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PLANNING AND ZONING

Housing ordinance passes

Students already living with more than 4 people won't have to move, city says

Christina Lords
Argonaut

The Moscow City Council approved an ordinance Monday that will reduce the limit of non-related people living in single-family house or apartment from six people to four. The council passed the ordinance with a two-thirds majority vote and approved the ordinance under suspension of the rules that requires three complete and separate readings.

The ordinance states there are exceptions for each of Moscow's four residential districts, which could allow more than four unrelated people in one home as long as they meet the specified requirements, including off-street parking and making sure the use of the residence is conducive with the rest of the surrounding neighborhood. Each of the districts is measured by how many single-family dwellings there are in the area.

"We provide an exception for up to six people (living in one home) if they're living in harmony with the surrounding community," said Bill Belknap, community development director of Moscow.

Residents who want to live in a single-family home with up to five other people would have to pay an application fee and go through a public hearing where neighbors could give input.

The application fee would be between \$100 and \$230, Belknap said.

Residents currently living with more than four non-related people will not have to conform to the new ordinance.

"It is provided that people could continue (living) legally within the established pre-existing uses," said Randy Fife, Moscow city attorney.

Fife said the ordinance must be printed in the city's newspaper for public viewing before it becomes a law. The Moscow-Pullman Daily News is considered the city's newspaper, and the ordinance should be printed on Saturday, Fife said.

Belknap said enforcement of the new ordinance will "be a challenge."

The first step to creating awareness about the changes would be an extensive public education campaign, he said.

"We would talk to ASUI, rental associations and property managers to educate people on what's allowed and what is not allowed," Belknap said.

Anne Clapperton, a planner for the community development department, said the particulars of the education campaign still have yet to be determined.

"Once the ordinance is into effect, the staff will determine how to best put the project into motion," Clapperton said.

The ordinance was created after resident complaints about noise and parking issues intensified over the past three to four years. The city council formed a committee to investigate the claims which ultimately led to the drafting of the ordinance.

UI learns dirty lesson

Sustainability Center's program shows students how much of their garbage could actually be recycled

Brandon Macz
Argonaut

A pool-sized tarp is stretched across the Commons lawn, each corner held down by 45-gallon Rubbermaid Roughneck trash cans. Next to it is a residence hall dumpster provided by McConnell Hall.

Unable to reach further into it, Alecia Hoene climbs inside and chuck out the contents, not all of which are in garbage bags.

Andy Boyd walked up and looked inside where Hoene was hunched over, gripping several bags.

"There's a can of Campbell's Soup. Is it full or empty?" Boyd said.

Hoene is the director for the University of Idaho's Sustainability Center, an organization started last year to educate students about improving the quality of life for everyone through "environmental stewardship, collaboration across disciplines, entrepreneurial innovation and community service" according to UISC's mission statement.

Hoene jumped into a dumpster Wednesday as part of a demonstration for "Trash Talk," a waste and recycling event.

Students were given the opportunity to win prizes by answering trivia questions relating to the environment and the amount of waste the human population creates.

The trash pulled from the dumpster was opened on the tarp and sorted into piles that separated garbage from the potential recyclables that might never have been re-used.

Hoene might have stood out from participants in her all-white Tyvek suit, which is often used when handling hazardous materials.

Moscow Recycling Center manager and education coordinator Boyd dressed casual as he helped UISC spread the message, and the garbage.

"One would hope that the visual representation of just one of the trash cans on campus, the idea of recycling opposed to just throwing it all away, will raise some attention," Boyd said.

Boyd became involved with UISC over the summer and will be an active member on its advisory board.

"If 70 percent of the people recycled, we wouldn't have that going on," Boyd said of the sorted trash strewn out on the tarp.

In a dorm room dumpster, the paper waste that Boyd said accounted for 50 percent of total waste was apparent among the candy wrappers, plastic bottles, half-eaten pop-tarts, prescription bottles and prophylactics.

"The garbage that's going to be produced from a residence hall is going to be different from that produced by a department or at the library," Hoene said.

"Recycling and waste management are part of a year-long theme. It's pretty appalling how much of that could be recycled or composted."

Even blue jeans such as the ones separated into their own pile on the tarp can be used for insulation.

Boyd said most people are unaware of the ecological impact.

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Roger Rowles/Argonaut

Alecia Hoene sorts through the contents of a dumpster Wednesday morning on the Commons lawn. The demonstration illustrated how much trash can actually be recycled.



Photo illustration by Jake Barber/Argonaut

SAVE DARFUR



Roger Rowles/Argonaut

Sophomore Tiffany Bidlake walks out of one of the tents put up Thursday to inform students about genocides throughout history. The tents were part of Darfur Awareness Week.

University welcomes dads to campus

Alexiss Turner
Argonaut

Fathers and students will have a lot to look forward to this weekend as the University of Idaho's annual Dad's Weekend events begin today.

Check-in for the weekend's activities runs from 3-7 p.m. today at the Student Union Building. Free pizza and root beer floats will be served in the bookstore plaza from 5 p.m. until check-in ends.

Most of this weekend's activities are sponsored by the Student Alumni Relations Board, which organizes many campus events throughout the year. Ty Deschamp, co-chair for the Dad's Weekend planning committee, said the committee has been working on the event since March.

One of the biggest activities SARB puts on is the annual Dad's Weekend golf tournament. Check in begins at 6:30 a.m. Saturday. Breakfast will also be served at

that time. Teams will tee off at 8 a.m.

Up to 100 father-student teams can participate and the game will be shrunk to nine holes because of time issues. At selected holes, teams can participate in competitions including longest put and longest drive. Markers will be provided for team members to use to distinguish the length of their stroke. All the lengths will be tallied and winners will receive a travel mug and other prizes including golf balls, gift certificates and clothing.

Fraternities and sororities will each have their own set of activities for the day. Most include an open house, brunch and games. Some Greek houses are also holding silent auctions. All the proceeds will go toward the house and its charities.

For those dads not attending the golf tournament, Vandal Ambassadors is offering free coffee and a continental breakfast to dads

dad's weekend SCHEDULE

Friday
3-7 p.m. Check-in at SUB
5-7 p.m. Free pizza and root beer floats in Bookstore Plaza

7 p.m. Movie in the SUB Borah Theatre, \$2 students/\$3 general public

Saturday
6:30-7:45 a.m. Check-in for golf tournament at Idaho Golf Course
8 a.m. Golf tournament tee-off

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8 a.m.-noon Farmers Mar-

and students at 9 a.m. Saturday in the LLC Bluebird and Whitebird rooms. Dads and students can

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Check out medieval manuscripts at WSU, a benefit performance for World Vision at the Nuart and David Mamel's 'Oleanna' at the Kiva.

Sports&Rec
O.J.'s not the only athlete who has had a run-in with the law, and the complete breakdown of Saturday's football game.

the WEB

Vote in the new poll: Which reunion are you more excited about: Led Zepelin, Van Halen, The Eagles, Guns 'n Roses or Genesis? The last one isn't fair because it's Phil Collins and not Peter Gabriel. Now that would be something.

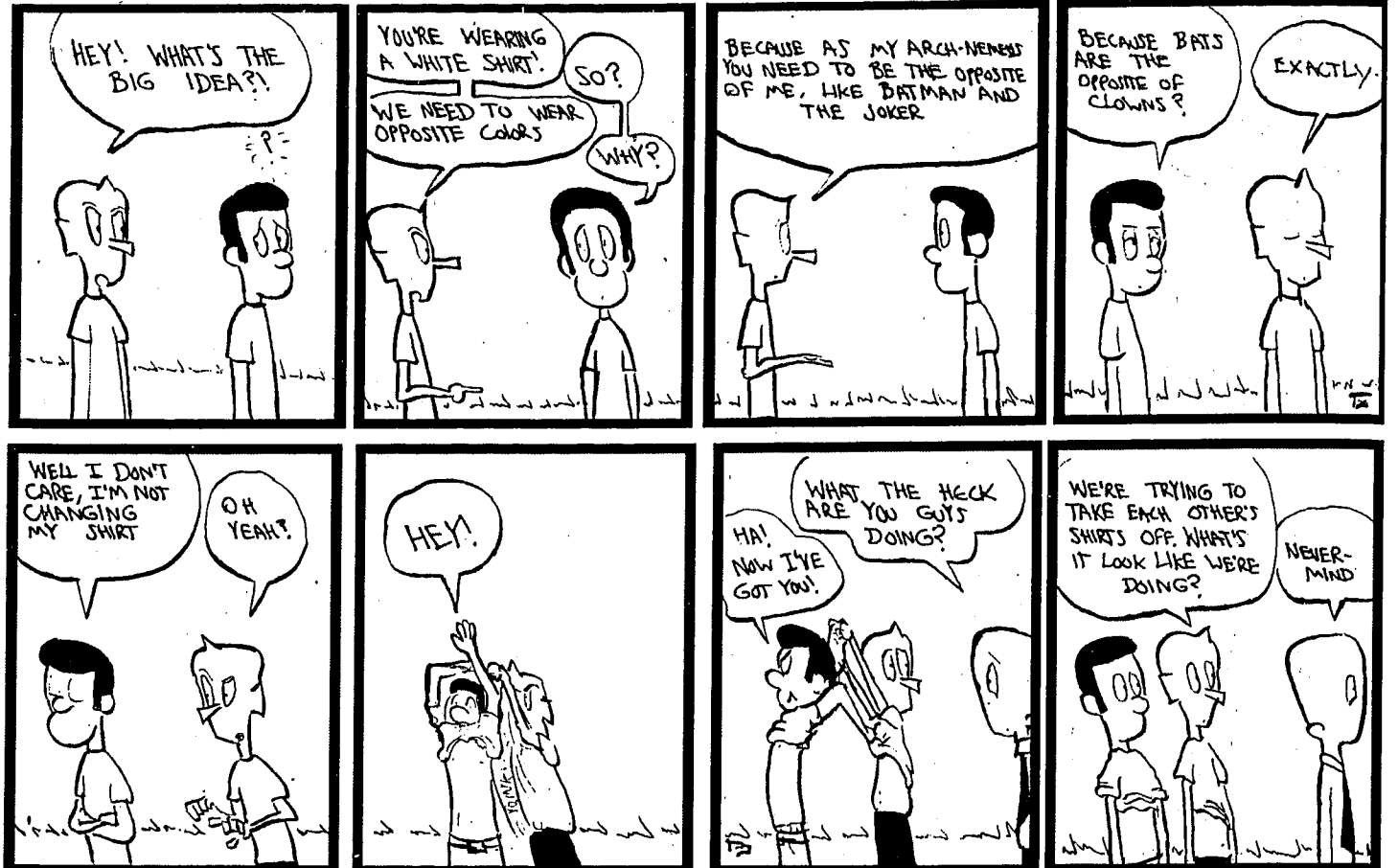
Corrections

The Argonaut misspelled several names in the last few issues. Among them are Mike Thomsen, Forrest Blakesley, Ray Pankopf and Kevin Woelfel. We apologize for these errors.

In the feature of yoga instructor, Sara Foster in our Sept. 14 issue, Foster's studio is Selden Kraus Studio, not Seldon Krait Studio in Moscow. Foster teaches yoga classes on the Palouse. Her phone number is 301-0372 and her email address is sarakate@bodysongstudio.com.

UniversityAVE.

by Paul Tong/Argonaut



Campus Recreation

Dad's Weekend
Dads workout for free with their student. Show your Vandacard after your workout and dad gets a free Campus Rec T-shirt!

Intramural Sports Deadlines

Co Rec Softball
Forms Due: 9/27
Play Begins: 9/30

Volleyball Officials Meeting
10/1 @ 4pm
SRC Classroom

Volleyball
Forms Due: 10/2
Play Begins: 10/15

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Sat-Sun 2-8pm
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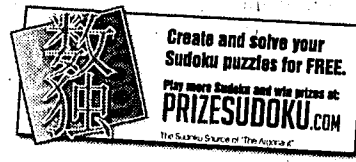
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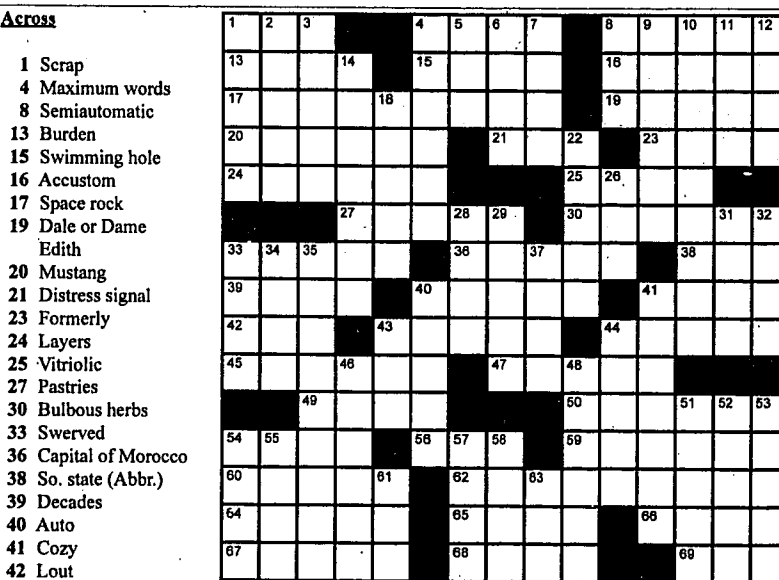
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9	7	1	4	2	4	8	5	3	6
3	3	5	7	2	7	2	2	7	8
4	6	7	5	3	8	3	1	8	4
2	2	8	1	8	6	9	3	8	3
1	7	8	2	4	3	6	1	9	5
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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.



CrosswordPUZZLE



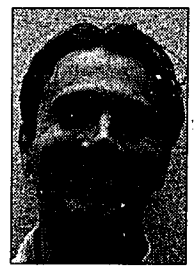
- Across**
- 1 Scrap
 - 4 Maximum words
 - 8 Semiautomatic
 - 13 Burden
 - 15 Swimming hole
 - 16 Accustom
 - 17 Space rock
 - 19 Dale or Dame Edith
 - 20 Mustang
 - 21 Distress signal
 - 23 Formerly
 - 24 Layers
 - 25 Vitriolic
 - 27 Pastries
 - 30 Bulbous herbs
 - 33 Swerved
 - 36 Capital of Morocco
 - 38 So. state (Abbr.)
 - 39 Decades
 - 40 Auto
 - 41 Cozy
 - 42 Lout
 - 43 Spice rack item
 - 44 Singing voice
 - 45 Parallel
 - 47 Bordered
 - 49 Midwest state
 - 50 Most antiquated
 - 54 Food shop
 - 56 Convened
 - 59 Earth color
 - 60 Mine entrances
 - 62 Shoulder strap
 - 64 Dogma
 - 65 Fr. priest
 - 66 Germ
 - 67 Hot under the collar
 - 68 Toll
- Down**
- 1 Depth charges
 - 2 Unreactive
 - 3 Coach
 - 4 Hubbub
 - 5 Hawaiian dish
 - 6 Youngsters
 - 7 Bread spread
 - 8 Misinform
 - 9 Expose
 - 10 Protectors
 - 11 Sea eagles
 - 12 Repose
 - 14 General assemblies
 - 18 Eight
 - 22 The Tempter
 - 26 Write out
 - 28 Very (Fr.)
 - 29 Thompson
 - 31 Addition
 - 32 Starch from palms
 - 33 Gr. portico
 - 34 Gaunt
 - 35 Constant
 - 37 Hairless
 - 40 Adventure stories
 - 41 Makes unhappy
 - 43 Buckle under
 - 44 Contradict
 - 46 Hang around
 - 48 Religious text
 - 51 Concluded
 - 52 Facial expression
 - 53 Unpunctual
 - 54 Information
 - 55 Parade
 - 57 Quick inits.
 - 58 Pea shooter
 - 61 Eye infection
 - 63 Commerce org.

BEYOND THE SHEETS

Be positive you're not

Last week I wrote about helping a friend deal with a change in HIV status. It is vitally important that all sexually active people be aware of their individual responsibility and ability to participate in an activity go hand in hand. Many think the main precaution to be taken when having sex is to not get pregnant. A bigger precaution needs to be taken about not infecting other people with a traumatizing and devastating disease, especially one such as HIV.

— a virgin has a relatively low risk of having contracted HIV. However, if there is medical need as designated by a doctor, these tests can be pre-scribed/ordered and then covered by insurance. Being completely honest with your medical professional and accurately disclosing your sexual history will yield better results than omitting facts! The doctor is there to help you, not judge you — besides, it's all confidential anyway.



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My best advice in this circumstance: GET TESTED. However, before everyone goes running out to Student Health or their private physician to get HIV tests, be aware of how your insurance works and what is going to be covered. I was recently under a false impression regarding the Student Health Insurance Policy (SHIP) leading me to have a great distaste for it. I was outraged to learn that STD, including HIV, tests would be covered by SHIP only when the patient is showing symptoms. I thought that was the most absurd thing I had ever heard of. I was fortunate enough to be able to chat with someone in the SHIP Office who understands the policy better than I ever could have by reading it alone. These tests will not be covered by insurance for an individual who is going in every month because they have switched to a new partner, because of the low risk factor. Nor will these tests be covered for an individual who has never had sexual contact

There is another way these tests can be covered by SHIP. My understanding is that direct exposure can be classified as a symptom. Direct exposure is not shaking hands with someone who is HIV Positive, but rather having sex with someone, protected or not, and later finding out that person is HIV Positive. This again comes down to a matter of communication, this time between partners. Testing positive for HIV then opens up new responsibilities, as mentioned in last week's column.

Ultimately, the best outcome is to have a negative result. One of the best ways to produce that result is to reduce risk. This reduction includes communication between partners, safer sex practices — including condoms and limiting the number of sexual partners, as well as exposure. You are under no obligation to ever have sex, but if you choose to, you need to make smart decisions about your personal health. Remember that, unlike many things in life, HIV does not discriminate based on sexual orientation and can infect any sexually active person. Be safe and responsible and ask questions ... it's what I'm here for. Happy Testing.

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Students get a taste of agriculture at Ag Days

Brandon Macz
Argonaut

Prospective students of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences will get a chance to reap all that has been sown at the University of Idaho during Ag Days Sept. 27-30.

Three days have been planned and sorted into three packages high school students around the area can choose from, ranging from one to three day stays at the university. Ag Days started as a weekend alumni homecoming, but John Foltz, CALS associate dean and director of academic programs said it has changed a lot since 1978.

"Ag Days meets a whole list of purposes," Foltz said. "We thought this was a good way to get students on campus."

More than 8,000 invitations were sent to teachers, counselors and extension offices in Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

"This is the third year that we've invited high school students to participate in workshops," said Kim Nelson, CALS student recruitment coordinator. "They like engaging activities that the faculty provides. It really is just a taste of what the college has to offer."

Workshops will be conducted Sept. 28 in 10 time blocks. Students can choose from several workshop topics to attend,

such as "ultrasonography and reproduction of cattle" or "feeding minds, fighting hunger."

"The idea is that they would pick something that they're interested in," Foltz said.

A barbecue will be sponsored by the Farm House fraternity before students spend their Friday night in the Student Recreation Center.

Sigma Alpha, a three-year-old agricultural sorority will host Saturday's breakfast while CALS student affairs council will host a barbecue with beef supplied by the university's meat lab prior to the football game against University of Hawai'i.

"We have alumni that come back for it," Foltz said. "They appreciate being able to come back and enjoy a game."

Students who arrive early on Thursday will be able to attend the food fair and the 15th annual North Idaho Chili Cook-off, sponsored by the Food Science Club in accompaniment with CALS student affairs council. Contestants can be community members and any of the 25 clubs affiliated with the college. The winning chili will be sold for fundraising.

