

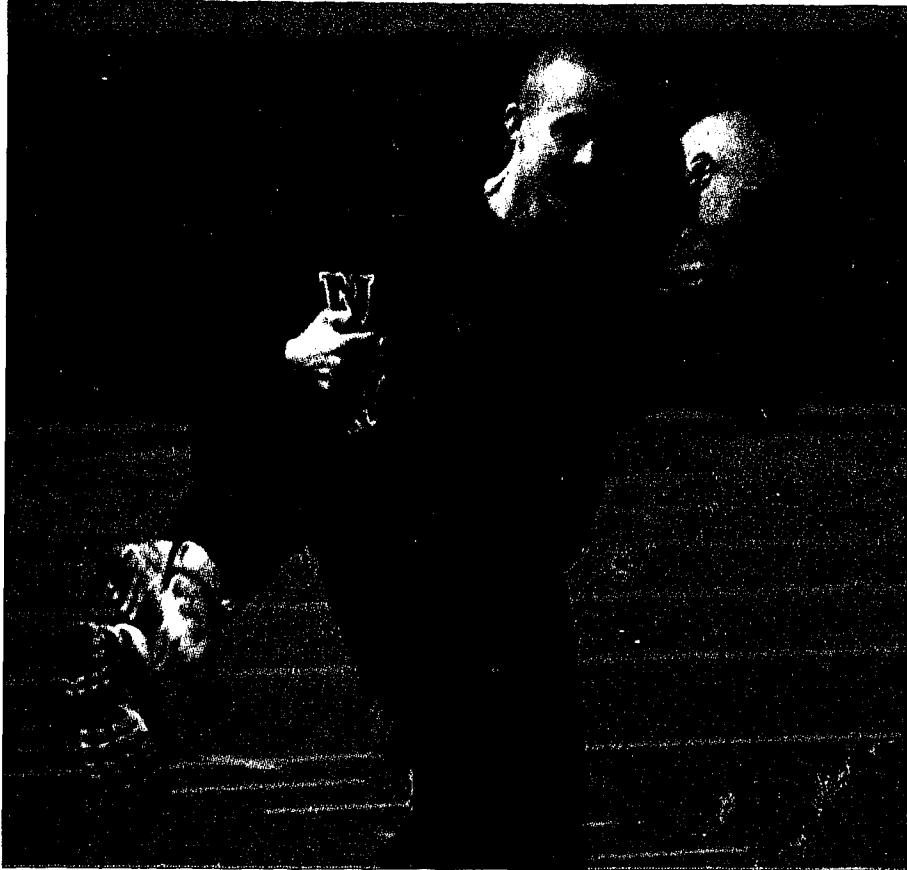
# THE ARGONAUT

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## Stories from the skies of Iraq



By Caitlin Rice  
Argonaut

The word "veteran" often conjures up images of decorated generals and lieutenants. Not so often does anyone imagine a 20-something-year-old with a backpack.

Jeremy Watson, 29, is currently studying sociology and justice studies at the University of Idaho and is a student in the Navy ROTC program.

Two years ago he was flying over Iraq in an EP3E—a four-engine signal intelligence reconnaissance aircraft. The plane carries no weaponry.

Sitting in the back of the dark plane, Watson said, his squadron focused on the mission. If the plane suddenly jerked, he knew they were under enemy fire. But after a split second of fear, he said, no one was concerned.

"They weren't really a good shot at all," Watson said. "We never really felt threatened by it."

Watson said there were a few countermeasures the aircraft could engage in.

"Just turn," he said. "Left or right and go up or down."

But he and his comrades felt secure because of the fighter aircraft that kept within a 100-mile radius at all times,

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### in recognition of **VETERANS DAY**

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation in 1954 to change the name to Veterans Day as a way to honor those who served in all American wars.

#### By the numbers

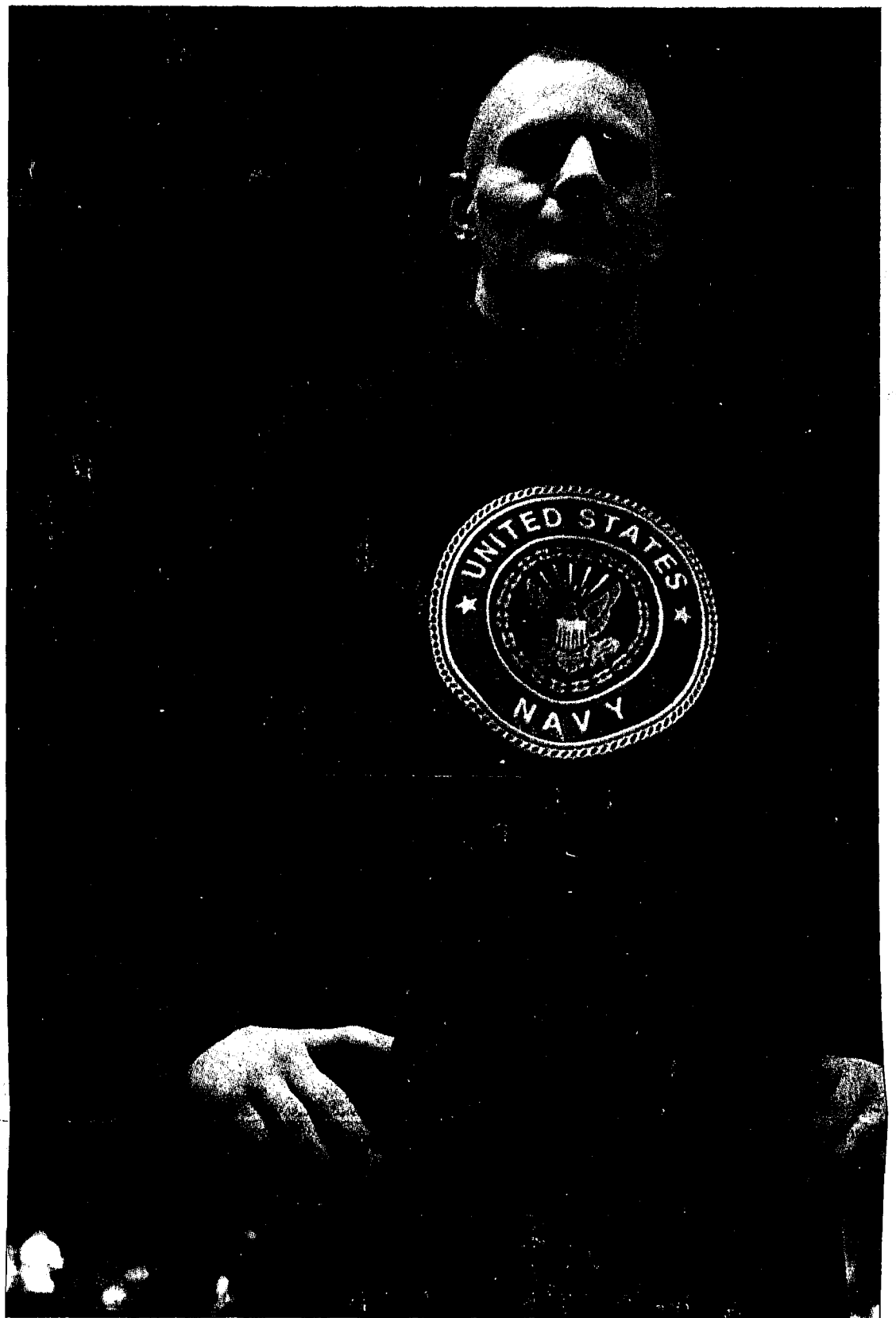
**24.5 million**  
The number of military veterans in the United States in 2004

**1.7 million**  
The number of female veterans in 2004

**11.3 million**  
Number of veterans ages 18 to 64 in the labor force in 2005

**9.5 million**  
The number of veterans age 65 or older in 2004.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau



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(above right) Petty Officer 2nd Class Jeremy Watson takes a break during Navy physical training Thursday morning at the Kibbie Dome. (above-left) Watson is carried by Midshipman Nicholas Anderson during a Navy ROTC relay race.

## Election brings no surprises

By Savannah Cummings  
Argonaut

In a night of general defeat, Republicans tasted victory in Idaho after voters elected all-Republican candidates to state office.

Voters elected C.L. "Butch" Otter to be the new governor with 52.65 percent of the vote. Republican candidate Bill Sali won a close race against Democrat Larry Grant for the First District seat in the House of Representatives, winning by 11,930 votes.

Despite his victory, Sali will take his seat in Congress as part of the minority party. Republicans suffered great losses nationwide as the Democrats gained 29 seats in the House and five seats in the Senate, claiming majority in Congress.

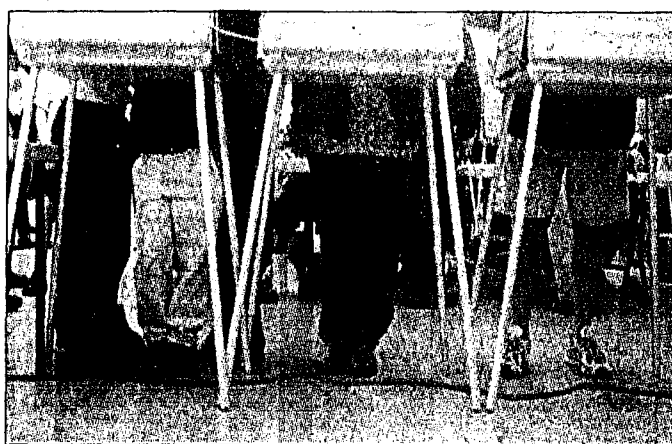
In the wake of victory, Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.), soon to be Speaker of the House and third in line for the presidency, announced an aggressive agenda for the "First 100 Hours" of the Democrat-powered Congress. Among her plans are raising the min-

imum wage to \$7.25, implementing all recommendations of the nonpartisan 9/11 committee, cutting subsidies to oil companies and lowering the interest rate on student loans.

While her plans are ambitious, said Donald Crowley, chair of the University of Idaho political science department and the Bureau of Public Affairs Research, she may have a tough time with some of them, considering that President George W. Bush still holds the power of veto against anything passed by Congress.

"Some things may happen very quickly," Crowley said, noting that he thinks Bush may very likely sign the increase in minimum wage. He said that while the American people obviously want change in Washington, D.C., he doesn't expect to see any major policy changes, especially in Iraq.

Democrats across the country are stating that there will now be a dramatic shift in policy, both foreign and domestic. The resignation of Donald Rumsfeld, secretary



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Voters fill out their ballots at the Latah County Fairgrounds Tuesday afternoon.

of defense, in the wake of the Democratic victory would seem to be a good omen. But Crowley said that this late in the game, it is unlikely that the Bush administration will enact a dramatic change in foreign policy. Bush's nominee for the position, Robert Gates, former director of the CIA under the first President Bush, is a conservative.

"Gates doesn't represent any major changes," Crowley said. "Gates is fairly clearly

tied to that wing of the Republican party."

Student political leaders at UI are optimistic for the changes the new Congress may bring.

"We're really excited," said Audrey Mattoon, president of the College Democrats. "We took two dozen seats without losing a single one in the House. I'm

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## No leads in student robbery, knife attack

By Hartley Riedner  
Argonaut

Although police have no solid leads on the culprit of the attack that occurred last week in the Engineering/Physics Building, students say they feel relatively safe.

"I feel safe in those buildings," said Marie Stark, a junior biological systems engineering major. "There's usually a lot of people around."

On Nov. 2, a University of Idaho graduate engineering student was victim of a robbery and knife attack by an unidentified suspect in a basement bathroom in the Engineering/Physics Building. The suspect was described as a white male, 5 feet 10 inches tall and 160-170 pounds, wearing a black sweatshirt with "Idaho" in silver lettering, dark jeans and black shoes. The victim was taken to Gritman Medical Center and is now in good health.

Lt. Paul Kwiatkowski of the Moscow Police Department said the police are actively investigating the incident, but have nothing to report at this time. The

police have received several tips, he said, but "haven't gotten any really good leads from anybody."

Randall Storms, a senior mechanical engineering major, was in the building for an advising appointment when the attack took place. "I was pretty amazed and appalled that it actually occurred," he said.

Stark and Storms said that the incident was not really discussed in their engineering classes.

"My teacher just said, 'Be careful when you go to the bathroom,'" Stark said.

ASUI Vice President Travis Shofner said he has heard students concerned that a similar incident could take place.

"I've heard students say that they never thought that could happen here," Shofner said.

Stark said she did not think the incident was unique to the engineering department. "It could happen in any college, in any building."

Storms is not concerned that there will be a repeat of the incident.

"It was probably just a one-time thing."

Stark agreed. "Hopefully it won't happen again," she said.

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#### ARTS&CULTURE

The Native American Students Association hosts the Tubkinmepu Powwow at Memorial Gym Saturday.

#### OPINION

The editorial board discusses the plan to cut the Moscow-Pullman bus and Frank examines recent news headlines.

#### SPORTS&REC

UI men's basketball heads to Memorial Gym tonight and tailgating may change next year.



