan Greilick (two years), has finished 10 new songs, says Bridges, although plans to release the material are still being formulated.

Of those interviewed, keyboardistsinger-songwriter Felix Cavaliere likes the word hippie least, "because of the way the media paint it. It doesn't carry a very positive definition. A

hippie is a dropout kind of cat. But that's not the way I look at that era. People who were warm, loving, giving — that's who I remember as hippies.

"To me, flower power is a much better phrase," continues the 1997 inductee into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, who since 1989 has lived in Nashville (or, as the native New Yorker calls it, "music heaven").

"The committed, consciousnessraising individual is how I relate to the '60s. Not the drugs, or taking the easy way out."

No discussion with Cavaliere about hippies and the '60s would be complete without mentioning one of ... the most optimistic anthems of a li stormy decade.

"I worked for the Robert Kennedy (presidential) campaign as a volun-teer," says Cavaliere, "and after he was assassinated (in 1968), I was literally driven to write that song. I went to my partner, (singer) Eddie Brigati, and told him, 'We gotta do this. We have to let people know where we're coming from."

Atlantic Records exec Jerry Wexler didn't want the Rascals to record the song, says Cavaliere. "He asked us, Why would you want to antagonize anyone who might want to buy your record? Stay out of it.' Years and years later, I freaked when the Berlin Wall went down (in 1989) and that song was played on CNN. ... And that song was quoted in Doonesbury this year, too.

"When you make music, once in a 🗠 while you want to put a little meat and potatoes in there," says Cavaliere. 11

Those are the hippies I relate to, people interested in improving the lot of everyone, who think everyone should live in joy, peace and harmony."

Nonfiction taking over: Novels are getting muscled to the side by a brash ingenue

By Kristin Tillotson Minneapolis Star Tribune

MINNEAPOLIS - What's that book next to you on the beach towel, the one spattered with waterproof SPF 45 and iced tea?

Chances are it's a memoir, biography or political screed by someone who thinks the way you do. It used to be assumed that "beach read" meant novel, but not anymore. Fiction may not be dying, but it's certainly getting sand kicked in its face by the truth.

Nonfiction, once relegated to the "good for you, like oatmeal" shelf, has become the kind of fare readers choose for enjoyment.

In this age of declining readership for all sorts of pubany reading is good reading, right? Maybe. But does a de-emphasis of the literary novel still the form of entertainment that requires the most engagement and conjecture on the reader's part - coincide with a devaluation of the imagination? In 2005, "truth was stronger than fiction," said Daisy Maryles, executive editor of Publishers Weekly. "The top nine best-sellers in nonfiction each sold more than a million copies." She cited such "megabooks" as "Natural Cures 'They' Don't Want You to Know About" by Kevin Trudeau (2.7 million copies) and the religious-themed "The Purpose-Driven Life" (2.5 million copies, in its fourth year in print) as helping to spike those figures, and noted that such genre-fiction titans as James Patterson, John Grisham and Patricia

Cornwell also continue to sell the money for traditional more than a million copies of each new hardcover.

"But nonfiction tends to have longer shelf life, especially if the writer has an already-known platform, like Trudeau with his TV infomercials, or Dr. Phil," Maryles said.

"Nonfiction has been trending up over the past several years, especially politically themed books and memoirs," said Bob Wietrak, vice president of marketing for Barnes & Noble. While the success of reality television has spilled over into other leisure activities, Wietrak sees three specific events as driving the shift toward an obsession with the real — the millennial change, the 2000 election and Sept. 11.

Political and current

advertising, almost never get the sort of publicity for fiction that they can get for nonfiction," said New York literary agent Marly Rusoff, whose client list features several Minnesota authors, including memoirist Patricia Hampl and novelist R.D. Zimmerman.

While 65 percent of the books Rusoff represents are fictional, and most of her nonfiction titles are memoirs (which afford more license for embellishment), many of her fellow agents have backed away from fiction because only a small percentage of novels actually earn money: "Even the nonfiction we do tends to be about 60 percent memoir. Even in new-fiction projects, we tend to take on books that have a nonfiction angle, books that we believe book groups will love to discuss. With over a million new books out each year and over 200,000 new novels, it's hard work to break a title out from the pack.

ous," Rusoff said. "People don't browse in the same way they used to. When Oprah began her book club, all of us in publishing were thrilled. The books she selected sold a million copies or more, but buyers would walk in, buy that title only, and walk out, never even stopping to look at another title.'

Charles sees too much weight being given to bestseller lists because consumers are overwhelmed by the sheer volume of books on the shelves.

"The variety of choice makes everyone's eyes glaze over," he said. "So you grab onto a list instead of going on your own search."

In a modern climate that seems to value speed, convenience and prepackaged thrills over mental meandering, perhaps it's not surprising that reality more easily trumps make-believe.



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titles have seen a "doubledigit increase" since the election, Wietrak said, with "about a 50-50 split" in sales of titles by left- and rightleaning authors. After 9711, "people wanted answers to a lot of questions, wondering how we got to this place. Nonfiction brings customers into the store."