"They're the student senate," Nelson said. "Each club has the opportunity to have a booth to do chili. The Dairy Club will sell milkshakes."

FSC President Jennifer Cholewinski

said all of the entries' chili will be sold and that local businesses have provided prizes. The first place winner will receive \$50 in cash.

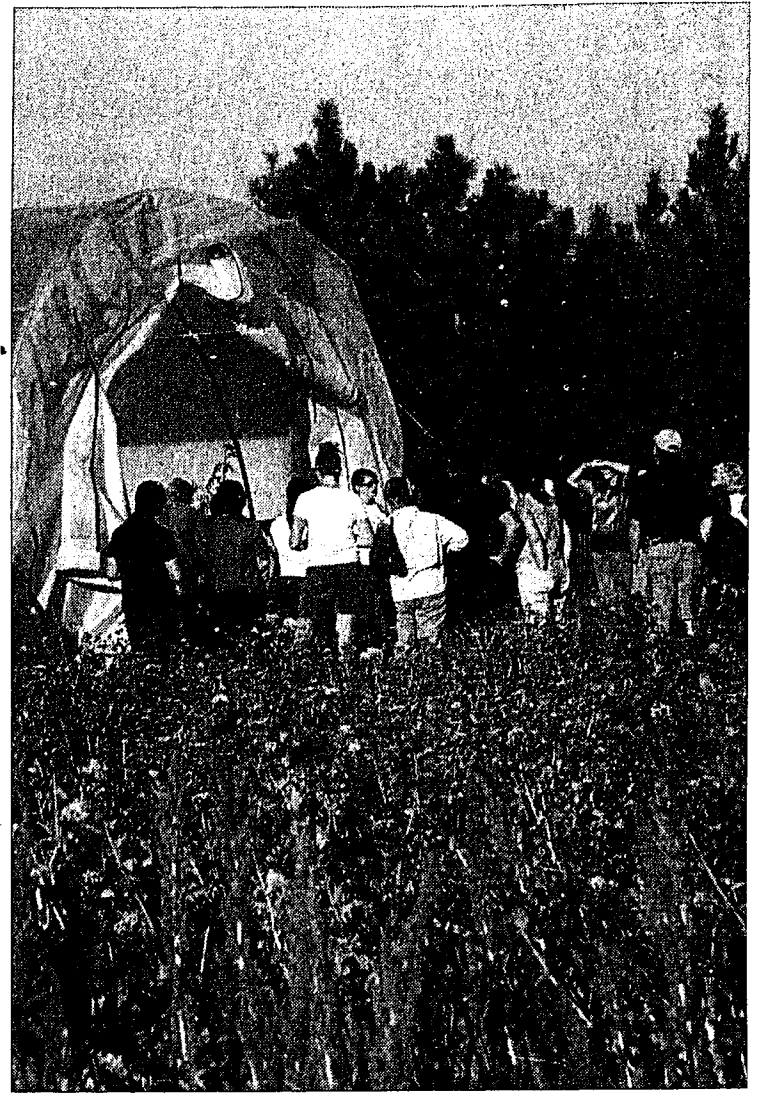
"The top chili is chosen by the judges," Cholewinski said. "It's up to them what their personal opinion is."

The chili can be prepared that day or the night before and must be at 450 degrees for safety reasons. No wild game meat is allowed to be in the chili and a house chili will also be available for purchase Thursday.

Ag Days has seen improved high school participation over the past three years, but Nelson said it will take four years before the college can assess the level of effectiveness this annual event has had on recruitment.

Marsing and Notus High School were the first year participants, which grew to 60 participants its second year. The Sept. 13 deadline was extended this year, which explained the constant rattling of phones Thursday as Nelson went about approving package extras and conferring on Ag Days aspects with Foltz. By Saturday, the total adult and student registration was at 302.

The college will continue to invite students to attend next year's Ag Days, which Foltz promises to be "education, fun and a campus visit all rolled into one."



Jake Barber/Argonaut
The Soil Stewards lead a tour at the CALS Parker Farm. Next week the college hosts its annual Ag Days for high school students.

OMA interim director announced

Jessica Mullins
Argonaut

Since the departure of the Office of Multicultural Affairs director Francisco Salinas last spring, the few staff members at the office struggled to support the many students under the OMA wing.

But now, with the selection of the interim director, the office has begun to get back on the right track.

On Sept. 10 Christina Veloz was selected from the three final interim director candidates. Veloz steps into the office on Oct. 1 and will serve until July.

"I was ecstatic, surprised and overwhelmed," Veloz said of when she was offered the position. "It felt just wonderful."

Currently an academic advisor at the Treasure Valley Community College in Caldwell, Veloz has extensive experience with traditionally underrepresented students throughout the northwest.

Veloz will focus on what can be done to better serve the students, said Leathia Botello, OMA coordinator.

"We're very enthused that Christina accepted the interim position," said Bruce Pitman, vice provost for student affairs. "She will bring great energy and excellent communication and leadership skills."

Jeannie Harvey, UI Women's Center director, said she enjoyed interviewing Veloz.

"I just feel like she brings a background of diversity work and that she has had experience on the side of advising and supporting students," Harvey said. "She seems like someone who has a lot of vision."

The search for a full-time OMA director begins in January. The director is expected to take over the office in July. Veloz may apply for the full-time position if she chooses.

Veloz, who has a Mexican-American heritage, went through the education system as a first generation minority student. Her inclusive view of people's backgrounds adds to

her biculturalism, she said. "I know the barriers that are out there," Veloz said.

Veloz brings a lot to the table to work with different populations and encourage open dialogue, Botello said. Throughout her career, Veloz has worked with underrepresented populations that include students with disabilities, minority students, low-income and nontraditional students.

Salinas served as the Office of Multicultural Affairs director since 1997.

Salinas' position was huge and encompassing, Botello said. The new director can't be asked to do everything, she said.

Veloz's duties will be prioritized, beginning with interacting with students and acting as an advocate and mentor for the students, Botello said.

The number of multicultural students on campus has doubled in the last five years, Botello said. Nearly 1,100 students are represented by the groups in the OMA. All students are welcome at OMA,

meet Christina Veloz

The welcome/open house for Christina Veloz, OMA interim director will be 1, to 5 p.m., Oct. 3 at the Student Diversity Center, TLC 229. Refreshments will be provided.

whatever their racial or ethnic background, Botello said.

"We are here to be resources to all students," Botello said.

Veloz plans to pay attention to what is already happening at OMA, getting to know the climate and deciding what is being done well and what could be done better, Veloz said.

"She will be one of those leaders to bring diversity offices together," Botello said.

Veloz said she also plans to look at ways to improve programs.

"Having a lot of partnership

and collaboration can help underrepresented students," Veloz said.

Veloz has good rapport with students, Botello said.

"We needed to make sure whoever took the position understood students, worked well with them and could be a mentor, adviser and role for them," Botello said.

In addition, Veloz's has experience in pastoral counseling, which has helped her achieve deep listening skills important for talking to students, Botello said.

"She is not going to be one of those people who over-talk the students," Botello said.

Veloz graduated from Boise State University with a bachelor's in political science in 1990. In 2003 she received a Master's degree in pastoral counseling from Seattle University.

SenateREPORT

Presidential communications
Jon Gaffney was not present to communicate to the Senate.

Unfinished business
F07-09, an act appointing Katie Havens to the posi-

tion of ASUI director of bills, passed.

New business
F07-31, an act appointing Sarah Schmoie to the position of ASUI student recreation board chair, was sent to Government Operations and Appointments.

— Christina Lords

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Q: How does it work?
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For more information on how your company can sponsor Kickstand's activities, please contact Rick Ritter at (208) 562-3700 or via email at rick.ritter@idahotechconnect.com.

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also take a tour through the arboretum, which will leave from the golf course at 10 a.m.

Pre-game activities will be held from noon to 2 p.m. in the Inland Cellular pre-game zone, which is on the east side of the Kibbie Dome. ZFUN 106 will be broadcasting from noon to 1 p.m. Domino's pizza and Tri Tip Vandal Meats will be there with food and beverages. There will also be a beer garden. Food vendors will be both in and out of the beer garden so everyone can enjoy.

Children attending the pre-game activities can hang out in the kid's zone where they can play in inflatable jump castles. They can also sign up for the Jr. Joe Club, a kids club that offers children 14 and under special benefits such as special entrances to games and autograph sessions.

The annual Dad of the Year award will be announced during the game. This special dad is chosen from the many student-written essays describing why they think their dad should be awarded. Essays were collected throughout the semester.

Everyone in the family is invited to attend the pasta dinner at 6 p.m. Saturday night in the SUB Ballroom. Nearly 300 families have already shown interest in the banquet. Live entertainment will be provided by comedi-

dad's weekend SCHEDULE

- 8 a.m.-noon Farmers Market downtown Moscow
- 9-10:30 a.m. Coffee with Dad in LLC Bluebird/Whitepine room
- 10 a.m. Arboretum tour leaves from UI golf course
- Noon-2 p.m. Vandal Game Day pre-game activities in Inland Cellular Tailgate Area
- 2 p.m. Football vs. Northern Illinois University in the Kibbie Dome
- Post-game celebration at the University Inn Best Western
- 7 p.m. Volleyball vs. Fresno State University in Memorial Gym
- 7 p.m. Movie in the SUB Borah Theatre, \$2 students/\$3 general public

an Vic Henley throughout the dinner. Henley is well known for his "redneck" comedy and co-wrote "Games Rednecks Play" with Jeff Foxworthy.

Trevor Hansen, co-chair, said he encourages all dads to participate because it gives them a chance to see a different aspect of their child's college life.

"It gets (dads) involved," he said. "So they can see UI is more than a party school."

Recent string of burglaries targeting unlocked cars

Greg Connolly
Argonaut

Since Aug. 1, 21 cars in the city of Moscow have been broken into and had items stolen. In 19 of these cases, the cars were unlocked.

Lt. Dave Lehmitz of the Moscow Police Department said police are currently investigating active leads. He encourages people to lock their cars at night.

The majority of these burglaries have occurred in residential parking lots. Around half have occurred off campus and half on campus.

"We've had rashes of car burglaries in the past, but this go around seems like we've had more than usual," Lehmitz said.

The cars that have been broken into fit no profile except for the fact that they've nearly all been unlocked and have had items left in plain view. Most of the items

that have been stolen are laptop computers. None of these computers have been recovered.

Earlier in the string of robberies, two windows were broken on separate cars, but since then only unlocked cars have been targeted. None of the other vehicles have been damaged.

Lehmitz encourages people to check their cars often. Many university students will park their car and walk away from it for days at a time. When the car is broken into, it becomes much more difficult to investigate if the owner hasn't been back for an extended period of time, he said.

"Now you've got a window of time that's anywhere from four to five days, so you're not really sure what night they're occurring," Lehmitz said.

None of these burglaries have focused on any single parking lot or part of town. They're sporadically spread out across the city.

Palouse Properties, one of Moscow's biggest apartment rental agencies, said that they have only heard of one car burglary in their parking lots. Welcome Home Apartments and Hill Apartments haven't heard of any taking place on their property.

Lehmitz encourages people to take three simple steps to avoid having their vehicle burglarized: place your valuables out of sight, lock the doors and check back with the vehicle often. He also encourages people to call 885-COPS if they witness any suspicious activity.

"Just call. Maybe by the time we get there, they're gone. But maybe we'll catch somebody in a vehicle, or somebody carrying a backpack full of property that doesn't belong to them either," Lehmitz said. "The biggest thing is we always need help from the public since that's what helps us solve crimes."

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conserving resources, especially college students belonging to "generation entitlement."

"There is also the, 'my time is more important,' attitude," he said. "Ultimately, it's everybody's responsibility."

Students stopped to play the trivia game and listen to UISC student employees speak about the benefits of living a sustainable lifestyle. Those students who did not know what the event was occasionally stopped and asked if everything was all right.

"Huge changes need to take place," Boyd said, "and none of them are happening."

More information about UISC can be found at www.uisc.uidaho.edu.

Campus CALENDAR

Today

National POW/MIA Recognition Day ceremony Administration Lawn 10 a.m.

"What Will Climate Change Mean for Idaho and the Interior West?" Seminar TLC 29 12:30 p.m.

Jazz Band and Choirs Concert School of Music Recital Hall 7:30 p.m.

"Oleanna" opens Kiva Theater 7:30 p.m.

Saturday

Dad's Weekend Golf Tournament UI Golf Course 6:30-7:45 a.m.

UI vs. Northern Illinois University Kibbie Dome 2 p.m.

"Oleanna" Kiva Theater 7:30 p.m.

Monday

"Killing Us Softly" Women's Center 5 p.m.

Palouse Kickstand meeting Sandpiper Grill 5:30 p.m.

Local/BRIEFS

ISGC hosts NASA symposium

NASA Idaho Space Grant Consortium will host the 2007 NASA Research Symposium today in the Idaho Commons. The event will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The guest speakers for the symposium are Randall Sumner from the NASA Kennedy Space Center and Marc Murbach from the NASA Ames Research Center. The symposium will also have faculty and student research presentations focusing on exploration systems, space operations, science and aeronautics.

The symposium is free for all attendants. Students and faculty can attend the symposium to learn more about the NASA-sponsored research being done in Idaho and learn about the research, scholarship and internship opportunities available through ISGC.

For registration information, visit the symposium Web site, atiscg.uidaho.edu/research-symposium.

PCei hosts water festival today

Local students will have the opportunity to learn about watershed quality of their region at the Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute Watershed Festival today. Educational stations at the Partridge Creek Watershed Festival will include tree planting, the Incredible Journey water cycle,

macroinvertebrate identification with John Pfeiffer of Eco Analysts and Tread Lightly (low-impact recreation) with Jen Hensiek from the US Forest Service. The event is a part of the Make a Splash with Project WET, a nationwide water education program supported by Nestle. The event will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For information, call Heidi Weaver at 882-1444 or e-mail her at heidi@pcei.org.

Beta Theta Pi wins national awards

Beta Theta Pi's Gamma Gamma chapter at the University of Idaho won its second John Reily Knox Chapter Excellence Award and its 11th Francis H. Sisson Award in August at the Fraternity's 168th General Convention in Orlando.

The Idaho chapter was one of 10 chapters to earn the John Reily Knox Chapter Excellence Award out of 120 chapters and colonies throughout the United States and Canada. The Knox Award is named for the fraternity's founder, and is the highest award a chapter can achieve. The award is based on meeting 19 Sisson award criteria, including philanthropy, alumni affairs and public relations, with 14 additional requirements in leadership, scholarship and community service. Idaho's accomplishments include finishing first in grades during the fall 2006 semester with a 3.19 GPA, holding their first Beta Haunted House, which raised more than 300 cans of food and \$200 for the Moscow Food Bank, and having a pledge class that finished first in grades with a 3.22 GPA.

Fraternities raise money for charity

Theta Chi and Beta Theta Pi raised \$1,532 for Alternatives to

Violence of the Palouse on Sept. 15. The fraternities hosted an annual box lunch social philanthropy, an event where the men make lunches and sell them in an auction to women in sororities. The men then go on dates with the sorority members who purchased their meal.

The event is also a competition between the different sororities that participate. Kappa Alpha Theta donated \$612, Alpha Phi donated \$365 and Kappa Delta donated \$182.

Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse is a local organization that hopes to end domestic, sexual and individual violence and victimization in the community.

IPC hosts annual conference

The Idaho Press Club will host its annual conference featuring Pulitzer prize winning journalists Saturday at the Idaho Commons. The conference will feature newspaper editor Peter Kovacs, managing editor of the New Orleans Times-Picayune, which won Pulitzer Prizes for its breaking news reporting after Hurricane Katrina. Kovacs' talk, "Unnatural disaster: Hurricane Katrina and the flooding of New Orleans" will begin at 12:30 p.m. Saturday.

The conference registration begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Commons Clearwater Room. Sessions begin at 9 a.m. and will focus on the future of media and journalism. Panelists will include journalists from the Moscow-Pullman Daily News, Lewiston Tribune, Spokesman-Review and the Idaho Statesman as well as faculty from UI and WSU and Louisiana State University.

Registration for Idaho Press Club members is \$25 and free for students. There is a \$10 fee for lunch for students.

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McConnell dry at last

Brandon Macz
Argonaut

Students John Sochacki and Nicole Jorgensen were sleeping in their rooms last Friday night in McConnell Hall when an irrigation pipe broke uphill near Renfrew Hall, causing water to run through a steam tunnel and into McConnell, flooding the basement.

Resident Jim Barrett was doing laundry at 4 a.m. when he noticed the water coming in, Sochacki said. Residence Assistant Jake Taylor was able to wake him immediately.

"I was sleeping, as I often do at that time of the morning," he said. "I stuffed a bunch of clothes into my door to keep stuff from coming in."

Residence hall advisers had to enter Jorgensen's room at 6:30 a.m. after she did not respond to their knocking, she said, because she is a heavy sleeper.

While there was no damage to Sochacki's personal effects, Jorgensen said she had old notes, books, a sleeping bag and her queen-sized comforter

covered in water.

She said she was advised by resident director Jamie Ben to keep an itemized list of the costs of replacing and cleaning her property, however, Clause 22 of the campus housing agreement specifies that it is not the university's responsibility to cover student damages.

"It's a very typical agreement to have at a university such as this," said Dee Dee Kanikkeberg, associate director for University Residences.

Assignment coordinator Scott Janke said the university doesn't offer an insurance plan for dorm residents, though students can purchase apartment insurance from an outside agency.

"We recommend that all students sign up for an insurance program," he said.

The outside coverage that University Residences suggests comes from National Student Services, inc.

Among other options, students can purchase a year of coverage for \$36 with a \$2,000 actual cash value and a \$25 deductible.

"It was the university's fault," Jorgensen said. "This is a fluke thing. It's not supposed to happen."

Jorgensen will be staying in her room in the McConnell Hall basement, while Sochacki has moved to the first floor because there is no assurance that this will not happen again and it was easier to move than to find insurance.

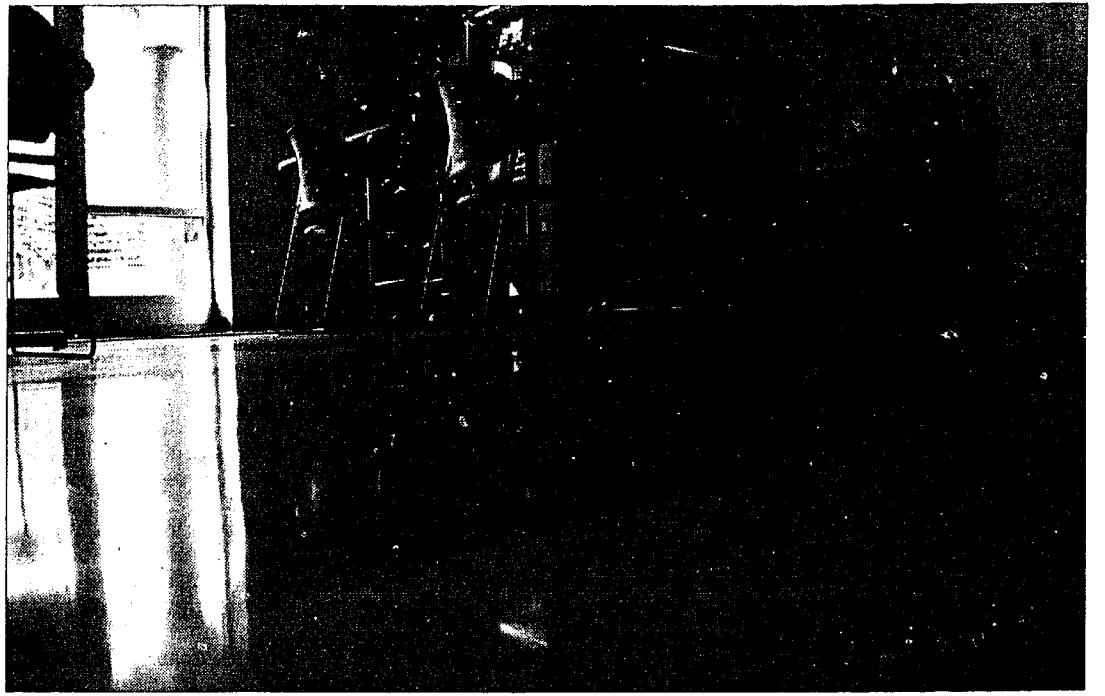
"There was no way to sleep there, at all," he said. "It smelled like the water was gross to begin with."