### ON the WEB

Watch the site over the next couple weeks for a new food blog at

[www.uiargonaut.com](http://www.uiargonaut.com)

**WeatherFORECAST**

<b>Today</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
Windy Hi: 42° Lo: 35°	Rain/Snow Hi: 42° Lo: 35°	Rain/Snow Hi: 41° Lo: 36°

Visit the Argonaut's blogs at [www.uiargonaut.com/blog](http://www.uiargonaut.com/blog)

**Campus Recreation**  
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885-PLAY

**SRC Fall Break Hours**

NOVEMBER 2006						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
						18 Noon-6pm
19 Noon-6pm	20 11am-8pm	21 11am-8pm	22 11am-6pm	23 CLOSED	24 CLOSED	25 Noon-6pm
26 11am-11pm	Normal Hours Resume					

**SRC Giving Tree**

The SRC has partnered with "Christmas for Kids" to sponsor 10 local children. Please help make wishes come true for a special child this holiday season! Please contact Campus Recreation for more information 885-PLAY

**Campus Recreation 4th Annual Food & Fitness Drive**

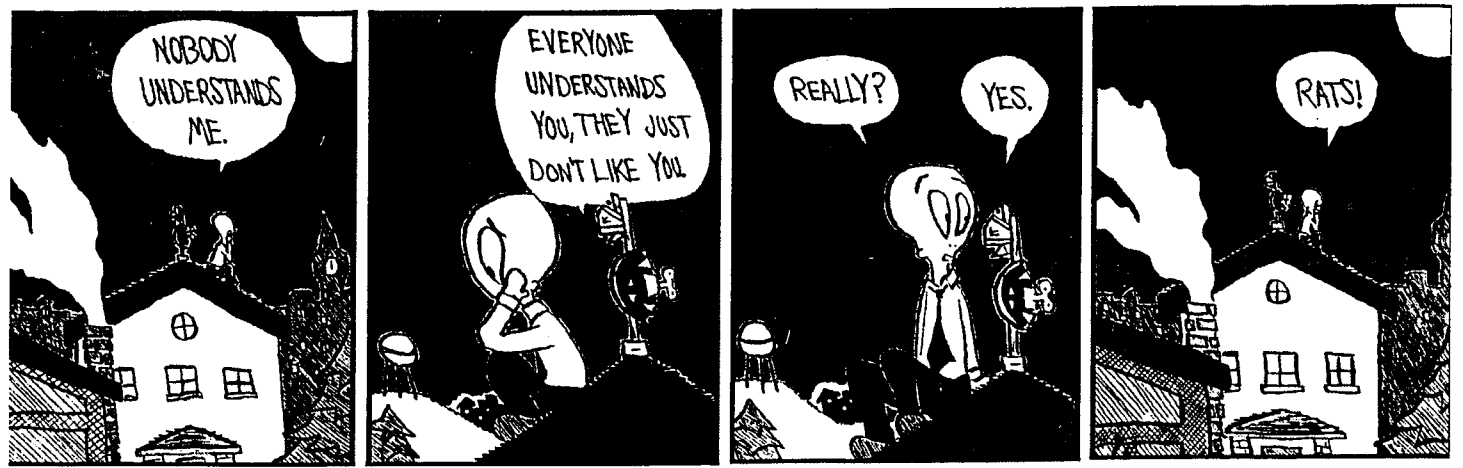
November 18th- 25th bring 2 non-perishable food items and the SRC will admit 1 guest for FREE. Must be 18 years of age to participate, proof of age required. Admission does not include the Climbing Center.

**Coming Soon...**

**Recharge**  
more details to come!

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**UniversityAVE.**



**CampusCALENDAR**

**Today**  
Women in Engineering University Inn 8 a.m.  
Breakfast with Rebecca Cors Women's Center, Memorial Gym 109 8 a.m.  
National Veterans Day celebration Women's Center, Memorial Gym 109 noon  
Canada Week Lecture: Joseph Taylor College of Education Room 419 noon

**Defense:**  
Dissertation Jessica Schedlbauer Agricultural Science building Room 62  
'The Lake House' SUB Borah Theater 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.  
'UI Voices' UITV - 8 7:30 p.m.  
ASUI Senate UITV - 8 8 p.m.

**Saturday**  
Tubkinmepu Powwow Memorial Gym noon  
Student recital: Jenna Moline, mezzo-soprano School of Music Recital Hall 4 p.m.  
'The Lake House' SUB Borah Theater 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

**Sunday**  
Turkey shoot Memorial Gym Rifle Range 2:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m.  
Student recital: Jerod Moore and Anthony Saccomanno School of Music Recital Hall 4 p.m.

**Faculty recital:** Ferenc Cseszko and Jay Mauchley School of Music Recital Hall 8 p.m.  
**Monday**  
Dissertation: Alan Piszcz, computer science JEB Room 326 3:30 p.m.  
Canada Week Lecture: Henry Yu Commons Whitewater Room 7 p.m.  
**Faculty recital:** James Reid, guitar School of Music Recital Hall 8 p.m.  
Bellwood Panel Discussion with Sen. Gary Hart UITV - 8 8 p.m.

**LocalBRIEFS**

**ASUI encourages students to vote**

An ASUI election will be held Monday - Wednesday for a student vote on a districting bill, recently passed by the ASUI Senate. The polls will open at 8 a.m. Monday and will close at 6 p.m. Wednesday. Amendment IV - Senate Districting was amended by the Ways and Means Committee on Oct. 25. The amendment clarified a process to follow if a district fails to have a candidate during the election.

The amendment also requires that ASUI senators elected in the Fall 2006 General Election serve until May 2007 during the transition period from the current ASUI Senate election system to the new districting system.

The results of the election will be announced as soon as votes are tallied in the ASUI office in Commons 302 on Wednesday. For more information contact Eric Everett at erice@sub.uidaho.edu.

**Grant program forms due Monday**

Full-time undergraduate, graduate and law students are encouraged to apply for grants to support their creative, research and scholarly activities through the new Student Grant Program.

The program is one of three student-funded initiatives approved by students last spring. Grants range from \$1,500 - \$5,000. Information and guidelines for preparation of proposals are available at the program Web site at [www.uo.uidaho.edu/srg](http://www.uo.uidaho.edu/srg). Deadline to apply is Monday.

**Delta Delta Delta hosts presentation**

"Kristin's story: A story of acquaintance rape and depression" will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the SUB Ballroom. The presentation is a rape education program funded by the Alpha Chi Omega Foundation and the Delta Delta Delta Foundation. Kristin Cooper was a Baker University student and Alpha

Chi Omega member who committed suicide on New Year's Eve in 1995. The story, told by her mother Andrea Cooper, tells of her acquaintance rape and subsequent suicide. Andrea Cooper is a member of Delta Delta Delta and graduate of Florida State University.

**Conference brings students from across the West**

Students of the Intermountain Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls (IACURH) gathered yesterday to begin their yearly convention at UI. The conference runs through Saturday and will bring 233 students from Idaho, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Arizona, Montana, Wyoming and Alberta, Canada. While here, students will attend sessions showcasing successful residence hall programs and activities from campuses across the region. There also will be social activities, including a coffee house with live music, a dance and casino games. The conference also

includes a service aspect. This year attendees will volunteer at the Palouse Clearwater Environmental Institute.

The IACURH conference is held at different universities in the region each year; location is decided through a competitive bid process. The last time the IACURH conference was hosted by UI was in 1996.

**Cycling team rides for turkeys**

The Idaho Vandals Cycling Team members will be riding their bicycles on stationary trainers in the Idaho Commons from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Tuesday in order to raise funds for their team and to help the Moscow Food Bank purchase turkeys for the holiday season. Half of the proceeds will go to the food bank and the other half will help pay for race entrance fees and traveling expenses. People are encouraged to make a cash or canned food donation. You can also make donations to the team and find more information at [www.vandalcycling.org](http://www.vandalcycling.org).

**SudokuPUZZLE**

6		8				1		
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		3		7	2			
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			4	6		1		
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		3			8			9

**Solutions from 10/7**

1	8	7	4	2	3	6	9	5
5	9	3	6	1	7	8	4	2
6	4	2	8	5	9	7	3	1
7	2	6	3	8	1	9	5	4
8	5	1	7	9	4	3	2	6
9	3	4	5	6	2	1	7	8
4	1	9	2	3	6	5	8	7
2	6	5	9	7	8	4	1	3
3	7	8	1	4	5	2	6	9

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk).

**CrosswordPUZZLE**

ACROSS  
1 New Delhi wraparound  
5 Tech fantasy  
10 Leap  
14 Fruit drinks  
15 Lady of the house  
16 Gobi's continent  
17 Noisy disputes  
18 Field of conflict  
19 Become dull  
20 Vexes  
22 Chin beard  
24 Exposes  
25 Ciliburn's instrument  
26 Nationality suffix  
27 Infected patches of skin  
29 Letters from the morgue  
32 Gentleman  
33 sheepdog  
35 As soon as  
38 Building wing  
39 Hear ye!  
40 Cousin, e.g.  
43 Boston or Chicago wear?  
45 Be in the red  
46 Left out  
48 Baton Rouge sch.  
51 Arbor Day  
53 Gradual breaking down  
55 Thoroughfare  
57 Act of retaliation  
58 Egyptian bird  
59 Taper off  
61 Reason of  
62 Long, straight and limp  
63 Keepsake  
64 Lift-off pressure  
65 All-out feast  
66 Bring to bear  
67 Winds up

DOWN  
1 "No Exit" dramatist  
2 Is mad about  
3 Made wool repairs  
4 Magazine volume  
5 Not as sizable  
6 Loving stroke  
7 Mid-month date  
8 Wind machine  
9 Dream up  
10 Country with no major rivers  
11 National newspaper  
12 Distance unit  
13 Washed-unit  
21 Isle near Java  
23 Hop-drying kiln  
25 Author of "Narabedla"  
28 Ocean speck  
30 Noon follower  
31 Axlike tool  
32 Bering or Ross  
34 Smoked salmon  
35 Spanish gold  
36 Unused  
37 Forest glade  
38 Iniquitous  
41 Rushed  
42 Copy

**Solutions from 10/7**

V	N	E	H	O	O	H	S	H	V	D	G	S
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E	W	I	N	O	N	O	H	I	T	T	B	
H	I	L	V	E	S	E	I	I	E	J	D	
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O	N	V	N	E	B	I	S	I	I	O	I	
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I	N	E	S	E	V	N	E	S	E			
O	I	N	E	S	E	V	N	E	S	E		

- 43 Snake in the grass
- 44 Stink
- 47 Wobble
- 48 Pay attention
- 49 Rise sharply
- 50 Except if
- 52 Annoying
- 54 Military blockade
- 55 Grain
- 56 Slope device
- 57 Fall cleanup tool
- 60 Emulate All

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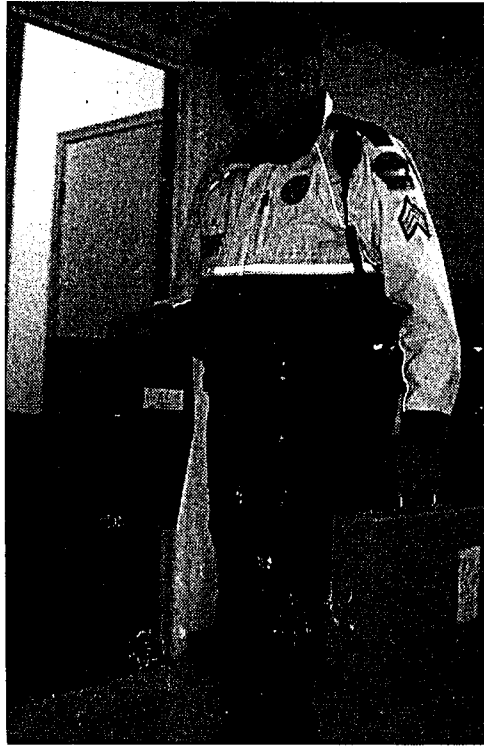
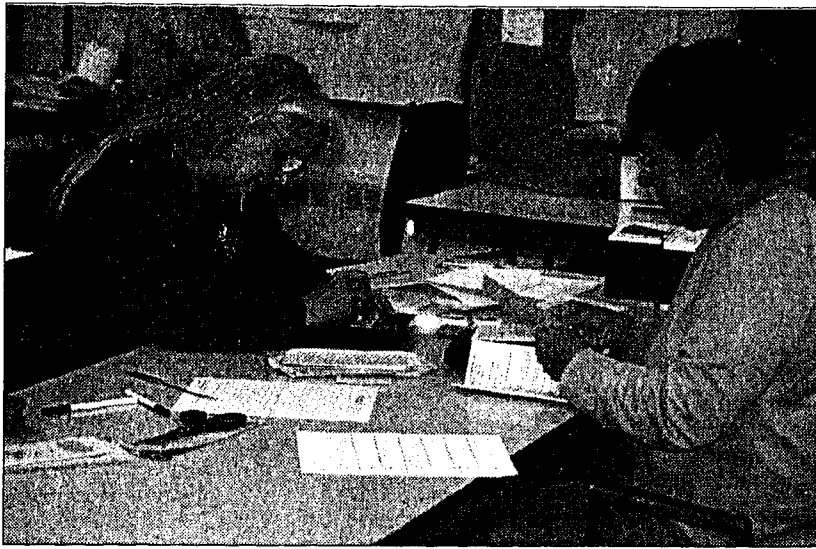
# Election night 2006: Idaho hits the polls