He credits two other trends for the boost in nonfiction sales: authors with previously established fame in other arenas, such as Tom Brokaw, and historians and biographers such as David McCullough ("1776") who write in a popular, reader-friendly style.

The media have influenced nonfiction's rise, as well, because nonfiction tends to stir more controversy and lends itself to stories with "hooks."

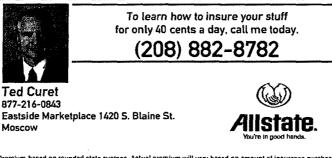
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For many readers, shopping for books has become less whimsical and more like trip to pick up the dry cleaning.

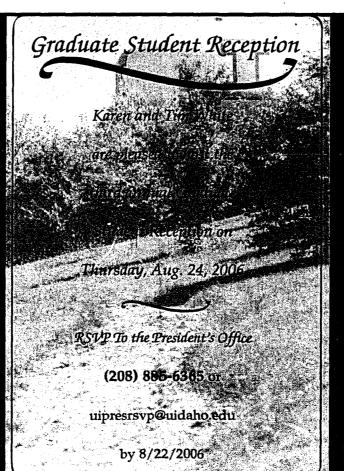
"Superstores have actually made buyers less adventur-

"We all have so little time that part of us feels that the time we spend reading nonfiction is somehow more productive, not 'wasted,'" Rusoff said. "This is a shame; we can learn so much more about the life and the human spirit by and memoir." fiction

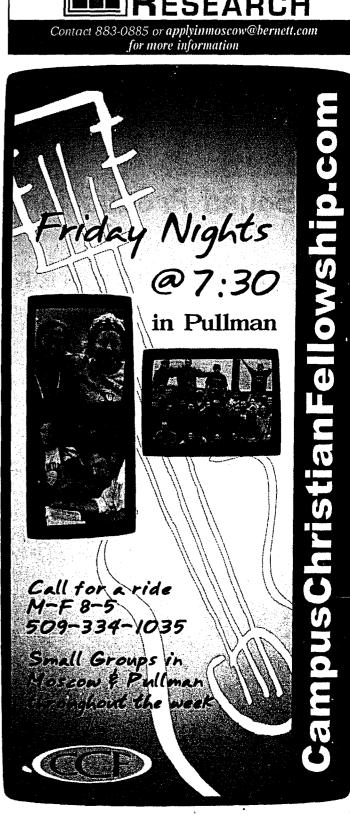


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Drawing people to the com-petition as well as the other events has brought the Palouse into the spotlight.

Hughes said the Lentil Festival has been gaining increasing national recognition.

"It's reached a pretty wide marketing range," Hughes said. "Some food magazines have even picked up on the Lentil Festival." Even a street in Pullman has

been appropriately renamed to fit in with the annual celebration. Visitors who congregate in Reaney Park can take a stroll down Lentil Lane.

"We had it changed and it received national recognition, which is pretty cool," Flansburg said.

Hughes said the festival not only welcomes students back to the university, but also attracts visitors who contribute to the Palouse's economy. "(Being widely published),

the festival attracts about 12 to 13 thousand people who are new to the area and not only

spend money at the festival, but also at local establishments," Hughes said.

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While the publicity has contributed to the festival's continuous success, Flansburg credits the community's involvement and leadership in accomplish-ing this goal. Those involved turn to the community and supporters with gratitude.

"We have great sponsors that community minded," Flansburg said.

For more information on the National Lentil Festival call 800-365-6948 or visit www.lentil fest.com.

Festival schedule

Firing away with tonight's Friday night street fair at 6 p.m., visitors can enjoy the famous free lentil chili, activities for children, live music, vendors and a beer garden for those over 21.

Saturday's hearty lentil pancake breakfast starts the day off. From 8 to 11 a.m.,

children 11 and under can have their fill for \$3, ages 12 and up for \$5. The Pullman Community Orchestra and the Pullman Community Band will provide big-band entertainment during the feast, ensuring that both ears and stomachs are happy. Saturday's lineup includes

athletic events like the Tase T. Lentil 5k fun run/walk at 8 a.m., followed by the Tour de Lentil 100k bike ride at 9 a.m. and a three-on-three basketball tournament at 10 a.m. The grand parade through downtown Pullman starts at Friday, August 18, 2006

11 a.m. and finishes in Reaney Park.

Welcoming parade goers at 11:30 a.m., the live music on the main stage in Reaney Park will include a variety of artists such as Occasional String Band, The Jumpers and Dynamik. Visitors can stop by the lentil gallery, arts and crafts fair and a boards and blades competition at the skate park, while legal eagles can swoop by the microbrewery tasting tent to try six local brews between noon and 5 p.m.

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summer blockbuster that will take a big, nasty bite out of your butt. Do as I say and you live. You don't want to mess with me on this one, because I will come after you, you hear me?'

Oh. Right. "Snakes on a Plane.'

The voice was that of Samuel L. Jackson, the star of a film that is already the biggest camp blockbuster in history, even before it hit theaters. I'd heard about the movie (endlessly) from entertainment magazines and the Argonaut's former movie reviewer, Tyler Wilson.