Steve Spencer, building services supervisor, said the steam tunnels are as old as the campus and that the water was clean before it reached McConnell Hall.

"The whole campus is connected by steam tunnels. It was just coming out of the steam tunnels," Spencer said. "(Water) just picked up dirt as it came down."

University maintenance found the basement full of water up to its kick plates and opened its doors to try to drain some of the water out.

"There was just too much



Jake Barber/Argonaut

The basement of McConnell flooded last Friday, leaving water damage on the floor and displacing some students.

water coming in," Spencer said.

Dorm buildings undergo preventative maintenance inspections in the fall and spring, but water problems are not usually anticipated until winter, said Lindsey Overstreet, resident director. She arrived at McConnell Hall at 6 a.m.

that day.

"I was definitely surprised by how much water there was," Overstreet said. "At the time, I didn't know it was a full flood."

With the use of industrial fans, mops and water extractors, most of the basement had

been cleared of water that day. The third room in the basement, which is not occupied, did not get cleaned until early this week.

"They forgot about the third one on the end, so there was water in there all weekend," Jorgensen said.

Thousands rally for six black teens

Associated Press

JENA, La. — Drawn by a case tinged with one of the most hated symbols of Old South racism — a hangman's noose tied in an oak tree — thousands of protesters rallied Thursday against what they see as a double standard of prosecution for blacks and whites.

The plight of the so-called Jena Six became a flashpoint for one of the biggest civil-rights demonstrations in years. Five of the black teens were initially charged with attempted murder in the beating of a white classmate.

Old-guard lions like the Revs. Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton joined scores of college students bused in from across the nation who said they wanted to make a stand for racial equality just as their parents did in the 1950s and '60s.

"It's not just about Jena, but about inequalities and disparities around the country," said Stephanie Brown, 26, national youth director for the NAACP, who estimated about 2,000 college students were among the throngs of mostly black protesters who overwhelmed this tiny central Louisiana town.

But the teens' case galvanized demonstrators as few legal cases have in recent years.

The cause of Thursday's demonstrations dates to August 2006, when a black Jena High School student asked the principal whether blacks could sit under a shade tree that was a frequent gathering place for whites. He was told yes. But nooses appeared in the tree the next day. Three white students were suspended but not criminally prosecuted. LaSalle Parish District Attorney Reed Walters said this week he could find no state law covering the act.

Brown said the Jena case resonates with the college-aged crowd because they aren't much older than the six youths charged. Many of the student protesters had been sharing information about the case through Facebook, MySpace and other social-networking Web sites.

Jackson, who led a throng of people three blocks long to the courthouse with an American flag resting on his shoul-

der, likened the demonstration to the marches on Selma and the Montgomery bus boycott. But even he was not entirely sure why Jena became the focal point.

"You can never quite tell," he said. "Rosa Parks was not the first to sit in the front of the bus. But the sparks hit a dry field."

The noose incident was followed by fights between blacks and whites, culminating in December's attack on white student Justin Barker, who was knocked unconscious. According to court testimony, his face was swollen and bloodied, but he was able to attend a school function that same night.

Six black teens were arrested. Five were originally charged with attempted second-degree murder — charges that have since been reduced for four of them. The sixth was booked as a juvenile on sealed charges.

Martin Luther King III, son of the slain civil rights leader, said punishment of some sort may be in order for the six defendants, but "the justice system isn't applied the same to all crimes and all people."

People began massing for the demonstrations before dawn Thursday, jamming the two-lane highway leading into town and parking wherever they could. State police estimated the crowd at 15,000 to 20,000. Organizers said they believe it drew as many as 50,000.

Demonstrators gathered at the local courthouse, a park, and the yard at Jena High where the tree once stood (it was cut down in July). At times the town resembled a giant festival, with people setting up tables of food and drink and some dancing while a man beat on a drum.

Sharpton admonished the crowd to remain peaceful, and there were no reports of trouble. State police could be seen chatting amicably with demonstrators at the courthouse.

In Washington, the chair-

man of the House Judiciary Committee said he would hold hearings on the case, though he did not set a date or say if the prosecutor would be called to testify.

Walters, the district attorney, has usually declined to discuss the case publicly. But on the eve of the demonstrations, he denied the charges against the teens were race-related and lamented that Barker, the victim of the beating, has been reduced to "a footnote" while protesters generate sympathy for his alleged attackers.

President Bush said he understood the emotions and the FBI was monitoring the situation.

"The events in Louisiana have saddened me," the president told reporters at the White House. "All of us in America want there to be, you know, fairness when it comes to justice."

While Jena Six supporters were overwhelmingly black, young whites were also present.

"I think what happened here was disgusting and repulsive to the whole state," said Mallory Flippo, a white college student from Shreveport. "I think it reflected badly on our state and how it makes it seem we view black people. I don't feel that way, so I thought I should be here."

Other rallies in support of the black teens were held elsewhere, including Oklahoma City, where about 500 people gathered.

"It is time for us to express our outrage that such a blatant injustice should happen," said Roosevelt Milton, Oklahoma City NAACP president.

"I'm just glad people are starting to stand up for what is right," said Kiara Andrews, 15, of the Oklahoma City suburb of Midwest City.

In Jena, many white residents expressed anger at the way news organizations portrayed their town of 3,000 people.

Iranian president cancels visit to New York

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Almost everyone agrees Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad doesn't belong at ground zero.

So who gets access these days to the 16-acre pit where the World Trade Center once anchored the Manhattan skyline, a slice of the city that many regard as hallowed ground?

Construction workers. The families of victims. The occasional journalist. And not too many others, in stark contrast to the days immediately after Sept. 11 when the smoldering site was overrun with celebrities, politicians and even Playboy playmates.

Amid the chaos after the twin towers fell, rescue workers and cleanup crews mingled with a parade of well known visitors: Muhammad Ali, Robert De Niro, cast members from "The Sopranos," Martha Stewart.

Miss America Katie Harman signed body ID tags for grateful workers. Boxing promoter Don King toured the site, as did U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan and other world leaders. Almost half of the Senate arrived en masse.

The vast majority came to offer support and condolences, although critics suggested others viewed a trip to the devastation as a photo op. "It was like you had celebrity status only if you got in at ground zero," recalled Brian Jordan, a Franciscan priest who spent long hours in lower Manhattan in the weeks after two hijacked planes struck the towers.

Within a month, the city was turning down hundreds of requests to visit the site and began asking celebrities to avoid the area as the treacherous search for remains continued.

Six years later, Police Commissioner Ray Kelly said a proposed ground zero visit by Ahmadinejad during next week's U.N.

General Assembly had no chance. Police cited ongoing construction and security concerns, and the Iranian president, who is under Secret Service protection while in the U.S., was told to steer clear.

"We have communicated our concerns to the Iranian Mission," Kelly said. "I am sure they will abide by our statement ... Our position is that he will not be permitted to go."

Mayor Michael Bloomberg said the city would provide protection for all guests of the United Nations without requiring that they pass a "litmus test for views." He said of Ahmadinejad: "I personally find what this guy has said abhorrent, and I think it would be in-

appropriate to have him visit."

Some objected to Ahmadinejad's visit on political grounds.

"To have the leader of the greatest state sponsor of terrorism in the world visit the site of the most heinous terrorist attack on America would be an affront to the victims and families of 9/11 and to all who lived through that day," said Abraham Foxman, national director of the Anti-Defamation League.

The sentiment was echoed by the State Department, where deputy spokesman Tom Casey called the idea of an Ahmadinejad visit "rather appalling and the height of hypocrisy." New York-based presidential candidates Hillary Clinton and Rudy Giuliani also expressed their opposition to the suggested visit.

Giuliani, the mayor at the time of the attacks, was caught in a dust-up when he took a Saudi prince on a tour of the site in October 2001. Giuliani then rejected the prince's \$10 million relief check after the prince suggested U.S. policies in the Middle East were partly to blame for the carnage.

The Iranian president, in an interview to air Sunday on "60 Minutes," indicated he would not press the issue.

"I won't insist," Ahmadinejad said, although he expressed disbelief that the visit would offend Americans.

When reminded by interviewer Katie Couric that the United States considers Iran an exporter of terrorism, he said: "We are very much against any terrorist action and any killing. ... Usually you go to these sites to pay your respects, and also to, perhaps, air your views about the root causes of such incidents."

The reaction to Ahmadinejad's request to lay a memorial wreath was the latest reminder of the still-raw feelings about the site.

Before last week's anniversary of the attacks, family members battled with city officials to gain access to the area where the 110-story buildings once soared.

The official ceremony was held in a nearby park, but the mourners were permitted to walk down into the site during the service, perhaps for the last time.

Some family members stayed home rather than participate in the first yearly memorial not held on the site itself.

Hard hats and construction equipment are a daily presence at ground zero. The stream of tourists who visit the site every day must stand on a sidewalk and peer through a fence.

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Lawyer indicted in kickback scheme

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The co-founder of a prestigious New York law firm that made an estimated \$250 million by filing class-action lawsuits against some of America's largest corporations was indicted Thursday on charges that he conspired to pay kickbacks to people who agreed to be plaintiffs.

Melvyn Weiss is accused of two counts of conspiracy and one count each of obstruction of justice and making false statements in relation to documents that were the subject of a grand jury subpoena, the U.S. attorney's office said.

If convicted of all counts, he could face up to 40 years in federal prison.

In addition, Steven G. Schulman, a former senior partner at the Milberg Weiss firm, agreed to plead guilty to a racketeering conspiracy charge, prosecutors said.

The seven-year investigation has led to indictments and guilty pleas by several former partners and lawyers at the firm previously known as Mil-

berg Weiss Bershad & Schulman.

The firm itself has also been indicted in the case being tried in Los Angeles.

"The indictment outlines a decades-long kickback scheme that was deliberately concealed from courts across the nation that were overseeing significant class-action cases," said George S. Cardona, acting U.S. attorney in Los Angeles.

"The scheme furthered personal greed at the expense of the integrity of the courts and the interests of absent class members," he said.

Weiss' New York attorney, Benjamin Brafman, said in a prepared statement his client would be "fully exonerated."

"Although this indictment is a bitter disappointment, Mr. Weiss intends to fight these charges with all of the energy and talent that has made him one of the most outstanding members of the Bar for more than 40 years," Brafman said.

Schulman, 56, agreed in a plea deal Thursday to forfeit \$1.85 million to the government and to pay a \$250,000 fine, the U.S. attorney's office said.

A court appearance was scheduled next month.

Schulman could not be immediately located for comment.

Schulman could have faced up to 20 years in prison if convicted, but the plea deal recommends the judge order a sentence of no more than 33 months.

Schulman also promised to cooperate with the government's ongoing investigation of the firm.

The law firm previously pleaded not guilty to fraud and conspiracy charges filed last year in the original indictment.

In a statement issued Thursday, the firm said it would not be deterred from its work by the latest developments.

"The firm's active partners, none of whom is alleged to have been involved in any wrongdoing, will maintain responsibility for the firm's management and litigation activities," the statement said.

Prosecutors contend the firm secretly paid millions of dollars in kickbacks to get people to take part in more than 225 class-action and shareholder

lawsuits, allowing its lawyers to be among the first to file litigation and secure the lucrative position as lead plaintiffs' counsel.

The firm targeted some of the nation's largest companies in litigation, including AT&T, Lucent, WorldCom, Sears, Roebuck, Microsoft, Prudential Insurance and Lincoln Savings & Loan.

With Weiss helping lead the way, the firm once dominated the industry in securities class-action lawsuits. The litigation involves shareholders who claim they suffered losses because executives misled them about a company's financial condition.

The firm netted \$250 million in fees over the past 25 years on cases for which plaintiffs were paid, the new indictment contends.

"The indictment states three named plaintiffs received at least \$11.3 million in illegal kickbacks, and several other paid plaintiffs received hundreds of thousands of dollars," the U.S. attorney's statement said.

It contends that people were

secretly paid to become plaintiffs or get their friends and relatives to do so in lawsuits filed by the law firm.

The kickbacks were made in cash or paid by the Milberg Weiss firm through intermediary law firms and attorneys, prosecutors claim.

People involved are also accused of lying in depositions and in court documents to conceal the scheme.

The new indictment also details charges against plaintiff Seymour M. Lazar and attorney Paul T. Selzer.

Lazar, who allegedly received kickbacks, and Selzer are each charged with four counts of money laundering. Selzer also is charged with one count of conspiracy to launder money and a count of criminal forfeiture.

Selzer "is alleged to have been one of the intermediary lawyers who laundered illegal kickback payments for the benefit of Lazar," the prosecutors' statement said.

A call to Selzer's office seeking comment was not immediately returned.

Neither was a message

left after business hours with Thomas Bienert, an attorney who authorities said represents Lazar.

Several other key players at Milberg Weiss already have cut deals with federal prosecutors.

On Tuesday, prosecutors said William S. Lerach, a former top attorney with Milberg Weiss, agreed to plead guilty to conspiring to obstruct justice and making false statements under oath.

Lerach, who is awaiting arraignment, will forfeit \$7.75 million to the government, pay a \$250,000 fine and accept a sentence ranging from one year to two years in federal prison.

Lerach resigned last month from the firm he founded in San Diego, now known as Coughlin Stoa Geller Rudman & Robbins.

In a statement, Lerach said he "regrettably crossed a line and pushed too far."

In July, former Milberg Weiss partner David Bershad pleaded guilty to conspiracy and agreed to cooperate with the government.

He will be sentenced early next year.

Moscow can't enforce gun ban, attorney general says

Associated Press

MOSCOW — The state attorney general's office has told the city of Moscow that it doesn't have the legal authority to enforce a gun ban.

Deputy Attorney General Stephen A. Bywater, in a letter sent Tuesday, wrote that the city and Latah County cannot restrict people from legally carrying exposed or concealed weapons on public property.

"The attorney general's office has spoken," said Mayor Nancy Chaney. "We asked the question, they give us the answer, and there we go. I'm personally disappointed, but not surprised."

Chaney had sought gun restrictions following a May 19 shooting rampage by Jason Hamilton, who killed his wife at their Moscow home before driving to the courthouse and firing some 200 gunshots into

a sheriff's dispatch center. There, he killed one law enforcement officer and wounded two others, as well as wounding a man who armed himself and ran to help.

Hamilton then went to the nearby First Presbyterian Church, fatally shooting a caretaker. Hamilton fired as many as 80 rounds inside the church before taking his own life.

After receiving the letter, county officials said they are now concerned that the county's ban on guns in the courthouse isn't legal.

"It seems to say a city or county, on their own, cannot regulate weapons," county Prosecutor William Thompson told the Lewiston Tribune.

Idaho law states that no city or county "may in any manner regulate the lawful ownership, possession or transportation

of firearms when carried or transported for purposes not prohibited by the laws of the state of Idaho."

It is legal in the state to carry an exposed firearm in public, and a concealed weapon with the proper permit.

Thompson said a gun ban within three courtrooms in the courthouse is probably valid because that prohibition was issued by a district judge. Thompson also noted that the Idaho Supreme Court has banned firearms on its premises.

Chaney said part of the reason she asked for the opinion from the attorney general was because some area residents and city employees were concerned about their safety during public meetings. She said that guns being allowed in public meetings could hinder an open debate.

Toxicology lab audit backs Russell's bid to beat charges

Associated Press

COLFAX, Wash. — An audit that found the Washington State Patrol toxicology lab had lost or broken hundreds of blood vials could boost Fred Russell's bid to dismiss the vehicular homicide charges he faces in a 2001 crash that left three Washington State University students dead.

The problems at the lab were central to a day of testimony in Whitman County Superior Court on Thursday on Russell's motion to have charges dismissed on the grounds that evidence showing that Russell was drunk at the time of the crash cannot be independently tested.

Russell's attorneys said his blood was apparently accidentally destroyed in July 2004, while Russell was a fugitive in Ireland.

The audit from 2004, which was included in court documents seeking the dismissal, identified numerous problems with former lab manager Ann Marie Gordon, who resigned in July amid a criminal investigation.

Gordon testified for more than three hours on Thursday before Superior Judge David Frazier, as Russell's attorneys

tried to discredit her work. She said her staff was overworked at the time the samples were accidentally destroyed.

"I was working at least 70 hours per week," Gordon said. "My staff was under a lot of stress."

Russell's hearing was scheduled to continue on Friday. It was unclear when Frazier would rule on the motion to dismiss the charges.

Prosecutors contend the results of Russell's blood test should be admitted into evidence because the test is corroborated by a hospital blood test. The blood test at the hospital after the crash showed a blood-alcohol content of 0.12 percent, well above Washington's legal intoxication threshold of 0.08.

Russell's attorney, Francisco Duarte, argued in court documents that Gordon's destruction of two vials of Russell's blood is only part of the problem. The state failed to thoroughly investigate what happened, with the only probe conducted by Gordon herself, he said.

"Evidence suggesting that Ms. Gordon has routinely provided false testimony under the penalty of perjury is not only relevant to the issues in Mr.

Russell's case, but establishes misconduct by the state that is so deeply rooted and systemic that it taints the entire proceedings," he argued in court filings Sept. 13.

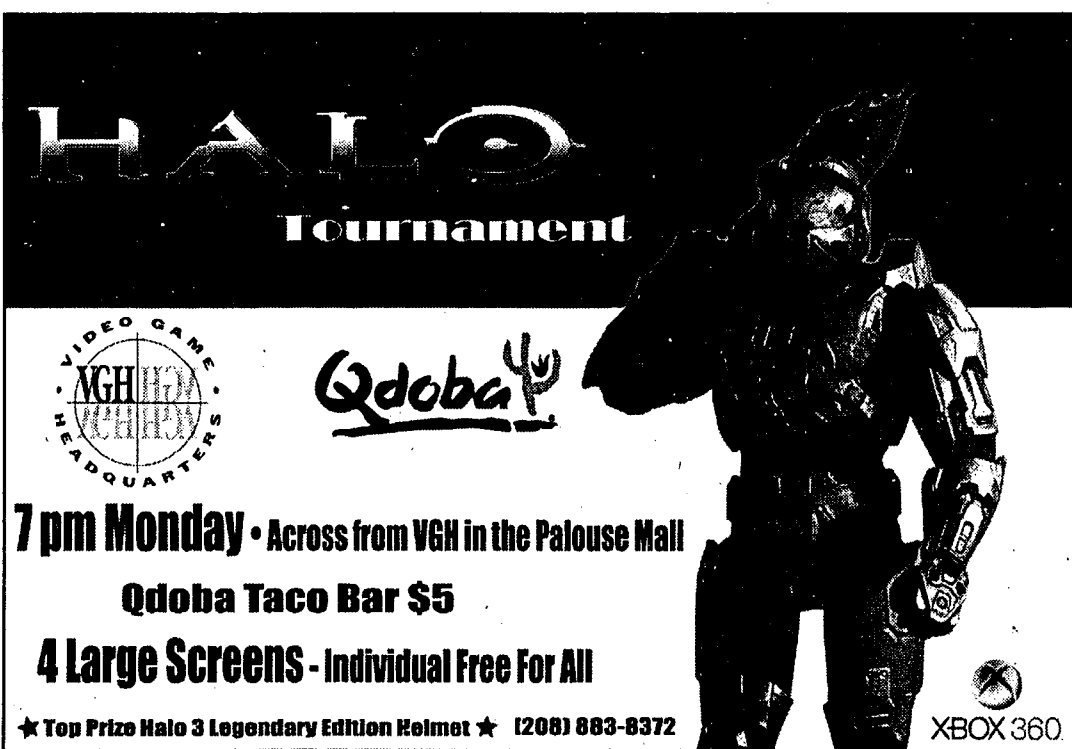
Gordon resigned and is being investigated for allegedly signing affidavits repeatedly claiming that she had performed blood tests in hundreds of cases where that testing was actually done by someone else.