## Idaho, Latah County election results

\*winners are in bold

<b>U.S. House of Representatives 1st District:</b>	<b>Latah County Commissioner District 1:</b>
Larry Grant (D) 103,914 — 45 percent	Donald Ball (R) 5,252 — 43 percent
Andy Hedden-Nicely (UNI) 2,882 — 1 percent	<b>Jennifer Barrett (D)</b> 6,419 — 52 percent
Dave Olson (IND) 6,859 — percent	<b>Latah County Commissioner District 3:</b>
<b>Bill Sali (R)</b> 115,844 — 50 percent	<b>Jack Nelson (R)</b> 5,971 — 49 percent
Paul Smith (CON) 2,457 — percent	Linda S. Pike (D) 5,791 — 47 percent
<b>Governor:</b>	<b>Clerk of the District Court:</b>
Jerry Brady (D) 198,830 — 44 percent	Doug Krehbiel (I) 3,489 — 28 percent
Ted Dunlap (LIB) 7,241 — 2 percent	<b>Susan R. Peterson (R)</b> 7,204 — 59 percent
<b>C.L. "Butch" Otter (R)</b> 237,276 — 53 percent	<b>County Treasurer:</b>
Marvin Richardson (CON) 7,308 — 2 percent	<b>Leslie "Les" A. Proctor (R)</b> 6,359 — 52 percent
<b>Lieutenant Governor:</b>	Khaliela S. Wright (D) 5,000 — 41 percent
Larry LaRocco (D) 175,332 — 39 percent	<b>County Assessor:</b>
<b>Jim Risch (R)</b> 259,600 — 58 percent	<b>Connie Jain Ferguson (R)</b> 5,785 — 47 percent
William Charles Wellisch (CON) 10,458 — 2 percent	<b>Patrick Vaughan (D)</b> 5,894 — 48 percent
<b>Secretary of State:</b>	<b>County Coroner:</b>
<b>Ben Ysursa (R)</b> 364,689 — 100 percent	David L. Hutton (R) 5,281 — 43 percent
<b>State Controller:</b>	<b>Catherine M. Mabbutt (D)</b> 6,166 — 50 percent
<b>Donna M. Jones (R)</b> 253,726 — 59 percent	<b>H.J.R. No. 2:</b>
Jackie Groves Twilegar (D) 179,776 — 41 percent	<b>Yes: 282,301 — 63 percent</b>
<b>State Treasurer:</b>	<b>No: 163,408 — 37 percent</b>
<b>Ron G. Crane (R)</b> 276,395 — 64 percent	<b>S.J.R. No. 107:</b>
Howard C. Faux (D) 153,261 — 36 percent	<b>Yes: 229,110 — 58 percent</b>
<b>Attorney General:</b>	<b>No: 166,078 — 37 percent</b>
Robert A "Bob" Wallace (D) 165,830 — 38 percent	<b>Proposition 1:</b>
Lawrence G. Wasden (R) 267,646 — 62 percent	<b>Yes: 204,489 — 45 percent</b>
<b>Superintendent of Public Instruction:</b>	<b>No: 245,239 — 55 percent</b>
Jana L. Jones (D) 215,905 — 49 percent	<b>Proposition 2:</b>
Tom Luna (R) 227,010 — 51 percent	<b>Yes: 105,789 — 26 percent</b>
<b>State Senator Position 6:</b>	<b>No: 335,955 — 76 percent</b>
Gary J. Schroeder (R) 9,138 — 74 percent	<b>Advisory Vote on Property Tax Relief:</b>
<b>State Representative Position 6A:</b>	<b>Yes: 308,825 — 72 percent</b>
Tom Trail (R) 9,258 — 100 percent	<b>No: 118,259 — 28 percent</b>
<b>State Representative Position 6B:</b>	<b>Supervisors, Latah Soil and Water Conservation District (voted for four):</b>
L. Roger Falen (R) 4,576 — 38 percent	<b>Stu Goldstein</b> 7,897 — 24.52 percent
Shirley G. Ringo (D) 7,329 — 62 percent	<b>Wayne Jensen</b> 8,359 — 25.95 percent
	<b>Kevin Meyer</b> 7,937 — 24.64 percent
	<b>Frank Walker</b> 8,017 — 24.89 percent



(top) Voters line up past an American flag during the election Tuesday afternoon at the Latah County Fairgrounds.  
(right) Sgt. Doug Anderson delivers ballots to the Latah County Courthouse Tuesday evening.  
(lower left) Election workers count votes Tuesday evening at the Latah County Courthouse.

THE ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN, GENDER AND EQUALITY PRESENTS

Writer and Community Activist

### LAKOTA HARDEN

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 AT WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

Free Public Lecture - 7:00pm Todd 216  
NATIVE AMERICAN LIBERATION AND  
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Workshop - 4:00-6:00pm in the Bundy Reading Room  
UNLEARNING RACISM: BUILDING  
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Come Early! Seating Will Be Limited.  
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# ASUI holds districting special election

By Hillary Flowers  
Argonaut

Students have the opportunity to decide whether the ASUI Senate should form districts during a special election that begins Monday.

The polls open at 8 a.m. Monday and close at 6 p.m. Wednesday. Voting booths will be set up from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. everyday in the Commons, Student Recreation Center and the Wallace Complex. Students can also vote online at [www.asui.uidaho.edu/vote](http://www.asui.uidaho.edu/vote). The election is only open to undergraduate students.

"Obviously, I do hope it passes because I think it's a step for changing ASUI for the better," said ASUI President Berto Cerrillo. "That's why

I authorized it and why I support it."

The senate passed Senate Bill F06-32a.a. Oct. 25 during the senate meeting, opening up the decision to the student body. The only bill on this ballot will be the districting amendment entitled Amendment IV — Senate Districting. The outcome of the election will be announced at 7 p.m. Wednesday, most likely in the Commons Rotunda Room, but ASUI Elections Coordinator Eric Everett said the location is not official yet.

"I just hope that the students will come out and vote in large numbers," Everett said. "My goal is to have a large turnout, but also to have an informed student body turnout."

Everett said during the last special election ASUI held two years ago, only about one percent of the student

body voted. He hopes this time will be different, but he also wants students to be informed about the bill before they vote. ASUI is trying to advertise districting as much as possible to the student body, Everett said.

"I'd just like to encourage the students to research this issue, come to the ASUI office and talk to the senators, Berto, Travis and I," Everett said. "They can send us e-mails."

If the bill is passed, districting will not occur during the fall 2006 senate elections. Districting would occur during the spring 2007 senate elections, which districting would begin to be implemented for fall 2007. Senate districting will be an opportunity for students to get involved all over campus, Cerrillo said.

"I do think students want to see change and see the ASUI Senate represent them better than it ever has," Cerrillo said. "The majority of students I've talked to say yes, they want to see change and they want this to go through."

The senate has received both positive and negative responses about districting. Cerrillo said the majority of residence halls and off-campus students are for districting, while the majority of Greek students are against it.

"That's what we are here for — to create dialogue, and I think this piece of legislation is a reflection of that," said ASUI Senator John Adkins.

ASUI received most of these responses before the amendment was passed by the senate. Students voic-

ing their opinions about what they would like to see changed encouraged the senate's decision, Adkins said.

"This is a controversial issue that I think students care a lot about," Everett said. "So I think we will get a fairly large turnout."

Since the amendment passed in the senate, the response rate has dwindled. Adkins said the senate passing the amendment is not a big deal, but student's voting on it is a big deal. This amendment is not going to hurt anything, Adkins said.

"Even if it is a dismal failure, it still won't make anything worse, it's only going to make things better," Adkins said. "As far as the result, I'd like to see it pass because I think it is a good piece of legislation."

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Watson said. And because being in the air has its advantages.

"Our defense was the information we had," Watson said. "They wouldn't get off the ground without us knowing it."

Watson's job as a laboratory operator in the "big, slow plane" involved running a collection of electronic intelligence. He served with about 500 others as part of the UQI World Watchers — the biggest operational squadron in the Navy.

From the air, his squadron's mission was to watch the enemy, collect vital information and deliver it to troops on the ground.

"I never touched the ground in either Afghanistan or Iraq," Watson said. "At times you don't feel like you are making a difference — you're not on the ground shooting."

He said sometimes it was hard to remember that the information he worked with in the air was helping save lives on the ground.

At UI, a world away from the Middle East, Watson met just such a soldier — someone on the ground who depended on the information he collected.

Capt. Clinton Culp, an assistant professor of Naval Science, said he discovered the common bond between himself and Watson while talking to Watson about his past military experience during an academic evaluation.

"I found out he had flown missions in Afghanistan and when I found out the time frame, I realized we were there at the same time," Culp said.

"It's a pretty good feeling knowing good work is being done," he said. "... I think he will make a fine officer in the Navy."

When asked what the hardest part about being deployed was, Watson answered without hesitation. "Family," he said.

Between deployments, Watson met Andrea Tewalt. He heard about her through a friend while working at his parent's elk ranch in Salmon, Idaho, where she lived. She said she didn't do blind dates. So he went to the bank where she worked and asked her to go out to dinner. She said yes.

They got to know each other over eight months and were married after he came home from Afghanistan. Once married, they got to spend only three or four weeks together before he had to leave for Iraq.

"It was so rushed," Andrea said. "We realized we either get married now, or wait until he gets back ... we just didn't want to wait anymore."

Though she said she didn't realize how hard it would be to have him gone so much, she said she is immensely proud of him.

The hardest part is saying goodbye, she said.

"Every time we went to the airport, the other wives would be there and would say, 'Oh, you'll get used to it,' but I never got used to it ... and I don't think I ever will."

Watson said it only got harder after his son Sammy was born. They now have two children, Sammy, 3, and Sarah, 1.

Watson said he also misses those he left in the Middle East.

"You never forget the people you flew with," he said. "That's one of the hardest parts of being here ... all your buddies are out there flying ... a lot of the time I wish I was out there flying with them again."

Watson is still in active duty. He plans to finish school at UI, get commissioned in 2008 and then go to Naval Air Station Pensacola to earn his wings.

"My main goal is to get into the air," he said.

He would most like to fly with his old squadron — the men and the missions he knows.

"At this point I'm in for 20 years," he said, "and if I'm still having fun I'll go for 30."

## UI program gives veterans scholarships

There are many scholarships available to veterans at universities all over the country but University of Idaho's Operation Education is the first of its kind in the nation, said Dr. Karen White, chair of the program.

"What's unique about this is that it is more of a comprehensive program," White said. "We want to take away any financial barriers that might be in the way."

Operation Education covers not only tuition and books, but also other needs such as on-campus housing, medical assistance, childcare and transportation.

"The other aspect that we want to provide is the emotional and community support that veterans need to be re-acclimated into civilian life," White said.

"We're not going to get hundreds of applicants," said veteran assistant and coordinator John Sawyer.

The program is available to a select few — veterans who have been severely and permanently injured in the war on terrorism.

The definition of being "severely injured" is a little difficult to analyze, Sawyer said, but "loss of a major life activity" due to an injury qualifies a veteran.

White said they don't expect large numbers of applicants for the scholarship, but that could change in the years ahead as the war on terror continues and United States soldiers return home.

"There will be a bigger need than what the UI can do," she said.

But UI's advancement could be the beginning of providing full scholarships for injured veterans all over the United States.

"The president has committed to send a letter to every president of every college and university across the nation sharing the blueprint for Operation Education and encouraging them to do the same," White said.

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really excited about a lot of the things (Pelosi's) talking about. It's long past time for minimum wage to be raised. A lot of the legislation is going to be tough, ... but if anyone's going to put the effort in, she's the one to do it."

Even the Republican club on campus is declaring the election a victory for conservatives, said Brett Walter, president of the Republican club. The Democrats elected are more moderate-leaning, Walter said, so Pelosi's agenda may be met with hesitation. He also said that it was time for the Democrats to take control.

"I'm disappointed as a Republican," Walter said. "But at the same time, historically (Democrats) should have taken control back in 2002. Whatever party controls in the White House, the other tends to make gains in House and Senate."

It's misleading to say that the election was a victory for conservatives, Crowley said. While the Democratic Party has always had more conservative members, they are still going to be more liberal than any Republicans would have been if they'd won, he said.

"The Senate clearly got more liberal," Crowley said. "The notion that this is a triumph for moderates ... is pretty misleading. It was a good night for liberals."

The Democrats strong victory may have been influenced by the trouble Congress and the Republicans have faced lately with erupting scandals. Corruption and discontent in Iraq were strong issues for voters, Crowley said. While most people tend to vote consistently, he said, the swing elections are usually due to a large majority of independent voters switching sides. The Democrats got a strong percentage of independent voters this year, Crowley said.

Aside from the congressional victories, Democrats also claimed 28 governor's seats across the

nation, putting them in a strong position for the presidential election in 2008, but Crowley said that it is still too early to make any real predictions for the presidency.

In local elections, the Republican triumphs aren't all that surprising, Crowley said.

"(Idaho's) still obviously one of the most conservative states in the nation," he said.

Idaho voters approved HJR 2, the constitutional amendment declaring marriage between a man and a woman the only legally recognized union in the state by 63.33 percent.

"I'm very disappointed with the margin," Mattoon said. "For a country that is so quick to wave flags, we were very quick to bar basic human rights, which I find disgusting."

"A lot of people had a knee-jerk reaction to it," Walter said.

In Latah County, the amendment actually failed by about 10 percent. Latah — traditionally a more liberal county and one of eight who voted to elect Brady governor — selected Brady by a wide margin (58.13 percent to Otter's 36.24 percent).

Latah County elected chose Democrats in 11 of the offices up for vote, choosing Republicans only when the were unopposed or the opponent wasn't a Democrat, with the exception of the race for County Commissioner District 3, which went to Jack Nelson with a little more than 1 percent margin and the race for county treasurer, which went to Lelsli A. Proctor by an 11 percent margin, according to the final cumulative report provided by the county.