"Snakes on a Plane" hasn't received so much attention merely for its kooky name or star — it's become the center of a pop-culture maelstrom because the folks at New Line Pictures are marketing geniuses

The first good move was indulging Jackson's demands and retaining the title "Snakes on a Plane" instead of going with something more serious. The second was listening to rabid fanboys who set up Web sites based on the title and speculation alone.

According to the Internet Movie Database, the attention led New Line to do a five-day re-shoot in March to include scenes and lines suggested on fansites.

But this Samuel L. Jackson on my cell phone thing was entirely new.

After returning to civiliza-

tion and high-speed Internet, I did a little research about the mysterious message. Turns out New Line made a deal with VariTalk, an "audio solutions" company. People who visit snakesonaplane .varitalk.com can personalize and send phone and e-mail messages to their friends advertising "Snakes." (After a brief search, I discovered the culprit behind my message was Ryli Hennessey, the Argonaut's arts editor. Thanks, dude!) This ingenious campaign has already proven its worth — VariTalk reported 100,000 messages. sent in the first 24 hours.

So was my strange moment with Samuel L. a preview of things to come? New Line has already set precedents in fan/filmmaker collaboration, and may very well popularize this new way of advertising.

Imagine answering your phone and discovering that your brother recommends Pepsi, your best friend loves Mac computers or your doctor advises getting a prescription for Claritin. Any company could set up a Web site like VariTalk's allowing pitches to be sent straight to your waiting ear.

Ingenious? Yes. Bad news for a society that's already overwhelmed by advertising? Heck yeah.

If I come home from next year's camping trip to find an ad for "Snakes on a Plane 2: Snakes in a Minivan," I'll be paraphrasing Jackson's iconic 'Snakes" line: "Get these *@#&@) ads off my !@#(%&#@ phone.

Stretching out: Everyone loves a good futon

By Angie Vo Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

College kids and condo dwellers often make strange bedfellows, but a futon just may be the common ground.

Óriginally thought of as a sort of poor man's couch, futons are making quite an impact in the home furnishings industry.

Once used almost exclusively by dorm and first-apartment dwellers, futons are increasingly showing up in condomini-ums and single-family homes in guest rooms, TV rooms and even living rooms as alternatives to sleeper sofas.

In some cases, they are being purchased as primary beds or couches. And purchases are being made by an older demographic than ever.

According to the Futon Association International, which represents futon retailers, industry sales are more than \$890 million a year, and are growing.

The association's most recent survey, in 2003, showed that 31 percent of futon buyers were 31 to 40, with 21- to 30-year-olds the second-largest group with 27 percent of buyers.

Another source of statistics, Futon Life, an on-line specialty publication at www.futonlife.com, reports that in 2004, 57 percent were between 35 and 60; 42 percent were 35 and younger.

Erik Radloff, store manager of Brady Street Futons in Milwaukee, says there is no "typical" futon customer anymore.

"The young, old, all sorts of people are buying futons," he says

But the sofa-bed allure of a futon still calls loudly to young adults, especially at this time of year when students anticipate going off to college or moving to apartments.

Just as there isn't one type of person looking for a futon, futons themselves have diversified. Varieties include frontloading or regular types, with frames of wood or metal, in styles that hug the floor or rise above. Mattresses can be stuffed with cotton, foam, polyester, springs, or a combination of the four. Covers can be of washable cotton, denim, fabric blends or even leather.

Here are some questions to consider when purchasing the convertible couch:

What kind of mattress do I want?

"The quality of mattress will mostly determine your overall futon experience," Radloff says.

Ben Huth, owner of PM Bedroom Gallery, has a futon in his living room that does double duty for guests. "It is used several times a year as a spare bed when I have family down from back home," says Huth.

To me, bar none, the most important thing to look at when purchasing a new futon is the quality and comfort of the mattress," he says. "This is really the place where a lot of customers get taken advantage of. They buy a thick futon mattress and expect it to feel good for a long

time to come and it becomes a hard lumpy nightmare after a short period of time."

At PM Bedroom Gallery, the futon mattresses come with natural cotton batting, springs or high density foams, and one model is available with temperature-sensitive memory foam. At Brady Street Futons, cus-

tomers can pick the components of their mattress filling and have it made in the basement workroom. Radloff says that 95 percent of mattresses in the store are made on-site and can be made to a customer's specified dimensions as well.

At Great Lakes Futon, president Japh Komassa says the best-selling mattress is a combination of fiber and foam or fiber, foam and cotton.

What kind of frame do I want?

"In purchasing a futon, you want to find a frame that works easily when you convert it from a sofa to the bed," says Huth. A front-loading frame allows the user to move the futon mattress from its up and down positions by standing in front, whereas a traditional futon frame requires a person to move around to get the mattress in a different position after pulling the frame away from the wall.

"I don't know if there are any disadvantages of metal vs. wood," says Komassa, who sleeps on a futon mattress and also has a futon sofa in his home. "Wood is probably more long-lasting in style, as metal tends to be more contemporary," he says, adding the metal frames are more popular with his college-aged customers, whereas home owners and young adults tend to opt for wood frames.

What can I expect to pay?

In the end, it seems quality and comfort are the kings of the futon world.