The audit revealed problems that occurred when samples were moved from an old freezer to a new one. After the move, 121 tubes were unaccounted for. Gordon told auditors the vials had been destroyed, but there was no record of that.

Another 122 tubes were destroyed and recorded, but no date of the destruction was marked down. And 295 vials were broken during the move.

Gordon told auditors that it wasn't a problem because the samples were older than the nine months that samples are typically saved, the audit found.

Auditors also noted that Gordon had not filed the proper forms for the destruction of blood evidence. In both cases, Gordon told auditors she didn't have time to follow the procedures.



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Prosecutor opposes ACLU intervention in Craig case

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The prosecutor trying to enforce Sen. Larry Craig's guilty plea wants the American Civil Lib-

erties Union to stay out of the case.

On Tuesday, the ACLU filed court papers arguing that Craig's foot-tapping and hand movements in an airport bath-

room were protected by the First Amendment, even if he was trying to solicit sex, which Craig has denied.

Craig pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct after he was arrested in an airport sex sting, but he will ask a judge to let him withdraw that plea at a hearing Wednesday. Craig's attorneys haven't said if he'll appear personally.

The Hennepin County judge hearing the case allowed the ACLU to file its brief. That was a mistake, airport attorney Christopher Renz wrote.

The issues raised by the ACLU don't relate to Craig's request to withdraw his guilty plea, Renz wrote.

And he wrote that friend-of-the-court briefs like the ACLU's aren't even supposed to be filed until a case reaches the Court of Appeals. Craig's plea is being considered by a trial court judge.

Renz also disputed the ACLU's suggestion that an invitation to sex would not be illegal if the intention was to leave for someplace private. He pointed out in the filing that Craig told police he was eager to make his flight.

"Anyone who has spent time in an airport also knows that there are very few private locations, much less locations to accommodate sexual interludes with strangers," Renz wrote.

Craig, a Republican from Idaho, has said he plans to step down from the Senate on Sept. 30, although a spokesman has said there is a slight chance he may keep his seat if he can withdraw his plea.

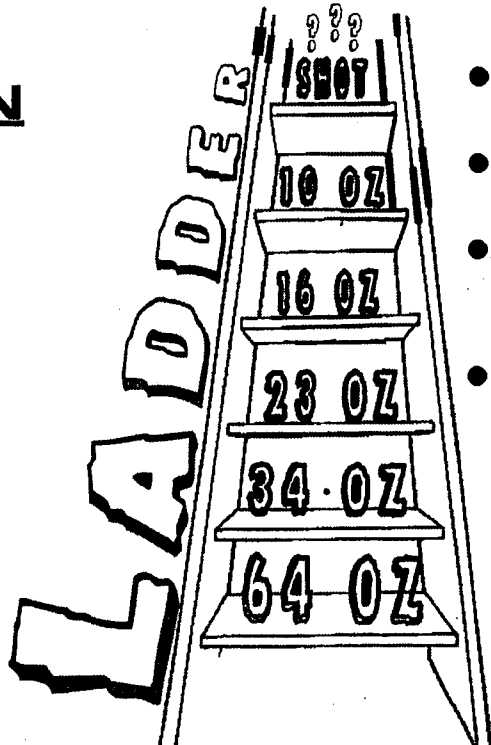
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ACLU might be right

The ACLU just might be right this time. Larry Craig's foot tapping, hand waving antics may be protected under the First Amendment.

The ACLU is arguing that even if Craig did tap his foot to indicate to a police officer that he wanted sex, that it isn't necessarily a crime. They say it would only be a crime if it can be proven that he was soliciting illegal bathroom sex and not just picking someone up for sex in a different location.

Anthony Romero, executive director of the ACLU said that if police really didn't want people to be having sex in bathrooms they would send uniformed officers in to prevent it from happening, not just go in to trap people and make arrests.

It is true. The operation the police were running was intended to catch and arrest as many people as possible, not to simply stop bathroom sex altogether. There are more simple and straightforward ways to go about stopping people without using entrapment.

Still, it is strange to think that the ACLU would be the voice of reason on the Craig case. Romero admitted that Craig has not always been "a great friend of the civil liberties," but the ACLU believes in everyone's First Amendment rights. It doesn't matter if it is an Idaho senator or NAMBLA.

What exactly must be going through Craig's mind right now? The ACLU's defense does not say that Craig was not trying to troll for gay sex in a bathroom. It just says that the fact that the methods he used to solicit sex are speech protected by the First Amendment. Even though it does not clear him of being a person who would try to find a hook up in the bathroom, it may be his best defense. But admitting that he was in fact looking for sex will likely make him look even more guilty on the political and moral front.

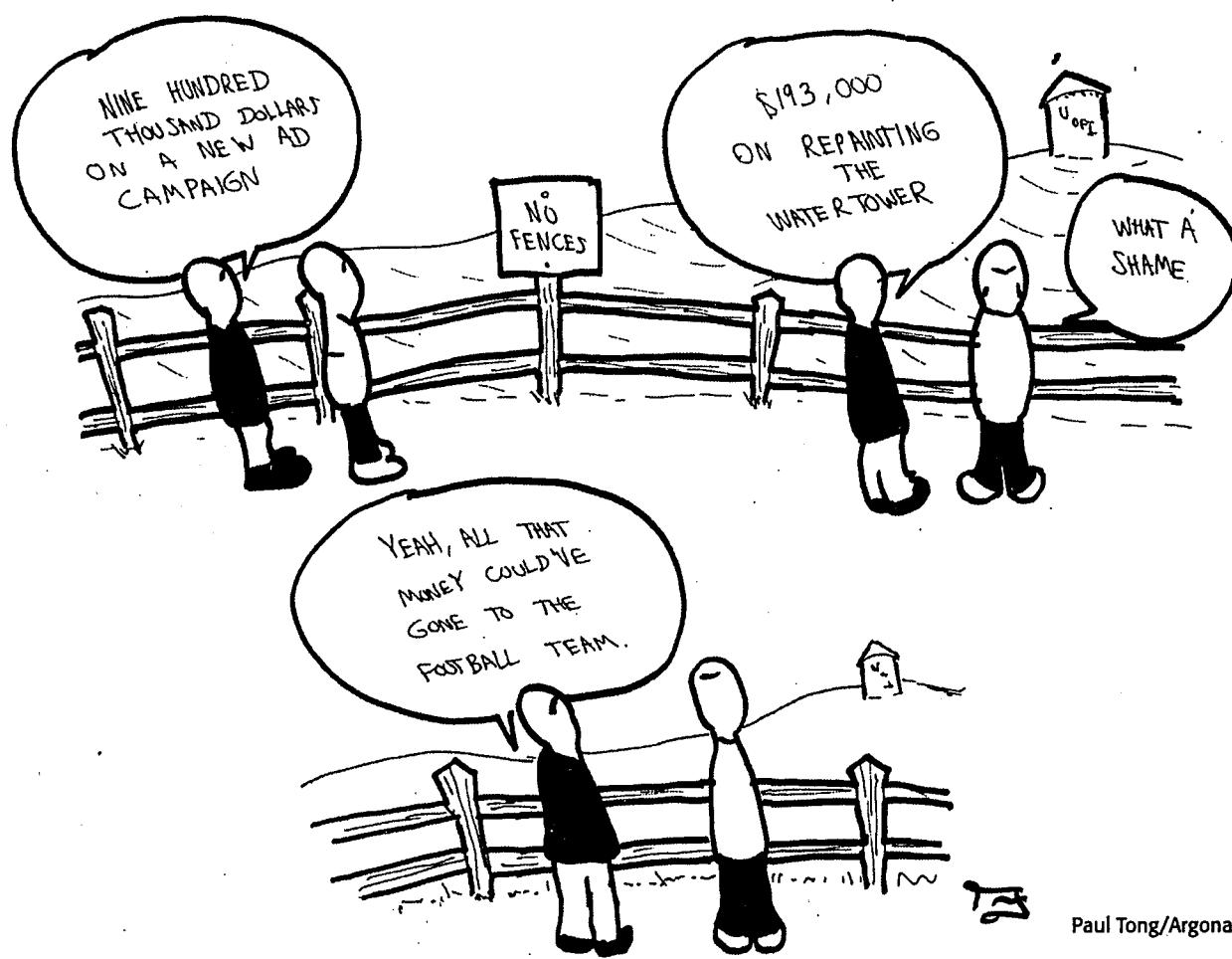
So he's damned if he does, meaning he would have to admit to trying to find a partner to have gay sex with, and he's damned if he doesn't, meaning the guilty charge may stick even though he is retracting his plea.

Craig's hearing concerning the plea retraction is set for Sept. 26, four days before his original date of resignation. After spending much of September in Boise, Craig has been back in Washington, D.C., trying to do his job. Right now, no one is sure if he will still be doing that job on Oct. 1.

Whether or not the support of the ACLU will help or hinder Craig's cause also is yet to be determined.

Right now, Craig can use all the friends he can get.

— RH



Paul Tong/Argonaut

The phobia train to terror town

Balloons. Pickles. Cotton. What do these three objects have in common?

Apparently they scare the crap out of some people. At least ones who choose to appear on Maury Povich's talk show. The program can be a bit ridiculous (and still more legit than Jerry Springer), but strange, specific phobias aren't necessarily exaggerations.



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People who say they are deathly afraid of heights, the dark, being alone or large animals really don't have many bragging rights. These fears are inherent in most of us, the result of millions of years of adaptation and evolution.

Having recurring dreams that you die because a man made of cotton stuffs cotton balls in your mouth, unfortunately, isn't one of these inherent fears. Neither is the fear of death by balloon. The woman afraid of them on the Maury show was positive she would meet her fate at the hands of inflatable rubber.

"There's just gonna be so many of them," she said.
The horror, the horror.

A Web site worth checking out for information on strange fears is unusual-phobias.com. It's not scientific — reports are based on anonymous, user-submitted testimonials, so it's hard to tell exactly which of the fears listed are legitimate.

Take, for example, lachanophobia, the fear of vegetables. What do these people eat? Are they afraid to go to restaurants? Even McDonald's, a place stereotypically devoid of vegetation that is not a liquid combination of tomatoes and salt, has salads.

Some fears are helpful, such as astynomiophobia, the fear of police, and satanophobia, which is, well, you can guess. I wonder if a name has been coined for the fear of Tasers, because unruly college students and targets of the Spokane Police Department have a lot to worry about.

One category of fears on unusualphobias.com is named "odd of the odd," and for a good reason. Terrors listed include "fear of going back in time, getting stuck there, then contracting a disease that is curable now but won't be curable then," "fear of

large bodies of water because there might be shopping carts down there," "fear of being mentally ill but no one has told you yet" and "fear that everybody in the world is an actor, and you're the big joke."

Damn those shopping carts, always interfering with my obsessive desire to swim in the Great Lakes. So much metal, and those wheels ...

An especially debilitating fear is verbophobia, the fear of words. This is another one along the lines of the fear of vegetables, but in a slightly less believable way. Does a fear of words forbid one from writing or speaking? Even sign language is off-limits because those hand gestures are words.

Can someone have a fear of developing a phobia? Verbophobia is freaking me out a little. The thought of no longer being able to use language makes me feel paralyzed. My future livelihood would be in shambles.

Oh god, I need to get away from these nouns. The way they combine with the adjectives and verbs in these blood-curdling sentences is ... is ...

I'm sorry. I can't write any more words. There's just gonna be so many of them.

Looking for someone to sue

People will sue anyone these days. Fast-food restaurants, former employers, divine creators; anyone you can think of, you can sue.

It's the oft-told tale of Stella Liebeck, who sued McDonald's in 1992 because she spilled hot coffee on herself. As it goes, the lid of her beverage popped off and 180-degree java splashed on her sweatpants, causing severe burns. She was 79-years-old at the time.

She didn't win as much money as she wanted, but ever since, McDonald's has printed "Warning: Contents may be hot" on all their coffee cups.

More recently, various people claiming that restaurants are responsible for their obesity have sued McDonald's and Wendy's.

Those people did not win anything, except TV news coverage of their fat rear ends.

Suing a place for an accident is one thing. Suing them because you can't control yourself is another.

Hi, I'm a junkie and I'd like to sue my dealer for getting me hooked on smack.

That's like someone suing God for giving him life.

Oh, wait. That happened. Nebraska State Senator Ernie Chambers is suing God. What?

Nebraska State Senator Ernie Chambers is suing God. "The lawsuit admits God goes by all sorts of alias, names, titles and designations and it also recognizes the fact that the defendant is omnipresent," according to Omaha TV station, KETV. "In the lawsuit, Chambers said he's tried to contact God numerous times."

He's tried to contact God numerous times. These things take time to digest, I know. Baby step up to it and things should be fine.

KETV's report says that Chambers filed the suit to prove a point about frivolous lawsuits. The point is: anyone is capable of wasting tax dollars, especially state senators.

There is nothing in the report indicating exactly what

damages Chambers is seeking from God.

Dan Rather, on the other hand, is suing the godlike entity of CBS for \$70 million. Rather claims that he was forced out before he was ready to retire and is now asking for restitution and missed pay.

Rather was on the anchor desk for the inaccurate report about President Bush's National Guard service. Other people were fired for this incident, while Danny-boy got to ride in the big chair for a bit longer.

Despite independent investigations, Rather maintains that the Bush story is true.

That report, conducted by a former U.S. Attorney and the retired chief executive of the Associate Press, states that Rather was "pushed to the limit" with other stories at the time of the '60 Minutes Wednesday' report. He relied on a trusted producer, and didn't check the story for accuracy or, apparently, even see it before he introduced it on the program.

At that time, Rather had been the "CBS Evening News" anchor for 23 years and had worked for CBS News since 1962.

Let's just say that my esteemed colleagues in this paper's news section know better than that. If they don't, they'll learn well before they get to Rather's level.

The core reason behind the lawsuit is that Rather feels like he was scapegoated for this incident. Once again, CBS didn't fire him but they did fire everyone else responsible for the story.

It isn't CBS News' fault that Rather didn't get to go out with the respect he had earned over such a long career as a journalist. He didn't get a big party like Tom Brokaw and he didn't get to go out tragically like Peter Jennings.

He's just out. Now he's becoming a bitter old man who has to suffer through Katie Couric's nightly atrocity just like the rest of us who think Brian Williams is too young to be an anchor.

Maybe Rather can hang out with God and discuss frivolous lawsuits from both sides of the courtroom.



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MailBOX

Moscow is a college town, deal with it

In response to the letter of response to the article "Partying hard in Moscow": shut up. First of all, the Argonaut is a college paper written by college students. How can you

expect anything but extreme liberal ideas and articles? Is it not part of college to be exposed to crazy ideas and values, and from these you base your own opinions? I can guess that almost every Vandal came to the University of Idaho instead of Boise State for one reason: to experience a real college. Within this experience is the late-night partying and drinking and an array of beliefs and values that we never knew existed. Also, I'm

pretty sure that the oldest resident of Moscow didn't get here before UI was what it is now. One of the things you consider when buying property is location, location, location. Anyone with common sense would know that, in the future, living next to a college would be a bad idea. And if these people hate it so much, why don't they move? They are sitting on a gold mine. There are thousands of

kids who would be willing to pay enormous amounts of rent that could in turn pay a mortgage payment for a new house. Unfortunately, not everyone has the common sense to do things like that, but then again, the world needs the dumb people to make the smart people look smarter.

Nicholas Stallings
freshman, family and consumer science

Off theCUFF

Quick takes on life from our editors

Can I get a clone?

It appears that there is only one weekend in September. At least, one that can be of any use, because every group on campus planned activities for it. Not only is the upcoming weekend Dad's Weekend, it's also the Idaho Press Club fall conference, my church's BIG Weekend retreat and the annual Loser's Walk to Pullman, just to name a few things. If there were about three more of me, I might actually be able to attend all the events I want to, see my dad and do my homework besides. Come on, Moscow, let's start utilizing the rest of the month.

— Savannah

Holy flirking schnitt

I have one of those cars that has the check engine light on no matter what. I think mine has been on for 6 six years or so. We took it to a mechanic a few years back. He ran diagnostics and couldn't find anything wrong. It's had tune ups and services, but the check engine light has always glowed steady, except for the days when it flashes. Well, I just picked the car up from a routine tune up and guess what ... no check engine light. I don't know if the bulb just burned out, or if the car finally got its fix, but I do know that there is hope after 150,000 miles. Go, Matador, go.

— Roger

Make up for mistakes

My teacher's been showing us videos from the 60's dealing with desegregation of public schools and businesses this week in class! It makes me happy I live in today's simpler world. I can't help but wonder if I had lived back then, if I would have had the courage to stand up for what I thought was right and support desegregation. Or worse, would standing up for what I thought was right be protesting desegregation efforts? I can't blame people for supporting segregation, they lived in a different time and place. I just hope when they watch tapes of themselves today they realize how wrong they were.

— Robert

SLOW DOWN

Wednesday night, a car almost hit me as I crossed Third Street, near Papa Murphy's. Please, if you are driving this road, slow the hell down. If you are driving anywhere, hang up the cell phone. I don't feel like dying now and I cross that road at least twice a day.

— T.J.

An 'epic' battle

Remember when 50 Cent "threatened" to retire and stop releasing solo albums if Kanye West's "Graduation," released the same day as Cent's "Curtis," sold more copies during its first week? Well, "Graduation" sold 957,000 and "Curtis" hit just 691,000 ... I think we all know what that means. But Fiddy has added a caveat to his pledge: He's only really going to retire if West's second week sales fall less than 70 percent. Let's all do our part to keep Fiddy off the airwaves: Buy a copy or two of "Graduation." It's in everybody's best interests.

— Carissa

'You've got the power'

If there are any other fans of "Boogie Nights" out there, maybe you can relate. Do you ever get Dirk Diggler's song "You've Got the Touch" stuck in your head. And what about the name Dirk Diggler? Sometimes I just walk around campus giggling about Marky Mark. And, except for the whole porn thing, I wish I was Roller Girl. I want the excuse to say the line "I never take my skates off." Yes, I am pathetic, but "Boogie Nights" rocks.

— Ryli

There goes the sun

I may have jinxed myself last week when I searched eBay for a new wool coat, because now I may actually need it.

The days are growing shorter and the nights and early mornings are colder, but on the upside, I'll get to enjoy my new fall wardrobe and the feel of warm Chai lattes in my hands on the way to class.

— Christina

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Simpson, Greenspan among issues tackled by newspapers

Excerpts from recent editorials in newspapers in the United States and around the globe:

“South Florida Sun-Sentinel” on O.J.

There is surely a yearning to cheer and let out a loud “Yes!” after hearing of O.J. Simpson’s arrest for the alleged armed robbery of sports memorabilia in Las Vegas.

Indeed, O.J., a South Florida resident, has had more than his share of minor and not-so-minor scrapes with the law since he was infamously acquitted of double murder in 1995. You would have thought he would go deep into hiding after that trial, but O.J. loves the spotlight too much.