In contrast to the state results, Latah County voted for Prop. 1 in support of school funding and against keeping the tax relief designed in the Legislative Special Session this summer. The county voted in favor of SJR 107, which passed statewide with almost 58 percent of the vote as well as voting against Prop. 2, which failed statewide with a 76.05 percent "No" vote.

## National BRIEFS

### New Jersey bill would allow gay marriage

HACKENSACK, N.J. — Marriage for gay and lesbian couples would be legalized under a bill introduced Thursday in the Assembly, the opening salvo in what promises to be a hotly debated issue in the months ahead.

The Civil Marriage and Religious Protection Act requires government officials to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples, but makes clear religious institutions are not

required to formalize the unions.

The bill defines marriage as "the legally recognized union of two consenting persons in a committed relationship." It is the first measure to surface since the state Supreme Court unanimously decided last month that gay couples are entitled to all the benefits of marriage, yet disagreed over use of the word marriage itself.

The proposal would appear to have little chance of success, where key lawmakers find granting same-sex couples full legal rights in "civil unions" more palatable. State Senate President Richard Codey, D-Essex, and Assembly Speaker Joseph Roberts, D-Camden, believe that most of the members will support civil unions. Governor Corzine also says he prefers civil unions.

The court's Oct. 25 ruling gave lawmakers 180 days to amend the marriage statute to include same-sex couples or create a separate statutory structure, such as the civil unions. Connecticut and Vermont now permit legal ceremonies to join gay couples and call them civil unions. Massachusetts is the only state to grant access to marriage itself.

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Denice Wade from UI's chapter of the War on Hunger spoke about a letter-writing campaign the organization wants to hold. At a national press conference in Washington, D.C., Wade met a woman from the Friends of World Food program, which provides lunches and other meals to children in underprivileged countries. The woman said \$1 billion of the program's funding would be cut. Wade said she wanted ASUI to help support a letter-writing campaign that would send 250 letters from the Moscow area by the semester's end, Dec. 15, to show Idaho legislation how much support the cause has.

Emily Davis, ASUI director of athletics, talked about UI sports. She said men's basketball defeated Cascade College and is prepared for taking on opponents in the WAC and non-conference teams, including North Dakota State this Friday. She also urged those in attendance to support the women's volleyball team when they play the Nevada Wolfpack next Wednesday and the Vandal football team's last home game on Dec. 2 against San Jose State.

Eric Everett, ASUI Vice President Adjutant, said there are 11 candidates for the seven open senate positions. The special elections will run Monday through Thursday next week. Everett said the last special election had only a 1 percent turnout and wants an increase to "about 20 percent of the student population."

**Presidential communications**

ASUI President Berto Cerrillo says he's been looking to find a promotional director for the department of communications and the interview process for the job starts next week.

He also brought up the issue of disability parking, saying the flower pot outside the Commons meant to discourage traffic has been removed for safety reasons. He also said he's talking with Disability Support Services about a transportation service for handicapped students being implemented next fall. He mentioned collecting funds for a bus that runs around campus during class hours, much like Washington State University has. While a grant has been awarded to the school, "soft funds," as he referred to them, are still needed for expenses such as maintenance and driver salary.

**Senate Business**

Appointments of Sarah Becker and Chad Mann to the Student Recreation Board both passed unanimously.

F06-40, an act appointing Emily Davis to the position of ASUI lobbyist, passed unanimously.

-Jeremy Castillo

# Rumsfeld resigns Defense post

By Ron Hutchesson  
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Chastened by a "thumpin'" at the polls, President Bush heeded voters' call for change Wednesday by ousting Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld.

Bush's surprise decision to replace Rumsfeld with former CIA Director Robert Gates was the most dramatic event in a series of rapid-fire developments triggered by the Democratic takeover in Congress.

Late results from Tuesday's elections left Democrats poised to control both the House of Representatives and the Senate, although the final Senate lineup might hinge on a Virginia recount that could take a few weeks. Virginia Democrat James Webb held a lead of more than 7,000 votes out of 2.3 million cast over Republican Sen. George Allen.

Bush and House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi, in line to become America's first female

House speaker, pledged to work together on issues ranging from Iraq to increasing the minimum wage.

"The American people spoke with their votes, and they spoke for change," Pelosi said. "Nowhere was the call for a new direction more clear from the American people than in the war in Iraq."

But the talk of cooperation didn't immediately dispel the partisan rancor that's settled on Washington nor did it stop Republican recriminations over the election results. House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., announced that he would surrender his role in the Republican leadership when the new Congress convenes in January.

At the White House, a somber Bush said he was surprised and disappointed by Tuesday's outcome.

Bush acknowledged his share of the blame for an election that was a referendum on the Iraq war and on his performance as commander in chief.

"As the head of the Republican Party, I share a large part of the

responsibility," he said at a White House news conference. "It was a thumpin'."

Rumsfeld's ouster came a week after Bush told a small group of reporters that he wanted the defense secretary to stay on the job until end of his presidency. Despite what he said, Bush had already concluded that he wanted "a fresh perspective" at the Pentagon, although he hadn't interviewed Gates or worked out final details of Rumsfeld's resignation.

"I didn't want to inject a major decision about this war in the final days of the campaign," he explained, directing his response to the reporters he'd misled. "The only way to answer that question and to get you on to another question was to give you that answer."

Members of Congress from both parties welcomed Rumsfeld's departure as a sign that Bush is open to new ideas on Iraq. Critics say the 74-year-old defense secretary ignored his commanders' advice, invaded Iraq with too few troops,

set a tone that encouraged the abuse of war captives, failed to develop a credible post-war plan, and imposed back-breaking burdens on the Army and Marine Corps.

Rumsfeld showed little of his characteristic cockiness at a brief appearance with Bush and Gates later Wednesday, but he maintained his sense of humor.

"I have benefited greatly from criticism," he said, borrowing a line from Winston Churchill, "and at no time have I suffered a lack thereof."

In contrast to Rumsfeld, Gates is considered a pragmatic foreign policy realist, with a tendency to see the world in shades of gray, rather than in black-and-white distinctions. For example, Gates has said he favors opening a dialogue with Iran — an idea that Rumsfeld and Bush have opposed.

"This is the death knell of the neo-conservative approach," said Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del. "I think the president is going to necessarily have to find new ground."

## Democrats take over Senate 51-49

By Margaret Talev  
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Democrats cheered their takeover of the Senate on Thursday after incumbent Republican Sen. George Allen of Virginia conceded that Democrat James Webb's 7,200-vote lead was too large to overcome in a recount.

"The election's over. It's time for a change," said Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., to whoops from Capitol Hill staff and party activists at a rally outside the Capitol minutes after Allen conceded. Reid's expected to be the next Senate majority leader.

Allen, a former Virginia governor and conservative icon who'd been considering a run for president, said he wouldn't seek a recount because "I do not wish to cause more rancor by protracted litigation, which, in my judgment, would not alter the results."

Allen's concession, matched by one from Republican Sen. Conrad Burns of Montana, made it official that, starting in January, Democrats will control both houses of Congress for the first time in 12 years. With that control comes the leverage to block President Bush's priorities — including nominees — and to force him to consider Democrats' priorities in his last two years on the job.

Senate Democrats pledged to work in a bipartisan spirit. Reid and Bush are to meet Friday at

the White House to begin discussing common goals and opportunities for compromise, which include an immigration overhaul that would give some of the nation's estimated 12 million illegal residents a path to citizenship.

Despite all the conciliatory talk, however, Senate Democrats' ascendancy appeared to seal the fate of U.N. Ambassador John Bolton, whom Bush renominated to the post on Thursday.

Bolton, a lightning rod for controversy because of his abrasive neoconservative "America First" diplomacy, holds his position now only because Bush put him there in a 2005 recess appointment that will expire in January. Democrats had blocked the Senate from giving Bolton an up-or-down confirmation vote back then, and now they're stronger.

Upon Bush's resubmission of Bolton's nomination on Thursday, Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., in line to be the chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, issued a statement saying, "I see no point in considering Mr. Bolton's nomination again."

Sen. Lincoln Chafee, R-R.I., who lost his bid for re-election on Tuesday, said he'd join Democrats in opposing Bolton's nomination before the Foreign Relations Committee during the lame-duck session of the expiring Congress, which begins next week. That should prevent the nomination from going to a floor vote. Republicans conceded that Bolton wouldn't be confirmed.

Republicans will move in the lame-duck session to confirm former CIA Director Robert Gates as Bush's new defense secretary, however, before they lose their majority. A senior aide to retiring Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., said confirmation hearings for Gates would begin the week of Dec. 4.

Bush gave congressional Republicans a long list of items on Thursday that he wants them to accomplish during the lame-duck session. Republicans plan to tackle routine government funding bills, Vietnam's trade status, an India civilian nuclear power agreement and expanded offshore oil drilling. GOP aides were skeptical that the lawmakers could pass the controversial terrorism surveillance legislation that Bush wants.

Democrats said their top priority upon taking power in January will be to pressure Bush to withdraw troops from Iraq. Reid has called for a bipartisan Iraq summit with Bush.

Reid and other Democrats also reiterated their plans to raise the minimum wage and expand health care and college access.

They also warned that Bush would be well-advised to confer with them next year about any judicial nominees, including future Supreme Court vacancies, or risk rejection. "Don't send us extreme candidates," said Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., who's the second-ranking party leader.

# Vandal Volunteer

## University Residences

Each year as students embark on a new adventure at the University of Idaho hundreds of volunteers are there to greet them as they move into their residence hall rooms. These volunteers give directions, carry boxes, check-out hand carts to students and their families, and they welcome them to the University of Idaho campus.

University Residences would like to recognize those volunteers, many are wearing their shirts today to show support for the Intermountain Association of College and University Residence Halls (IACURH) Conference that is on the University of Idaho campus this week. Please help us in thanking these volunteers for helping with check-in at the residence halls!

## Thank You Vandal Volunteers

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## Off the CUFF

### Keep smoke to yourself

The other day, this guy with a cigarette was walking toward me and, without thinking about it, I changed my course while saying "Gross" out loud. The guy moved away and apologized. I feel bad for putting the man on the spot, but not for voicing my opinion. I'm sick of people smoking around me. Smoking in public is like farting. It's smelly, antisocial and no one else enjoys it. And if I see you coming at me with a cigarette, I might just punch you in the face.

-Melissa

### Celebrate the ordinary

Life moving too fast for you? Are you a man? Then visit the Dull Men's Club ([www.dullmen.com](http://www.dullmen.com)) and appreciate the simple things in life. The site has features on watching clothes dry, the uses of concrete and National Fig Month.

No word yet on the Exciting Men's Club. Perhaps they're all out hunting.

-Nate

### Power drill, anyone?

I need to drill a hole in the side of my head without damaging the brain so that I can release the never-ending snot that keeps dripping out of my nose. If anyone has one that they could let me borrow that would be great, and for anyone who would like to watch — drilling will begin at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

-Mackenzie

### Vandal card history

I think I'm having pre-separation anxiety. My Vandal card is reaching the point where it needs to be replaced, but I keep holding off because it feels like a piece of my UI history. It has been with me since day one, and now I have to go hand it over to replace it with a nice, new shiny one? It might be peeling apart into three layers and need seven swipes in order to let me into my building, but its history is still there. Do you think I'd be able to talk the people in the Vandal card office into letting me keep it, for memory's sake?

-Miranda

### Mexican food is good

If you're feeling hungry this cold and snowy week, consider hitting Patty's Kitchen. It's worth it just for the smell. Right now, Patty's ordering counter is walled in for the winter. You walk in and it's like entering a magical sauna of delicious Mexican food smells. Plus there's the tasty burrito afterward.

-Tara

### The in-between

I went to Ross today to buy an in-between jacket. You know, a jacket (or coat, if you will) that's not super puffy but still keeps you warm. Well, I bought one but it's not in-between — it's puffy and turquoise and has a fleece lining. This is my third puffy jacket. Sad, I know. But c'mon, who can resist a fleece lining?

-Sarrah

## MailBOX

### Enough already

Construction on the Moscow-Pullman Highway has been underway for nearly two months now. The week before construction began, I started hearing complaints about how much longer it would take to get back and forth between the two towns with the reduced speed limit. I am sure before the construction began the complaint was about not being able to pass slower vehicles along the commute. When the construction is finished, I will still be tormented with yet more reasons why the drive between Moscow and Pullman is terrible.

I am tired of hearing people complain about the construction. I have been driving back and forth along the highway for three and a half months. In the time since the construction started, I've been stopped on the highway for a grand total of 10 minutes while they were re-stripping the road to make room for the workers to complete their jobs safely. With the speed limit reduction from 55 mph to 45 mph, it may take an extra five minutes to reach your destination. The reduction of speed limit is not enforced to make everyone crazy — it is enforced to keep workers safe while they do their jobs.

The highway will continue to be under construction for another year. So can we all get used to the fact that the speed limit is 45 mph, there is no passing slower vehicles and occasionally you may get stopped for a few minutes. In a year, the road will be safer and much nicer for everyone making the commute. Can we stop complaining and let the construction workers complete the project safely?