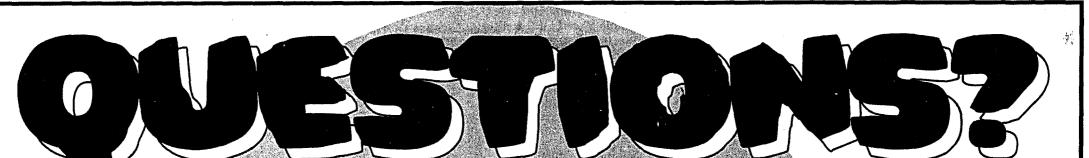
People are willing to spend more to get a better quality and more comfortable futon," says Huth. "Obviously buying a better frame means it will last longer and hold up better to the rigors of time. Buying a better mattress will give more comfort that will last longer than lesser quality."

Nationally, 65 percent of futons cost \$450 or more, with 13 percent ranging from \$250 to \$350 and 15 percent ranging from \$350 to \$450, according to Futon Life.

The best-selling, most eco-nomical futon at PM Bedroom Gallery is the Blakely, a fullsized frame made of birch wood. It sells for \$228. The mattresses at the store range from \$114 to \$764. At Great Lakes Futon, mattress prices range from \$149 to \$369.

At Brady Street Futons, the most popular model is the Virginia set, with a wood frame, foam core mattress and solid-colored, removable cover. It is on sale for \$419 through September.

Be sure to ask about delivery and setup charges, which may be extra.



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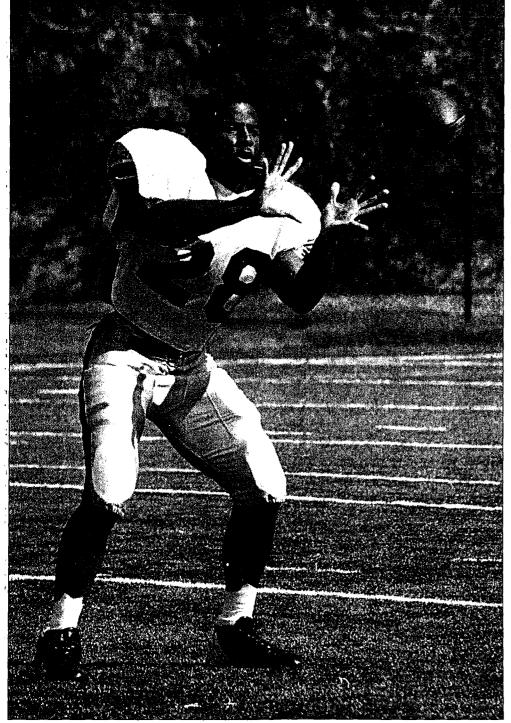
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Melissa Davlin/Argonaut Freshman running back Devon Sturdivant catches the ball during practice under new coach Dennis Erickson on Thursday afternoon in front of the Kibbie Dome.

Erickson seeks new kicker, physical game

Coaches sculpting multifaceted offense and looking to replace Barrow

By Alec Lawton Argonaut

The Vandal football team will be emphasizing a physically aggressive program this year, which will result in a much more diverse offensive strategy, University of Idaho football coach Dennis Erickson told reporters Friday.

"It's very important that we build a physical team," Erickson said, "and we're going to do it." Erickson explained that the high impact drills and daily

scrimmages his staff has been conducting in fall camp will primarily bolster the Vandal running game. He said this has been a weak point in the past but that the Vandals will run a balanced offense.

"We didn't run the ball well last year and that left us impotent," Erickson said, "but you don't need to run 200 yards every game."

The early efforts to improve the running game were apparent in the team's first scrimmage last Saturday, when the Vandal offense overpowered the defense. While the fans lining the sidelines expressed satisfaction at seeing such a strong offensive showing, particularly in completed passes, Erickson

said it is a no-win situation ticularly shallow, and that severfor him.

"On the other side of the coin, that's the worst we've looked on defense since I've been here. It was not good," Erickson said. "That's something that can't happen. Whatever it was, we have to get it corrected because you can't play defense like that and win."

Junior linebacker David Vobora expressed bewilderment over the defensive performance, which seemed

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Dennis Erickson

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to be a com-"We didn't run the pletely different team ball well last year than the determined, hard-hitting squad fan saw in previous camp practices.

"To be real honest," he said, "from the get go, we came out flat. It showed all

day on the field. All the way across the board - the line, the linebackers, the secondary. We didn't tackle real well. To be honest, the effort just wasn't there. It's the 11th practice of camp, maybe our legs are dead, maybe we're tired. That's no excuse. You come to play on scrimmage day."

Erickson also addressed the depth of the football team, saying that the defensive line is par- under pressure."

al freshmen will be getting play time.

In addition to running fall camp, Vandal coaches are scrambling to find a replacement kick-er after senior Mike Barrow sustained a season-ending knee injury while playing basketball at home over the summer.

Barrow was a first-team all-Western Athletic Conference selection in 2005 and a preseason selection by the Sporting News this season.

LukeHardwick, who Vandal fans recognize may from last season, is not under consideration for the position and will not be joining the team until after camp.