Now that he’s in it again, there are two things to hope for.

First, hope investigators do a better job than those involved in the double murder. If they indeed have the goods on O.J. in Las Vegas, they need to present their case fairly and certainly more professionally than in the previous Trial of the Century in Los Angeles.

And second, just hope there isn’t the usual South Florida connection to all this that will bring the international media hordes here. We’ve seen enough of O.J. here already.

On the Net: www.sun-sentinel.com/news/opinion/editorial/sf-editgsojcapn18_0_2165502.story

“Times Union” (Albany, N.Y.) on Alan Greenspan:

Many critics of the administration’s Iraq policies would not doubt agree with the former chairman of the Federal Reserve that oil was an overriding reason for the war. But Mr. Greenspan is already retreating from his words, explaining, in an interview with Bob Woodward of The Washington Post, that he did not mean to suggest that oil was the Bush administration’s motive for the war. Instead, Mr. Greenspan says, he was the one raising the oil issue by warning the White House that Saddam Hussein was preparing to seize the Straits of Hormuz, where he could disrupt global oil shipments and drive prices up to \$120 a barrel, plunging the U.S. and other economies into turmoil.

Perhaps. But why didn’t Mr. Greenspan include that in his book, which runs more than 500 pages? More to the point, why did he wait so long before speaking out on the Bush administration’s economic and tax policies? As Fed chairman, he was entrusted to oversee the U.S. economy. Yet he acted more like a White House cheerleader than watchful steward. ...

... Why wasn’t he speaking out when he was in office, and when his words would surely have had an impact? ...

On the Net: www.timesunion.com

“The Press Democrat” on teens, phones, driving:

More than half of 16- and 17-year-old drivers regularly talk on their cell phones while driving, according to a survey by the American Automobile Association and Seventeen magazine.

Nearly as many admit to sending text messages while behind the wheel.

Soon neither will be legal in California, thanks to a bill signed into law.

SB 33 by state Sen. Joe Simitian, D-Palo Alto, prohibits drivers under the age of 18 from talking on the cell phone or sending text messages.

But the law has two shortcomings. First, it is a “secondary offense law,” meaning teens can only be cited if they’re pulled over for another offense, such as speeding or driving erratically.

Second, the law doesn’t go far enough. While it’s wise to start with young drivers, the law should be expanded to include everyone else.

Nobody should be texting while operating a moving vehicle. Suggesting otherwise would be sending teen drivers a mixed message.

On the Web: www.pressdemocrat.com

“The Northwest Herald” on health after Sept. 11:

In coming years we are going to have come to terms with the health disaster from the cleanup of Sept. 11.

Six years after the terrorist attacks, it is becoming clear that the toxic-dust cloud that enveloped New York after the Twin Towers collapsed might claim more lives than the terrorist attacks themselves. At the heart of the issue is the culpability of public officials who told people that it was safe to return home and to go back to work when in fact it was not.

A 2006 study by Mount Sinai of ground zero workers found that 70 percent of them were sick. Discover magazine reported this month that if a similar illness rate was applied to people who lived and worked near the Twin Towers, there could be as many as 300,000 people who eventually fall ill.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi this week said that she supported the reopening of a federal fund to help sick ground zero workers. The fund was closed in 2003, even though it could be years before health affects from toxic exposure become apparent.

The fund should be reopened. Workers many of whom toiled for this country without basic protection, such as respirators deserve that much. ...

In retrospect, the promotion of the can-do, patriotic attitude at ground zero by the government after the attacks was exploitive and dangerous. The government

should have been more concerned about the safety of workers and nearby residents and less worried about a return to normalcy.

On the Net: www.wherald.com

“Diena, Riga,” Latvia, on the energy market:

Today the European Commission is publishing more bundles of documents, the aim of which is to specify legislation and make the EU energy market more secure. In practice this could amount to limitations on third-country energy companies that, while claiming to be strategic investors, would like to buy controlling stakes in EU energy production and transmission enterprises. ...

The EU draft documents are essentially an answer to Russia’s energy policy, in which two trends have been clearly pronounced. Namely, Russia, for whom foreign investment, on the one hand, is very useful, has all but closed its energy sector; while on the other, Russia appeals to free market principals when facing opposition to its aspirations to grow roots in the EU energy sphere. The EU’s endeavors to make the energy market more open is contradictory to Russia’s goal to place even more stringent state control in this sphere on its own territory.

Essentially, the EU is proposing Russia the same rules of the game, which more or less provide for equal investment rights, and nothing more. This is all about the Energy Charter, which Russia doesn’t want to ratify since it would oblige Russia, at least partially, to open its energy sector to foreign investment. ...

On the Net: www.diena.lv

“Hufvudstadsbladet,” Finland, on al-Qaida:

International Muslim organizations are now strongly distancing themselves from the death threat on Lars Vilks, the artist, and chief editor Ulf Johansson. According to secretary-general Hussein Halawa, the European Council for Fatwa and Research will soon issue an international statement which will declare the death threat “haram,” or forbidden by Islam. The Federation of Islamic Organizations in Europe is also trying to ensure that the conflict does not spread internationally.

These are welcome standpoints, which hopefully will have an impact on the 92 organizations around the world that will distribute that message. It is also a welcome sign that the Muslim organizations jointly condemn the death threat as an unacceptable action, which is not supported by anyone else except extremists.

On the Net: www.hbl.fi

Health care debate reveals much about Clinton, Romney

Ron Fournier
Associated Press

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Question: If government and business leaders do their part to lower the cost of health insurance, should people be required to sign up? Republican Mitt Romney used to answer yes. Now he says no.

Democrat Hillary Rodham Clinton says yes or no — or maybe. It depends on the definition of “require.”

The way these and other 2008 presidential candidates answer the “individual mandate” question says as much about their characters, their strategies and the tricky politics of health care reform as it does about the actual policies.

“Individual mandate” is the jargon politicians use to describe health care plans that assume every citizen will enroll in health insurance, often with subsidies and under threat of penalty.

Clinton’s position, still a work in progress, shows how careful the New York senator is to not upset anybody with her new health care plan after her confrontational, secretive approach in 1993 ended in political disaster.

Romney’s yes-and-no positions are further reminder that he has a habit of taking both sides of an issue.

As governor of Massachusetts, Romney pushed a plan that requires state residents to get health insurance or face tax penalties. The law includes a new bureaucracy to implement it, government subsidies for the poor and guidelines for health insurance companies.

The effort broke new ground by sharing responsibility between government, business and individuals.

As a presidential candidate, Romney opposes a national individual mandate. Balancing his belief in personal responsibility against his support of states’ rights, Romney came down on the side of federalism.

“Far be it from me ... to stomp on all 50 states and say, ‘Here’s Mitt Romney’s plan,’” he said during a recent interview with The Associated Press. “No, let people try their own plans but do what the federal government did for us, which is give us the flexibility to create our own plan.”

He led as governor. Is Romney copping out as a presidential candidate? He says no.

“From the very beginning, I was asked, ‘Is this the model for all states?’ I said no — some parts of this may be, but states have very different populations,” Romney said.

He said Massachusetts has a relatively low rate of uninsured and older residents, which allowed state leaders to seek universal health care without raising taxes.

“But I wouldn’t go to Texas and say, ‘All Texans must have

insurance. Oh, too bad there’s not enough money, so you’re going to have to raise taxes.”

Not as a GOP presidential candidate, anyway.

Rather than claim credit for pushing Clinton and others into a responsible middle ground on health care, which he credibly could do, Romney seems content to resort to 1990s-style attacks. He said her plan was inspired by European bureaucracies and that Clinton herself “doesn’t believe in the American people,” offering no proof of either charge.

Thirteen years after her singular leadership position ended in failure, Clinton proposed a \$110 billion a year program that builds on the existing employer-based system of coverage.

It is nowhere near as complicated or ambitious as the plan she engineered for her husband, then-President Clinton.

The new plan claims to require citizens to get insurance as part of a “shared responsibility,” but it has no teeth. In an interview Tuesday, Clinton said she doesn’t support punishing people who don’t get insurance, though she could envision a day when a person would need to show proof of insurance to an employer, “like when your kid goes to school and has to show proof of vaccination.”

Details would be left to Congress.

It is one of the lessons she learned from the failure of her 1993 plan: Work well with Congress and business leaders.

“I have a track record of working to find common ground with people on the other side of the aisle,” she told the AP.

That is not the record her rivals recall.

“The real key to passing any health care reform is the ability to bring people together in an open, transparent process that builds a broad consensus for change,” said rival Democrat Barack Obama.

Fellow Democrat John Edwards accused Clinton of courting the same insurance companies, drug manufacturers and HMOs that helped kill her 1990s plan.

“The lesson Senator Clinton seems to have learned from her experience with health care is, ‘If you can’t beat ‘em, join ‘em,’” the former North Carolina senator said.

Edwards, who opposed universal health care during his 2004 presidential campaign, now supports it and an individual mandate. If elected, he vows to seek to cut off health care coverage to the president, his Cabinet and Congress on July 20, 2009, unless universal health care coverage passes by then.

Call it a political mandate on Washington: Fix the problem, finally, or lose your own insurance.

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ARTS & CULTURE

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WSU displays medieval manuscripts

Kevin Otzenberger
Argonaut

From the castles and cathedrals of ancient Europe to the rolling hills of modern-day Western Washington, they have remained intact.

Washington State University music professor Charles Argersinger is publicly displaying his 20 piece private collection of medieval and renaissance era manuscripts.

Some of the pieces in the exhibit date back as far as 1250 AD.

"These are truly one of a kind,"

Argersinger said.

"Sometimes people throw that expression out carelessly, but this is the real thing."

The display was established in the Manuscripts, Archives and Special Collections Office of the Holland and Terrell libraries on May 9.

Due to unexpectedly large public interest, the exhibit's closing date will be extended until Fall Recess.

"There has been a real steady stream of visitors and courses coming in to look at them," said special collections librarian Trevor Bond. "It's

been a well received exhibit — I love it. I think it shows a good level of collaboration between the faculties on campus."

The manuscripts, ranging in size from 3 inches by 5 to 1.5 feet by 3 feet, were handwritten on an assortment of different types of parchment using a wide variety of brilliantly colored inks and gold leafing.

Argersinger said the materials used could sometimes indicate the country from which they originated.

"They are a glimpse of an art form that started to die out with invention

of the Gutenberg printing press in 1454," said WSU English professor Michael Hanly.

The intricately detailed lettering and artwork of each piece surrounds texts that include both private devotionals and pages of sheet music for the choirs of ancient Catholic masses.

"Lots of wealthy people in the later middle ages owned them out of piety or as a luxury," Hanly said. "There's more to them than being a simple functional prayer book."

Hanly assisted in the establishment of the exhibit by translating all of the ancient Latin of the documents

into English.

He explained that most of the text comes from theological writers and psalms from the bible.

Hanly has written two books on his work with ancient manuscripts and has spent much of his career examining, transcribing and analyzing such material.

"It has been a pleasure to be associated with the exhibit," Hanly said. "I only wish it could run for another year."

Argersinger has been building his See **MANUSCRIPTS**, page 11

Mamet's 'Oleanna' is a tale of two wrongs

Christina Navarro
Argonaut

Enclosed within the walls of the University of Idaho's Kiva Theatre, audience members take a ride through a complex whirlwind of "he said, she said" accusations.

Written by David Mamet, "Oleanna" is about a meeting between Carol and her professor about her grade, which ultimately results in a sexual harassment dispute.

Audrey Lauren Wax, director and UI graduate student in theater and film, said the play is about language and how people misinterpret one another — verbally or through body language.

"I think it touches on sexuality, right and wrong," Wax said. "The tagline for the play is 'whatever side you take, you're wrong' because there's two sides for every story."

Wax said she kept the professor's career a secret, as well as the university setting so it's more ambiguous.

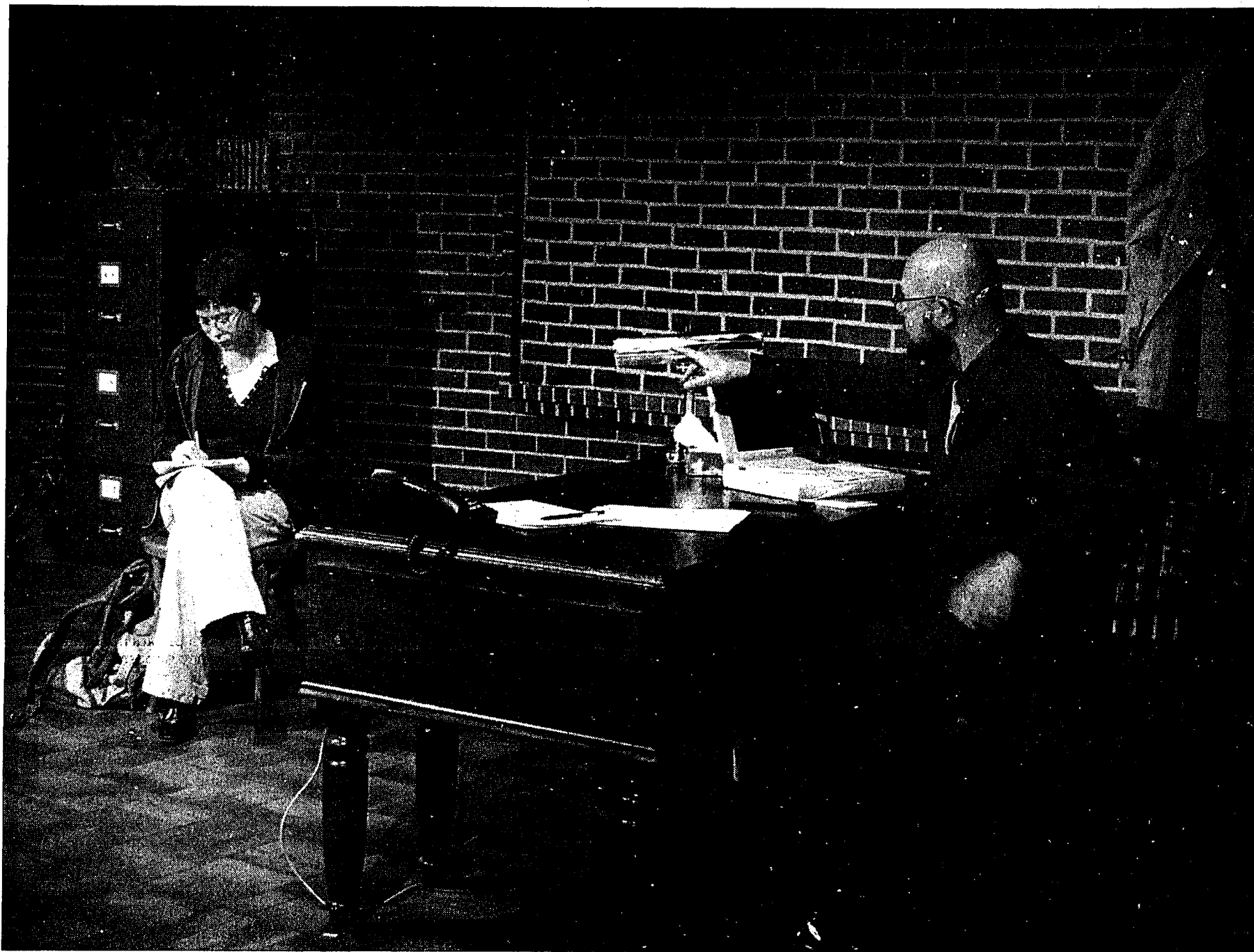
"I want it to seem more universal and want people to think it could happen to anyone, anywhere, so that people can relate to it," she said.

Wax said she can relate to both situations, as a teacher and grad student.

"I have heard stories from both sides of the coin," Wax said. "I've heard from professors who have had similar conflicts and students who have had the same thing."

She said this sort of situation could happen anywhere and others could relate to it.

"It's a good show to put on campuses because we're not aware of the language or physical signs," Wax said. "We as humans misinterpret one another



Jake Barber/Argonaut

See **OLEANNA**, page 11 Kristen Haller and Mathew Smith rehearse "Oleanna" by David Mamet, which runs today through Sunday and Sept. 27-30 at the Kiva Theatre.

Drama benefits school in Zimbabwe

Sydney Boyd
Argonaut

Several universities in the Northwest have put together a murder-mystery drama to raise money for a grade school in Zimbabwe.

A group of students from Washington State University, Seattle Pacific University, St. Andrew's College and the University of Idaho performed "Rehearsal for Murder" on Wednesday and will run the show a second time at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Nuart.

All proceeds will go to World Vision, a Christian relief and development organization dedicated to helping children and communities worldwide.

World Vision has aided communities in over 100 countries regardless of religion, race, gender or ethnic backgrounds, with relationships being the key focus of their work from start to finish.

Cara Rudd, the producer, director, marketer and performer of the drama and fundraising coordinator for World Vision came up with the idea a mere three weeks prior to the event.

"I don't like to just sit around," Rudd said.

A senior majoring in marketing and communications at SPY, Rudd has been acting since she was 7-years-old.

Stan Gotschall, a UI graduate who works as a software engineer in Pullman, did the lighting for the show and said Rudd has taken the project under her wing.

Hannah Fenwick attended St. Anne's College in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, a neighboring country of Zimbabwe.

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PLAY

See the play at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Nuart Theatre.

Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door.

A freshman majoring in advertising at UI, this will be Fenwick's first acting performance.

Fenwick's character, Karen Daniels, is an actress.

"She is shy and modest, but later in the play is really sexy," Fenwick said. "(She) changes personality a lot."

Another UI student, senior general studies major Roya Aryaeinejad, plays an obsessive-compulsive business lady.

"Being for a cause makes it that much better," Aryaeinejad said.

The country of Zimbabwe has been run by President Robert Mugabe since the country gained independence in 1980.

Since then the country, which was once one of the leading exporters and business capitol in Africa, has spiraled into economic crisis and food shortages.

From a 32 percent inflation in 1998, the percentage has soared to a 7,634.8 percent inflation as of August and continues to rise in staggering leaps.

The HIV and AIDS epidemic is sweeping the country with approximately 5.5 million Zimbabweans currently living with the disease.

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Fountain follows his dream

Alfredo Barnaby
Argonaut

Faculty and students gathered in the university auditorium to listen to Ben Fountain read from his acclaimed short story collection, "Brief Encounters with Che Guevara."

Fountain's short stories are the latest recipient of the PEN/Hemingway Award, a prize granted to American authors who have not yet published a book of fiction.

"It felt pretty damn wonderful," he said. "For me, those awards are for other people. I don't see myself winning those kinds of things."

Fountain has also received the O. Henry Award, two Pushcart Prizes, the McGinnis-Ritchie Prize for Fiction and has had work published in renowned literary magazines such as The Paris Review and Harper's.

His reading at the university was the result of a collective effort between the UI Department of English, the Hemingway Foundation and the PEN organization.

Aside from several awards, one can also find a law degree from Duke University among Fountain's credentials.

Fountain was once a real estate law practitioner, who at age 30 took a sharp turn in his endeavors.

"I wasn't happy practicing law," he said. "I realized that I would never have any peace in myself if I didn't

make any serious attempt to write."

He majored in English as an undergraduate and recalls having his world changed at age 15 by the literature of Ernest Hemingway.

Fountain said his road to present acclaim was marked by many sleepless nights at his desk.

While he has been influenced by the likes of Joan Didion and Norman Mailer, he also cites Latin American authors such as Gabriel Garcia Marquez and Jorge Luis Borges.

"Those writers really expanded the notion of what is possible with language and writing," he said.