Amy Ingram  
microbiology, molecular biology and  
biochemistry, junior

## OurVIEW

# Don't stop the bus

Money is tight at the University of Idaho. (Insert \$900,000 ad campaign joke here. Moving on...) Earlier this year, the administration decided to cut Community Programs. The next program potentially on the chopping block is the Wheatland Express bus system, which serves students, staff, faculty and community members who travel between Moscow and Pullman.

Thankfully, the university is being open about this potential cut before actually making it. This gives people who see the bus system as a valuable resource a chance to speak up and save the bus.

The bus is an important resource to UI, Washington State University and the surrounding communities. It allows the few students who take classes at both schools an easy commute, but has many other benefits as well. UI students, staff and faculty who live, work, research or have friends or family in Pullman take the bus. ROTC students have meetings at WSU, and some of them take the bus. Community members who don't have cars or would rather take

public transportation profit greatly from the Wheatland system.

Lloyd Mues, UI vice president of Finance and Administration, said the university didn't intend to run a community bus system. Though the bus is intended to serve the universities first and foremost, the benefit it gives to the community members who use it as well is a valuable side effect.

The deal between Wheatland and the universities also allows Moscow Valley Transit to receive federal funding. MVT's fixed-route system has been increasing in ridership yearly, including 57,501 boardings so far this year. If UI cuts funding to Wheatland, MVT will lose its "soft match" federal grant money, which will eliminate MVT's fixed-route system, according to director Tom LaPointe. UI is trying to improve its image right now — providing services that help the surrounding community as well as the university is an excellent way to foster good public opinion.

There are a few larger-scale perks to the bus system too. Busing reduces traffic. Less traffic means safer roads and less pollution and

gas consumption. Safer roads and a healthier earth might not benefit the university alone, but they're certainly something we can all appreciate.

But back to that problem of funding. It's not hard to see that Wheatland Express is beneficial, but sacrifices have to be made to balance the budget. There are options to save money while still saving the bus, however. Mues has suggested adding a transit fee to UI student fees. Not a bad idea. It's not fun when student fees go up, but paying a few extra dollars a year to fund a service that is good for thousands of people is worth it. Another option is charging by-the-ride fees for students and faculty, who currently ride the bus free. A dollar or two a ride is still far less than gas, and could keep the system running as long as enough people are using it.

Regardless, a solution needs to be found that satisfies UI's budget woes while preserving Wheatland Express. Now is the time to stand up and tell UI there are options other than the chopping block.

T.R.



## Let the vengeance and healing begin

Do you ever just stop to smell a pretty flower? You ever pause for a moment to notice that some cows have windows in them? Or simply lie back on the grass and enjoy the quiet majesty of a bird in flight? Not that one can only enjoy nature if it's good-looking — there is beauty to be found even in her sadness. Is the rain cloud any less deserving of our adoration than the gilded beam of great Apollo's chariot-drawn orb? Is the soaring eagle more beautiful than some crippled waterfowl (a "lame duck" if you will) honking mournfully and staggering around in a wooze as though stomped on by some larger vertebrate, a donkey perhaps? Hardly. And on a day as charming as this, why confine your rapturous Thoreau-like reveries on the miracles of the natural world to local fauna? Do the darkest fens of Africa find the grand old elephant, standing stunned and slack-jawed at the realization of his own mortality, any less perfect? I think not.

The dirt floor of the American political arena has been so saturated with partisan blood over the past several years that the clean-up process can seem daunting at best, if not overwhelming. This recent atmosphere of nurtured arrogance, devastating irresponsibility and runaway corruption has turned the political climate up to a global warming-like scorch of hostility. However, politics doesn't have to be so antagonistic. Why focus on the negative all the time? So, due to a surprisingly conciliatory mood, and in the spirit of peace and reconciliation, submitted here for your approval, kind reader, are a series of soothing headlines and anecdotes. Two of which my discerning readers

should find exceedingly excellent. "Rumsfeld resigns," from headlines all over the country. "Bush conciliatory to Nancy Pelosi," LA Times, 11/9. "Bush 'Open to new ideas' on Iraq," CNN.com 11/9. "Democrats win House," from headlines all over the world.

"Allen concedes defeat, sealing transfer of Senate," LA Times, 11/9. George Allen (R-Va.) lost this race to Jim Webb, giving both houses to the Democrats. This one is particularly sweet not just because it won us the Senate, but considering what George Allen is all about. Allen's reference to a dark-skinned man as "macaca" is old news,



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but for those out of the loop, here's the deal: Allen was angry with 20-year-old S.R. Sidarth because the latter was a staffer for Jim Webb and videotaping one of Allen's speeches, an absolutely standard practice. "Macaca" is an awful French-Tunisian slur for blacks derived from the macaque monkey. Allen claimed that he had just "made the word up" on the spot and didn't mean it as any sort of insult, more a term of endearment, I suppose. Allen speaks a fluent dialect of French, learned in large part from his mother, who is French-Tunisian — a pretty incredible coincidence. Even more coincidentally, former college classmates came forward to report that Allen regularly called his football teammates the "n" word and once, allegedly, stuffed a deer's head into the mailbox of a black family.

Allen conceded his seat with the following quote, "My friends, sometimes winds — political or otherwise — can blow the limbs off branches or break limbs. But a deep-rooted tree will keep growing." This is a relevant quote because Allen's (R-Va.)

roots can be traced to the place of his birth: Whittier, California; not Fairfax County, Virginia, the birthplace of S.R. Sidarth.

Equally awesome is the headline: "Evangelical leader admits to meth and massage but not gay sex." ABC News, 11/3. Rev. Ted Haggard is the founder of the Colorado Springs New Life Church, a "mega-church" with 14,000 members. Haggard, who enjoys close, tight, bonding "White House ties" (I'm guessing mostly square-knots and sheep-shanks) is (was) also the president of the National Association of Evangelicals. The NAE presides over 45,000 churches and upwards of 30 million members. Apparently Haggard hired Mike Jones, a gay prostitute, for over three years to give him back rubs (maybe someone should have let him know that there are sexually neutral places one can go for massages), though certainly never to engage in any mega-sexing. Haggard also admits to having bought methamphetamine from Jones, though he "never used it." I guess "I didn't inhale" is relevant for both ex-presidents and evangelical Christian speed-freak, repressed homosexuals.

Remember that gay prostitute that Bush and friends welcomed into the White House Press Corps because he ran a conservative blog and threw them softballs (no pun intended)? The whole Foley thing, Bush himself tacitly admitting to cocaine use. No one's arguing that it's a party, but the family values party? I'm tired of the depravity. Let's let the healing begin. In with booze and consensual intern-course (Ted Kennedy and Barney Frank alike) and out with the abuse of hard stimulants and that unique Republican brand of self-loathing induced, deviant hyper-gayness. Backrubs all around.

## An easy fix for parking shortages

By BreAnne Smith  
Guest columnist

Finding the best parking space is a hard thing to do, and anyone with a vehicle strives for that whenever they get out of their vehicle. Parking is an issue almost everywhere, but it's life and death to a college student trying to park on campus. University parking is getting extremely frustrating with every passing day and needs a complete makeover.

Parking has always been an issue and always will be — ignoring the problem won't make it go away and the parking department needs to know that. Who knows, parking officials may not even know or think there is a problem, but it has been brought to their attention multiple times and they still have not dealt with the issue. Parking officials can't keep downsizing the lots year after year while the number of students with vehicles keeps increasing.

One thing on this campus that does not need to be downsized is parking — however that is what is happening as the lots are getting smaller and fewer. In addition, parking officials seem to be giving out more parking permits than there are parking spaces, especially in the silver lots, which are the primary lots for students living in the resident halls. With no parking space, students have to find parking elsewhere (on campus or off campus) causing the students to receive multiple parking tickets at \$25 or more. The major increase in parking tickets may be helping the parking department but is not helping the students out.

Forcing students to park in the lot by Guy Wicks Field (a free lot) or along 6th Street (metered parking) because there is nowhere else to park is a huge hassle for residence hall students, or any students for that matter. Students want to find space in the lot that they paid for in less than 10 minutes. On average it takes a student with a silver permit about 20-30 minutes to find a place. I know I have spent 25 minutes trying to find a space and nearly missed a class because of it. The university needs to come up with a solution to this problem because it is not going away anytime soon. My solution to this problem is simple — the university should invest in building a parking garage. Washington State University has one and their parking issues are nowhere near as bad as ours. The parking garage can go where the Theophilus Tower parking lot is or the silver lot behind Wallace.

A parking garage is a great solution — it just means that things have to change. But no one likes change. University Parking still needs to make money, just like any other department. One way for parking to do that is cutting lots in half, forcing students to upgrade and pay for another permit. College students live from day to day and don't have the money to pay for a more expensive permit. A permit is only good for the colored lot it pertains to, but there are other lots on campus to park in. Parking tells students to park there. If that's not possible, students can't afford the upgrade or the tickets. Lot parking isn't the only option for people on campus, that's why the university has meter parking. Money is an issue to everyone but shouldn't be the reason why parking won't improve the problem here on campus. No matter the solution, the university needs to come up with one and sooner rather than later, before the meter runs out.

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## UI joins in American Indian pride

### visit the POWWOW

The Powwow will be held from noon Saturday-1 a.m. Sunday at the Memorial Gym.

By Brandon Macz  
Argonaut

This Veteran's Day, Memorial Gym will host the eighth annual Tutxinmepu Powwow, an intertribal event that will recognize American Indian veterans. Also featured at the powwow are a number of dances and a drum contest.

"There will be various tribes throughout the Northwest," said Rudy Shebala, a student and member of the University of Idaho's Native American Student Association.

Shebala is a Navajo Indian from Nazlini, Ariz., studying animal science at UI. He will be working the powwow with other volunteers, and said it is an excellent opportunity for American Indians to celebrate their heritage through song and dance.

There will be a drum contest where the winner will take home \$2,500. Also drumming will be the Stone Creek Singers, an up-and-coming band of hand drummers from Red Mesa, Utah, Shebala said. They won the 2005 hand drum contest at the Gathering of the Nations Powwow in Oklahoma.

Much of the funding for the event came from colleges and departments within UI, according to university American Indian recruiter Yolanda Bisbee. Less money is going in to this powwow to give more in the way of scholarships, she said.

Bisbee is Nez Perce, as were the American Indians who first settled in the this area before Moscow had its name. They called it Tutxinmepu, which means, "the place where the deer loses its spots." Bisbee said the university has been a great supporter of the American Indian community both on and off campus, ensuring that the powwow could take place at Memorial Gym.

"This is ancestral Nez Perce land," Shebala said. "It's very significant that Nez Perce and Native American students can practice their culture and at the same time pursue various disciplines through education."

Shebala said dancing is essential to the powwow. Dancers from tribes around the West will join the "arena" or dance circle. American Indians from the Navajo, Coeur d'Alene, Nez Perce and Yakima tribes will be present and for the first time two Alaska Natives will be joining the powwow.

Competitive dance categories at the powwow span across both genders and all ages,

from "Tiny Tots" to "Golden Age."

American Indian arts and crafts will be on sale at the powwow as well as food items, including American and traditional foods such as stews and fry bread.

The Tutxinmepu Powwow is not restricted to American Indians, Shebala said. Bisbee said it is also a way for the community to have a better understanding about the cultures and about the importance of dance.

"I just enjoy singing and learning American Indian songs from my tribe and other tribes," Shebala said. "Come dance with us. Come learn our native culture."



File photo

## Local musician hopes to get bands noticed

### see the SHOW

The show will be at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Nuart Theater. Tickets are \$5 and are available at the door.

By Michael Howell  
Argonaut

Erik Smith does not have the financial backing of a major music label. He has to struggle to find a gig in the area, but he loves playing for a crowd.

Now he will be using his previous experience to put together a festival where local artists will have a chance to become known.

"I had to put together a festival for a graduate recital that I did once," Smith said. "It seemed only right that I put the knowledge I had gained from doing that to put together a festival for local musicians."

Smith, who had been a solo musician for a number of years and had just recently begun performing with a band, knew how important a festival like this one could be to other local bands.

"It gives local bands some exposure," Smith said. "Something like a festival will help bands and people who are good musicians."

Smith said that bands without labels backing them have a harder time getting themselves noticed. When a band or artist is doing everything from songwriting to marketing, the chances that they will be able to do everything perfectly is slim, and in an industry like the music industry, those little things can make or break a performer's career, he said.

"All the bands and musicians performing are great musicians," Smith said. "They just haven't found their audience. This festival will hopefully bring the audience to them."

The performers include Washington State University performers Ashabdee, Lucas Tushar, Ether Hour and Erik Smith and the Yesmen. Pete Voss, a musician from Seattle, will also be featured.

"There are different genres involved as well," Smith said. "There is straight rock and acoustic rock involved, but there is also a hip-hop artist. The definition of 'indie rock' that we use for this festival just simply means that all the artists are doing everything themselves."

Todd Rubie, the drummer for Erik Smith and the Yesmen, has his own view on the importance of a festival.

"In Pullman especially, there isn't much of a music scene," he said. "Most artists will play at a coffee shop or small venue. This is a big venue with a big list of bands. It's a way to see the artists in a different setting."

Rubie also knows many of the performers for the festival personally, including Ether Hour and Lucas Tushar, and knows that they will put on a great show. Smith is also gearing up for the big festival with a sense of eager anticipation.

"I'm curious to see how this thing turns out," he said. "We've put so much time and effort into getting this together and have had help from so many outside sources."

Smith also said that though he is also putting on the festival, it will not distract him from performing his best.