"We think he could use some work," Erickson said, "We're considering him for next year."

This leaves three candidates

in contention for the starting position: sophomore Tino Amancio, sophomore Matt Gregg and junior Vincente Rico. Erickson is taking advantage of grueling two-a-day practices to

synthesize game day pressure. "We kick for sprints at the end of each practice," Erickson said. "If they miss, everybody runs. If they make it, we don't. want them to put

TENNIS New tennis coach revamps program

Staff report

Vandal tennis will have a new face became the men's assistant coach and be successful." this year with the instatement of later the head men's coach at the

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Beaman, who reported to UI for an

orientation meeting Monday, is a 2000 graduate of Alabama A&M



coach Jeff Beaman, according to University of Idaho Director of Athletics Rob Spear, who announced ethe hire Aug. 9.

Beaman impressed a UI hiring committee with his experience as an fasset to developing programs. Most Frecently Beaman served as assistant "men's tennis coach for one season at Texas Christian University, which won the 2006 Mountain West Conference championship and radvanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. Two TCU play-Fers earned All-American status in 2006.

Prior to TCU, Beaman guided the men's and women's programs at

College of Santa Fe. He left Santa Fe gram was also a factor in Beaman's decifor the assistant's

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University where he earned his bachelor's degree in Physical Education. He graduated summa cum laude and was the Tennis Scholar Athlete of the Year in 1997-98 and 1998-99. Beaman will take over for Katrina Perlman, who had coached at UI

Perlman is a former Vandal tennis player who played at the No. 1 spot in both singles and doubles and was a first-team All-Big West selection her final year. She served as the assistant women's coach in 2000-01, accepted a position as interim men's coach in 2003 and became the men's and women's head coach in 2004.

Courtesy photo New UI tennis coach Jeff Beaman

WOMEN'S SOCCER Showler looks for team cohesion in preseason

By Mackenzie Stone Argonaut

For such a young team, field experience and team cohesion will be the biggest challenges this season for the University of Idaho women's "soccer team.

"They look pretty good for being on the

young side," UI soccer coach Pete Showler said. "The girls gel together well, their work is high. I am

While he is satisfied at this point in the season, Showler is looking for some-Ithing more durable than a flittle gel to hold his together as the ^{*}team season advances.

With 12 new players and only four seniors on a 25person team, Showler hopes the preseason scrimmages

and practices will prepare the players for the season.

"They are going to have a little inexperience but we are playing a well-organized game (with) organized coaches," Showler said.

Showler scheduled two preseason scrimmages to prepare the players for the regular season schedule, which often includes two games in three days.

"The new players are finding out what I expect and putting it into play," Showler said. "They are learning a new coaching style and

how to develop within it." The Vandals' first home match will be an alumni scrimmage at 1:30 p.m. Saturday on the Sprinturf field in front of the Kibbie Dome.

"It's going to be a sharp learning curve for them but they are going to get better and better as the season goes," Showler said.

Showler's four returning seniors are mainly defenders with the excep-

tion of forward Jenny Springer. The other three seniors are Morgan Bunday, Eija Hodgin and Megan Dunn. Last year the team's record was 3-16-0 with a seventh place conference finish. Showler's recruiting roster consists of three transfers and nine players with high school experience. Although Showler hasn't

chosen any go-to players this year, he coaches with emphasis on the an

team's performance. "I don't like to single players out," Showler said. "I stress the emphasis on the team. I will (point out) individual things but focus on the team."

The team is ranked seventh in the Western Athletic Conference preseason polls, and Showler scheduled difficult conference and non-conference games to develop the team. Idaho will go up against four 2005 NCAA Tournament teams, including three that ranked in the top 25.

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Returning senior Morgan Bunday, No. 12, races for the ball during the Aug. 21, 2005 game against Central Washington State at Guy Wicks Field in a preseason scrimmage.

The Vandals are scheduled to open the regular season with two games on the road against Pepperdine (No. 16) followed by Cal State Fullerton (No. 11) on Aug. 25 and 27 in California. The team is scheduled for seven

home games this season, four of which are conference teams.

"I want to develop as a team," Showler said. "The experience this season will be good for the future."

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Sports BRIEFS

Jason Guiffre earns WAC award

University of Idaho senior Iason Guiffre was chosen as one of the recipients of the Western Athletic Conference's Stan Bates Award, which is given annually to the male and female studentathletes who are deemed most outstanding in a vote of the league's NCAA Faculty Athletic Representatives.

Guiffre is a four-year letter winner for the Idaho track and field program. He is a threetime all-Big West Conference selection and one-time all-WAC selection. He was a member of the 4x400 relay teams that placed first and third at Big West Championships events, second at the 2006 WAC Outdoor Championships and seventh at the 2004 NCAA Regionals. Additionally, Guiffre has placed in the top five in the 400-meter dash during individual competition at various Big West and WAC Championship events.

Guiffre is a mechanical engineering major expected to graduate in December 2006. He currently has a 3.77 GPA and is a three-time All-Academic Big West Team member and a 2006 WAC All-Academic Team member.