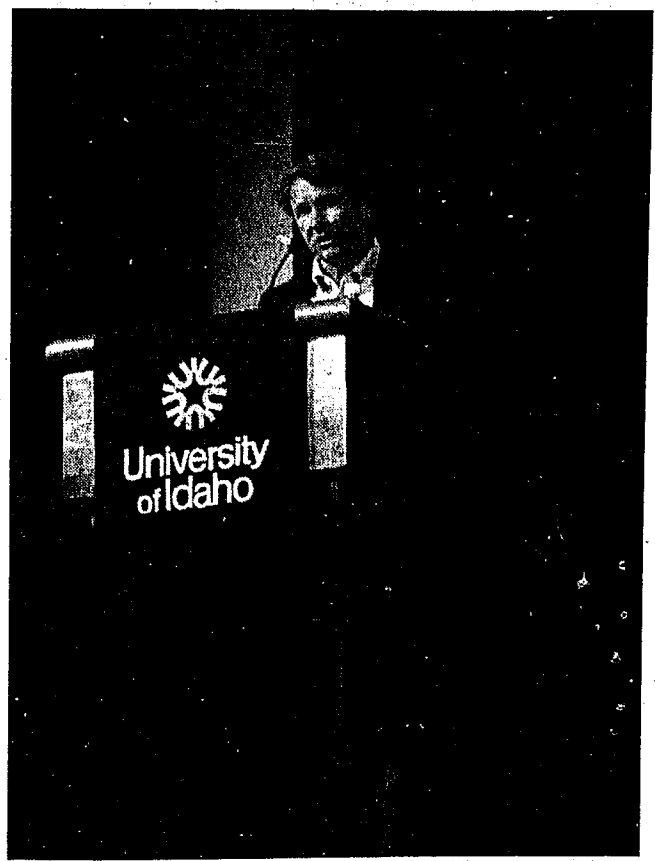
Fountain's artistic vision in this collection was largely influenced by his numerous trips to Haiti, which now number over 30.

"In the here and now it (Haiti) was the place where things were coming to a boil, where the veneers were stripped, where you see the most brutal form of blood politics being practiced," said Fountain.

His recurrent visits to the impoverished country have not been without risk.

Fountain recalls having stood amid gunfire and facing a mob who didn't exactly view him as one of the gang.

In "Brief Encounters with Che Guevara," Fountain weaves the themes of race, politics, power and cultural clashing into eleven short



Jake Barber/Argonaut

Writer Ben Fountain speaks in the Administration Building Auditorium Wednesday night about his book "Brief Encounters with Che Guevara."

works.

The reader meets an ornithologist kidnapped by Colombian guerrillas, a successful golfer who ends up teaching Burma's generals how to put properly and a Peace Corps veteran who falls in love with an African diamond smuggler.

Fountain's interest in po-

litical issues dates back to his college days.

"I felt that was the best way to understand how things were, to try to get a handle on the big picture," he said.

Fountain's upcoming projects include "Texas

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Father beats out daughter in finale

Meagan Robertson
Argonaut

For those unfamiliar with CBS' "Big Brother", it is a show where 14 strangers share a house for the summer and fight, lie and deceive their way through competitions and evictions to be the last person standing and win half a million dollars.

This year's season eight was no exception.

When the houseguests first entered the house back in July, the drama started immediately, with six of the contestants already knowing each other.

Of those six individuals, two were high school rivals, two were bitter ex-lovers and the other two were an estranged father and daughter who hadn't spoken in nearly two years.

Once the pairs of enemies were introduced to the rest of the house, they were immediately targeted as threats.

Carol Journey, one of the high school rivals, and Joe Barber, one of the ex-lovers, were the first two evicted from the house, splitting two of the groups up within the first two weeks.

Dick and Daniele Donato, the father and daughter with a broken relationship were the only pair who was able to stick together throughout the game despite the odds.

Dick's main goal in the game was to mend his relationship with Daniele, and was even shown breaking down into tears several times throughout the course of the season due to his frustration with the situation.

Daniele, on the other hand, wasn't entirely aligned with her father until after Nick Starcevic, her closest friend in the house, was evicted.

After 11 weeks of being stuck in the house, Dick and Daniele survived every eviction and made it to the final two, with Dick winning the game with a vote of five to two from the jury members.

There was another twist this season, with one of the houseguests being "America's Player."

Eric Stein played for America each week and was assigned a different task each episode.

The viewers were the ones who decided what he would do next, entirely unbeknownst to the rest of the houseguests.

From nominations to actual eviction votes, Stein played for the viewers.

His actions disrupted the balance in the house several times, aiding in some surprise evictions and some general scandal throughout the course of the season.

While Dick won the game, his win did not come without controversy.

Dick was notorious for harassing the houseguests throughout the season, which he claimed he did to help save Daniele from being the target.

His fights with other members of the house were the focus for several weeks, including incidents where he constantly belittled others, to even dumping a glass of tea on his rival Jen Johnson's head.

One of his fights with Johnson eventually lead to her throwing away his cigarettes and dumping bleach on them, an act that lead to one dramatic altercation and her eviction.

No one could stop the Donatos and in the end they achieved their goal of making it to the final two together.

The pair survived several weeks of eviction nominations, won more "Head of Household" and "Power of Veto" competitions than any of the other houseguests.

After betraying all of their alliances, it all worked in their favor.

The jury, composed of the last seven houseguests evicted, wasn't happy to see either of the Donatos in the final two, but in the end elected Dick as the winner.

While Dick would have been happier with his daughter winning the \$500,000, she still won \$50,000 as runner-up, and they both walked away winners.

Rilo Kiley delivers fresh new music

Meagan Robertson
Argonaut

Rilo Kiley's fourth album, "Under The Blacklight," brings the same sweet and, at times, sappy melodic goodness that fans of the band have come to know.

The group, comprised of Jenny Lewis on vocals, Blake Sennett singing and on the guitar, Pierre de Reeder on bass and Jason Boesel on the drums, does not disappoint.

For those unfamiliar with Rilo Kiley, Lewis' voice may be recognized from her work with the Postal Service or her solo work with the Watson Twins.

"Under The Blacklight" brings a sound that is different from the band's 2004 release "More Adventurous", featuring a variety of tracks that make the CD worth listening to from start to finish.

"Under The Blacklight" has a little bit of something for everyone.

The songs show the band's new

musical direction, with edgier songs like "The Moneymaker," and more relaxing ones like "Dreamworld."

"Dreamworld," which is the only song that is sung by Sennett, is by far the stand out track, offering a one-of-a-kind sound that is unlike any other Rilo Kiley song on this album or any in the past.

"Moneymaker," which was the first song released off "Under the Blacklight," is quite different from past Rilo Kiley songs as well.

Compared to the rest of the album, it's a little harder, with a more in-your-face kind of sound.

While it isn't like any other song the band has released, Lewis does a pretty decent job of bringing it like a solid rock star.

The newest single, "Silver Lining," isn't too bad, either.

It's a pretty easy-going song and

while it may not be Lewis' strongest song to date, it's still fun and good for homework time because it's not too distracting.

Songs like "Smoke Detector," "Dejalo" and "15" offer a more upbeat and funky sound, while "Close Call" and "Give A Little Love" are slower paced.

The album would be a great listen at any time, whether it be hanging out or studying, or just taking a drive through the Palouse with the windows down.

It's still fresh enough to help fuel the fun as the last days of summer weather come to a close and the colors of the leaves begin to change for fall.

Regardless, deep down it is still the same Rilo Kiley that fans love and a great addition to the music collection for anyone who is looking for some new tunes.



Rilo Kiley
"Under the Blacklight"
★★★★ (of 5)
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M.I.A. back on the music scene with studio album

After hiatus, Sri Lankan rapper releases third album

Matt Doyle
Argonaut

After two years of travel, London-based rapper and singer M.I.A. is back on the scene with her latest album, "Kala."

World-famous for her rhythmic blend of Brazilian funk, hip-hop and her hard-hitting vocal style, M.I.A. offers a sound that is both unique and addictive even on first listen.

The daughter of a Sri Lankan military activist and refugee, Mathangi "Maya" Arulpragasam has lived a difficult life.

She and her family had to relocate several times due to political threats and persecution.

Her experience appears to have had a great influence on her music,

with politically aware and smart lyrics.

For musical influences she cites N.W.A. and Public Enemy among others, but elements of Brazilian dancehall music can be heard in every track.

The album sets in motion with an incessant drum loop that quickly recedes into a pulsing bass drum.

Cue the vocals — M.I.A. jumps on the track with a barely harmonic chant that lightly flows over the pounding bass.

For this and most of the tracks, there are minimal layers of harmony — the rhythm is what drives the album.

Vocals, bass drum and sound effects bounce off each other creating danceable, heart-pounding rhythms.

The majority of the tracks are self-produced, but there are a few guest appearances. Timbaland, the producer with the golden touch, graces

the album on the final track, "Come Around", splitting vocal duty with M.I.A.

Also, most of the tracks on the album have a wide variety of percussion instruments — varying from an organic sound to something straight of a Roland synthesizer.

As one track bleeds into another, the album switches from low key beats into an all-out fury.

The third track, "Boyz," lights up the album with an eclectic array of electronically manipulated horns, cheering crowds and wild vocals over the sound of a gigantic, pounding bass drum.

The beauty of M.I.A.'s music is her ability to create a striking visual image in the mind of the listener.

The track "Birdflu," for example, paints the picture of a wild mob chasing after a frantic chicken.

Tambourines, tribal drums and war cries explode from the speaker, taking you into the heart of the chase.

M.I.A. breaks into the beat and declares, "Here come the underground, what's the point of knockin' me down?"

A bit aggressive and cocky, M.I.A. glides through the chorus, beckoning a challenger to step up to the plate — but that's not to say that she isn't capable of showing her sweeter side.

In the radio-ready song, "Jimmy," violins and bubbly keyboard flow underneath a high-pitched chorus of love lyrics.

Unlike many of the tracks that clearly have a Brazilian influence, this track sounds more eastern, something closer to her native roots.

Overall, "Kala" is a solid album.

Each track is complete, tightly edited and produced, and ready for the dance floor.



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collection for the past 10-12 years, initially buying off Ebay, and eventually working exclusively with dealers in Western Europe.

"It is amazing to me that someone living next to a wheat field on the border of Washington could build a collection like this," Argersinger said.

While the manuscripts can cost thousands of dollars to collectors, Argersinger was able to get one "damaged" piece at a discount price. As he explained, it was customary of young men in the 19th century who had access to the pages to cut out decorations from the books to give as gifts to their girlfriends.

"I would really like to know what was so beautiful that they felt compelled to do that," said Argersinger.

While most of the creators behind the manuscripts in Argersinger's collection remain unknown, the source of one particular piece has been recorded. The manuscript created by artist Marguerite DeBachoval incorporates a particularly notable design.

"It's representative of a whole class of illuminated initials where if you look at the initial, there is a portrait of a little man living inside there," Argersinger explained. "I like to wonder about the frame of mind of someone who would draw a person into



Roger Rowles/Argonaut
Charles Argersinger admires his own collection of medieval manuscripts currently on display at WSU.

the initial of a sacred document."

The exhibit is free of charge and open for viewing between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

"This is a pretty rare opportunity to see this kind of art in the Palouse," said Argersinger. "I would like to extend my invitation to Moscow students to take a look."

OLEANNA

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aware of the language or physical signs," Wax said. "We as humans misinterpret one another constantly... this play was all about exploration."

Wax said the Kiva provides an intimate setting for the play.

"The big twist on it is the audience can't escape this conflict," Wax said.

The audience will walk in through the door of the professor's office, where the story takes place. "They are actually seated on the set along with the actors, as if the audience is eavesdropping on this conversation among the two characters," Wax said.

Kristen Haller, a senior majoring in theatre, plays Carol.

She agreed the setting will contribute greatly to the play.

"It will be great for (audience members) because it almost forces them to be attentive," Haller said. "I love theatre that's intermingled like that because that's one of its purposes."

The cast of two has been rehearsing for three weeks.

"The actors have responded quite well," Wax said. "We have a wonderful team. It's been an incredible, rigorous three-week process — intense but really amazing."

Wax said "Oleanna" features two of the largest parts of the season.

"Each actor has more lines than they'll probably ever get in a show," she said.

Between master of fine arts student Matthew Smith and Haller, the lines are all on them.

"I expected a lot from them, but they gave me so much more," Wax said.

Wax said without an intermission, the show will be one hour and 15 minutes of intense interaction.

"It keeps you completely involved and interactive," she said.

Haller said she has never been in a

see the PLAY

"Oleanna" will run today through Sunday and Sept. 27-30 at the Kiva Theatre. Evening performances will be at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the UI Kibbie Dome Box Office and are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$5 for UI and WSU students, faculty, and staff. This play contains adult language and content. Call 885-7217 or visit www.uitheatre.com.

play like "Oleanna."

"It's a really, really tough play," Haller said. It's been quite a ride, and will continue to be."

For Haller, having two people trying to figure out how to work together is just one of the many challenges.

"It's one of the most challenging plays to do," Haller said. "The play itself is incredibly difficult to memorize, for one thing and also to conceptualize."

"Oleanna" will be Wax's exit project and will also be Haller's last time performing at the UI. Haller said she plans on spending the spring semester in Ireland, and graduate in May.

"I find it ironic in some senses because I read a monologue from ('Oleanna') freshman year, and didn't really understand it. It's come back around full-circle to haunt me," she said. "I think it's important that I do it."

Wax said "Oleanna" will keep audience members guessing. The question of who is right or wrong is one for the audience to debate and whether or not the sexual harassment occurred.

"I think that they're going to walk and have to go get coffee," she said. "It's a play you're going to walk away from and want to get in to deep conversations about it. It forces questions."

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"It's not just for entertainment," said Emily Paradis. "It's helping someone."

Paradis played Sally Beem, an air-head secretary who was in charge of donuts and coffee, and distracted by the big city life in New York.

The play is light-hearted and relaxed, a true "play within a play" said Douglas Hoover, a junior journalism major at UI. The murder mystery plot ended with a twist that was quirky and took the audience by surprise.

Levi Dixon, new to the stage, lightened up the scene with quip remarks and witty comments as the director of the fictional play within the play.

Dixon said, it made a difference to be helping others and voiced that helping build a grade school in a suffering country was "pretty slick."

On Wednesday, the play raised \$500 from ticket sales, support from local businesses and the fraternity Sigma Nu.

"It's amazing to think that one night will help a community for a lifetime. That's pretty cool" Rudd said.

DREAM

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"Itch," a novel which transports readers from the Colombian jungle to Dallas, Texas.

Why the transatlantic leap from the exotic to the local?

"The local is just as exotic as the exotic," Fountain said. "I find (Dallas) to be the most American of cities in its devotion

to the greatest of all American religions, money and business."

Fountain said once "Texas Itch" is finished, he plans on traveling to Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos and Haiti.

Fountain gives advice to young writers:

"Read everything you can get your hands on and work at your writing," he said. "Put yourself out in the world."

ArtsBRIEFS

Creative writing workshop

The Moscow Community Creative Writing Workshop will be held Monday nights from 6:30-9 p.m. Monday-Wednesday at the 1912 Center.

The 10-week workshop is open to all levels and will feature different local writers every week. Local writers include Mary Clearman Blew, Peter Chilson, Annie Lampman, Ron McFarland, Gail Miller, Joy Passanante, Brandon Schrand, Judy Sobeloff and Georgia Tiffany.

The workshop will also include in-class writing as well as discussions on fiction, non-

fiction or poetry works. Workshop participants will have the opportunity to receive feedback on their writing and read their writing on local radio station KRFP, then again with workshop instructors at BookPeople Nov. 12th.

This main workshop will be limited to 16 participants, but there will also be two six-week workshops, a Monday night poetry/nonfiction workshop and a Tuesday night fiction workshop.

Poet Mark Halliday to read at UI

Sponsored by the UI department of English and the MFA creative writing program, award winning poet

Mark Halliday will read from his work at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the UI Administration Building auditorium.

Halliday will be on campus all week teaching a graduate workshop as part of the English Department's Distinguished Visiting Writers Program. The event is free and open to the public.

Bank Left hosts one-day exhibit

UI fourth year interior de-

sign students will display their interpretations behind the meaning of art.

The one-day exhibit will run from 3-6 p.m. today at The Bank Left Gallery in Palouse, Wash.

The exhibit, "Interior Design Expressions: Innovations of Place, Space, and Identity" will feature 14 Interior Design senior students presenting their 3-week, community-based outreach project to the public. The event is free and open to the public.

Spector jury gets new instructions to try to break impasse

Linda Deutsch
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The judge in Phil Spector's murder trial on Thursday gave the deadlocked jury new instructions with several scenarios as to how the record producer might have killed actress Lana Clarkson.

Among the scenarios was that Spector forced her to put a gun in her own mouth and it went off.

Spector's attorneys had vehemently objected outside the jury's presence that Superior Court Judge Larry Paul Fidler was turning the defense against itself at the last minute.

They said they had presented scientific evidence that the 40-year-old Clarkson had probably pulled the trigger herself, either by accident or in a suicide.

The prosecution supported the judge's move on grounds there was "a plethora of evidence" that would support such a scenario, and the judge commented, "It's a reasonable inference that can be drawn."

The jury, which got the case Sept. 10, was sent back into deliberations after also receiving instructions including suggestions such as reverse role-playing in which jurors argue opposing jurors' views.

The panel talked for less than an hour before recessing for the night.

Spector, 67, is charged with killing Clarkson in the foyer of his Alhambra mansion on Feb. 3, 2003, a few hours after she met him at her job as a nightclub hostess and went home with him.

The new instructions came two days after the panel reported a 7-5 impasse on the implied-malice, second-degree murder charge against Spector.

Several jurors told the judge they were having trouble with one so-called pinpoint instruction concerning the prosecution's theory of how the shooting occurred.

That instruction said that in order to convict Spector of second-degree murder the jury had to find that "the defendant must have committed an act that caused the death of Lana Clarkson." It went on to specify the act was pointing a gun at her, which resulted in the gun entering her mouth while in Spector's hand.

After the impasse was re-

ported, the judge decided to retract the instruction on grounds that it misstated the law. When the jury was summoned, he told them to no longer use that instruction and issued a new one.

Fidler told the panel that to prove Spector guilty, prosecutors must prove that Spector "committed an act with a firearm that caused the death of Lana Clarkson, such as placing a gun in her mouth or forcing her to place the gun in her mouth at which time it discharged, pointing the gun at or against her head at which time it entered her mouth and discharged, pointing the gun at her to prevent her from leaving the house, causing a struggle which resulted the gun entering her mouth and discharging."

Fidler then added a caution.

"By using these examples I am not suggesting that any of these acts took place. These are inferences you may draw from the evidences but are not required to do so. You may reject them. These are only possibilities that you may consider," the judge said.

The judge also told jurors that to convict, the act by the defendant must be more than "drawing or exhibiting a firearm in the presence of Lana Clarkson in a rude, angry or threatening manner" and that he had to have had a state of mind called "malice aforethought," which does not require hatred or ill-will toward the victim, or deliberation.

Defense attorney Bradley Brunon objected during the legal debate, saying the judge was drafting an instruction that offered the jury numerous hypotheticals on how Spector might have caused Clarkson's death but did not include any of the defense arguments on how Clarkson might have caused her own death.

"Why don't we give them equivalent scenarios" for the defense point of view, Brunon said.

The exasperated judge said that if the defense wanted to reargue the case "that opportunity exists."

"You can't retry the case after a week of deliberations... there really is no viable alternative other than to mistry it and do it right the next time. There's no way out of it," Brunon said.

The judge refused to declare a mistrial.

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Grossenbacher is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and received a master's degree in International Relations from the John Hopkins University. He also completed the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration Program for Management Development.