"I got friends to help me market the festival and sponsors to help cover some of the costs," he said. "I also was able to get Washington State University student body President Zach Wurtz to serve as MC for the event. That way I can spend that night as just another performer."

Owen Peth, who plays keyboard for Erik Smith and the Yesmen, has one more reason to come to the festival.

"The more people that show up, the better the musicians will perform."

## Where true friendship meets fiction

By Christina Navarro  
Argonaut

Sirius Idaho Theatre's cast of Paula Vogel's "The Oldest Profession" encompasses a friendship and support system parallel to its characters'.

The staged reading of the comedy focuses on the lives of five older prostitutes working in New York, facing problems and getting through them with each other's support and friendship.

While the women aren't prostitutes in reality, their support for one another continues beyond the pages of their scripts.

Although the play is set in the '80s before Reagan's term in office, it includes many problems still around in today's economy, like rising gas prices, rent increases and Social Security.

Bev Wolff, co-director of the play, said theater frequently represents reality.

"You develop relationships like your characters, and they often mirror what happens in your real life," she said. "It's kind of spooky when it happens."

Being older and maintaining a career in a competitive world is not only a challenge for the protagonists, but a challenge that some cast members such as 81-year-old Barbara Kirschner and 78-year-old Beverly Hyde continue to resist.

Kirschner plays the part of Mae, the madame of the group, and has been an actress on the Palouse for decades.

Kirschner said while it has been the first time working with the other cast members, it has been a rewarding experience and they will probably stay friends.

"I will never forget the friendship I've had with these gals," she said. "They're pretty terrific — it wouldn't be a show without the rest of them," Kirschner said.

Kirschner said before she started acting, she was afraid to speak in public.

"It just terrified me," she said. "So I thought, if I do this theater thing, then I'd have to. I really enjoyed it and it got me over the fear of speaking."

She said that even while raising four children, she managed to stay involved in acting.

"They sometimes even helped me with my lines," Kirschner said.

She said having the script available at the play reading is much easier for her.

"I don't have to memorize any lines," Kirschner said.

While Wolff said having the script is like a security blanket, it is more challenging than it seems.

"It's really not easy at all," she said. "You always have the script in your hand, and are doing things with the other."

### see the READING

The staged readings of the play will be at 8 p.m. today at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Centre, with music and a reception at 7 p.m.

There will also be a reading at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Gladish Little Theatre in Pullman.

Tickets for the Kenworthy reading and reception are \$20 per person, with proceeds going toward Sirius Idaho Theatre and the Kenworthy.

Tickets for Saturday's performance in Pullman are \$12 and are available at BookPeople of Moscow and Neill's Flowers and Gifts in Pullman. For more information contact Bev Wolff at bevww@adelphia.net, or call (509) 336-9664.

Wolff said some cast members have faced challenges. Kirschner has worked hard, holding a script in one hand and a cane in the other.

"She's stiff, she's sore, but she's an absolute trouper," she said. "She's absolutely determined to do the role to the best of her ability."



Courtesy Photo  
Left to right- Martha Godchaux, Karen Rogers, Bev Hyde, Phyllis Van Hor, and Barbara Kirschner appear in "The Oldest Profession."

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# Art breaking barriers

By T.J. Tranchell  
Argonaut

Artists can create controversy. They can intentionally set out to shock people and instigate revolutions. Some artists, like feminist photographer Yara Ferreira Clüver, do not seek to be controversial. Instead, controversy is thrust upon them.

Clüver spoke Monday night about her work and the censoring of her art. A sampling of her photography titled "Beyond the Barrier of Skin" was also displayed in the Reflections Gallery. "These photographs reflect the female experience, and I would like to see these types of images become more common," Clüver said. "I like the idea of them hanging in a gallery called Reflections in a building called the Commons."

Bringing Clüver to the University of Idaho was a joint effort between the Women's Center, the College of Art and Architecture, the Reflections Gallery and the Office of the Provost.

Clüver's presentation, called "Feminist Art and Censorship," attracted a diverse crowd of men and women to the Whitewater Room. She spoke of her background and the controversy caused by her piece titled "Built to Suck."

Born in Brazil, Clüver studied at the Cooper Union School of Art in New York City, originally intending to focus on silk screening. Through interdisciplinary work, she discovered photography. She later earned her M.F.A. in photography from Indiana University, where she now teaches. She also studied with renowned feminist artist Judy Chicago.

It was during the 13-week course with Chicago that Clüver found the courage to tackle subjects she previously only hinted at.

"Judy Chicago pushes you to be direct, honest and open about context," Clüver said. "My work became more dramatic in its imagery thanks to her."

It is the lack of perspective and context that caused Clüver to become embroiled in controversy.

Clüver's piece "Built to Suck," which she calls "an homage to woman's ability to give birth," contains images of lactating breasts and the face of her own infant daughter. She was fascinated with the similarity of the "U" shape of breasts and the face of her child. What was meant to be an emotional work about her and her daughter, who was unable to breast-feed, became much more.



Yara Clüver

"Built to Suck" appeared on a pamphlet advertising a faculty show at DePauw (Indiana) University, where Clüver taught before returning to Indiana University.

"I saw that and I thought, 'Oh my God, what have I done? I've been a bad girl.'"

She wasn't the only one. All the pamphlets disappeared and the vice president of the university issued a statement saying that all publications must be approved by his office before being distributed.

All this happened before the show even opened.

"It eventually became about faculty governance and went well beyond just me," Clüver said. "As it pertains to the art, it was taken out of context by the censoring body before they even saw the show."

Also included in the current exhibit are photographs of her husband and daughter, both of whom spent time in the hospital.

"At first I was documenting the situations and surroundings," Clüver said. "Later I began interpreting them."

The images are very graphic, portraying nudes of Clüver's own body as well as those of her husband and child. It is important to Clüver that such images are in the open.

"Nudity isn't the problem," she said. "It is the point of view in viewing the female nude that is the problem. The ability to embrace a broader range of art helps us embrace diversity."

## PICKIN' AWAY



Professor James Reid practices in his office at the Lionel Hampton School of Music on Oct. 4. Reid will give a guitar recital on Nov. 13.

### ArtsBRIEFS

#### Fundraiser for UI Snowboarding Club

The documentary film "BIKECAR," featuring snowboarders Louie Fountain, Travis Parker and Scotty Whitlake, will premiere at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Nuart Theater.

The \$3 admission will benefit the Latah Train Foundation and a product raffle will benefit the UI Snowboarding Club.

For more info on the project, visit [bikecar.com](http://bikecar.com).

#### Weekend music at Bucer's

The Landowski Jazz Group will perform at 8 p.m. today at Bucer's Coffeehouse Pub and multi-instrumentalist Brad Keeler will perform Pre-War Blues at 8 p.m. Saturday.

#### Henry Yu lectures for Canada Week

Henry Yu speaks on "The Rise and Fall of White Pacific: Chinese Migrations and the Making of Nations" at 7 p.m.

Monday in the Commons Whitewater Room.

The event is sponsored by several UI units including the Martin Institute for Peace Studies and Conflict Resolution.

#### James Reid performs at school of music

James Reid will perform on the guitar at 8 p.m. Nov. 13 in the Lionel Hampton School of Music Recital Hall. Tickets cost \$5 for general admission, \$3 for students and senior citizens and are available at the door.

#### Personal art showing at the Prichard

The Prichard Art Gallery presents Stuart Larson's "Liquid Scans & Dead Technology" and Nathan Orosco's "El Norte."

The two artists will exhibit art that is close to them and intertwines with their current lives. With his exhibit, Larson looks closely at how our world knows itself through technology, from how beauty products to passenger aircraft are determined through computer modeling, computer imaging and computer testing.

Orosco's work with "El Norte" explores divisions that separate and define the modes of communication about and around the Texas border. This includes issues of the environment, immigrants and labor.

The exhibits will be open until Dec. 2. The gallery's hours are 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday. The gallery is closed on Monday. Admission is free.

For additional information contact the gallery at 885-3586.

#### A call for artists

The Moscow Arts Commission has issued a Call for Artists for its sixth annual Winter Solstice group. The exhibit is scheduled to open at the Third Street Gallery Dec. 8 and will run through Feb. 2. Interested artists can get an application online at <http://www.moscow-arts.org/Winter%20Solstice.htm>, e-mail [csentz@ci.moscow.id.us](mailto:csentz@ci.moscow.id.us) or call 883-7036. The deadline for submitting applications is Tuesday. Work in every medium will be considered as long as it reflects the winter theme.

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# Rapper is making new music from life

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By Jim Farber  
New York Daily News  
(MCT)

Twenty-six years ago, the father of Cuban-American rapper Pitbull commandeered three boats to bring more than 500 people from Castro's island to Miami, as part of what became known as the Mariel boatlift.

The dictator, who normally made emigration impossible, either let the disenfranchised leave or found an excuse to expel Cuba's least-desirable citizens, depending on your point of view. But the influx of nearly 125,000 people to our shores transformed Miami, and thus a key part of America. "Without Mariel, there is no modern Miami," declares Pitbull, born Armando Christian Perez.

The 25-year-old rapper just released an album he has dubbed "El Mariel" for a nifty reason. "The Marielitos were on a quest for freedom from Castro," he explains. "My music is also on a quest for freedom — from categories."

To compare the plight of desperate immigrants to the aspirations of a talented MC may strike some as a tacky stretch. But where would the world of hip hop be without exaggeration and brío? Anyway, the story of rap — like that of immigration and of America itself — all have in common the goal of self-transformation and upward mobility by any means necessary.

The connection becomes even clearer, and more appealing, once you hear Pitbull's music. "El Mariel" features some of the most clever, dense and rhythmic rhymes of the year, rolled over music that fuses three distinct genres into something wholly its own.

Southern crunk, pulsating Afro-Cuban beats and jittery reggaeton all get mixed up on the rapper's second CD. His first one, 2004's "M.I.A.M.I.: Money Is a Major Issue," leaned closer to crunk (with defining input from leering genre pioneer Lil Jon). That disk went gold, giving the rapper the biggest-selling debut by a bilingual hip-hop act since Cypress Hill's first CD, in 1991.

For "El Mariel," Pitbull has greatly upped his game, becoming more serious, political and mature, without losing the lowdown sex songs that made him a star. This time, Pit features a poem that compares the victims of Hurricane Katrina to the Marielitos, slamming both Bush and Castro in the process. In likening the two leaders, Pit says with a laugh "at least Castro was a genius for all the wrong reasons. I don't know if I can say the same about Bush."

Earlier this year, Pit was involved in two other politically charged pieces. He took part in a recording of the national anthem in Spanish, which the artists intended as an open-hearted statement of Latin inclusion. Angry conservatives saw it instead as anti-

Anglo. Then, when news arrived of Castro's illness, Pit went straight into the studio to cut a new song, "Se Acabo" (It's Over). The cut earned major play all over Miami and became a rallying cry for Cuban exiles. "It's a song of hope," says Pit. "Finally we may be free."

Pit's family has a long history of defying Castro. His grandmother came to this country during the revolution in the 1950s, when she could see her side was losing. Pit's parents met in Miami, but his dad soon took off, leaving his mother to raise him alone by working three jobs.

As a teen, the rapper developed skill at both rhymes and networking. He started winning emcee battles, and through them eventually met key players in the Florida rap scene, like Luke Campbell and Lil Jon. His connection to the latter led to a contract with Jon's label,TVT Records.

In the meantime, Pit's dad came back into his life. The two stayed close until the father died in May last year, at 55, of liver disease. Despite that painful experience, and the seriousness of Pit's political interests, most of "El Mariel" remains a sexy party romp. One of the most fun club cuts samples another

Southern classic, the B-52's "Rock Lobster." "I wanted something that sounded like Gnarl's Barkley or OutKast — something every college kid could go crazy for," Pit says.

In other words, he wanted a crossover point for rock fans. Clearly, Pit means to bridge every crowd he can, while understanding that few Latin rappers have achieved such mainstream success. The exceptions: Big Pun, Fat Joe and, lately, reggaeton's Daddy Yankee.

For Pit, his heritage has become a nuanced issue. On the one hand, he has often said he doesn't consider himself a Latin rapper but a rapper who happens to be Latin. On the other, he intends to put out an all-Spanish CD early next year, for the express purpose of getting nominated for some Latin awards. Also, he says he wants "to climb both the Latin and the American charts at the same time."

Ultimately, Pit says he sees no difference between the two. Similarly, he feels the story of "El Mariel" is every American's story. "The Haitians had their boatlift, there were the slave ships, and now the Mexicans are coming from over the border," Pit explains. "If you think about it, everyone can relate to El Mariel."

**"My music is also on a quest for freedom — from categories."**

**Pitbull**  
Rapper

# Amy Sedaris brings sense of humor to new book

By John Tanasychuk  
South Florida Sun-Sentinel  
(MCT)

Is Amy Sedaris a party expert? "No! I do the same thing over and over again," says the comedian, actress, little sister of best-selling storyteller David Sedaris and author of a kooky new book, "I Like You: Hospitality Under the Influence" (Warner, \$27.99). "The only reason my book is in chapters is because I just thought those would be challenging situations for a hostess."

Each chapter — "A Rich Uncle Comes to Visit," "Grieving," "The Out of Town Guest" — comes with tips, recipes and Sedaris-style suggestions for successful entertaining.

Those attending a wake, for example, should not ask if the deceased smoked or was drinking at the time of death.