He is a three-year member of the UI Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) and has volunteered at the Palouse Habitat for Humanity and the American Red Cross. He is the son of Jim and Jean Guiffre and has two siblings, Jess and Jolie.

The award includes a \$2,000 postgraduate scholarship.

Larsen earns preseason all-WAC honors

University of Idaho sophomore Haley Larsen earned a spot on the all-WAC preseason volleyball team, as voted on by the nine Western Athletic Conference coaches.

Larsen, outside hitter, was named second-team all-WAC and was an all-freshman team selection last season.

All-American Hawai'i Kanoe Kamana'o was named 2006 WAC Preseason Player of the Year. The Rainbow Wahine senior setter was the 2004 and 2005 WAC Player of the Year.

Hawai'i led the way placing five on the 12-player team. Along with Kamana'o, senior Sarah Mason and junior Juliana Sanders earned preseason honors. The three were

in 2005. Also earning honors were junior Tara Hittle and sophomore Jamie Houston, who were both second-team all-WAC honorees in 2005. Boise State senior Cameron

Flunder was the Broncos' only honoree.

Friesz inducted into CFF Hall of Fame

Former Vandal quarterback John Friesz was inducted into the College Football Foundation Hall of Fame Saturday in South Bend, Ind., with 19 other players.

He was awarded under the 2006 Divisional Enshrinement Class for his play at the University of Idaho from 1986-1989. Friesz was the first player from UI to be inducted into the hall of fame.

During his play at Idaho, he nearly broke all school records and twice led the nation in passing. Friesz was drafted into the NFL in 1990 and played with four teams over 10 years.

Kennelly wins steeplechase at **Canadian** Nationals

University of Idaho senior Bevin Kennelly won the steeplechase at the Canadian National Track and Field Championships Aug. 4. At the same meet, Idaho graduate Angela Whyte won three silvers. Whyte ran 12.69 in the 100m hurdles losing only to 2003 World Champion Perdita Felicien. Whyte's effort was the 10th fastest time in the world. She also finished second in both the 400m hurdles and the 200m.

Day Saturday

The annual "Vandal Community Day" celebration for the north Idaho area and Vandal Athletics is scheduled

match at 10 a.m. in Memorial Gym, a Vandal women's soccer scrimmage at 1:30 p.m. and Vandal football at 4 p.m. on the Sprinturf field east of the Kibbie Dome.

The back-to-school celebration from noon to 2 p.m. on the Kibbie Dome fields includes participation by Vandal sports teams, coaches and department leadership. The event includes complimentary hot dogs, Pepsi soft drinks, door prizes and drawings. It is a joint venture of the University

first-team all-WAC selections of Idaho Alumni Office and Vandal Athletic Department.

The day's activities are free of charge and designed for fam-ily participation. Autographs and photos with Vandal student-athletes will be available.

Men's basketball signs two players

The University of Idaho men's basketball team bolstered its roster with the additions of Sebastian Taulbee and David Jackson, both of whom signed financial aid agreements to attend Idaho and play basketball for the Vandals in the winter.

Taulbee, a 6-10, 255-pound center, comes to Idaho as a junior from the City College of San Francisco. He averaged 8.0 points and 7.0 rebounds during his sophomore season at CCSF and helped his team to a 30-4 overall record and a State Final Four appearance.

"We are looking for Sebastian to really come in and impact our program," Idaho coach George Pfeifer said. "We were obviously in need of someone of not only his height and athleticism, but also his thickness. He loves the weight room and he has got a tremendous jumping ability. He has good hands and he is very strong and aggressive.

"He has had a career that has been plagued by injury, but — knock on wood — if he can get through the season without those injuries popping up, we are expecting big things from him."

Jackson is a 6-8, 200-pound forward from Rincon High School at Tucson, Ariz., where he averaged 17.9 points, 9.6 rebounds and 2.9 assists. He also tallied 108 blocks (3.9 per game) which was the most in the state of Arizona during the prep season. Additionally, he shot 57 percent from the floor and 82 percent from the free throw line.

Jackson was also named to the All-Arizona Informant Super 10.

During his senior season, Jackson tallied 13 20-plus scoring games and 15 double-digit rebound contests, while also garnering 14 double-doubles as his team compiled a 23-8 mark.

"We are really excited about David," Pfeifer said. "He is long and athletic and he can run and jump. He brings a lot to the table with his inside-outside ability. His upside is very big and his body is built where he can put on more weight. Some other programs tried to get him committed and signed so we feel very blessed we were able to get him here."

Riley, Glover share PGA lead after first round

By Mark Whicker The Orange County Register

MEDINAH, Ill. -Raising two children fills Chris Riley's heart. It also raises his golf scores.

The San Diegan has done virtually nothing since he made the 2004 Ryder Cup team. He's 160th on the PGA Tour money list, and only the Top125 keep their cards.

Riley, 32, tried to break the impasse between family and business Thursday, with birdies on all four par-5s at Medinah. He shot 6-under-par 66, with 23 putts and a chip-in, to tie Lucas Glover for the first-round lead in the PGA Championship.

Billy Andrade, who was the seventh alternate and just got into the field Tuesday, was next at 67. Six players were at 4-under, and Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson each shot 3-under as they played together.