University of Idaho

O.J. Simpson returns to Florida after judge sets bail at \$125,000

Michelle Spitzer
Associated Press

MIAMI — O.J. Simpson slipped back into familiar territory early Thursday — not just the sunny climate of South Florida, but into the center of a media cavalcade fixated on a robbery case that could send him to prison for years.

At the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood airport, Simpson refused to answer reporters' questions about the case, though girlfriend Christine Prody answered a question about how he was doing with "He's fine."

The former football star left in an SUV, tailed by a pack of cameras and reporters.

Police allege Simpson led an armed holdup of sports memorabilia collectors; Simpson has insisted he was merely retrieving items that had been stolen from him.

Legal experts say the prosecution's case could be clouded by issues including who had rightful ownership of the goods and the reputation of witnesses in the sometimes less-than-reputable world of memorabilia trading.

At his arraignment Thursday, Simpson furrowed his brow as the judge read the list of charges against him. Gone was the slight smirk he flashed when arrested.

He answered quietly in a hoarse voice and nodded as the judge laid out restrictions

for his release, including surrendering his passport to his attorney and having no contact with co-defendants or potential witnesses. Simpson did not enter a plea, and bail was set at \$125,000.

As Simpson flew home to the Miami area, US Airways emptied a plane so he could board first with his attorney, Yale Galanter, and Prody.

Simpson sat in an aisle seat in economy class. Passengers who boarded behind him took pictures with cell phones and cameras. He nodded and smiled as they passed, then slept from Las Vegas to South Florida.

Simpson was arrested Sunday after a collector reported a group of armed men charged into a hotel room at the Palace Station casino and took several items.

He spent three nights in jail after being charged with kidnapping, robbery with use of a deadly weapon, burglary while in possession of a deadly weapon, coercion with use of a deadly weapon, assault with a deadly weapon, conspiracy to commit kidnapping, conspiracy to commit robbery and conspiracy to commit a crime.

Police arrested a fifth suspect in the case Wednesday. Charles Howard Cashmore, 40, surrendered to police and was scheduled to appear in court Thursday.

Cashmore brought in items

that are believed to have been taken, police said without elaborating.

Authorities allege that the men went to the room Sept. 13 on the pretext of brokering a deal with two longtime collectors, Alfred Beardsley and Bruce Fromong. The meeting was set up by memorabilia dealer Tom Riccio.

According to police reports, the collectors were ordered at gunpoint to hand over several items valued at as much as \$100,000, including football game balls signed by Simpson, Joe Montana lithographs, baseballs autographed by Pete Rose and Duke Snider and framed awards and plaques.

Beardsley told police he had expected that the collection would earn \$35,000 at the meeting from a "client" he had never met. Instead, he said, one of the men with Simpson brandished a pistol, frisked him and impersonated a police officer, and another man pointed a gun at Fromong.

Authorities said Beardsley, of Burbank, Calif., was paroled in March 2006 after serving 11 months of a two-year sentence for stalking a woman in Riverside County.

He was arrested at his room at the Luxor Hotel Wednesday for violating parole. A California corrections spokesman said Beardsley was required to get written approval before traveling more than 50 miles from home or leaving home

for more than 24 hours.

In a Las Vegas court Thursday, Beardsley waived extradition, but it was not clear when he would return to California.

Riccio also has a criminal record, including grand larceny in Florida in 1984, when he received three years of probation; and felony arson in 1995, in California, for which he was sentenced to two years.

Riccio, who recorded an audiotape of the confrontation later released by the celebrity Web site TMZ, said he was not concerned with how his past might affect his credibility "because everything's on tape. That's why it's on tape."

But Beardsley told NBC's "Today" show before Simpson's hearing that he didn't think the audiotape was accurate.

Riccio also said he had been promised some form of immunity by prosecutors.

Two other defendants, Walter Alexander, 46, and Clarence Stewart, 53, were arrested and released pending court appearances. Stewart turned in some of the missing goods and Alexander agreed to cooperate with prosecutors, authorities said.

Suspect Michael McClinton, 49, of Las Vegas, surrendered to police Tuesday. Jailers were unable to say whether Cashmore or McClinton had retained a lawyer. Police have not identified the remaining suspect they are seeking.

Philly fashion designer turns guns to jewelry

By Kathy Matheson
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — There have been many proposals for keeping guns off the streets of this violence-plagued city, but maybe none as unusual as Melanie Brandon's: Melt them down into jewelry.

It sounds pie-in-the-sky, yet the Philadelphia fashion designer managed to get it done. Runway models wore the gunmetal pieces at Brandon's two shows during Fashion Week in New York, and they will do it again here on Friday.

The jewelry, part of her Melani Von Alexandria collection, was Brandon's creative attempt to address a harsh reality: Philadelphia is on pace for its highest murder rate in a decade. Nearly 300 people have been slain so far this year, nearly all by firearms.

"Just like a lot of Philadelphians, (I was) frustrated with people getting killed left and right," Brandon said. "Why sit by and complain about what's going on? ... You have to be part of the solution."

Brandon, who has been designing clothes for about eight years, was originally thinking about rhinestone accents for her latest collection but said it didn't feel right.

"That just seemed so plastic to me," she said. "Everybody's done that. It really means nothing. ... I just really wanted to bring meaning to it."

That's when the idea of turning guns into jewelry hit her. She wrote a proposal in July and sent it to the mayor, top police brass and the sheriff.

It ended up on the desk of Paris Washington, chief weapons officer for the Sheriff's Department. Last month, he escorted Brandon and five confiscated firearms to a local welder's studio. The guns, some from domestic violence cases, had been ordered destroyed by a court.

Washington, paraphrasing a Bible verse, said Brandon's idea reminded him of man laying down his swords and having them turned into plowshares.

"I thought this might be a way of taking an object that, in our case, was used in violent confrontation and allow it to be turned into something beautiful," Washington said. The welder, working from Brandon's designs, made the guns into a ring, brooches and several pendants.

Most are abstractly shaped. One pendant looks almost like a halved wind chime — it's actually the bisected barrel of a gun. A large, bowtie-shaped piece will be used as a belt buckle and a similar one will become the handle of a purse.

The dark, hard pieces are paired with Brandon's feminine clothing designs in soft fabrics. One brooch is literally part of an outfit, attached above the cleavage of a spaghetti-strap, cream-colored silk chiffon dress. Brandon has been working hard to make it in the fashion world while paying the bills with a job in commercial real estate.

This week, she was preparing for a show at Philadelphia's German Society of Pennsylvania in the living room of her modest home, where pairs of sparkly high heels stood on the coffee table and models grabbed clothes off a rack.

The attention she has received for the gunmetal jewelry may boost her profile, but she said her desire for success is equal to her desire to mentor young Philadelphians who might otherwise end up using firearms for lethal reasons.

More gunmetal pieces are on the way — there is still leftover material — and a diamond company has contacted Brandon about incorporating stones into the jewelry, she said.

Jonathan Shorr, owner of the Jonathan Shorr Gallery in New York, hosted a show for Brandon during Fashion Week earlier this month because he was so taken with the jewelry concept.

"It's not only taking the guns off the street and destroying them ... something positive is coming out of them," Shorr said. "It's a great cause, and it's great work."

Oxford's Dictionary adds hundreds of new words

Kate Schuman
Associated Press

LONDON — Carbon footprint, green audit and Chelsea tractor are among the raft of environmental terms being added to the latest Shorter Oxford English Dictionary, published Thursday in United States and Britain.

The sixth edition of the dictionary, an abridged version of

the Oxford English Dictionary, includes 2,500 new words that have been added since the last edition was published in 2002.

In the new edition, "carbon footprint" is defined as the amount of greenhouse gas emissions an individual is responsible for, while a "green audit" is an inspection of a company to define its impact on the environment. "Chelsea tractor" is a British slang term

for a gas-guzzling sport utility vehicle.

The additions also include "carbon-neutral," achieving a zero level of carbon dioxide emissions, and "emissions trading," selling or buying permits handed to nations or businesses to emit a certain level of carbon dioxide.


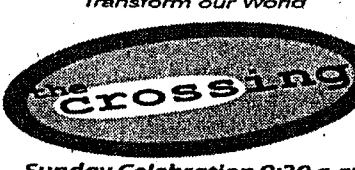



"Suddenly people have become much more concerned in climate change," said Angus

Stevenson, the edition's editor. "It's trendy to be green, and that has made the vocabulary of green issues much more widespread."

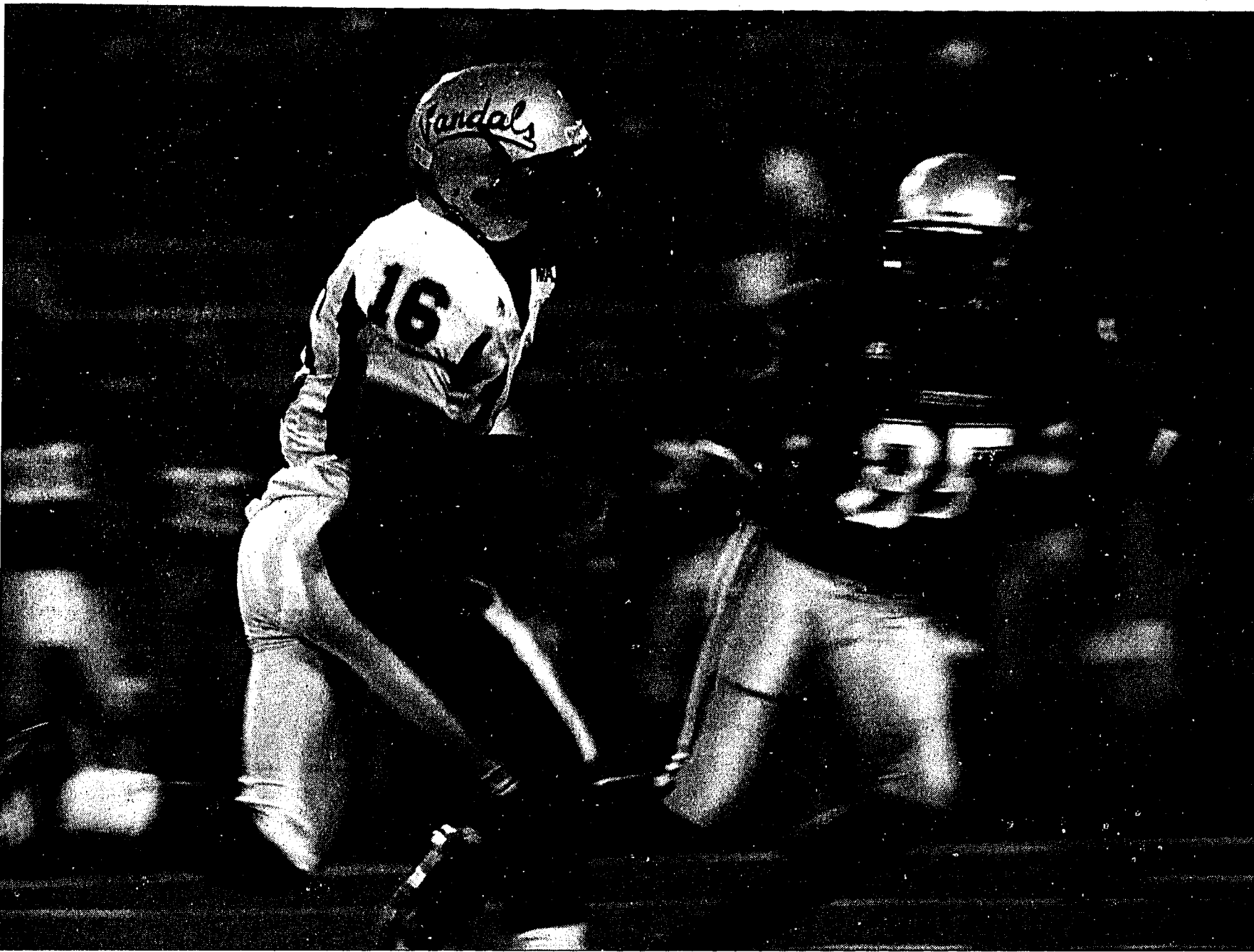
The influx of new phrases has followed the scrapping of a rule that a word must appear five times in five published sources over five years, Stevenson said. Editors now use their discretion to decide on a new word's merit.

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Vandals come together



Dewey Hale moves the ball down the field during Saturday's game against WSU.

Roger Rowles/Argonaut

Vandals play last non-conference game Saturday

Robert J. Taylor
Argonaut

The University of Idaho football team enters its last week of non-conference play with a 1-2 record. Both losses have come from Pac-10 schools, including No. 1 USC.

All three have been emotionally challenging games with a side-story that's almost overshadowed the game itself.

The team opened the season not only playing the nation's top ranked team for the first time, but also playing against a former Idaho coach (Nick Holt) with a coach (Robb Akey) and quarterback (Nathan Enderle) calling the shots for the first time in their careers.

The next week, the Vandals played the first home game of the Akey era on new turf against Cal Poly, a top 20 FCS (previously Division 1-AA) opponent that runs the triple-option.

In their last game, they traveled across the border to Washington State where Akey faced his former employer and the defense he built.

On Saturday, the focus is just football.

The Vandals will look for their first FBS (previously Division 1-A) win against 0-3 Northern Illinois. The team hails from the Mid-American Conference, a conference comparable to the WAC.

To beat the Huskies, Akey said the team will need to play a complete football game.

"Keep cleaning up the things we've been doing," he said, "but let's get it done over the course of the entire game."

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Huskies dogged by injuries, seek cover in Kibbie Dome

Robert Todeschi
Argonaut

Northern Illinois University equipment managers will need to ensure they come to the Kibbie Dome with slings, braces and tape with the way the team's season has been going so far.

The 0-3 Huskies' coach, Joe Novak, points blame to the sky.

"I guess the football gods have not been on our side," Novak said.

In three games this season, the Huskies have had eight starters miss at least one full game due to injury.

Fourteen other players have also missed at least one game because of injuries.

The tight end position was almost declared extinct after three of their best were lost to injury until senior Brandon Davis made his return last week against Eastern Michigan.

This week, junior offensive lineman Dan Keller was moved to defense to fill in for one of the five injured linemen. Saturday will be the first time Keller has played defense since high school.

Adding to the NIU frustration is their lack of experience.

Only three players came into the 2007

season with more than a year of starting experience, forcing the Huskies to introduce 16 freshmen to the field.

Despite the damage, NIU has only lost by an average of six points in their first three games.

After record-breaking Garrett Wolfe graduated and was drafted by the Chicago Bears, sophomore running back Justin Anderson has stepped up to replace him in the line up.

In the first quarter of the season, Anderson has rushed for 249 yards on 52 carries and has gained 159 yards on 19 receptions.

Quarterback Dan Nicholson's 69.1 pass completion percentage ranks 12th in the nation.

The Kibbie Dome will likely aid NIU's special teams. The Huskies' Chris Nendick has been named the Lou Groza Award Watch List, given to the best college kicker.

Nendick has a career total 141 extra points and 49 field goals.

NIU will fly 1,700 miles to Moscow for the fifth contest between the two teams.

"Obviously, it is a place that will be unfamiliar to us," defensive end Larry English said.

The last time NIU met the University of Idaho was in 1975 — the first season ever played in the Kibbie Dome.

The Vandals hit a field goal in the last two minutes to win 25-24.

Both teams are tied in the series with two home wins a piece.

Coach Novak compliments Idaho as being as good as any of the top teams in the Mid-American Conference.

"It won't be easy playing in Moscow," Novak said.

Novak is in his 12th season for NIU and wants to get his players back to enjoying playing football.

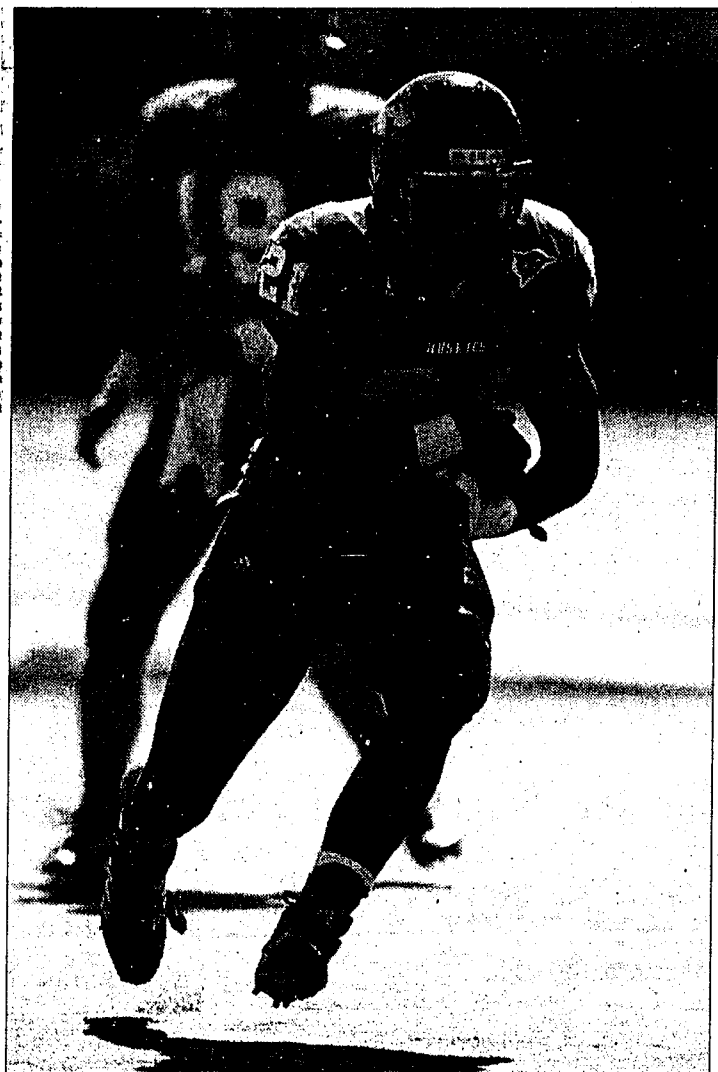
His team is injured, inexperienced and frustrated.

"Sometimes the harder you try, the worse it is. It's hard to have fun when you are not winning," Novak said.

The Vandals will travel to Northern Illinois in 2008.

"I guess the football gods have not been on our side."

Joe
NOVAK
NIU Coach



Courtesy Photo

DIARY OF A FANTASY GEEK

The ghost of Bo Jackson

Let me be the first to apologize for my disgraceful picks last week. How did Maurice Jones-Drew get stuffed by the Falcons?

Oh, how fantasy football can make an idiot out of me. Don't lose faith in Johnny Ballgame just yet; here is how I will make it up to you. I have decided to give you a glimpse into the future of football.

I can do this because I've seen it. This is going to take some work on your part also because my words can't accurately describe how good the player I'm going to mention is.

Take a second and picture the quickness of Barry Sanders mixed with Bo Jackson's raw speed and power. I'm introducing you to a running back named Noel Divine.

This is very difficult for me to write about due to the respect I have for past greats, but I must inform you that Noel Divine is a combination of Barry and Bo. Obviously you don't believe me,

and you shouldn't, but I do have physical evidence. Log onto www.youtube.com and type in "Noel Divine" and watch the video titled "Noel Divine - Sickest running back ever." You will then begin to believe the Noel Divine gospel which I preach.

Divine is from Florida, the state which produces nearly twenty percent of NFL players. He went to North Fort Myers High School, the same as Deion Sanders. He put up unmatched numbers at a high-class school in America's number one football state — Florida.

As you know, I'm a sports geek and I've seen lots of high school highlight tapes. I'm telling you that Divine is far and away the greatest. His tape is clearly better than even Reggie

Bush's Helix High School tape. The physical balance Divine has is disgusting. His combination of speed, quickness and power is something your eyes have never seen.