Out-of-town guests should not only offer to set the table but also rake leaves, wash windows and paint baseboards.

Sedaris is not quite famous, not quite nobody. She starred in "Strangers With Candy" as the

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**Amy Sedaris**  
Actor/author

freaky Jerri Blank, the oddly sympathetic former drug addict who returns to high school in middle age. She was in "Elf" and "School of Rock" and played Carrie Bradshaw's publisher on "Sex and the City." She sells cheese balls and cupcakes that she makes in her West Village kitchen. She's a regular on David Letterman's show. "I don't think of myself as a famous

person," she says. "I don't get stopped on the street. I don't endorse products. The telephone's not ringing off the hook. It's great, but I don't know if I'd attach the word famous to it."

Her book is filled with not-so-subtle references to pot smoking. Thus, the "under the influence" portion of its title. Designer Todd Oldham took many of the photos, and other friends helped put the book together over 18 months. It's loaded with visuals reminiscent of a vintage cookbook, a kitsch-filled thrift store and your college party pics. It was photographed in Sedaris' apartment.

Buy this book for instructions on making a plant hanger out of pantyhose.

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sound of the following pumpkin pie recipe: "Directions are on back of can of pumpkin."

"I want them to know what it takes to throw a party," Sedaris says when asked why she wrote the book. "So if you don't entertain, next time you go to someone's house, you know how to be a good guest. You don't show up empty handed, three times in a row."

Do not, however, show up at any of her book signings with gifts. She's received artwork, pocketbooks, pills, books and treats for her pet rabbit, Dusty.

"What are they thinking? Someone gave me a huge pillow, the size of a steering wheel. It just amazes me. How am I supposed to get this home?"

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## Trashy turf may end the party

UI officials don't want to change tailgating but might have to

By Hartley Riedner  
Argonaut

The football game against Boise State brought a crowd that the Kibbie Dome parking lot has not seen in years. But it left behind a sea of waste, complaints about excessive drinking and a debate about the future of tailgating activities.

"There is a concern about the size and the magnitude of underage consumption that's probably taking place," said Dean of Students Bruce Pitman. "There's also concern about the amount of trash and refuse left behind."

Worries over tailgating in past years led to stringent restrictions on pre-game activities in the Kibbie Dome parking lot, and Athletic Director Rob Spear doesn't want to see that happen again.

"We've worked very hard to get tailgating at the level it's at now," Spear said. "And if people aren't responsible, it may contribute to future restrictions on tailgating."

Pre-game activities, whether in the Kibbie Dome parking lot or on the north field next to the Kibbie Dome, contribute to the spirit and enthusiasm of game day, Spear said.

"It's an atmosphere that provides a great game day experience, one that allows people to socialize in a safe and responsible manner," he said.

"It's an exciting environment to be around," said Terry Evans, events manager for the student sports complex.

Lt. Paul Kwiatkowski of the Moscow Police Department said the tailgating crowds have been generally cooperative this football season.

"We haven't experienced any major problems. No disorderly people, no fights or situations where police needed to be present," he said. "It's been a good crowd."

The presence of police officers in and around the parking lots reminds people that they are there to go to and enjoy the game, explained Nancy Spink, the risk

management officer for the university. She added that issues arise "with the people whose intent is not to visit the game, whose intent is to party in a parking lot."

The debate about drinking in the west parking lot, both with people of age and underage, is one that comes up every season.

"It is a constant subject of discussion — when alcohol is appropriate at a university event and when it is not," Spink said.

In the pre-game activity guidelines provided by parking services, it is stated, "Alcohol is not allowed in the parking lots." However, Kwiatkowski said the police are aware that alcohol consumption does occur in the parking lot prior to the games.

"We are aware of the drinking and we take that into consideration," Kwiatkowski said.

The problem is detecting it, said Spink. "We do have issues with people concealing alcohol. If people aren't drinking directly out of a beer bottle, you aren't sure what's going on," she said.

"We've tried to get away from the word 'tailgating,' because it brings open alcohol to mind," Stuart Robb said.

For Robb, the supervisor for parking services, one of his biggest concerns is the large amount of garbage left behind by tailgaters.

"It depends upon the game and attendance," Robb said. "The BSU game was the messiest of them all."

The task of cleaning up the mess was daunting, Evans said. However, he said he was pleasantly surprised on Sunday morning when a number of FarmHouse fraternity members showed up to help with the chore.

John Fisher, a FarmHouse member, said that the point of helping clean up after the game was not for any recognition. "We just thought it'd be a good idea to go help out the facilities. Those guys work pretty hard," Fisher said.

"It was fantastic," Evans said. "I was very impressed with that."

The unsolicited help of the Greek students, he said, showed that they wanted to keep the privilege of tailgating.

"It went a long way to able to con-



The Kibbie Dome parking lot was covered in trash after the BSU game

Lisa Wareham/Argonaut

tinued tailgating," Evans said.

Robb added that people who pick up after themselves when tailgating are helping the Athletic Department avoid a hefty clean-up fee the next day.

"By cleaning up your garbage, you're actually helping to support the Athletic Department," he said.

Another problem seen with tailgating this year is the tendency for people to loiter in the parking lot during the game instead of going inside at kickoff.

"Once the game starts, people should really go in and support the

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Return to Vandal Cards for last game

By Hartley Riedner  
Argonaut

Students may decide to take the trip back to Moscow early after Thanksgiving to see the Vandals play in their last home football game, and all they'll need to get in are their Vandal Cards.

Brian Bartels, manager of the UI Ticket Office, said that he does not expect the Nov. 25 game to sell out, so there will be no need for students to pick up tickets beforehand.

To accommodate as many students as possible for the Boise State game, the ticket office required that students have a paper ticket that could be picked up with a valid student ID at the ticket office in the weeks before the game.

The UI Ticket Office tried the same procedure for the Nevada game, but students who did not get a ticket before were able to swipe their Vandal Cards at the game.

"We weren't sure about student turnout for the Nevada game," Bartels said.

Bartels said the UI Ticket Office will require paper tickets in the future if a game looks like it is going to sell out. General admission tickets are taken offline and students are given the opportunity to pick them up at the Kibbie Dome.

"Pick-up tickets are the best opportunity that students have to come to the game," Bartels said.

If the ticket office had just swiped Vandal Cards at the Boise State game, "there would have been 500 or 600 students standing at the door, unable to get in," Bartels explained.

Emily Davis, director of athletics for ASUI, said that having to get tickets beforehand for the

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### MEN'S BASKETBALL

## Vandals take on North Dakota State at home

By Nick Heidelberger  
Argonaut

The University of Idaho men's basketball team opens its regular season at 7 p.m. today in the Memorial Gym against the North Dakota State Bison.

The Bison, who were 1-1 against the Vandals last year, return all five starters from last season's team that ended No. 13 Wisconsin's 27-game home non-conference winning streak.

The Bison beat the Badgers by clogging the lane defensively, forcing Wisconsin to shoot from the perimeter. This might not be an effective strategy against the Vandals, who shot 11-28 (.392) from beyond the arc to beat Cascade College 82-36 last week in the team's first matchup of the year.

"There's the old saying 'live by the three, die by the three,'" said Idaho coach George Pfeifer. "There will be some of those nights for us, unfortunately."

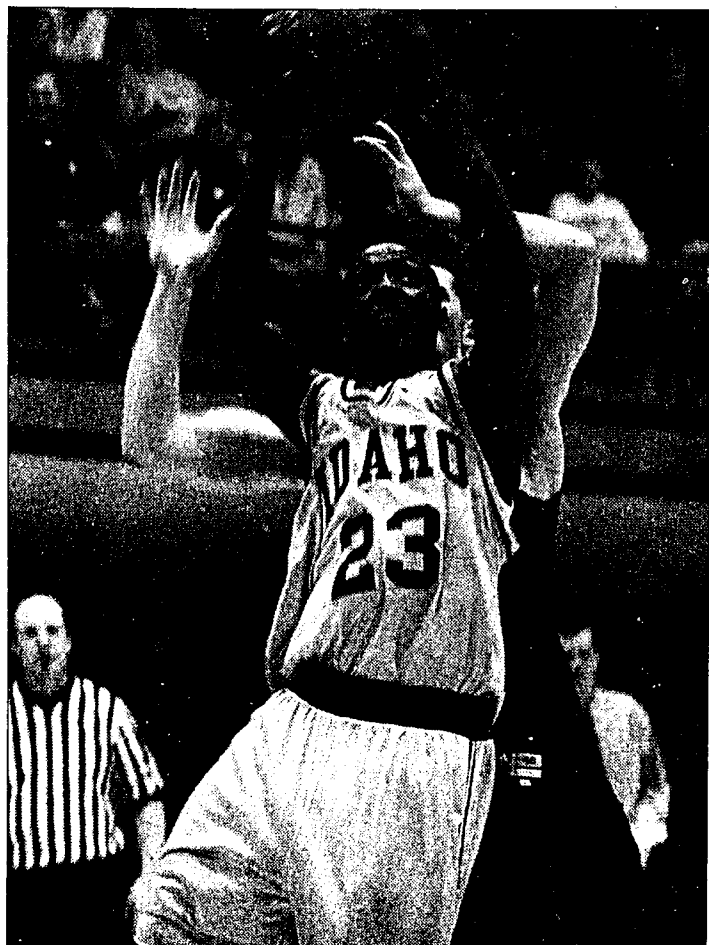
Returning guard Keoni Watson scored a career-high 23 points in a win against North Dakota State last season. He hit three consecutive 3-pointers in the first half of last week's exhibition, and finished the game with 15 points.

After the Vandals' exhibition win, they gained confidence, and a swagger, but still haven't been tested against a competitive team.

"It is sort of hard to see where you're at," said UI forward Michael Crowell, a transfer from Central Arizona, about judging the team based on its exhibition. "Because playing against good teams like Gonzaga, they will definitely deny certain aspects of your game, so you're going to have to go to your weaknesses and make those stronger."

Pfeifer said the difference between North Dakota State and Cascade College is like comparing watermelons to peanuts.

"It's not even close," Pfeifer said. "No, it's not close at all."



Bruce Mann/Argonaut

No. 23 O. J. Aworo goes to the hoop against Cascade last Friday. North Dakota State is an independent, and is in the fourth year of a five-year NCAA reclassification from Division II to Division I.

"They play well together, they shoot the ball well and they have great quickness," Pfeifer said of North Dakota State. "This will be an extremely challenging game for us."

Crowell said the Vandals are up for the challenge.

"I think we match up pretty good against them," Crowell said. "If everybody can do their job defensively, we're good to go."

The Vandals return two out of five starters from last year's team.

"We're still coming together as a team, chemistry-wise,"

Crowell said. "We've got a great amount of talent on this team, it's just all about putting it together now."

This will be the only home game the Vandals play in Memorial Gym, with the rest being held at the Cowan Spectrum in the Kibbie Dome. After tonight's game, the Vandals will have six days off before playing at South Dakota State on Thursday.

This will be the fifth meeting between Idaho and North Dakota State. The Bison lead the series 3-1. The two teams will play again this season on Dec. 12 at North Dakota State.

"It's going to be a great game," Crowell said. "It's going to be a very fun game to watch. I think we can pull it out."

## Friesz resonates on the field

Twenty years later, Friesz is still an asset to the team

By Alec Lawton  
Argonaut

Former quarterback John Friesz isn't averaging 360 yards a game for the Vandals anymore, but he's still helping out.

Football coach Dennis Erickson said Friesz played a part in establishing a legacy of standout quarterbacks at the University of Idaho. Friesz has also spoken to players currently on the team about success in football and life. While Friesz can't do recruiting for the team, Erickson said his reputation is well-known throughout the Northwest.

"People know who he is and you see his name up on the wall there," Erickson said. "Of course, I've had him talk to the team, like I have a lot of ex-players who have been here and had success in life. Not just professional football, but other things they've done in life, what the University of Idaho has done for them and the athletic program. So yeah, he has an influence on all those guys."

Friesz returned to the Kibbie Dome in October when UI retired his number (17) after an illustrious career. Erickson recruited the Coeur d'Alene native in 1985 after watching him in camp for two years, but didn't get a chance to personally see what Friesz would do before moving on with his own career.

"His team would come down to our football camp every year from the time he was a sophomore," Erickson said. "I got very familiar with him from the end of his junior year, watching him live. And of course then we followed him."

By the end of his senior year, Friesz had thrown more than 10,000 yards for the Vandals, lead the team to three consecutive conference championships and received the



Melissa Davlin/Argonaut

John Friesz, Vandal quarterback from 1986-89, is memorialized on the west wall of the Kibbie Dome.

Walter Payton Division I-AA outstanding player award. He spent a decade in the NFL after that, playing for the Chargers, Redskins, Seahawks and Patriots. Erickson said that he couldn't foresee such long-term success in Friesz, but that he knew he would do great things at Idaho.

"It's easy to say now you saw potential of a great quarterback, but I really felt he was going to be a great quarterback for the University of Idaho," Erickson said. "I, of course, couldn't foresee him playing in the NFL for a couple years. We really felt he could throw and do a lot of things. He had great leadership ability, you can tell that kind of stuff. And as it turned out, of course, he ended up

being awfully good."

Along with other Idaho quarterbacks, Friesz has established Idaho as a program that knows how to develop and utilize quarterbacks. Erickson said that has a positive effect on recruiting.