Negligible winds and relatively flat and soft greens unleashed the hungry field, and 60 players broke par-72. Possible thunderstorms today would keep the course absorbent, unlike Baltusrol last year, when Mickelson shot 4 under to win.

Riley posted only one Top25 finish in '05 and ranked 168th on the money list, holding an exemption only because he was on the Ryder squad. He was 23rd in '02 and '03. This year Riley's best finish is a 17th at Colonial.

Motivation has been an issue since Taylor Lynn came along in '04 and a second daughter, Rose, arrived in June.

'Golf hasn't been as important for me," Riley said. "I haven't wanted to travel much. For the last year I'm going through the motions. Up until you're 30, and you're not married, life's great out here. You get the courtesy cars, you get a nice check and you move on the next week. Now I look at it differently."

Riley also was scarred by the Ryder Cup experience, when the U.S. was blown out and captain Hal Sutton told the media Riley had told him he was too fatigued to play the Saturday afternoon fourball. Riley became an unwitting symbol for the Americans' lack of commitment.

"I had the baby the week before that, and, as everybody knows, you don't get much sleep," Riley said. "So all I said was that I'd go, but I was a little tired. Overall it was the best experience I've ever had.

'I do wish people would do an article on having kids on Tour. I should get a nanny, but I'm not there yet. My wife (Michelle) has been great, but you have to get to the airport three hours early, and with the diapers and bottles, the travel days are tiring. I've tried the private jet thing, but that's \$25,000 out of my pocket before I even start.

"It was too easy to be negative. You've got a



Phil Velasquez/Chicago Tribune Lucas Glover makes a birdie on the 18th hole during the first round of the 88th PGA Championship at Medinah Country Club.

1-year-old screaming in the hotel room, you wonder if it's your fault."

Riley has made more than \$8 million during his career.

"Maybe I'll have my wife pay for the jet and I won't know how much it costs," Riley said, laughing. "But when you play golf and go back and watch TV in the hotel, you say, is it really worth it?"

Glover, bidding for a Ryder Cup spot, hit 16 greens in regulation and had eight birdies on the 7,561-yard course.

"It's not playing that long because so much of that yardage is in the par-5s and par-3s," Glover said. "A lot of the par-4s, you land it on a downslope and you have a short iron coming in."

"The course is very benign," Woods said. "Most guys will shoot under par if they're playing well.

Woods had two birdies, a par and a bogey on the par-5s, and Mickelson got his 69 despite missing nine of 14 fairways. Geoff Oglivy played with them and also shot 3 under.

"Phil has a game I haven't seen before," Ogilvy said. "He hits it into crazy places but he knows how to extricate himself. They have the two best short games on the Tour."



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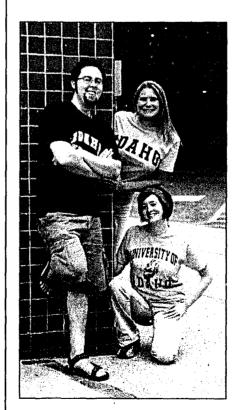
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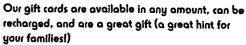
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What a tangled web they weave when athletes first try to deceive

By Elliott Almond and Mark Emmons San Jose Mercury News

SAN JOSE, Calif. - Two sad realities of the modern sports world:

1. Elite athletes are going to be caught using

performance-enhancing substances. 2. Many of those nabbed will present elaborate, and implausible, explanations of why they are innocent of cheating.

After Olympic sprint champion Justin Gatlin tested positive for testosterone, his coach claimed sabotage by a massage therapist. Tour de France winner Floyd Landis suggested numerous possible reasons he failed a drug test, including a beer and Jack Daniel's excuse.

These are just the latest in a long history of test-failing sports figures offering defenses that stretch credibility - from excessive sex to dark conspiracy theories to accidentally eating performance-enhanced pigeons.

"Athletes always have been creative," Olympic historian David Wallechinsky said. 'There have been some great ones, but I've always liked the steroids in the toothpaste."

That was German runner Dieter Baumann's rationale for his 1999 positive test for the steroid nandrolone.*It didn't wash with track officials who gave him a two-year ban.

The validity of Gatlin's and Landis' claims remains to be seen. But sports fans have become conditioned to expect denials of wrongdoing. And the more involved the excuse, the more confused people are about whom to believe. Athletes have come to be seen as a sort of Liar's Club.

"It's a can't-win situation because the public wants the athlete to come out and explain; and then when they explain they get lambasted for their explanations," said Howard Jacobs, the attorney for Landis who also has represented cyclist Tyler Hamilton, sprinter Tim Montgomery and skeleton racer Zach Lund.

Added Jacobs: "Some of the excuses that sound the most preposterous may be the most legitimate."

There were guffaws when Lund said his positive test earlier this year for the masking agent finasteride was because of anti-balding medication. But the Court of Arbitration for Sport ruled it was "entirely satisfied that Mr. Lund was not a cheat" - although it upheld his ban from the Turin Olympics.

automatically say you are guilty," Lund said last week. "I used to be the exact same way." ed a cheat. "Often if they're breaking the rules, they've When I saw it on the news, I'd say, 'Oh, another cheating athlete.' "Until it happened to me."