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He splits the safeties on up-the-middle running plays like I used to do while playing "Techno Bowl" on my Nintendo.

He's a smaller back, 5-foot 8-inches 170 pounds, but has crazy power. I'm not joking in my Barry Sanders/Bo Jackson comparison.

For fantasy geeks everywhere, make sure you get Noel Divine during your 2010 fantasy football keeper league draft. You'll

all know his name very soon as he picks up a Heisman Trophy over the

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RACE TO THE FINISH

The man behind the fire

"When you going to race, Dee?" That's all I have been hearing lately. Honestly I can't give you answer, when I find out you'll find out.

I think it would be pretty sweet to run next weekend at Willamette University in Oregon since I have won that race two years in a row.

But I can't make any promises on a triple crown.

I like racing in Willamette, because it is the only time my family can make it to see me run.

That alone would make me want to gut out a 5k race no matter what shape I'm in. Because to them, I'm amazing whatever happens.

Something about hearing my dad cheer for me makes me want to run fast. I can always pick his voice out from a crowd. It's a voice not unlike a pirate who chews on gravel. My dad's presence means so much

because he knows what it took for me to get to college and compete at this level.

In high school my dad was my support system. I did not have a healthy mom or sister and he made my life easier in any way he could.

My dad bought me dumbbells for Christmas and took up jogging with me when I first started running — even though he smoked three packs a day.

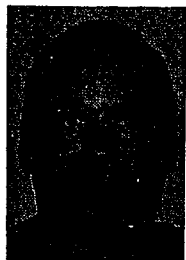
In order for me to lift weights, my dad drove me at 5:30 a.m. to the weight room. He even made my lunch every day for school and most importantly he took out a loan so I could play Nike

volleyball and travel around the U.S. like the rich girls did. My dad went to every athletic event in high school. The funniest thing to me, still is,

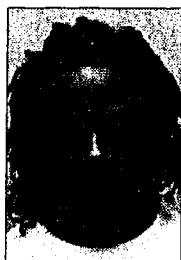


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O.J. Simpson



"Pacman" Jones



Pete Rose



Tonya Harding



Michael Vick



Mike Tyson



Tim Montgomery

The Athletic Hall of Shame

Hugh Jones
Argonaut

Pinstripes aren't just for the New York Yankees. Here's a list of athletes who've had run-ins with the law.

O.J. Simpson

"The Juice" was the first running back in the NFL to rush for over 2,000 yards in a single season.

In 1994, Simpson was tried for the double murder of his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman.

Though Simpson was acquitted of the crime, he has accommodated those who would like to imagine him as a murderer. Simpson wrote a book entitled "If I Did It," that is a first-person fictional account of how Simpson would have committed the crime if he actually had.

Earlier this month, Simpson was

charged with a long list of crimes involving the armed robbery of a hotel room.

Adam "Pacman" Jones

In 2006, Jones' second season with the Tennessee Titans, he led the NFL in average yards per punt return. Jones also had 62 tackles, 12 deflected passes and one interception touchdown.

Jones was suspended for the 2007 season for "off-field" issues, including Jones's involvement in a fist fight and shooting in a Las Vegas strip club. The fight left one man paralyzed.

Pete Rose

Rose was nicknamed "Charlie Hustle" because of his above average effort on the field. When Rose got walked to first base, he ran. His signature move was to slide headfirst into base. Rose was a legend; he was part of the sport from 1963 to 1986 and played five dif-

ferent positions.

In 1989, Rose gained permanent ineligibility from baseball for gambling on the sport. In 2004, Rose formally admitted to betting on, but not against, the Cincinnati Reds.

In 1990, Rose spent five months in jail for tax evasion. Rose is again in trouble with the IRS, as he currently owes nearly one million dollars in unpaid taxes.

Tonya Harding

Harding was the first American woman to complete a triple axel jump. She won two U.S. Figure Skating Championships and placed second in the 1991 World Championships.

Harding is notorious for her involvement in the intentional injury of lead competitor Nancy Kerrigan. Harding's husband hired Shane Stant to strike Kerrigan's knee during a 1994 U.S. Figure Skating Championship

practice session and thus remove her from the competition. Harding won the event.

Michael Vick

Vick was a standout quarterback for the Atlanta Falcons. In 2004 he became the first player to both rush for 100 yards and throw for 250 in a single game.

Vick also participated in a six-year dog fighting operation. In a plea agreement on Aug. 24, Vick admitted to funding the organization and placing high stakes bets on the dogs. Vick is now facing a sentence of up to 5 years for his actions.

Mike Tyson

Boxing stud Mike Tyson, "Kid Dynamite," is the youngest man to have won a World Heavyweight title. Tyson won his first 19 professional matches by knockout, 12 in the first round. Of

his 58 total fights, Tyson won 50.

In 1992 Tyson was convicted of raping Miss Black Rhode Island, Desiree Washington. After his three years in prison, Tyson returned to the boxing scene hungry. This hunger was perhaps most prevalent in his 1997 match against Evander Holyfield. The match ended when Tyson bit off a portion of Holyfield's ear. Tyson officially retired from boxing in 2005.

Tim Montgomery

In September 2002, Montgomery set the 100 meter world record.

On April 9, Montgomery pled guilty to money laundering charges. Montgomery deposited three phony checks that amounted to a sum of \$775,000. It's believed that Montgomery made \$20,000 on the scheme.

The sprinter faces up to 46 months in prison.

Zabransky cut by Texans, what to do next

It's never a good thing when one hits their peak before their 24th birthday.

It has to be a depressing thought to wake up one morning and realize, "My life is all down hill from here, I'm never going to do anything else with my life that was as good as what I've already done."

No, I'm not talking about the train wreck Britney Spears' career has become.

I'm talking about Jared Zabransky, the former Boise State football quarterback who was fired released from the Houston Texans Tuesday.

It has to be rough to go from being a tackle dummy on an NFL's practice squad

one day to standing in the unemployment line the next.

I'm just kidding, I know he's not really standing in the unemployment line. Boise State still has five home games left this season.

Someone at the school will let him set up a table in front of the stadium so he can sign copies of NCAA football 2008 for \$10 a pop.

After dropping out of school last year prior to graduation to improve his draft stock, Zabransky has no degree or second option to fall back on other than football.

Luckily for Zabransky, he has a few more football options back in Boise, where

no one has realized he can't play football.

The Boise Burn, the Arena Football 2 league team, only went 8-8 last year and needed a quarterback so bad they called fellow former BSU quarterback Bret Hindricks out of retirement. Sounds like they could use a new quarterback, might be the perfect job for Z.

This means scores of fans cans still pack a Boise arena to watch him play (and throw interceptions in big games). He'd still be the man in Boise. People would still adore

him and he wouldn't have to move on from football a failure, and get a real job.

If he played for the Boise Burn, they would sell out every game.

The people who run the team know this, they'd have to offer him the most amount of money the cap room allows, maybe even some under the table.

He'd get so many endorsement deals, it wouldn't matter how much they payed him to play football.

Z's face would get more airtime in Boise than Dan Hawkins ever did.



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FOOTBALL

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Idaho will need to play the entire game to beat a team coming off consecutive games lost in the fourth quarter by a combined five points.

"They're a talented football team that is hungry for a win. We're going to have our hands full this week," Akey said.

"We've got a football team that is pretty hungry also," he added.

No Vandal may be hungrier to get on the field than Taylor Russ.

The junior defensive end only played in one game in 2005 and saw limited playing time in 2006 as a backup.

This year he's made 10 tackles, including three for a loss of 19 yards, two sacks, broken up one pass, gotten credit for two quarterback hurries and has recovered two fumbles.

At 6-foot 2-inches and 232 pounds, Russ may not be the biggest of players, but it's not his size that Akey notices about him.

"He more than makes up for (his size) in the way he plays. What matters is the way you play."

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Dads can attend Saturday's game at the youth ticket price. Kick off is at 2:07 p.m.

He plays hard every single snap of the game. It doesn't make any difference if it's the first or 74th snap of the game," Akey said. "He's been hungry for (this) opportunity to come about. That opportunity is here now."

Russ isn't the only Vandal playing hard on every snap — Akey said the entire team is playing hard.

"The players are doing everything we're asking them to do. They're putting everything into what we're doing. The effort, the things they're doing are fantastic," he said.

Akey said because of the progress the team is making the team has gained a lot of ground.

"That makes me happy," he said. "That tells me we've got a good situation as a family working together here. Our football family — the team and coaches are all one."

QuickHITS

Did you know: UI vs. NIU edition

●The series is split 2-2 with the home team winning every game.

●Idaho won the last meeting in 1975, the first year they played in the Dome.

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Washington State at USC, ABC, 3:30 p.m.

Utah at UNLV, The Mtn., 7 p.m.

Rice at Texas, FSN, 4 p.m.

Vandals to watch

Taylor Russ, football

"Taylor plays with a motor," said Robb Akey about the defensive end. Northern Illinois will have to account for him at all times Saturday.

Anna Sandman and Jennifer Hull, soccer
When Sandman is on

her game, she shuts out opponents.

The soccer team is 3-0 when she doesn't give a goal and 0-2 when she does.

The Vandals have the same record in games Hull finds the goal at least once.

With two games this weekend, Idaho will have to win at least one to maintain a winning record.



Sandman



Hull

Your dad
If your dad's a former Vandal, he might want to catch up with buddies or visit the old watering hole.

Keep an eye on the old man this weekend.

Vandals by the numbers

1: The number of shutouts goalie Anna Sandman needs to tie the career save record

2: The rank of defensive tackle Siva Musika in the NCAA for forced fumbles. He is tied for second with three on the season.

5.28: Number of kills junior Haley Larsen in averaging per game, which ranks No. 3 in the nation.

8: Stanley Franks' rank on the school's all-time interception list after getting his 10th at Washington State.

DIARY

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next two years.

Just watch his tape on YouTube and I'm sure you'll be calling your friends or telling your frat-brothers to log on and check it out. He's that good. Just remember Divine did this at the highest level for Florida high school football.

He is currently a true freshman at West Virginia backing up Heisman Trophy candidate Steve Slaton.

So far this season, Divine has carried the ball 17 times for 256 yards and 3 touchdowns.

He's averaging 15.1 yards per carry in a limited roll.

The first time I saw this highlight tape I immediately placed a bet on West Virginia to win the NCAA championship this season. So far they're ranked No. 5 in the country.

I realize that high school highlight tapes and the NFL are very different levels of competition, but Divine has so far proved to be worthy of NCAA dominance and if he stays healthy I see no reason why he won't be great in the pros, too.

Bo Jackson was the greatest running back I've ever seen.

Seeing him play was almost as if the football gods decided to give us a small glimpse of total-greatness before taking him out of the game just 39 games into his career.

Bo was injured in a 1990 playoff game against the Bengals and never carried the football again. Jackson was so far ahead of his time that 20 years later we've still never seen anyone that compares to him.

Until now, his name is Noel Divine.

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RACE

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looking back when I played volleyball and seeing my buff, dirty, construction-worker dad sitting and cheering with all the rich, snooty volleyball moms at our meets.

He did not give a damn, because he was there for me.

So when my dad goes and watches me run in a college

race it feels surreal, like we are not supposed to be there.

We were always the under dogs. I still feel a bit of that "under dogness" inside no matter what records or medals I collect.

Some people call it a chip, my dad and I call it fire.

Dee Olson is a cross country and track athlete at the University of Idaho. She will be writing a weekly column on life as a student athlete.

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Landis must forfeit 2006 Tour title

Eddie Pells
Associated Press

Floyd Landis lost his expensive and explosive doping case Thursday when arbitrators upheld the results of a test that showed the 2006 Tour de France champion used synthetic testosterone to fuel his spectacular comeback victory.

The decision means Landis, who repeatedly has denied using performance-enhancing drugs, must forfeit his Tour de France title and is subject to a two-year ban, retroactive to Jan. 30, 2007.

The ruling, handed down nearly four months after a bizarre and bitterly fought hearing, leaves the American with one final way to possibly salvage his title, an appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport.

If Landis doesn't appeal, he'll be the first person in the 105-year history of the race to lose the title because of a doping offense.

According to documents obtained by AP, the vote was 2-1 to uphold the results, with lead arbitrator Patrice Brunet and Richard McLaren in the majority and Christopher Campbell dissenting.

"Today's ruling is a victory for all clean athletes and everyone who values fair and honest competition," U.S. Anti-Doping Agency

CEO Travis Tygart said.

It's a devastating loss for Landis, who has steadfastly insisted that cheating went against everything he was all about and said he was merely a pawn in the anti-doping system's all-consuming effort to find cheaters and keep money flowing to its labs and agencies.

Landis didn't hide from the scrutiny, invited it, in fact, and now has been found guilty by the closest thing to a fair trial any accused athlete will get.

Landis, who has a month to file his appeal, is still weighing his legal options, according to a statement released by his legal team.

"This ruling is a blow to athletes and cyclists everywhere," Landis said. "For the Panel to find in favor of USADA when, with respect to so many issues, USADA did not manage to prove even the most basic parts of their case shows that this system is fundamentally flawed. I am innocent, and we proved I am innocent."

Despite the result, it's hard to see this as a total victory for USADA, which prosecuted the case. This was a costly affair for the agency, and it exposed flaws in the system.

In its 84-page decision, the majority found the initial screening test to measure Landis' testosterone levels, the testosterone-to-epitestosterone

test, was not done according to World Anti-Doping Agency rules.

But the more precise and expensive carbon-isotope ratio analysis (IRMS), performed after a positive T-E test is recorded, was accurate, the arbitrators said, meaning "an anti-doping rule violation is established."

"As has been held in several cases, even where the T-E ratio has been held to be unreliable ... the IRMS analysis may still be applied," the majority wrote. "It has also been held that the IRMS analysis may stand alone as the basis" of a positive test for steroids.

The decision comes more than a year after Landis' stunning comeback in Stage 17 of the 2006 Tour, one that many people said couldn't be done without some kind of outside help. Flying to the lead near the start of a grueling Alpine stage, Landis regained nearly eight minutes against the leader, and went on to win the three-week race.

"Well, all I can say is that justice has been done, and that this is what the UCI felt was correct all along," Pat McQuaid, leader of cycling's world governing body, told the AP by telephone. "We now await and see if he does appeal to CAS."

"It's not a great surprise considering how events have evolved. He got a highly qualified legal team who tried to baffle everybody with science and

public relations. And in the end the facts stood up."

Spanish rider Oscar Pereiro, who finished second to Landis in the 2006 Tour, said he hadn't officially heard the news yet.

"You never want to win a competition like that," he said. "But after a year and a half of all of this I'm just glad it's over."

Landis insisted on a public hearing not only to prove his innocence, but to shine a spotlight on USADA and the rules it enforces and also establish a pattern of incompetence at the French lab where his urine was tested.

Although the panel rejected Landis' argument of a "conspiracy" at the Chatenay-Malabry lab, it did find areas of concern. They dealt with chain of command in controlling the urine sample, the way the tests were run on the machine, the way the machine was prepared and the "forensic corrections" done on the lab paperwork.

"... the Panel finds that the practices of the Lab in training its employees appears to lack the vigor the Panel would expect in the circumstances given the enormous consequences to athletes" of an adverse analytical finding, the decision said.

The majority repeatedly wrote that any mistakes made at the lab were not enough to dismiss the positive test, but also sent a warning.

"If such practices continue, it may well be that in the future, an error like this could result in the dismissal" of a positive finding by the lab.

In Campbell's opinion, Landis' case should have been one of those cases.

"In many instances, Mr. Landis sustained his burden of proof beyond a reasonable doubt," Campbell wrote. "The documents supplied by LNDD are so filled with errors that they do not support an Adverse Analytical Finding. Mr. Landis should be found innocent."

And in at least one respect, Landis, who spent an estimated \$2 million on his defense, was exonerated because the panel dismissed the T-E test. But in the arbitration process, a procedural flaw in the first test doesn't negate a positive result in follow-up tests.

This year's Tour began without the official defending champion, and the traditional "No. 1" jersey wasn't handed out when the race began in London. It only got worse as doping allegations and suspicions devastated the 2007 Tour. Three riders, including former overall leader Michael Rasmussen, and two teams were expelled during the three-week race.

At 31, Landis has vowed he hadn't given up on cycling, he raced in small, non-sanctioned events in Colorado this summer, even hoping to someday wear the yellow jersey again.

New number, new sponsor for Earnhardt

Associated Press

When Dale Earnhardt Jr. decided to drive for Rick Hendrick, the car owner didn't have to worry about funding the car.

Sponsors immediately lined up for an opportunity to align their brands with NASCAR's most popular driver, and Hendrick could have started a bidding war. But he instead stayed within his own organization, showing loyalty to his existing relationships with PepsiCo. and The National Guard.

Both companies will sponsor Earnhardt's No. 88 Chevrolet next season.

"I got phone calls from so many companies, some of them in the sport that I never talked

to and some of them I had no idea even had any interest in the sport," Hendrick said Wednesday. "It was just phenomenal the amount of interest that was there."

The new sponsors feel they are a good fit for Earnhardt, who was casually drinking a 16-ounce Mountain Dew Amp Energy drink during Wednesday's unveiling.

"They got me up at 5 o'clock this morning, so I've been able to test the effectiveness of the product," he joked. "I'm pleased to be sitting here and not yawning."

The new alliances mark a clear shift from the party-boy image Budweiser cultivated that made Junior a phenomenon.

Now that he's 32 and growing up, Earnhardt is turning into a corporate pitchman.

The new sponsors will be joined by a new car number. Earnhardt has driven the No. 8 Chevrolet full-time for DEI since 2000, and he tried to take the No. 8 with him to Hendrick. But stepmother Teresa Earnhardt refused to give up her rights to it, and Mark Martin and Eric Almirola will co-drive it next year with sponsorship from the U.S. Army.

The No. 88 was used by Robert Yates Racing, which asked NASCAR to transfer the number to Hendrick for Earnhardt.

"Ralph Earnhardt drove the No. 88 Olds in 1957 and because

of this number's history with the Earnhardt family, I felt car No. 88 should continue with Dale Earnhardt, Jr.," Robert Yates said in a statement.

In addition to new sponsorships, Earnhardt signed personal services contracts this summer with Sony and Adidas, and unveiled a personally designed candy bar on Tuesday in Chicago.

"I think there is a little bit of a maturation of Dale Jr. as a brand," said Mark Dyer, CEO of Motorsports Authentics, the largest marketer of NASCAR merchandise.

"I think they were ready to go in a different direction with his image. With the change to Hen-

drick, they were ready to switch their alignments and partners and I think that's a healthy evolution."

Earnhardt insists he won't stray from his down-to-earth personality.

"People understand what our model has been since we've started, that we'd be ourselves," he said. "You've had a chance to get to know me and you know how I do things. They knew coming in that I like being myself, and being honest and telling the truth."

"The truth is hard to hide from, so it's easier just to tell it and be honest with your fans and be honest with yourself. I think that they're comfortable

with that, and I'll be comfortable already working with them."

It's what made him a natural fit for Pepsi, which was attracted to Earnhardt because he's a genuine Mountain Dew drinker.

"He's very popular and he's very successful, but more than that what appeals to us is he's an authentic person," said Dawn Hudson, CEO of Pepsi-Cola North America.

Thayer Lavielle, who runs the marketing and brand development at Earnhardt's JR Motorsports, said Junior's popularity affords him the opportunity to choose partners carefully.

"Dale Jr. is not a corporate pitchman, that's just not who he is," Lavielle said.

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WHY? Heat affects the spring tension over time. We replace the drum brake hardware for proper brake shoe hold down and return. This allows the brake shoes to wear evenly and for reduced brake drag.
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\$100.01 - \$250.00	\$25.00
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