"He can't talk to recruits, that's unfortunate. But yeah, they know of him, particularly in north Idaho and the Northwest," Erickson said. "They're all very aware of him. And we've had a lot of pretty good quarterbacks come through here — there's kind of been a legacy of quarterbacks. With the things we do throwing the football and some of pro people we have, it has an influence on recruiting



# Kolva feeds off swimming's duality

By Ryan Atkins  
Argonaut

Growing up in Newman Lake, Wash., Katie Kolva discovered her love of swimming at an early age. Now, she uses that passion as a junior on the University of Idaho swim team and it's led to an impressive early-season start in the breaststroke.

## 1. How was it growing up in Newman Lake?

Well, it's right outside of Spokane, so it was nice living just right outside of town, and I like Spokane a lot. There's a lot to do there, it's a lot of fun.

## 2. How has Moscow treated you since you've been here?

Moscow is pretty good. It's good for a college town, and it's close enough to Spokane or Seattle if you want to go somewhere big. It gets kind of boring sometimes, but it's a cute town and I like it overall.

## 3. So how did you get into the sport of swimming?

Well I have been swimming year-round since I was 9, so I have pretty much always done it. It's just something that I have always loved.

## 4. What do you love so much about the sport?

I really like that it's a team sport and an individual sport as well. You're trying to better your times, but also trying to score points for the team in relays. You just get really close bonds with everybody on the team, and I really like that.

## 5. Are you pleased with how you have been swimming so far this year?

I think that so far this year I have been swimming a lot bet-

ter early in the season than my freshman and sophomore years. I think I have been maturing and getting more used to the program so that has helped me.

## 6. What is your favorite and least favorite thing about practice?

My favorite thing would be the girls on the team, always encouraging each other and laughing with each other. They make it worth it. But my least favorite thing is Saturday practices, three hours in the morning.

## 7. Do you have any rituals or superstitions prior to a big meet?

I just try to stay relaxed and have fun and not think too much about it.

## 8. What kind of music do you listen to?

Before meets, I just listen to whatever is playing in the locker room, usually something fast to get us excited and dancing around. On my own, I like all different music but I really like Jack Johnson. But I am pretty open to music.

## 9. At last year's Western Athletic Conference tournament, you were a member of the school's record-breaking 800 medley relay team. How exciting was that?

It was really exciting. It was the first night of the meet so it was a good way to start the week and it was really fun to do it on a relay team with three other girls.

## 10. So what are your favorite road trips with the team?

Well the Big West Shootout is always really fun because it's an outdoor meet and the



Junior Katie Kolva listens to Tom Jager at a huddle at practice Thursday at the UI swim center.

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KATIE KOLVA

Hometown: Newman Lake, Wash.

Year: Junior

Major: Marketing

Events: Breaststroke

weather is usually really nice, so it's nice just to get out of Moscow and be in the sun for a few days. There is also a lot of good competition there so it's a lot of fun. Conference is always really fun too because we get to be down there for a few days and I had never been to Texas before last year, so I am really looking forward to going back this year.

## 11. What do you enjoy doing outside of the pool?

Well, I don't have much time but if I had more I would just hang out more with my friends, go to movies, go shopping and stuff like that.

## 12. A lot of big movies have been coming out lately, what is

## the last one you have seen?

I haven't been to a movie in a long time but I love to watch anything with Will Ferrell — "Anchorman," "Wedding Crashers," anything like that.

## 13. What about any TV shows you are hooked on?

"Laguna Beach." My roommate and I like that show a lot, and I love "Friends." I watch re-runs whenever they're on.

## 14. Are you a Facebook addict?

Facebook, yeah. I'm not on MySpace, but Facebook is good for procrastinating homework.

## 15. So what made you decide to go after a marketing major?

Well, originally I was a food science major, but I decided I didn't like science as much as I thought I did. I have always been kind of interested in business and I thought somewhere in advertising or marketing, maybe sports marketing would be interesting.

## 16. What's your hardest class this semester?

I am in IBC this semester and that takes up a lot of time this semester, a lot of projects.

## 17. Have you started thinking about your plans for after college?

I am not really sure what I want to do exactly. I was looking at sports marketing, but something like fashion market-

ing might be fun, but I'm not really sure yet.

## 18. One of your teammates said that swimmers are non-stop eaters, is that the case with you?

Yeah, I eat a lot, all the time. I love all types of desserts, ice cream and pie are my favorite things and peanut butter — I put peanut butter on everything.

## 19. Do you have any big Thanksgiving plans?

I am going home for Thanksgiving and then I am going to Seattle for the last couple days.

## 20. Favorite Thanksgiving food?

Mashed potatoes and gravy.

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**National BRIEFS**

**Athletics, 49ers to change locales**

Two northern California sports teams have informed their respective city officials they plan to relocate to new cities.

The Oakland Athletics are expected to announce publicly next week they will build a new stadium in Fremont, Calif., a suburban area about 27 miles from Oakland.

Fremont's population is only roughly half that of Oakland's, but the city features a much higher average household income, and a big enough piece of open land to begin construction on a 36,000 seat state-of-the-art ballpark.

The Athletics have called Oakland home since 1968 but the team's current stadium — McAfee Coliseum, is aging and it is shared with the NFL's Oakland Raiders.

The San Francisco 49ers also made it clear they plan to move from their current home after team owner John York announced his intention of building a new stadium in Santa Clara, Calif.

The team would move some 37 miles but York insisted the team would not change any part of its name and the stadium is scheduled to be opened by the 2012 season.

**Miami player shot**

University of Miami defensive lineman Bryan Pata was shot and killed Tuesday night at his apartment complex, and the tragedy is being ruled a homicide.

Pata, a 22-year-old senior who grew up in Miami, played primarily defensive tackle for the Hurricanes this season, totaling 13 tackles and two sacks.

The 6-foot-4, 280-pound lineman was expected to be selected in next spring's NFL draft, and the tragedy was the latest shock to a Hurricanes team that has been plagued by turmoil this season.

Miami has already had a separate gun case this season and an on-field brawl during one of their games last month.

The Hurricanes have announced they will go forward with their game against No. 23 Maryland this Saturday.

**CARD**

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BSU game made the game more important to students.

"When you have a ticket, it means more," Davis said. "It's something you plan your whole day around."

If tickets are required before a game, the ticket office plans to work with ASUI to spread the word.

"If similar tactics have to be used for the upcoming basketball season, ASUI will be there to send out student e-mails, Facebook messages and communications through our ASUI Senate," Davis said.

**TRASHY**

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game," Robb said.

Kimi Lucas, assistant vice president of auxiliary services, agreed with Robb. "It's an athletic event, not just a social gathering. We want it to be social and event driven."

Next year, parking services may be requiring that drivers have tickets to be able to park in the parking lots west of the Kibbie Dome. "We're looking at it more in depth for next season, but we don't like to make changes midseason," Lucas said.

Students will be able to participate in pre-game activities Nov. 25 at the Kibbie Dome when the Vandals play San Jose State, with no major changes to the procedures of the past four home football games.

Pre-game guidelines provided by parking services state that the Kibbie Dome parking lot opens four hours prior to kickoff and that pre-game activities should cease when the game begins. The guidelines also state that individuals can return to the parking lot during halftime, but must vacate the lot once the game resumes.

To ensure the future of tailgating, Pitman encouraged students to be responsible and mindful of their actions: "Be smart, be safe, and clean up your mess."

**Allen, Iverson, Garnett among All-Stars struggling to get NBA title**

By Tim Povtak  
The Orlando Sentinel

ORLANDO, Fla. — Seattle SuperSonics guard Ray Allen goes to the NBA All-Star Game every year now, playing with or against guys such as Kevin Garnett and Allen Iverson, a pair of former NBA MVPs and future Basketball Hall of Famers.

That weekend — sadly — might be the highlight of their respective seasons.

Although every new year brings new optimism — some real, some contrived — the reality of today's NBA is that some of its very best and most decorated veteran stars are saddled with teams that leave them with no legitimate hope of being serious contenders any time soon.

For guys such as Garnett (Minnesota Timberwolves), Iverson (Philadelphia 76ers), and Allen — all at least 30 years old — their chances of winning a title are slipping away.

They have become all-stars moving closer to an unpleasant thought, preparing to join past players such as Charles Barkley, Karl Malone, Patrick Ewing and Reggie Miller whose legacies are marked by the lack of a single NBA championship.

Greatness with an asterisk.

Garnett, Iverson and Allen, along with Paul Pierce of the Boston Celtics, didn't reach the playoffs last season. They might not make it this season, either. They are marquee players on sub-par teams.

"If you're a winner, you really never get used to losing," Allen says. "My job is to play ball, win games and try and make everyone around me better. It (a title) hasn't happened yet, but this is a new season. I always feel like we're a contender."

The Sonics are formidable with Allen and Rashard Lewis on the perimeter, but they are rebuilding the rest of their roster and unlikely to thrive in the tough Western Conference.

Allen, the NBA's third-leading scorer (28 points per game) so far this season, is coming off his finest statistical season. He averaged 25.1 points. He set an NBA record for most 3-pointers made in a season (269). He shot 41.2 percent from long range. He climbed to second on the all-time career list for 3-pointers made, trailing only Miller. He played in his sixth all-star game. Yet he was lost in his team's otherwise poor season (35-47).

"It doesn't matter if you've got younger guys or older guys around you, you're playing to win," Allen said. "I don't think the perception of

me is going to change. I have a job to do."

Iverson, during his MVP season, led the Sixers to the NBA Finals in 2001, where they lost to the Los Angeles Lakers. They have been no better than average ever since, missing the playoffs in two of the past three years, struggling to surround their star with the right mix.

"I know if he ever wins an NBA title, it will be the happiest day of his life," Philadelphia teammate Steven Hunter said. "I can see how badly he wants it. After he came so close that one year, it left a bitter taste in his mouth."

Garnett, a nine-time all-star, has gone past the first round of the playoffs just once in his career. The Timberwolves lost in the Western Conference Finals in 2004, but they missed the playoffs the next two seasons. The prospects don't look much better now, even though they added point guard Mike James.

"K.G. has two to three years left to get it done," said Miami Heat guard Gary Payton, who won his first title last season, his 16th year in the league. "The most frustrated I've seen him is the year after they went to the conference final and lost. He's been frustrated ever since."

Allen, when he played in

Milwaukee, went to the Eastern Conference Finals in 2001, but that was as close as he would come to the Finals. Even more than Allen, Pierce has found himself caught in a youth movement with the Celtics. He has played in the past five all-star games, but at 29, he probably can't wait for the rest of his teammates to mature.

By winning the title in Miami last season, veterans such as Payton, Antoine Walker, Jason Williams and Alonzo Mourning all claimed their first championship. Until then, Mourning was expecting to finish his career like Ewing and Barkley — titleless.

"I don't know if people's perception of Gary (Payton) changed, but his perception of himself changed," Riley said. "Ten years from now, retired, he'll put his head down on the pillow knowing he won a title."

The lack of that title — or at least the lack of a legitimate chance at a title — is what fueled this summer's trade rumors involving Iverson, Garnett and Pierce. It's what likely will fuel the talk again. Although the players, at this stage of the season, aren't asking for any trades, that might not be the case when the frustration of losing again sets in around the all-star break.

**Sports BRIEFS**

**Women's basketball signs two for next year**

The UI women's basketball team has signed two players for the 2007-08 season, coach Mike Divilbiss announced Wednesday.

Alana Curtis, from Fort Collins, Colo., will join the team as a one-two combo guard.

"Alana is an athletic 5-6 guard. She can shoot it and is a slasher," Divilbiss said. "She has the quickness we will need to be competitive in the WAC. I am excited to have a person of her athletic ability in our program."

Curtis averaged 10 points per game as a junior at Rocky Mountain High School,

while also pulling in four rebounds a contest. She is also a skilled passer, averaging four assists per game. Curtis also managed two steals a game.

She plans to major in journalism when she gets to UI.

"Marc Skinner met with her and discussed the journalism program here and that was a big selling point for her. We have a very good journalism program," Divilbiss said. "She is a terrific student and is the associate editor of her high school newspaper."

Curtis was recruited by Washington State, Colorado State, Northern Colorado and Northeastern.

Joining Curtis will be Therese Riedel. Riedel comes to the Idaho from Grossmont High School, in San Diego, Calif.

Riedel averaged 15 points per game last

season. As a sophomore she was named Rookie of the Year in the East County League. She was also the top rebounder and shot blocker in the league. Riedel was named first team all league in her sophomore and junior seasons.

"Therese is another extremely athletic player and a 6-4 post player," Divilbiss said. "Therese can run, block shots and has good hands." She is coming to Idaho because she wants to learn the game, she knows what she needs to improve on and is looking to do just that. I really think she can help us in this league."

Riedel was recruited by University of California Santa Barbara, Hawai'i, San Diego and San Diego State.

"We feel very good about the addition of these two fine student-athletes and we will look to add two more in the spring recruiting season," Divilbiss said.

**Sports CALENDAR**

**Today**

UI men's basketball vs. North Dakota State  
Memorial Gym  
7:05 p.m.

Intramural doubles badminton play begins

**Saturday**

UI cross country at NCAA West Regionals  
Portland, Ore.

UI volleyball at San Jose State  
San Jose, Calif.  
8 p.m.

UI swimming vs. Washington  
UI swim center  
11 a.m.

**Tuesday**

UI women's basketball at Portland  
Portland, Ore.  
7 p.m.

**Wednesday**

UI volleyball vs. Nevada  
Memorial Gym  
7 p.m.

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