Alibis have been around as long as drug testing. Rule No.1 when faced with a positive test is deny, deny, deny --- often expressing a mixture of bafflement and indignation.

That's why U.S. shot putter C.J. Hunter was mocked in 2000 when he and then-little-known nutritionist Victor Conte Jr. suggested his positive steroids test was the result of tainted iron supplements.

"Athletes always say, 'It's not possible,' followed by, 'There must be some mistake in the sample,' followed by, 'I must have got it from the toilet seat,' followed by, 'Here's a writ for \$12 million from my lawyer," Dick Pound, chairman of the World Anti-Doping Agency, said at the time.

So why would athletes concoct stories that sound patently absurd? Because they often have been given credence.

Remember Baumann, who claimed tampered toothpaste? Police did find two tubes laced with nandrolone and investigated whether he had been framed. But Baumann, considered the "Mr. Clean" of German sports, still was banned.

When English bobsledder Lenny Paul said his 1997 positive test resulted from eating spaghetti Bolognese that contained meat from steroid-injected cattle, he was cleared. U.S. track officials believed explanations for failed testosterone tests by sprinter Dennis Mitchell (from beer and sex) and distance runner Mary Decker Slaney (her menstrual cycle and birth control pills.)

But those defenses were discounted by international track officials, who banned both.

Accounts such as Mitchell's leave athletes open to public humiliation. Snickering often follows excuses such as snowboarder Ross Rebagliati blaming a positive marijuana test on second-hand smoke.

And although Mark McGwire and Barry Bonds have never failed drug tests, their positions on possible steroid use - McGwire's "I'm not here to talk about the past" and Bonds' claim he thought he was using flaxseed oil -- have become pop culture punch lines.

Wallechinsky said desperation leads to jus-"Whenever there is a positive test, people tification. Looking the fool beats being brand-

spent years convincing themselves that they're not cheating," Wallechinsky said. "When they get caught, they're shocked because they think they're doing nothing wrong — even if that may seem bizarre to those of us on the outside."

Another common reaction: Nefarious forces are out to get them. Popular American icon Lance Armstrong has batted down repeated drug-use allegations, in part by suggesting that people — including the French, drug testers and some media members - are fixat-

ed on bringing him down. But John Hoberman, a University of Texas professor who has written extensively on dop-ing, puts athletes' attitudes

toward drugs in different

terms: They feel entitled. "Athletes believe doping is simply what you do and that it's no different than wondering why steel work-ers should feel guilty about putting on gloves and a hel-

met," Hoberman said. "It's just part of their job." But they also are finding it more difficult to explain away their positive tests because the science has improved. Don Catlin, chief

of UCLA's Olympic drug-testing laboratory, said assorted claims to account for irregular testosterone results now are summarily dismissed because "everything has been discounted." There's no explanation other than cheating.

Also the regulations have become more hard-line as rules of "strict liability" are enforced. Simply put, athletes are responsible for whatever is in their bodies.

Lund was sanctioned for using an anti-balding medication he had taken for six years but, unknown to him, had been put on the banned list in 2005. He spent his savings and money from his parents trying in vain to clear his name.

Now he finds himself, in the wake of Gatlin and Landis scandals, on David Letterman-style top 10 lists of wacky excuses. He's included with the likes of Dutch cyclist Adri van der Poel. He's the guy who reportedly said his positive strychnine test was linked to eating

pigeon pie made from his father-in-law's performance-enhanced racing birds.

"So many people cry" and say "'I had spaghetti, beers, too much sex the night before," Lund said. "These are lame excuses, but there are athletes out there who did make honest mistakes."

Yet Lund, of Salt Lake City, understands the doubters. He has spoken with cyclist Hamilton, who claimed his positive test for blood doping was caused by an unborn twin who died in his mother's womb.

"Even I had a hard time distinguishing if he is telling the truth or not," Lund said. "He seems like a really genuine guy and I would love to believe him, but I'm skeptical at the same time."

Now, Landis and Gatlin have been the subjects of some ridicule as they've struggled to explain their positive tests. Both have backpedaled some in the past week.

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Gatlin's lawyer said the sprinter hasn't claimed sabotage by the masseur; that was only the opinion of his controversial coach, Trevor Graham.

Landis went on a media blitz to undo damage done when multiple reasons were

floated by him and his representatives about why he failed a drug test. They included drinking beer and whiskey, dehydration, cortisone shots for his degenerating hip, thyroid medication and his natural metabolism. But even Landis felt the number of potential causes was, well, outlandish.

"I've been catching a lot of grief in the press: 'Floyd has a new excuse, a new reason for what happened,'" Landis told USA Today. "This is a situation where I'm forced to defend myself in the media."

But athletes usually have their stories, and they stick to them. Hoberman said he is struck by how few ever ultimately accept responsibility for their actions and utter the words "I did it."

"There's very little repentance, very few serious apologies or moral humility," he said. "If there is, what they're really saying is: 'I'm sorry I got caught."

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